DUKE UNIVERSITY
LIBRARY



Digitized by the Internet Archive
in 2014

https://archive.org/details/northcarolinachr60unit

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, January 7, 191[illegible] | Number 1

te of Earnest Protest was issued last
United States against the high
with American commerce
ions. The note was ad-
and is, of course, in-
as to the attitude
d in war to-
ers. While
and
iev-

Div. Sch.
F287.605
N864
C292x
v.60
1915

[illegible] Room
[illegible]y College

A SONG OF TRUST

GERTRUDE BENEDICT CURTIS

I cannot always see the way that leads
To heights above;
I sometimes quite forget He leads me on
With hand of love;
But yet I know the path must lead me to
Immanuel's land,
And when I reach life's summit I shall know
And understand.

I cannot always see the plan on which
He builds my life,
For oft the sound of hammers, blow on blow,
The noise of strife,
Confuse me till I quite forget He knows
And oversees,
And that in all details, with His good plan
My life agrees.

I cannot always know and understand
The Master's rule;
I cannot always do the task He gives
In life's hard school;
But I am learning with His help to solve
Them, one by one,
And when I cannot understand, to say,
"Thy will be done!"

—*Selected.*

46937

Advocate

at Greensboro, N. C., as
the second class.

- - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

Year $1.50
Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS

It is not our custom to discontinue subscriptions when the time paid for expires, without notice. Subscribers who do not wish the paper continued should send notice to discontinue direct to the office. Otherwise they will be expected to pay for the paper

OUR BUILDING FUND

It is important that those who have made pledges to our Advocate Building Fund should make payment of at least one-half of the amount. This first installment was due November 1st, 1914. Many made their settlements promptly at the Annual Conference, while quite a number have sent us their checks since Conference. There are a good many, however, who have not settled and this interferes with our plan to make a payment on our note early in the year. If those who are still due will strain a point and send us the money during this month it will be greatly appreciated and will enable us to cut down our debt and stop a heavy interest account.

We are still receiving pledges and are glad to report that the amount still unprovided for is less than $1600. Will not every Advocate subscriber come to our help now and send us a contribution to help free our Advocate building from this indebtedness? Send $50.00, or $25.00, or $20.00, or $10.00, or $5.00, or $2.50, or $1.00, if you can send no more. The year 1915 must see this debt all wiped out. Then all our people will rejoice to know that we have an Advocate building and printing plant here in the growing city of Greensboro, valued at $40,000, all our own and free from encumbrance. If any Conference enterprise ever made effectual appeal to our people this should.

Statements have been mailed recently to all who are still due, and we trust it may not be necessary for us to remind these with another statement. Make check payable to

H. M. Blair, Tr.,
Greensboro, N. C.

OUR ADVOCATE DAY

As already announced, Sunday, Jan. 17th, has been set apart as Advocate Sunday. This is by agreement of the presiding elders, lay leaders and the Board of Missions in their meeting at Salisbury last month. Pastors and congregations are expected to co-operate in the effort to induce all families who are not taking the paper to do so, also to bring up those who are in arears and advance them for a year on their subscriptions. It is expected also that the week following shall be used for a thorough follow-up canvass, so that those not reached in the congregation may be sought out and canvassed. The plan is a concerted one, and it is hoped that no one will be allowed to escape.

By observing the day and week it is hoped first that the full number of new subscribers allotted to the charge will be secured, so that when the reports are all in we shall have a very large increase in our circulation. The second aim is to secure the back dues and renewal subscription of those who have fallen behind. The lists have just been sent out to all the pastors and by reference to these lists it can be determined who to approach either for a new subscription or for collection of back dues and renewal. If in any case the lists sent out are not complete, we shall be glad to furnish supplementary lists.

An unusual number were carried over last year who failed to send in their renewals. Now we want this canvass to bring these up or clear the list of them, for we are not able to carry them. Let the week, January 17-24, be **Pay-Up Week for Advocate Subscribers**

Such a list of delinquents as we are carrying will soon prove a millstone about our necks financially, and would drag the whole business into bankruptcy. So we are compelled to insist that preachers and people take the matter a little more seriously than ever before, and get ready to make the day and week count. We shall expect reports sent in immediately after the fourth Sunday and it is our purpose to publish the result in each charge the following week, showing the number of new subscribers secured, also amount collected on renewals.

Of course those who have already been at work can include what they have previously secured. We are trusting our faithful pastors and laymen to rally to the Advocate and make **Sunday, January 17th** and the week following the greatest event in the history of the paper.

ENCOURAGING SIGNS

The editor is greatly heartened for the work of the new year on account of the many encouraging letters coming from the men in the field. These men not only express great interest in the effort to extend the circulation of the Advocate, but a deep concern for the success of the new movement in the interest of evangelism, and all the interests of the Kingdom. As a rule our preachers are not asleep, nor are they indifferent to the obligations of service upon them. Their hearts are burning with a zeal for the salvation of the indifferent and godless multitudes, and as these fires kindle from heart to heart we expect to hear very soon of the "times of refreshing from the presence of the Lord."

There is no surer contagion than that of religious zeal, and the normal place for the kindling of this zeal and the breaking forth of this contagion is right in the heart of the pastor himself. The two most blessed and effective revivals ever conducted by the writer occurred in March, a very unusual season, and each began in the regular services without previous notice. It could not be said that they occurred without previous preparation, for the preaching and pastoral work for weeks had looked almost exclusively in this direction. In each case the beginning of the meeting was like a case of spontaneous combustion. The Spirit was there, and men and women responded to His call. There was no trouble about attendance, nor were any heard to say that the meeting had been undertaken at the wrong time. From the service in which the revival fires broke forth the meetings were continued from day to day and it seemed an easy and joyful task to persuade the unsaved to seek salvation. "The Lord added to the church daily such as were being saved," just as truly as on the day of pentecost.

Somehow we feel that in many places in the bounds of our Conference similar occurences are going to be recorded before many weeks. These men who write to the editor of their yearning and travail of soul, must surely have a message for their people that is not aimless or without meaning. They are not going out with the sword of the Spirit to fight as one that beateth the air. It will not be long till we hear the note of victory if we quench not the fires that are already kindling in our hearts.

One of the revivals to which we have referred occurred in a large country congregation, where roads were muddy and the people were scattered. Let there be no hesitation or discouragement because of untoward circumstances. "Where the Spirit of the Lord is there is liberty," and the spirit of liberty means power. Such power will always surmount difficulties —such faith will remove mountains.

Oh, for a mighty vision of opportunity and an inspiration for joyous service that will set all our hearts on fire and bring the joyous note of victory for which we pray and listen!

DEATH OF REV. JOHN N. COLE, D. D.

Rev. John N. Cole, D. D., of the North Carolina Conference, and since the year 1904, Superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh, passed peacefully to his reward on Friday morning of last week, at 6 o'clock. Dr. Cole died at the Charlotte Sanitarium, where he went about one month ago for treatment. He had been in declining health for some two years, and early last year spent a short while at the Sanitarium in Charlotte, returning to his work very much improved; but the improvement was only temporary, a return of the same ailment resulting in his death.

Dr. Cole was a sweet-spirited man, and drew others to him. As a pastor, for many years, he was immensely popular, combining in an unusual degree the gifts of the acceptable preacher and pastor. His pulpit ministrations were always tender and persuasive. He knew how to temper rebuke with the spirit of love and sympathy, and always performed the duties of his high calling in obedience to the apostolic injunction, "with all longsuffering." His removals while in the pastorate were almost always occasioned by the time limit. His people were apparently reluctant to give him up as he was indisposed to break the sacred ties which bound them together.

This fine disposition which had so distinguished him in the pastorate made him an easy mark for the trustees of the orphanage, when, in 1904, they found a vacancy at the head of this institution. Here his fine qualities soon shone out in his tender care for these fatherless ones, and his administrative ability was even more marked. The crowning glory of his beautiful life was his ten years of service at the head of the orphanage. What a pity it seems to those of us who remain that he should have been taken away in the midst of his plans for an even greater work! But God knows best, and will carry on his work, while one by one he takes his servants home.

The editor of the Advocate came into intimate touch with the deceased during the first year of his ministry, having served that year a neighboring charge. From that day, through all the years, we have never ceased to love him and we chronicle his death with profound sorrow.

Dr. Cole is survived by his widow, who was Miss Elizabeth Marshall Jones, of Mecklenburg county, Va., and six children, namely, Miss Mary Cole, of Raleigh; Mrs. Plato T. Durham, of Atlanta, Ga.; Mr. John Nelson Cole, Jr., of New York City; Miss Marshall Cole, Miss Alice Cole and Mr. Henry P. Cole, of Raleigh. To these and the host of friends throughout the state who share in this sorrow, we extend our sincere sympathy.

IN THE BEATEN PATH

Rev. Luther E. Todd, in his remarkable book, Evangelism Exemplified, calls attention to the danger which ever confronts the churches in our towns and cities. This danger is that of going along from year to year in a beaten path. We fall so easily into the rut of formal service—conventional worship—and, with great labor and some sacrifice, we accomplish nothing, for the reason that we are really aiming at nothing.

We need a Men and Religion Movement, not of the sort which contents itself with efforts at social service alone, but of the sort exemplified by the four men who brought their friend, the palzied man, to Jesus, and got help for the soul—the forgiveness of sins—as well as healing for the body. We need a type of Christian work in personal service that will smash all conventional rules and so-called religious proprieties in order that a sinner may be brought to Christ.

If the church is to be saved from the rut; if it is to be held out of this beaten path which leads to death, there must be organization for definite work. The church is already organized to death, some say. But this is true only because such organization has no reference to the matter of personal evangelism. It is possible for men and women to wear themselves out in so-called religious work, and yet have little or nothing to their credit in the way of real achievement for Christ. They keep up their societies and religious organizations much after the order of the social club, and they have their reward. They serve at their social banquets, pink teas and great bazaars, working very diligently and unselfishly, and they have their reward; but it is not the joy which thrills the heart of one who, either singly or in com-

bination with others, leads a soul into the light of pardoning grace.

Why can we not organize our people for personal work in soul-saving? Why can we not send them forth, two by two, to take definite hold upon the unsaved by prayer and conversation and bring them to the house of God and to personal decision for Christ? We could well afford to transform our Women's Societies, our Epworth Leagues, our Sunday schools and all church organizations into working centers for the promotion of evangelism. Making this their primary work, they will surely not fail in any other object for which they labor.

Mr. Todd very aptly says: "Cities and towns are teeming with people just outside the kingdom of Christ. The churches in these places go along from year to year in a beaten path. Some of them have difficulty in paying expenses and fail to show a reason for their existence. And all the time multiplied thousands of un-Christian and non-affiliate human beings crowd by and around and sometimes through these same churches without the least danger of being taken up and assimilated by them. There is enough wasted dynamic in the lives of such people to give the church sufficient momentum to bring in the kingdom of Christ in a single decade."

Let us not waste our energies longer upon efforts and methods that are too indefinite and aimless to either save ourselves or our fellowmen.

STATE CONVENTION ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE

On another page will be found the full program of the State Convention of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League which is to be held in Raleigh on Wednesday and Thursday, January 13-14. This will be one of the most important meetings ever held in this state in the interest of prohibition, and we sincerely hope that every organization entitled to representation will have a full delegation.

The last lick that will finally dispatch the old serpent in North Carolina is to be struck by this legislature. There is no doubt about this lick being struck provided the pressure of public sentiment is placed upon the members of the House and Senate. Much depends upon the attendance and interest in this convention. Let the people wake up and see that the shipping of liquor into the state and making every express office a dispensary be stopped by a special law which can not so easily be evaded.

NOTE AND COMMENT

From Many Places in the state the report comes that large amounts of liquor were received by express for the holidays. While this is true no doubt it is evident that drinking and drunken carousal have been far less in evidence than in former years. If the present legislature does not prove a dismal disappointment we expect these shipments to be cut off in the future and then we will have the opportunity of seeing a thoroughly sober holiday season in North Carolina.

* * * *

Hard Times are very much the product of our manner of living. An exchange puts the matter about right in the following economic lecture: "Yes, these times are hard, we throw away ashes and buy soap; we raise dogs and buy hogs; we grow weeds and buy vegetables; we catch fish with a four dollar rod; we build school houses and send our children away to be educated; and last but not least, we send our boys out with a $40 gun and a $20 dog to hunt ten-cent game. Yes, these are hard times, but whose fault is it? Don't place all the blame on the president and the trusts."

* * * *

The Belgian Relief Fund has done great good and will bear good fruit, not only in lives saved, but in the promotion of the brotherly spirit among the nations, as well as helping to prevent a condition of anarchy. The American Consul general at Brussels, is quoted as saying: "The American commission got to work only just in time. If the food had been delayed a few days more the effect might have been tragic. You cannot preserve law and order among starving people. Brussels is now calm and orderly and there is not likely to be any change in the present situation for some time to come."

* * * *

The Manufacture of Cotton in North Carolina is increasing very rapidly; and yet the facilities in the way of undeveloped water power, available raw material, etc., are such that it is not extravagant to say that we are only beginning an industry in which we may yet lead the world. The figures given out by the Bureau of the Census on the supply and use of cotton for the cotton year ending August 31st, shows that the increase of the consumption of cotton in this state was from 653,350 bales in 1913, to 906,177 bales in 1914, or 38.7 per cent. The figures show that this is the best percentage of gain of any state in the Union. Gaston County leads in the state, with 507,792 spindles and the State ranks second in the Union in the amount of cotton consumed, Massachusetts being first. South Carolina comes third and Georgia fourth. North Carolina produced 935,000 bales last year, just 28,823 more than she consumed.

* * * *

A Significant Item is given in a dispatch from Columbus, Ohio, under date of December 23rd. It says: "The Hoster-Columbus Breweries Company, a $12,000,000 corporation, went into the hands of receivers today on orders of the Federal District Court. Decreased demand for beer, adverse legislation and the voting "dry" of many States and counties in the last eight years were given as the causes."

* * * *

The Hobson Resolution to submit a constitutional amendment for national prohibition, came up in the House of Representatives on December 22, and is said to have been defeated. This is true in the sense that there was lacking the two-thirds vote required by the law for submission. Nevertheless, the vote stood 197 for and 189 against, showing a majority in its favor. This is a great triumph for the cause of national prohibition and we have no doubt that, before many years, the measure will pass with a large majority in its favor. The cause is growing and will grow with a vastly accelerated ratio in the future. Party lines were wiped out in the struggle. Democratic Leader Underwood and Republican Leader Mann fought shoulder to shoulder at the head of the forces opposing the resolution. And when the vote came of the 197 standing for the resolution, 114 were Democrats, 68 Republicans, 11 were Progressives and four were Progressive Republicans. Two of our North Carolina representatives, Small and Pou, spoke and voted against the measure. It is said they are not expecting to stand for re-election. It would seem so. Flushed by what they term the moral victory of mustering a majority vote in favor of the Hobson resolution, prohibition leaders frankly avowed their intention of making the eradication of rum an issue in the next presidential campaign. Not only do they assert their determination to put the great political parties on record, but declare they will carry the fight into every congressional district and seek to force senatorial candidates to take a position in every state. They propose to make their fight both in the primary and general elections. Agents of the liquor forces, while openly claiming to have swamped the drys, privately concede that the closeness of the first vote ever taken on the issue in Congress is not encouraging.

* * * *

Regarding Neutrality, Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis, pastor ofPlymouth Church, Brooklyn, is reported to have said: "When the time comes that I have to add God and the devil together and divide by two in the name of neutrality, I'll withdraw. I am not going to sacrifice my manhood for what some people call neutrality." Dr. Hillis said that for several months he had felt that the world must hope for German defeat, although, in one of his lectures before the war, dealing with "The New Germany," he praised German progress, German ideals, German inventions and German principles."

A Note of Earnest Protest was issued last week by the United States against the high handed interference with American commerce by the belligerant nations. The note was addressed to Great Britain and is, of course, intended to settle the question as to the attitude of all the powers now engaged in war toward the commerce of neutral powers. While the note is a friendly one it is yet firm and positive in the statement of our ground of grievance, and it is hoped that the result will be the withdrawal of vexatious interferance with American merchant ships. The document points out that complaints on every side and public criticism in the United States hold the British policy as directly responsible for the depression in many American industries, a situation the seriousness of which must be apparent to Great Britain. Feeling has been aroused on the subject to such an extent, the communication adds, that the American Government feels compelled to ask for definite information as to Great Britain's attitude, in order that it may take such measures as will protect American citizens in their rights.

* * * *

The Lord Smiled Upon Us last year in giving us the most favorable season upon the whole that this country has ever enjoyed, as evidenced by the unprecedented crop which was harvested. Secretary of Agriculture Houston, on December 30th, announced that the value of all farm crops, farm animal products and farm animals sold and slaughtered aggregated $9,872,936,000. That was $83,000,000 more than the grand total for 1913, the previous record year. It was more than double the value of all farm products in 1899.

Crops this year were valued at $6,044,480,000 and farm animal products at $3,828,456,000. The value of crops was slightly less than in 1913, on account of the reduced value of cotton. The corn and wheat crops, however, were the most valuable ever produced. They brought the year's crop value total to only $88,279,000 less than the total for last year, despite the loss of more than $300,000,000 in the value of cotton.

The value of the principal farm crops this year was: Corn, $1,702,599,000; wheat, $878,680,000; hay, $779,968,000; cotton, $519,616,000; oats, $499,431,000; potatoes, $198,609,000; barley, $105,903,000; tobacco, $101,411,000; sweet potatoes, $41,294,000; rye, $37,018,000; sugar beets, $27,950,000; rice, $21,849,000; flax seed, $19,540,000 and buckwheat, $12,892,000.

* * * *

That Church and State should be kept entirely separate in matters affecting religious rights and privileges, and especially religious beliefs, is a very wholesome doctrine. The people are justly jealous of any tendency to subvert this principle of American government. We think, however, that some of our Baptist brethren are over sensitive on this subject. When the danger to this principle is used as a plea to keep the Bible out of public schools or to bar the State from helping to support institutions that are taking care of helpless children for which they have not otherwise provided, it looks a little like the "dog in the manger" trick. The people who oppose State appropriations to our orphanages would likewise oppose the State under a proposition to take over the whole business. We may be mistaken, but it looks this way just now.

* * * *

The War Situation in Europe has changed but little in France and Belgium for the last month. The Allies have been pressing hard against the German line all along, but have made almost insignificant advances. However, they have kept the enemy busy, which was doubtless their object, so as to prevent the withdrawal of men with which to strengthen the army of Von Hindenberg, operating against the Russians in the east. It seems that during the past week or more the Russians have resumed the offensive and have pressed their way through the Carpathians, again putting the Austrians to a rather disastrous rout, while they have completely checked the German army in front of Warsaw.

PERMANENT ELEMENTS OF EDUCATION

By W. A Harper, President Elon College

Education's Permanent Elements Make It Worth While. It is the permanent elements of education that justify the vast expenditure of money for it and the enlistment of hundreds of thousands of teachers in its army of workers. More than 400 colleges and universities with more than ten thousand teachers and more than 400,000 students, with endowment aggregating more than a billion dollars, make up the higher educational budget of the United States. More than 18,000,000 pupils taught by more than half a million teachers receiving salaries out of the public exchequer aggregating more than $500,000,000 annually represent numerically the American people's interest in secondary education. And these expenditures in money and in human energy are increasing every year. It is because we have seen, or think we have, certain abiding elements in education that we are willing to invest men and money in it in such bewildering proportions. We have found, or think we have, that education pays well for every dollar invested in it and for every particle of neural force devoted to its acquisition. The American people sit at the feet of the pedagogue during the formative period of childhood and adolescence and far into that of early man- and womanhood, as no other people ever have, and they do it because of the permanent elements they have seen in education.

I. Practical Information

Education Should Add to Practical Efficiency. Among these permanent elements the practical American would place foremost, practical information, knowledge equipping directly for some vocation, skill contributing to wealth production and industrial success. We have departed far from the old notion that a gentleman should have no business. The American gentleman with no business is your tramp or jail-bird. We believe that work ennobles man and consider every loafer a parasite, whether he be rich or poor. Education ought to be practical and it ought to assist in achieving material success. It always has and it always will, or it will cease to be. In insisting on the practical benefits of education, however, there is involved the danger of stunting the finer sensibilities of the soul and reducing life to materialism only. We must all make our living—that is materialistic—and that living should be the best of which we are capable—that is crass materialism, and yet I believe in it. I would include in "best" however many things the extreme materialist would rigorously exclude. I would not be content with muck-raking only; I would occasionally peep at the stars.

But Its Insistence Should Be on Man, Not Practical. In our insistence on practical education we should put the emphasis on **education,** rather than on **practical.** Man is the most important element in education, not practicality. You can never make a first-rate lawyer out of a man God has set aside to till the soil, and the best way to make of him the most efficient farmer possible is to give him acquaintance with life in the large as well as with the practical, technical training required of the farmer. The best man is your broad, catholic, sympathetic man, and this holds true whether he be a farmer, a mechanic or a professional man, and this type of man, the man who makes his living and at the same time lives a life, this type of man will help forward the life of every man who feels the impulse of his energy or even remotely is touched by his influence.

We Must Not Convert Our Schools Into Apprentice Shops. The narrow specialist, the man who has confined himself to one thing to the exclusion of everything else, who has seen in education only practical information and in life only his own vocation—that man may make his millions, may stand at the top of his profession, but his own life will be poor in the elements that really make living worth while—poor in the things that elevate human life above mere animal existence and bring it close to God. This is not decrying success. This is not decrying material success. It is pleading for man as the master of materialism as against man enslaved to his own acquisitions. And it is a plea that needs to be made. Short-sighted educationists, mad with desire for popularity, are enunciating in catching phrases the gospel of mammon and the mammonites are saying "amen and amen." They would eliminate from our schools all but practical studies and they would introduce vocational training everywhere possible. They would convert our schools into apprentice shops and put under the ban of disapproval every ideal save that of materialistic success. We need apprentice shops, but we need schools also. Our schools will quicken our ideals. Our apprentice shops will enable us to work out in material form these ideals. But if our schools become apprentice shops, where will our ideals be?

The Old Countries Are No Safe Criterion For America. The advocates of vocational training and practical education as the only worthy aim of our educational system do not help their cause when they cite the examples of foreign countries as justifying their reform. They forget that life in those countries is cast in certain moulds, and that there is very little, if any, transference from one stratum of society to another. Sons and daughters of the nobles will be nobles and the children of artisans will follow their forebears. Not so in America, where even the humblest can aim at the highest station. In the old country there is very little need for the quickening of ideals, but in America such quickening is the secret of our glory and the destiny of our future. Yet even in the old countries, there exist two types of education—practical for the children of the poor and the artisans, and classical for the education of the professional and higher classes. We shall likely come to some such arrangement in this country, but as between the vocational school only and the classical school only, there can be but one choice for a nation whose national greatness is dependent upon the ideals that stir the heart's blood of its every citizen.

The Real Practicalness Which We Need. And yet I am willing to grant that education should give practical information, that it should give special training, that it should yield expert skill for the work of life, but not to the exclusion of those studies which really enrich life and render it worth while. We need specialization and vocational training and practical education and we will have them, but in their getting let us not forget that idealism too is a potent factor in human progress, and even a more potent factor than realism, which would not be and could not be without idealism as the fuel producing its energy. Let us put our emphasis on man and life first and on specialism and making a living next and in sweet self-forgetfulness realize our best selves and live our best lives. Education animated and controlled by such a spirit cannot but yield us the best results in terms of life and in point of practical information—not the information that narrows and belittles man, but that broadens and uplifts and exalts him.

II. Mental Power

His Mental Power Ennobles Man. There can be no more inviting claim set forth for education's necessity than that it generates mental power, for it is to mental power that we must look as the source of human progress. From his eyes down no man is worth more than $1.50 a day, but he who is thoroughly developed from his eyes up may command a salary mounting up to startling proportions. Mental power—that is the difference; and that is the sort of power we have the right to expect from our educational system.

Power and Skill Are Far Different. We have the right to inquire of any institution offering us its services or seeking our support what it can do in the matter of generating mental power. Does it propose to take the undeveloped human being and to make him into a man remarkable for his mental grasp? If so, it is entitled to our respect and should have our support. If it merely proposes to train him more deftly and skillfully as an animal, with little or no attention to mental power, then we should look elsewhere for education. There is a vital difference between skill and power. Skill enables us to utilize power, it is the belting that transfers the power from the dynamo to the wheels and the machinery of the plant, but is powerless without the dynamo, the source of the power. We need to consider this carefully in deciding as between schools and colleges. Your special schools put the emphasis on skill; your colleges put it on power. Our normal schools train—they do not educate. They give skill—they do not give power. The normal school reviews carefully the ground covered by the grammar and high school curriculum. It adds to that methods of teaching and practice in teaching, but makes no advance in general education. Normal graduates for the first few months outshine in the classroom the college graduates, because of their skill. They are limited in power, however, and their superiority is brief and momentary. As soon as experience gives the college graduate skill, her magnificent power places her in a different class as a teacher and she far outdistances her normal trained competitors. It is power that counts, not skill, because power will express itself and skill is its handmaid.

A Case In Point—Ponder It Well. What has been said of teaching applies equally well to every other vocation. The other day I read the curriculum of a far-famed technical school—a curriculum that was designed to produce civil and electrical engineers. It had the smell of the shop. I could see almost nothing in it but machinery and the whirr of the wheels was almost audible as I read. Three courses in English, one in Political Economy, two in German or French, with technical mathematics and applied science with shop work—that was the curriculum offered as constituting an education, with no history and no philosophy and no acquaintance with the great literature of the world and no real knowledge in the liberalizing sense of either English, Mathematics, or Natural or Social Science. Those who are thus educated may repair railroads and operate machinery, but they will never tunnel under the Hudson nor construct the Panama Canal nor invent any contrivance for the uplift of man. Your great engineers are they who have been thoroughly educated before their special training began, whose special training has been the belting and shafting by which their previously generated mental power and acumen were applied to the practical problems of their profession.

Narrow Men Always Run In Ruts. These principles apply to the farmer, to the business man, to the mechanic, to the minister, to the physician, to the lawyer, to every type of man. The narrow man must necessarily work in grooves. He is not broad enough to avoid ruts. He is powerless to strike out along new lines, because he is limited in horizon, deficient in vision, and devoid of ideals. What does he know of England who only England knows? What does he know of medicine who only medicine knows? Such narrowness yields skill, but not power, and power makes the wheels of life go and keeps them from moving always in the same old way.

The College Course Generates Mental Power Generously. The college course, following the proper sort of preparatory education, is able to develop this needful mental power. It enlarges the vision, quickens the ideals, strengthens every mental faculty—and these are the main-springs of power in the mental realm. The college curriculum interprets the past, lays bare the present, and unfolds the future, thus laying a solid foundation for the understanding of life and the cultivation of the judgment. In history the student sees the passions of men at play under all circumstances. He is

thus enabled to weigh the problems of life in a sure balance, and he who knows his history will not be easily lured into hurtful schemes of wild-cat reform. Language and literature enlarges his life by revealing to him the aims, ambitions, and ideals of every conceivable type of man. His sympathies are thus quickened and he is better able to help his fellows to the light, basing his helpfulness on the enenlarged experience in living offered all who ramble widely in literature's paradise of charm. Social Science gives him insight into the institutional life of man and qualifies him to understand the intricate problems of government and society. Natural Science will show him nature and nature's God, and through this knowledge he will be prepared to turn natural forces into helpful channels of human uplift. Mathematics will not only teach him painstaking exactness in thinking, but will encourage him to expect definite results from definite forces in composition. The man who knows his higher mathematics—his calculus and his conic sections—will be no easy prey to schemers and charlatans with pet theories of great deliverance to man through insignificant social alterations. And philosophy, in which should be included ethics and Bible study, will bring him face to face with men's highest hopes and holiest aspirations, and no man who has felt his soul stir in the presence of these transcendant problems with their attendant hopes can be other than a new man for his experience. The man who has covered the gamut of life—past, present and future—as it is revealed in the college curriculum, becomes a man of power, of mental power. We may not be able to ferret out the physics or the chemistry or the biology of it, but we know that it is even so. One day perhaps we shall understand the process of it, but such understanding is no more necessary to its acquisition and enjoyment than understanding the manner of conversion is to the enjoyment of the Christian life. We know the college course gives this power and we know this power is necessary to the individual who is to lead the world to redemption, and we who are wise will never rest till we have it or till those dependent upon us for their outlook on life through our efforts have had it or have had the opportunity to have it.

III. Processes of Work

Education Cultivates Proper Habits of Work and Thought. If college did no more for a man than cultivate correct habits of work and thought, it would on that score only be entitled to every man's respect and support. The regular recurrance of college duties may be inconvenient at times, but so are the duties of the work-a-day world. The punctual performance of these duties will tell wonderfully in after years, when the stress and the storm of life's obligations gather thick and fast about us. Every college man has in his vocational duties after graduation had occasion to feel grateful to the routine exacted by the rules and regulations of his college days. He may have found them interfering with his pleasures and desires at times and he may have yielded a half-hearted obedience, when he was under obligation to attend class rather than witness a great athletic contest in a near-by city, but in his maturer years when the self-discipline thus achieved has brought him the needful resolution for sticking to his duties in the face of discouragements or inviting pleasure, his mind will revert to the old scenes and gratitude will well up within him for lasting benefits received.

And Cultivates The Will—The Real Sovereign. But it may be objected that such discipline can be had in a store or a factory or the army. In a sense this is true, but with a vital difference. In a store or a factory or the army, the duties are prescribed and the "boss" under whatever title, enforces strict adherence thereto or discharges the refractory employee. There is not much opportunity for the display of the will power in making choice between duties that may be neglected and pleasures that bid for indulgence. No such seminary for the development of the will has ever been devised as the small college, where parental care is showered over all and where duties and pleasures involving the will's cultivation and development are plenteously supplied. To this benign opportunity for strengthening the will through exercise the vocations of daily life can offer no parallel.

And Gives Man the Keys to the Storehouse of Knowledge. But far more valuable than the inculcation of correct habits of work and thought is the acquaintance the college course gives with the field of universal knowledge and the processes of attacking the problems that demand solution at our hands. It is not required that a man shall remember all he learns during his college days in order to profit by his study. He may forget all the Latin and Greek he ever knew and not be able to demonstrate a single proposition in geometry nor perform a single experiment in science. He may not be able to recall the facts of history nor the schools of philosophy, and yet have in the mastery of these items of forgotten lore acquired such insight into the methods of attacking difficult problems that he is qualified for leadership in the affairs of life, and where other men falter and ultimately go down in the fierce onslaught, he calmly and serenely and self-confidently, because of his rare insight into the processes of grappling with difficult situations, goes on to rich and satisfying achievement. Let the college man who shrinks from the tangled maze of his daily allotment of Greek and Latin or higher mathematics content himself with the sweet thought that in their mastery he is destined to discover the golden threads of the most effective processes of work—a discovery that shall give him a tremendous lead in the race of life. And further let him consider that his wide acquaintance with truth as the college course opens it up to him will stand him in good stead in coming days and enable him with little effort to keep himself informed or to inform himself as to any matter involving expert skill in investigation. The training of the will through manifold decisions, the inculcation of correct habits of work and thought, the insight into the effective processes of grappling with difficult situations, and the possession of a wide range of knowledge connected with the ability to investigate for himself any particular realm of it—these are priceless boons of college education and happy is the man who fortunately is possessed of them.

IV. General Culture

I Said Culture, Not Polish. Note that I did not say polish, but culture. Polish is put on from the outside. It is a veneer and its thinness is easily discernible by all. But culture is from within out. It does not come off because it is not put on. There are schools which essay to teach culture. They really teach polish—what might perhaps be dubbed culturine—and their product is distasteful to all who really know what true culture is. The graduates of such schools know the latest styles of dress and the names of the newest indigestible fiands and the tricks of entertaining and are past masters in idleness and frivolity. "They are experts at playing bridge, but veriest ignoramuses at playing Bridget." If they are possessed of culture, the less we have of it the better.

The Real Culture of the Educated Man. The culture for which I plead is that which Matthew Arnold described as acquaintance with the best that has been thought, said, and done in man's history. Such acquaintance gives dignity, gives charm, gives worth to its possessor. Such a person is refined, genuinely refined, because his refinement is the outcropping of his soul and not the habiliment of a groom. He is cultured, genuinely cultured, because high thinking always takes practical form in culture that cannot fail—a culture as high above that which comes of fashionable living as a real man is above his pampered horse or a real woman is above her fondled poodle. The man or woman of culture is at home in the kitchen or the workshop, in the parlor, in society, in educated circles, among the unlearned, amid wealth or poverty, everywhere or anywhere, and at any time. His culture does not puff him up, but makes him the servant of all his fellows, and wherever there is human need to be satisfied he has found his friend and neighbor. Such culture comes unconsciously, as a by-product. It comes without being sought for, but when it has come, what a richness, what a joy, what a halo of glory it lends the life of its possessor and of every one with whom he comes in contact! And nothing else can yield it so sweetly as the college course.

V. Christian Character

But Christian Character Is Education's Highest Contribution to Life. But the crowning contribution of education to life-equipment is Christian character. Nothing else can take its place. And the education which fails in this respect has failed beyond redemption. It becomes the enemy of progress and should be cast into outer darkness. A man without character, without Christian character, is a danger to our civilization, and the better he is educated the greater menace he becomes to our free institutions. We want education and we will have it; but we want education based on Christian character even more, and we are determined to have it. We will not permit any maudlin sentimentality in regard to the necessity of free-thought to rob us of the most vital element in any education—character and the God that makes character possible. We believe in the right of each individual to choose his own religious faith, but we also believe that the educational system should make it easy, not hard, for him to have faith at all. Freedom of thought is not synonymous with skepticism and infidelity and if it is, we will have no more freedom of thought. The American people have issued their ultimatum to this fetish of a deluded age. They have said to it: "You shall not crucify the most priceless possession of life, Christian character, on your cross of free-thought. Christian character has been our nation's bulwark in all our generations. It has brought us to leadership in national and private life. It has been our pillar of fire by night and our pillar of cloud by day. It is to us evidence that the God of our fathers is with us yet, with us yet, and you shall not sacrifice this glorious heritage on your altar of free-thought. If your education cannot give us as its crowning work the sweet fruitage and exquisite charm of Christian character, then we will dwell with the Lord in the tents of the untutored and the unlearned!" So say the American people and so say we.

Which We Are Determined Our Educational System Shall Yield Us. And yet there are institutions in this Christian land, in this land where the sentiments just expressed represent the mature judgment of ninety per cent. and more of our people, in this Christian land of whose Christian ideals bodying themselves forth in most humanitarian methods and institutions we are pardonably proud, in this delightful Christian land, "Where the weak grow strong and the strong grow great," there are educational institutions from which young men and women, the flower of our country, each year emerge after four years of study and research with no more conception of the true God and of their relationship to Him or of His relationship to society than if they had been educated in the jungles of Africa. Isn't it awful? It is more than awful, but the day of redemption is at hand. We have scented the enemy and he is ours. We will never give up the battle, but will fight it out along this line if it takes us our life-time. And when we pass off the arena, we will transmit the feud to our children and they to theirs, till the virus of this deadly heresy has been absolutely eliminated from the veins of our national life. We value education, but we value Christian character even more, and the beauty of it is that we can have both if we will, and we will.

The golden age is not in the past, but in the future; not in the origin of human experience, but in its consummate flower; not opening in Eden, but out from Gethsemane.—Chapin.

Nothing can work me damage except myself. The harm that I sustain I carry about with me, and never am a real sufferer but by my own fault.—Saint Bernard.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM FIELD

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. J. R. Warren requests us to announce that his post office address is Hot Springs, N. C.

—The post office address of Rev. W. B. West is North Charlotte, and not Charlotte, as given in the Conference Journal.

—Rev. James Willson and family have moved from Woodleaf, Rowan County, where they have resided for some years and are now living on Holly Road, Southside, Winston-Salem.

—Rev. N. R. Richardson and family were the recipients of a generous pounding by their people at Mount Holly on the day before Christmas.

—Rev. Robert E. Hunt, pastor of the Alexander circuit, spent a portion of the holidays with relatives and friends in Greensboro. He was accompanied by his family.

—The Charlotte District Missionary Institute will be held at Marshville on Saturday and Sunday, January 19th and 20th. Thus we are informed by the District Lay Leader, Mr. John W. Gulledge.

—Rev. D. P. Waters, pastor of the Boone circuit, reports the marriage of Mr. C. R. Rich and Miss Bertie Blackburn, which took place at the parsonage in Boone on Friday, December 11th.

—Mr. Roy F. Ebbs and Miss Lucy Rheinhardt, both of Marshall, N. C., were united in marriage at the home of the bride's brother at that place on December 6, Rev. W. L. Rexford officiating.

—Rev. D. H. Comann, Conference Evangelist, is leading in revival services at Caraway Memorial church this week. Rev. A. R. Bell, the pastor, reports encouraging services up to the time of our going to press.

—Rev. Dr. E. L. Bain and his congregation at Centenary, Winston, observed the Watch-night on the last night of the old year. An interesting program was rendered and a reception was held in the Sunday school room. The occasion was very much enjoyed.

—Mr. Milo J. Jones and Miss Rosa DeLett Weeden, eldest daughter of Mrs. Lula Weeden, of Chapel Hill, N. C., were married at Tulsa, Oklahoma, at sunrise, Thursday, December 17. Mr. Jones graduated at the University of North Carolina in 1909. They will make their home at Oklahoma City, where Mr. Jones is practicing law.

—Rev. G. A. B. Holderby, writing to the Concord Times about his new charge at Clyde, says: "We were given a cordial welcome and good pounding, and hot supper ready at parsonage upon our arrival in Clyde the 27th inst., and are trusting the Lord for a great year in the work here, but we never expect to find truer friends than we left in the flourishing city of Concord."

—The churches of all denominations in Charlotte are preparing for a great union meeting to be held early in the spring. The meeting is to be in charge of the celebrated evangelist, J. Wilbur Chapman, and a great tabernacle is to be erected. We sincerely hope and pray that the meeting may bring great blessing to the city and surrounding country.

—A note from Rev. J. E. Woosley announces that Rev. E. G. Pusey, one of our most esteemed superannuates, was stricken with paralysis at his home in Morven on Friday of last week, and is now in a serious condition. The brethren of the Conference and numerous personal friends of Brother Pusey and family will not forget to pray for him.

—Bishop E. E. Hoss has the profound sympathy of the whole church in the great and sudden sorrow which came to him last week on account of the tragic death of his sister, Mrs. S. J. Kirkpatrick, of Jonesboro, Tenn., which occurred from the effect of burns on the night of December 27th. Her clothing caught fire while she stood before a grate.

—Rev. T. A. Groce, pastor of Sulphur Springs circuit, calls upon Sunday schools to contribute $1.00 each to help him furnish Pisgah church. This, it will be recalled, is the church which was burned one year ago, and which the congregation has replaced at great sacrifice. The cause is a worthy one and we hope many Advocate readers will respond to the call. Address Rev. T. A. Groce, Candler, N. C.

—Bishop E. D. Mouzon has accepted the deanship of the Theological Department of the Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas, and has removed his residence to that city. Referring to this the Texas Christian Advocate says: "Bishop Mouzon is greatly interested in the success of the University and will, during his spare time, give all the assistance and co-operation possible to the success of the school. He and his family are now in this city and installed in their new home, 2912 Oak Lawn Avenue, at which address his numerous correspondents can reach him."

—Many readers of the Advocate will be made sad by the news of the death of Mr. Cyrus T. Troy, which occurred at his home in Concord on Monday, December 21. Brother Troy had been in declining health for some time, but had been considered ill only for a few days before his death. He was a native of Randolph County, but had lived in Concord for about thirty-five years. He leaves a wife and two children, a son and daughter. For many years he had been an official member of our church at Forest Hill. May God greatly comfort the bereaved family.

—A sad note was sent out from Hickory on December 24, announcing the death of Dr. J. T. Johnson, one of the oldest and best loved physicians of that section of the state. Dr. Johnson had been in poor health for a number of years, but remained bright and cheerful to the last. The immediate cause of his death was pneumonia. He was nearly seventy-nine years old. For many years he was the superintendent of the Sunday school of First Church and had all his life been a faithful steward. No man ever made a more faithful record. The editor of the Advocate shares in the feeling of bereavement, for he was among our warmest friends. This friendship began when, a mere boy, we came in contact with him and found in him the encouragement and inspiration so much needed at the time. We shall expect to meet him and greet him in the innumerable company of the redeemed. May God greatly comfort the bereaved wife and two daughters that survive, also the church which he so much loved.

—A note from Rev. L. P. Bogle, mailed at Bristol, Va., on December 28th, brought the sad intelligence of the death of his father, Rev. E. H. Bogle, which occurred at that place on Saturday night, December 26th. Brother Bogle was seventy-four years old, and had been a faithful member of the Holston Conference for forty years. He joined the Conference in the same class with Geo. D. French, T. R. Handy and Bishop E. E. Hoss. The funeral was held on Monday, December 28th, the pastors of Bristol and near-by places acting as pall bearers. The Advocate joins with many friends and acquaintances in expressions of sympathy for the bereaved.

Bethel and Love's Chapel—Rev. W. I. Hughes, pastor, writes of the warm reception given to him and his family on their arrival, December 2nd. The parsonage was in readiness, warmth and good cheer abounded. Supper was waiting. The pastor is pleased with his new field. The unfavorable weather has greatly interfered with travel and retarded work.

Waxhaw Charge—Our return to Waxhaw for the third year was one of pleasure to us, and our reception was none the less pleasing. We had hardly returned to business before this splendid people began to stock us up for the holidays. First a "big turkey" was driven into our yard, followed by two "poundings, then by all the "Christmas cakes" the good wife could handle. Of course we have feasted. Now we are ready for the field. Best of all, is the assurance of the co-operation of our people in making 1915 one of the best of years for the churches of this charge. Last year it was "a hard pull" to round up as well as reported; this year work is being planned and put into execution in the beginning that such a thing as a shortage may be offset.

W. Francke Sandford.

Swannanoa—It was with reluctance that we left our good friends in Clyde, who had co-operated with us so faithfully in the past two years; but on November 26th we arrived at our new home to take up new duties and face solemn responsibilities.

We were met at the train by our old friend, Rev. P. C. Battle and son, who conducted us to the large new parsonage, where several ladies were waiting with a good warm house and a steaming hot supper. A few nights later a crowd gathered and gave us a very severe pounding of many good things, and things just kept coming ,for which we are glad.

One round has been made preaching, holding church conferences and revising registers; one Sunday school organized and six certificates for membership and several new Advocate subscribers.

As soon as we clear the indebtedness on the parsonage we aim to launch a new church enterprise on adjoining lots for the Swannanoa congregation.

We are going to try the every-member canvass plan for the benevolences. The stewards have agreed to increase the salary $100.00 and to assess each member, who will be required to pay monthly.

We are planning to do much evangelistic work this year. Let us work, labor and pray for a great year in the kingdom of our Lord.

Respectfully, J. F. Starnes.

Bethel—After a sojourn of four years with the good people of the Henderson charge we found our next home would be in Haywood County. So we gathered up our little belongings and set out for our new field. We arrived safe and sound, finding a warm welcome. The good ladies of Bethel had come to the parsonage and prepared a warm supper for us, and soon we felt at home again.

A few evenings later we found ourselves being pounded but not of the kind that makes us grouchy.

We are planning for a great year on this charge and to my mind it ought to be the banner charge in the district. With men like J. M. Moore, Dr. Wilson, John West and a host of other good laymen you may look out for a fine report at the end of the Conference year.

We are paving the way for the every-member canvass for the collections, and of course the Advocate will be included in this campaign.

Last, but not least, we are praying for the revival fires to burn in our charge as never before. God grant that this year may bring a general revival throughout our entire Conference.

Sincerely,

A. L. Latham.

Mount Pleasant—On the 26th day of Nov. we very reluctantly bade farewell to our friends at South Main Street Church in Salisbury, and turned our face toward our new field at Mt. Pleasant. We were sorry to have to leave such faithful and loyal friends as we had at South Main Street, but we stayed as long as the laws of our church would permit, so when the appointments were read we were appointed to the Mt. Pleasant charge. This is the beginning of our tenth year in the ministry and all our work has been in the Salisbury District. We were glad to find ourselves still in the same district, because we have always had the very best of presiding elders on this district and the people of the district are the best of people. I am glad to say that while we left faithful friends in Salisbury, we received a cordial welcome at Mount Pleasant.

We have been to our appointments twice and find the work in good condition. We have not had the usual pounding in a general way, but rather a continuous one. The people have been good to us and we hope to do our best work this year. As soon as the weather will permit we want to get out among the people and send in our number of new subscribers to the advocate and then some more.

Among the first duties we were called upon to perform after reaching our new work was to conduct the funeral of one of our best men, Brother J. D. Bough. He had been sick only a few weeks when the end came. Brother Baugh was a faithful man. He loved God and His cause and was willing to do anything for the advancement of His kingdom in the world. He was 65 years old and had been a member of the church since a boy. For some years he had been superintendent of the Sunday school at Friendship church. He will be greatly missed in the community in which He lived and in the church where He worked. His body was laid to rest in Cold Springs cemetery to await the morning of the resurrection. May the Holy Spirit comfort his loved ones who are left behind.

G. A. Stamper.

Franklin Circuit—Rev. W. G. Warren, pastor, writes pleasantly of past victories and future hopes and acknowledges with thanks the generous pounding with which he was happily suprised by the stewards of Iotla church recently. A check for $17.50 also came from Salem church. These things and other kindnesses have greatly encouraged the pastor and he is looking forward with hope of great success in the work this year.

Notice

Several brethren have asked me to assist them in meetings during the year, but have not designated the dates. I would be glad if all of the brethren who want my services during the year would let me know just as early as possible when they want me so that I can arrange my dates for the year. I am anxious to help in all of the meetings possible, but can not hold all of them in July and August; hence, will have to be engaged all during the year. I have a few dates yet during the winter and spring that I can give. Remember that my address is 316 Tate St., Greensboro, N. C. You can write either to me or Rev. E. K. McLarty, Charlotte, N. C. W. L. Dawson.

Creston Circuit 1913-1914

By an error of the Minutes Creston Circuit does not get credit for all that it did last year. Financial report, table No. 3, gives credit for only $159, as total paid on all the assessments. It should show a total of $212. No credits are given on Church Extension, and Support Fund for Children's Home. In making my report, I gave these two claims their proportional part of what was paid on all the claims as a whole. My returned check shows that The Bank of Ashe paid $212 to J. A. Odell, Treasurer of the Joint Board of Finance.

Farmington, N. C. D. C. Ballard.

Important Notice

I wish to say that I do not live at Landis and never have. The parsonage for the Kannapolis circuit is six miles west of Kannapolis. My Address is Glass, N. C., R. F. D. 1.

S. L. Owen.

Error in Estimate of Membership

In the Minutes of our Conference for 1914. "Table No. 1," "Total Members this Year," there is an error in the addition of 523 for the Winston District. The total should be (according to the figures reported) 11,973 instead of 11,450, making a difference of 523. There is an error in the figures for Southside charge of 100. It should read 181 instead of 281. Deduct 100 from the error in the addition of the column "Total Members this year" and we have 423 to add to "Total Members this Year.," Question 23, Condensed Minutes, 99,667, and we have 100,100 in the W. N. C. Conference.

Yours, H. K. Boyer.

Winston District Institute

A note from Rev. H. K. Boyer, presiding elder of the Winston District, announces that the Missionary Institute for that district will be held at Lexington, January 21-22, beginning at 3 p. m., Thursday. Rev. Frank Siler will speak Thursday night, Dr. E. K. McLarty at 11 a. m., Friday, on Evangelism, and Bishop Atkins will speak Friday night.

Important Social Events

Married, Sept. 29, 1914, at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Maggie McCracken, at Crabtree, N. C., in the presence of a large company of friends and relatives, Miss Estelle McCracken, to Mr. Glenn A. Boyd, of Crabtree, the writer officiating. Mrs. Boyd is an accomplished young lady of Christian character, and has taught successful schools at different points in North Carolina. Mr. Boyd is a young man of excellent character, and is one of Haywood county's most successful farmers, and stock raisers. The above contracting parties are both loyal members of the Methodist church at Crabtree, N. C.

Married, Dec. 22, 1914, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Riley M. Ferguson, on Rush Fork, in the presence of a host of friends and relatives, Miss Fannie Ferguson, to Mr. Glenn C. Palmer, of Waynesville, N. C., the writer officiating. Mrs. Palmer is an accomplished young lady of sterling Christian character. Mr. Palmer is the son of Sheriff Palmer of Haywood County, and is a worthy young man of excellent character. They are "True-hearted, whole-hearted," faithful and loyal Methodists.

May God bless and prosper these two couples.

R. C. Kirk.

Christmas Musings

The constant rain-fall from early morning, to this good hour, (1:30 p. m.) has shut us all in, and kept us from delivering the two dozen and one packages (prepared on last night, at a late hour) to the inmates of the County Home. And finding nothing to do, we sat in front of the burning coal in the grate and read, and read, till our eyes began to get tired and smart, and then we mused, and thought. And while musing, we thought of many things. And we remembered that Emerson said. "The ancestor of every action is a thought." Then we thought, and thought, and one of the things we thought was, I wonder how this man thinks, who spends money for cigars, and for tobacco to chew, to gratify a habit that is useless and filthy, when the same might be spent so much better by putting it in the Lord's treasury to advance His cause and help bring the world to Christ. And again I thought: 'Wonder how the man who poses as a Christian and accepts an official position in his church, and thereby assumes a leader's place as he must necessarily do, can get along without taking his church paper. And then I said to myself, these are not mere pictures, pictures of the imagination, floating around in my mind; but they are sad and fearful truths. And then again I said, "What a pity," and the echo came back, "What a pity." And as I further mused I thought, Wonder how the church member, he a man getting a salary of twelve hundred dollars, gets any ease of conscience if he have a conscience at all in the matter, to pay to his church claims, all told, less than five dollars a year; when he should pay, to say the least of it, not less than one hundred and twenty, which is only one-tenth, the old Jewish law of tithing, that has never, in the Old or New Testament been abrogated or repealed. Again, as I mused I said this is no imaginary picture in my mind, but a true and sad fact. And then the echo came back, "What a pity." And then I said to myself, somebody is responsible. And the echo came back, "Responsible." Brethren in the ministry, whose duty is it to arouse these abnormal, stupid, sleepy consciences aboved described? I repeat, some one is responsible. "Is it I?" "Is it I?"

M. A. Abernethy.

MISSIONARY NOTES FROM FIELD SECRETARY

Dec. 27, 11 a.m., West Market St. Church, Chas. W. Byrd, P. C. Dr. Byrd was preparing for his every-member canvas for first week in January. This church has so developed by the improved financial methods used for several years that the salaries and regular Conference collections are provided for in one budget, by assessment, and the Laymen's Missionary Committee makes an annual every-member canvas for specials. The duplex envelope is used. This church last year paid for missions as follows: Regular assessment—foreign missions, $438.00; home and Conference missions, $555.00; foreign missions special, $1,250.00. Her five Woman's Missionary Societies paid $3,782. The Sunday school raised $360.00 for missions and assessment. The minutes will show a close race between this church, Tryon St., Charlotte, Centenary, Winston, and Central, Asheville.

Dec. 28-31, Troutman Ct., J. J. Eads, P. C. Brother Eads conducted a series of institutes in each of his six churches. He had announced the services from the pulpit and in the Advocate and had had sent to all his officials not taking Advocate sample copies of issue containing announcement of church institutes. The rain and mud were much in evidence, but successful services were held in five of the churches. I preached at each church—twice at Troutman, where was held the first and last service. Brother Eads followed with a church conference, at which the church leaders and committees were elected, their duties fully explained and the fourfold Confeence plan of the every-member canvass adopted. Weekly assessment, individual assessment, payment preaching day, and duplex envelope used. In each church a steward and member of missionary committee will go together.

At the last service at Troutman the stewards and members of missionary committee met to fix salary, apportion same with Conference collections on the several churches, and fix dates for making assessments and the every-member canvas for each church. By request of laymen, the pastor will meet with the stewards and committee in making the assessments and launching canvass.

Our church is very strong in South Iredell. The prospects on the Troutman circuit are good for a successful year. The laymen are co-operating with the pastor and this means success.

At Shiloh church Brother Eads put the young lady school teachers of the community on the Social Service Committee, who will seek to provide during the winter months wholesome reading and recreation for the young people. Other members of this committee will visit the sick and look after cases of destitution.

The Committee on Evangelism, with the Sunday school superintendent as chairman, will seek to hold weekly services and make the every-family canvas for Advocate in January.

A Gratifying Find to 100,369 Methodists

The correction of statistics as given by Rev. J. H. Barnhardt, of Washington Street church, High Point, is correct. Just how it occurred I do not know, but, as his report gives the figures at 846 members, the Journal puts them at 146, and printers are always supposed to "follow copy," the only place the fault can lie is in the one who compiled the statistics. As I make no claim to perfection, I must admit that it was an error and might have been avoided by a proving of the sheets after they were made up; but there was no sufficient time to do this.

This gives Washington Street 846 members, as it should have; raises the total membership of Greensboro District from 9,531 to 10,231, brings the total membership of the Western North Carolina Conference up from 99,667 to 100,367.

For one I am glad the error was found. It will be gratifying to all to know that we have gone beyond the 100,000 mark—367 over it—and still growing. This is a record in which Western North Carolina Methodism may rejoice.

W. Francke Sandford,
Statistical Sec.

(Continued on pages 10 and 14)

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, Asheville, N. C.

THE MOTHER'S GIFT

Baby o' mine, little baby,
The kings and the shepherds have come
To bow at thy feet and to bring thee
Gifts, from their far-distant home.

They show, by their gifts, adoration,
They worship thee, Baby o' mine;
But I am thy mother, and knowing this
I am blessed of womankind.

No one can love thee better
Than thy mother, Baby o' mine.
Thou art the Christ-Child, come to be
The Saviour of all mankind.

And though I can place no costly gift
In that dear little hand of thine,
I can give something better—a mother's love,
Dear little Baby o' mine!

—Mrs. Roscoe Phifer.

Monroe, N. C.

THOUGHTS ON THE NEW YEAR

In the pilgrimage of life, we are in the act of passing another "golden milestone." The giving up of the old year is like giving up a dear friend. To the old year we say farewell, a long farewell! With glad hearts our greeting are to the new year and to it we say, all hail! When the bells tolled out the old and rang in the new it was a time of much introspection, retrospection and prospection. What has gone with all these starlight nights and sunny days? The hours have gone as birds upon the wing, but how hallowed the memories! How abiding the influence of the angel mercies of the year gone!

The four seasons have come in their characteristic apparel of white, green, purple and gold, each glorious and good in its order. Fifty-two weeks have brought their gracious ministries. Forty-two golden Sabbaths have been like angel visits. Three hundred and sixty-five days and nights in their orderly yet changeful rounds have borne gifts form the Parent of All Good to His children, Eight thousand seven hundred and sixty fleet-footed hours have run to us on their errands of mercy. Five hundred and twenty-five thousand and six hundred minutes have come out one by one from the gates of inner glory, radiant servants to us of the Most High God. Thirty-one million five hundred and thirty-six thousands seconds have been as that many good angels.

So, we look back over the old year with a sense of profound gratitude. For its errors and sins the tear of repentance is genuine, with faith and hope we look forward to the new year.

"MAY I REACH

That purest heaven, be to other souls
The cup of strength in some great agony,
Enkindle generous ardor, feed pure love,
Beget the smiles that have no cruelty—
Be the sweet presence of a good diffused.
And in diffusion ever more intense—
So shall I join the choir invisible,
Whose music is the gladness of the world."

—Rev. C. F. Sherrill, in Charlotte Observer.

TO THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

Dear Sisters:—

Have you reported all the boxes your auxiliary has sent during the year now about to close? I think there are a good many that have been sent that have not been reported to me, if I may judge by the report of the Children's Home in the Advocate. Is there not some minister's home that has been brightened and cheered by a donation from your society, which you have failed to report to me? My dear sisters, it is very necessary that you make this report to me. I wish I might emphasize its importance. I may be aware that you were planning to send a box and yet unless I have it reported by your society I shall be unable to give you credit for it in my report to the Council. Only a few days remain but may I not hear from you in regard to this matter? Any box of supplies that you have sent anywhere during the year, either on the foreign field or in the home land should be reported to me AT ONCE, with a valuation of its contents.

With my very best wishes for a prosperous New Year, I am,

Yours in His work,
Mrs. J. L. Woltz.

The foregoing letter from our Conference Superintendent of Supplies, Mrs. J. L. Woltz, came to me just a few hours too late for the issue of the Advocate of December twenty-fourth, for which it was intended. We regret exceedingly that it had to go over until this edition, but sincerely hope that in the two days that remain before the closing of Mrs. Woltz' books, she may have a full and accurate report of every donation that has been made throughout the Conference.

We would take advantage of this opportunity to impress upon our contributors to the Woman's Page the great importance of having their contributions in the hands of the editors on Thursday before the coming out of the issue for which it is intended. During the year many important announcements and articles have had to wait a week, because of the fact that they were just a few hours too late. The material for the Woman's Page is mailed to the editor of the Advocate each Friday, and in order that a contribution finds its way to the issue of the Thursday following it must reach me not later that Thursday of the week preceding the issue. Do I make it clear? Our editor, Rev. H. M. Blair, has been especially kind to us during the two years in which we have been connected with the paper and oftentimes has inserted an article on some other page than that given to the work of the women, but we feel that we cannot ask him to do this for us, and we would ask our contributors to see that their contributions in the future are ON TIME.

We want to thank each of our workers who has contributed to our page during the year. We are grateful for what they have done, and feel that their co-operation and their prayers for us in our work has been strengthening and helpful to us. We also would like to urge them to a continuance of their favors, and are anxious that every member of every missionary society in the Conference and every one interested in our work will feel that the woman's page is open to them during 1915 and we want their co-operation in making our page one of interest and profit.

Wishing each of our readers a very happy and prosperous New Year, I am,

Most faithfully and cordially,
Mrs. W. R. Harris,
Editor Woman's Page, N. C. Christian Advocate.

THAT ANNUAL MEETING

Do you realize, my sisters, that only twenty-two days remain before our missionary forces gather in annual meeting at Charlotte? Are we ready for it? Are you planning to go or to send a representative from your auxiliary? It is most earnestly desired that there be no falling off in the representation this year, and the unsettled conditions brought about in our work at home and abroad, demand that we meet together to plan our work for the new year. And we want to spend much time in prayer that God may mightily bless our coming together, and may make the occasion one of the greatest for good in our existence.

LOYALTY

Just a day or two to finish the harvest of this year. Missionaries and mission boards are hard pressed. Full collections are necessary if the work is maintained. Let the fourth quarter's report show your love and loyalty. Give! Give! Give!

Mrs. R. W. MacDonald,
Sec. Home Work.
Miss Mabel Head,
Sec. Foreign Work.

ALBEMARLE AUXILIARY

The parsonage of Central M. E. Church was attractively decorated with holly, mistletoe and Christmas bells, and a warm welcome was given the members of the Woman's Missionary Society, which met there in regular session, on the afternoon of December 21st.

After devotional exercises, a short business meeting was held, the most important item of which was the election of officers for the new year. All the old officers who could do so were asked to serve again and were re-elected. The society greatly appreciates the faithful, earnest and efficient work of its president, Mrs. R. G. Tuttle, and she was unanimously re-elected.

The subject for December was "The Conquest of the Cross Over the Heart of the World." "The Coming of Christ" was the title of an interesting reading and very appropriate to the Christmas season. Clippings entitled a "Survey of the World's Needs," were read, and we were made to realize with sadness, that in many countries there are millions of souls who have never yet heard the gospel of the Christ-Child and that even in our own favored America, there are ten thousand towns west of the Missouri in which Christian preaching is never heard.

After reading these "World's Tragedies" it was comforting to be handed other clippings entitled "The World's Victories," and our hearts thrilled with gratitude as we thought of the great progress Christianity has made in the world and we realized that although so much has been accomplished, this is no time for resting on our oars, but that we must be up and doing and our prayer for the New Year is that we may be enabled to do more than we have ever done before to send the glad tidings to all the world.

Mrs. J. M. Brown,
Supt. of Publicity Albemarle Auxiliary.

WANG MAY, A CHINESE PEACH BLOSSOM

Have you seen the new missionary game, by Dr. John D. Trawick, Wang May, a missionary play of more than ordinary interest? This play is in three acts, and is a fine entertainment for missionary society, Epworth Leagues and Sunday schools.

The story "Wang May," upon which this dramatization is based, was written by Dr. John D. Trawick ,of Louisville, Ky., and was published a few years ago. Many of the incidents are based upon actual occurrences in the experience of the author. The account of the attack by a mob upon the hospital home and the miraculous turning back of the mob is taken from Bishop Lambuth's experience in the early history of the Soochow Hospital. The dramatization was worked out and presented first by the students of the Methodist Training School of Nashville, Tenn. It is published in the belief that by its use many more persons will become interested in the evangelization of that great nation of the East. Price 15 cents each or $1.50 per dozen. Order from Department of Sunday School Supplies, Smith and Lamar, Agents, Nashville, Tenn.; Richmond, Va., or Dallas, Texas.

Says David Livingstone, "Can that be called a sacrifice which is simply paid back as a small part of a great debt owing to our God, which we can never repay? Is that a sacrifice which brings its own blest reward in healthful activity, the consciousness of doing good, peace of mind and a bright hope of a glorious destiny hereafter? Away with the word of such a view and such a thought! Anxiety, sickness, suffering or danger now and then, with a foregoing of the common conveniences and charities of this life, may make us pause and cause the spirit to waver, and the soul to sink, but let this be only for a moment. All these are nothing when compared with the glory which shall hereafter be revealed in and for us, I never made a sacrifice. Of this we ought not to talk when we remember the great sacrifice which He made when He left His Father's throne on high to give himself for us. Who being the brightness of the Father's glory, and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by himself purged our sins sat down on the right hand of the majesty on high.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR WORLD-WIDE MISSIONS

January 3-10

This week, beginning with Wednesday, Jan. 3rd, has been set apart as a season of special prayer for world-wide missions and the sending out of more missionaries and an appeal has gone forth for persons everywhere to unite in the observance of this prayer season. Programs, leaflets and self-denial envelopes have been prepared and have been supplied to the churches desiring them. There will doubtless, during the week, be prayer services held in the various churches and it is hoped that this season of prayer will be universally observed. The call for this week of prayer comes as a result of the hearty and cordial response in the observance of a similar season of prayer held last year. Quoting from the Missionary Voice of December: "Not the least conspicuous result of last winter's Week of Prayer was its reflex influence, its spiritual value to those observing it. The opportunity was counted a privilege and not a burden. The giving was more liberal, it was hilarious. The letters accompanying remittances abounded with joy and thanksgiving. Reading them was like listening to a chime of happy bells. For the faint hearted who doubt it can be done we reproduce a few extracts:

"Next year please make it a hundred misionaries instead of twenty."

"I thank you for the opportunity of having even so small a share in taking the world for Christ."

"It has been a great joy to us to have some part in this work."

"We observed the Week of Prayer and consider that we have been greatly blessed.

"This was real self-denial to this church; but they got interested in the call, and I feel that the greatest good will come to the church itself by this act."

Let the Week of Prayer for 1915 be a time of refreshing and set the key for the whole year. A real week of prayer at the beginning will mean fifty-two weeks of prayer, and the spirit and practice of self denial for one week will follow throughout the entire year.

In addition to the special prayer for China which was set apart for Wednesday, other topics suggested are: "Prayer for the Better Commerce in Africa," "Prayer for Protestant Advance in Africa," "Prayer for the Work in Japan," "Prayer for the social Betterment in Japan," "Prayer for Christian Education in Japan," "Prayer for the Italian Mission," "Prayer for the Brazilian Mission," "Prayer for the Work in Mexico."

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

DISTRICT SECRETARIES

Asheville
H. E. Walter .....Asheville
Charlotte
Miss Leola Hannon, Box 1056, Charlotte
Winston
F. T. Scarborough ....Winston-Salem
Greensboro
Miss Lillian Massey .....High Point
Morganton
Rev. J. F. Armstrong .....Henrietta
North Wilkesboro
Rev. J. M. Downum .....Boone
Salisbury
Miss Estelle Crowell .....Salisbury
Statesville
Herbert H. Lowry .....Newton
Mount Airy
Rev. A. L. Aycock .....Leaksville
Shelby
Miss Della Nolen .....Gastonia
Waynesville
Miss Margaret Rogers .....Franklin
Superintendent Junior Leagues
Mrs. C. M. Pickens .....Cornelius

Below is list of officers of the Belmont (Charlotte) League. This list was sent to me at Hickory in September, but was misplaced, and was just forwarded me last week. We regret the delay, but it was unavoidable.

President, Miss Mamie Sullivan, Belmont, Charlotte, N. C.; 1st vice-president, Miss Snow Davis, Belmont, Charlotte, N. C.; 2nd vicce-president, Mrs. G. J. Griffith, Belmont, Charlotte, N. C.; 3rd vice-president, Miss Grace Bradley, Belmont, Charlotte, N. C.; 4th vice-president, Mr. J. E. Propes, Belmont, Charlotte, N. C.; secretary, Mr. G. W. Foard, 410 N. McDowell St., Charlotte, N. C.; treasurer, Mr. Willie Torrence, Belmont, Charlotte, N. C.; Epworth Era agent, Miss Lucy Sullivan, Belmont, Charlotte, N. C.

HOW A LEAGUE WAS REVIVED

The League was dying. The devotional meetings had been "clipped" to death. There was not enough real life to attract or hold a crowd big enough for a good business and social meeting. The treasury was depleted. No records were kept, for there was little of interest to record. Few more members could be secured. It was common report that "there were no young people in the Methodist Church." Outside attractions got them.

After earnest and prayerful consultation it was decided to make a strenuous effort to resurrect the League. A nominating committee was appointed and a list of officers carefully chosen, which were approved and elected by the League. The pastor's wife was made President, and an earnest young woman, experienced in philanthropic work, was elected Third Vice President. The first vice presidency was filled by a high school teacher. The other offices were filled by five high school boys. All were inexperienced except the President and Third Vice President; but they were willing to work and to learn, and they were real young folks.

The new Cabinet met often, prayed earnestly for the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and planned for the work. Every available help was purchased for the various departments.

Early in the fall a great rally day service, commemorating also the twenty-first anniversary of the Chapter, was held. Five charter members were on the program, and letters were read from absent ones. The roll of the charter members was called, and the minutes of the first meeting were read. Beautiful decorations, special League badges, an inspirational address by Dr. O. B. Waite, and the reception of twenty-four new members —all helped to give the League a splendid impetus.

From this start work was planned and carried out by every department. Combined business and social meetings were held every month. These were very popular, and the average attendance was over fifty.

Some of the work accomplished and results achieved may be briefly stated as follows: One hundred per cent. increase in membership; average attendance at devotional meetings increased from twenty-five to eighty, summer and winter; fifty-six Comrades of the Morning Watch enrolled and a class in Christian Stewardship carried through. Several organized young people's classes in the Sunday school each provided a special service in the League, including also the evening preaching hour. These were very popular and served to correlate the Church, League, and Sunday school. A loose-leaf binder was started, and the records of the Chapter doings were kept in splendid shape. The support of a native worker in China was undertaken, and sixty thank offering mite boxes distributed brought in generous help. Twenty new subscribers were secured to the Epworth Herald.

The Mercy and Help Department was abundant in labors. Among other things done, Thanksgiving and Christmas donations were distributed to families in our own commmunity. Many baskets and flowers were distributed to shut-ins, and a valuable box was sent to the Dayton flood sufferers. The sum of $250.63 was raised and expended through the various departments during the year. Only one pay social was given, and that was a Japanese tea.

There are fifty-three Chapters in the San Diego District, with an aggregate membership of nearly three thousand. At the district convention held in San Diego it was decided that the San Jacinto Chapter had done the best work for the year, and the banner was awarded accordingly. It came as a great surprise, as we did not even know there was a banner to be awarded. It has since graced our walls and is a constant source of inspiration to continued good work.

We have tried to keep abreast of the times, and our latest achievement has been the fitting up and successful maintenance of two volley ball courts in the rear of the church.

Our motto has been, "Expect great things from God and attempt great things for God." He has not disappointed our expectations.—Mrs. J. J. Post, in Epworth Herald.

Positive proof from oldest Records that John baptized by Sprinkling. 68-page book, only 16 cents in stamps. Mahaffey Co., Box 12, Batesburg, S. C.

GARTSIDE'S IRON RUST SOAP CO., 4054 Lancaster Ave., Philadelphia, Na. Gartside's Iron Rust Soap (U. S. registered patent No. 3477) removes iron rust, ink and all unwashable stains from clothing, marble, etc., with magical effect. Good seller, big margins. House-to-house agents and store salesmen wanted. The original, 25c a tube. Beware of infringements and the penalty for making, selling and using an infringed article. Suitable for Church Fairs, etc.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland
108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

Standard Form Collection Envelopes

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

HOLT'S CHAPEL

FOR PASTOR'S SALARY

AMOUNT

Name _____ | Dollars | Cents |

Date _____ *191*___

MISSIONS AND CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

MOUNT ZION CHURCH

Name _____ | Dollars | Cents |

Date _____

$1.90 for 1000, delivered

$1.40 for additional 1000, delivered

FOR EITHER FORM

This price is based on using the above forms, changing name of church only. The large envelope is manila, and of the quality regularly used for Pastor's Salary collections. The small envelope can be furnished in white, green or cherry. Its difference in color and size from the Pastor's Salary form makes it ideal for Missions and Conference Collections.

If special form is desired the price will average $2.40 for the first 1000, and $1 40 for additional 1000's, delivered.

Special rates on large quantities.

The Advocate Press, Greensboro, N. C.

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective October 18th, 1914

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester Lv.	7 50 a m	----------	----------	----------	4 15 p m
Yorkville "	8 36	----------	----------	----------	6 38
Gastonia "	9 21!	----------	----------	----------	8 20
Gastonia "	9 30	4 30 p m	----------	----------	----------
Lincolnton "	10 23	5 40	----------	----------	----------
Newton "	11 05	6 44	----------	----------	----------
Hickory "	12 05 p m	7 30	12 05 p m	6 45 a m	----------
Lenoir "	1 08	8 50	1 08	8 07	----------
Lenoir "	2 00x	----------	----------	----------	----------
Mortimer "	4 09	----------	----------	----------	----------
Edgemont Ar.	4 35	----------	----------	----------	----------
Southbound	**NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only**	**NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.**
Edgemont Lv.	9 00 a m	----------	----------	----------	----------
Mortimer "	9 10	----------	----------	----------	----------
Lenoir "	11 20!	----------	----------	----------	----------
Lenoir "	1 35 p m	7 00 a m	8 15 a m	1 10 p m	----------
Hickory "	2 35	8 15	9 12	3 20	----------
Newton "	3 05	9 00	----------	----------	----------
Lincolnton "	3 43	9 51	----------	----------	----------
Gastonia "	4 30	11 23	----------	----------	----------
Gastonia "	5 05x	----------	----------	----------	11 50 a m
Yorkville "	5 54	----------	----------	----------	1 24
Chester Ar.	6 40	----------	----------	----------	3 10 p m

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA Southern Railway Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. CHESTER, S. C.

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.——E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg.—W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller——C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg.,
M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.——J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg.—J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.——G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.——A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel—J. W. Ligon

From the Field

WESLEY MEMORIAL CHURCH

The new Wesley Memorial Church is now ready for occupancy and will be formally entered on next Sunday. There are many churches larger, but one can scarcely find a more complete or elegant church than this. Form and color show that the best taste was used at every place in the entire building.

While the congregation will leave the old building with reluctance and a tinge of sadness, they are all full of joyful anticipation as the time for entering the new church approaches. Next Sunday will be a great day for this congregation.

The sermon at the morning hour will be preached by Rev. J. H. Barnhardt, under whose ministry the church was erected. Rev. J. E. Thompson, his predecessor, will preach in the evening. All former pastors and presiding elders are cordially invited, and we hope that as many as possible will attend and take part in the services.

We extend to the editor of the Advocate an urgent invitation to grace the occasion with his presence and assist in the exercises of the day.

G. T. Rowe.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT INSTITUTE

The Greensboro District Missionary Institute will be held at High Point on Wednesday and Thursday, January 20-21. All the pastors, Lay Leaders, Church Leaders and Sunday School Superintendents are expected to attend, and any others who may feel interested and desire to attend will be welcome.

J. H. Weaver, P. E.

DIRECTORY OF MISSIONARY INSTITUTES

January

Asheville District, Central church, 13
Charlotte District, Marshville....19-20
Greensboro District, High Point, 20-21
Morganton District, Forest City, 13-14
Mt. Airy District, ...22-23
N. Wilkesboro Dist., N. W'boro, 18-20
Salisbury District, ...
Shelby District, Lincolnton.....15-16
Statesville District, Statesville...14-15
Waynesville District, Clyde.....12-13
Winston District, Lexington.....21-22

MORGANTON DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTE

Forest City, N. C.

Wednesday and Thursday, January 13 and 14, 1915

Wednesday Morning, 13th, 10 A. M.

Devotional Exercises—Conducted by the Presiding Elder.

The Institute: Its Object and Whyness—Rev. J. E. Gay.

Committee on Social Service: How It May Be Conserved—Rev. E. E. Williamson.

Lay Activities: How the Laymen May Become More Active in Christian Work—F. J. Chapman.

General remarks on above subjects; Round Table Talk.

Afternoon Session, 2 P. M.

Devotional Exercises—Conducted by Rev. J. L. Smith.

Our Financial Plans For the District—Rev. J. E. Gay and others.

Why We Failed Last Year—Rev. H. L. Powell and others.

How We May Succeed This Year—Rev. A. C. Swafford.

Difficulties: How to Overcome Them—Rev. Albert Sherrill.

Night Session, 7 P. M.

Devotional Exercises—Conducted by Rev. M. W. Mann.

Christian Literature in Our Evangelistic Campaign—Rev. L. D. Thompson.

Missions: Home Missions—Led by Rev. J. L. Smith. General Discussion.

Missions: Foreign—Led by Rev. H. L. Powell. General Discussion.

Missions: In Our Sunday Schools—Led by Rev. M. B. Clegg.

Why the Every-Member Canvass—F. J. Chapman and Rev. A. Sherrill.

Thursday Morning, 14th, 9:30 A. M.

Devotional Exercises—Conducted by Rev. J. M. Ridenhour.

Every Pastor His Own Evangelist—L D. Thompson and H. H. Mitchell.

The Presiding Elder in Our Evangelistic Campaign—Rev. J. E. Gay and Rev. Elmer Simpson.

Evangelism in Our Sunday Schools—Dr. Frank Siler.

Decision Day in Sunday School—Rev. B. Wilson.

Evanegilsm: Its Scope And Its Necessity—Dr. E. K. McLarty.

Afternoon Session, 2 P. M.

Devotional Exercises—Conducted by Rev. J. C. Richardson.

Address on Missions—Dr. Frank Siler.

Address, How to Improve Our Financial and Evangelistic Work—Dr. E. K. McLarty.

Round-Table Talk—Conducted by the Presiding Elder.

Night Session, 7 P. M.

Devotional Exercises—Conducted by Rev. J. M. Barber.

The Place For Specials in Our Collections—Dr. Siler.

Address by Bishop Atkins, D. D., on Our Mission Work in the East.

Rev. J. E. Gay, P. E.
Rev. J. A. Bowles, P. C.
F. J. Chapman, Leader.

GIBSONVILLE CHARGE

On Thursday—New Year's eve—a number of the good people of Whitsett, representing nearly every family of the place, irrespective of denomination, made a very pleasant visit to the parsonage bringing with them a good supply of such things as are always useful in any home. The preacher's larder was much richer because of their coming. This is not by any means the first act of kindness coming from those good people. This kindness is perennial. It is indeed a great pleasure to serve a people so expressive of appreciation.

Under the new order of things Gibsonville charge is moving off with bright prospects. With a membership aggregating 101, we have an enrollment of 225 in our Sunday schools with an average attendance of 135.

We are planning for and expecting large results for 1915.

Affectionately your brother,

W. S. Hales.

GASTONIA OBSERVES WEEK OF PRAYER

The Gastonia Gazette says:

Beginning next Wednesday, January 6th, and continuing through the following Sunday the members of Main Street Methodist Church will observe the annual week of prayer, which is to be observed at that time by the congregations throughout Southern Methodism. As a climax to a most interesting program the pastor, Rev. H. H. Jordan, will preach a special missionary sermon at the hour for morning worship on Sunday, January 10th.

The program for the season of prayer is as follows:

Wednesday night, January 6th, subject, "Foreign Missions." Leaders, Mr. S. J. Durham and Miss Lowry Shuford.

Thursday night, January 7th, subject, "Conference Missions." Leaders, Mr. G. W. Wilson and Miss Della Nolen.

Friday night, January 8th, subject, "The Sunday School as a Missionary Asset of the Church." Leaders, Mr. J. H. Separk and Miss Jane Morris.

Saturday night, January 9th, subject, "Woman's Missionary Work." Leaders, Mr. A. E. Woltz and Mrs. B. T. Morris.

Special music for these services will be furnished by the church choir. All the services will be held in the church.

A FAITHFUL PUBLIC SERVANT

Mr. J. L. Nelson is in Raleign attending a meeting of the Board of Directors of the State Normal and Industrial College of which he is a member. The purpose of this meeting is to receive the reports of the Executive Committee, the President of the College, and to prepare the Biennial Report and recommendations of the Board to the Governor and General Assembly. Mr. Nelson has been a member of the Board of Directors for a number of years, and as evidence of the valuable services he has rendered in this capacity was recently reappinted by the State authorities for another term of six years. In this connection we may say that Mr. Nelson has been a member of the Board of Trustees of Davenport College for more than twenty years, serving most of this time as Chairman of the Board. During this period the college for lack of adequate means and equipment has experienced many hard struggles in the accomplishment of its work. To those who are familiar with the facts it goes without question that Davenport has had no more loyal friend and that no Trustee has given more liberally of his time and means to the advancement of the best interests of this institution than has Mr. Nelson, and no one feels a keener interest in its future welfare and development than he does.—Lenoir News.

PROGRAM IN FULL ANTI-SALOON MEET

The completed program of the eighth biennial convention of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League was issued last week. The league convention is to be held in the First Baptist Church in Raleigh, with five sessions, the first on Wednesday afternoon, January 13, and the final session on Thursday night, January 14. A large attendance is expected.

The purpose of the convention is to further the work of national prohibition and to secure the passage of an act by the General Assembly of North Carolina, which, in accord with the Webb law, will stop the shipment of liquor into the State. The program shows that the meeting is to be one of great interest, some men of national and international reputation of other states and some of North Carolina's strongest and best are to take part in the meeting, which is to be made a feast of oratory and information.

It has been arranged to present to the first one hundred people who notify the Anti-Saloon League that they are coming to the convention a book containing forty of the best and most recent temperance addresses. Reduced railroad rates have been secured of one and one-half full fare, plus fifty centts, and parties coming to the convention should secure from the ticket agents certificates showing that full fare has been paid, these certificates, when signed by the secretary of the convention enabling the holders to purchase return tickets at half fare, plus fifty cents. The membership of the State Convention consists of such delegates as are sent by bodies in sympathy with the league and by other persons attending who shall also sympathize with its objects. Churches, Sunday schools, Young Peoples' Societies, Y. M. C. A.'s, W. C. T. U.'s, Baraca classes, Law and Order Leagues, and all like organizations are invited to send delegates.

Among the men not of the State who are to speak are Congressman Richmond Pearson Hobson, of Alabama; Rev. Geo. W. McDaniels, of Richmond, Va., and Rev. A. J. Barton, of Waco Tex., member of the Legislative Committee of the Anti-Saloon League of America. The complete program shows that North Carolina will be ably represented by those who are to address the convention. This program follows:

Wednesday Afternoon, January 13

3 to 3:15—Devotional Services, Rev. J. G. Johnson, Selma.

3:15 to 3:30—Address of Welcome and the Response.

3:30 to 3:45—Organize and Fix Committees.

3:45 to 4:15—Address, Dr. James M. Parrott, Kinston.

4:15 to 4:35—The Benefits of the Anti-Delivery Law in High Point, Mr. Fred N. Tate, Mayor, High Point.

4:35—General Discussion.

Miscellaneous Business.

Wednesday Evening

7:30 to 7:45—Devotional Services, Rev. B. P. Smith, Kinston.

7:45 to 8:00—Financial Report, R. L. Davis.

8:00—Address, Rev. A. J. Barton, D. D., Waco, Texas.

Thursday Morning, January 14

9:30 to 9:45—Devotional Services, Rev. J. A. Hornaday, Weldon.

9:45 to 10:05—Address, The Sunday School in This Reform, Hon. John A. Oates, Fayetteville.

10:05 to 10:30—The Needful Legislation and How to Secure It, Hon. W. H. Witherspoon, Laurinburg.

10:30 to 10:50—General Discussion.

10:50 to 11:10—The Report of the Superintendent.

11:10 to 11:30—Address, Dr. H. Q. Alexander, Mecklenburg County, President North Carolina Farmers' Union.

11:30 to 11:45—The Outlook for National Prohibition, Rev. A. J. Barton, D. D., Waco, Texas, Member of the Legislative Committee Anti-Saloon League of America.

11:45 to 12:00—Enrollment and Collections.

12:00—Report of the Committee on Resolutions.

Miscellaneous Business.

Thursday Afternoon

2:30 to 2:45—Devotional Services, Rev. J. H. Weaver, D. D., Greensboro.

2:45 to 3:00—Report of the Committee on Nominations.

3:00 to 3:30—Address, Dr. W. L. Poteat, Wake Forest.

3:30 to 4:00—Address, Dr. F. N. Parker, Trinity College.

4:00 to 4:15—Report of the Assistant Superintendent.

4:15 to 4:30—Report of the Committee on Finance and Audit.

4:30—Enrollment.

Unofficial Business.

Miscellaneous Business.

Thursday Evening

7:30 to 7:45—Devotional Services.

7:45 to 8:15—Address, A Voice From Virginia, Rev. Geo. W. McDaniels, Richmond.

8:15—Address, Hon. Richmond Pearson Hobson, Alabama.

"Every times you write "worry" in the book of your life, you crowd out some pleasanter word."—Home Messenger.

THE HELPER

A Helpful Sermon each week. International Lesson Notes. 75 cents a year—40 weeks. Trial offer: 6 numbers 10 cents.

Stamps or Silver

Address: **Rev. R. S. Fischer, 2129 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.**

Our Dead

MANSFIELD—On the 9th day of November, 1914, the home of Mr. A. J. Mansfield was made sad when the death angel entered and claimed for its victim the beloved wife. Her death was due to paralysis; she had a stroke in 1913, then about 19 months later the second stroke, from which she never recovered. She never complained about anything. Sister Mansfield's maiden name was Jennie Hammock and she was 46 years and six months old; having been born May, 1868, in Chatham county, and was married to A. J. Mansfield 27 years ago. She joined the church in her girlhood days; first the Christian church, then the Methodist Episcopal church; having been a member of the North Monroe Methodist church for years. She loved her church and Bible. The writer—her pastor—passed her home almost every day and found her with her Bible reading God's Word and remarked she found so much comfort in it. She leaves the husband and one sister, Miss Kate Hammock, to mourn her death. The husband and sister have our sympathy. May God bless the home and save this people! R. H. Kennington.

Raleigh Advocate please copy.

MRS. MARY WOMACK POWELL

The subject of this obituary was the daughter of Gassaway and Martha Womack. She was born in Cleveland county, on May 5th, 1848. She died near Mill Springs, N. C., on December 9th, 1914. She was the youngest of five children, two of whom, Rev. W. W. Womack and Mrs. Eliza Jackson, survive her.

On June 3rd, 1874, she was married to Mr. J. C. Powell, of Polk county, but formerly of Cleveland county. They journeyed together for forty years. The husband and the three children, Rev. H. L. Powell, pastor of the Methodist church at Cliffside, N. C.; Mrs. Alice Edwards and Mr. Q. M. Powell, both of Mill Springs, N. C., are left to make the rest of the journey alone.

At twelve years of age, at Clover Hill camp meeting, she was converted and joined the Methodist church under the pastorate of Rev. J. S. Nelson. To the end she lived a devoted Christian life. As a church and Sunday school worker she was efficient and successful. She led, by personal work, her three children and her grand children to the foot of the cross.

Her Bible was her daily companion. She was devoted to it because of its sweet comforting truths.

From the first Mrs. Powell's home was the preacher's home. Because of their hearty welcome they were often found there. Her Christian life was a beautiful interpretation of God's word.

She consecrated her eldest son to the ministry. When he started as a missionary to Cuba, she said it was the greatest trial of her life, but she would not for any thing hinder him in the Lord's work.

Declining health deprived her of the labors in which she so much delighted. Yet her mind and heart were upon these things. From a stroke of paralysis that came on the afternoon of Thanksgiving day she never rallied enough to carry on a connected conversation. Yet she had a smile for all who came to her bedside.

The cuhrch has lost a loyal member, the community a motherly spirit, the husband a devoted wife, and the children a faithful mother. At Lebanon, on Dec. 10, 1914, at 11 o'clock, in the presence of a large congregation of friends and neighbors, Rev. Albert Sherrill, of Rutherfordton, preached her funeral from Job 14, 7, after which they laid her body to rest in the cemetery near by.

Albert Sherrill.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Emma Ramsey

"Yet speaketh; there was no last word of love
So suddenly on us the sorrow fell,
Her quick transition to the Home above
Was clouded with no shadow of farewell."

Whereas, Our Heavenly Father in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to call to a higher school our faithful Sunday school worker, Miss Emma Ramsey; be it resolved therefore:

First, That we, the members of the Iotla Sunday school, bow in humble submission to His will who doeth all things well.

Second, That in her death the Sunday school has lost one of the best and most faithful members, and the family a devoted daughter and sister.

Third, That we extend to the bereaved family our deep and heartfelt sympathy and commend them to the care of the Heavenly Father, and bid them look through the clouds of sorrow to her eternal life.

Fourth, That we, members of said school, are deeply saddened, and lament the untimely death of our dear friend, and feel that in her death we have sustained an irreparable loss.

Fifth, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, the Franklin Press and the Christian Advocate for publication, and written upon the minutes of the Sunday school

Nettie Edwards,
Olive Poindexter,
J. E. Myers,
Committee.

ZIMMERMAN—Amanda Jane Zimmerman was born Feb. 23, 1855, and died Nov. 21, 1914, age 59 years, eight month and 28 days. She was the daughter of Joseph and Wilhelmina Sink. She was married to Alexander Zimmerman on April 3, 1873. She joined the Lutheran Church at the aage of 15. After her marriage she joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at Mt. Olivet, in Davidson county, Davidson circuit, and lived a consistent member of the same until the day of her death. This union was blessed with ten children, nine boys and one girl, of which two preceded her to the Spirit Land. She is survived by her husband, eight children, seven boys and one girl, four brothers and one sister, many relatives and friends to mourn her loss. She was a loving and dutiful companion, a devoted mother, a consecrated Christian and was always ready to lend a helping hand to bless others. Sister Zimmerman was the mother of Dr. John W. Zimmerman, of Salisbury, also Dr. Robt. Zimmerman, of Eenterprise, N. C. She possessed a noble spirit, thoughtful always of her church and pastor along with her good husband. She, with her husband, always filled her pew at Mt. Olivet church. Well do I remember the last time I ever saw her alive. It was at the parsonage at Arcadia and expressed her confidence and expectation of her pastor's return. About the time our Conference closed, she was taken suddenly ill with pneumonia and died in a few days. And Monday, the 22nd day of November, after holding the burial service in Mt. Olivet church in the midst of a large concourse of people by the writer, her pastor, assisted by Rev. Mr. Holton, her body was borne with tender hands to its last resting place to await the second coming of our Lord. Sister Zimmerman will be missed in the community, church and home. God bless all who mourn her loss.

"Gone but not forgotten."

D. S. Richardson, Pastor.

Greensboro College for Women

Greensboro, N. C.

The A Grade Woman's College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

THIS TIME HONORED INSTITUTION has steadily improved its educational advantages to meet the requirements of modern life.

¶ This college is of the A grade of the fourteen unit basis, conferring the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and the degree of B. M. in the music department.

¶ Special care has been taken to select as members of our faculty teachers of thorough training in our best colleges and universities, and of successful experience.

¶ In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which hassteadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

¶ Our aim is to make our institution a place for genuine, first class work amid a religious and homelike atmosphere. Special effort is made to bring the student into personal touch with the teacher, an essential element in true education.

THE SPRING TERM BEGINS JANUARY 13th, 1915

¶ For further particulars regarding the college address

Rev. S. B. Turrentine, A. M., D. D., *Pres.*

Greensboro, North Carolina

GREENSBORO NURSERIES

AGENTS WANTED

For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.

JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

Agents Wanted

¶ We want good, live, hustling agents in all towns. :: :: :: :: ::

¶ If you desire good work and prompt service, we are at your command. :: ::

¶ Write for our liberal terms. Represent

The Charlotte Laundry

OLDEST —— LARGEST —— BEST

CHARLOTTE, N. C.

TO THE PEOPLE OF THE SOUTH

Europe is not now consuming any of our cotton. Exports have stopped. The revenue of our government has been greatly reduced. We are up against sustaining self. We must act as producers, manufacturers and consumers. This applies especially to the South, as there is a strong foreign demand for the food products of the West and East.



Southern people should consume as much of what they produce as is practicable. They should demand cotton goods. One of the best and at the same time most serviceable products of cotton is The Lankford Humane Horse Collar. The extra heavy duck covering is made of cotton; it is stuffed with cotton fibre. Thousands of these collars are sold every year, requiring thousands of pounds of cotton to manufacture. Thousands more should be sold, because the Southern people should use no other.

The Lankford Humane Horse Collar will be delivered to any address for $1.00. It is durable, lasting three years or more. It is humane, because it cures galls and sore shoulders while the animal works. It is soft and pliable and will fit any neck. If you need a collar for your horse or mule order the Lankford Humane Cotton Collar to-day.

COUCH BROS. MFG. CO., Box 974 Atlanta, Ga. Box 18 Memphis, Tenn.

The Sunday School Lesson

FIRST QUARTER—LESSON II—JANUARY 10, 1915

DEBORAH AND BARACK DELIVER ISRAEL
JUDGES 4:4-23; 1-22

GOLDEN TEXT—The righteous cried, and Jehovah heard, and delivered them out of all their troubles. Psa. 34:17.

SUMMARY OF THE LESSON

That fascinating story Zenobia, or the Fall of Palmyra, tells of a beautiful and brilliant queen and her dream of world empire. Not so far-reaching a dream possessed the mind of Deborah, the powerful woman of Israel. One thought mastered her. This was the deliverance of her people from their oppressors. Inspired by this idea and by a profound confidence in Jehovah, she persuaded Barak to go forth to war. He was a strong man, but he depended upon a stronger woman. Together they went forth. The hosts of fighting men were summoned. The battle was fought. The God of Israel used nature itself as a weapon to fight the foes of Israel. Barak and his warriors conquered. They inflicted a crushing defeat upon their foes. The woman's dream of victory had come true. She was not only a dreamer, but one who could transform her dreams into hard, strong facts.

THE WOMAN WHO DECLARED WAR

Charles Kingsley, in Hypatia, has given us a memorable picture of a woman of extraordinary intellectual power. The Book of Judges, in its potrait of Deborah, gives us a picture of a woman of commanding powers of personal leadership. For years her people had suffered under dreadful oppression. At last the iron entered Deborah's soul. She had the spirit of a warrior, the mind of a leader and the inner eye of prophecy. Her people must not tamely submit to this galling tyranny. They must rise and fight and win. Against Sisera's chariots of iron they must bring iron hearts. Depending upon Jehovah, their God, they must go forth with war cries on their lips and strength in their arms and an invincible courage in their souls. The proud, stern spirit in Deborah refused to believe that she belonged to a race of weaklings. There must be some deep secret of strength in the life of her people, which could be roused and put in command of their activities. They were not simply her own people—they were the people of Jehovah. That meant unspeakable resources within the reach of the people if they would but put forth their hands. You must measure them not by the kind of surroundings they had, but by the kind of a God they worshiped. The important matter was not their weakness—it was His strength. Such thoughts as these moved in the mind of Deborah. They did more. They came forth from her lips. She was a sort of contagion of courage among her people. Her very presence, magnetic, strong and assured, seemed the promise of a new day. When you looked into Deborah's flashing eyes Sisera's nine hundred chariots of iron did not seem so terrible, after all. So the leaven of a new spirit began to work among the men and women of Israel. It was a gradual process, but it was an effective one. The day would come when the people would be ready to be led forth, and then Deborah would look for a leader. In the meantime she shared the life of her people, imbuing them with her own spirit and preparing them for the day which was to come.

THE MAN WHO WAS LED BY A WOMAN

The first notable thing about Barak was that he did not have an artificial sense of values. He recognized greatness when he stood in its presence and he did not refuse to believe in it because it spoke in the voice of a woman. He was not like the blind and stubborn father in The Mill on the Floss, who had a theory that a woman could not be possessed of a strong mind and a potent personality, and therefore simply could not understand or appreciate his daughter. Barak had that rare kind of mental discrimination which recognizes its own strength, its limitations and, most remarkable of all, at once appreciates and accepts the guidance of one whose qualities are superior to its own. Barak knew that he was a good fighting man. He knew that the people would rally around him with confidence. He knew that he could lead them forth to battle, but he also knew that there was a compelling kind of leadership whose secret he did not possess. There was a kind of mastery of the thoughts and purposes of men coming from a mind athrill with a great vision and words vibrant with power to interpret it, which he did not command. He could be the military leader of an enterprise, but he could not be its poet or its prophet.

So when Deborah urged him to collect the men of Israel and lead them forth against their foes, he replied quite simply that if she would accompany the expedition he would go. Without her presence and the inspiration which it would give he would have nothing to do with the enterprise. It is quite evident that he was thinking more of the success of the undertaking than of his own place in it. Motives of race loyalty and religious devotion rather than motives of personal aggrandizement were in command.

Abraham Lincoln said once: "The great thing is not that I should save the country. It is that the country should be saved." In the spirit of devotion to his cause rather than of devotion to himself Barak was ready to go forth to war. Deborah recognized his spirit and the narrative tells us how, with grim humor, she told him that the hand of a woman, and not his own, was to slay Sisera at last. If Barak feared that too much honor might be thrust upon him she could reassure him. There was no cause for alarm in this direction. So the strong man, who recognized and was not ashamed to follow a stronger woman, prepared for the fight.

THE GREATER LEADERSHIP

The real leader of the expedition, however, was neither Deborah nor Barak. The first word of the powerful woman to the fighting man had been: "Hath not Jehovah, the God of Israel, commanded?"—and just before the battle her word of encouragement was this: "Up, for this is the day in which Jehovah hath delivered Sisera into thy hand. Is not Jehovah gone out before thee?" It was God Himself who was back of the enterprise. It was a sense of His leadership which made Barak and his warriors strong.

A man never comes to have the most powerful incentive which life can give until he comes to a place where he feels that his cause is the cause of God. The sense of divine compulsion is the greatest thing back of human achievement.

A Christian minister was once addressing a company of young people in a Jewish synagogue. He emphasized the new dynamic which comes into all social service, indeed into all the work we do, when we feel that God is back of it and in it, that His energy drives us on and His strength is a practical and constant resource. At the close of the addres a young Jew hastened to him to say that he did his work with just that sense of God back of it and God in it. The two stood side by side—the Christian and the Jew. Differences were forgotten for the moment and the deep, common experience of dependence upon God made them one.

There are still many great battles to fight. Men must go forth to war against evil and for the enthronement of the good. Sturdy, vigorous fighting men like Barak are needed. Advisers as magnetic and full of inspiration as Deborah are needed, too, but the great essential is the experience which both Deborah and Barak possessed—the consciousness of the leadership of God.

One of the worst things about the gnostic speculations, with their strange series of little deities, was that they pushed God away. He was the infinitely Far. He could not easily touch His world. The descent from God to man was a long and perilous way. A view of life which gives us a God out of reach gives us also an impoverished world. The God in whom Barak believed went forth before him into battle. Our God, too, is a soldier deity, marching at the head of His armies against all the forces of wrong.

THE DEFEAT OF SISERA

Schiller once wrote a brief poem which throbs with the very clash of battle. There is no description of the details of the fight between the men of Sisera and the men of Barak. The fierce onslaught, the bewildering way in which nature itself fought for the men of Israel, the dreadful carnage, the complete annihilation of the army of Sisera and the tragic death of the leader himself, tell the tale of the day's work, and imagination can picture the story of these thousands of men contending each with his own hope and his own fear, until the hour when some hearts were cold and still and others were flushed with victory.

Through all this primitive ferocity God was moving for the accomplishment of His own great purposes and the leading of men to a higher destiny. A world in turmoil is not a world forsaken by God, but a world where God is moving in order to bring about great results. Out of travail and pain, out of confusion and battle, out of strange discord and wild alarm strides the Master of Life, strong in His power to rule the tempest of men's hate and work His own high will upon the world.

The ancient discipline of a chosen people may have its significance in respect of the modern discipline of a chosen world. There are times when through the smoke of battle we cannot discern the figure of the great Leader; there are times when we are all confused as to what is His relation to the fight, but of one thing we may be sure, the Lord of hosts is on the world's battlefields and in the end His own purposes will be furthered by the issue of the conflict. The defeat of Sisera was the victory of Jehovah. In the world's greatest battles whoever else is defeated God will be victorious. —Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in N. Y. Christian Advocate.

Christian Helper

our 1915 Song Book, contains 157 pages of 1915 music, a large number of old church tunes —192 pages in all—music in binding, 30c each, $3.00 per dozen, postpaid. Send 12c and 12 names of Singing Teachers, Choir Leaders, Sunday School Superintendents and Singers, and get one sample copy, postpaid. Address

The Teachers' Music Publishing Co., Hudson, N. C.

PELOUBET'S SELECT NOTES

The World's Greatest Commentary on the International Sunday School Lessons for 1915

By REV. F. N. PELOUBET, D.D., and PROF. AMOS R. WELLS, Litt.D., LL.D.

41st ANNUAL VOLUME

Next to the Bible, the teacher's best friend

Cloth, price, $1.00 net; $1.15 postpaid

W. A. WILDE COMPANY

Boston and Chicago

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER

Proprietor

GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 511 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY

DISEASES OF STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER AND PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.

LEADING JEWELERS



PAINT STRENGTH

Strength is what paint is for. The stronger it is, the less gallons and money it takes, and the longer it wears. The strongest paint-word is DEVOE.

ODELL Hardware Co.

Our Little Folks' Department

A NEW YEAR SONG

When the year is new, my dear,
When the year is new,
Let us make a promise here,
Little I and you.
Not to fall a-quarreling
Over every tiny thing,
But sing and smile, smile and sing,
All the glad year through.

As the year goes by, my dear,
As the year goes by,
Let us keep our sky swept clear,
Little you and I.
Sweep up every cloudy scowl,
Every little thunder-growl,
And live and laugh, laugh and live,
'Neath a cloudless sky.

When the year is old, my dear,
When the year is old,
Let us never doubt or fear,
Though the days grow cold.
Loving thoughts are always warm;
Merry hearts know ne'er a storm.
Come ice and snow, so love's dear glow
Turn all our gray to gold.

—From Five-Minute Stories—Copyright by Dana Estes & Co., Boston.

TURNING THE NEW YEAR LEAVES

"Now what is that noise?" said the glad New Year.
"Now what that singular sound I hear?
As if all the paper in all the world
Were rattled and shaken and twisted and twirled."

"Oh, that," said the jolly old Earth, "is the noise
Of all my children, both girls and boys
A-turning over their leaves so new,
And all to do honor, New Year, to you."

What the New Leaves Said

I won't squeak my pencil on my slate;
I won't lie in bed every day and be late;
I won't make faces at Timothy Slack;
I won't make fun at any one's back,
Rustle and turn them, so and so!
The good shall come, and the bad shall go.

I won't be greedy at the dinner table!
At least—I think I wont—if I'm able;
I will not pinch, nor poke, nor tease;
I will not sputter, nor cough, nor sneeze.
I will not grumble, nor fret, nor scold.
And I'll do exactly whatever I'm told.
Rustle and turn them, so and so!
The good shall come, and the bad shall go.

—Laura E. Richards.

A PRIZE WINNER

Johnny came home from school the other night in high glee, wearing the arithmetic medal. "What is that for?" asked his mother. "That's the prize for doing arithmetic," said Johnny. "I did this one: 'If our new baby weighs eleven and a half pounds, and gains an ounce each day, 'cause you told Mrs. Smith she did yesterday, how much will she weigh when she is twenty years old.' And the answer was, four hundred and sixty-six pounds. The teacher said I earned the prize."—Selected.

THE LITTLE TAPER DID IT

One night a man took a little taper out of a drawer and lighted it and began to ascend a long, winding stair.

"Where are you going?" said the taper.

"Away high up," said the man; "higher than the top of the house where we sleep."

"And what are you going to do there?" said the taper.

"I am going to show the ships out at sea where the harbor is," said the man. "For we stand here at the entrance of the harbor, and some ship far out on the stormy sea may be looking for our light even now."

"Alas! no ship could ever see my light," said the taper; "it's so very small."

"If your light is small," said the man, "keep it burning bright and leave the rest to me."

When the man got up to the top of the lighthouse he took the little taper and with it lighted the great lamps that stood ready there with their polished reflectors behind them.

"O," said the taper, "if I had not kept my light burning, the big lamps would not have been lit when you came up here."

The light keeper smiled, and all he said was: "Little tapers never know when they are going to be needed. That is why they must keep their light bright and be ready to help when called upon."—Selected.

TINY DOLLS

In a little Mexican town lives an Indian girl who makes the smallest dolls in the world. First, she makes a wire frame hardly three-fourths of an inch in length; this is wound with silk thread. When the proper form is attained the doll is dressed, sometimes as a flower girl, a boy or a priest, cardinal or pope. Not only does the little doll mother dress her children, but she daintily embroiders their clothes. Those who have seen her handiwork, say the stitches are perfect when examined under a magnifying glass.—Selected.

THE WHISTLER

It was a corner where the cars stopped. A dozen men and women were waiting. Suddenly there rose on the evening air a burst of bird song. Richard Marshall forgot the car he was waiting for. He was back in England, listening to the triumphant gladness of the skylark's song, as the bird hung, a mere speck in the sky, and poured out its heart's joy. There came a moment of silence, and then the notes of "Auld Lang Syne" rang softly on the air. Marshall turned to a man who stood beside him.

"It's a human bird," the other man said. "Fine imitation, isn't it?"

A car came up and stopped with a grinding of brakes. The young man did not board it. He was listening to the song of a mocking bird; he could almost see the swelling of the Southern songster's throat.

The music evidently came from a basement workshop; "Paul Haskin, Tailor. Men's clothing renovated and pressed," the sign said. Richard descended the steps.

"Can I do anything for you, sir?"

The speaker was perhaps thirty-five years old. He was busy pressing a coat.

"You can tell me where the inspiration comes from," Richard said.

A peculiar smile came to the worker's lips. "From an aching leg," he said.

Richard's eyes, meeting his, saw lines of pain under them. "But the music was full of gladness," he said.

"Why not? There's gladness in the world in spite of pain. I'm not sure that those who know about pain don't know some things about gladness that the crowd misses. Anyhow, better whistle than groan. There are times when it has to be one or the others."

Richard noticed that as he moved across the room, he drew one leg after him stiffly.

"I fell from the rigging of a schooner, and I can't get about much," the tailor said. "The leg never gives me much ease."

"And men in the street above hear bird songs and catch a reflection of the joy that is in the world," Richard returned.

Paul Haskin's smile broadened. "Pain usually makes a man break silence," he said. "I've gone round the world a bit, and know many a bird's song. Whistling's as good an easer of pain as grumbling, and people like better to listen to it. It's grown into a habit, and I whistle now when the leg forgets to ache as well as when it's bad. Habit's a great thing, but a man must look out that it's not a habit of growling!"—The Youth's Companion.

A FORWARD LOOK

The year is before us. One of the customary admonitions at the borderline is, "This year we may die." It is far more pertinent to say, "This year we must live." For living is more solemn than dying. It means responsibility, day by day, hour by hour. Patience is heroism, faithfulness is success, steadfastness is ultimate triumph. These are the virtues that shine brightest in the divine inventory. On Riverside Drive, in New York, just under the shadow of the Grant monument is a solitary gravestone inscribed, "To an Amiable Child." It was over a century ago that this child lived sweetly, unselfishly, amiably for a while and then returned to God. But who shall estimate the value of that brief life? For it is not success, but faithfulness that tells, after all.

And now, a happy new year to all! A year of God's peace in the consciousness of duty done; a year of simple faith in the divine goodness and of clear outlook toward the heavenly hills; a year of sweet communion with Jesus and close following in his steps; a year like that pleasant walk in Emmaus of which the disciples said, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked with us by the way?" —David J. Burrell, D. D.

THE NEW LEAVES

"Wake up!" said a clear little voice. Tommy woke, and sat up in bed. At the foot of the bed stood a boy about his own age, all dressed in white, like fresh snow. He had very bright eyes, and he looked straight at Tommy.

"Who are you?" asked Tommy.

"I am the New Year!" said the boy. "This is my day, and I have brought you your leaves."

"What leaves?" asked Tommy.

"The new ones, to be sure," said the New Year. "I hear bad accounts of you from my Daddy—"

"Who is you Daddy?" asked Tommy.

"The Old Year, of course!" said the boy. "He said you asked too many questions, and I see he was right. He says you are greedy, too, and that you sometimes pinch your little sister, and that one day you threw your Reader into the fire. Now, all this must stop."

"O must it?" said Tommy. He felt frightened, and did not know just what to say.

The boy nodded. "If it does not stop," he said, "you will grow worse and worse every year, till you grow up into a Horrid Man. Do you want to be a Horrid Man?"

"N-no!" said Tommy.

"Then you must stop being a horrid boy!" said the New Year. "Take your leaves!" and he held out a packet of what looked like copybook leaves, all sparkling white, like his own clothes.

"Turn over one of these leaves every day," he said, "and soon you will be a good boy instead of a horrid one."

Tommy took the leaves and looked at them. On each leaf a few words were written. On one it said, "Help your mother!" On another, "Don't pull the cat's tail!" On another, "Don't eat so much!" And on still another, "Don't fight Billy Jenkins!"

"O!" cried Tommy. "I have to fight Billy Jenkins! He said—"

"Good-by!" said the New Year. "I shall come again when I am old to see whether you have been a good boy or a horrid one. Remember,

"Horrid boy makes horrid man;
You alone can change the plan."

He turned away and opened the window. A cold wind blew in and swept the leaves out of Tommy's hand. "Stop! stop!" he cried. "Tell me—" But the New Year was gone, and Tommy, staring after him, saw only his mother coming into the room. "Dear child," she said. "Why, the wind is blowing everything about."

"My leaves! My leaves!" cried Tommy; and jumping out of bed he looked all over the room, but he could not find one.

"Never mind," said Tommy. "I can turn them just the same, and I mean to. I will not grow into a Horrid Man." And he didn't.—Ladies Home Journal.

JAPANESE BIRTHDAY POLES

In Japan the early part of the month of May is a gala time for all little Japanese boys, because it is at that time that the birthday of every one of them is celebrated. This big, general birthday party is familiarly known as the "fish festival."

During the fish festival every family in which there is a boy proudly heralds the fact by a flag that floats from a pole in the dooryard. It is desirable to have as tall and as big a pole as possible; so, in order to get this kind of a pole it frequently happens that several families will club together and make one birthday pole do for all. This pole is then adorned with as many flags as there are little boys in the several families.

On the top of every birthday pole there is always either a glittering ball or basket filled with something bright. There is also attached to the poles a string of carp fashioned either out of cloth or oiled paper and gaudily painted. These carp vary in length from three to about twelve feet. The glittering ball at the top of the pole and the string of carp are intended to convey a lesson to the Japanese youths. If you know anything about the carp, you know that it is a strong fish that can swim against the most rapid currents. Then, too, it is always so eager, so thoroughly determined to go upstream that it struggles past every obstacle on its way up the river. The glittering ball at the top of the birthday pole typifies a valuable prize that the carp is always striving to reach in spite of difficulties.

Thus the little boys are taught that they must be determined and struggle to overcome obstacles, if they would sail up life's river and attain that which is worth having.

The birthday poles are not all of the birthday celebration by any means. During the fish festival the little boys have jolly good times, receive gifts of various kinds, and have lots of good things to eat. You may be sure they are somewhat sorry when the birthday poles come down and the fish festival is over for a whole year.

In February each year there is a birthday celebration in honor of all little Japanese girls. To call this celebration a "doll festival" would not be a misnomer, for it is then that every little girl receives dolls from all of her relatives and friends. It is then, too, that the mother allows her little girls to feast their eyes upon dolls that have been in the family for many generations. There are no birthday poles put up for the little girls; but they get many gifts and "oodles" of things to eat. When the birthday celebration comes to a close all of the best dolls a little girl gets are put away carefully, and she may not so much as take a peep at them again until February comes once more, and there is another birthday celebration. Just think of a little girl having to wait a whole year to get to look at her best dolls!—Exchange.

Our Children's Home

Conducted by Walter Thompson, Supt.

We had a good Christmas. The report shows the kindness of our friends. There was a good deal which could not be identified. We are grateful to everybody.

Mention is due everybody. But evidently Mooresville and Lexington intended the children should know that the Christmas season was here.

I had many little items in my mind to write, but just as I was getting ready to write them out, one of our old girls who was at the Twin City Hospital here training for a nurse died suddenly of pneumonia early in the morning of January 2nd. Her death was such a shock to us here and to her associates at the hospital that I do not have the heart to write more. I append herewith the account of her death given in the Journal of January 3rd:

Miss Emma Webb

Miss Emma Webb of Asheville, age 18 years, died yesterday morning at 3:25 o'clock at the Twin City Hospital after an illness of only a few hours of pneumonia. Miss Webb was in training as a nurse and had been at the hospital for only a month, when she was taken sick. Previous to that time she had been an inmate of the Children's Home, where she was a general favorite. She was possessed of a sweet, generous disposition, was thoroughly unselfish and had endeared herself to countless friends, all of whom will be greatly grieved to learn of her death.

In her hospital work Miss Webb had made an unusual record and there was no doubt but that she would have been accepted at the expiration of her term of probation. She was greatly interested in her work, was exceedingly ambitious and was much admired by all with whom she came in contact at the hospital. Her almost sudden death came unexpectedly and will be a great shock to her many friends. Up until 9 o'clock Friday morning she was on duty and her condition was not considered serious until Friday night.

Instructions were received yesterday evening to send the remains to Asheville and they will leave for that city on the early train this morning.

REPORT TO JAN. 1, 1915

Fifth Sunday Collections

Main St. M. E. S. S., High Point, Chas. Osborne, $6.27; Bethel S. S., Franklin Ct., Cullasaja, A. W. Jacobs, $2.60; Lilesvilee S. S., Lilesville, J. E. Kerr, $2.00; Bakersville S. S., Bakersville, J. A. Bradshaw, 68c; Morganton S. S., Morganton, E. B. Claywell, $12.97; Shady Grove S. S., Winston-Salem, R. H. Stone, $1.50; Williamson Chapel, Mooresville Ct., Davidson, J. L. Donaldson, 34c; Bethel S. S., Winston-Salem, Lexsa Kimel, $2.27; Booneville S. S., Booneville, L. F. Amburn, $2.84; Mt. Gilead S. S., Trinity, Marcus Briles, 90c; Gilkey S. S., Gilkey, C. F. Cline, $4.35; Salem S. S., Cullasaja, T. R. Gray, $2.00; Norwood S. S., Norwood, T. A. Hathcock, $7.90. Total, $46.62.

Received on Special, General and Ten Per Cent. Collections

Oak Forest church, Morganton, A. C. Swafford, $2.18; Mt. Pleasant church, Morganton, A. S. Swafford, $1.58; Sigma Theta class, Tryon St. S. S., Charlotte, Vivian Siniard, $6.25; R. H. Latham, Winston, $1.50; Mrs. Hattie Kale, Albemarle, $10.00; Central church, Concord, M. F. Mooses, $10.00; West End S. S., Winston, B. S. Womble, $44.61; West Market S. S., Greensboro, W. H. Rees, $10.00; Spring Garden St. church, Greensboro, W. B. Hunt, $17.58; Bethel church, New London charge, New London, R. L. Melton, $2.50; Mt. Zion church, Cornelius, A. F. Torrence, $4.45; Frank Gurley, High Point, $10.00; Washington St., S. S., High Pt., V. A. J. Idol, $26.53; a friend, $2.00; Spring Garden St church, Greensboro, W. O. Goode, $25.00. Total, $174.28.

Building Fund

T. W. Young, Candler, $1.00; Mrs. E. T. Morgan, Candler, $2.00; Ed. Powell, Candler, $1.00; L. W. Young, Candler, $1.00; W. L. Davis, Candler, $1.00; J. V. Morgan, Candler, $1.00; Mrs. L. W. Young, Candler, $1.00; Mrs. R. C. Pusley, Candler, $1.00; Mrs. Ed. Powell, Candler, 50c; R. B. Taylor, Candler, $1.00; H. A. Dunham, Asheville, $50.00; Mrs. Bettie Lineberger, Shelby, $100.00; J. W. Long, Catawba, $25.00; J. E. Sales, Fletcher, 5.00. Total, $190.50.

Donations in Kind

Missionary Society, Jamestown, Miss Virginia Ragsdale, one coop chickens; Miss Lina West, Ramseur, 1 quilt; S. S. class of Mrs. Alice A. Heath, Monroe, 1 box canned fruit; E. N. Howard, Mechanic, 16 pairs of hose; S. S. class of Mrs. L. C. Bickett, Newton, 1 dozen handkerchiefs, hose, ribbon and mittens; S. S. class of Mrs. C. M. Burris, Jr., Wadesboro; 5 dozen handkerchiefs, Philathea class, Lilesville, 1 pair blankets; Junior Workers of Muir's Chapel, Miss Della M. Sheeler, Guilford College, 1 box clothing; Elkin Light Bearers, Mrs. A. M. Smith, Elkin, 30 pairs gloves, 2 dresses, 3 handkerchiefs and 1 pair hose; Primary class of Washington St. church, High Point, 52 handkerchiefs, 1 piece ribbon; Mrs. H. D. Poindexter, Winston, 3 coats; Mrs. W. J. Price, Beaver Creek, child's outfit of clothing; Mr. A. J. Shaver, Macon, Florida, 2 boxes oranges; Ladies' Aid Society Patty's Chapel, Mrs. J. C. Sales, Fletcher, 1 barrel apples; 1 box canned fruit; Mrs. W. B. Shinn, Bessemer City, 1 box canned fruit; Morganton Epworth League, Morganton, 1 box oranges; R. L. Scroggs, Moravian Falls, 24 cans tomatoes; Little Children's Sewing Club, Jamestown, 1 quilt; Light Bearers Society, Jamestown, 1 quilt; High Shoals Philathea class, 32 pairs hose; S. Main St. S. S., class of girls, Salisbury, 12 outing night gowns; Light Bearers, Weaverville, 15 handkerchiefs; Light Bearers Central church, Concord, Mrs. J. E. Smoot, 1 box clothing, remnants of cloth and 39 pairs hose; Sentinel office, Winston, magazines; W. C. T. U., Winston, magazines; W. R. Alexander, Swannanoa, 1 crate apples; Biltmore, 1 coop chickens, canned fruit, etc., through Mrs. D. T. Roberts; Franklinville, 1 coop of chickens; Lexington, fruit, confections, toys and articles of clothing; Advance, 2 boxes canned fruit, 1 pair shoes and 5 pairs hose; Henrietta, 2 barrels canned fruit; Josef Lindsey, Reidsville, 1 bolt outing; Methodist church, Monroe, through Mr. J. W. Murdock, 1 coop chickens, 1 box oranges, 1 box oranges and apples, 1 box canned fruit and small packages; 1 coop chickens, no name; Hon. C. B. Watson, 1 turkey.

A GENEROUS RAILROAD COMPANY

The Carolina and North Western Railroad deserve great commendation for their thoughtful courtesy in issuing the ministers of the Gospel residing on their line of road an annual pass.

Many warm expressions of appreciation are heard by ministers on all hands along the line.

The management are Christian gentlemen. May the blessing of God rest upon them and their business interests!

LOAN FUNDS AND WAR TIMES

At the close of business on this, the thirty-first day of December, 1914, our books show contributions to the Loan Fund Capital of the Board of Church Extension amounting to $84,843,07. This increase has been made since the close of the last fiscal year, March 31, 1914, and therefore covers nine months.

The largest annual increase during the history of the Board was shown at the close of the fiscal year in 1913, and was $66,222.66. We must reach the $100,000.00 mark during the present fiscal year.

It may be of interest to know that the increase of 84,843.07 shown above for the three-fourths of the present fiscal year represents 280 contributions, the largest of which was $10,000.00; the smallest of which was 65 cents—an average contribution of $303.01.

W. F. McMurry,
Corresponding Secretary.
Louisville, Ky.

"A RESCUE HOME"

North Carolina needs and must have a rescue home for fallen women. Let all the papers of the state lay this matter before their readers and urge our next Legislature to start such a home.

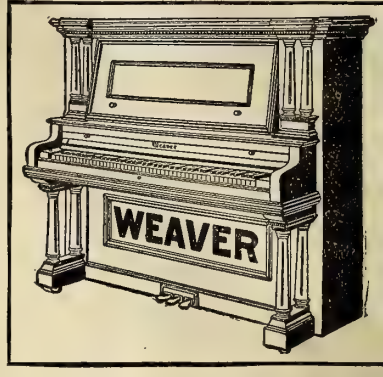
A. D. Betts.
Greensboro, N. C.

MME. LOUISE HOMER



AND THE

Weaver Piano



MME. HOMER is one of America's greatest singers. Great singers are extremely particular as to what pianos shall accompany their marvelous voices. Only a very few pianos are sufficiently pure in tone and responsive in the action to satisfy them. Mme. Homer says the tone and action in the Weaver Piano suit her exactly. This is the opinion of the greatest living musicians, and the Weaver Piano is the greatest piano of the present day, and marks the highest development of present day piano quality.

Write for catalogue. Old instruments taken in exchange. Time payments.

Weaver Organ & Piano Co. MANUFACTURERS York, Pennsylvania

HELP WANTED LADIES

Ladies of character may earn nice in come at home every month taking order from friends for REIF'S high class Toile Articles, Fairy Creme, Perfume, Food Fla voring Extracts and full line. Libera commission paid. This is for married o single women, young or old. Reference required. Get our free Instruction book We teach you how to succeed from th start. Honorable, dignified work. Writ now and get territory and beautiful sam ple case.

United Stores Drug Co., 813 Cherry Street Chattanooga, Tenn.

Cabbage Plants

FORTY MILLIONS OF GENUINE FROST PROOF PLANTS

Grown in the open field on our farms at Albany, Ga., and Greenville, S. C., from strictly high grade seed, and will make heads if given half a chance. We change our land each year, thus avoiding lice and disease. We ship promptly, guarantee full count, safe delivery, and good strong plants.

Varieties: Early Jersey Wakefield, Charleston Wakefield, Succession, Early Drumhead and Flat Dutch.

Price: 500 for $1.00 post paid. By express, not prepaid, 500 for 75c; 1000 to 4000 at $1.25 per 1000; 5000 to 9000 at $1.00 per 1000; 10,000 to 15,000 at 90c per 1000. Special prices on large lots.

Beets and Bermuda onion plants at $1.25 per 1000; Lettuce plants, Big Boston at $1.50 per 1000; Strawberry plants, leading varieties at $2.50 per 1000; also a choice line of fruit trees.

PIEDMONT PLANT CO.
Albany, Ga., and Greenville, S. C.



Nancy Hall and Porto Rico potato plants ready April 1st. Write for our illustrated catalogue which gives a full description of our plants and fruit trees.

WANTED, Ford Owners To demonstrat "New Invisibl Simplex Self Starter." Ford cars only. N batteries, springs, cables or other junk Equal to any electric starter at one-fift the price. Fully guaranteed. Shipped ou on a week's trial. Sells on sight. Writ quick.

Simplex Manufacturing Co., 1551 Grea Northern Building, Chicago

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO

ROBT. W. MURRAY

GENERAL INSURANCE

Greensboro, North Carolina

308½ South Elm St.

Phone 163

"THE SANITARY" Individual Communion **CUPS**

List of thousands of churches using our cups and FREE CATALOG with quotations sent upon request.



Sanitary Communion Outfit Co., 71st St., Rochester, N.

WE PAY $80 A MONTH SALARY and furnish rig and all expenses to introduce ou guaranteed poultry and stock powders. Address BIGLER COMPANY, X708, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.

First Round

January

Mills River, Shaw's Creek 9-10
Central, night 10
Flat Rock, Flat Rock 16-17
Tryon and Saluda, Tryon 17-18
Fairview, Tweeds 23-24
North Asheville, night 24
Walnut, Jewel Hill 30-31
Hot Sp'gs and Marshall, Marshall, night 31

February

Sulphur Springs, Laurel Hill 6-7
West Asheville, night 7
Swannanoa, Swannanoa 13-14
Black Mountain, night 14
Weaverville Ct., Flint Hill 20-21
Bethel, night 21

There will be a meeting of the preachers of the district at Haywood Street church, Thursday, Dec. 10th, at 2 p. m., and at night. All preachers urged to be present.

District stewards meeting at Central church, Friday, Dec. 11th, at 10 a. m.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C.

First Round

January

Thrift, Thrift 2-3
Dilworth, Dilworth, night 3
Marshville, Center 9
Monroe, Central 10
Monroe, North Monroe, night 10
Prospect, Carmel 16-17
Unionville, Grace, p. m. 17-18
Morven, Bethel 24-25
Wadesboro, Wadesboro, night 25
Polkton, Peachland 30
Lilesville, Lilesville 31

February

Ansonville, Ansonville 6-7
Waxhaw, Waxhaw 13-14
Spencer Memorial 21

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.

First Round

January

Randolph Ct., Mt. Vernon 2-3
Spring Garden, p. m. 3
Coleridge Ct., Coleridge 9-10
Ramseur and F'ville, Ramseur 10-11
Wesley Memorial, H. Pt., 11 a. m. 17
East and West, 3 p. m. 17
Main St., 7 p. m. 17
Randleman and Naomi, St. Paul ..23-24
Asheboro 24-25
Uwharrie Ct., Concord 30-31
Denton Ct., Denton 31-1

February

Deep River, Cedar Falls 6-7
West Market 13-14

The district stewards will meet at West Market Street church, Tuesday, Dec. 1 at 10 a. m.

MT. AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mt. Airy, N. C.

First Round

January

Leaksville, night 1-2
Spray, night, 2; 11 a. m. 3
Draper, 3 p. m. 2-3
Danbury 9-10
Rural Hall, Germanton 16-17
Yadkinville, Prospect 23-24
Elkin, night 29-31
Jonesville 30-31

February

Dobson, Stony Knoll 6-7
Pilot Mountain, Pilot Mountain 13-14
Ararat, Chestnut Grove 20-21
Mt. Airy Ct., Zion 27-28

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

First Round

January

Jefferson, Bethany 9-10
Helton, Sabbath Home 13
Creston, Creston 16-17
Watauga, Henson's Chapel 23-24
Elk Park, Elk Park 30-31

February

Avery, Fairview 6-7
Boone, Rutherwood 13-14
Laurel Springs, Transon 20-21
Sparta, Potato Creek 27-28

The District Stewards, pastors, Sunday school superintendents and Lay Leaders are called to meet at North Wilkesboro, December 18, 19, 20. The meeting will begin at 2 p. m., on Friday, the 18th, in our church. Rev. Frank Siler will be present.

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.

First Round

January

Salem Ct., Salem 3-4
Concord, Central, 11 a. m. 10
West Concord, Harmony, 3 p. m. 10
Concord, Epworth, night 10
Kannapolis Station 15-17
Kannapolis Ct., Oak Grove 16-17
China Grove and Landis, China Gr., 17-18
Bethel and Love's Chapel, Bethel ..23-24
Concord, Westford, night 24
Gold Hill Ct., Gold Hill 30-31
New London Ct., New London 30-feb1

District stewards' meeting Salisbury, Dec. 4, 10 a. m.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.

First Round

January

Stoney Point Ct., Stoney Pt., 11 a. m., 9-10
Alexander Ct., Taylorsville, night ..10-11
Maiden Ct., St. Paul, 11 a. m. 16-17
Newton Sta., Newton, night 17-18
Hickory Ct., Marvin, 11 a. m. 23-24
Catawba Ct., Catawba, night 24-25
Statesville Ct., N. S'ville, 11 a. m., 30-31
Broad St., Broad St., night 31-Feb. 1

February

Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 11 a. m. 6-7
Davidson, Davidson, night 7-8
Mooresville Ct., Fair View, 11 a. m., 13-14
Mooresville Sta., Mooresville, night, 14-15
Cool Spring Ct., Cool Spg., 11 a. m., 20-21
Troutman Ct., Shepherds, 11 a. m., 27-28

The district stewards, pastors and lay leaders will meet in Broad Street church at Statesville on Thursday, Dec. 17, at 12 o'clock noon. A full attendance of the above persons is earnestly urged.

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs. Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C

First Round

January

Belwood, Palm Tree 2-3
Polkville, Polkville 3-4
King's Mountain, King's Mountain ..9-10
South Fork, Russell's Chapel 16
Lincolnton, Lincolnton 17
Crouse, Crouse 23
Stanly, Stanly 24-25
Shelby Ct., Sharon 30

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.

First Round

January

Thermal City, Pisgah 2-3
Green River, Lebanon 9-10
Broad River, Wesley's Chapel 16-17
Henrietta and Caroleen, Henrietta ..17-18
Cliffside, Cliffside 23-24
Morganton Ct., Salem 30-31
Connelly Springs, Rutherford College, 31-Feb.1

February

Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Spruce Pine 5-7
Micaville, South Toe 6-7
Bald Creek, Bald Creek 13-14
Burnsville 14-15
Marion Ct., Green Mountain 20-21

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C., R. F. D. No. 2

First Round

January

Waynesville Station 9-10
Sylva Charge, night 10
Webster Ct., Cullowhee 16-17
Glenville Ct., East La Porte 17-18
Hayesville Ct., Oak Forest 23-24
Murphy Ct., Tomotla 27-28
Ranger Ct., Salem 29-30
Murphy Station 31

February

Judson Ct., Maple Springs 2-3
Robbinsville Ct., Robbinsville 4-5
Andrews Station 6-7
Macon Ct., Union 13-14
Franklin Ct., Salem 16-17
Highlands Ct., Highlands 18-19
Franklin Station 21-22

District stewards, pastors and lay leaders meeting at Bryson City Dec. 10.

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston-Salem, N. C.

First Round

January

Davidson, Mount Olivet 2-3
Salem, night 3
Jackson Hill, New Hope 9-10
Farmington, Farmington 16-17
Mocksville, night 17
Davie, Oak Grove 23-24
Cooleemee, night 24
Lewisville, Sharon 30-31

February

Kernersville, Kernersville 6-7

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Premier Carrier of the South

N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information and are not guaranteed.

12:15 a. m.—No 32 daily Southern's Southeastern Limited. Pullman drawing-room, open section sleeping cars Jacksonville and Augusta to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

12:35 a. m.—No. 112, daily, local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh which is open at 9:30 and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m.

1:42 a. m.—No. 30, daily, Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing-room and observation sleeping cars Birmingham and Columbus to New York, and Birmingham to Richmond. Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29 daily, Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing-room and observation sleeping cars New York and Richmond to Birmingham and Columbus. Daily tourist car Washington to San Francisco via popular Sunset Route. Dining cars. Coaches.

3:15 a. m.—No. 31 daily, The Southern's Southeastern Limited. Pullman drawing-room and open section sleeping cars New York to Jacksonville and Augusta. Dining car service. Day coaches.

3:45 a. m.—No. 45 daily, local for Charlotte, connecting for Atlanta and points south.

7:10 a. m.—No. 8 daily, local for Richmond.

7:15 a. m.—No. 37 daily, New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section sleeping cars New York to New Orleans, and New York to Asheville, and Macon. Pullman parlor car Greensboro to Montgomery. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service.

7:30 a. m.—No. 108 daily, local for Raleigh, Selma, and Goldsboro.

7:40 a. m.—No. 154 daily, except Sunday for Ramseur.

7:25 a. m.—No. 11, daily, local for Atlanta. Pullman sleeping cars Norfolk and Richmond to Charotte. Day coaches.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily, for Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Pullman sleeping car Raleigh to Winston-Salem.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily, local for Mt. Airy.

9:30 a. m.—No. 44, daily, for Washington and points north.

9:40 a. m.—No. 144, daily, Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro Pullman sleeping car Atlanta to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily, for Asheville and Waynesville, connecting at Asheville with Carolina Special for all points west. Chair car Goldsboro to Asheville.

12:55 p. m.—No. 130, daily, local for Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

1:30 p. m.—No. 7, daily, local for Charlotte, connecting for Seneca and Columbia.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily U. S. Fast Mail for Washington, New York and points north. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

2:00 p. m.—No. 207, daily, for Winston-Salem, connecting daily except Sunday for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daily, except Sunday for Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily, except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily, for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Chair car.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily, for Mt. Airy.

6:25 p. m.—No. 35, daily, U. S. Fast Mail, for Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham. Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily, for Winston-Salem.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily local for Sanford.

7:32 p. m.—No. 43, daily, for Alanta, and points south Sleeping car Raleigh to Atlanta.

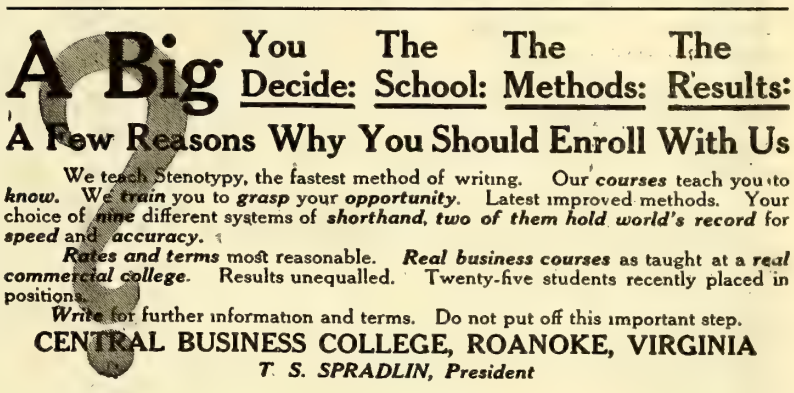
10:15 p. m.—No. 12, daily, local, for Richmond. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Norfolk.

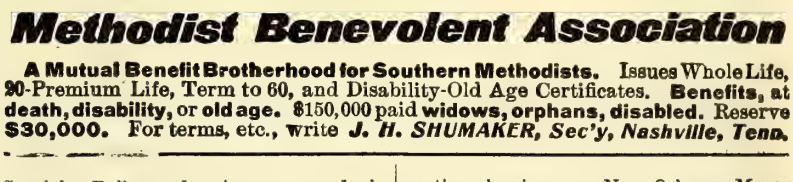
10:20 p. m.—No. 233, daily, for Winston-Salem.

11:29 p. m.—No. 38, daily, New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section sleeping cars New Orleans, Macon and Asheville to New York. Dining car.

E. H. COAPMAN, Vice-President and General Manager, Washington, D. C.
S. H. HARDWICK, P. T. M., Washington D. C.
H. F. CARY, G. P. A., Washington, D. C.
R. H DeBUTTS, D. P. A., Charlotte, N. C.
C. G. PICKARD, P. and T. A., Greensbero, N. C.





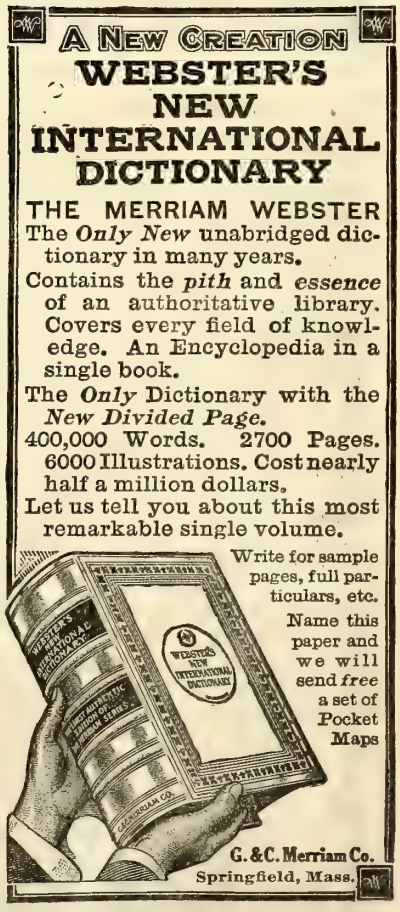




BIG RETURNS FOR LITTLE INVESTMENT

In Star Sweep Feed Grinders. Grind ear corn and small grain at home, with one horse or two. Guaranteed capacity, materials and workmanship. No long drive; no mill tolls. Catalog for a postcard

STAR MFG. CO., 7 Depot St., New Lexington, O.



PUBLISHER'S ANNOUNCEMENT

FOR THE NEW YEAR

ADVOCATE DAY, SUNDAY, JANUARY 17th

A CONCERTED MOVEMENT WITH TWO AIMS

1. To Increase Our Circulation

The Board of Publication realizes that the matter of prime consideration is circulation. No matter how excellent our paper may be it can not accomplish its mission without a large circulation. We must find out how to get it into the homes of our people and induce them as far as possible to become interested in its contents. It is no small part of the task of the pastor to induce his people to become a reading people. To accomplish this he must furnish them something to read. The place to begin is with the periodical literature of his church, and first among these is the Conference paper.

By agreement of the editor, Presiding Elders, Lay Leaders and Board of Missions in the meeting at Salisbury, in December, Sunday, January 17th, was set apart specially as Advocate Day, with the week following for special canvass with the view, if possible, of placing the paper in every home—certainly with the view of placing it in many new homes.

2. To Secure the Renewals

The management finds a great problem on its hands by hundreds of persons who failed to send in their renewals last year. We do not want to cut any off who mean to renew. On the other hand it is runious to the business to carry these along further if they do not intend to pay what they owe. So the second object of this Advocate Day and week is to secure these renewals and collect up back dues as far as possible and remove all from the list who will not make settlement. This year we must insist that pastors and churches see that this is attended to with as much diligence as the securing of new subscribers. We must have the payment of arrears or the removal of names from the list. Co-operation in this matter will mean the saving of thousands of dollars.

Prompt Renewals Necessary

The Board has been compelled to request the manager to urge the prompt renewal of subscriptions. The careless manner in which a large number deal with the Advocate in this respect is costing us a large amount each year. The Board does not wish any one deprived of his paper for even a single week, but judging from past experience it is absolutely necessary for us to adopt more nearly a cash-in-advance system. We are now facing a financial problem on account of the falling off of our advertising business. The war scare has so paralyzed business that our advertising managers have not only failed to develop new business, but have had to cancel most of the outstanding orders. This makes it necessary that we collect more closely on our subscription list. The Board has therefore requested the Manager to send statements to all whose subscriptions have expired so as to remind them of the necessity for prompt renewal. It is too expensive to send these statements if it can be avoided, se we urge that renewals be attended to on Advocate Day, or during the week followings, before it becomes necessary to send out statements.

Throwing Away a Great Opportunity

At great expense of toil, sacrifice and money we build a plant capable of sending a message every week into every home represented in our membership. By failure to co-operate on some plan that would make it possible to achieve this, we simply throw away a great opportunity—perhaps, in an important sense, the greatest opportunity open to us. In all our work as a church, whether it be in effort to promote evangelism, or to send the gospel to the regions beyond, we are dealing with the problem of ignorance. Enlightenment is the great essential if we would carry out our Master's Great Commission, and we must teach if we would evangelize and save. We are to go forth teaching men to observe whatsoever Jesus came to the world to reveal; and while preaching is ever the chief agency of evangelization, we must not ignore the printed message which, more than all other agencies of enlightenment, prepares the way for the message of a living ministry.

So Many People Do Not Read

What if they do not read? It is our problem again not only to bring our people the printed message but to lead them to peruse and appreciate it. While it may be the most difficult duty of the pastor, it is, nevertheless, his duty to promote the reading habit among his people. The people will certainly not read our literature unless we somehow manage to place it in their hands. Therefore, the slogan which should never be abandoned is, "our church paper in every home." The process may seem very slow and the work may be exceedingly discouraging, but if we keep on hammering away we shall after awhile reach the goal. When we have compassed this and our people become intelligently devoted to the church it will not be hard to tap the fountain of beneficence and send the streams of saving power to the ends of the earth.

We act very foolishly if we do not work a periodical such as the North Carolina Christian Advocate for all that it is worth. The way to give it strength and virility is to give it circulation. Only in this way can we make it possible for the paper itself "to grip" the people with its messages from week to week.

Our Job Department

The Board calls attention again to the importance of patronizing our Job Printing Department. We now have a fine equipment and ample facilities for handling a general job business and the business has developed very satisfactorily; but only a few of our business men here and yonder, seem to have thought of the importance of patronizing this department. We are carrying on this business for no other reason than that of helping to make the Advocate. This fact ought to appeal to our people, and we feel assured it does when fully understood.

With the hearty good will and support of the whole Conference, there is no reason why we may not double the circulation of the Advocate, and thus multiply its power for good by two, at the same time double our general printing business with little increase of expense, giving a very comfortable stipend to the worthy claimants upon our fund.

THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION,
Greensboro, N. C.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, January 14, 1915 | Number 2

Reading Room Trinity College

A MORNING THOUGHT

Let me today do something that shall take
A little sadness from the world's vast store,
And may I be so favored as to make
Of joy's too scanty sum a little more.

Let me not hurt, by any selfish deed
Or thoughtless word, the heart of foe or friend;
Nor would I pass, unseeing, worthy need,
Or sin by silence when I should defend.

However meager be my worldly wealth,
Let me give something that shall aid my kind,
A word of courage or a thought of health,
Dropped as I pass for troubled hearts to find.

Let me tonight look back across the span
'Twixt dawn and dark and to my conscience say—
Because of some good act to beast or man—
The world is better that I lived today.—*Ella Wheeler Wilcox.*

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS

It is not our custom to discontinue subscriptions when the time paid for expires, without notice. Subscribers who do not wish the paper continued should send notice to discontinue direct to the office. Otherwise they will be expected to pay for the paper

SPECIAL NOTICE

Those who wish the paper discontinued should send balance due direct to the Advocate office with special request to discontinue. We are not responsible when such requests are made to pastors.

NEXT SUNDAY ADVOCATE DAY

The editor, in behalf of himself and the Board of Publication, makes this final appeal to pastors and church leaders throughout the Conference. The business situation has cut off nearly all the usual income from advertising, and makes us almost entirely dependent upon the income from subscriptions. Some three or four thousand of the names on our list have not been renewed, many of them, for more than a year. Many of our very best people in all the churches have allowed the matter to go by and should now send $3.00 to advance their dates two years. If any pastor reading this wishes to verify this statement he can do so by looking over the list which is now in his possession. We sent out all these lists last month.

The editor, who is also the business manager, dislikes to keep up a constant din on this subject, and he is aware of the fact that there are others who would like to have a rest. So it had just as well be understood, once for all, that there will be no cessation of the din till we get our list in shape, and we have no one to whom we can appeal except the pastors. So the best way to get a rest from this din is to fall in and co-operate with us in our effort to wake up the sleepers. It might be well enough for each pastor to read this little message to his congregation next Sunday morning.

The time has come when there must be co-operation in every pastoral charge if our Advocate is to reach the homes of the people and accomplish its work. The fact is, if there is not thorough co-operation the time may come when we will be confronted with the question of even existence itself.

The editor realizes that most of our pastors are loyal to the Advocate, even to the extent of making personal sacrifice for promoting its circulation. We greatly appreciate this cordial co-operation. So we are sure that these faithful men will understand that we make this urgent plea for the observance of the day, and week if need be, because of conditions that demand such an effort as we have never made before. Let our loyal laymen also fall in and support our pastors next week. We believe they will.

CONFERENCE EVANGELISM

By action of our last Annual Conference (see Journal, page 21), E. K. McLarty, Frank Siler, J. W. Moore, R. M. Courtney, E. A. Cole, J. F. Shinn and L. B. Rogers were appointed a special committee on Evangelism. Following what we had to say last week, we call attention now to the importance of taking this action of our Conference seriously and putting ourselves in position to so co-operate with this committee as to carry out the spirit of our resolution. As a Conference we need to take ourselves somewhat to task for "saying and doing not." For years it has been our habit to agree by resolution to do many things and straightway forget what manner of things these were, or what manner of covenant we had made for ourselves. Many most important matters are thus annually put to sleep by being referred to committees who fail to act, or by agreement in a final resolution which we never make any serious effort to carry out.

Who will say that we have not even seared our consciences by an easy-going habit of thus trifling with the most sacred concerns of our ministry? So much is this true that it has become almost a matter of jest among us that any resolution can be passed in a religious body, provided it is presented late in the session—that such bodies are wont to destroy well-intended movements by committing themselves in resolutions never intended to be carried out. The editor of the Advocate believes that the time has come for us to rid ourselves of this reproach, and seriously undertake to do all the things we agree to by resolution, following the leadership of those whom we have set to lead us, and giving hearty co-operation to those upon whom we have laid grave responsibilities.

It is the consensus of opinion among us that the greatest need of the church in Western North Carolina, as well as throughout the connection, is a great campaign of evangelism. There is agreement that we have reached the period when the prophet, standing in the midst of all the vast machinery of the organized church, must invoke the breath of life that these dry bones may live and stand upon their feet, a great multitude, to go forth to the conquest of the world. The vast area of death appearing before the prophet in the valley of vision, could not have been less promising and more discouraging than the great mass of men and women making up the membership of the church today—ignorant of the world's needs; blind to the pitiful picture of destitution among so many of the race, and deaf to their cry of despair. This blindness, deafness—this incapacity of the great bulk of our people to respond to the insistent call for a great forward movement intended to give the message of life to the world in this generation, is calling us again to emphasize the latter part of our Lord's Great Command, "Beginning at Jerusalem." "Tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem till ye be endued with power from on high." These words of our Lord come sounding down through the centuries to rebuke those who would attempt to go upon this warfare disregarding the conditions upon which success is assured.

Is it extravagant to say that, for more than a quarter of a century, our missionary propaganda has had no adequate base of supply?—that the dynamic force which God intended to give it propelling power and constant efficiency, has been wanting in large measure? Are we not as a church shamed by our failure to enlist the great majority of our people sympathetically and practically in this propaganda? There is a reason for this, and it is no accident, nor is it an ill omen, that our Board of Missions should sound out this call to the church by constituting a Committee on Evangelism and setting about the task of getting the whole Conference to co-operate. In this they have sounded the key note and we plead that the whole Conference join in harmony with the movement led by this committee.

The first thing to be done is to utilize to the utmost the two men appointed specifically to evangelistic work. Rev D. H. Comann and Rev. W. L. Dawson should not be allowed to have idle time upon their hands. Two men upon whom God has set the seal of his approval, should find an open door for large service, especially since we have set our seal of approval upon them by sending them forth into this work. Moreover, we embarrass them and embarrass our Committee on Evangelism if we fail to give hearty co-operation.

The second demand is that our committee shall endeavor to map out a comprehensive scheme, which will touch all sections of the Conference and which shall involve the service of many other members of the Conference, besides the two men appointed specially to the work. This scheme should be completed at the earliest possible day and be put into operation, because the time is short and the days are evil. We venture to suggest that each member of the Conference who feels inclined to give a little time to this special work outside of his own charge notify his presiding elder and the committee, and let them by consultation arrange for utilizing all such volunteer service.

Finally, let all pray that God may direct this committee and open the way for the greatest season of pentecostal power ever witnessed in our Conference. We need this as we need nothing else, and the editor of the Advocate feels constrained to exhort the whole Conference to join in prayer and effort till we see the whole multitude standing up, a living army.

SUNDAY IN HIGH POINT

Last Sunday was a great day for the congregation of Washington Street, High Point, which on that day assumed the new name Wesley Memorial. A more beautiful day never dawned than that which witnessed the christening of the new order of things for this great congregation. Everything was in readiness. For more than twelve months the new house of worship on North Main Street had been in process of construction, the last touches of decoration having been given so recently that they were barely dry.

This new temple of worship, costing more than $60,000, and, in commodiousness and architectural beauty, second to none in North Carolina, has been built without any blare of trumpets—in fact so quietly that few people away from High Point have known what was going on. The congregation, however, has had a mind to build for some five years, and with this in view, purchased a very eligible lot in what seems an ideal location. Rev. J. H. Barnhardt labored on this enterprise throughout his term of four years and, just as they were almost ready to lay the cap stone his term ended and he had to go away. The good people of the charge who had so much enjoyed his ministry, did the handsome thing by uniting with the new pastor in inviting him to preach the opening sermon on the second Sunday in January. Following is the program of services carried out for the day:

Morning

9:30 Sunday school, V. A. J. Idol, Superintendent.

Program:—

1. Opening services led by Rev. J. Ed Thompson, of Asheboro.
2. Class assembly.
3. Records and collections.
4. Assembly of School, including Primary Department.
5. Addresses by (1) Fred N. Tate, Mayor of the city; (2) Miss Lillian Massey; (3) Dr. Dred Peacock; (4) Prof. Thornwell Haynes; (5) Rev. H. M. Blair; (6) Dr. G. C. Rowe.
6. Report of Secretary condensed as follows: Total number present, 479; total collection, $13.93; new scholars, 14.

10:30 Placing of Tablet.

(1) Hymn.

(2) Address by Rev. S. B. Turrentine, D. D.

11 a. m. Opening Services. (1) Organ Voluntary; (2) Doxology; (3) Invocation; (4) Hymn 78; (5) Creed; (6) Prayer—Rev. H. M. Blair; (7) Anthem; (8) Psalm 84 responsive—Dr. Turrentine; (9) Gloria; (10) New Testament Lesson—Dr. Turrentine; (17) Notices—J. W. Harris; (12) Offertory; (13) Hymn No. 207; (14) Introduction—Rev. W. H. Townsend; (15) Sermon—Rev. J. H. Barnhardt; (16) Prayer—Rev. H. C. Byrum; (17) Announcements; (18) Hymn No. 180; (19) Benediction—Rev. J. E. Thompson.

The sermon was exceedingly appropriate, the text being Exodus 25:8. Brother Barnhardt must have been at his best, for every word seemed fitly spoken and they were truly as characterized by Solomon, "apples of gold in pictures of silver." The whole occasion was one of supreme interest, the best of all being the conscious presence of the Invisible Guest, who sanctified the occasion as we believe by His presence. The great congregation filled all available space, the auditorium having a capacity of 1500.

Rev. J. Ed Thompson, of Asheboro, a former pastor, preached at night. Thus with appropriate services passed one of the most delightful opening days ever enjoyed by any congregation.

The day was as near a perfect day as could possibly be imagined, the beautiful sunlight blending in a striking picture the colors in the great cathedral windows. Everybody seemed happy and they had a right to be, Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe, the pastor, being chief if possible among those who rejoiced in view of the great opportunities now opening out before this great congregation.

NOTE AND COMMENT

For Expansion of Our Cotton Trade South America now seems to offer the greatest opportunity. The South American Agent of the Southern Railway says:—"Of the $14,000,000 of cotton goods imported by Chile in 1912, only $770,000 came from this country. Germany, whose trade is now cut off, supplied $3,400,000, and Great Britain the rest. In the same year, Argentina bought $35,700,000, of which $5,527,000 came from Germany, over $17,000,000 from England and only $445,300 from this country. Of the $18,000,000 of cotton goods imported by Brazil, $3,800,000 came from Germany, $11,000,000 from England, and only $329,000 from this country. Figures in regard to woolen goods and cutlery into the South American countries show similar opportunity."

If the European war should eventually drop a goodly portion of this trade into the lap of Uncle Sam there will be some compensation for the loss of foreign trade which is just now giving him a rather tight squeeze.

* * * *

The North Carolina Legislature convened on Wednesday of last week and organized by electing Emmett R. Wooten, of Lenoir County, Speaker of the House of Representatives and O. Max Gardner, of Cleveland, President pro tem of the Senate. These elections took place without any very spirited contest. Not much business of importance has been transacted. The Governor's message was heard on Thursday. This message makes an urgent plea that as liberal provision as possible be made for the various State institutions and for the Confederate soldiers who performed such valiant service in those trying days of 1861-65. The Governor also recommends a revision of the tax system so as to secure from all property in the state a just proportion of the necessary revenues. It is believed that this legislature will take up at an early day the legislation urged by the prohibition forces which will prevent the shipment of liquor into the state for beverage purposes. There are many good men in both branches and it is believed that the conservative element predominates.

* * * *

The State's Appropriations to state institutions and to institutions receiving state aid make large figures in the aggregate. The Biblical Recorder has taken the pains to collate these which we give to our readers as follows:

School for Deaf and Dumb—$62,500 annually for support and maintenance and $7,750 for purchase of boiler and type-setting machine.

Institution for Deaf and Dumb and Blind—$72,000 annually for support and maintenance and $30,000 for new location.

State Hospital at Raleigh—$160,000 annually for support and maintenance.

Soldier's Home—$35,000 annually for support and maintenance and $250 annually for marking graves of Confederate dead.

Oxford Orphanage (white)—$20,000 annually for support and maintenance.

Croatan Normal School—$2,250 annually for support and maintenance.

School for Colored Race (Winston-Salem)—$3,000, one-half for improvements and one-half for purchase of property.

..Stonewall Jackson Training School—$18,000 annually for support and maintenance, and $7,000 annually for improvements.

Guilford Battleground—$200 annually for erection of monuments and $500 for Guilford Battleground company.

N. C. Room in Confederate Museum, Richmond, Va.—$200 annually.

State Hospital at Morganton—$195,000 annually for support and maintenance and $50,000 for buildings.

University of North Carolina—$95,000 annually for support and maintenance and $50,000 annually for permanent improvements.

State Normal and Industrial College—$90,000 annually for support and maintenance; $5,000 annually for maintenance of summer school and $50,000 for permanent improvements.

Sanatorium for Tuberculosis—$12,500 annually for support and maintenance; $7,500 for support and maintenance of indigent patients, and $20,000 for building.

College of Agriculture and Mechanical Arts—$80,000 for 1913 and $85,000 for 1914, both for support and maintenance; $25,000 for new building and $5,000 for repairs.

State Hospital at Goldsboro—$90,000 annually for support and maintenance and $5,000 for permanent improvements.

Oxford Orphanage (colored)—$6,000 annually for support and maintenance and $4,000 for permanent improvements.

Appalachian Training School—$12,500 annually for support and maintenance and $15,000 for permanent improvements.

Cullowhee Normal and Industrial School—$10,000 annually for support and maintenance and $15,000 for permanent improvements.

East Carolina Teachers' Training School—$45,000 annually for support and maintenance, $40,000 for permanent improvements and $6,000 to pay certain debts.

A. and M. College (colored)—$12,500 annually for support and maintenance and $17,500 for permanent improvements.

* * * *

An Event of the Past Week which created quite a sensation was a fire in the New York Subway, in which quite a number lost their lives and many others were injured. It was at first reported that more than one hundred lives were lost, but many who were overcome by suffocation were rescued and resuscitated. Only prompt work saved many from suffocation. The press account sent out next day says: "The accident occurred between the Fiftieth and Fifty-ninth Street stations and called out virtually the entire fire ambulance service on Manhattan Island. The two trains, one express and a local, both packed, came to a stop midway between the stations and the lights went out. A large feed cable had blown out in its conduit some fifty yards distant and soon the cars were filled with the fumes of burning rubber. This soon grew unbearable and it took little to start a panic in the darkness. The demands of some of the passengers that the doors be opened were refused by the guards, it was said. Fights ensued and there was soon in progress on both trains a desperate struggle to get out. Windows were smashed by the score; men and women trampled each other and tore each other's clothes in fear. When the first of the panic-stricken passengers reached the street the report spread that there had been a terrible catastrophe in which many had been killed. Police and firemen quickly reached the scene, and although it was at length established that the reports were exaggerated they were busy more than three hours in the rescue work. They found in the two trains many passengers; mostly women, half asphyxiated. Others had collapsed on the floor of the tube. Some were brought up by ladder through manholes, some through ventilating apertures in the street, ordinarily covered with steel grating.

* * * *

All Have Agreed. The two Georgia Annual Conferences and the Florida Annual Conference have all agreed to change of the charter of Emory College by which that institution becomes the literary department of the Emory University of our Church to be built in this city. That means a great deal for Emory College and quite as much for the great university that is to be. Georgia and Florida Methodists have done wisely in making Emory College an essential part of the Emory University. Chancellor W. A. Candler and his co-laborers will now make the great institution just as rapidly as is best.—Wesleyan Christian Advocate.

* * * *

Peace Sunday. A movement inaugurated by the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America to have Sunday, February 14, observed as centenary peace Sunday, as one of the features of the celebration of 100 years of peace between the Unitel States and Great Britain, is being responded to with enthusiasm by individual churches throughout the country.

* * * *

The British Reply to the American Note, protesting against interference with the commerce of neutral powers, has been made public, and, while it maintains that the American note is in friendly spirit and the point of objection well taken, the British government insists that under reasonable suspicion of carrying contraband, any vessels of neutral nations may be detained in ports till searched. The note is in friendly but firm spirit. To one looking on it would seem that the question once raised by the United States may yet cause serious friction if not a rupture between the two great English speaking nations. This question shows the necessity of an international court to which all such questions might be referred with the assurance of an amicable and equitable adjustment.

NOTES AND PERSONALS

Let everybody read page 16 this week. It will be your last opportunity.

—Miss Lillie May Smith and Mr. D. Webb Tucker were married at the parsonage of the Greensboro circuit on December 24th, Rev. F. L. Townsend, the pastor, performing the ceremony.

—Rev. J. W. Ingle, pastor of the Linwood circuit, preached for the Lexington congregation on a recent Sunday night. The Dispatch referring to the sermon says: "He made a very favorable impression on those who heard him, the majority of whom were hearing him for the first time."

—Dr. Thomas Lawrence, who, for nearly thirty years, had been at the head of the Normal and Industrial Institute at Asheville, died at his home in that place on the morning of January 6th. He was a man of scholarship and as a Presbyterian minister and educator had done a great work. He was past eighty-two years of age, having been born in Scotland June 5, 1832.

—The stewards of the Lincolnton circuit of the M. E. Church, met last Friday with their pastor, Rev. N. M. Modlin at the parsonage, where they laid plans for aggressive work for the present year. The stewards were accompanied by the wives and other members of their families with well filled baskets, which was spread on one large table where all with one accord partook to their heart's content. They all returned home much happier after spending a few hours together in pleasant communion.—Lincoln Journal.

—We make note from the Salisbury Post that the Ministerial Association, composed of the ministers of the different denominations of Salisbury and Spencer, for the coming year, elected Rev. C. F. Sherrill, pastor of our South Main Street Methodist church, Secretary. Rev. C. B. Heller, Presbyterian minister of Spencer, was elected president. Most cordial relations exist among the ministers of that prosperous twin-city, and in the union of the church forces of a town a strong influence for good, against evil, is expected.

—Mrs. Lamyra Gorden, whom quite a number of our Advocate readers will recall as one of the saints of the earlier history of the Methodist church at Elkin, passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. S. Bell, at Elkin, on Thursday, December 31. Mrs. Gordon had led a quiet and peaceable life and died at the ripe old age of 88. She was the grandmother of Mr. Walter B. Bell, who is well known in newspaper circles in North Carolina.

—A recent issue of the Southern Christian Advocate had the following note, taken from the Hampton, South Carolina, Guardian, which will be of interest to many Advocate readers::—"At the recent assembly of the 'Great Sanhedrin' of Methodist ministers, held in Sumter, the Hampton charge drew a lucky number. We should consider ourselves lucky indeed in having sent to us Rev. J. T. Peeler, formerly of Charleston. Mr. Peeler is a young man, having served in his present capacity for only nine or ten years, but druing that time he has made for himself an enviable record. For the last four years he has been pastor of Hampstead Square Methodist church, of Charleston, and his work there was characterized throughout by progressiveness. Under his leadership the members of that church have recently erected one of the most up-to-date churches in the State. We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Peeler to our town and wish for them a continuance of the success they have heretofore experienced."

CONTRIBUTIONS

GERMANY IN PEACE AND IN WAR

J. M. Rowland

There comes to you a strange feeling as you first put your foot upon the shore of a strange country, and realize all about you, people, government, language and all else that is strange. You feel lonely as you think how far away your country is—your loved ones, friends, and the hills of your nativity, while the wide old sea rolls between. And you appreciate your country more when among the foreign rags you see your own great Flag flying from the window of your country's ambassador or from a ship from home in the waters of a far away harbor. You feel like yelling with the voice of the storm:

"Let music swell the breeze
And ring from all the trees
Sweet freedom's song.
Let mortal tongues awake,
Let all that breathe partake,
Let rocks their silence break,
The sound prolong!"

You soon conclude we are the only folks that have a country anyway, and surely the only ones that have any language with which to communicate. All this other goose-quacking, pig-grunting, gutteral glubbering, parrot-squalling way of communicating your complaints isn't talking. You get disgusted with it all, but you fall in with it very soon. It is surprising how soon you can learn to talk in a foreign language. You can soon catch on. Sit down at a table, rattle your goozle with a rapid repetition of gutteral sounds like you were gargling your throat for tonsilitis and then point at what you want.

But after a while you meet some American. You are gladder to see him than if he had been Roosevelt or Santa Claus. You can't describe the sensation when, in the midst of all that foreign rabble, you run across a fellow from home. In the crowds of one of the German art galleries I butted into a black American South Carolina negro professor. It was all I could do to keep from falling on his neck and weeping for real joy. Never in my life did I know how good a genuine old black South Carolina negro looked.

But of Germany I set out to write. We landed at Cuxhaven—the place the British airships swooped down on last week. It was the longest day in the year. The sun set at nearly 10 o'clock that night, just after we got away from the gurgling, sputtering acrobatic performances of the custom house. We thought perhaps the sun put off setting in order to welcome us, but we were told this was because we were so far north. We had a feeling of sadness at leaving our boat and our new-made friends. Some of them were very gracious to us. Two German ladies who sat by us were as pleasant as they could be. They informed us every name in Germany meant something. One of their names meant wooden shoe and the other sour pie. We told them we would never have dreamed it from their looks.

It is not my purpose to "write up" Germany. That is being done by experts. I do desire to mention some personal impressions and some pertinent facts which may be helpful to those who chance to read this, especially just at this time when this little country is holding such an important position on the stage of the nations. We will first look at some favorable impressions and then at those unfavorable.

The first thing that impressed me was the love for beauty and cleanliness that seemed to be imbedded in this nation. It was the neatest, cleanest, most beautiful country we ever saw. Their homes, farms, streets, public buildings—every thing is made as beautiful as they can make it. You see no trash, dirt or filth; no waste or ragged land is anywhere in sight. Fence corners, ditch banks, roadsides—all vacant spots—are filled with grain or beautiful flowers. They seem to love flowers more than any other people. They seem to think flowers are live creatures. All houses —even of the poorest—are beautifully planted with lovely flowers. In the cities the parks, public buildings, nearly all the windows of homes, are filled with a mass of flowers. Nearly all houses have yards all full of flowers, and the yard is as much a private place as the chambers of the house. The gate is locked and you must ring the bell at the gate and wait to be admitted. Names of residents appear on the gates with mail boxes. The beauty is carried into their farming. They alternate with little patches of different kinds and colors of crops in such even and artistic designs that the whole landscape seems to be a big crazy quilt Nature has drawn up about her for a quiet nap. They carry this sense of the beautiful into their public buildings. Architecture is charming. Public buildings, inside and out, are made as attractive as it can be made not to be gaudy or too gorgeous. There is something that seems pleasing and appropriate about the general appearance of everything. There are not skyscrapers, all city buildings being of uniform height.

I was also impressed with the thrift and energy of Germany. I learned they had very few criminals and paupers. Everybody seemed to be busy with a soul set on fire to do something. They are not afraid or ashamed of toil. Consequently they have developed their nation to a degree that is far ahead of what the average person thinks. They are far ahead of us in many lines of business and enterprise. Many of our finest articles come from them. Their country is full of factories. Their railroad system was the finest we saw. The government owns the railroads, telegraph and telephone systems. Trains make splendid time and are very rarely late. The coaches are divided into compartments with glass doors and windows, the aisle being on the side of the coaches. In the compartments passengers face each other. As soon as a compartment is full a register at the door so states and no one is allowed to enter. Your door is locked and you are no more disturbed. You can see through the glass what is going on outside. When every seat is taken no one else is taken into a coach. The train is required to furnish seats for all who travel. The sleepers are somewhat upon the same plan —nicely furnished with basin, washstand, soap and towels. All crossings are guarded and accidents are practically unknown.

In education Germany is also ahead of us. The universities have long been known as the most famous of the earth. The most of the world's most renowned scientists are coming from these walls. But Germany's public school system is great also. She has had compulsory education for sometime and has put the ban on ignorance before other nations were waking up.

Another thing worthy of note is the preservation of forests in Germany. In this she leads the world. Her forests are under strict government control. A man is not allowed to cut trees on his own land until the government inspector has designated ones that should be cut and the ones that should not. All land owners are required also to plant trees each year.

Another favorable impression I received was the recognition and appreciation that is shown to all who perform any service for the nation or contribute anything to the welfare of their fellows. All service seems to be remembered. Streets, towns, public buildings, are named for their prominent citizens, and on all sides are seen monuments, statues and tablets in their honor. Thus they keep before their people the deeds of their men and inspire the rising generation to great deeds.

There were some things, however, that were very unfavorable about this great nation. One was the way it looks upon its women. To an American eye the German woman seems to be classed with the beasts of burden. The fields were full of women working. Women were working on the railroads, sweeping streets, tending parks, driving drays and doing all kinds of menial labor done by negroes in our country. Their idea of woman's place in civilization is far lower than ours. Her business is to serve, that is all.

A strange mode of conveyance was carts pulled by dogs, much of the hauling being done in this way. Usually the dog cart was a "two horse" arrangement with men, and very often a woman, hitched beside the dog to pull with him as well as direct his going. While it was shocking to see such a level for woman, it was another example of German thrift. They make everybody work, even the dogs. I did not see any dogs that were not working except a few poodles, and I felt sure that even German ingenuity could not get any service out of them. We could not but think if in our American cities we could find employment for our stray dogs and then beat the Germans one by getting our stray cats to work, we could become a great nation.

Another stain on Germany is its drinking. While the Germans drink very little whiskey, and think little of the man who does, they do drink great quantities of beer. It is consumed by all classes and both sexes, of all ages and at all times. You very seldom see a drunk man, but the long and constant use of beer is adding to the coarseness of the people, both in body and mind, and doing much to steel them against spiritual impressions.

Another deplorable thing about this nation is the decline of its religious life. Germany is far from being a Christian nation. Nearly half of it is Roman Catholic, and Rome is doing every thing she can by intrigue and influence, private and political, to make it entirely Roman. The State Church is German Lutheran but the church generally is spiritually dead and dried up with ritualism and worldliness. The government taxes the people to keep up the church. A great movement of rationalism and religious freedom has swept the country and the government has given all who desire to do so the right to go before an officer and file petition under oath to sever their connection with the church and avoid its tax. Many are doing this. It is putting a premium upon non-church life. Thus many are finding themselves out of the church.

Another stain upon this nation is its military drunkenness. I know our President has ordered us to be neutral. This is something I have never been able to be very long. If neutrality means not aiding and abetting either side I am neutral. No enducement could make me enlist on either side. But if neutralitty means not having any feeling or convictions, and keeping from expressing yourself, I am not neutral. I can hardly see a dog fight and remain neutral. I tried to be neutral while I was in the war zone and in reach of German gun boats, but when I saw the American shore I shook my fist at the German Emperor and told him what I thought of him. All my blood and feeling went against him. He has been training his army for years for such an hour, and he had walked around Europe with a chip on his shoulder waiting for somebody to knock it off. He did not think England would enter the war but if she did he felt he could deal a quick blow against France, overpower her after he had ground his iron heel in the blood of prostrate, bleeding Belgium to do it. This could be done before England could land her forces. If he once occupied Paris he could deal with the English and also meet Russia as she came down from the far north. He counted on a hard, quick blow, for that is his method. His dream was to annex France as he has annexed Belgium, then move on until he was Lord of Europe, and maybe later on, of the world. I do not forget that he refused England's demand to postpone hostilities until it could be settled by arbitration. What ever blame there is on others—and there is some—the Kaiser can not justify himself before the court of the world or the Bar of Almighty God for the part he has played in what his own son calls the silliest and most useless war the world has known. It does not lessen the condemnation because he goes forth calling upon God. His prayers are blasphemy in the sight of starving Belgium. Because he is the Kaiser he thinks he can manufacture a God to suit himself. No, I am not neutral. I don't want to see the Eng-

lish defeated and crushed by Germany. For if in this struggle Germany wins it will be the worst day that has dawned for English and American civilization. But I must stop. If this gets by the censor I shall mention some interesting facts about the German government later on.

CHURCH EXTENSION AID

W. F. McMurry

The Annual Meeting of the Board of Church Extension will be held about May first. This is the meeting where applications for aid are considered. That those interested may know exactly how to proceed, the following is submitted:

1st. All applications must be made upon the printed form provided by the Board for that purpose. These application blanks may be had without cost by applying to this office.

2nd. After the application has been properly prepared, it should be sent at once to the Secretary of the Annual Conference Board as the following rule provides:

"Every application for consideration at the hands of the General Board must first receive the approval of the Board of Church Extension of the Conference from which it comes, and said approval must be given at the regular meeting of said Board or of its Executive Committee held in the month of March. Said Boards or Committees shall consider all the applications from their respective Conferences and forward such as they approve so as to reach the Board's office at Louisville, Ky., by April 1st of each year. Each application so approved must have the action of the Conference Board written therein, certified by the President and Secretary, and all the applications from a given Conference must be, by the Conference Board, graded and marked in the order of their relative importance, and the Secretary is hereby directed not to put on the Calendar any application not in conformity with this rule."

3rd. The mid-year meetings of the Conference Boards or their Executive Committees are held in March. Do not fail to have your applications in the hands of your Conference Board Secretary by March 1st.

4th. Personal representation in the interest of applications by other than members of the Board is not permitted, as the following rule declares:

"The Board has not time to hear oral arguments or statements in behalf of applicants, and while considering applications for aid, its doors are closed. Representations other than those contained in the application can be made in writing or through members of the Board. A different rule would be obviously unfair to applicants too far away or too poor to send representatives."

5th. It is well for building committees to remember that the general financial depression which has embarrassed so many building operations, has also affected the Board of Church Extension, and particularly at the point of its receipts from out-standing loans. It is therefore not in position to take care of all the financial problems arising, many of which are due to the lack of fore-sight on the part of building committees. Some of our brethren seem to think that there is no end to the Board's resources. This is a mistake.

6th. For further information, application blanks, etc., address W. F. McMurry, Corresponding Secretary, 1025 Brook Street, Louisville, Kentucky.

GREETINGS FROM CALIFORNIA

W. P. Andrews

The Southern Methodists of California send greetings to their brethren and friends in other States, and wish them, one and all, a very happy New Year.

We (the Southern Methodists of California, for whom the undersigned speaks) are fully persuaded that you (our friends in other States) will realize this wish must fully, while contributing very largely to our happiness, by meeting us at the Panama-Pacific Exposition in San Francisco.

Yes, the Exposition is to be held, and is to open on schedule time, February 20th, notwithstanding the European war. And it bids fair to be the greatest Exposition the world has ever known. The Exposition buildings proper, or magnificent proportions and architecture, on ideal grounds have about all been finished, while most of the state and foreign buildings are well under way.

"Are the nations at war included?" That they are: at any rate most of them. France has just cabled her building plans at a cost of $5,000 for the message, and ordered the work to proceed. Japan's building and display will be unsurpassed by any. And so on. The exhibits are already arriving and being installed from every quarter of the globe.

Arrangements are being made to provide headquarters for our Church, where our people can come and go, meet one another, etc. This will be a suite of rooms, most likely in the Pacific building, which is one of the largest office buildings in the city, in the center of the retail district. Definite information as to location will be given in due time.

Come prepared to stay as long as possible. We want you not only to see the Exposition, San Francisco and the bay cities meanwhile enjoying our wonderful climate, but to see as much as possible of our great state and its many attractions. Those of you who have been in the habit of spending your vacations in Europe, we are sure will not regret having come this time to California, the combined Switzerland, Italy and France of your own country.

THE MEETING OF THE FEDERAL COUNCIL OF METHODISM

On Wednesday of last week, the 16th inst., the Federal Council of Episcopal Methodism in this country met at the Georgian Terrace hotel in this city. The meeting was weel attended—nearly all of the members of the Council from each of the Churches were present. The session of the body took up two full days. The deliberations were in executive session and we can not therefore give out the full proceedings. We only give now the substance of the most important acts, hoping later to give the exact text of the final resolution that was adopted. Interest throughout American Methodism centered in what has come to be known as "the Atlanta Situation," which in brief was: The Methodist Episcopal Church had purchased a lot on the north side of the city on which they proposed to move the present Egleston Memorial Church of this city. Acting under the agreements of the Federal Council concerning the overlapping of Churches by either the Methodist Episcopal, or the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and believing that the Federal Council had full and final power to settle matters of this character the St. Mark's Quarterly Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in Atlanta, appealed to the Federal Council to arrest this setting up of "altar against altar" here where Southern Methodism is meeting the needs of Methodism.

It was generally agreed that this would be a test case, one by which future cases of a similar nature would be adjusted.

When the matter came up the representa tives of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, on the Council withdrew the case the St. Mark's Quarterly Conference had brought against the Egleston Memorial Church of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The members of the Council from the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, based this withdrawal on the facts that the case on the part of the Methodist Episcopal Church had been pre-judged in that the press of that Church had discussed both sides of the matter, and that only a few weeks before the meeting of the Council in this city the Board of Church Extension and Home Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church had appropriated $5.000 to aid the Egleston Memorial Church in building on the new site, thus ignoring the findings of the Council, not even waiting till that body passed on the case, thereby making any findings of the Council only a matter of opinion and not a verdict, so that whatever might be the decision of the case by the Council much harm would be done to each Church. Therefore, in the interests of American Methodism the case against the Egleston Memorial Church of the Methodist Episcopal Church was withdrawn.

The representatives of our Church further agreed that since the conditions in Seattle, Washington, between the two churches show that the Methodist Episcopal Church is there very strong and ours weak, and that the Methodist Episcopal Church can do for Methodism in that city what we as a Church can not do, recommended that the presiding bishop of our Church make no assignment of a preacher to that Church, and that our Board of Missions make no appropriation for the support of that congregation. We in short, withdraw from Seattle and leave it to the Metohdist Episcopal Church.

Seeing that the Federal Council could not enforce the findings of the Council so far as the Methodist Episcopal Church is concerned, (their General Conference gave their representatives as did ours), plenary and final authority to settle all questions touching upon which the Council was to pass, a resolution was offered and adopted that the Federal Council will be called to meet again only after all the bishops and the boards shall have agreed to abide by the findings of the Council. With the adoption of that resolution the Council adjourned.

We reserve for future comment some things which the late—and as we believe, the last—meeting of the Federal Council clearly demonstratd. In the light of what was done the representatives of Southern Methodism have once more done the magnanimous act, and put themselves and our entire Church beyond any justifiable criticism for any failure to make federation and fraternity real and not a sham. —Wesleyan Christian Advocate.

A Prayer for Peace

Almighty and Everlasting God, who hast made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and who hast taught us by the mouths of holy prophets, which have been since the would began, that Thou art our Father and all men our brethren: Speak, we beseech Thee, amid the fear and sorrow of this hour, Thy rebuke of lust and hatred, violence and forec, lest we forget that all Thy laws are loving-kindness and all Thy paths are peace. Dispel the ignorance and blast the superstition which see in the drawn sword the security of nations, that we may learn to trust, in quietness and confidence, the work of righteousness and love. Reveal to us our sins of prejudice and pride and passion, that we may see the sowing of the tares of misery now reaped in blood and tears and know Thy judgments still are true and righteous altogether. Comfort with Thy pity and shelter with Thy grace the unoffending women and helpless children who mourn their loved and lost, and flee in unfamiliar places the waste of fire and sword. Strengthen those who minister to the wounded and forsaken. Bless the peacemakers of every land who live in hope and work in faith. Stay the tide of slaughter now ravaging the world. And speed, oh, speed the happy day, foreseen of old, when all nations and races and peoples shall be one, and wars and rumors of wars be at last no more. Amen.—Rev. John Haynes Holmes, in New York Herald.

Let us beware of losing our enthusiasm. Let us ever glory in something, and strive to retain our admiration for all that would ennoble, and our interest in all that would enrich and beautify our life.—Phillips Brooks.

There are few signs in a soul's state more alarming than that of religious indifference; that is, the spirit of thinking all religions equally true, the real meaning of which is, that all religions are equally false.—F. W. Robertson.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM FIELD

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—The episcopal residence in Charlotte, which is to be occupied by Bishop John C. Kilgo and family, is nearing completion.

—Rev. J. O. Guthrie, of the North Carolina Conference, now occupying a supernumerary relation, was a visitor in Greensboro last Friday and made the Advocate a very pleasant call.

—The senior class of Greensboro College for Women is greatly bereaved because of the death of Miss Mary Brown, one of their number, which occurred at the home of her parents at Greenville, N. C., during the holidays.

—Miss Lelia Tuttle has been spending a while with her brother, Rev. D. H. Tuttle, in Burlington, and the News speaks in high terms of a series of lectures which she has delivered to the congregation at Front Street church.

—Swannanoa Methodist church held a mass meeting on Sunday, Jan. 10, in the interest of the Anti-Saloon League and elected Rev. P. C. Battle as a delegate to represent the community in the meeting at Raleigh, Jan. 13-14.

—On the evening of Dec. 24th Miss Daisy Taylor and Mr. W. Leonard Warner were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Z. Taylor, in Salisbury. Rev. C. F. Sherrill, the bride's pastor, performed the ceremony.

—Rev. J. H. Bennett, the new presiding elder of the North Wilkesboro District, is winning golden opinions among the people of that district. We are gratified to hear of the vigorous manner with which he has taken hold of the work.

—Rev. D. H. Comann is now in the second week with Rev. A. R. Bell at Carraway Memorial. Large congregations are attending and manifesting a growing interest. Brother Comann is doing some very effective preaching and many are praying for large results.

—Rev. T. J. Eskridge, of the Holston Conference and Presiding Elder of the Knoxville District, spent a few days visiting his parents and other relatives about Shelby last week. Brother Eskridge is one of the boys who went out from among us, of whose record we are proud.

—Rev. and Mrs. B. A. York, of the Hickory circuit, were kindly remembered by the congregation at Rocky Mount just before Christmas. They gave the pastor and wife a nice pounding for which Brother and Sister York express their thanks through the local paper.

—Rev. Dr. Thomas C. Darst, formerly of Richmond, was consecrated as Bishop of the Diocese of East Carolina on January 6th at Wilmington, N. C. He succeeds the late Bishop Robert Strange as Bishop of the East Carolina Diocese.

—Our readers will be interested to learn that Rev. R. C. Beaman, D. D., and Miss Mattie Clements, of Henderson, were married last Wednesday afternoon at the home of the bride's niece, Mrs. Lloyd Smith, at Farmville, N. C. Immediately after the marriage Rev. and Mrs. Beaman left for a bridal tour through Florida. —Raleigh Christian Advocate.

—An elegant donation party was given Rev. and Mrs. C. F. Sherrill, of the South Main Street Methodist church, Salisbury, on New Year's night. The church host that gathered in the parsonage filled it with good cheer and left the larder well supplied. The year starts off auspiciously for the pastor and that noble people.

—Rev. and Mrs. L. S. Massey, of Raleigh, were visitors in the city last Friday and made a pleasant call at the Advocate office. Brother Massey is making a splendid paper for the North Carolina Conference, and it is a great pleasure to have him tell of toils and trials of which we are in position to have a very keen appreciation. The "Old Raleigh" was never better than it is under the editorship of Brother Massey.

Granite Falls—Rev. W. V. Honeycutt, pastor of our church at Granite Falls, reports the work starting off nicely for the year. Everything is hopeful. A large crowd came to the parsonage on Saturday night, January 9th, and gave the pastor and family a liberal pounding, leaving good cheer and gratitude behind them.

Salisbury District—The presiding elder, Rev. W. R. Ware, requests us to publish the following explanation:

The appropriation from Board of Missions to Landis circuit at our recent Conference was intended for Kannapolis circuit. There is now no Landis circuit. Landis church was put with China Grove. The rest of the churches on the former Landis circuit with Rock's Grove form the Kannapolis circuit. This was done at Conference.

Sulphur Springs—Rev. T. A. Groce, pastor of the Sulphur Springs circuit, reports his work starting off well. He is holding revival services at Mount Morenci this week, assisted by Rev. E. M. Hoyle, of Haywood Street, Asheville. He requests the Advocate to thank Mess. J. J. Mackey and M. M. Sullivan, of Asheville, for $5.00 each on the Pisgah church. We trust Sunday school superintendents will respond to his call for help to furnish this church. It is a worthy cause.

South Main Street, Salisbury—The Sunday school is in a flourishing condition. Two hundred and fifty were present Sunday morning. The pastor and superintendent say they must now go to three hundred and fifty. The school has a large and growing Baraca class. Last Sunday being the first Sunday in the new year, was one of great interest. A large number of people heard a plain and practical new year's sermon by Rev. C. F. Sherrill. The one pleasant feature of this service was the neat speech made by the pastor in presenting Rev. Tubbs a purse of money in token of love of the people and Brother Tubbs' elegant and graceful reply. The church was packed and every available space was filled and chairs had to be brought in. The service was of great interest, four joined the church, and many said they never heard a better sermon.—Salisbury Post.

From Newton—I wish to thank our friends for many nice things brought to the parsonage. last week. Newton people do not only "pound" the new preacher, but it is repeatel annually. In fact, good things are being brought to the parsonage almost daily. I know of no charge in the Conference where the preacher and his family are more thoughtfully cared for than at Newton.

Our Sunday school did unusually good work last year—not from a standpoint of enrollment which was only 484, but from the kind of work done. A large class of young people are just now completing the Teacher's Training Course. Most of these will have classes in the regular school this year. Brother Bacon, who has been superintendent so long, does not grow old or stale in his work. He is the kind of Bacon that one likes to meet often, because he leaves you smiling. Miss Matt Cochran has recently been elected superintendent of the Primary Department. She is regarded one of the best teachers in the state and our school is fortunate in having her at the head of this department. We had 328 present in Sunday school last Sunday and it was not a special occasion.

The raising of our pledge of $600.00 has been completed to continue our special missionary, Dr. E. W. Anderson, in Korea.

The attendance at church as well as the church membership, has been steadily increasing.

W. M. Biles.

Bishop Atkins' Appointments

Rev. Frank Siler received word from Bishop Atkins too late for last week's Advocate, that, owing to some special work in behalf of the Southern Assembly, he would be unable to reach all the institutes as he had agreed. He has promised definitely to be at High Point and possibly at the remaining meetings. He will be present in Charlotte Sunday, January 31st, to preach, morning and evening, to the Conference Woman's Missionary Society at the Annual Meeting in Tryon Street church.

To Sunday School Superintendents

I am asking through the Advocate, all the superintendents who will to send me at once from their schools $1.00 for buying seats for the Pisgah church. We want to be ready to use the new church by March 1st, where we lost our church last spring by fire. I want to ask the Sunday schools of Asheville District to lead out on this proposition. Can I depend on one hundred and twenty-five Sunday school superintendents to put this matter before their schools and only ask for $1.00 to help people that will appreciate it? Yours fraternally,

Candler, N. C. T. A. Groce.

Notice

The preachers, lay leaders and Sunday school superintendents of Shelby District will convene at Lincolnton at 10 o'clock a. m., Saturday, Jan. 16th. Brother Siler will conduct the meeting. Dr. E. K. McLarty will speak at 10 o'clock on Lay Activities and Evangelism. The afternoon will be taken up with live questions pertaining to district work. Bishop James Atkins will deliver an address on Saturday night. Let all come.

J. R. Scroggs, P. E.

Conference Brotherhood

Assessment No. 12—Since last report the following have paid on this assessment: A. S. Raper, N. R. Richardson, W. H. Willis, James Willson, J. B. Tabor, P. E. Parker, W. S. Hales, B. F. Hargett, R. M. Taylor, W. W. Bays, F. L. Townsend, T. F. Marr, C. M. Campbell, W. S. Cherry, O. J. Jones, R. L. Doggett, J. A. Wiggins, T. J. Ogburn, W. E. Poovey, O. P. Ader, W. F. Elliott, R. G. Tuttle, E. P. Stabler, A. L. Latham. The following honorary members have also paid this assessment since last report: J. A. Bell, D. H. Anderson, J. W. Gulledge, F. E. Durfee, E. E. Gray, C. W. Tillett, J. C. Watson, J. W. Earnhardt, A. S. Webb, B. L. Ownby; J. A. Claywell, A. G. Ford, P. G. Moore, Guy Weaver, J. W. Long, C. R. Hoey, J. B. Sherrill, G. F. Ivey, J. S. Carr, J. K. Norfleet, Mrs. J. S. Spencer, G. T. Roth, E. A. Cole, J. B. Ivey, W. T. Wilkinson, C. H. Ireland and W. H. Nicholson.

The time for paying this assessment, for all who joined at Conference, will expire on the 16th of January. Most of the brethren have paid, but a few have not.

C. M. Pickens, Sec. and Treas.

Spencer, N. C.

Rev. E. H. Bogle

Rev. E. H. Bogle (my father) died at his home in Bristol, Tenn,, Dec. 26th. He had been a member of the Holston Conference for about 45 years. He had been a superannuate for eight years. He was a classmate of Bishop E. E. Hoss, they having been close friends through life. He was a first cousin of Dr. W. E. Munsey.

The funeral services were held in State Street Methodist church, Bristol, conducted by his old friend of boyhood days, Dr. Geo. D. Frnch, assisted by Rev. T. R. Handy and others. Some fifteen of the Holston preachers nearby acted as pallbearers.

He had lived for four years in the city of Bristol, where he was the agent for the American Bible Society. He was universally loved and honored in that city as well as in the other places where he had lived. He is survived by his widow and the children, Rev. L. P. Bogle, Marion Bogle, of Los Angeles, Cal.; Munsey Bogle, of Columbus, O.; Mrs. Ollie Hall, of Roanoke, Va.; Mrs. Laura Turner, of Roanoke, Va.; Mrs. Hattie Payne, of Washington City; Byrd Bogle, Texas City, Texas; Barney Bogle, Phillipine Islands.

My father had been stationed at Murphy,

Waynesville and Franklin in this Conference, when the Western section belonged to Holston Conference. L. P. Bogle.

Missionary Notes from Field Secretary

Jan. 2, First Church, Salisbury, Jno. W. Moore, P. C.— $43.00, cash and subscriptions for Conference Mission Special.

Jan. 3, Iredell Ct., P. H. Brittain, P. C.— 10 a. m., Olin; $8.40 pledged to Foreign Mission Special; 11 a. m., church organized for every member canvass. 3 p m. Snow Creek; $9.00 pledged to Foreign Mission Special. Church organized for every member canvass. 7 p. m., Turnersburg; $42.50 cash for Conference Mission Special

Jan. 7-10, Thomasville, D. M. Litaker, P. C. Brother Litaker had committees all appointed and things in readiness for institute, with every member canvass Sunday afternoon for Conference assessments, and Rev. S. A. Stewart, of Japan. Result: over $600.00 subscribed and others to hear from. His committee on evangelism is stressing the morning watch in congregations and personal, daily evangelism. The social service committee has over $200.00 on hand for the poor. This church has some of the choice laymen of the Conference. Brother Charles Lambeth, brother to our pastor at Reidsville, superintends an up-to-date Sunday school which pays $200.00 annually to the Children's Home. His father is chairman of the missionary committee of the church, and with the entire Lambeth connection at Thomasville, liberally contributes time and money to the various interests of the church.

I was guest part of the time of Prof. and Mrs. J. N. Hauss, whom I married while pastor in Asheville. Prof. Hauss has been for thirteen years superintendent of the graded schools of Thomasville. His cultured wife is the president of the Woman's Missionary Society.

* * * *

Dr. Chas. W. Byrd will take Bishop Atkins' place at institutes of the Morganton, Statesville and Charlotte districts, speaking at Forest City Thursday night, Jan. 14th; Statesville, Friday night, Jan. 15th, and at Marshville, Wednesday night, Jan. 20. Bishop Atkins will attend the Greensboro and Winston District Institutes at High Point and Lexington.

From Woodleaf to Winston-Salem

Dear Advocate:—The passing of a Methodist Annual Conference is an occasion of changing and the moving of the preachers. It is like the revolution of the kaleidoscope—a shuffling of the Conference, and new and different scenes appear. And so I have moved again, and like a star in occultation, being in the superannuate relation, I have gone into "winter quarters," and cozily domicilled in the home of another. I have come all the way from Woodleaf, where I have been living for the past two years, to Winston-Salem, and feel that I am "on rising ground." And this, too, without sheading any tears over the move, like some preachers I have known to do in moving from one good paying station to another equally as good or better, although it was with reluctance and deep regret that we parted with our many warm friends in that community.

For the past seven years I have been mostly serving charges embracing parts of three counties, and sometimes it was difficult to tell exactly where I was. The sun would rise and set in the wrong place, and the trains come and go the wrong way. Here they both come and go the right way, but it is not so easy to tell exactly where I am. I came to live, for this year at least, in the Twin-City, but it seems that I have gotten past that and am living in Southside, which is in the country. But we are in close touch with the city and churches by means of the car line. There is a line of demarkation differentiating Winston from Salem, but they are one city—two in unity. While the city has corporate limits, it is not easy to tell where either side of the dividing line stops, for they are not bound by corporate limits, and both are stretching out and spreading over the hills of Forsyth County at all the cardinal points. So, where am I? Some say I live in Winston-Salem--Southside; others, in the country; but a reporter caught me on the train, and when he found out I was living over here, the very next day he published me as "living in Salem." But now, Mr. Editor, if you will print one of the Advocate labels, Rev. James Willson, 304 Holly Road, Southside, Winston-Salem, N. C., and put it on a copy I will be sure and glad to get and read the paper.

I have been living over here about a month and a half, embracing the Christmas season, but have seen comparatively little of the city and the churches. As you know, during this time, we have had exceedingly bad and disagreeable weather, and the church services have not been so largely attended. I have attended only four at the 11 o'clock hour, and cannot now venture anything for print, either of the city, the churches or the preachers.

James Willson.

Winston-Salem, N. C.

Gleanings from the Conference Minutes

W. H. Willis

In membership the Charlotte District leads the Conference, the number of which being 12,320. Statesville District had the primacy a year ago.

Jackson Hill, Concord circuit, and Connelly Springs lead in number added on profession of faith. Nine charges are blank on this item, six of them being stations or halfstations, and three of them being circuits.

Statesville district leads in infant baptisms and in professios of faith. The infant baptisms of that distict being greater than those of the Asheville, Franklin, Mt. Airy, North Wilkesboro and Winston combined. Mt. Airy gets the booby.

Centenary (Winston), West Market and Thomasville lead in Sunday school enrollment. This puts Thomasville in fast company. Linwood, Rock Springs and Troutman circuit run them close rolls.

The five charges showing largest amounts for all purposes in order are Centenary (Winston, $21,647; West Market, $19,129; Tryon St., $17,021; High Point, $16,173; West End, $13,187.

There are 176 charges with deficits on the Conference collections. Only nineteen of these are failure due to the assessment for Children's Home.

Fifty-seven charges report missionary specials. Of these twenty-three failed on the assessments for Conference collections. In but a few instances was the special large enough to equal the deficit in assessment.

In total payments for Foreign, Home and Conference Missions, the Waynesville, North Wilkesboro and Morganton districts showed an increase over 1913. All other districts showed a decrease.

In per cent. of salaries paid Charlotte and Greensboro districts lead, with a percentage of 98 2-10 each. The records of the others in order are Salisbury, 97; Winston, 96; Shelby, 95; Asheville, 94; Mt. Airy, 92; Waynesville, 92; Statesville, 91; North Wilkesboro, 91; Morganton 90.

In per cent of Conference collections paid (not including Children's Home), Winston district leads with 91 per cent. The record of the others are: Greensboro, 89; Charlotte, 81; Statesville, 78; Salisbury, 77; Charlotte, 74; North Wilkesboro, 74; Mt. Airy, 73, Waynesville, 72; Shelby, 65; Morganton, 60.

In per capita paid for all purposes Greensboro district is at the top with $9.19. The others follow: Charlotte, $7.01; Asheville, 7.00; Winston, $6.82; Salisbury, $6.03; North Wilkesboro, $4.88; Statesville, $4.66; Shelby, $4.52; Waynesville, $4.44; Mt. Airy, $4.28; Morganton, $3.95.

The total reported for all sorts of missions, i. e., Foreign, Home, Conference, from both specials and assessments, including also the amount reported by the women, is $80,201. Some of that raised in Sunday schools is probably not included in this, while that reported by the women is not all of a missionary character. The figures in the Journal last year are $79,860; gain, $3.41.

Omnium Gatherum

By Itinerant

The resolution to hold the Conference later should have been passed The finances would have been many thousands of dollars better if the Conference had been held on the date first announced. Some people may be able to pay one time as well as another, but many cannot. The sympathy for "the poor mountain preacher moving in mid winter," is largely a "boogaboo."

* * * *

The law in the Discipline requires that the assessment be made in weekly, monthly or quarterly installments. The stewards are not allowed to assess any one by the year. The Methodist itinerant who has solemnly vowed to devote his whole time to the work of the ministry (and every member of the Conference has) and who faces a board of stewards who are his sole dependance for a support, for himself and family, and yet who do not provide this support, and, who faces, on the other hand, the declaration of Scripture, that "He that provideth not for his own * * * hath denied the faith and is worse than an infidel," is between two fires that try his metal.

* * * *

We have stressed the importance of growth in numbers until many of our pastors have not the courage to get rid of a quantity of names on many registers, some of them dead, some lost sight of, some of them no manner of account to the church whatsoever, because of pure triflingness; and yet some who are outbreaking sinners. Did you say get them saved? Yes, do so if you can, but if we have not thrown overboard free moral agency, we will have to admit that two are required to bind such a contract, and they may not consent to be saved. Then, but one honorable course is left us, and that is to expel them.

* * * *

I am a great lover of good looks. Perhaps very few of our preachers get too many of the right kind. But it seems to me the time has come when some one ought to say that the young preachers cannot afford to buy every book that some "leading divine," or human either for that matter, declares is indispensible. Get a reasonable number of the great masterpieces, thoroughly master them and make them your own. Study the Bible more than any other book. If you commence a book, and find that the author has more so-called reverance for the truth than he has for Jesus Christ and divine things, drop the book as quick as you would a hot iron.

* * * *

Perhaps the leading falacy of those who reject the law of the tithes is to assume that those who set apart one tenth of their net income as sacred to the Lord's cause, are determined to do what they please with the other nine-tenths. But it is far more likely that the one who sets apart a definite portion of his income to God's kingdom, will use the whole of it wisely, than one who says that it all belongs to God, yet does not give God any of it, except as he is prompted by impulse or geverned by haphazard.

* * * *

Few people seem to have any idea how much work a pastor has to do. All kinds of demands are made upon his time. I have some books in my library that I have been waiting years and years for a chance to study. They are of a kind that cannot be studied without plenty of time, and uninterrupted and undisturbed opportunity, and this does not come. I had a neighbor once who would ask me, every time he met me coming in from the country in the week time, if I had had an appointment somewhere.

* * * *

There are so many of our people who know so little about our church. They do not have the Discipline, and do not take the church paper. No wonder some of them are so easily led off into other churches. It is wonderful how some people compass sea and land, especially the sea, to get one member from the Methodist church. When they have gotten him, they rejoice more about it than if they get ninety and nine sinners from the world.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, Asheville, N. C.

SUNSHINE

A little gold amidst the gray,
That's sunshine;
A little brightness on the way,
That's sunshine;
A little glimpsing of the blue,
A little widening of the view,
A little heaven breaking through,
That's sunshine.

A little looking for the light,
That's sunshine;
A little patience through the night,
That's sunshine;
A little bowing of the will,
A little resting on the hill,
A little standing very still,
That's sunshine.

A little smiling through the tears,
That's sunshine;
A little faith behind the fears,
That's sunshine;
A little folding of the hand,
A little yielding of demand,
A little grace to understand,
That's sunshine.

—Stuart MacLean.

REV. JOHN NELSON COLE

Many hearts in North Carolina were saddened by the announcement of the death of Rev. John Nelson Cole, father of Mrs. Plato Durham, our Conference Second Vice-President, which occurred at Charlotte on Friday, January 1st, 1915, following an illness extending over several weeks. Many of us were unaware of the critical condition of his health and his passing came as a distinct surprise.

Truly a great, good and useful man has fallen. As a pastor for many years, Dr. Cole was exceedingly popular. Of a kind, gentle nature, bighearted and sympathetic he was peculiarly fitted for the superintendency of the orphanage, a position he had held most acceptably since 1904. As a friend has said of him, "the crowning glory of his beautiful life was his ten years of service at the head of this institution." 'Twas a most beautiful tribute paid him by Bishop Kilgo in his funeral service when he said so truly of him: "He has access to God, he walked with God and was a daily companion of his Heavenly Father. It was his possession of the power of love that enabled him to see daylight in the darkest storm, the God in the flowers, eternity in the tick of a watch."

We would extend to the bereaved family our tenderest and most heartfelt sympathy in their sorrow, and pray God's blessings upon them.

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints."

"That they may rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

On the morning of December 27th, in the stillness of a quiet abbath, the death angel visited the home of our Conference Third Vice-President, Miss Cora Earp, and claimed as its victim the devoted mother of the home, after an illness of ten weeks.

"Truly God's hand touched her and she slept." So gentle was her going that is came "like the shadow of a passing cloud."

She leaves behind her a patient, faithful record of a well-spent life as a heritage to her children.

To the bereaved ones in their sorrow we extend our sincere sympathy and commend them to God who alone can give comfort in an hour of sorrow like theirs.

NEW OFFICERS OF AUXILIARIES

A number of auxiliaries have sent us the names of their newly elected officers and for the benefit of our Conference officers and District Secretaries we give them as we feel sure each conference officer is anxious to communicate with the new auxiliary officers in the planning of the work for 1915. We hope to have others reported to us.

Asheville District

Central Church, Asheville—President, Mrs. V. L. Stone; 1st vice-president, Mrs. J. T. Sevier; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. W. R. Harris; superintendent of mission study and publicity, Mrs. T. C. Smith; superintendent of social service, Mrs. J. J. Yates; recording secretary, Mrs. W. H. Donnell, corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. B. Davis; treasurer, Mrs. J. W. Grimes; superintendent of supplies, Mrs. H. C. Johnson; agent of Voice, Mrs. W. J. Hunnicutt.

Charlotte District

Morven—President, Miss Mamie Walsh; 1st vice-president, Mrs. M. H. Lowery; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. J. E. Wooseley; superintendent of mission study and publicity, Mrs. J. L. Little; recording secretary and treasurer, Mrs. M. H. Lowery; corresponding secretary, Mrs. M. J. Dean; agent Voice, Mrs. J. L. Little.

Mount Airy District

Elkin—President, Mrs. Mason Lillard; 1st vice-president, Mrs. E. F. McNeer; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. A. M. Smith; superintendent of mission study and publicity, Mrs. H. D. McKaughan; superintendent of social service, Mrs. A. G. Click; superintendent of supplies, Mrs. Alex. Chatham, Sr.; recording secretary, Mrs. W. E. Paul; corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. W. Whitaker; treasurer, Mrs. G. T. Roth; agent for Voice, Mrs R. L. Hubbard.

Salisbury District

Albemarle—President, Mrs. R. G. Tuttle; 1st vice-president, Mrs. L. F. Magruder; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. J. N. Anderson; superintendent of mission study and publicity, Mrs. J. M. Brown; superintendent of social service, Miss Lesca Freeman; surperintendent of supplies, Mrs. W. A. Smith; recording secretary, Mrs. J. F. Laton; corresponding secretary and treasurer, Mrs. G. P. Watkins; agent for Voice, Mrs. D. A. Shankle.

Spencer—President, Mrs. C. M. Pickens; 1st vice-president, Mrs. B. F. Stevenson; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. C. M. Bobbitt; superintendent of mission study, Mrs. G. L. Steele; superintendent of social service,Mrs. R. M. Holt; superintendent of publicity, Mrs. J. D. Carter; superintendent of supplies, Mrs. H. W. Holt; recording secretary, Mrs. C. M. Wiseman; corresponding secretary, Miss Lizzie Carrick; treasurer, Mrs. J. A. Cook; agent Voice, Mrs. F. I. Devereux.

ANNUAL MEETING AGAIN

We are so anxious to have a full representation at the coming Annual Meeting that we are going to call attention to it every issue so that there may not be a person in the W. N. C. Conference who is not familiar with the date and place of meeting.

Then, too, we want to enlist the prayers of every missionary worker in the Conference for the meeting. The officers feel the rsponsibility of this, one of the most important meetings we have ever held, and they want the prayers of every worker in the Conference that God may bless our coming together to His glory.

"On to Charlotte" should be our slogan for the next two weeks. We need the inspiration of the meeting—the inspiration that only such a meeting as we hope to have can give.

When? January 29th-Febuary 3rd, 1915.

Where? Tryon St. Church, Charlotte, N. C.

Send names of delegates to Mrs. E. N. Clemence, North Church Street, Charlotte, N. C.

PLEDGE CARDS

Do you use the Pledge Cards in your auxiliary? Have you held the pledge meeting and by this means found out what your society is willing to do for the cause of missions during the coming year? It is urged that every auxiliary hold a pledge meeting in January and use the cards that have been so successfully used during 1914. These cards have been sent to your district secretary and if you have not secured them for use in your auxiliary write her right away and it will be her pleasure to see that you are supplied. Hear what Mrs. J. W. Perry, our Council Supt. of Mission Study and Publicity, has to say in the following article, entitled,

The Use of the Pledge Cards

The offering of our substance to God, next to the offering of our prayers, is the surest means of keeping alive a sense of dependence upon Him and of the filial relation we sustain to Him. The giving back at regular intervals of some definite portion of what God gives to us does in a visible, tangible, and most impressive way express the gratitude of the heart for mercies received, keeps alive the sense of gratitude, and is an acknowledgement of our entire dependence upon His goodness and mercy.

In the matter of giving, we depend too often upon some appeal to the emotions that excites our pity and to some impulse awakened by stories breathing pathos and tenderness. Gifts are made for the most part to something in which we are personally interested. Too much dependence has been placed upon sentiment rather than principle.

The word of God, both in the Old and the New Testaments, teaches the necessity of system and method, as well as right motive, in the making of offerings to the Lord. The same authority teaches that the financial obligation rests upon every individual, not alone upon those who attend upon the public services, though that is most important also. "Upon the first day of the week let each of you lay by him in store as God hath prospered him" —this is the plan given by the apostle Paul to the Church at Corinth. And that plan has never been improved upon.

To help the members of our missionary societies to put into practice this Scriptural rule, it is asked that at the beginning of the year each member will state just what amount the society may expect from her. January has been fixed as our pledge month, and it is asked that each auxiliary secure a definite pledge, from every member of the society and from others who, though not members, are interested and willing to make an offering for our woman's work. It would be a great work, but not too much to undertake, if the members in our society would give to every woman in the Southern Methodist Church an opportunity to make an offering to our woman s work for the year 1915.

To aid in making possible such an appeal and to make easy and simple the registration of pledges, a card provided for the purpose is most helpful—the pledge card. There are many advantages in using this card. It makes the canvass much easier. It promotes more systematic giving, because each one is asked to state just how she wishes to make the payments. It helps to keep in mind what the obligation is and stimulates to promptness in meeting it. It enables the Board to know in advance what may be expected, so that its expenditures may be governed accordingly. It is educative in that it cultivates the habit of regular, systematic giving and keeps the cause constantly before the mind and on the conscience. The use of the card emphasizes the importance of the small offering as well as the large one, and encourages those who do not feel able to give a large sum. It leads people to plan ahead for their offering. When we have no definite goal no fixed plan, we are sure to do little or nothing, except under the stimulus of some great appeal. It encourages the habit of giving from a sense of duty, for the sake of Christ and for the extension of His kingdom. It helps us to recognize giving as a part of worship just as truly as the offering of prayers and praise. "Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase: so shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine."

PRAYER CIRCLE FOR 1915

January

Prayer for officers and members of our Council.

Our Trust

"Having an eternal gospel to proclaim unto them that dwell on the earth and unto every nation and tribe and tongue and people."

Our Prayer

Our Father and our God, our hands, our hearts are lifted to thee. Hear thou and answer. Reveal thyself in us, thou who hast made us co-laborers with thy Son in saving thy world, co-redeemers with Jesus Christ in making known thy love to a world restling in selfishness and sin, We pray thee, give us the mind that was in Christ Jesus, that we may see men as he saw them, and seeing them as they are in thy sight, we may love them as he loved them. Give us thyself, that we may be willing so to represent thee in our lives that we may be in narrow spheres and in our larger works saviours because we reflect thy image. Bless thou the work of our hands, establish thou is at it is according to thy will.

Our Work

We are working for all who mourn and need comfort, for all who are weary and need rest, for all who are friendless and want friendship, for all who are homeless and want sheltering love, for all who pray and for all who do not but ought, for all who sin and need a Saviour, and for whosoever will come to Jesus Christ.

January 1-8

Pray for Miss Bennett, the President of the Council, that she may have health and strength and prolonged life; that she may have wisdom and love and power; that the grace of the Lord may be upon her.

January 8-15

Pray for Mrs. E. F. Stephens, First Vice-President of the Council, that she may have wisdom in planning and power in projecting the work for the young people of our church; for Mrs. W. A. Albright, Second Vice-President of the Council, that all children may catch a vision of love and service and life through the work in her department.

January 15-22

Pray for Miss Mabel Head, Secretary of the Foreign Department; Mrs. R. W. MacDonnell, Secretary of the Home Department; Mrs. F. H. E. Ross, Treasurer; Mrs. H. R. Steele, Educational Secretary; Mrs. B. W. Lipscomb, Secretary of the Home Bass; that they may realize that service is ever the highest expression of love—it is love in action—that they may be held by the power of love and so filled with the spirit of love that they may impart it unto others; that they may be brought into such a state of calmness and trust and faith that they may catch the heavenly vision and see life in the light of Him who is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

DISTRICT SECRETARIES

Asheville
H. E. Walter .....Asheville
Charlotte
Miss Leola Hannon, Box 1056, Charlotte
Winston
F. T. Scarborough ....Winston-Salem
Greensboro
Miss Lillian Massey .....High Point
Morganton
Rev. J. F. Armstrong .....Henrietta
North Wilkesboro
Rev. J. M. Downum .....Boone
Salisbury
Miss Estelle Crowell .....Salisbury
Statesville
Herbert H. Lowry .....Newton
Mount Airy
Rev. A. L. Aycock .....Leaksville
Shelby
Miss Della Nolen .....Gastonia
Waynesville
Miss Margaret Rogers .....Franklin
Superintendent Junior Leagues
Mrs. C. M. Pickens .....Cornelius

League Study Clesses, January 17. (Duet. 11:18-21; Prov. 15:28; 1 Pet. 3:15b.)

Thousands of professing Christians have no particular aim in life. They drift along year by year, never reaching anything in particular. The only new thing they know is the gossip of the neighborhood, or some thought they just happen to receive. Everyone should secure a comprehensive knowledge of every nation in the world—its history, the manners and customs of the people, and particularly their religion or religions. We have some of the views of these nations brought to our doors every morning. The news is up-to-date. But after all, how little we know about the nations! What about the religious condition of the millions of India, China, Japan, Africa? With what are they trying to satisfy the soul's deepest needs? What changes are now taking place among the people? Have we not something committed to us which they need as much as they need daily bread? The advantages of a mission study class in every League ought not to need any argument. The study will be found to be fascinating. For the foreign field, the book recommended to be studied at this time is "The Social Aspect of Foreign Missions," by W. H. P. Faunce. Home missions also are to be studied. "The New Home Missions," by H. Paul Douglas, is the book recommended. Both books will be studied with delight. The purpose of the study is:

1. "That the whole Church may be intelligent regarding the social application of Christianity throughout the world."

2. "That social aspiration and brotherhood may be expressed in public and private worship."

3. "That the Church may adequately support its work at home and abroad, and that the every-member canvass may become a permanent practice."

4. That each church may become a community force for righteousness, itself embodying its ideal for the world.

There are three courses in Bible study:

1. The Church of the First Apostles.
2. The Earliest Portrait of Jesus.
3. The Poets and Prophets of the Old Testament.

The price of the books need not hold anyone back. Secure a leader thoroughly competent to present the subject. Let him tell what it will mean to the chapter intellectually and spiritually. Aim difinitely at an organization. Decide which course shall be the first to be studied. Do things so that all may be prepared for a life of usefulness.

By Rev. Samuel Warner, Ph.D.

HOW TO LIVE

Christ was only teaching us how to live when he said: "A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another." He taught us that our willingness and readiness to forgive was an expression of our love. He taught his disciples to pray, "Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors." Suppose we do not forgive. Then we practically pray that we may remain unforgiven. For we pray that we may be forgiven as we forgive our debtors. As Christians we hope to be like Christ. Do we imagine we can be like him when we refuse to forgive? It is said that, when painting his famous picture, "The Last Supper," da Vinci gave to Judas the likeness of a person against whom he had a grudge. Afterwards he miserably failed in every attempt to paint the likeness of Christ. One day he relented toward his enemy and wiped out the face of Judas. That night, tradition reports, he had a glorious vision of the Christ which he was able to transfer to the canvas. Let us also know that we get our truest vision of the Christ when we forgive the trespasses of those who have trespassed against us.—Western Christian Advocate.

THE GOAL OF LIFE

The goal of life is the glory of God. If any purpose less worthy than this animates the life, the soul will fail to reach its highest development and to accomplish its noblest work. Motives make the man; and when our supreme purpose in life is to do always those things that will glorify God and advance the interests of his kingdom, we have put into life a controlling motive and purpose that will not fail us in the end. Only such a motive is worthy to be made the controlling and animating purpose of our life.—Christian Observer.

LISTENING TIMES

What we need above all things in these crowded days is the setting apart of many listening times—times of quiet in which we can hear the heavenly voices that call to us unregarded in the busy day.

God has something to say to us which, in the whirl of our earthly ambitions, we can not hear; and he makes the noises of the outer world to cease that he may speak to the soul.

Sometimes he "tries us in the night," sometimes he "giveth songs in the night," sometimes he gives us "a vision in the night;" but all of these we shall utterly miss if there is no quiet time in which he can come near to us. There are many ways of preparing to receive blessing from on high; but one of the most essential is this: "Commune with your own heart, and be still."—G. H. Knight.

GARTSIDE'S IRON RUST SOAP CO., 4054 Lancaster Ave., Philadelphia, Pa. Gartsides Iron Rust Soap (U. S. registered patent No. 3477) removes iron rust, ink and all unwashable stains from clothing, marble, etc., with magical effect. Good seller, big margins. House-to-house agents and store salesmen wanted. The original, 25c a tube. Beware of infringements and the penalty for making, selling and using an infringed article. Suitable for Church Fairs, etc.

Standard Form Collection Envelopes

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

HOLT'S CHAPEL

FOR PASTOR'S SALARY

AMOUNT

Name _____ | Dollars | Cents |

Date _____ 191___

MISSIONS AND CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

MOUNT ZION CHURCH

Name _____ | Dollars | Cents |

Date _____

$1.90 for 1000, delivered

$1.40 for additional 1000, delivered

FOR EITHER FORM

This price is based on using the above forms, changing name of church only. The large envelope is manila, and of the quality regularly used for Pastor's Salary collections. The small envelope can be furnished in white, green or cherry. Its difference in color and size from the Pastor's Salary form makes it ideal for Missions and Conference Collections.

If special form is desired the price will average $2.40 for the first 1000, and $1 40 for additional 1000's, delivered.

Special rates on large quantities.

The Advocate Press, Greensboro, N. C.

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective October 18th, 1914

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester Lv.	7 50 a m				4 15 p m
Yorkville "	8 36				6 38
Gastonia "	9 21!				8 20
Gastonia "	9 30	4 30 p m			
Lincolnton "	10 23	5 40			
Newton "	11 05	6 44			
Hickory "	12 05 p m	7 30	12 05 p m	6 45 a m	
Lenoir "	1 08	8 50	1 08	8 07	
Lenoir "	2 00x				
Mortimer "	4 09				
Edgemont Ar.	4 35				
Southbound	**NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only**	**NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.**
Edgemont Lv.	9 00 a m				
Mortimer "	9 10				
Lenoir "	11 20!				
Lenoir "	1 35 p m	7 00 a m	8 15 a m	1 10 p m	
Hickory "	2 35	8 15	9 12	3 20	
Newton "	3 05	9 00			
Lincolnton "	3 43	9 51			
Gastonia "	4 30	11 28			
Gastonia "	5 05x				11 50 a m
Yorkville "	5 54				1 24
Chester Ar.	6 40				3 10 p m

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID, G. P. Agt. CHESTER, S. C.

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.——E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg.—W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller——C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg.,
M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.——J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg.—J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.——G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.——A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel—J. W. Ligon

REVIVAL AMONG BRITISH SOLDIERS

Remarkable Scenes Among the Troops in Training on Salisbury Plain. Ten Thousand Soldiers Join Pocket Testament League. Morals of Soldiers Improved

By George T. B. Davis

A remarkable Bible revival is in progress among the British soldiers quartered on Salisbury Plain and elsewhere in England. Already more than 10,000 of the troops on Salisbury Plain alone have joined the Pocket Testament League, and have agreed to carry a Testament with them and read a chapter daily, and over 3,000 have declared their acceptance of Christ and enlisted under the banner of the King of Kings.

The movement began some time ago when Charles M. Alexander, the well-known Gospel song leader, accompanied by two soloists, a pianist, and a representative of the Pocket Testament League, spent five days traveling from oneY. M. C. A. marquee to another on the Plain, holding Gospel meetings. From the beginning the meetings were a great success. The soldiers crowded into the marquees, and when the tents were filled, they let down the sides and the men stood outside during the service.

Gospels as Hymn Books

The meetings began with the presentation to each soldier of the Pocket Testament League editions of the Gospel of St. John, containing hymns, pictures and stories. Using the gospel as a hymn book, Mr. Alexander led the men in singing appropriate hymns. The men quickly caught up the new choruses, such as "I am Included" and "Good-by, God Bless You," while they rang out lustily the familiar strains of the "Glory Song" and "Tell Mother I'll be There." Now and then the famous song-leader called upon one of the soloists to sing a hymn such as "My Mother's Prayer," or "Will the Circle be Unbroken?" Again Mr. Alexander would stop the soldiers in the midst of a hymn and give them a straight talk on the manliness of living a clean Christian life.

At the opportune moment the idea of the Pocket Testament League was explained, and the men were told how during the last six years the movement had swept round the world, and hundreds of thousands of all classes from one end of the world to the other had been enrolled in the League by making it the rule of their lives to carry a Testament with them and read at least one chapter daily. Special Testaments with waterproofs covers, weighing only 2¼ ounces, published by the Pocket Testament League Headquarters, 47 Paternoster Row, London, were offered to any soldier who wished to join. It was clearly stated, however, that in order to sea league membership card, and then sign the pledge in the Testament he received.

A Rush For Testaments

The eagerness of the men to make the promise and join the movement was astonishing. At one tent, when those who wished to become members were asked to come forward, the soldiers literally stormed the platform in their eagerness to join. At another tent over 300 soldiers were enrolled in a few minutes. At still another there was not time to give out the Testaments that night, so the men were asked to present their membership cards, and secure the books at the marquee counter the next day. Early the following morning a stream of soldiers asking for Testaments began, and continued until thousands of men had been enrolled in that marquee.

A Remarkable Scene

During the closing days of the meetings conducted by Mr. Alexander thrilling scenes were witnessed as the soldiers were asked not only to join the League, but to yield their lives to God. One night over a thousand men were crowded into a tent. Over 300 joined the Pocket Testament League, and at the close of the service 192 soldiers in the presence of their comrades, rang out after song leader the words, "I accept Christ as my Saviour, my Lord and my King." The editor of a London journal who was present declared it was a sight he had rarely seen equalled.

Bishop Taylor-Smith, the Chaplain General of the Forces, when asked for a word of encouragement to the men whose lives had been influenced, wrote: "My dear Mr. Alexander, I rejoice to hear of the blessing received on the Plain. May you see greater things than these because of Christ's position and power. Give to the brethren from me Hebrews xiii:20, 21. Believe me, yours always, J. Taylor-Smith, Bp. C. G."

Later Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman arrived in England from America, and he and Mr. Alexander conducted two brief but notable missions in London. At their conclusion, at the urgent request of the National Council of the Y. M. C. A., the evangelists held three thrilling services for soldiers at the Crystal Palace and Wendover, when as the result of the inspiring messages in sermon and song hundreds of the troops stood up and openly confessed Christ as their Saviour.

Bible Revival Spreads

The Bible revival on Salisbury Plain did not end with the visit of Mr. Alexander and his party. The movement continued to spread among the men from tent to tent, and the demand for Testaments increased.

Mr. Henry J. Lane, a business man who has worked day and night in one of the Y. M. C. A. marquees on the Plain as an honorary worker enrolling soldiers in the League, and leading them to a decision for God, sent to the League Headquarters in London a letter giving a graphic account of the Bible revival among the troops. He wrote:

"After a visit from Mr. Alexander and his party, the Lord manifested His presence in a remarkable way. Until then there had been few decisions for Christ, sometimes one and never more than two a day. After the above mentioned visit and the introduction of the Pocket Testament League, there came upon the soldiers a great desire to hear the Word of God. As it was told out men were gripped by the power of the Holy Ghost and hour after hour they came to the counter and with bowed heads confessed Christ. On one occasion a group of 30 were listening to the Gospel when the speaker asked who would volunteer for the service of Christ. Immediately a non-commissioned officer, about six feet in height, who was on the outside, put up his hand and said: 'I will, sir,' at the same time pushing his way to the front. Within a few seconds 12 others joined him. No sooner had these been dealth with, and prayers offered, than another group came forward. Thus it continued until the 'last post' sounded and the soldiers hurried away to their lines."

Movement Interests London Editors

A few weeks later the Bible work among the soldiers had aroused such widespread interest that Mr. Lane and Mr. A. J. C. Thomas—who has witnessed an almost equally wonderful work in a neighboring Y. M. C. A. marquee—were invited to London to tell about the spiritual movement among the troops.

To a group of editors of London journals who had gathered to hear the story, Mr. Lane told how the work began, and of its remarkable influence on the morale of the troops. He said:

"For weeks we have had a stream of men coming to join the Pocket Testament League, and at the same time accepting Christ so rapidly, that could not deal with them in ones or twos, but I had groups of eight and ten and more. This has been done in the tent while the latest comic song was being sung. These men listened as intently as if there was no other sound or voice to be heard.

"A merchant of Exeter was there in the marquee one day, also the Wesleyan chaplain. They purposely stood at the back where I could not see them just to see what was taking place. The merchant said this: 'If I had read it in a book, or heard it from the lips of anyone, I would have discounted 50 per cent., and would not have believed the rest.' The chaplain said that he had never hoped to witness such scenes or feel the power of God as he did then. Directly the little book was opened and the Word of God was read, the whole expression on the men's faces was changed, and they became deeply concerned, and the result was that applications for the Testaments became so numerous that we could not supply them all. Men were bringing their chums all day in dozens. One man would get a Testament, and I said, 'Let the others know you have a good thing,' and the next day, time and again, the remaining number in that tent would come and join, and the demand was so great that at no time have we had sufficient Testaments, though I thank God we had a grand supply, but we have never had sufficient to meet the demand. The soul winning has coincided with the supply of Testaments. It is an extraordinary thing. I have tried to introduce another line of things, but that has failed. In no cases have we had any difficulty in leading souls to Christ from morning to night when we have had the League Testaments behind us.

Swearing Changed to Bible Reading

"An officer came in who was not a Christian man nor had he very much sympathy with Christian work. He said: 'What are you doing here? Extraordinary things are happening in the lines. Men who used to curse and swear, I hear reading and praying. What is it you have got?' We showed him the Testament; he did not take it, but still we had his testimony. One is struck by the fact that non-commissioned officers have been influenced by their men. One came to me and said, 'When I came here the tent was a hell upon earth. Language was so dreadful and behaviour so wretched that we could not get to sleep. When some of them came in we got out of their way. Everyone has joined the Pocket Testament League, and now there are hymns and Bible readings. The attitude of the rank and file has changed.'

"A sergeant came to me and said: 'I'll tell you what has brought me here. I have about the roughest section in our battalion, a tough lot of men. They have had to be carried from the canteens drunk and have given the non-commissioned officers untold trouble. Now they have all joined the Pocket Testament League and they came to me this morning and said: "Sergeant, you see what we done, and isn't it time you did the same?" Well, I couldn't stand that, so before I went to drill I had to come here.' He accepted Christ.

Recruiting for Christ

"Some of these men have done a thing that some of us would hesitate about doing. They have gone straight back to their ungodly campanions and have besought them to turn from their evil ways and come down and get a Testament and start right; and in tent after tent all the men take it in turns to read a portion every day, and sometimes they sing a hymn. I have had three or four of these men bring a chum up to the counter and they are asked if they have given their hearts to the Lord. Then they stand with bowed heads while I offer a prayer so that every one within the sound of my voice knows what is going on. I have seen a group of men who were at first disinterested become attracted by the sound of praying. When the first group have been attended to there is another waiting. This has gone on until one has been absolutely exhausted in pointing men to Christ. It is such a blessed thing. What is being done in these two marquees can be done in every marquee in this country by the agency of the Pocket Testament League. I want to thank God for the Pocket Testament League. This was His purpose and way of working. I would not be true to our God and Father if I did not say that the Pocket Testament League in His Hands has already brought 1,200 men to Christ and 4,200 to promise to read a portion of God's word every day.

To Evangelize the British Army

"Last Saturday there was a line waiting just like a theatre. They waited patiently for their turn to come to yield themselves to Christ. I was forced to adopt the plan of dealing with them in groups, but the work amongst these men has just ebbed and flowed with the supply of Testaments. I have never dreamed of seeing such marvellous things in my life. I believe that the Pocket Testament League work would evangelise the British army both at the front and at home if men would go out trusting God to use it."

Mr. Thomas, in describing his work told how he takes the soldiers who apply for Testament into a quiet corner of the tent, one or two at a time. They sit down at a table and sign their names in the Testament agreeing to join the League. Then he shows them how to become a Christian, has prayer with them, and sends them out openly to confess Christ. In a few weeks he and his workers have enrolled over 1,400 men in the Pocket Testament League, and over 600 soldiers have yielded their lives to God. Mr. Thomas verified Mr. Lane's statement that the tide of revival ebbed and flowed with the supply of Testaments.

If this story interests you pray that the Bible revival may continue to grow and increase among the soldiers on Salisbury Plain, and that it may spread throughout the British army and navy.

FREE—"SIMPLE PLANTINGS FOR SOUTHERN HOMES"

This beautiful book will give you many good ideas on arrangement of trees, plants, shrubbery, vines, etc., around the home. A number of simple plans that have been used with great success by Southern home owners are fully described and illustrated with photographs. This book tells what plants to set out and where to put them, and outlines the fundamental principles of landscape gardening. It shows how you can increase the beauty of your place a hundred per cent. by a little judicious planting. The book has just been published by the J. Van Lindley Nursery Co., Box 203, Pomona, N. C. Write them today for a free copy. Ask also for their catalogue, which contains full information on the care of trees and plants of all kinds.

Our Dead

HENSLEY—Miss Nora H. Hensley was born Nov. 8, 1888, and died in Chestnut Hill Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 31, 1914, her age being 26 years, 1 month and 23 days. Miss Hensley was the daughter of C. A. and Myra Alice Hensley. In early childhood she was converted and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at Nebo, North Carolina, and was during her life a most devoted member of her church. For several years she was a trained nurse in Philadelphia, making her home with her uncle, F. B. Hensley, of 418 Mawheim St., who accompanied her remains to Nebo, N. C., where she was laid to rest Jan. 1, 1915.

For some time Miss Hensley had been a constant sufferer from turberculosis, but through all her illness she bore up well and was ever patient and cheerful to the end, her last words being: "Yea, though I walk through the valley and shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for Thou are with me Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me."

Our heartful sympathy goes out to the bereaved ones, especially to the father who has laid away a wife and four daughters.

May God's richest blessings comfort those who mourn their loss.

M. W. Mann, P. C.

HENSLEY—On Dec. 31, 1914, Miss Nora Hensley, daughter of C. A. Hensley, of McDowell County, N. C., died in Philadelphia, Pa., and was brought by her uncle, Fred Hensley, of said city and State, to Nebo, N. C., and laid to rest in the grave yard at Nebo M. E. C., South. Services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Mann.

Nora was good woman. Her uncle says that she was perfectly resigned and willing to go.

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

By her uncle,
W. G. Hunter.

COLE—William Webster Cole was born in Moore County, N. C., July 3rd, 1856, and departed this life Dec. 20, 1914, age 58 years, five months, and 17 days. He was a son of Jas. M. and Mary Tillman Cole, of Moore County, N. C.

On August 22, 1877, he was united in wedlock to Miss Elvira A. Buroughs. They were most congenial and faithful companions until his decease. Besides his good wife he leaves two brothers, a number of more distant relatives and a host of friends who must bear great loss for a season; yes, just for a while.

Brother Cole was for many years a most devoted and loyal member of the Methodist Church and as Sunday school superintendent, chairman of the Board of Stewards, Sunday school teacher and private member he faithfully and joyfully performed his task, and counted it a joy to do his Master's will until He called him home. He was faithful unto the end. Even when unable to walk to church he went supported by the arm of his faithful wife.

Brother Cole was an example to the believers in every Christian walk, especially in his liberality. He was a strict tither, so if he only made $1.00 a day or in a week he put one-tenth in God's Church. Rev. J. A. Baldwin, once his pastor, tells of an act significant and beautiful in his life. During the famine in India some years ago, Brother Cole came to him with $25.00 for India. His pastor remarked, "Brother Cole, that is too much for you." "Well," said the good man, "I have it and I want to send it." And so he did. He was not rich in material things, but full of faith and good works, rich toward God. During his last illness, he said to his pastor, as he read a placard on the wall of his bedroom: "There is my motto, 'Kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.'" His pastor,

J. O. Ervin.

DR. J. T. JOHNSON

Whereas God in His infinite wisdom has taken from us our brother, Dr. J. T. Johnson, a former Chairman of this Board; and

Whereas we the Board of Stewards of the First Methodist Church, Hickory, N. C., desire to record our appre ciation of his long and efficient service as a member of this Board, therefore, be it

Resolved, That in the death of Dr. Johnson we realize that the Church not only lost its oldest member but one whose devotion to its every interest has been a great factor in its upbuilding under the providence of God.

That we extend to the family our deepest sympathy and commend them for comfort to the God whom he so long and faithfully served.

W. H. Nicholson, Chairman.
W. A. Rudasill, Secretary.

GREAT OPPORTUNITY AND A WEIGHTY OBLIGATION. WHAT WILL WE DO WITH IT?

By Bishop Warren A. Candler, D. D.

The greatest war recorded in history is now raging in Europe, and whatever may be its issue, the world will be all changed at its close. If Germany should be victorious, moral consequences will follow which will affect the destiny of mankind; and if England and the allies should triumph the results can not be less enduring and far-reaching. In any event the welfare of the race is involved.

The part the United States must bear in the future work of the world must henceforth be greater than ever, and especially in the missionary and educational enterprises, whereby the race of man must be evangelized and enlightened.

The missionary responsibility for the world must rest upon our people more heavily than ever. The Nations of Continental Europe have not bourne any great part in the work of modern missions to the heathen world. Germany, which has done more than all the rest, has fallen behind the missionary efforts of Great Britain and the United States. The English-speaking Nations have for the last hundred years been the evangelical and evangelistic powers of the world. But the war is wasting the resources of Great Britain, and the Churches in the United States must increase their offerings and intensify their zeal to make up for the loss which the missionary cause must sustain on account of the diminished power of the Churches of Great Britain to serve it. Hence our missionary obligation is doubled, and it must be met, however hard the times may be. The work of missions in pagan lands must not suffer. It were better to deny ourselves some of the necessaries of life, to say nothing of luxuries, than that Christian Churches in pagan lands should suffer want. Our people are more able than any other people in the world to bear this burden at this time. Our harvests have been plentiful and our barns are filled to overflowing. God has blessed us with peace and penty in order that we may bless the world in this hour of its sore need.

In like manner we have an increased educational abligation. The German and Belgian universities are closed. The British universities are suffering very much. The French schools have not yet recovered from the war of 1870, and now they sustain further impairment. It is evident that the educational center of the world must henceforth be in the United States. What is our duty in view of this undeniable fact?

1. The colleges and universities of the Churches must be made far stronger than they have ever been; and for the increased resources which they require they must look to the Churches alone. It would be worse than idle to look to secular sources to meet these needs—it would be positively disgraceful and injurious.

It must be frankly confessed that the richest institutions in America are not evangelical in spirit—they are scarecly Christian in character. From the beginning of the alienation of Harvard College from the Church, a century ago, there has been a steady movement in the direction of alienating the strongest instituions from the Churches. Secularists, by their gifts, have promoted this process of alienation. There are forces now at work which are aimed at accelerating this denaturing process by dominating the stronger schools through donations and destroying the weaker institutions by over-mastering competition.

The Churches must meet this movement by enriching their own institutions and making them as strong as the strongest of the secular institutions. They are well able to do this, and the Christianity of our own and other lands must suffer if it is not done speedily.

It is not altogether a misfortune to mankind that the German universities are closed. Those institutions have propagated a rationalistic type of religion far too long for the good of the race. But if, with the shifting of the educational center of the world from Europe to America, the propagation of the same sort of rationalism is continued, what will be the profit? What man or nation ever increased the sum of human good by "swapping the devil for a witch?"

If Chinese and Japanese students are corrupted by the rationalism of Harvard and the materialism of Chicago, how much better will be their case than it would have been if they had suffered the same injury at Berlin or Heidleberg?

In this connection let it be remarked that thousands of students from pagan lands are now in American institutions of learning, and that most of them are in institutions, the atmosphere of which is distinctly unfriendly to evangelical Christianity. When they have returned to their own lands they will be obstacles in the way of our missionaries. The power of our investments in missions will be greatly reduced unless more of these foreign students are drawn into evangelical institutions, and this can not be done if the colleges and universities of the evangelical Churches are not speedily made as strong as the strongest of secular institutions.

2. The colleges and universities of the Churches must be held firmly to the evangelical principles and purposes for which they were founded. Institutions of learning are as prone to backslide as are individuals; and the schools of the Churches must be jealously guarded against false teachings and worldly tendencies. This can not be done in institutions which are not owned and controlled by the Churches.

Some talk of the Churchces doing a work of "co-operation" rather than of "operation" in schools and colleges. This is something worse than nonsense. It is really a proposal of educational simony. Men who talk this sleazy stuff wish to get the patronage of the Church without being subject to its authority. They wish to rule the Church rather than serve it. They desire to get its money and its students while resenting its government and repudiating its teachings.

Why do not these advocates of "co-operation" versus "operation" apply their doctrine to the universities of the States? Will they dare to say a States should not own and control the university which receives annual appropriations from its treasury? Will they insist that an American commonwealth may "co-operate" with an institution of learning, but not "operate" it, although it taxes the people for money to support such a school and grants to it the power to confer degrees?

It is clear that these doctrinaires of "co-operation" are at heart opposed to an institution of learning being genuinely Christian in character. They are willing for any secular authority, whether it be a State or a self-perpetuating board of trustees, to own and control a college or university; but they are unwilling for any Church except the Roman Catholic to do so. Their motive is as manifest as it is unworthy.

It is impossible to have institutions that will serve the ends of evangelical Christianity unless the Churches erect, endow, own and control such institutions. States can not make such institutions and irresponsible boards (miscalled independent) will not. Only the Churches can and will.

In this matter Southern Churches have peculiar obligations. The South is pre-eminently the home of evangelical Christianity. The degenerate forms of rationalistic religion have never been able to take root and flourish in our section. Southern Churches, therefore, can make evangelical institutions of learning more easily than can the Churches of other sections. The Southern atmosphere is friendly to the growth of such establishments.

And the Methodist Episcopal Church South, ought to take the lead in this high matter. Our numbers, resources and prestige enable us to do it. We may do a work in our colleges and universities now which will promote evangelical Christianity to the ends of the eath.

In Latin-America especially we may do a great work. If we will make our two universities, one at Dallas, Texas, and the other at Aalanta, Ga., what they ought to be, and what we are able to make them, we may propagate Methodism throughout all the countries south of us. Students from Mexico, Central America, the West Indies and the Northern parts of South America would prefer to attend universities in the mild climate of the South than institutions in the colder regions of the North, provided they can find equal advantages in our section. Herein is a great missionary opportunity and obligation. What will we do with it?

There is much talk of the securing to our country the trade of Latin-America, and that is a most important matter. But it is far more important to become the educator of Latin-America. The North American and South American Continents can not be bound together firmly by ties of commerce alone. They will become fast friends when they think and feel alike. Our two Methodist Universities, if they are richly endowed and adequately equipped, will serve this end more effectually than all the consuls and commercial agents who have been or can be engaged to accomplish it. In this matter our commercial interest and our religious duty coincide.

Atlanta, Ga.

Peach and Apple Trees 2c and up

Pear, Cherry, Plum, Grapes, Strawberry, etc. Catalog Free. TENN. NURSERY CO., Box 60, Cleveland, Tenn.

The Sunday School Lesson

LESSON III—JANUARY 17

THE CALL OF GIDEON

Judges 6. 11-40; (Memorize verses 14-16)

Golden Text—Blessed is the man whom thou choosest. Psa. 65. 4.

Notes by Dr. and Mrs. Camden M. Cobern. Old Testament versus New Testament Records

The text of the New Testament is fixed more certainly than that of any other ancient book. Some of the new MSS. were written by copyists who were nearer to St. John than we are to Shakespeare or to John Alden, whose old Bible may now be examined at Plymouth. But this is not true of the Old Testament. Our oldest Hebrew MSS. are only a thousand years old, and while we have ancient versions, one of which reaches back to about 200 B. C., we can never be as certain of the exact text as in the case of the New Testament. Neither were the historians who tried to tell the story of their national life, 1000—600 years B. C., as good at that work as the New Testament historians. While these ancient writers have been proved by modern discoveries to be more accurate and reliable than any contemporary historians, yet the ancient rules of history-writing and the methods of using preexisting materials, and the homiletic purpose which governed the choice of materials, and the Oriental indifference to minutiae in reporting events, as well as the pictorial nature of the languages used and the universal custom of picturing national or tribal movements by some individual whose life was considered typical of others—all these and many other considerations make it very difficult to be certain of dates, events and the succession of events as these are stated in the Old Testament records. This is the reason we find different scholars giving a different explanation of these primitive documents, which have fortunately been preserved to us from the libraries of the kings of Israel and Judah, and were edited with noble devotion by the prophets.

Old Testament versus New Testament Heroes

One of the things for which we should be most grateful is the fact that God has actually succeeded in bringing the race from century to century up to higher ideals. To start with, the Hebrew people were no better than other races or tribes; but because they listened to the inward voice of the soul, and were willing to be taught by men of the Spirit, they gradually advanced to a place where they were fitted to give to the world the perfect expression of the principles of morality and religion, as the Greeks gave to the world the perfect expression of the principles of beauty. The story of this advance from the low ideals common to the race, to the higher ideals grasped and announced from time to time by prophets of God—that is the story of the Old Testament. Even good men are not unaffected by the ideals of the age in which they live. If the ideals of the Old Testament had been perfect there would have been no need for a New Testament to take its place. The "Law of Moses" was the best expression of the highest religious ideal and hope which the world up to that time had been able to grasp; but the Golden Rule and the Sermon on the Mount were infinitely higher. The later ideal of love could not be presented until men had learned the earlier law of justice and equity. So we find that the heroes of the earlier periods are very different from the heroes of the era of the prophets or apostles. Barak and Gideon and Samson are ignoble and barbarous men compared with Isaiah or Jeremiah or St. John. But in their day and generation they were "leaders," and in some special way, narrated in the Bible, they helped the nation to an advanced plane. Low as their ideals were in some respects, they were higher than those of other men living at the same period.

The Times of the Judges

Joshua and the united tribes had not conquered much of Canaan before the tribes began to disintegrate. Some of these tribes or clans conquered certain districts and settled down there to live, mixing, too, with the Canaanites. Some tribes were defeated in their attempt to seize and hold the territory that had been given to them to conquer, and these were put into slavery. Some tribes almost disappeared altogether. Out of these centuries between the migration of Israel to Canaan and its final conquest by them lie these unsatisfactory and obscure campaigns by which different sections of the Hebrews in different parts of Canaan attempted to make themselves dominant. The acts of these times "can not bear to be tried by the standard of an enlightened humanity, or the ideal of evangelical Christianity" (Konig). We shudder at the cutting off of thumbs and great toes (Judges 1:6), and the sacrifice of a daughter by one of these judges as a burnt-offering to God because of a victory (1:31), and almost equally at their reverence for "ephods" (8:27), and their superstitious belief that the test of a man's goodness or a nation's piety was to be found in martial or financial success (6:13). But it must be remembe that even the Athenians treated prisoners in exactly the same way, that some modern "Christians" reverence the crucifix in an equally superstitious way, and that even now the Hebrew idea that the nation whose God is the Lord is bound to prosper is a philosophical judgment which, on the whole, has been confirmed by history. The Hebrews were the first nation to get this religious view of history. During the period of the Judges the nation was working out this faith in God as a moral deity who controlled even in politics. It was a critical time of spiritual self-assertion and struggle of ideas against the Canaanites (D. B. 2. 820), during which they resisted the strongest possible temptation to lose all their unique moral ideas.

Gideon, the Farmer-Warrior

This Hebrew Cincinnatus was brave, prudent, practical, modest, independent, religious, energetic and promptly obedient. He was "called" while doing humble work in a stalwart way; yet in a hidden spot ("Wine-press") where he would not be exposed to the enemy. Health and strength and religious training were already his; but he needed to meet God in order to become a leader. He was superstitious, for he wanted a miracle in order to know God was behind his "call"—not realizing that the "natural" is as divine as the "supernatural"—and he was ignorant, for he thought that God had forsaken Israel, merely because their army had not been victorious. But he was willing to be led. God did not think it worth while to correct his false philosophy of history and false views of miracles. False intellectual positions are not often ruinous, if the heart is right. He put Gideon to work. He built up his faith. He gave him something to do which took courage and practical wit and energy, and put him in a position of mastery (6:25-37). The best cure for doubt or disbelief is to act up to all that one does believe in a positive, public, independent way. Then he "blew the trumpet," which was the call for battle (6:34); and when only his own father's household responded (verse 34), he proved his fitness (Joshua 6:20) for leadership by enthusing these few and sending them out after the other neighbors in the same tribe (verse 35), and when these did thier work well, he sent out the new recruits after other tribes (verse 35).

Did God Interfere with Natural Law to Encourage Gideon?

It is more likely that he used natural law. The law of the natural is as divine as the law of the miraculous. God is equally behind both. But God does not ask the impossible. He took Gideon on the plane of civilization where he found him. Even the superstitious man can get to God. The early Christians, as we now know, were tiny copies of the New Testament as charms around their necks, and the early Methodists, like Gideon, believed in casting lots and in supernatural tokens—but, while this is bad enough, it is not half so bad as to fail to open the Bible in a time of business or social emergency, or to doubt whether God can be present in natural law, and in so-called matters of "chance."—Pittsburgh Christian Advocate.

BIBLE LOVERS AND CHRISTIAN WORKERS

Will be interested in the six weeks' course to be given at the Methodist Training School, February 4th to March 20th, 1915.

Object: To present principles and methods of study in Bible, Missions, Sociology, Sunday school and League work, story telling and practical service.

For Whom: For all Bible students and Christian workers who feel that they cannot take a full course but who desire a short course for self-culture and increased efficiency. Pastors, Sunday school teachers, League officers, workers in Woman's Missionary societies will find the course very helpful.

Special Lectures: On pertinent subjects will be delivered by men eminent in our church life. The great Bible Conference will bring to us during this period such leaders as Jowett, Coburn, S. D. Gordon and others.

Cost: Thirty-six dollars will cover all the expense for board, laundry, lights and Bible Conference.

Plan for it—Come.

For further information address William F. Quillian, Methodist Training School, Nashville, Tenn.

RECIPE FOR GRAY HAIR

To half pint of water add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbo Compound, and ¼ oz. of glycerine. Apply to the hair twice a week until it becomes the desired shade. Any druggist can put this up or you can mix it at home at very little cost. Full directions for making and use come in each box of Barbo Compound. It will gradually darken streaked, faded gray hair, and removes dandruff. It is excellent for falling hair and will make harsh hair soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off.

SAVE YOUR MEAT
From Skippers
USE CHAMBERS ANTI-SKIPPER COMPOUND
One package is guaranteed to keep skippers and other insects from Five Hundred Pounds of Cured Meat. Keeps meat clean and sweet. Price 50c. per package, by mail, postpaid.
CHAMBERS-GODFREY MFG. CO. Martin Tenn.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS
Furnished on short notice
Summit Avenue Greenhouses
HOWARD GARDNER
Proprietor
GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 511 Res. Phone 1345
DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF STOMACH AND INTESTINES
121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

The Newest Styles of Jewelr
WATCHES, STERLING SILVER AND PLATE WARE
Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glass ware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.
SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS



Our Little Folks' Department

THE CZAR AND THE TAILOR

An amusing account of the circumstances that attended the ordering of a military uniform by the Czar of Russia from a little Jewish tailor in the Crimea is given in the Argus. The Czar wished to wear the uniform of the Crimean Dragoons at a fete, but did not have one with him. He noticed, however, that the colonel of the regiment wore a uniform that fitted beautifully, and learned that the name of his tailor was Khaim Kurichkess.

There was still time to have a uniform made, and the Czar commanded that the tailor be brought to him, When a handsome motor car stopped outside the Kurichkess door, there was surprise and alarm in the houshold, which consisted of father and mother and nine children. A cloaked officer descended, and said in staccato sentences to the dumbfounded tailor:

"You must come with me! Don't be frightened! You'll know later where I am taking you! You'll be away for several days! I can't leave without you; we've lost so much time already! Get dressed quickly!"

Kurichkess obeyed. He was driven to a house where a general of gendarmerie, who showed a surprising knowledge of his antecedents, cross-examined him as to his identity. He was assured that he need not be alarmed; he would be provided with a lodging, and the next day he would be told what he had to do. He must not try to escape, for he would be watched.

The following morning a colonel entered his room and addressed him thus:

"Great good fortune has fallen upon you! His Majesty, the Emperor, wishes you to make for him a uniform of the Crimean Dragoons. I hope you won't make a mess of it. I will take you at once to the palace, where you will be admitted to the Czar's study to see His Majesty's figure."

When the excited tailor was ushered into the royal study, the Czar looked up from a document he was reading, and said:

"Oh, you are here already! You are Khaim Kurishkess, the tailor, I want you to make me a uniform of the Crimean Dragoons. Do your best, and see that it is a good fit."

When his work was finished and the Czar was pleased with the fit, Kurichkess refused to accept any thing in payment, but the colonel insisted that, according to law, he was obliged to receive fifty rubles for his expenses. Moreover, the minister of the court was aware that Kurichkess was in debt, and had ordered the officer to give the tailor an envelope containing three hundred rubles.

Kurichkess was driven home in a motor, and some days later an imperial messenger brought to his shop a case containing a gold watch and chain. The double eagle was engraved on the watch, which also bore the inscription, "To Khaim Kurichkess, for zeal." —Youth's Companion.

WHEN ALICE WENT TO PRAYER MEETING

Alice thought her papa was the greatest person in the world. She found only one fault with him. He didn't stay at home enough. He left for his office so early that sometimes she did not even get to give him his good-morning kiss; and he came home so late some evenings that she barely had time to kiss him good night.

One night as he started off to prayer meeting Alice clung about his neck and begged him so hard not to go that he laughed and said: "Ask mamma if you may go with me."

Mamma said: "O, my baby would go to sleep!"

And papa answered: "What if she does? The cushions are soft, and she would be very comfortable."

So mother got her little cloak and hat, and she trudged off very happily by the side of her big, handsome father.

What a lovely walk that was! Papa talked to her about the stars and the good Heavenly Father, who holds each one in its place. When they reached the church door, she pressed her father's hand and whispered: "I'm so glad you brought me. I'm not going to sleep; I'm just as wide awake!"

How bright the lights were! And how sweet the singing! They sang "What a Friend We Have in Jesus!" and "Revive Us Again." Alice knew both of these, and several people turned to smile at the sound of the sweet, childish voice.

The pastor asked some one to select the next song, and Alice said: "The Way of the Cross Leads Home." Everybody sang, and somehow the music sounded unusually sweet.

Alice kept awake through the next prayer; but when Brother Lane began to talk she could not stay awake another minute, though he was telling a beautiful story of the Good Shepherd, who loves his sheep and knows them all by name. Papa laid her down on the cushion and covered her with her little cloak.

After the service the members of the board of trustees were asked to stay for a few minutes' conference, and Alice's father picked up his hat and went to join them. When the business was over, the men all walked off together, and the janitor put out the lights and went home.

When Mr. Pace entered the brightly lighted library, his wife asked: "Where's Alice?"

He paused a minutes in surprise and then started off in a run toward the church.

Poor little Alice, all alone in that big, dark church! When he reached the door, he found it locked; but the preacher had a key to his office, and he went with Mr. Pace into the church. He reached up his hand to turn on the light, but Mr. Pace stopped him for fear the sudden light might waken his little girl and frighten her before he could reach her. He felt his way in the dark and lifted the sleeping figure.

She did not wake at all; and when mamma had undressed her and put her in her own little bed, she smiled and murmured in her sleep: "I like prayer meeting, and the stars, and the Good Shepherd, and 'The Way of the Cross Leads Home.'"—Mrs. A. F. Watkins.

There is only one sure way of making a thing come right, boys and girls: by starting right, by keeping right, and by making sure that the thing itself is right all through. Then you are on the way to true success.—Jewels.

WHEN BARBARA WALKED TO THE PARTY

The telephone rang while Barbara was wiping the dinner dishes. Noon is dinner time in the country, and eleven-year-old Barbara lived in the country. The little girl hoped that mother or grandmother would hear the telephone and answer it, because she was in a great hurry and did not like to leave her work.

A mile away Barbara's young cousin Maud was probably getting her dinner dishes washed and put away as rapidly as possible, that she might be ready to receive her guests. Maud gave a party that afternon. Her father was a farmer too.

The telephone rang again. This time Barbara answered it. "Yes, this is Barbara," she said; and after an interval of silence, "All right;" and after another interval of silence, "All right" and "Good-by."

"What is all right?" asked grandma, just then entering the room.

"Nothing is all right," was Barbara's reply. "It's all wrong. I shall have to walk alone all that long, dusty mile to Maud's house."

"What is the matter with Helen?"

"O, Helen says that she has a chance to ride in an automobile. Her uncle is at their house with his family, on their way to somewhere, and her aunt says that Helen can sit on her lap and be there in three minutes, all rested and fresh."

"I am glad you did not object," said grandma.

"But I really do object," continued Barbara. "I don't want to go alone. It is fun when you have some one to talk and laugh with; but to go poking along alone on a gray day like this—I wouldn't have played such a trick on Helen; I know that."

By the time Barbara was dressed for the party she was happy and good-natured, thanks to wise and cheerful counsel. She even waved her hand and smiled when passing Helen's home before whose gate waited Uncle Tom's touring car.

Slowly Barbara walked on. She had promised to think happy thoughts and take her time. As if determined to help make the journey pleasant, the sun came out from behind a cloud and shone brightly until the little girl reached her cousin's house.

"Why, where is Helen?" inquired Maud.

"Coming in her Uncle Tom's auto,' was Barbara's brief account of her nearest and dearest neighbor.

"We are going to have pink ice cream," was Maud's next remark. "And do come and see the decorations! Our house smells like a rose garden. We have picked bushels of pink roses; and I am glad you are the first to get here, because I want to show you how beautiful the rooms look. I am so glad you got here early. I like Helen, of course; but she isn't my own cousin, and she might think I am bragging. But honestly, Barbara, our pink and green decoratoins are beautiful, and we are going to have a story-teller from the city. My sakes, Barbara, suppose you had the whooping cough or something and couldn't have come!"

The girls laughed merrily at so absurd suggestion and were soon busy receiving guests. When every little girl who had been invited to the party except Helen arrived and had begun playing games, Barbara wondered anxiously why her particular friend failed to appear.

"Let's telephone to her home," suggested Maud. "I wouldn't have her miss the story-telling for anything."

Just at that moment in came the little girl, flushed and breathless.

"Why, what is the trouble?" inquired Barbara, running to meet her. "Your face is as red as a—as a firecracker."

"I feel about like a firecracker, if they feel as they act," confessed Helen with a good-natured laugh. "I thought I'd never get here. I think I must have run half a mile without stopping. Am I late for everything, Maud?"

"Why, no; the rest of the girls haven't been here more than half an hour. What kept you?"

"Punctured tire, and something happened to the engine. Uncle Tom's watch had stopped, so we did not know what time it was; and after it seemed to me we had waited two hours, anyway, I thought I'd walk the rest of the way. It isn't much fun to walk alone, either. I"—

Just then Helen remembered something that made her flushed face brighter still.

"It is fun after you get here, though," added Barbara quickly; "and I don't care if I am talking about my own cousin, which is about the same thing as praising yourself, this is the most beautiful party I ever went to. Come in and see the roses."

At home-going time Uncle Tom called for Helen. "We are on our way home again ourselves," he explained, "and Aunt Carolyn says she will hold you on her lap, Helen, and this time we promise not to have a breakdown."

"I thank you, Uncle Tome," Helen answered most politely, "but I would rather walk home with Barbara. It is lovely now, and we have a great deal to talk about."—Frances M. Fox.

WHO WAKED HAROLD?

"You needn't get up for breakfast in the morning, Harold," said Aunt Agnes as she tucked Harold in and kissed him good night.

"But I want to get up early, early," said Harold, "and see the farm and the pigs and the chickens and things."

Aunt Agnes laughed. "But you'll be sleepy after your long trip, and the farm will keep till another day."

Harold said nothing, but hoped that some one would wake him up early the next morning. It was so stupid getting up late and eating your breakfast all alone. For a minute he thought perhaps he wouldn't go to sleep at all. He felt so strange and far away and all alone out in the country, away from all his family. He was sleeping outside on a wide porch, where the branches of great trees leaned over and almost touched him, and the stars peeped through the tree tops and winked their bright, shining eyes at him. These thoughts didn't last long, though, and he fell asleep beore he was half through thinking and long before he had thought of any plan to wake himself in the morning.

Pretty soon he was dreaming that he was riding on the train again, and the dream was so real that he could almost hear the great engine puffing and the wheels of the cars whirring as they flew around and around on the smooth steel rails. Then he dreamed that the train had changed into a boat with a great wheel at the back that buzzed and splashed the water as it turned. He was busy watching it in his dreams when all at once it changed to a big black automobile exactly like his father's, and he was riding in it with his father and mother and his little sister and baby brother. That was a good dream, and he was enjoying it like everything. The chug-chug and whir of the engine and the wheels was almost like music to him, and he was about to fall deeper and deeper asleep and quit dreaming at all when suddenly the big automobile changed to an airship, and then instead of falling deeper asleep he was about to wake up and see how things looked down below where the world was. The airship made such a lot of noise that even a healthy boy like Harold couldn't sleep very soundly. He turned over in bed and opened his eyes wide, and instead of being in an airship he was right in his own bed on the wide front porch at Aunt Agnes's house. The sun was just peeping up over the blue mountain tops, and it was quite light; and there, almost at the head of his bed, whirring and buzzing, with its shining green-and-gold wings spread out in the light and its tiny body poised in the air rigt over the open blue cup of a beautiful morning-glory that grew up on the porch, was a beautiful little humming bird, getting its breakfast of honey out of the flower cups. And Harold had dreamed it was an airship? The little boy got ready for breakfast on time and Aunt Agnes laughed when he told her of the wonderful airship that waked him.—Francis McKinnon Morton.

Our Children's Home

Conducted by Walter Thompson, Supt.

The donations sent by Mooresville were credited in last week's Advocate to the saints of another field. Be it known that it was Mooresville sending such liberal gifts during the Christmas season.

Hon. C. B. Watson sent us two turkeys the past Christmas a year. We had enough and kept his with one or two others and raised enough for the past Thanksgiving. Mr. Watson sent us another turkey. We did not eat it, because this time we had only one to go with it. We shall keep this one over for another year and try to raise another bunch from it and one or two others.

Don't forget January 31 is the 5th Sunday. The 5th sunday in November was a bad Sunday and the returns were less than usual.

BUILDING FUND

A Friend, Salisbury, N. C., $1.00; A Friend, Salisbury, N. C., $1.00. Total, $2.00.

FIFTH SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Burkhead M. E. S. S., Winston, J. A. Magee, $4.61; Bethel S. S., Asheville, C. R. Perry, $1.64; Ebenezer S. S., High Point, J. E. Taylor, 65c; Bethlehem S. S., Reidsville, Miss Lottie Burton, $2.50; Taylorsville S. S., Alexander Ct., Taylorsville, R. L. Snow, $6.27; Hickory S. S., Hickory, G. F. Ivey, $11.51. Total, $27.18.

RECEIVED ON SPECIAL, GENERAL AND TEN PER CENT. COLLECTIONS

Davidson Church, Davidson, D. F. Carver, $6.00; Biltmore Methodist Church, Biltmore, Miss Julia Brookshire, $8.67; W. H. M. Society, Biltmore, Mrs. D. K. Lipe, $1.50; C. M. Edwards, High Point, $15.00; Friends in Winston, $28.75; Triplett, Mooresville, J. T. Ratledge, $3.50; Centenary Church, Mooresville, J. T. Ratledge, $1.15; McKendree, Mooresville, J. T. Ratledge, 65c; Williamsons, Mooresville, J. T. Ratledge, $1.70; Epworth Church, Concord, A. S. Raper, $3.85; McAdenville Church, McAdenville, Rev. Dwight W. Brown, $1.60; Creston Creston, W. P. Moody, $2.00; Creston Charge, Creston, W. H. Worth, $1.00; Creston Charge, Creston, R. A. Thomas, $2.50. Total, $77.87.

DONATIONS IN KIND

Mrs. Peter Field, Climax, N. C., 3 coats; Madison S. S., Geo. W. Martin, Madison, N. C., Towelling, hose, handkerchiefs, doll, etc.; Mooresville S. S. class No. 4, Mrs. Frank Starrette, Mooresville, N. C., suit case full of clothes for small girls and boys, one and one-half dozen jars of fruit; W. H. M. S., Biltmore, N. C., 6 boxes of canned fruit; W. R. Alexander, Swannanoa, N. C., 1 barrel of apples; Spring Garden S. S., Greensboro, N. C., 3 boxes containing canned fruit and vegetables, oranges, articles of clothing, etc.



Standard
Memorial Windows
Made in High Point

Beautiful in design—strong in construction. Largest and oldest glass plant in the South. Capacity for any and all orders and prompt delivery. Satisfaction guaranteed. References—any of our old customers or any bank or banker in High Point. Write for catalog.

Standard Mirror Co.
High Point, N. C.

CAN BLINDNESS BE PREVENTED?

To answer the above question intelligently one must know something of the causes of blindness. It is easy enough to theorize about almost any abstract question but not always so easy to bring forth facts to substantiate a position. During the past two years 388 blind children have been enrolled in the State School for the Blind. Of these cases 87 are said to be congenital; the causes of 80 are not assigned or are unknown; Ophthalmia neonatorum is credited with 79; accident with 33; fever with 10; and to various other diseases smaller numbers are attributed. From the above it is to be seen that 289 of these cases are credited to the above five named causes—nearly 75 per cent.

In addition to the above statement the facts go to show that out of 274 of these children 47 are offspring of consanguineous marriages—more than 17 per cent. Specialists are not all clear that the marriage of relations is the cause of blindness and other defects. Suffice it to say, however, that these figures cause one to "Sit up and take notice."

The question again recurs: Can Blindness be Prevented? In view of the statistics given herewith it is clear to my mind that a large proportion of blindness is preventable. Statistics go to show that the marriage of persons congenitally blind or with serious defective vision is often followed by the birth of children themselves blind or partially blind. It is safe then to suggest that no two persons who have in their veins the blood of congenitally blind parents out ever to marry persons in like circumstances. Statistics go further to show that blindness is more likely to occur along collateral lines than in direct lines.

It is mere speculation to say what might have been the conditions accompanying the "80 cases of unknown." I am led to fear, however, that this may possibly be a hiding place made use of by the parents of some children.

I am fully convinced that the 79 attributed to Ophthalmia neonatorum might have been prevented if proper medical attention had been given the eyes of these children immediately after birth. And when one reflects that this is more than 23 per cent. of the whole number enrolled one can readily answer the question at least partially —Can Blindness be Prevented? And when we add to these figures 33 others whose blindness was caused by accident the number of cases of preventable blindness is considerably enlarged —making nearly 30 per cent. of the whole number. Are not these facts sufficiently startling to cause our law makers; our physicians; our health officers and our parents to think seriously?

Another question naturally arises: What shall we do with the children of our State who are already blind? There have been nearly 400 in the State School for the Blind at various times during the past two years and yet I have the names of more than 100 others who have never attended the School and who can not be admitted for lack of funds and room. The fact of the business is that the school is now so overcrowded as to cause serious apprehension as to the health and safety of those already enrolled. The maintenance fund of the school is less pro rata than it was 18 years ago. Because of these conditions the number of admissions at the close of the past fiscal year was 46 less than it was two years ago and it has been found necessary to reduce the number of teachers and to shorten each session in order to live within the income. With all these handicaps, more than 80 per cent. of the graduates of the school—blind persons—are self-supporting, self-respecting citizens of their respective communities, bread winners in the race of life. With these facts staring us in the face will not our Legislators take some steps to remove the crippled condition of the school and place it where the afflicted children of the State may have at least an equal chance with the normal children in their efforts to secure an education and thus fit themselves for usefulness and productive citizenship?

John E. Ray,
Principal State School for the Blind.
Raleigh, N. C., January 9, 1915.

ON ENTERING THE NEW YEAR

Let us begin the race of the New Year in happy confidence in God. Let us strip ourselves of all superfluous weights. Let us get rid of the paralyzing influence that hides in doubt. Let us begin as those who are assured of victory.

"Come, let us anew our journey pursue,
With vigor arise,
And press to our home with the Lord in the skies."

* * * *

"Let us determine at the beginning of the New Year that we will possess ourselves of the courage which comes by faith. Let us be strong in the desire to do good, fearless in our opposition to evil, brave in our conquest of sin. If we are, we have nothing to fear. All the issues are known to God, and God and one make a majority. 'Only be thou strong and very courageous.' "—Rev. R. J. Campbell.

* * * *

"A new year is upon us, with new duties, new conflicts, new trials and new opportunities. Start on the journey with Jesus—to walk with him, to work for him, and to win souls to him. It may be the last year of our lives! A happy year will it be to those who, through every path of trial or up every hill of difficulty, or over every sunny height, march on in closest fellowship with Jesus, and who determine that, come what may, they will have Christ every day!"—Dr. Theodore Cuyler.

* * * *

"The new year will be a happy one if God's presence goes with us all through its experiences. Some one once asked Miss Havergal haw to realize the Divine Presnce. Her sententious answer was: 'First, believe it; second, recollect it!' It would seem impossible to forget so big and blessed a being as God. Yet thousands accomplish that feat of folly each day. If we want to have God bless us, we must first of all recollect that there is such a being in the universe. We must believe, as is said in Hebrew, that GOD IS."—Zion's Herald.

STOPS TOBACCO HABIT

Elders Sanitarium, located at 513 Main St., St. Joseph, Mo., has published a book showing the deadly effect of the tobacco habit, and how it can be stopped in three to five days.

As they are distributing this book free, anyone wanting a copy should send their name and address at once.

Fruit All the Year

Get a few early Peaches, some mid-season Apples, Pears, Peaches, Plums, Grapes, then some winter Apples and Pecans, and you can have fresh fruit the year round. "Eat all you can, and can all you can't."

Our catalog gives full information as to varieties. Prices always reasonable.

Tell us your tree wants. We have them ready for you. Also Roses, Flowering Shrubs and other ornamentals. Immediate shipment if desired. Place order promptly.

HOWARD NURSERY CO.,
Box J210 Stovall, N. C.

MONEY
Money For Churches Sunday Schools
Missions Etc Raised Easily and Quickly
By Our Guaranteed Plans Write
For FREE SAMPLE One Church Raised $807
Christian Finance Association, 80 Maiden Lane, New York.

A STORY OF JENNY LIND

Jenny Lind and Grisi were rivals for popular favor in London. Both were invited to sing the same night at a court concert. Jenny Lind, being the younger, sang first, and was so disturbed by the fierce, scornful look of Grisi that she was at the point of failure, when suddenly an inspiration came to her. The accompanist was striking his final chords. She asked him to rise and took the vacant seat. Her fingers wandered over the keys in a loving prelude, then she sang a little prayer which she had loved as a child. She hadn't sung it for years. As she sang she was no longer in the presence of royalty, but was singing to loving friends in her fatherland.

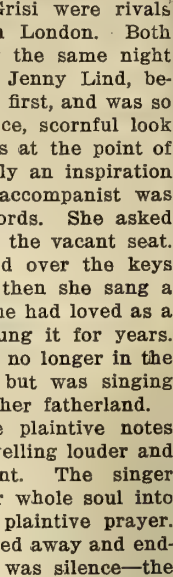
Softly at first the plaintive notes floated on the air- swelling louder and richer every moment. The singer seemed to throw her whole soul into the weird, thrilling, plaintive prayer. Gradually the song died away and ended in a sob. There was silence—the silence of admiring wonder. The audience sat spellbound. Jenny Lind lifted her sweet eyes to look into the scornful face that had so disconcerted her. There was no fierce expression now; instead, a teardrop glistened on the long black lashes, and after a moment with the impulsiveness of a child of the tropics, Grisi crossed to Jenny Lind's side, placed her arm about her and kissed her utterly regardless of the audience.—Exchange.

"Here is the Answer," in WEBSTER'S NEW INTERNATIONAL

THE MERRIAM WEBSTER

Every day in your talk and reading, at home, on the street car, in the office, shop and school you likely question the meaning of some *new* word. A friend asks: "What makes mortar harden?" You seek the location of *Loch Katrine* or the pronunciation of *jujutsu*. What is *white coal?* This New Creation answers all kinds of questions in Language, History, Biography, Fiction, Foreign Words, Trades, Arts and Sciences, *with final authority.*

400,000 Words.
6000 Illustrations.
Cost $400,000.
2700 Pages.



The only dictionary with the *new divided page*,—characterized as "A Stroke of Genius."

India Paper Edition:
On thin, opaque, strong, India paper. What a satisfaction to own the *Merriam* Webster in a form so light and so convenient to use! One half the thickness and weight of Regular Edition.

Regular Edition:
On strong book paper. Wt. 14¾ lbs. Size 12⅝ x 9¾ x 5 inches.

Write for specimen pages, illustrations, etc.
Mention this publication and receive FREE a set of pocket maps.

G. & C. MERRIAM CO.,
Springfield, Mass.

HELP WANTED LADIES

Ladies of character may earn nice income at home every month taking orders from friends for REIF'S high class Toilet Articles, Fairy Creme, Perfume, Food Flavoring Extracts and full line. Liberal commission paid. This is for married or single women, young or old. References required. Get our free Instruction book. We teach you how to succeed from the start. Honorable, dignified work. Write now and get territory and beautiful sample case.

United Stores Drug Co., 813 Cherry Street, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Positive proof from oldest Records that John baptized by Sprinkling. 68-page book, only 16 cents in stamps. Mahaffey Co., Box 12, Batesburg, S. C.

BLYMYER CHURCH BELLS.
UNLIKE OTHER BELLS SWEETER, MORE DURABLE, LOWER PRICE. OUR FREE CATALOGUE TELLS WHY.
Write to Cincinnati Bell Foundry Co., Cincinnati, O.

WE PAY $80 A MONTH SALARY and furnish rig and all expenses to introduce our guaranteed poultry and stock powders. Address BIGLER COMPANY, X708, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.

First Round

January

Mills River, Shaw's Creek 9-10
Central, night 10
Flat Rock, Flat Rock 16-17
Tryon and Saluda, Tryon 17-18
Fairview, Tweeds 23-24
North Asheville, night 24
Walnut, Jewel Hill 30-31
Hot Sp'gs and Marshall, Marshall, night 31

February

Sulphur Springs, Laurel Hill 6-7
West Asheville, night 7
Swannanoa, Swannanoa 13-14
Black Mountain, night 14
Weaverville Ct., Flint Hill 20-21
Bethel, night 21

There will be a meeting of the preachers of the district at Haywood Street church, Thursday, Dec. 10th, at 2 p. m., and at night. All preachers urged to be present.

District stewards meeting at Central church, Friday, Dec. 11th, at 10 a. m.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C.

First Round

January

Thrift, Thrift 2-3
Dilworth, Dilworth, night 3
Marshville, Center 9
Monroe, Central 10
Monroe, North Monroe, night 10
Prospect, Carmel 16-17
Unionville, Grace, p. m. 17-18
Morven, Bethel 24-25
Wadesboro, Wadesboro, night 25
Polkton, Peachland 30
Lilesville, Lilesville 31

February

Ansonville, Ansonville 6-7
Waxhaw, Waxhaw 13-14
Spencer Memorial 21

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.

First Round

January

Randolph Ct., Mt. Vernon 2-3
Spring Garden, p. m. 3
Coleridge Ct., Coleridge 9-10
Ramseur and F'ville, Ramseur 10-11
Wesley Memorial, H. Pt., 11 a. m. 17
East and West, 3 p. m. 17
Main St., 7 p. m. 17
Randleman and Naomi, St. Paul ..23-24
Asheboro 24-25
Uwharrie Ct., Concord 30-31
Denton Ct., Denton 31-1

February

Deep River, Cedar Falls 6-7
West Market 13-14

The district stewards will meet at West Market Street church, Tuesday, Dec. 1 at 10 a. m.

MT. AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mt. Airy, N. C.

First Round

January

Leaksville, night 1-2
Spray, night, 2; 11 a. m. 3
Draper, 3 p. m. 2-3
Danbury 9-10
Rural Hall, Germanton 16-17
Yadkinville, Prospect 23-24
Elkin, night 29-31
Jonesville 30-31

February

Dobson, Stony Knoll 6-7
Pilot Mountain, Pilot Mountain 13-14
Ararat, Chestnut Grove 20-21
Mt. Airy Ct., Zion 27-28

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

First Round

January

Jefferson, Bethany 9-10
Helton, Sabbath Home 13
Creston, Creston 16-17
Watauga, Henson's Chapel 23-24
Elk Park, Elk Park 30-31

February

Avery, Fairview 6-7
Boone, Rutherwood 13-14
Laurel Springs, Transon 20-21
Sparta, Potato Creek 27-28

Revival Meetings

January

Creston, Creston 14-21

February

Avery, Fairview 2-11
Laurel Springs, Transon 16-23

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.

First Round

January

Salem Ct., Salem 3-4
Concord, Central, 11 a. m. 10
West Concord, Harmony, 3 p. m. 10
Concord, Epworth, night 10
Kannapolis Station 15-17
Kannapolis Ct., Oak Grove 16-17
China Grove and Landis, China Gr., 17-18
Bethel and Love's Chapel, Bethel ..23-24
Concord, Westford, night 24
Gold Hill Ct., Gold Hill 30-31
New London Ct., New London 30-feb1

District stewards' meeting Salisbury, Dec. 4, 10 a. m.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.

First Round

January

Stoney Point Ct., Stoney Pt., 11 a. m., 9-10
Alexander Ct., Taylorsville, night ..10-11
Maiden Ct., St. Paul, 11 a. m. 16-17
Newton Sta., Newton, night 17-18
Hickory Ct., Marvin, 11 a. m. 23-24
Catawba Ct., Catawba, night 24-25
Statesville Ct., N. S'ville, 11 a. m., 30-31
Broad St., Broad St., night 31-Feb. 1

February

Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 11 a. m. 6-7
Davidson, Davidson, night 7-8
Mooresville Ct., Fair View, 11 a. m., 13-14
Mooresville Sta., Mooresville, night, 14-15
Cool Spring Ct., Cool Spg., 11 a. m., 20-21
Troutman Ct., Shepherds, 11 a. m., 27-28

The district stewards, pastors and lay leaders will meet in Broad Street church at Statesville on Thursday, Dec. 17, at 12 o'clock noon. A full attendance of the above persons is earnestly urged.

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C

First Round

January

Belwood, Palm Tree 2-3
Polkville, Polkville 3-4
King's Mountain, King's Mountain ..9-10
South Fork, Russell's Chapel 16
Lincolnton, Lincolnton 17
Crouse, Crouse 23
Stanly, Stanly 24-25
Shelby Ct., Sharon 30

Second Round

January

Shelby, Central 31
Cherryville, Cherryville 31

February

Dallas and Ozark, Dallas 6
West End, Franklin Avenue 6
Gastonia, Main Street 7-8
Lowesville, Snow Hill 13-14
Mt. Holly, Mt. Island 14-15
Bessemer, Concord 20-21
King's Mountain, King's Mountain.....21
Belwood, Kadish 27-28

March

Polkville, Polkville 6-7
Lowell, Lowell 13-14
McAdenville, McAdenville 14
Rock Spring, Mt. Pleasant 20-21

District Stewards at Shelby January 15, at 2 o'clock p. m.

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.

First Round

January

Thermal City, Pisgah 2-3
Green River, Lebanon 9-10
Broad River, Wesley's Chapel 16-17
Henrietta and Caroleen, Henrietta ..17-18
Cliffside, Cliffside 23-24
Morganton Ct., Salem 30-31
Connelly Springs, Rutherford College, 31-Feb.1

February

Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Spruce Pine 5-7
Micaville, South Toe 6-7
Bald Creek, Bald Creek 13-14
Burnsville 14-15
Marion Ct., Green Mountain 20-21

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C., R. F. D. No. 2

First Round

January

Waynesville Station 9-10
Sylva Charge, night 10
Webster Ct., Cullowhee 16-17
Glenville Ct., East La Porte 17-18
Hayesville Ct., Oak Forest 23-24
Murphy Ct., Tomotla 27-28
Ranger Ct., Salem 29-30
Murphy Station 31

February

Judson Ct., Maple Springs 2-3
Robbinsville Ct., Robbinsville 4-5
Andrews Station 6-7
Macon Ct., Union 13-14
Franklin Ct., Salem 16-17
Highlands Ct., Highlands 18-19
Franklin Station 21-22

District stewards, pastors and lay leaders meeting at Bryson City Dec. 10.

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston-Salem, N. C.

First Round

January

Davidson, Mount Olivet 2-3
Salem, night 3
Jackson Hill, New Hope 9-10
Farmington, Farmington 16-17
Mocksville, night 17
Davie, Oak Grove 23-24
Cooleemee, night 24
Lewisville, Sharon 30-31

February

Kernersville, Kernersville 6-7



A Big Question: You Decide: The School: The Methods: The Results:

A Few Reasons Why You Should Enroll With Us

We teach Stenotypy, the fastest method of writing. Our *courses* teach you to *know*. We *train* you to *grasp* your *opportunity*. Latest improved methods. Your choice of *nine* different systems of *shorthand, two of them hold world's record* for *speed* and *accuracy*.

Rates and terms most reasonable. *Real business courses* as taught at a *real commercial college*. Results unequalled. Twenty-five students recently placed in positions.

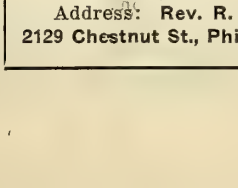
Write for further information and terms. Do not put off this important step.

CENTRAL BUSINESS COLLEGE, ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

T. S. SPRADLIN, President

CABBAGE PLANTS

The Original Frost Proof Varieties Ready for Shipping



All plants grown in open air on South Carolina Sea Coast will stand severe cold without injury; none better could possibly be grown. Early Jersey Wakefields, Charleston Wakefields, Successions and Flat Dutch. Prices F. O. B. here, 500 plants $1.00; 1,000 plants $1.50; 5,000 plants $6.25; 10,000 plants $10.00. Plants shipped by parcel post, 35 cents per 100, postage paid.

THE GEO. L. SANDS CO., RANTOWLES, S. C.

We Ship in Large Quantities Either by Express or Parcel Post.

Show Cases Direct From Factory

The Famous Gurley Show Cases cannot be had from any other manufacturer in America. Our goods received double award at the Jamestown Exposition. A jobber who has been selling Gurley Show Cases for nine years, says that only one customer has made any complaint of our goods, and only one small case was involved in his complaint. This is a wonderful record. We sell direct to the merchant. Drug store outfits a specialty. For drug store outfits ask for catalogue "V"; for wall or street cases ask for catalogue "W"; for general line ask for catalogue "Y."



HIGH POINT SHOW CASE WORKS High Point, North Carolina

GREENSBORO NURSERIES

AGENTS WANTED

For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.

JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

PAPER SHELL PECAN TREES. Best varieties. Choice stock. Our reputation is our best salesman. If you buy 200 or more trees we will dynamite your land and plant your trees FREE. CORDELE NURSERIES, Cordele, Georgia

DIRECTORY OF MISSIONARY INSTITUTES

January

Asheville District, Central church, 13
Charlotte District, Marshville....19-20
Greensboro District, High Point, 20-21
Morganton District, Forest City, 13-14
Mt. Airy District, ...22-23
N. Wilkesboro Dist., N. W'boro, 18-20
Salisbury District, ...
Shelby District, Lincolnton.....15-16
Statesville District, Statesville...14-15
Waynesville District, Clyde.....12-13
Winston District, Lexington.....21-22

THE HELPER

A Helpful Sermon each week. International Lesson Notes. 75 cents a year—40 weeks. Trial offer: 6 numbers 10 cents.

Stamps or Silver

Address: Rev. R. S. Fischer, 2129 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO

ROBT. W. MURRAY

GENERAL INSURANCE

Greensboro, North Carolina

308½ South Elm St.

Phone 163

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL

General Insurance

General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland

109 North Elm Street Phone 44

PUBLISHER'S ANNOUNCEMENT

FOR THE NEW YEAR

ADVOCATE DAY, SUNDAY, JANUARY 17th

A CONCERTED MOVEMENT WITH TWO AIMS

1. To Increase Our Circulation

The Board of Publication realizes that the matter of prime consideration is circulation. No matter how excellent our paper may be it can not accomplish its mission without a large circulation. We must find out how to get it into the homes of our people and induce them as far as possible to become interested in its contents. It is no small part of the task of the pastor to induce his people to become a reading people. To accomplish this he must furnish them something to read. The place to begin is with the periodical literature of his church, and first among these is the Conference paper.

By agreement of the editor, Presiding Elders, Lay Leaders and Board of Missions in the meeting at Salisbury, in December, Sunday, January 17th, was set apart specially as Advocate Day, with the week following for special canvass with the view, if possible, of placing the paper in every home—certainly with the view of placing it in many new homes.

2. To Secure the Renewals

The management finds a great problem on its hands by hundreds of persons who failed to send in their renewals last year. We do not want to cut any off who mean to renew. On the other hand it is runious to the business to carry these along further if they do not intend to pay what they owe. So the second object of this Advocate Day and week is to secure these renewals and collect up back dues as far as possible and remove all from the list who will not make settlement. This year we must insist that pastors and churches see that this is attended to with as much diligence as the securing of new subscribers. We must have the payment of arrears or the removal of names from the list. Co-operation in this matter will mean the saving of thousands of dollars.

Prompt Renewals Necessary

The Board has been compelled to request the manager to urge the prompt renewal of subscriptions. The careless manner in which a large number deal with the Advocate in this respect is costing us a large amount each year. The Board does not wish any one deprived of his paper for even a single week, but judging from past experience it is absolutely necessary for us to adopt more nearly a cash-in-advance system. We are now facing a financial problem on account of the falling off of our advertising business. The war scare has so paralyzed business that our advertising managers have not only failed to develop new business, but have had to cancel most of the outstanding orders. This makes it necessary that we collect more closely on our subscription list. The Board has therefore requested the Manager to send statements to all whose subscriptions have expired so as to remind them of the necessity for prompt renewal. It is too expensive to send these statements if it can be avoided, se we urge that renewals be attended to on Advocate Day, or during the week followings, before it becomes necessary to send out statements.

Throwing Away a Great Opportunity

At great expense of toil, sacrifice and money we build a plant capable of sending a message every week into every home represented in our membership. By failure to co-operate on some plan that would make it possible to achieve this, we simply throw away a great opportunity—perhaps, in an important sense, the greatest opportunity open to us. In all our work as a church, whether it be in effort to promote evangelism, or to send the gospel to the regions beyond, we are dealing with the problem of ignorance. Enlightenment is the great essential if we would carry out our Master's Great Commission, and we must teach if we would evangelize and save. We are to go forth teaching men to observe whatsoever Jesus came to the world to reveal; and while preaching is ever the chief agency of evangelization, we must not ignore the printed message which, more than all other agencies of enlightenment, prepares the way for the message of a living ministry.

So Many People Do Not Read

What if they do not read? It is our problem again not only to bring our people the printed message but to lead them to peruse and appreciate it. While it may be the most difficult duty of the pastor, it is, nevertheless, his duty to promote the reading habit among his people. The people will certainly not read our literature unless we somehow manage to place it in their hands. Therefore, the slogan which should never be abandoned is, "our church paper in every home." The process may seem very slow and the work may be exceedingly discouraging, but if we keep on hammering away we shall after awhile reach the goal. When we have compassed this and our people become intelligently devoted to the church it will not be hard to tap the fountain of beneficence and send the streams of saving power to the ends of the earth.

We act very foolishly if we do not work a periodical such as the North Carolina Christian Advocate for all that it is worth. The way to give it strength and virility is to give it circulation. Only in this way can we make it possible for the paper itself "to grip" the people with its messages from week to week.

Our Job Department

The Board calls attention again to the importance of patronizing our Job Printing Department. We now have a fine equipment and ample facilities for handling a general job business and the business has developed very satisfactorily; but only a few of our business men. here and yonder, seem to have thought of the importance of patronizing this department. We are carrying on this business for no other reason than that of helping to make the Advocate. This fact ought to appeal to our people, and we feel assured it does when fully understood.

With the hearty good will and support of the whole Conference, there is no reason why we may not double the circulation of the Advocate, and thus multiply its power for good by two, at the same time double our general printing business with little increase of expense, giving a very comfortable stipend to the worthy claimants upon our fund.

THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION,
Greensboro, N. C.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, January [illegible] 1915 | Number 3

Reading Room Trinity College

A WORD PICTURE

St. Peter says Christ "hath called us out of darkness into his marvelous light."

On a summer's night, I have camped on the shoulder of Carolina's highest mountain. Waking in the dense darkness before dawn, I have seen nothing, save night's trailing robe around me. No world of wonderful, sentinel summits guarding the green valleys. Shut in under the shadow, there was no world to me. Then I have heard, from some friend on the summit, a clear call, cutting the gloom, calling: "Come up into the light." I have rushed to the top. I have seen the gates of dawn unclose; resplendent lances of light smiting the surrounding summits with a golden glory, driving the darkness back down to where silver streamlets rumbled and rushed to the sea. Even so, I have seen many a man enveloped in spiritual darkness, every tendency earthward, every passion bestial, shut out from all vision of the eternal. Then, from the shining summits has sounded the call: "I am the Light of the world; if any man follow me, he shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the Light of Life."

As he has heard this call, I have seen the light break on his face with greater glory than it even smote the summits of Mt. Mitchell or Clingman's Dome. I have seen a new man come up out of that darkness to meet a new world, with new hopes and dreams and passions and purposes, glad in the glory of being a man—a son of God.—*Extract from sermon by Rev. W. E. Abernethy*

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS

It is not our custom to discontinue subscriptions when the time paid for expires, without notice. Subscribers who do not wish the paper continued should send notice to discontinue direct to the office. Otherwise they will be expected to pay for the paper

CONFERENCE SPECIALS

On our fourth page this week we give a list of Conference Specials for which we are indebted to Rev. Frank Siler, our Conference Field Secretary of Missions. This list will be read with great interest and we have no doubt many of our readers will be surprised to see how the missionary spirit has been developed during the last few years.

THIS IS ADVOCATE WEEK

The unfavorable weather last Sunday and continuing through the early days of the week has of course hindered much in the execution of plans for the observance of Advocate Day and Week. However, we are already receiving some good reports and the promise to continue the work till completed. We beg to remind all who are in arrears not to forget that this is

Pay-Up Week

for all who have fallen behind and for any who should renew. We shall expect the work to be continued, the pastors arranging and following up their own plans. We are grateful for the co-operation of pastors and people.

OUR CHILDREN'S HOME

Next Sunday a week, January 31st, is a fifth Sunday. Superintendent Thompson tells us that the last fifth Sunday did not bring as large results as usual. It was perhaps overlooked in some places.

We call attention to this now so that all may be thinking about it. Next Sunday each Sunday school superintendent and all the teachers should call special attention to this and have their schools and classes prepared to make a liberal contribution on the following Sunday. We must not forget our little boys and girls at the Home. They have no homes where father and mother provide, but must look to others, and we ought to be glad to make the home into which we have taken them at Winston-Salem as much like a real home to them as possible.

Let this be called to the attention of all next Sunday, with the special request that a good contribution be ready on the fifth Sunday.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Annual Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Western North Carolina Conference will be held in Tryon Street church, Charlotte, beginning on Friday, January 29. Next to the Annual Conference we have no meeting of greater interest and importance. In a little more than thirty years, our women have demonstrated their superior efficiency in carrying on the work of the Master. A glance at the reports each year will show that, in organizing and directing the work of education and in carrying forward the world's evangelization, they have been the most powerful auxiliary of the modern church.

They have not only raised large sums of money, but have stimulated the spirit of liberality in all the churches, and have placed their own lives upon the altar of service in such a way as to challenge the admiration of the world. As time goes on and the work increases we are more and more amazed that so many centuries should have elapsed before she should have been accorded her place, and that even yet there are those who would relegate her to social obscurity.

The Advocate hails our sisters in behalf of our Conference and joins in the wish and prayer that their meeting in 1915 may be the most pleasant, profitable and encouraging in all their history.

HOW SALOONS HELP REVENUE

Rev. Dr. Barton, of Texas, in his speech at Raleigh was very happy in his manner of handling the question of liquor license as a producer of revenue. While the argument was of course not new, yet he showed in a very striking way the economic absurdity of licensing the saloon in order to raise revenue.

For every dollar thrown into the treasury by license tax ten or more are drawn out for footing the bills of court costs and the support of penal institutions crowded with the victims of the drink vice, to say nothing of the cost of institutions of charity and the economic waste of the productive power of a healthy manhood.

For about fifty years this country has been endeavoring to raise a large part of its revenue by a tax on spirituous liquors. The result is that we have in reality been expending at least ten dollars for every dollar realized as revenue. At the same time we have fastened upon ourselves a system which has placed a premium upon the evasion of law, the evil effects of which will be felt for generations. It is encouraging to see, however, how rapidly our people are coming to see the absurdity of this old revenue humbug, and with what unanimity public sentiment is lining up for a last successful siege of this citadel of satan. Twenty years from now the whole nation will be wondering why we ever consented to tax the worse than widows and orphans of the land to raise revenue even in an emergency. What a shame that this great country should have consented to commercialize vice!

MAKING SURE OF RESULTS

Dr. J. O. Peck was a great pastor evangelist. He knew what the mission of a Methodist preacher is and applied himself diligently to the task of conserving results as well as to the promotion of evangelism. On one occasion he sent in to the church paper a list of more than three hundred subscribers, more than one hundred of whom were new converts. In his letter to the editor he said: "I never feel quite sure of the permanency of additions to the church till I have put the Christian Advocate in the family, and usually I find that one of the earliest signs of backsliding is the giving up of the religious paper."

There is food for thought here and we commend the wisdom of this suggestion of one of the most consecrated and successful pastors of the past century.

There are many people planting orchards today. It has been discovered that much of the waste lands of Florida, as well as the rugged mountain lands in Western North Carolina, are capable of producing almost fabulous wealth in the production of fruit. But those who plant trees and leave them to shift for themselves, without culture, will find that, before the time for fruit, the trees have either been overshadowed by noxious growths, or destroyed by scale or other enemies of the orchard. So it is in all our work to bring men into the Kingdom of God and safely anchor them to a life of righteousness and happy and useful living. We must not only bring them into the church, but we must give attention to the essential matter of nurture and growth. In no other way can we make sure of permanent reults.

THE REVIVAL WE NEED

Every devout reader of the Advocate will agree that we need the revival. Everywhere the cry is ready to go up in chorus, "O Lord, revive thy work." In spite of the enervating effect of worldliness there is a spark remaining in many hearts ready to be fanned into a flame under favorable conditions. Every wise pastor will endeavor to fan these sparks until he sees showers of blessings falling upon the church.

The revival we need is one that will save us as Christians from a half-hearted service and a half-hearted experience. How it would liberate many a soul and send him bounding toward the joys of heaven if he would only make up his mind to leave all and follow Christ. There are so many who have never fully made up their minds as to whether they would consecrate all to the service of God. Their affections are divided and they are reserving some place still for the gratification of self. Such a service can never be a happy service. The late Rev. Dr. Cuyler in referring to this says:

"Some are fettered by besetting sins, from which they have never cut loose. They have never made a clean break with the old sinful self, or with the beggarly elements of this world; they are hobbled with practices and associates that they have never cut loose from. They have probably passed from death unto life, yet they appear very much as Lazarus would have looked if he had walked the streets of Bethany in his ghastly grave-clothes! This is a pitiable style of religion; it brings but little joy to its possessor, and gives him or her no power in the community. While they are content to be what they are there is no hope for such manacled professors. Their only hope is in a timely and thorough repentance, and a fresh work of Christ, a deeper and thorough work, and for this they must earnestly seek, or else they will be chained birds in a church-cage to the last.

"To every member of our churches who is dragging out a half-dead religion, the Holy Spirit comes with the arousing call: 'If ye be indeed risen with Christ, seek those things which are above!' Instead of sitting in the gates of the tomb, cast away your grave-clothes, and begin to live as Christ's freemen and Christ's witnesses, and the heirs of a magnificent inheritance. Look higher! Live higher!! Get a new grip on Christ and then go out and labor to draw sinners from the pit of hell. This is the revival we all need."

THE ANTI-SALOON CONVENTION

It seems an anomalous situation which makes it necessary for the temperance forces of North Carolina to be working hard in 1915 to secure what they voted for by an overwhelming majority in 1908. Yet such is the case. By every imaginable device the enemies of sobriety have endeavored to nullify the prohibition act, and to this date there has not been an amendment to our statute which has been wholly effective in stopping liquor shipments.

The present legislature, it is said, will pass any **reasonable** measure that may be proposed. Much hinges about that one word reasonable. There are some people, doubtless, who mean by that that they will support any measure that will not interfere with the privilege, or as they term it, the right, of the individual to have liquor shipped to him. And herein lies the peril of the movement which has been launched to stop all the cracks in our law. As long as it is conceded that individuals have an inalienable right to have liquor shipped to them, there will be no end to the express jug trade. The members of this legislature know very well that the overwhelming sentiment of the State now favors the enactment of a law that will place liquor in a class with cocaine and other dangerous drugs which no law-abiding citizen would claim the right to handle or traffic in indiscriminately. They know that every religious body of any standing and moral influence has, by resolution or petition, requested that our law be so amended as to put a stop to liquor shipments. Now why should even the Anti-Saloon League hesitate a moment to ask for such a law?

But we set in to tell something of the Convention. There was not a very large attendance, but the body was fully representative of all sections of the State. There was no devision as to what is wanted, yet after thorough deliberation the formulation of an amendment to our law so as to stop liquor shipment was referred to a special committee who should likewise co-operate with Rev. R. L. Davis, the Superintendent, in securing the passage of the act. Following is the committee: W. H. Witherspoon, of Richmond County; J. A. Brown, of

Chadbourn; C. H. Ireland, of Greensboro; R. L. Davis, of Raleigh; Dr. R. T. Vann, of Raleigh; Judge J. C. Pritchard, of Asheville, and W. T. Shaw, of Weldon.

This is regarded as a strong committee, and these men may be relied upon to do all that can be done to get our law in such shape as to shut off entirely the shipment of strong drink into the state.

There were some very strong and lively discussions, but perfect unanimity as to the one main purpose. By resolution offered by Mr. John A. Oates, of Fayetteville, Sunday, January 24, was made Anti-Saloon Day in all the Sunday schools and churches, and the Committee and Superintendent were requested to prepare a form of petition to be presented and signed requesting the Legislature to pass the act. We trust superintendents, teachers, pastors and all our good people will co-operate in this effort to put behind this the combined moral sentiment of the state. Forms for petition are published in another column.

The Convention was favored with some fine speeches by special visitors, notably Rev. Dr. A. J. Barton, of Waco, Texas, and Hon. Richmond Pearson Hobson, of Alabama. We regretted very much the necessity of leaving on Thursday afternoon and thus being deprived of hearing Mr. Hobson.

Altogether, it may be said that this Convention was in personel very much nearer a full state delegation than any previously held, and if the legislature fails to give us what we ask there will be great disappointment. We believe they will grant our request. Meantime, let every one keep in close touch with those who represent them, both in the House and in the Senate.

NOTE AND COMMENT

Strange Results of War are reported in Germany. Some would suppose from what we see in many publications that all Germany had gone mad with militarism. This is evidently far from the truth and it is likely that after a while the spirit of the people rather than of a few war lords will be dominant. Prof. August Lange, of the University of Halle, Germany, writing to a correspondent in this country, says: "The churches are full to overflowing, as they have not been for decades. Religious sentiment, which seemed to have become lax with the masses, has taken on a new lease of life." Another correspondent, writing from Germany, says: "A new religious earnestness has come upon our nation. It is retracing its way to the God of its fathers and therewith to the best source of its strength. There is a stern protest against the frivolity and coarseness of the past. Our faith would never have thought such a change possible, and it is a wonderful joy for all Christian men to see such a holy awakening."

* * * *

The United States ought not to rush into the organization of a great army and navy so as to be classed with great military powers. Those who would cultivate the military spirit are striving hard to use the present war in Europe as an excuse for urging great expenditure for increasing the fighting strength of the nation. They seem to ignore the fact that great armaments have precipitated the ruinous war now going on in Europe and that the only hope of preserving the peace of American nations is to avoid the error by which these nations have been led astray. Dr. James A. McDonald, of Toronto, gave a notable address in Boston recently in which he plead for a continuance of the peaceful policy of great American nations. He said: "The greatest achievement of America is the joint achievement of her two English-speaking nations. That supreme achievement which North America can show the world is an international boundary line between two nations across which in a hundred years neither nation ever once launched a menacing army or fired a hostile gun. Think of that achievement! A thousand miles up the mighty St. Lawrence, a thousand miles along the great lakes, a thousand miles across the open prairie, a thousand miles over a sea of mountains—four thousand miles where nation meets nation and sovereignty meets sovereignty, but never a fortress, never a battleship, never a gun, never a sentinel or guard! Four thousand miles of civilized and Christianized internationalism—that is North America's greatest achievement."

* * * *

That Mormonism is a Menace to the future of this great republic is a matter of no sort of doubt in the minds of those who are carefully watching its growth, and are acquainted with its ambitious aims. Referring to their aggressive propaganda, the Methodist Recorder says: "The Mormons have something like a thousand missionaries abroad among the people of America, and they are making converts from the most devout and pious flocks of Christendom. They do not reveal the iniquities of the Mormon system, but announce themselves, in high-sounding phrase as ministers of 'the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints,' and proclaim everywhere the few doctrines which they hold in common with Christians, together with the clumsy mysticism which has a peculiar influence upon the ignorant. The number of Mormons has grown from one hundred and forty-four thousand to four hundred thousand, in the last fourteen years. The whole country has been divided by the Mormon elders into missionary districts, and not a community in all the land is spared the baleful influence of this Mohammedan kingdom in the heart of the republic. The political power of the Mormon system is out of all proportion to the membership of the Mormon Church, and is attaining such magnitude as to demand the anxious attention of the American people. Their missionaries are educated, not alone in schools and colleges, but especially in the temple at Salt Lake City; educated in craftiness, and in all the subtle arts of Mormon diplomacy. America has been too long indifferent to this great peril."

* * * *

A Great Earthquake in Italy last week practically destroyed a number of the smaller cities. It is impossible even several days after the event to give an accurate estimate of the full extent of damage and loss of life. The dead and injured in the Abruzzi alone are said to number at least 30,000. The city of Rome escaped with slight injury to buildings and no loss of life. Great suffering has ensued as a consequence of exposure to cold, besides many are trapped in fallen buildings and though unhurt can not escape. Relief work is proceeding as rapidly as possible.

GLIMPSES

It is refreshing to fall in company with a man who has confidence in his fellowmen. There is always sunshine in his soul.

* * * *

Greet kindly your fellow, especially if he should be in humbler circumsances than you. This is the place to get social recognition that is worth while.

* * * *

It is easy to count that which pleases us as a special providence. Job reminds us that we may expect to receive evil as well as good at the hands of the Lord.

* * * *

The pure in heart shall see God, not alone in the redeemed and disembodied state, but in the sanctified state of faithful and loyal obedience here. "He that doeth the will of God shall know." Only those who have complied with the terms are entitled to give testimony as to these great truths.

* * * *

To be "blameless and harmless, the sons of God without rebuke," is the lofty ideal of the Christian set up by St. Paul. Such an ideal is worth striving for, and it is an open question whether we can hold our place among the people of God without striving to reach this ideal, though it may seem only negative in its aspect.

* * * *

No greater praise can be accorded any one than that which was accorded Enoch when it is said that he walked with God. "Two can not walk together except they be agreed." Enoch had religion just as many men today have with the same experience of fellowship.

Program of the Annual Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society, W. N. C. Conference, Tryon St. Church, Charlotte, Jan. 29-Feb. 3

Friday Afternoon, 3 O'clock

Executive meeting and conference of District Secretaries.

Friday Evening, 8 O'clock

Devotional Service—Pastor.
Greetings.
President's Message—Mrs. L. H. Robertson.
Financial Survey—Mrs. P. N. Peacock, Mrs. R. L. Hoke.
Social Hour.

Saturday Morning

Devotional Service—Mrs. James Atkins.
Organization.
Report of Corresponding Secretary, Foreign Department—Mrs. L. W. Crawford.
Report of Corresponding Secretary, Home Department—Mrs. Frank Siler.
Report of Third Vice-President—Miss Cora Earp.
Report of Fourth Vice-President—Mrs. H. A. Dunham.
Report of Superintendent of Supplies—Mrs. J. L. Woltz.
Report of Superintendent of Publicity—Mrs. W. R. Harris.
Report of Distributor of Literature—Mrs. W. C. Houston.
Noon Hour—Memorial Service—Mrs. Frank Siler.

Saturday Afternoon

Devotional Service—Miss Frank Miller.
Reports of District Secretaries.
Meetings of Committees.

Saturday Evening

Reception to Young People at Trinity Church.
Meeting of Committees.

Sunday

11 a. m. Sermon—Bishop James Atkins.
3 p. m. Children's Hour.
8 p. m. Address—Bishop James Atkins.

Monday Morning

Devotional Service—Miss Lelia Tuttle.
Report of First Vice-President—Mrs. W. S. Stewart.
Two-Minute Reports of Lady Managers.
Institute on New Form of Organization—Mrs. Hume R. Steele, Educational Secretary of Board of Missions.
Address—Mrs. James Atkins.
Noon Bible Study—Mrs. Hume R. Steele.

Monday Afternoon

Devotional Service—Mrs. H. A. Dunham.
Report of Second Vice-President—Mrs. Plato Durham.
Two-Minute Reports of Young People Delegates.
Discussion—Who Has the Larger Opportunity, the Young Woman Who Goes or the Young Woman Who Stays?—Misses Aleez Aycock and Helen Weaver, Greensboro College for Women.
Unfinished Reports.

Monday Evening

Our Fields—Mrs. Hume R. Steele, Miss Lelia Tuttle.

Tuesday Morning

Devotional Service—Miss Terrie Buttrick.
Reports of City Mission Boards—Asheville, Winston-Salem.
Report of Committee on Social Service.
Discussion—The Need and Method of Co-operation between Church and State in Social Service—Mr. W. R. Lynch, Welfare Worker, Spray, N. C.
Report of Committee on Extension of Work.
Discussion—Correlation of the Missionary Forces of the Church—Rev. Frank Siler, Conference Missionary Secretary.
Pledging for the Conference.
Noon Hour of Intercession for World Peace—Leader, Mrs. Hume R. Steele.

Tuesday Afternoon

Devotional Service.
Unfinished Reports.
Election of Officers.
Place of next meeting.

Tuesday Evening

Closing Session.
Executive Meeting.

CONTRIBUTIONS

THE FINANCIAL SIDE OF TITHING

By Thomas Kane

Say the critics: "Advocacy of tithing because it brings financial gain to the tither is appealing to a low, a sordid motive." Is it? Do they propose to give lessons in motive to the Almighty? Is it not God who says: "Honor the Lord with thy substance, so shall thy barns be filled with plenty?" Does he not also say in Malichi 3:10, "Bring ye all the tithes into the store house and prove me now herewith if I will not pour you out a blessing until there shall not be room enough to receive it," In the next two verses he tells them what kind of blessings they will receive for tithing. "And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground, neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field. . . . And all nations shall call you blessed for ye shall be a delightsome land saith the Lord of hosts." Are these not temporal blessigs? If not, what are they? Does not God here promise good crops and no blight on the fruit, in short, financial prosperity as a reward for tithing? If not, what do these promises mean? Are they not the equivalent of what we would say in modern English "tithing pays the tither; try it and see?"

The words "tithe," "tithes" and "tithing" occur in the Bible 36 times. The "tenth" occurs 67 times. In 36 of these it has reference to the proportion in "offerings." In every instance where rewards are mentioned they are temporal, financial. The record does not show that the Jewish nation was ever prosperous when the people failed to tithe. It does show that when the people paid their tithes the nation was prosperous.

Of course there were other causes both for prosperity and adversity. Tithing is not everything, but I submit that the Bible plainly teaches that there is a very close, I might almost say, a cause and effect relation between tithing and temporal prosperity.

The question is often asked: "If tithing is so important why did not Jesus say more about it?" Is the Sabbath important? Can you find in His teaching any stronger endorsement of the law of the Sabbath than of the law of the tithe? Can you find any as strong? Is the church important? Christ never mentioned church but once and then in a passage of very difficult and, as every scholar knows, of very doubtful interpretation. Christ's teaching in all the four gospels is saturated with the "Kingdom." The words "Kingdom of Heaven" and "Kingdom of God" were ever upon His lips. Keeping the Sabbath, paying tithes, worshiping in church, observing the sacraments, all are important, but all are means to an end. The end is the building up of the Kingdom of Heaven first in our own hearts and then helping to build it up in the hearts of others.

The Jews were tithers and are yet. Are they not financially prosperous? Do you ever hear of them begging for money to support their churches and charities as we Christians do?

A few years ago a supply of pamphlets on tithing was sent to a converted Jewish Rabbi in New York who was preaching to a congregation of converted Jews. In his letter of thanks to the sender he stated that he had given the package to a neighboring pastor as his people did not need teaching in tithing. He said they had been tithers as Jews and they continued to tithe as Christians.

In a recent letter from a Methodist pastor in a small city in Pennsylvania, he says: "I preached on tithing last Sunday morning to about 400 people. A Jew who heard my sermon said to me: "Mr. —— there are only thirteen Jewish families in this city, yet we keep the expenses of our church clear and pay our ministers $80.00 per month. We simply tithe."

The numbers and power of Mormonism is due to tithing more than to all other causes combined. Does tithing make the members of the Mormon church poor? Are they not financially prosperous? The success of Dowieism is due to the same cause. The immense industries at Zion City were all built up by tithes. It is safe to say that but for tithing neither Mormonism or Dowieism would have lasted ten years after the death of their founders.

A much fairer, as well as more relevant illustration of what tithing will accomplish in and for a denomination is afforded by the Seventh Day Adventists. There is nothing specially attractive, no special drawing power in observing the seventh instead of the first day of the week as the Sabbath of rest and worship. The Adventists are neither alone or singular in their belief in the Second coming of Christ. Mr. Moody and the late Dr. Gordon of Boston devoutly believed that Christ would come again. So do thousands of Christians in all of churches. Except by their faith in and practice of tithing, how can we account for the remarkable showing made by the Seventh Day Adventists as a denomination? They regard the law of the tithe, the tenth of income, as equally binding with the law of the Sabbath, the seventh of time.

Their official reports state that in 1870 they had a membership of 5,440. In 1910 it was 104,526. Their annual tithe in 1870 was $2,182.46. In 1910 $1,338,689.65. In 1913 it was $1,771,989.60. In 1870 the church controlled one sanitarium with 35 employees. In 1910 they had 74 sanitariums with 1989 employees with assets of $3,368,000. In 1880 their total contributions to missions and other benevolent causes was $5.39 per capita. In 1910 it was $21.27. In 1913 $23.42. This included the membership in foreign countries. In North America alone it was $28.93 per capita for 71,863 communicants. These figures certainly do not show that they had grown poor by tithing during the 33 years from 1880 to 1913.

Evanston, Ill.

FOREIGN SPECIALS IN WESTERN N. C. CONFERENCE

Missionaries

Rev. S. A. Stewart, Hiroshima, Japan, Main Street Church, Thomasville, $600; Rev. N. S. Ogburn, Jr., Uwajima, Japan, S. S. Trinity Church, Charlotte, $700; Rev. John C. Hawk, Changchow, China, First Church, Salisbury, $600; Rev. J. A. G. Shipley, Shanghai, China, Main Street Church, Reidsville, $600; Dr. Jno. A. Snell, Soochow, China, West End Church, Winston-Salem, $600; Rev. F. S. Love, Juiz de Fora, Brazil, First Church, Hickory, $600; Dr. D. L. Mumpower, Wembo-Niama, Africa, Dr. J. W. Long, Greensboro, $500; Rev. M. M. Marshall, Isle of Pines, Cuba, Central Church, Mount Airy, $700; Rev. M. B. Stokes, Wonsan, Korea, Church, Hendersonville, $600; Rev. L. P. Anderson, Songdo, Korea, Church, Lenoir, $600; Rev. W. G. Cram Songdo, Korea, Tryon Street Church, Charlotte, $1,300; Miss Gilberta Harris, Ivey Hospital, Songdo, Korea, Washington Street, High Point, $600; Rev. F. K. Gamble, Songdo, Korea, Sunday Schools Salisbury District, $600; Dr. E. W. Anderson, Choon Chun, Korea, Church, Newton, $600; Dr. E. W. Anderson, Choon Chun, Korea, Church, Morganton, $600; Rev. N. S. Ogburn, Jr., Uwajima, Japan, Central Church, Monroe, $600; Rev. A. C. Bowen, Soochow, China, Sunday schools Statesville District, ...; Rev. W. A. Wilson, Okayama, Japan, Main Street Church, Gastonia, $600. Central Church, Asheville, and Centary, Winston, eacch raised Asheville, and Centenary, Winston, each raised

Native Preachres

China

Zau Fi Bang, Huchow District, Leicester Circuit, (Women and Sunday schools), $100; Fong Nyoh Ling, Huchow District, Haywood Street Church, Asheville, $100; Zau Hsiang Zie, Huchow District, Sunday school, Crabtree, Haywood Circuit, $100; Zau Yong Dong, Huchow District, Sunday school, Mt. Zion Church, Haywood Circuit, $100.

Japan

Rev. Y. Miyahara, Nakatsu Circuit, Second Bible Class, Polkton, $168; Rev. S. Niwa, Kobe, Baraca Class, West End Church, Winston-Salem, $180; Rev. S. Kudo, Yanai and Oshima Circuit, Sunday school, Franklin, $100; Rev. M. Watanabe, Saiki, Matsuyama District, Dr. W. J. Weaver, Asheville, R. F. D., $150.

Korea

You Si-Kook, Seoul District, Sunday school, Hickory, $100; Cho Chung Whan, Choon Chun District, S. S. Missionary Society, Greensboro, West Market Street Church, $100; Ye Syek-Kwen, Seoul District, Sunday school Wishington Street Church, High Point, $100; Pak Yang Wha, Wonsan District, Mr. Chas. H. Drum, Catawba, $100; No assignment, Dr. and Mrs. Lewis W. Elias, Biltmore, $100; Kim Kui Soon, Song District, North Asheville Sunday school, $100; No Moon Kyeng, Choon Chun District, Tryon Street Sunday School, $100; Choi Hyeng-Chin, Songdo District, Loves Sunday school, Walkertown, $100; Kim Syeng Ku, Choon Chun District, S. S. class, Mt. Olivet Church, Davidson Circuit, Lexington, $100.

Circuits

Sungkiang, Shanghai District, China, Mr. M. D. Shook, Leicester, $100;Wusih, Soochow District, China, Sunday school, Marion, $200; Changshu, Soochow Dictrict, China, Mr. M. D. Stockton, Winston-Salem, $72; Tachang, Shanghai District, China, Triplett Church, Mooresville Circuit, $100; East Soochow, Soochow District, China, Church, Asheboro, $400; East Changchow, Soochow District, China, Central Church, Shelby, $400; Sungkiang, Shanghai District, China, S. S. Main Street Church, Reidsville, $100; Po Chun, Seoul District, Korea, Granite Falls Charge, Granite Falls and Hudson, $250; Yunk Pyeng, Seoul District, Korea, Church, Lincolnton, $136; Po Chun Circuit, Seoul District, Korea, Trinity Church, Randolph Circuit, $100; Kim Wha Circuit, Seoul District, Korea, Church, Spencer, $200; Pootung, Shanghai District, China, Central Church, Albemarle, $400.

Miscellaneous

Bible Woman, Japan, Mrs. John S. Roth and daughter, Elkin, $60; Mrs. Pak, Bible Woman, Korea, M. D. Stockton, Winston-Salem, $60; Sscholarships, Lambuth Memorial School, Kobe, Japan, West Market Street Sunday school Missionary Society, Greensboro, $75; Bed, Soochow Hospital, China, Bethel Sunday school, Asheville, $25; Scholarship, Huchow District School, China, Epworth League, Marion, $25; Evangelistic Work, Seoul District, Korea, Mrs. H. H. Hayes, Trinity, Randolph Circuit, (Presbyterian), $120; Scholarship, Hiroshima Girls' School, Japan, S. S. Spring Garden Street, Greensboro, $50; Africa, Epworth Leagues of the Western North Carolina Conference, $300. Total, $14,846.

November 24, 1914.

MISSIONARIES, BIBLE WOMEN AND SCHOLARSHIPS SUPPORTED BY THE W. M. S. OF. THE W. N. C. CONFERENCE

Missionaries

Miss Helen Richardson, China, West Market Street Church, Greensboro, N. C., $750; Miss Nina Troy, China, Margaret Foster Society of West Market Street Church, Greensboro, $750; Miss Fannie Burkhead, China, Central Church, Asheville, $750; Miss Lelia Tuttle, China, Central Church, Concord, $750; Mrs. Josephine Campbell, Tryon Street Church, Charlotte, $750; Miss Blanche Howell, Brazil, Circle of Thirty in Conference Society, $750. Total, 6.

Bible Women

Ella Haver Dunham, China, Haywood Street, (Mrs. Dunham), $60; Nina Bell Norhey, Korea, Calvary Auxiliary, Charlotte, $60; Fannie Robinson, China, Harrison Auxiliary, $60; Fannie E. Bagby, China, High Point Auxiliary, $60; Frances Bumpass, Korea, West Market Auxiliary, $60; Maude McNeer, Korea, Elkin Auxiliary, $60; Alice Cheatham, China, Elkin Sunday school, $60; Annie Phillips Bisaner, Korea, Hickory Auxiliary, $60; Louise Wilson, China, Lenoir Auxiliary, $60; Kannie Marr, China, West End Auxiliary, $60; Mary Ardrey Bell, China, J. A. Bell and sisters, $60. Total, 11.

Scholarships

Bessie Allen, Korea, Hendersonville Juniors, $40; Virginia Boshamer, Mexico, Wadesboro Auxiliary, $40; Eva Shute Ingram, Mexico, Monroe Juniors, $40; Monroe Phifer, Mexico, Monroe Juniors, $40; Ethel Durant, Brazil, Trinity Juniors, $40; Ethel Durant, Korea, Trinity Juniors, $40; Hazel Robinson, Korea, Tryon Street Juniors, $40; Martha Glasscock, Korea, Greensboro Centenary Auxiliary, $40; Guadalope Leal, Mexico, Willing Workers (West Market), $40; Mary McNary Taylor, Cuba, Centenary Y. P., (Greensboro), $40; Margaret Smith, Korea, Elkin Juniors, $40; Olive Fink, China, Mt. Olivet Auxiliary, $40; Lucy Marion Crawford, Mexico, Concord Central Juniors, $40; Mary Hudson, Korea, Shelby Juniors, $40; Sue Stevens Howard, Korea, West End Auxiliary, $40; Margie Yarborough, Brazil, Lexington Juniors, $40. Total, 15.

Deaconesses

Miss Blackwell, Winston-Salem, $600; Miss Guffin, Asheville, supported by the Women's City Boards, $600.

THE CONFEDERATE SOLDIER AND PROF. G. W. HAHN

At each annual reunion the decrease in number tells how fast the Confederate soldiers are passing away. If gushing speeaches and monuments would make us all happy we would be, as it were, in a revival all the time. We do all enjoy good sincere speeches and we do appreciate monuments, when they come from people who love the old comrades. We all like kind words of sympathy, but there are many old veterans and families of fallen Confederates who are in need of more substantial help.

As far as I am individually concerned, I have never received a penny of pension, and will be very much surprised if I ever do. "Blessed are they who 'spect nothing, they shall not be 'spinted."

Judge Clark, in several of his speeches, has stated from facts and figures that North Carolina, (not to mention other Southern States), has paid to the United States Pension Fund since the war many millions of dollars. He gives this fact as one reason for advocating the placing of the few remaining Confederates on the U. S. Pension Roll. Some patriotic Confederates have said that they would not accept it if it was offered to them. However, there are many who would accept it as a matter of justice and right, since our people have helped so largely to create the fund. Don't get alarmed, my comrades, there is no danger of it being offered to us. The best way of all would be for North Carolina to pension her Confederates. That would be the very best speech and monument that could be given them.

Mr. Editor, excuse me, I have gotten away from my subject. Perhaps my introduction will be longer than my communication.

Prof. G. W. Hahn

Comrade Hahn was a Confederate soldier and was severely wounded. Nearly fifty years after the war he undertook to write a history or sketch of every soldier from Catawba county. He discovered that the work should have been done thirty years sooner, so many had passed away and it was hard to get the people interested enough to furnish the necessary information. People are willing to commend the veterans, but when it comes to lending a helping hand it is different. It sounds mighty good to hear some one say, "Go it, Prof. Hahn, may you have great success," but it is much better when it is backed up by a helping hand.

Comrade Hahn published a splendid book under the circumstances. The truth is it is excellent and should be in every home in Catawba County. Confederate soldiers, (if they are financially able) should give copies of this book to their children. The book has 385 pages and the short dedicatory tribute to the comrades' widows, mothers and children of our country, by the author, is worth the price of the book. Comrade Hahn has several hundred copies of the book left unsold. He is in trouble, my friend, and now is the time to help him. Go to work and help sell the books, and thereby aid our comrade who says he is "Down and out."

I desire to thank Dr. J. L. Murphy for his interest in the matter, and also to thank the newspapers for publishing his letters. Let every patriotic man and woman in Catawba County sell one or more copies of the book. Friend, leave off some Christmas present and invest the money in this book.

The failure in the book must not be attributed to the author, but to the people who failed to furnish him the information. I will agree to sell at least one dozen copies. Who will follow this example? Don't all speak at once but write to Prof. G. W. Hahn, Hickory, N. C., and lend a helping hand.

The towns in our county should purchase this book for the nice things said of them.

Miles O. Sherrill,

Late of Co. A, 12th N. C. Regiment, War of 1861-65.

GROWTH OF METHODISM

Luminous Cloud in Front

Rev. C. F. Sherrill

Our last Conference showed the growth of Methodism in 1914. The ark of the covenent is in our midst. The luminous cloud leads. We now have about 100,000 members in this half of the state. Ministers on the roll, 258; preachers in process of joining the Conference, 22; local preachers on charges, 23; local preachers, 196; members, 99, 471, a grand total membership of 99,947. For missions last year we raised $48,577. There were 9,385 additions to the church. For ministerial support $211,808.00 was raised. The grand total raised for all purposes was over half a million dollars—$584,652.00.

Four Year Men

Twenty-two men are in their fourth year, by districts as follows: Asheville, 1; Greensboro, 1; Charlotte, 2; Mt. Airy, 2; North Wilkesboro, 1; Salisbury, 2; Shelby, 1; Statesville, 2; Waynesville, 3; Winston, 4. Presiding in their fourth year, L. T. Mann and L. T. Cordell. On stations, R. S. Howie, T. F. Marr, R. D. Sherrill, W. H. Willis, Parker Holmes, J. W. Moore, W. M. Biles, A. W. Plyler, G. D. Herman, E. L. Bain, W. L. Hutchins, eleven in number. Nine on circuits—C. M. Carpenter, J. E. Woosley, Seymour Taylor, A. R. Surratt, W. T. Albright, W. T. Usrey, J. L. Teague, D. R. proffit, C. M. Short—twenty in all.

Salaries Paid

The salary includes a furnished house. Tryon St., Charlotte, leads the Conference, paying the pastor last year, $3,000.00. The following pay $2,500: Central, Asheville; Trinity, Charlotte; West Market, Greensboro; Centenary, Winston.

Sixty-nine charges pay $1,000.00 and over. Seven charges pay $1,500.00. Two pay $1,800.00. Four paid $2,000.00.

Charlotte district paid the presiding elder the largest salary—$2,458.00. Statesville district next with $2,328.00. Salisbury, $2,216.00. Winston, $2,214.

Districts Leading in Missionary Contributions

Greensboro raised $4,693; Charlotte, $4,552; Asheville, $3,279; Salisbury, $2,797.

The Districts

For missions: — Greensboro raised $4,693; Charlotte, $4,552; Asheville, $3,279; Salisbury, $2,795.

For all purposes:—Greensboro, $87,625; Charlotte, $86,555; Winston, $78,137; Salisbury, $61,876.

Membership of the Districts

Charlotte, 12,320; Statesville, 12,113; Winston, 11,450.

Gain in Membership

Charlotte, 1,207; Winston, 1,189; Salisbury, 1,186.

Not what we think or say, but what we do, will have its effect upon the world. Let, therefore, the thinker do and the doer think.—Rob Roy McNulty.

If you want to be miserable, think about yourself, about what you want, what you like, what respect people ought to pay you, and what people think of you.—Charles Kingsley.

SONG OF THE ANGELS

E. L. Stamey

Above the lone Judean hills,
The humble shepherds heard
A song that earth and heaven fills,
A song by time endeared.

That song the choir celestial sang
Upon that starlit night,
With hope and joy triumphal rang,
Mid scenes divinely bright.

The promised Christ had come to earth.
In lowly manger lay
The virgin's babe of holy birth,
The Lord, the truth, the way.

Angelic song, O may we sing,
This happy Christmas time!
May peace on earth its music bring
To every land and clime.

(The foregoing little sonnet was intended for our Christmas edition, but was, by some means, overlooked in the make-up.—Editor.)

A SUCCESSFUL YEAR

Last year when I was appointed to Severance Union Medical College in Seoul the Department of Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat was assigned to our Mission. This work had never been organized and it was an open question as to what were its possibilities. The clinic includes the work done in the college building and in the hospital. The clinic attendance in our department alone for the year has approximated 15,000; and out of this clinic we have collected in fees one-third of all the money collected by the institution in all its clinic departments, there being seven in number. The optical department had existed in a nominal way before our occupancy, but it had been operated at a loss to the institution. The first seven months of our superintendence this department alone showed a net profit of $1,000. The mail order service has been extended for the benefit of the mission hospitals over the country, and during the year we have furnished 396 pairs of spectacles on doctors' prescriptions, which, of course, does not include the regular sales of spectacles. The evangelistic work has been conducted along systematic lines according to a fixed program, whereby all who have been engaged in college and hospital have been afforded an opportunity of doing personal work. Approximately 30,000 people have heard the gospel at our hands this year, and 18,000 of this number have been through our department of the institution.—N. H. Bowman, Seoul, Korea.

So far the European war is not especially disturbing us, but the people are fearing that business will suffer. The silk business is even now suffering, and prices are low. But this year rice is considerably cheaper than usual, and that is a great help to the multitudes of the poor.—J. L. Hendry, Huchow, China.

A Very Encouraging Note comes from a Methodist missionary who has been working in Italy for twenty-five years. He says: "It is very significant that the people in Italy are flocking to the churches everywhere, both Protestant and Roman Catholic. Even men of high social and government positions are turning their attention to spiritual things, driven by this experience of bloody slaughter which comes home to millions of families the length and breadth of Europe. A wave of religious faith is sweeping over all the people. After the war is ended, I believe that one result of the conflict will be the moral and spiritual transformation of the entire continent."

The courier has just arrived from Lusambo and brings word that transportation between Boma and Antwerp is cut off, so I don't know when you will receive this. I hope you will not feel at all uneasy about us, for there is not the slightest danger. I have no idea that the Belgian officers in the Congo will be withdrawn, but even if they are we have too many friends among the natives for us to be in any danger from others who may not be so friendly.—J. A. Stockwell, Wembo-Niama, Africa.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM FIELD

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Be sure to read page 16.

—Rev. Frank Siler's Field Notes, coming in late, had to take chances, so they appear on page 10.

—Revs. C. M. Pickens and E. L. Bain were pleasant visitors to the Advocate office on Wednesday of last week.

—We regret missing the call of Rev. H. H. Robbins on Thursday of last week. Brother Robbins was in the city visiting relatives.

—We regret to learn through the papers that Rev. W. G. Mallonee, of Black Mountain, is very ill at his home in that place. We have no particulars.

—We print elsewhere a form of petition for Sunday schools and other organizations to use in petitioning our Legislature in behalf of temperance legislaton.

—The Locust correspondent of the Albemarle Times of last week says: "Rev. Mr. Hughes, the new Methodist minister, made a lasting impression on his audience Sunday at his first sermon.

—A delegation from Greensboro called on President Wilson last week and invited him to deliver the address at Guilford Battle Ground on the 4th of July. It is hoped that he may accept the invitation.

—Miss Earle Shell and Mr. Lester Thornton, were happily married at the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. J. A. Hardin, Hickory, N. C., on Tuesday evening of last week. Rev. A. L. Stanford, pastor of First Church, officiated.

—By some means we made a mistake in publishing the Missionary Institute for North Wilkesboro District. This institute was held at North Wilkesboro December 18-20. We very much regret this error, and hope nobody was mislead by it.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Paddison, of Mount Airy, passed through the city on Thursday of last week on their way to Memphis, Tenn., where they will spend some two or three months visiting their sons. We regret missing the call at the Advocate office.

—Rev. Dr. C. W. Byrd and family are now very comfortably domiciled in the elegant new parsonage which the congregation recently purchased on West Market Street. This new home is located on the lot formerly occupied by the church, and is one of the best preacher's homes in the Conference.

—Miss Clara Bell Foy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Foy, of Mount Airy, was happily married to Mr. Alexander Lillington Clarke, of Roanoke Rapids, on Tuesday evening of last week. The ceremony took place at the residence of the bride's parents and was performed by the pastor, Rev. W. H. Willis.

—Rev. T. A. Groce requests us to thank the following for contributions to the Pisgah church fund: F. M. Weaver, Asheville, $10.00; Haywood Street S. S., $1.00; Mrs. S. E. Greenwood, Mills River, $1.00; Mount Morenci S. S., $1.00; Acton S. S., $1.00. Brother Groce, while thanking these, still hopes others will respond to his call.

—The report from our work at Davidson, Rev. D. F. Carver, pastor, deserves special notice. The fact stated that the children all remain for the church service is an achievement worthy of emulation in every charge. We can not disassociate this from the other fact stated that Brother Carver has a Junior League and is catechising the children. We commend the example to all pastors.

—During the Conference on Evangelism recently held in Nashville, Rev. Walter Holcomb, who is doing general evangelistic work, and Rev. Jerry Jeter, who is Conference Evangelist of East Oklahoma Conference, met and formed an evangelistic party for the coming year. Mr. Jeter will have charge of the music, and give illustrated chalk talks, in some of the meetings that Mr. Holcomb will hold this year.

—The editor of the Advocate spent Sunday with Rev. T .B. Johnson on the Summerfield charge, preaching at Summerfield in the morning and at the Battleground in the afternoon. The day was inclement and the congregations comparatively small. Notwithstanding the disagreeable weather we had very enjoyable services and the emphasis given to Advocate Day brought some renewals and new subscribers. Brother Johnson is in high favor with his people and is looking forward to a year of progress.

Shelby Circuit—Rev. A. J. Burrus, the new pastor, writes very encouragingly of the work. He says: "We have been very kindly received on our new charge, have been given a most liberal pounding by our South Shelby congregation, and a nice box of supplies by our Sharon congregation. The people of Shelby are very kind to us. We extend to all our thanks."

Carraway Memorial—We have just closed a protracted meeting. A great number professed conversion. Many people gave their names as applicants for church membership, and many backslidden church members have been reclaimed. Rev. D. H. Comann, of Lincolnton, N. C., the Conference General Evangelist, did all the preaching in his own iminitable style.

A. R. Bell.

From Sulphur Springs—For the past week we have been engaged in a glorious revival at Mt. Morenci church. So far there has not been such a large ingathering but a genuine revival in the church. When the Holy Spirit is with you and a revivalist like Brother E. M. Hoyle to do the preaching, things must move, after a week of prayer and sacrifice. At the Sunday evening service Brother Hoyle preached a missionary sermon and pledges amounting to $368 were received. Now we are expecting larger things throughout this week. Pray for us.

Yours, T. A. Groce.

Sylva—The Jackson County Journal last week had the following interesting item:

At the quarterly conference Sunday evening, it was definately decided that the Methodists of Sylva will erect a handsome new church building of modern type. A building committee consisting of the board of stewards, the pastor and E. L. McKee, T. O. Wilson, Theo Buchanan, J. H. Cathey and Dr. C. Z. Candler was appointed. The committee will get to business at once and the work on the new building will be started in the near future. The new building which will be of brick will be erected on the site of the present church on the corner of Church and Walnut streets and will cost approximately $8,000.00.

Salem Circuit—Rev. A. L. Coburn, the pastor, writes: "Through the kindness of Brother Will Widenhouse, we left Epworth and Center folks (all as good people as I have ever served and loved) and landed at Salem parsonage November 24th. Found no one there and things torn up ready for the painter. They came two days later and painted the inside of the parsonage and it is truly a nice job. The people have been coming to see us and our living has cost us comparatively little. The good things still last. Brother Ware, our presiding elder, held our first quarterly meeting a week ago, preaching two good sermons. We had a pleasant conference. The preacher's salary was increased and we expect to have a good year."

Stokesdale Circuit—We arrived at Stokesdale on the 3rd of December, but finding the parsonage still occupied by Brother G. W. Williams, my predecessor, we were carried by our good people to the hotel and there we remained for a week, feasting on fried chicken, etc. We are comfortably housed in the parsonage, which is one of the best in the Mt. Airy District. And only a few days ago the kind people of our little town came to the parsonage and gave us an "old-fashioned pounding," for which we are indeed thankful. Such kind treatment as this brings us to the conclusion that "The lines are fallen unto us in pleasant places." May the Lord's blessings rest upon these good people. And we are praying daily that the Lord may use us wonderfully in leading the sinners on this charge to the Master.

Thos. J. Folger.

Thermal City—We left the kind people at Mill Spring, whom we had served for two years, on Nov. 26, 1914, and arrived at Thermal City the same day and was given a cordial reception. I am making my second round on my work. I find a kind, receptive people at all the churches. Our first quarterly conference convened at Pisgah Jan. 2-3, with Rev. J. E. Gay, our presiding elder, in the chair. He transacted the business of the quarterly conference in his business-like way. The kind people of Thermal City and vicinity on the eve of Dec. 24th gave us a pounding such as never does make preachers and their families feel grouchy nor long-faced. Yet I wish to say that it has not been one, but a continuous pounding. I wish in this way to express to some extent my appreciation. May the good Lord abundantly bless in body and soul each participant and by His grace and Spirit prepare me for a service that will in some degree merit such tokens of love and sympathy. Fraternally,

J. C. Richardson.

Randolph Circuit—My family and I arrived at Trinity the day before Thanksgiving and were met at the depot and parsonage by a number of elect ladies and some of the noble brethren, and found everything in order and as warm a welcome as was necessary to make a preacher and family feel that they were among the salt of the earth. Many acts of kindness and appreciation since that day have been in evidence of their high esteem of those who live in the parsonage. Even those who are members of other churches, that live here, have done much by word and deed to make it comfortable for us. They have not only opened their doors to us but their pocketbooks as well. I am sure no better people can be found anywhere. This is one of the best parsonages in the Conference. I have not preached at one church yet, and have not visited a great deal in the country yet as the weather has been so unfavorable for travel. However, I have visited sixty homes. Some of the churches have raised the salary about twenty per cent., and perhaps the others will do likewise. The people hear the preaching gladly, and I see we have made progress already. The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society observed week of prayer and self-denial last week and I hear splendid reports from them. The outlook is fine for good revivals, and in fact, for the best year this charge has ever had. Many good things are said of the faithful work of Brother Raper.

May the Lord help me to be a wise and faithful leader of this so great a people.

E. N. Crowder.

From Davidson—I am always glad to get my copy and read the news from the field; but somehow I never see anything from Davidson, so I take pleasure in writing just a few lines to let you know how we are getting along. We are improving on all lines. We think a great deal of our pastor, Brother Carver. He is doing good work. We have good attendance at both church service and Sunday school. We have Sunday school at 10 o'clock and preaching at 11 and the children all stay for the church service. We have also two Leagues and they are doing a great work. The Senior League had an oyster supper at Mrs. Shoemakers Thursday night, and made about $10. The president, Brother Cleveland Hager, seems to be at work. His League carries two shares in Building and Loan, and the membership has increased by ten new members in the last two

Sundays. The Junior League, led by Miss Callie Christenberry, is doing excellent work and Brother Carver has introduced the Junior Catechism in the Junior League. The Junior and Senior Leagues have twelve barrels rolling over town in behalf of the Orphan's Home. Our Missionary Committee is making the every member canvass and is meeting with much success, so I think our church at Davidson is doing a great work, and may the Lord guide and direct us in larger fields of usefulness.

Everett Torrence.

Burkhead, Winston-Salem—The Sentinel of January 14th, says:

A large congregation assembled at Burkhead church last night to enjoy the old-time love-feast. A happier looking congregation would be hard to find. The pastor made a very happy address, taking as his subject "Burkhead," which he discussed under five different heads—Lurkhead, Murkhead, Jerkhead, Shirkhead and Workhead. His speech was interspersed with wit, humor, pathos, commendation and appeal, and was greatly enjoyed by all present.

Mr. A. M. Craig, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., made a short talk, expressing his pleasure at being present and his appreciation of the splendid work being done by Burkhead. He said that when he first came to the city the pastor of Burkhead church was one of the first men in the city to meet him and tender him his services in aiding the work of the Y. M. C. A.; that he had called upon him in season and out, and that every promise of assistance made had been kept to the letter.

Mr. R. E. Carmichael, chairman of the board of stewards, outlined the plans and purposes of Burkhead for the coming year. Rev. P. B. Abbott congratulated the congregation upon its accomplishment. His message was one of cheer and good will and was duly appreciated.

Other short talks were made, and then sugar cake and coffee were served and the meeting took on a delightfully social aspect in which there was no place or chance for grouch or gloom.

After the social season, the Doxology was sung, the meeting dismissed, and all went away glad in their hearts that they had been present, and sincerely hoping that they might at some future time be present at a similar meeting.

Morganton District Institute

The Morganton District Missionary Institute which embraced the 13th and 14th inst., was a splendid success in every particular. The preachers and laymen, with Drs. Siler and McLarty, made it so. The attendance was good, especially considering the extreme bad weather preceding for weeks past. However, the weather during the session was most excellent. Bishop Atkins and Dr. Byrd failed to reach us, but their places were admirably filled by the preachers and laymen of the district. The institute did our people great good, and especially so since we have just gotten into our new church. Impressions were made that will abide all time to come. I held the good brethren on the district in high esteem, but coming in contact with them and hearing their excellent speeches enlarged my personal esteem and opinion of these most splendid servants of God. They also made a fine impression on our people. Brother Gay has his district well manned by a fine set of preachers—not a mediocro among them—which speaks well for Brother Gay's ability as a presiding elder to secure them. In fact, Brother Gay is a man of fine executive ability, and no presiding elder could look more carefully after all the interests of his work than he. He is very unassuming, but strong and aggressive. Plans were carefully laid by the institute and placed in the hands of the preachers and laymen for execution. If our plans are worked we shall be able to erase all the black from Brother Siler's "calico rag" and instead place there white set with blue and red stars. We can and we will if our people will come up to the help of the Lord and the preachers.

The Forest City charge is progressing slowly but surely. Bad weather has militated greatly against church going. The good people have pounded us, and every time we go out and come in we bring more "pounds." It all works admirably and creates a feeling of good will between both the preacher and the people. It is blessed to give, but I find it blessed to receive also. The "stringency" of the times wrought havoc with our finances last year, but we hope to redeem ourselves this. This is our aim, and to God we look for grace to help.

Yours fraternally, J. A. Bowles.

Some Pertinent Questions

Is your church insured? Ask your stewards. Did you know that the Methodist church in North Carolina has been losing on an average for the past seventeen years $3,551 from fires? Every once in a while a petition is handed around to raise money to help replace a burned church or parsonage for an unfortunate congregation. Would you like to send out a petition to raise money to replace your church building, or would you like to donate money yourself to rebuild? If you should have a fire, the chances are that you would pass around a petition and donate, too.

This could be prevented if you would see that your church is insured. Ask your stewards if they have protected the church property intrusted to their care. The chances are that they have not, as there is only one-fourth of the church property in the State insured.

Would you take stock in a corporation which carries no insurance? Stop and take stock of your church building and furnishings and see how much you have invested. It is the **most profitable stock** you have on the face of the earth, and **yields you larger dividends;** and, if it is not insured, it should be done at once. If it burns without insurance, you are not a good congregation. More business methods should be practiced in the administration of the affairs of our churches.

As a steward or trustee, do you not think you are just as responsible morally for the church property placed in your hands to look after as the directors of a stock corporation are legally responsible for property placed in their hands to supervise? It is impossible for you to prevent a fire, but you can prevent a loss by seeing that church property is insured.

It is the purpose of the Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Company to furnish to the Methodist Church in North Carolina protection against fire at the **least possible cost.**

W. E. Webb, Sec. & Treas..
Methodist Mutual Fire Ins. Co.
Statesville, N. C.

To the Preachers and Sunday School Superintendents of North Carolina

The Anti-Saloon League has just held a great convention and has declared for a law to prohibit the delivery of liquor for beverage purposes. It also passed a resolution asking the preachers and Sunday school superintendents to make Sunday, January 24th, temperance Sunday and either pass resolutions by the congregations, memorializing the General Assembly for the above mentioned law, or give them opportunity to sign a petition that day for the same. Please do this and send the resolutions or petitions as soon as you can, certainly not later than the first of February, to the Anti-Saloon League, Raleigh, that we may make a record of the number of names, etc. On the day after petitions or resolutions are received here, the Anti-Saloon League will turn them over to your representatives and senators to be presented to the General Assembly. We must be up and doing for the next twenty days to put this measure through. I give below a form of resolution and petition. R. L. Davis, Supt.
N. C. Anti-Saloon League.

Resolution

Whereas, there is a great demand, throughout the state as well as this section, for the passage of a law to prohibit the delivery of liquor for beverage purposes in North Carolina, and

Whereas, such a bill will be presented to the present session of the North Carolina General Assembly;

We, the congregation of ——— church (or Sunday school, ——— county, representing a membership of ——, do hereby petition the General Assembly for the passage of this act.

.....Pastor or Chm.,
.....Secretary.

Petition

To the North Carolina Senate:
Care of the Hon. (name of your senator)
Raleigh, N. C.

We, the undersigned citizens of——— County, petition the General Assembly now in session to pass a law to prohibit the delivery of liquor for beverage purposes in North Carolina.

(Arrange for men to sign in one column and women in the other.)

....
....

Petition

To the N. C. House of Representatives:
Care of the Hon. (name of your representative.)
Raleigh, N. C.

We, the undersigned citizens of——— County, petition the General Assembly now in session to pass a law to prohibit the delivery of liquor for beverage purposes in North Carolina.

(Arrange for men to sign in one column and women in the other.)

....
....

Trinity College Notes

The leading article in the South Atlantic Quarterly for January, which has just been issued from the press, deals with "North Carolina's Taxation Problem," and is written by Dr. C. L. Raper, of the University of North Carolina. Dr. Raper has made a careful study of the possibilities of improvement in the taxation system of the state under the present constitution. His study of the question ought to be of great value to members of the Legislature, who will soon be called upon to consider it.

The second article, by Professor Harry E. Smith, of the University of Washington, deals with the matter of Federal Taxation, "The War Revenue Act of 1914." Dr. Smith relates the circumstances under which this emergency tax law passed the two houses of Congress and gives an interesting analyis of its contents.

Dr. Philip Alexander Bruce, who has frequently contributed literary essays to the Quarterly, now writes very entertainingly concerning his "Plantation Memories of the Civil War." He presents a vivid picture of the war as it appeared to a boy on a Virginia plantation.

This issue of the Quarterly also contains three literary articles. Mr. Harry St. George Tucker, of the North Carolina A. & M. College, writes on "What is Wrong with American Literature?" Mr. Hyder E. Rollins, of John Hopkins University, contributes a study of "William Cowper Brann." Brann was years ago the editor of the "Iconoclast," a publication which at one time made a great sensation in Texas and in the country at large by its vitriolic attacks on men and institutions. A paper on "The New Feminism in Literature" is contributed by Mr. H. Houston Peckham, of Purdue University. Mr. Peckham shows how greatly the part of women in producing literature has increased in recent years.

This number also contains an article of interest to students of North Carolina History, by Mr. Alfred J. Morrison. His subject is "Lord Granville's Line." He gives an account of the proprietors of the Carolinas, and of some of the questions which arose out of their ownership of land in this state.

Professor E. C. Brooks, of the department of education, addressed the teachers of Orange County at their regular monthly meeting in Hillsboro, last Saturday.

President William P. Few has been absent from the college a few days attending a meeting in Nashville, Tenn., of a committee on text books and literature of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Methodist Church.

At a meeting of the Science Club Monday evening. Prof. M. A. Smith, Jr., of the department of physics, gave a lecture on "Electrical Injuries and Resuscitation."

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, Asheville, N. C.

"THY KINGDOM COME"

"Lord, when we pray 'thy kingdom come,'
Then fold our hands without a care,
For souls whom thou hast died to save,
We do but mock thee with our prayer.

Thou couldst have sent an angel band
To call thine erring children home,
And thus through heavenly ministries
On earth thy kingdom might have come.

But since to human hands like ours
Thou hast committed work divine,
Shall not our eager hearts make haste
To join their feeble powers with thine?

To word and work shall not our hands
Obedient move, nor lips be dumb,
Lest through our sinful love of ease
Thy kingdom should delay to come?"

—Woman's Missionary Advocate.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

It is again urged that the names of delegates to the Annual Meeting in Charlotte be sent promptly to Mrs. E. N. Clemence, 706 N. Church Street. Those who are entitled to go as delegates are the presidents and one elected delegate from adult auxiliaries, and Young People's societies, and the lady managers, or superintendents of Junior Divisions.

The Secretary of the Conference has secured reduced rates to the meeting on the certificate plan. Let every one who attends, in whatever capacity it may be, remember to ask for a certificate when purchasing a ticket.

THIRD ANNUAL MEETING W. M. S. W. N. C. CONFERENCE

Tryon St. Church, Charlotte, N. C., January 29-February 3

We are greatly disappointed that we have not been able to get a copy of the program of the coming annual meeting, which we had hoped to have for this issue of the Advocate. For some reason it has not yet reached us, but we very much hope that the program committee will get it in our next issue, so that we may have a foretaste of the good things that we are expecting at this meeting.

Only one week more until we are gathered in annual session. My dear sisters, are we ready for this important occasion? Have we daily carried this meeting to God in prayer and asked his blessings for us at that time? We feel sure that this is going to be one of the greatest meetings we have ever had. There are many things of importance to be brought up for discussion, several returned missionaries will be there to inspire us with their presence and messages, the reports of the various Conference Officers, reviewing the past year's work and laying plans and giving suggestions for the new year, will be both interesting and profitable. Will you be there to take a part and enjoy this occasion? The Entertainment Committee urges the auxiliaries to send in at once the names of the delegates who expect to be in attendance. This question of assigning homes to the delegates is not an easy one and we can greatly help the committee by sending in our names early.

Look on page 18 of the Second Annual Report of our Conference and read again the following resolution adopted at Hendersonville: "Resolved, that hereafter delegates to the annual meeting be required to send the names to the chairman of the entertainment committee at least ten days before the first day of the meeting."

Now, if the name of your delegate has not been sent, do not neglect to get it to Mrs. E. N. Clemence, North Church Street, Charlotte, N. C., at once.

NOTICE TO DELEGATES TO ANNUAL MEETING

Mrs. T. F. Marr, our Conference Recording Secretary, has had a communication from the railroad authorities, and if there are as many as 200 certificates presented at the annual meeting there will be a reduction given in the railroad fare to Charlotte on the occasion of the meeting, so each delegate is urged to be sure to procure a certificate when she purchases her ticket, as the Conference is very anxious to secure the reduction. Do not fail to attend to this, please.

ATTENTION, DISTRICT SECRETARIES

In compliance with Article 2 (a) in the Report of Committee on Extension of Work, adopted at Annual Meeting at Hendersonville in May, 1914, there will be a meeting of the District Secretaries held in Tryon Street Church, Charlotte, N. C., at 3:30 o'clock, on Friday afternoon, Jan. 29th, the opening day of the Conference. Every district secretary is urged to be present at this meeting as it is of the greatest importance. Mrs. V. L. Stone, Chairman.

NEW ORGANIZATION

From Brevard, Asheville District, there comes the cheering news of the organization of a Young People's Society. We will let the Corresponding Secretary speak for himself:

"On January 4, 1915, the young people of the Methodist church of Brevard organized a society under the leadership of Mrs. A. M. Verdery. To the eighteen charter members there have been added seven and we now number twenty-five interested and enthusiastic members. To increase our membership still further, each member is asked to enlist as many members from week to week as he or she is able. The object of our society is the betterment of the young life of the church and to aid and strengthen the Sunday school, and all persons between the ages of fourteen and twenty-five are eligible to membership. The regular meeting of the society is held each Monday night in the ladies' parlor of the church.

Eugene Allison, Cor. Sec.

The following are the officers of this live organization: President, Miss Agnes Kilpatrick; 1st vice-president, Miss Bertie Ballard; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Paul Smathers; superintendent social service, Miss Annie Mae Robbins; recording secretary, Mr. Walter Whitmire; corresponding secretary, Mr. Eugene Allison; treasurer, Miss Daisy Norton. No superintendent of mission study and publicity reported.

NEW OFFICERS STATESVILLE DISTRICT

Taylorsville—Adult Society

President, Mrs. Eugene Cross; 1st vice-president, not elected; 2nd vice-president, Miss Esther Bolick; superintendent of study and publicity, Mrs. DeWitt Henley; superintendent of social service, Mrs. H. D. Lindsay; superintendent of supplies, Mrs. W. T. Royland; corresponding secretary, Miss Esther Bolick; recording secretary, Mrs. R. E. Hunt; treasurer, Mrs. J. Frank Clement.

Juniors

President, Miss Elizabeth Lindsay; 1st vice-president, Miss Jennie Burgess; 2nd vice-president, Miss Lillie Burgess; superintendent of publicity, Miss Clara Henley, superintendent of social service, Miss Alice Cross; recording secretary, Miss Evelyn Henley; corresponding secretary, Miss Esther Bolick; treasurer, Miss Winnie Mae Rowland.

Hickory

President, Mrs. J. W. Shuford; 1st vice-president, Mrs. Lloyd Miller; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. D. F. Messick; treasurer, Mrs. G. F. Ivey; recording secretary, Mrs. J. F. Peterson; corresponding secretary, Mrs. T. P. Bonner; superintendent of social service, Mrs. J. D. Williams; superintendent of mission study and publicity, none reported; superintendent of supplies, Mrs. Robert Foster; agent for Missionary Voice, Mrs. B. F. Seagle.

PLEDGE MEETING AT REIDSVILLE

We had recently a most interesting account of a "pledge meeting" held at Reidsville and we fully intended to give it in this issue for the benefit of our readers who have not yet held a similar meeting, but so carefully have we placed it away that we have failed to find it thus far. Suffice it to say that the auxiliary at Reidsville is starting the new year with the pledge money in sight and the work well planned. This occasion was one of the many pleasant and profitable occasions that this auxiliary enjoys. The society is looking forward with great pleasure to the district meeting of the Greensboro district, which is scheduled to take place early in February, and are expecting to gain much inspiration and pleasure from the meeting.

NORWOOD AUXILIARY

A goodly number of the members of the Norwood auxiliary met at the home of Mrs. J. F. Shinn on January 4th, for the first meeting of the new year. After the devotional exercises came a short and interesting program, a feature of which was the election of officers for 1915, resulting as follows: President, Mrs. J. F. Shinn; 1st vice-president, Mrs. J. D. Rankin; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. W. C. Kendall; corresponding secretary, Mrs. M. E. Blalock; superintendent of mission study and publicity, Mrs. M. E. Blalock; superintendent of supplies, Mrs. R. M. Taylor. (No superintendent of social service, recording secretary or treasurer reported.—Ed.)

The society holds the meetings in the winter at the homes of the members and they prove delightful social occasions as well as occasions of profit and interest.

The past year has been a very successful one with our auxiliary and while many of us have had very great sorrow we are grateful that God has spared us to work for Him another year and may He find us diligent about His business.

Mrs. M. E. Blalock,
Supt. of Publicity.

We sympathize very deeply with Mrs. F. B. McKinne, corresponding secretary of the foreign department of the North Carolina Conference, in the death of her only son, David, a bright, promising lad of sixteen years, who was accidentally killed while hunting a few days ago with a companion near his home at Louisburg. Mr. and Mrs. McKinne are prominent in the church work at their home and the sympathy of hosts of friends are with them in their great bereavement. We knew David as one of the Light Bearers of Central church, Concord, several years ago, and though one of the younger members of the society, he was one of the most faithful of that loyal band of workers. May God give them His all-sustaining grace and comfort their hearts!

HOW CAN WE DO IT?

This is the question that is being asked by the loyal-hearted members of the Woman's Missionary Society as we begin the work of the new year. How shall we lay wisely the financial plans for the conduct of the work which, in one form or another, has been our privilege and blessing for thirty-six years, and which, newly organized, we undertake as a labor of love for our Lord?

Its schools and institutions for individual and community uplift, its workers in our own land and in the Orient and Latin America, are ours to support by our gifts and prayers. And because this is our one avenue of approach and source of relief for the world's needs of today, our one opportunity of ministry to the great host of His helpless little ones, and as such is our opportunity of ministry to Him, every woman of us who loves God, who has faith in the triumph of His gospel, and who desires to have a part in saving His lost and helping His needy ones, is earnestly seeking an answer to the question.

There can be no dissenting voice among us in regard to the necessity of provision, for the full and regular payment of the small sum for dues, retirement and relief, and Conference expense funds which constitute our membership obligation. This is the foundation of the support of our work.

But this child of our love has long since outgrown its swaddling clothes of membership funds, and it is our privilege to provide for the larger demands of its maturity. We do this only by making voluntary offerings for the work. These voluntary offerings constitute our pledge fund, and upon the liberality of these depend much of the support and all of the enlargement of the work. If we would plan for growth we must be sure that our pledges exceed those of last year. As we count over what we gave, and in many instances, remember what a hard time we had paying it, we may well feel very hesitant about increasing it. But we must not refuse to do so until we have weighed carefully our personal or auxiliary plans of last year. Did we begin at the very beginning of the year to pay what we pledged? Did we give God throughout the year His part of all the money we handled? And did we continually pray to be shown how we might be able to give more? Be sure that such a plan of giving adopted so now, and test its satisfying experimake us safe in promising a far larger amount than we have ever given before.

An Early Beginning

We must begin early in the year if we would make our offerings worthy ones. At the end of the year we will give only the small sum we have left from everything else, whereas this early beginning will make possible a gift many times as large. And not only would a larger sum be the result of early giving, but the large amount paid annually in interest by the Council on borrowed money, would be saved to our Council treasury. In one year this is enough to support seven missionaries on the foreign field. Were there no other argument in favor of this plan, this one ought to make us realize how necessary it is that we begin early to pay our pledge.

God's Part

We must give God his part of all the money we handle through the year just as it comes to us. Many have already learned the value of this way, and they are unanimous in testifying that it is a blessed way. If any of us have not entered into this blessed relationship with our Lord in the handling of His money, shall we not do now, and test its satisfying experiences for ourselves?

There is a large class of women belonging to the Woman's Missionary Society who have no regular income, and must, therefore, depend on husband or some one else for money for personal use and to give. It is possible in most of these cases to tithe this allowance without detriment to the family comfort. Those who have undertaken this have found that the household is not defrauded by such giving. The careful management of the remaining nine-tenths yields just as satisfactory results as the entire allowance would yield under other use. It is most likely that the zealous spirit will prove contageous in the housemore," she said and went her way. A

(Continued on page 9)

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

THE DEVOTIONAL TOPIC AND THE ERA

A correspondent writes suggesting that a weekly leaflet giving the Epworth League devotional "lesson" be published for use of the Leaguers, many of whom do not take the Era. The devotional topic is to be regarded not as a "lesson" but as a theme for meditation and testimony upon the basis of which each member may give his word of experience or exhortation; hence the use of a leflet in the meeting is to be discouraged. It would not be possible for us to issue both the leaflet and the Era; and as the Era is essential to League work in many other respects than as an aid in preparing for the devotional meeting, we must have the Era. Our Epworth League work would be impossible without the Era. At the club rate of 50 cents a year the Era can easily be put into each family connected with the League. This ideal—the Era in every League home—would mean a tremendous impetus in all departments of League work.

We copy this from the Era, and add that the League Page in the Advocate is for the exchanging of ideas on League work that will tend to strengthen and better individual chapters, and not for the printed lesson. If you have different ideas, let us hear from you.

TEN I WILLS FOR THE COMING YEAR

By James Mudge

1. I will think pleasantly of everybody, so far as possible, and send out my love widely over the earth. On the streets, in the cars, everywhere, I can practice loving people.

2. I will make my goodness agreeable. It is high treason against the majesty of virtue to be good yet disagreeable, for it creates a prejudice hard to be overcome, and puts a premium on plausible, smiling iniquity.

3. I will be servant of all, but servile to none. It is wholly right that we maintain a proper self-respect, a wholesome independence; a pretty backbone is no help to friendship either with God or man.

4. I will be content with what I have, but not with what I am. Ambition is all right, but with most people it takes the wrong direction and expends itself foolishly on material things.

5. I will say, "God forbid," when a misfortune seems to be impending; for we are told to pray, "Lead us not into temptation." But when it has fallen upon me I will promptly say, "God be praised;" for the Father never takes anything from us but to give us something better in its place, nor does he permit any real evil to befall his children.

6. I will pray more. No amount of outward bustle, of ecclesiastical or benevolent activities, can take the place of inward devotion, of that communion with God which is the truest source of highest, most enduring usefulness.

7. I will be a morning breeze, making it easier for others to breathe, so that it may be said of me as it was of one in ancient times, "Onesipherus oft refreshed me."

8. I will take things more easily, that is, in temporal matters, ceasing from the fret and the fears, the hurry and the worry, that I may have leisure to invite my soul as well as properly care for my body. I will take time to be holy and to be well.

9. I will expect more of myself, and less of other people. It is a great thing to walk with a large heart in a narrow path, cultivating breadth of sympathy and seeing the good in others as well as recognizing the limitations of their opportunities, while at the same time holding one's self up to a high standard and being chary of excusing one's own defects.

10. I will be absolutely loyal to Christ. Surely, this is within our power, however far we may feel incapable of walking perfectly before the eyes of men. Christ makes no unreasonable demands, lays no heavy burdens, bids us do only what is for our own best interests, and if we love him anywhere nearly as he deserves to be loved we shall delight to please him in all things, shall be ashamed to prove untrue at any point.

WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT

(Continued from Page 8)

hold and that the husband and children will enter into the scheme and gladly cut out the extravagant expenditures in order to have more to give. In one of our Conferences the third vice-president was so earnest in tithing that part of the family income which passed through her hands that her husband was deeply impressed and at the beginning of the year announced his intention of becoming a tither. God will use our unselfish efforts in behalf of his cause.

There may be some cases in which this plan does not seem possible, and love must be even more keen to find the small sums along through the year which can be put into the missionary treasury. God's word to Moses may be his word for us: "What is in thine hand?" It may surprise us to find how often there is something at hand which can be turned into money for him. This may be the Sunday eggs, an extra pound of butter, a sale of a cast off garment, a bit of sewing or embroidery for a neighbor. You loving ones who have so often found it for him can testify to the blessed results of this faithful use of the commonplace thing. A woman in Florida gleefully pointed out to the writer an orange tree which, some years ago she had persuaded her husband to bud for her. The income from the tree has increased from two to twenty-five dollars, and her husband laughingly declared that he had been almost afraid sometimes that its large yield would tempt him not to give it all.

Prayer for Money to Give to God

Underlying the successful working of these plans there must constantly be a current of earnest prayer that God will show us how we may increase our gifts. The poorest of us have some ways to give to Him if our eyes were only opened to see. The following homely story will illustrate the truth of this:

A devout old washerwoman who constantly surprised her friends by her liberal giving appeared one morning before her "white missus" and said: "I want you to pray God to show me how I can have more to give." "O, Zanie, you give more than your share now!" the lady replied, thinking to comfort and satisfy Zanie. "I ain't tole you to tell me that. I axed you to pray God to sho me how to give few days later she appeared with a beaming face and told her white friend that as she prayed God said: "Zanie, there's your pipe." There was no use to pray longer. Goc had showed her the way and she joyfully exhibited the twenty-five cents she had saved for Him, the giving of which had required that she renounce her only luxury. Who of us will be so honest with Him? We may be sure that if we so truly desire to do for Him He will show us the way and that His way will bring greater joy than any earthly possession or condition can give.—Leaflet for January, 1915.

Standard Form Collection Envelopes

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

HOLT'S CHAPEL

FOR PASTOR'S SALARY

AMOUNT

Name _____ | Dollars | Cents |

Date _____ *191*____

MISSIONS AND CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

MOUNT ZION CHURCH

Name _____ | Dollars | Cents |

Date _____

$1.90 for 1000, delivered

$1.40 for additional 1000, delivered

FOR EITHER FORM

This price is based on using the above forms, changing name of church only. The large envelope is manila, and of the quality regularly used for Pastor's Salary collections. The small envelope can be furnished in white, green or cherry. Its difference in color and size from the Pastor's Salary form makes it ideal for Missions and Conference Collections.

If special form is desired the price will average $2.40 for the first 1000, and $1.40 for additional 1000's, delivered.

Special rates on large quantities.

The Advocate Press, Greensboro, N. C.

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective October 18th, 1914

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester Lv.	7 50 a m	----------	----------	----------	4 15 p m
Yorkville "	8 36	----------	----------	----------	6 38
Gastonia "	9 21!	----------	----------	----------	8 20
Gastonia "	9 30	4 30 p m	----------	----------	----------
Lincolnton "	10 23	5 40	----------	----------	----------
Newton "	11 05	6 44	----------	----------	----------
Hickory "	12 05 p m	7 30	12 05 p m	6 45 a m	----------
Lenoir "	1 08	8 50	1 08	8 07	----------
Lenoir "	2 00x	----------	----------	----------	----------
Mortimer "	4 09	----------	----------	----------	----------
Edgemont Ar.	4 35	----------	----------	----------	----------
Southbound	**NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only**	**NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.**
Edgemont Lv.	9 00 a m	----------	----------	----------	----------
Mortimer "	9 10	----------	----------	----------	----------
Lenoir "	11 20!	----------	----------	----------	----------
Lenoir "	1 35 p m	7 00 a m	8 15 a m	1 10 p m	----------
Hickory "	2 35	8 15	9 12	3 20	----------
Newton "	3 05	9 00	----------	----------	----------
Lincolnton "	3 43	9 51	----------	----------	----------
Gastonia "	4 30	11 23	----------	----------	----------
Gastonia "	5 05x	----------	----------	----------	11 50 a m
Yorkville "	5 54	----------	----------	----------	1 24
Chester Ar.	6 40	----------	----------	----------	3 10 p m

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. **CHESTER, S. C.**

MISSIONARY NOTES
FROM FIELD SECRETARY

January 12-17—District Missionary Institutes.

January 12-13—Waynesville District at Clyde; L. T. Cordell, P. E.; A. C. Reynolds, District Lay Leader. Prof. Reyonlds was not present. The meeting, though called for Haywood county, had representatives from as far west as Bryson City. Brother Cordell moves busily on in his fourth year. The features of his meeting were a blizzard, emphasis on revivals, on Dr. McLarty's address on evangelism, experience meeting with preachers led by presiding elder, round table conference on the church conference, church leader, committees and the every-member canvass, forming of reading circle among preachers.

Brother Cordell calls his preaches to an educational campaign in every church. The District last year, it is said, for the first time paid more for missions than it received.

* * * *

January 13—Asheville District, for Asheville and vicinity, at Central, Asheville; C. A. Wood, P. E.; L. B. Rogers, District Lay Leader. Both present. All the pastors of Asheville and vicinity, with many laymen, heard Dr. McLarty's appeal for the evangelistic pitch in all church work with the great objective of soul saving, at 3 p. m. At night Brother Wood led the service in joint meeting of all the Asheville Methodist Churches. He will during the year conduct an institute in each county of his district.

* * * *

January 13-14—Morganton District at Forest City; J. E. Gay, P. E.; F. B. Chapman, District Lay Leader. Both present, with a large attendance of preachers, Sunday school superintendents, charge and church leaders of district. Rev. J. L. Smith, of Old Fort Circuit, had five laymen present. The Forest City community turned out in mass. The beautiful new church with comfortable pews, carpets, furnace heat and electric lights made a most comfortable meeting place.

Dr. McLarty was at his best. Albert Sherrill at close of address called for an altar service. The Holy Ghost came down and preachers and laymen were lifted into the heavenlies for the revival campaign. I heard glowing reports of discussions the day previous on matters vital to the church in the bounds of the district.

* * * *

January 14-15—Statesville District at Statesville; L. T. Mann, P. E.; R. L. Snow, District Lay Leader. Both present. Most of the preachers and a goodly representation of the laymen—the best yet seen—taking the district as a whole, present.

Dr. T. J. Ogburn's address on full collections was extraordinary. It will, by request, appear in Advocate. He is pastor at Mt. Zion station. His rebuke of the too common sin of covetousness was most timely and with convincing eloquence.

Miss Lelia Tuttle from McTyerie's School in China, who had thrilled a great audience the night before McLarty and I reached Statesville, gave an interesting exhibit of garments worn by the upper classes in China. Her brief, pertinent references to the social and religious customs prevalent there were helpful. She returns to China from her furlough in July. She will visit the Charlotte, Greensboro and Winston Institutes; also the State Normal at Greensboro and the Greensboro College for Women, where she will deliver addresses.

Miss Gertrude Allen, at the suggestion of Dr. Mann, was presented to the Institute by Rev. W. V. Honeycutt, as the youngest Sunday school superintendent in Southern Methodism. She is fourteen years of age and has been for more than a year the duly elected superintendet of the Sunday school at Carson's Chapel on the Alexander Circuit. She will most probably at an early date enter Davenport College for equipment for life as a Christian worker.

Dr. McLarty's address melted all hearts and the altar service at the close will bear fruit in the harvest of souls all over the district.

Here, as elsewhere, abundant opportunity was given me for the work with which I am specially charged. A most searching study of the charges on the black list as displayed from the Conference exhibit which hung on the walls was conducted by the presiding elder under the head of "Deficits—their cause and their remedy." Convincing proofs came out of the truth of the Japanese proverb that "the darkest place is at the base of the lighthouse" and that the question of revivals and full collections is mainly the old one of men—preachers and laymen.

Dr. Mann and Brother Fink both paid a high tribute to the owners and managers of the mills at Rhodhiss, who, though not of our faith, contribute liberally to the support of our pastor there and to the benevolences.

Dr. Byrd was present to give valuable suggestions in forming the reading circle with R. E. Hunt manager, and to speak at night. He regretted an emergency engagement that prevented his fulfilling of a promise to speak at Forest City. He is doing extra work for Dr. Weaver on the Greensboro District during the latter's enforced absence for a little rest and repairs which his many friends earnestly hope will be but temporary. The book circle was formed at the morganton District meeting also.

* * * *

January 15-17—Shelby District at Lincolnton; J. R. Scroggs, P. E.; C. W. Hoyle, District Lay Leader. Brother Hoyle was not present. The main meetings were held Saturday and Sunday. Dr. McLarty spoke twice Saturday. At this meeting and at some of the other Institutes individual subscriptions were taken to cover the District pledges made at Conference to Paine College. Everywhere I have called attention to Advocate Day, January 17th.

Lincolnton Station is highly pleased with Brother Paris. The Sunday school and church will support a native preacher in the foreign field at $250.00.

PRAYER AFTER SERMON
A. D. Betts

Our Discipline says we shall have a prayer after morning sermon. When one in the right spirit begins to preacn a sermon he feels the need of divine help. He wants the people to pray for him while he preaches. When his sermon is finished he feels his litttleness as no man except a preacher ever feels it. He wants the people to pray that God may use his effort for His own glory and the good of souls. Le us have a prayer after each sermon

Greensboro, N. C.

HOLMAN BIBLES

Durable Flexible Bindings — THE BEST EDITIONS OF THE WORLD'S BEST BOOK — Will not Break in the Back

HOLMAN BIBLES

FOR CHILDREN
PICTORIAL BIBLES WITH HELPS



Size 5⅝ x 3½ inches.

The text is self-pronouncing, by the aid of which children can learn to pronounce the difficult Scripture proper names.

Specimen of Type.
WHOSOEVER believeth that Je'sus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him

With beautiful photo views of scenes in Bible lands distributed throughout the text. Also maps of Bible lands in colors. Also new Practical Helps to Bible Study, especially designed for instructing children in scriptural information.

No. 91. French Seal Leather, overlapping covers, round corners, gold edges, gold titles.
Publishers Price $1.30 Our Price--Post Paid, $1.00

COLORED PICTURE EDITION
Portraying in natural colors, scenes and places taken from nature and life in the Holy Land.

No. 92. Same as No. 91, but with Beautifully Colored Pictures
Publishers' Price $1.50 Our Price--Post Paid, $1.20

FOR ADULTS, TEACHERS AND PREACHERS



and all who would study the Word of God intelligently this edition is unsurpassed. The type is large, clear Bourgeois, Self-Pronouncing, with liberal space between the words and lines, which makes it easy to read.

Size 8 x 5½ inches.

Specimen of Type.
¶ m From that time Je'sus to preach, and to say, n Repe the kingdom of heaven is

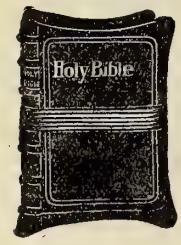
Containing New Copyrighted Helps by Rev. F. N. PELOUBET, D. D. a Treasury of Biblical Information, practical comparative concordance, Oriental Light on the Bible, Four Thousand Questions and Answers, New Colored Maps.

No. 47. Divinity Circuit Teachers' Bible, French Seal Leather, red under gold edges, Silk Head bands and Silk Marker,
Publishers' Price $2,70
Our Price--Post Paid, $2.25

No. 81. RL. Red Letter Teachers' Bible. The Words of Christ in the New Testament, Old Testament Passages Alluded to by Christ, Various Prophecies Relating to Christ in the Old Testament, etc., all PRINTED IN RED. Binding same as described above and same large Self-Pronouncing type.
Publishers' Price $3.20 Our Price--Post Paid, $2.70

No. 73X. Holman India Paper, Genuine Morocco, Leather Lined, Silk Sewed, Divinity Circuit, round corners, carmine under gold edges, silk head bands and silk marker, same type and Helps as above.
Publishers' Price $7.75 Our Price-.Post Paid, $5.00

FOR INTERMEDIATE S. S. SCHOLARS



Large Clear Black Type, Self-Pronouncing, containing Helps to Bible Study, 4000 Questions and Answers, Maps in Colors, and Presentation Page. A Beautiful Gift Bible.

Specimen of Type.
22 And the prophet Is'ra-el, and said unto thyself, and mark, and for at the return of t

Size 7 x 5 inches.

No. 21. Divinity Circuit Style, Bound in French Seal Leather, round corners, red under gold edges, with silk head bands and purple silk marker, gold titles, etc.
Publishers' Price $1.60 Our Price--Post Paid, $1.35

No. 22. RL. Red Letter Scholars' Bible, same Bible as No. 215. with all the Sayings of Christ printed in Red, and with Red and gold INLAID PANEL SIDE TITLES, also Beautifully Colored Pictures,
Publishers' Price $2.10 Our Price--Post Paid, $1.75

FOR OLD FOLKS and THE HOME



Printed from large Clear Pica Type, with Marginal References, Family Record and Maps. This HOME BIBLE is new and very desirable for every day use, containing all the advantages of a Family Bible in a conpact size that can be easily handled, with Record for Births, Marriages and Deaths. The best Bible obtainable for old folks who need extra large clear print and a light-weight book.

No. 2014. Durably Bound in French Seal Leather, full flexible covers, round corners, red under gold edges, silk head bands and silk marker, gold titles.
Publishers' Price $3.00 Our Price--Post Paid, $2.35

SEND ALL ORDERS TO
CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

"THE SANITARY" Individual Communion CUPS
List of thousands of churches using our cups and FREE CATALOG with quotations sent upon request.
Sanitary Communion Outfit Co.. 71st St., Rochester, N.

THE BEST COLLAR



This is one time where the cheapest is positively the best. You could pay a great deal more, but you could not get a more durable, a more serviceable, a more humane, a more practical collar for your horse or mule than

THE LANKFORD
Humane Horse Collar
Delivered anywhere for $1.00

It's cheap because it's made of cotton and manufactured in the South. It's durable because of the extra heavy duck covering and leather trimmings. It's humane, because it is soft and pliable, the medicated cotton fibre conforming to any neck and curing galls and sore shoulders while the animal works.
If your dealer can't supply you write to us direct. Booklet and full information on request. Orders filled same day received.
COUCH BROS. MFG. CO., Box 974 Atlanta, Ga. Box 19 Memphis. Tenn.

Our Dead

HARTSELL—Carrie Elizabeth Hartsell was born March 16th, 1873; died December 3rd, 1914. At the age of twelve she was converted and joined the Methodist Church, South, at Bethel. Hers was such a consistent life that all who knew her respected her church loyalty. The last fifteen years of her life were filled with bodily suffering; yet through it all she never murmured or complained. Her attitude toward God and all things was a beautiful example of perfect consecration. No wonder she was ready for the summons, and that those who knew her and heard such strong testimonies of abiding faith from her own lips weep not as those who have no hope.

What a happy assurance her friends and loved ones have of seeing her where "there is no death?" She loved the "Advocate," therefore it is our pleasure to pen these words to its columns in honor of her life.

May God in His mercy bring us all to be reunited with her and all the good, when life is over here!

Her Pastor.

BREEDLOVE—Nora Kate Breedlove, the little daughter of Eph and Sallie Breedlove, was born February 4th, 1910, and died December 17, 1914; aged four years, ten months and 13 days. She was bright, beautiful and attractive to all who knew her. While her years were but few she lived long enough to gain the affections of her parents and loved ones.

Kate was stout and healthy until a few days before her death. She was stricken with a severe case of pneumonia. All that the tender hands of parents, friends and a skilled physician could do was done, but to no avail. For God in his infinite wisdom saw best to take her to himself. This act of providence was a sore affliction to the entire family. But these afflictions if borne patiently "worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory." "For we know that the sufferings of their present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us."

On Friday, December 18, the funeral services were conducted by the writer at the home of her parents at Almond, N. C., after which her little body was borne to the cemetery and laid away to await the resurrection morn. Our hearts go out in sympathy for the grief-stricken parents and friends.

Carl A. Johnson, P. C.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, Our Heavenly Father in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to take from our midst our friend and coworker, Mrs. Eula Grimsley Taylor, be it therefore resolved:

First, That we the members of the Missionary Society of Wadesboro Methodist Church bow in humble submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well.

Second, That in her death the Missionary Society has lost one of the best and most faithful members and we feel that we have sustained an irreparable loss.

Third, To those who with us mourn her loss we offer our tenderest and deepest sympathy. We are glad she has lived among us and grieve that she has been called away from us. In this our heartfelt sorrow we commend ourselves and others who loved her to Him who has given and taken away. Blessed be the name of the Lord.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be sent the bereaved family, to the local papers, and to the Christian Advocate for publication.

Mrs. George M. Stanback,
Mrs. Clarence M. Burns,
Mrs. Isaac H. Horton,
Mrs. W. B. Blalock.

JOYCE—Mrs. D. R. Joyce died January 1, 1915, aged 68 years. Her first marriage was to Rev. T. G. Hoyle, of our Conference, who died many years ago. She was the wife of an itinerant about nine years.

She was a bright Christian woman and has gone to her reward. She was laid to rest in the Madison cemetery. She leaves a husband, Brother D. R. Joyce, one of the stewards of the church; two sisters and three brothers to mourn her loss. One of the brothers is our charge lay leader, Brother George W. Martin, who was very much devoted to his sister.

Brother Sprinkle, our new presiding elder, went with the pastor to see her and prayed a fervent prayer for her a few days before she died. She so heartily approved his prayer with much fervor though weak and frail as she was. She loved her church and her Lord. Her pastor visited her many times and saw her as she bore her illness with patience and resignation.

"Well done, thou good and faithful servant, enter into the joy of thy Lord." "I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors."

A. R. Surratt, Pastor.

GORDON—Mrs. Lamyra Gordon was born in Wilkes County, N. C., A. D. 1826; and her gentle spirit quietly passed into eternity with the closing of the year 1914; she having lived 88 years, eight months and three days. Hers was a beautiful and well-spent life. She was converted and joined the Methodist Church at the age of fifteen, and for 73 years was a faithful servant of her Lord.

On New Year's Day her funeral was conducted by Rev. R. G. Tuttle, a former pastor, assisted by the writer; and her body was laid to rest in the tomb to await the resurrection of the Just.

She is survived by one son, Frank Gordon, of Tennessee, and one daughter, Mrs. J. S. Bell, of Elkin, N. C., and a number of grand children and great grand children, with a host of friends who mourn her departure.

Servant of God, well done!

J. P. Hipps.

BUICE—On December 23, 1914, God in his infinite wisdom and goodness saw fit to send the dread messenger of death into the home of Mr. J. D. Buice and claimed as his own, his mother, Mrs. Cealah Jane Buice, who had reached the ripe age of seventy-two. Her maiden name was Hankins. She was married to Mr. William Asbury Buice in 1864. To this union three sons were born, Messrs W. P., J. D. and J. H. Buice. Of these only Mr. J. D. Buice survives. With him his father and mother had made their home for the past year. He added every comfort to them that a devoted son could. Their lives were bright and happy, even in old age. Mr. W. A. Buice preceded his wife only a few month, his death occuring April 12, 1914. He peacefully passed into the great beyond with sweet hope in Jesus. Since that time Mrs. Buice has been in declining health, but not confined to her bed but a few days. During her brief illness, though racked with pain, she would console her loved ones with these words: "I know my time is drawing near. I am ready to go." To almost every one that spoke to her the answer would be, "God bless you, meet me in heaven." She was a member of the Methodist Church, having joined when quite young. At the time of her death she was a member of the Chadwick M. E. Church. It is so often the case with the old folks not to attend Sunday school, but it was not so with her. She was in the Bible Class, and always in her seat if not providentially hindered, and was an inspiration to the class. It was there we learned to know her. She was a devoted Christian and always had an encouraging word for every one. There is a vacancy in the home, in the church and in the community in which she lived that never can be filled, but her influence still lives.

While our hearts bleed with sorrow we rejoice in the hope that her parting from this life means a birth into life eternal where nothing shall mar its beauty but where happiness shall reign supreme.

"Servant of God, well done,
Rest from thy loved employ;
The battle fought, the victory won,
Enter the Master's joy."

Mrs. W. S. Biggers,
Mrs. A. V. Bradley,
Mrs. J. E. Winchester,
Committee from S. S.

MRS. MARY ELIZABETH EARP

The deceased before marriage was Mary Elizabeth Boswell, daughter of Geo. W. and Lucinday Boswell, of Baltimore county, Md. She was married to Joseph W. Earp, (now of Central's board of stewards), in 1873, to which union were born four children. One of these, Mrs. Clara Estelle Leonard, died in 1895. Those living are Mrs. S. A. Wanless, of Oklahoma, J. E. and Cora L. Earp, of Mt. Airy, (the latter an officer of the Conference Woman's Missionary Society).

Mrs. Earp has been a member of the Methodist Church since young womanhood. She was a good woman, attentive to the church and prayer-meeting, and died enjoying the love and confidence of a large circle of friends. She suffered for many weeks, the best medical aid failing to check the progress of her disease, and died in peace on December 27th, in the 61st year of her age. Her pastor, assisted by D. Vance Price, conducted the funeral. Her body sleeps in the city cemetery.

W. H. Willis.

ANDERSON—Mrs. Martha Fontaine Anderson, widow of the late Major Leonard W. Anderson, was born in Henry County, Virginia, December 25, 1822; and died at the old home, near Pine Hall, N. C., January 9th, 1915; being, since the recent Christmas day, in the 93rd year of her age. A Mother in Israel and one who was truly great has fallen! She was the great grand daughter of Patrick Henry, and the blood of the best families of Virginia for many generations coursed through her veins. But she set far greater store by the fact that in her thirteenth year, at a Methodist camp-meeting, she gave her heart to Christ, and became a child of the King Eternal, and joined the Methodist Church.

During the recent holidays, she received many presents from friends, far and near. She exclaimed: "To think that I should be so honored just as I am about to pass out of life." On Thursday before she died on Friday night, she sang the old hymn: "Children of the Heavenly King," and became especially affected with emotion as she sang the last stanza: "Lord, obediently we'll go, gladly leaving all below, etc" It had been her custom for long years, to conduct worship in her room, before retiring at night. Next to the last night before she departed, she called the little children of Dr. J. L. Hanes around her bed, and repeated the 125th Psalm from memory, and then prayed a most earnest prayer. After the prayer, she begged the young children that they would never forget that she had prayed for them before she left them. Just a short while before the end came, she prayed a most beautiful prayer, and then folded her hands across her breast and peacefully and calmly went to sleep in Jesus.

About a year age she had a fall, because of which she never walked any more. She often said she believed the Lord sent this for her good. She said to me, "I have read the New Testament through 85 times, and I find new truth and beauty every time I read it." It was the custom of Sister Anderson to fast every Friday. She often said to me, "I am just waiting by the river; I can almost hear the boatman's oar."

I can never forget the words of cheer and encouragement she spoke to me, as I visited her often during the last fourteen months. Her love and loyalty to the Methodist Church was wonderful. It has been said that she regarded a Methodist preacher as almost an angel. When they built their fine old brick mansion, on the bluff overlooking the Dan River, years ago, she insisted that one room be set apart, and especially fitted up for the preacher's room. Since that time, many a weary itinerant has found rest and a welcome in this home. Two or three of the Bishops of our church have been entertained in this home, in years gone by. The old time ante bellum hospitalitty is still dispensed with a lavish hand. Mrs. Anderson was especially good to the poor and unfortunate, giving them food and clothing, and visiting the sick when she could do so. The funeral service was held in the home, Sunday, January 10, at 1 o'clock, p. m. A large number came from Martinsville and Danville, Va., Winston-Salem and Madison and the surrounding country to pay the last respects to her memory. The funeral service was conducted by the writer, assisted by Rev. A. R. Surratt. One of the best friends a Methodist preacher ever had is gone. We do not hope to see her like again in this world.

E. J. Poe.

Positive proof from oldest Records that John baptized by Sprinkling. 68-page book. only 16 cents in stamps. Mahaffey Co., Box 12, Batesburg, S. C.



This India Paper Bible Compared with one of ordinary paper, containing the same number of pages and same size type.

THE GREATEST BIBLE BARGAIN

A GENUINE 7.50 { HOLMAN India Paper Self-Pronouncing BIBLE } FOR ONLY 4.25 Carefully Wrapped and sent Postpaid in a box

Authorized version, printed from the clearest type ever used in a Bible, large bold face open print with liberal spacing between the words and lines

PRINTED ON THE FINEST INDIA PAPER MADE

The Text is Self-Pronouncing with references. It has a new Concord ance, alphabetically arranged and with analytical and comparative features and 50,000 References also New Biblical Atlas with Fifteen Colored Maps and Complete Index to Same.

BOUND IN GENUINE PERSIAN MOROCCO, divinity circuit, full leather linings, silk sewed, silk head bands and marker, special flat opening reinforced binding that will not break in the back.

The size is 5½ x 8 inches--only one inch thick.

Easy to Read Type

Specimen of Type.

17 ¶ m From that time Jē'sus began to preach, and to say, m Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at

No. 700X Publisher's Price 7.50 Sent postpaid for 4.25

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

The Sunday School Lesson

FIRST QUARTER—LESSON IV—JANUARY 24, 1915

GIDEON AND THE THREE HUNDRED. JUDGES 7

Golden Text—Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith Jehovah of hosts. Zech. 4. 6.

Summary of the Lesson

"Come on, boys, we're going back!" shouted an intrepid Union commander in the Civil War to the demoralized soldiers whom he met flying from the scene of battle. They faced about at his words and the panic of defeat was changed into the enthusiasm of a victorious charge. The presence of one man had made the difference. It was not the quantity, but quality, which counted. Our study today has to do with the value of quality. By a process of elimination of the unfit an army is reduced from thirty-two thousand to ten thousand. By further process of elimination it is reduced to three hundred fit and fearless men. Then a brilliant piece of strategy, under the blessing of Jehovah, brings a complete and decisive victory.

The Army Which Was Too Large

"For this world, the size of things;
The sort of things, for that to come, no doubt,"

says Prince Berthold in Robert Browning's fascinating drama, "Colombe's Birthday," but even in this world sort rather than size is often the important matter. Mere bulk does not necessarily mean dominant power. In fact, the matter of mass may become an embarrassment rather than a help. Gideon's army was too large. It had size rather than sort. It had quantity rather than quality. It was a great mob rather than an efficient fighting machine, so Gideon sent home the fearful and the trembling. More than two thirds of his host promptly vanished with this permission. Twenty-two thousand tremblers went home. When one thinks of the capacity for panic in twenty-two thousand tremblers he realizes how much stronger Gideon's army was after it was relieved of this mass of palpitating fear. Another test was applied to the ten thousand who remained. Ninety-seven one hundredths of them were sent to their tents! It really seemed as if Gideon was carrying the matter of elimination too far. The vast hosts of the Midianites lay thickly in the valley, and Gideon prepared to meet them by discharging his soldiers in every direction. If his standard of efficiency and of fitness was so high that nobody would be left after his tests were applied, how would he fight the army of Midian? This was a crisis in the history of Israel and Gideon prepared to meet it with three hundred men, when he might have had ten thousand who professed no fear. We may sympathize with the reduction of the army from thirty-two thousand to ten thousand, but does not its reduction to three hundred seem sheer madness?

The Valiant Three Hundred

Only three hundred! But such a three hundred! Men ready for any feat of daring! Men ready for the most difficult and hazardous and seemingly impossible enterprise! All the weakness and hesitation and vacillation had been sent home. Only pure fighting quality, only the most dauntless courage remained. Gideon and three hundred heroes were not to be despised, after all.

We sometimes feel that the individual is losing his place in the modern world. Machinery is becoming more significant. Personality is becoming less significant. Thinking along these lines we become possessed of what Gerald Stanly Lee has called "the machine scare." We contrast the "hand-made world" and the "machine-made world" and we are afraid of the latter, but we come at last to realize that the machines themselves are the creation and the servants of men, and that they can be so used as to conserve manhood and not to crush it. "Perhaps the hand-made spirit is still living around me today, and is not only living, but is living in a more unspeakable, unbounded body than any spirit has ever lived before, and is today before our eyes, laying its huge fingers around our little earth, and holding the oceans in its hand, and brushing away mountains with a breath, until we have man at last playing all night through the sky, with visions and airships and telescopes. His very words walk on the air with soft and unseen feet." It is still men who count, and it is dauntless and fearless and original men who are most potent. Gideon and his three hundred have not lost their place in the modern world. They create machines; they utilize machines; they dominate masses of men, and in their newer, higher, more serviceable type, they are not only to command masses of men, but to save them from becoming human machines and to make them into a more potent manhood.

The Fear of Midian

"I am greatly afraid of fear," was the striking confession of a brave man. The fact of the matter is that fear is usually a great deal more dangerous than the thing of which we are afraid. Many a man has been defeated by his fear and not by his foe.

When Gideon listened by the camp of the Midianites and heard the dream of one and the interpretation of another he knew that fear had come upon his enemies. With anxious mind and heavy of foot he had approached them, his senses oppressed by their vast numbers, but with exultant mind and light and eager feet he went away from their camp. He had heard his own name pronounced in tones of chattering fear. He knew that to the people of Midian he had become a chilling terror and a wild and dreadfu alarm.

In truth by a process of elimination a great number of the Midianites should have been sent home. Mob terror was ready to spread through the camp; men were ready to rise and run at the slightest sound. The trembling and the fearing were all through the camp. Gideon had allies in the hearts of his foes. He had made an alliance with their fears and had employed their dreams to be his men of battle. As a storm cloud covers the sky, so their anxiety was making the sky black. The stars were blotted out of the sky of the Midianite host as they lay trembling at the thought of Gideon.

You must measure the strength of your foe not by his numbers or his armor, but by his stoutness of heart. So measured the foes of Israel were weak indeed. Every nerve thrilling with the anticipation of victory, his heart beating high with devotion to Jehovah, who had filled the minds of his foes with alarm, Gideon went from the camp of the Midianites back to his gallant three hundred.

The Strategy of Gideon

Tennyson has sung with immortal martial music the praises of six hundred men sent needlessly to certain defeat and death. In the case of Gideon's three hundred there was no need of a poet to lament in the midst of solemn words of praise that "some one had blundered." In fact, to speak quite accurately, there was no charge, except the charge of pitchers flung to break upon the hill sides. There was an unearthly crash of crockery, which sounded to the Midianites like the terrible approach of an invincible host. There was a blast of three hundred trumpets, there was the sudden flash of torches, gleamings as if to light upon its way an innumerable host. There was a shout of many voices, making the hills echo with the triumphant battle shout, "The sword of Jehovah and of Gideon!" In the midst of all these sights and sounds terror smote the hearts of the soldiers of Midian. Fear became panic and they fled in wild confusion. In the darkness they smote each other, every man thinking that the foe was just at his side. The Midianites were defeated by their own fears, while the three hundred stood shouting and blowing their trumpets. For cool nerve the exploit of Gideon's little company of fit fighting men is unique. The rout of the hosts of Midian, pursued by their own ghastly fears, and smitten by their own hearts, is a terrible travesty, which tells much of the nature of men and of the nature of war.

The Midianites were soon pursued by something more tangible than their own shadows. Israel mobilized for pursuit as it had not mobilized for battle. The defeat and humiliation and wreck of the Midianite army was complete.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in New York Christian Advocate.

PLAN A BEAUTIFUL HOME WITH THIS FREE BOOK

"Simple Plantings for Southern Homes" is a beautiful little book published to help home owners make their places more attractive. It shows by photographs some of the simple but effective plans that have been followed by a number of Southern home owners. It tells what trees and plants were used, and how they were arranged. It shows the wonderful improvements that a few trees and plants, judiciously arranged, will make in the appearance of a home. The book is full of good ideas that you can use in making your own home more beautiful. Get a copy free by writing to the J. Van Lindley Nursery Co., Box D. 203, Pomona, N. C. Ask for their latest catalogue, which contains full information on the care of trees and plants of all kinds.

WANTED, Ford Owners To demonstrate "New Invisible Simplex Self Starter." Ford cars only. No batteries, springs, cables or other junk. Equal to any electric starter at one-fifth the price. Fully guaranteed. Shipped out on a week's trial. Sells on sight. Write quick.
Simplex Manufacturing Co., 1551 Great Northern Building, Chicago



THE CELEBRATED
Throneburg Nursery
solicits your trade on apple, peach, pear, shade and ornamental trees. Prices reasonable. Agents wanted everywhere. Liberal commissions.
THE THRONEBURG NURSERY, NEWTON, N. C.

Fruit All the Year

Get a few early Peaches, some midseason Apples, Pears, Peaches, Plums, Grapes, then some winter Apples and Pecans, and you can have fresh fruit the year round. "Eat all you can, and can all you can't."

Our catalog gives full information as to varieties. Prices always reasonable.

Tell us your tree wants. We have them ready for you. Also Roses, Flowering Shrubs and other ornamentals. Immediate shipment if desired. Place order promptly.

HOWARD NURSERY CO.,
Box J210 Stovall, N. C.

GARTSIDE'S IRON RUST SOAP CO., 4054 Lancaster Ave., Philadelphia, Pa. Gartside's Iron Soap (U. S. registered patent No. 3477) removes iron rust, ink and all unwashable stains from clothing, marble, etc., with magical effect. Good seller, big margins. House-to-house agents and store salesman wanted. The original, 25c a tube. Beware of infringements and the penalty for making, selling and using an infringed article. Suitable for church fairs.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notic



Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNE

Proprietor

GREENSBORO, N. C

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 134

DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF
STOMACH AND INTESTINES

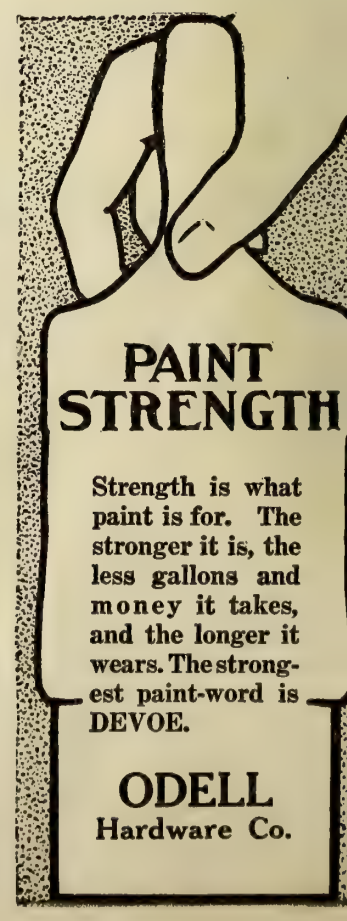
121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C

The Newest Styles of Jewe

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER AND PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large ass ment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Gl ware and Ornaments. We are the ol leading firm in the city. Everything g anteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY C
LEADING JEWELERS



PAINT STRENGTH

Strength is what paint is for. The stronger it is, the less gallons and money it takes, and the longer it wears. The strongest paint-word is DEVOE.

ODELL
Hardware Co.

Our Little Folks' Department

MINDING BABY BLUE

Baby Blue was down on the rug ironing her doll's apron. She was working away bravely with a toy flatiron, which she rubbed hard now and then on a folded paper she had picked out of the woodbox. Grandmother Blue was spinning upstairs, and the Blue twins, Eva and Ted, were whispering together on the doorstep.

"If we didn't have to mind Baby Blue," Eva said, "we could go down to the field and look for that lost deed. Grandpa thinks he dropped it out of his pocket while he was mowing down there this morning. He is going to give us fifty cents if we find it."

"Grandma didn't say that we must stay with the bady every minute," argued Ted. "She said just to look at her now and then and see if she is all right. Can you look at what she's doing now, Eva? Don't go in, because if she sees you she'll tease and cry to come with us."

Eva craned her neck and peered in at the kitchen door. "She's playing on the rug as good as a kitten. 'Sh! Don't make a noise. We'll creep behind the woodpile, and then we'll run."

In a few minutes the two children were scurrying down the long field to the place where grandpa had been mowing that morning.

"Whew!" whistled Ted, pushing his hat back. "It's too hot to run."

"We shan't mind the heat if only we can earn that fifty cents," Eva declared. "Now, you know just how the deed looks, don't you, Ted? It's old and yellow, folded longways, and it's written in red ink. I don't see anything that looks like it, but we've got to hunt the whole field over."

"It'll be like hunting for a needle in a haystack," grumbled Ted, turning over an armful of hay.

The filed was thickly strewn with the new-mown grass, which lay just where it had fallen before the mowing machine. The lost paper might have dropped from grandpa's pocket (he had forgotten to take it out when he went to the field), and it might easily have fallen beneath the hay and been buried out of sight. There was nothing to do but to turn over and shake the whole of the hay.

"No, sir, 'tisn't in this field; that's sure," declared Ted at last as he straightened his tired back. "Seems if grandpa must have dropped it in the road when he drove up home with the mowing machine."

They followed the road home, though it was a much longer way than the path by which they had come across the field. They were fairly tired out when they turned into the shady garden.

"No fifty cents for us," sighed Eva. "It's too bad not to find it when we've worked so hard."

They tiptoed into the kitcneh, hoping that nothing had happened to Baby Blue. Perhaps it wasn't quite right to leave her that way when they had been told to "mind" her. But they wanted that fifty cents so much.

Grandma's wheel was still humming upstairs, and Baby Blue was fast asleep on the rug. Beside her was the top flatiron standing in the middle of the folded paper upon which she had been rubbing it—that paper she had picked out of the woodbox.

Eva's eyes flew wide open as she looked at this paper. It was old and yellow, folded longways, and written in red ink!

"It's the lost deed, true as you live, Ted Blue!" The little girl sat down on the rug and wiped her hot face with her apron. "Next time," she said, "let's try just staying at home and minding our own business first."—Mabel S. Merrill.

THE SHUT-INS

"Hello, honey! Hello, honey! Come in, come in! O, must you go? Well, good-by! Good-by!" cried a shrill voice behind the lace curtains of the big square house on the corner.

"A very impolite child lives in that house," said Patty severely. "I've never seen it, but it calls out just so whenever I pass."

Cousin Ruth, who was a little older, looked puzzled. "It does seem rude; but maybe it's a shut-in and lonesome."

"What is a shut-in?" asked Patty.

"People who are always sick or crippled and can't go out at all are called shut'ins," answered Ruth. "People take them things, books and flowers and read to them."

Patty looked very sober. "Do you suppose it is a shut-in?" she asked. She was sorry that she had thought and said such unkind things about that strange voice. "Could we take it fruit jelly?"

"How nice that would be! Aunt Nell said that she had made too much.'

They hurried home and presently came back again carrying a glass dish covered with a white napkin.

"Won't it be surprised when it sees us turn in the gate?" chuckled Patty. They tapped softly on the screen door.

"Come in! Come in! Come in!" cried the shrill voice. And Ruth gently pulled the screen open. Through an archway they could look from the hall into a big living room; but there was nothing living in sight but a queer green and yellow bird walking along his perch upside down. Then a wheeled chair that had its back to them whirled suddenly, and there sat a smiling old lady.

"Some one said, 'Come in.' We thought it was a shut-in," said Ruth.

"It was my parrot, Jocko. I'm a little deaf and didn't hear you," laughed the old lady. "But Jocko is a shut-in if ever there was one. We used to set his perch on the lawn, until a stray cat nearly killed him, and now he has to stay inside. My sailor brother gave him to me years ago. Jocko loves company."

"Hello, honey! O joy! Let a little sunshine in. Ha, ha, ha!" shrieked Jocko, while Ruth and Patty stared and laughed too.

"We thought it was a child, and we brought him some fruit jelly," guggled Patty.

How nice! Are there nuts in it? Jocko loves nuts."

Ruth picked out the biggest pieces of walnut and gave them to Jocko, who ate them with cries of joy. "Jocko loves it, Jocko loves it!" he cackled between bursts of laughter.

"I'll have the rest for my supper. I'm a shut-in too. I haven't walked a step for years," said the old lady, beaming as if being a shut-in was the pleasantest thing in the world.

Then she wheeled herself rapidly around the room, showing the girls the curious things her brother had brought her and telling wonderful stories about them, until it was five o'cleck before they knew it.

"Tea at five," chirped the old lady; and, sure enough, in came a neat maid with tea and cakes for the old lady and cakes and cocoa, with whipped cream on it, for the girls.

"I've had such a good time," sighed Ruth as they took their leave.

"So have I." chimed Patty.

"I'm glad of that, because maybe you will come again. I get lonely sometimes, and so does Jocko. Jocko loves company."

"Jocko loves it, Jocko loves it!" cried the bird.

"Indeed we will come often," exclaimed Ruth and Patty, both at once.

"O, must you go? Well, well! Good-by! Come again!" screamed Jocko as the screen closed behind them.—M. M. Parks.

LITTLE GRAY MOUSE

Little Gray Mouse sat on the doorstep and sulked. Mother Mouse, busy about her work, smiled pleasantly at him each time she ran in or out of the house. But Little Gray Mouse, paying no heed, sulked on. He was very cross.

Mother Mouse had taken him for a walk that morning, and on the way they met another little mouse who was out walking too. The strange mouse was just Little Gary Mouse's size, but he wore a coat of the whitest fur imaginable.

And just there Little Gray Mouse's trouble began. He wanted a white coat too and teased his mother for one, even after she had patiently explained again and again that he was asking an impossible thing. She told him that any well-cared-for mouse coat is handsome, no matter what its color. But he would not listen.

While Little Gray Mouse sat pouting on his doorstep the big door of Folk's house slammed, and Little Boy ran out onto his doorstep. And Little Boy was wearing not his usual dark gray coat, but a new coat, and it was white and furry.

Then Little Gray Mouse was angrier than ever. If another little mouse could wear a white coat all the time, and if a little boy could change from gray to white, why must he wear gray as long as he lived? He had never thought about it before today; but now that he did think about it, he was sure that he hated gray.

And so he sat and sulked. Now, little mice that sulk and are angry in their hearts find it easy to do other naughty things. So when Mother Mouse went into the house to set the table for supper Little Gray Mouse started out for a walk all by himself, though he remembered very well that Mother Mouse had forbidden him to leave his own dooryard.

Away he scampered out into Little Bay's playground, across Little Boy's father's garden, and right up to the porch of Folk's house. There was no one in sight now. Everything was very, very quiet. Next he climbed boldly up the rose trellis onto the porch.

There was nothing to be seen on the clean boards of the porch floor but an old sack that lay near the door; and sticking out from under one corner of the sack was something that made Little Gray Mouse's heart beat with excitement. What was it? Why, just a tiny bit of fur; and it was white, as white as Little White Mouse's coat.

Very quietly Little Gray Mouse crept close, and very quickly he made up his mind that now he too would have a white coat. He slipped stealthily under the soft fur; then with his sharp teeth he tried to draw it closely around him.

Right then things began to happen —terrible things, thought Little Gray Mouse. There was an angry yelp, the sack flew up, and Little Gray Mouse was thrown halfway across the porch. With a frightened squeak he regained his feet, and O how he ran! Glancing back, he saw enough to understand what had happened.

The bit of fur that he had tried to take was an ear of a small white puppy who had been taking a nap under the sack. Now the puppy whined as he rubbed the ear with his paw. The door of Folk's house opened, and some one came out on the porch.

Then in his fright Little Gray Mouse found that he had forgotten the way home. Trembling with fear, he crouched down in the grass and gave himself up for lost.

Why, O why, he wondered, had he ever been so naughty? How he wished that he had stayed in his own dooryard! Now he could never find his way home again and never see Mother Mouse again!

Then, just at that unhappy moment, he saw a flash of something that his troubled heart knew was surely the most beautiful color in all the world—the gray of his mother's coat. Without a word she led him home and gave him his supper.

After supper she sat down by the fireplace, as usual, to wash and smooth her fur. Tonight Little Gray Mouse came without being reminded even once, and, sitting beside her, washed and smoothed his coat long and carefully and whispered in her ear a wish for a coat as beautiful as hers. And Mother Mouse understood and freely forgave him.—Mary Ritchie Ward.

POCKET BIBLES



For those who object to carrying large Bibles these Editions are Thin, Light and very Compact.

AUTHORIZED VERSION, Clear Black Print, on the finest Thin Paper made.
All with the BUTTON FLAP BINDING which gives an added advantage for slipping in and out of the pocket.
The leather cover extends completely over the front edge and is fastened on top with a button clasp as shown on illustration.
Each containing a complete series of Colored Maps.

Size, 5½ x 3½ in. Self-Pronouncing Agate 32mo

Specimen of Type.
NOW when Jē'sus was born in Bĕth'lē-hĕm of Jū-dæ'a in the

No. 1115F. French Seal, divinity circuit overlapping covers, gold titles, silk head bands and silk marker, round corners, red gold edges. Publishers Price, $1.50. Our Price, *Postpaid,* **$1.20**

Holman India Paper Pocket Text Bibles.

Size, 3½ x 5½ inches. ¾ of an inch in thickness. Weighs 7½ ounces. Same Type as 1115F above.

No. 1115XF. French Seal, divinity circuit overlapping covers, gold titles, silk head bands and silk marker, round corners, red gold edges. Publishers Price, $2.40. Our Price, *Postpaid,* **$1.80**

No. 1130XF. Same as No. 1115X with Extra Leather Linings. Publishers Price, $2.80. Our Price, *Postpaid,* **$2.15**

POCKET REFERENCE BIBLES PRONOUNCING

Old and New Testaments, Marginal References and Maps. Chapter headings on outside corner of each page making the Bible Self-Indexed.

Specimen of Type
19 • And the border of the Că-năan-ites was from Si'dŏn, as thou

Size, 4¾ x 6⅛ inches. Minion 16mo.

No. 1410F. French Seal, divinity circuit overlapping covers, round corners, red gold edges. Publishers Price, $2.00. Our Price, *Postpaid,* **$1.65**

Holman India Paper Pocket Reference Bibles.

Pronouncing, References, &c., same type as 1410F.

Size, 4¾ x 6⅛ inches. Minion 16mo. ⅞ of an inch in thickness. Weighs 12⅛ ounces.

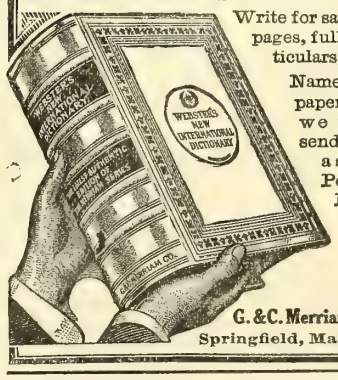
No. 1412XF. French Seal, divinity circuit overlapping covers, head bands and marker, round corners, red gold edges. Publishers Price, $2.50. Our Price, *Postpaid,* **$2.10**

No. 1430XF. Same as No. 1412XF with Extra Leather Linings. Publishers Price, $3.00 Our Price, *Postpaid,* **$2.50**

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

A NEW CREATION
WEBSTER'S NEW INTERNATIONAL DICTIONARY

THE MERRIAM WEBSTER
The *Only New* unabridged dictionary in many years.
Contains the *pith* and *essence* of an authoritative library. Covers every field of knowledge. An Encyclopedia in a single book.
The *Only* Dictionary with the *New Divided Page.*
400,000 Words. 2700 Pages. 6000 Illustrations. Cost nearly half a million dollars.
Let us tell you about this most remarkable single volume.



Write for sample pages, full particulars, etc.
Name this paper and we will send *free* a set of Pocket Maps

G. & C. Merriam Co.
Springfield, Mass.

Our Children's Home

Conducted by Walter Thompson, Supt.

JANUARY 31 IS THE 5th SUNDAY

We are sending out considerable matter advertising the 5th Sunday collections. The calls on us are numerous and pressing. It takes money to meet them. Kindly give the Home a generous offering.

FIFTH SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Cedar Valley S. S., Lenoir, D. C. Flowers, $2.00; Liberty S. S., Mocksville Ct., Mocksville, W. H. Hobson, $2.20; Salem S. S., Albemarle, W. I. Hatley, $3.43. Total, $7.63.

RECEIVED ON SPECIAL, GENERAL AND TEN PER CENT. COLLECTIONS

West End Church, Winston, M. D. Stockton, $180.00; Summerfield Charge, Summerfield, T. B. Johnson, $6.00; Wadesboro Methodist Church, Wadesboro, Geo. D. Herman, $60.00; J. T. Lambert, Moffit, $2.50; Hendersonville Station, Asheville Ct., Hendersonville, W. F. Womble, $10.83. Total, $259.33.

DONATIONS IN KIND

M. E. Church, Franklinville, N. C., 2 aprons, 3 pairs hose, gingham and percal.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER

The last and short session of the 63rd Congress is just half through and practically no legislation completed—not even the annual appropriation bills which would indicate that an extra session might be possible. However, night sessions and less unnecessary discussion of unimportant questions would relieve the situation. Senator Shepherd's recent amendment to the District of Columbia appropriation bill abolishing saloons from the Nation's Capital is provoking animated discussion in the upper chamber. The measure has many advocates and the city churches adopted resolutions yesterday urging its adoption, but it is feared that the united forces of the liquor element with their barrels of cash and liquid stimulants may finally wield the greater power and influence.

In the interest of sobriety and morality the celebrated baseball evangelist, "Billy" Sunday, who has just held a most successful revival in Philadelphia, will speak in Washington Monday, January 18. Tickets have been issued to 10,000 persons, but several times that number would attend the meeting were not the capacity of the hall limited to 10,000. He may be induced to hold a revival here at a later date. Within the writer's sojourn at the National Capital is gratifying to note that the number of saloons have been reduced from more than 600 to less than 300, but the good people here will not be satisfied until this fair city joins the Southland for total prohibition.

W. F. Tomlinson,
The Hillside, Jan. 18, 1915.

God bless the cheerful people—man, woman, or child, old or young, illiterate or educated, handsome or homely. Over and above every other social trait stands cheerfulness. What the sun is to nature, what God is to the stricken heart which knows how to lean upon Him, are cheerful persons in the house and by the wayside.—A. A. Willets.

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

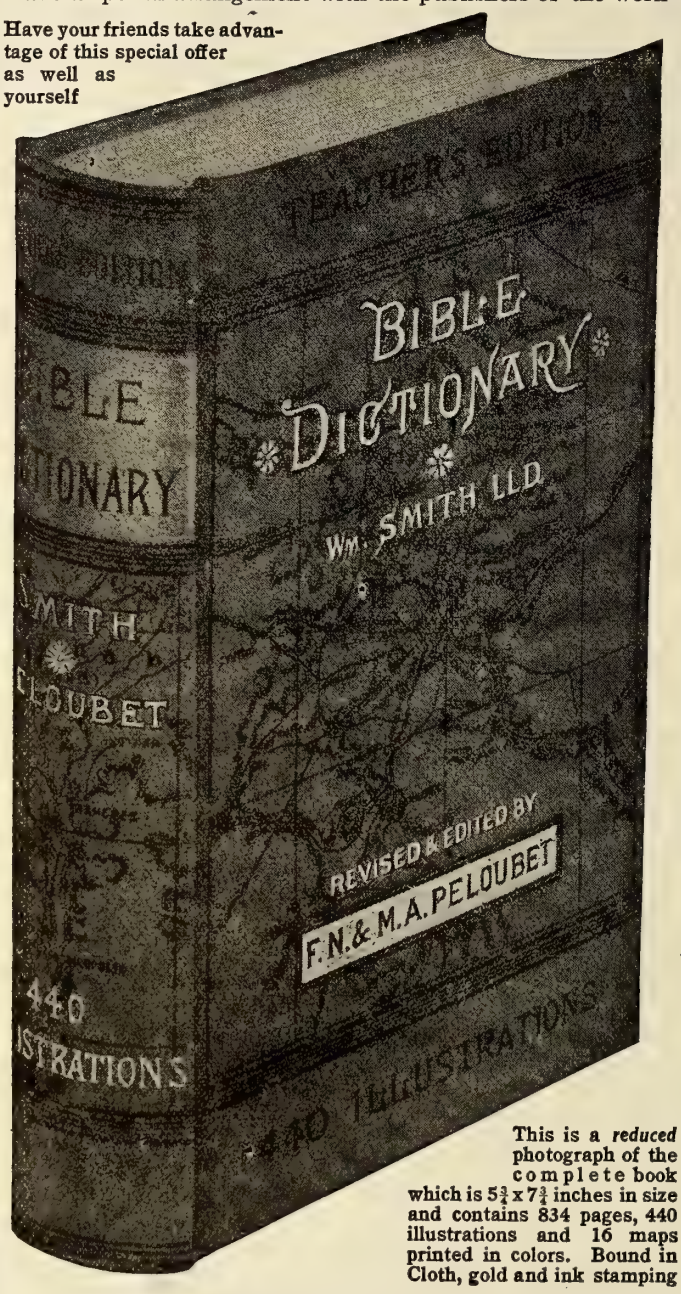
New York—118 E. 28th St.....E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg...W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller.....C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg., M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.....J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg...J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.....G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.....A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel...J. W. Ligon

The Christian Advocate Offers You This Well Known Bible Dictionary

SEE SPECIAL OFFER BELOW

Realizing the wide demand that exists among our constituents for this Bible Dictionary, we have made a special arrangement with the publishers of the work by which they agreed to supply it to us on exceptional terms, provided we would widely advertise it, and this enables us to offer this **well-known Bible Dictionary in its original form** and with all its important features, including over 400 illustrations and maps in colors, at **less than half the regular price.**

Have your friends take advantage of this special offer as well as yourself



This is a *reduced* photograph of the complete book which is 5¾ x 7¾ inches in size and contains 834 pages, 440 illustrations and 16 maps printed in colors. Bound in Cloth, gold and ink stamping

THE FATHER OF ALL BIBLE DICTIONARIES

Everyone acknowledges the superior value of Dr. William Smith's Bible Dictionary, as containing the fruit of the ripest Biblical scholarship. It is practically the foundation, or father, of all other Bible Dictionaries. This late edition is brought down to the twentieth century and thoroughly revised to incorporate modern research and discoveries in Bible lands. It has been adapted in its present form to the convenience of teachers and scholars.

MAKES BIBLE STUDY EASY. MAKES THE BIBLE PLAIN TO EVERY READER

This Bible Dictionary is a veritable treasure to Christian Workers. It contains in the simplest language a full explanation of all topics mentioned in the Bible—every place, nation, tribe, person, and historical event; every custom and rite; every instrument and implement; every animal, plant, flower, mineral, metal, etc. It is a systematic collation of all the facts recorded in the Bible, supplemented and explained by materials supplied from authentic records of Biblical times. It gives in compact and lucid form the substance of the result of profound Biblical scholarship and research. IT OPENS A NEW UNDERSTANDING AND APPRECIATION OF THE BIBLE IN A WAY THAT NO OTHER BOOK DOES.

Our Special Offer

From this till March first we offer the Advocate one year and this dictionary for

$2.50

This applies to new subscribers and renewals.

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Peach and Apple Trees 2c and up

Pear, Cherry, Plum, Grapes, Strawberry, etc. Catalog Free. TENN. NURSERY CO., Box 60, Cleveland, Tenn.

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO

ROBT. W. MURRAY

GENERAL INSURANCE

Greensboro, North Carolina

308½ South Elm St.

Phone 163

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL

General Insurance

General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland

109 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

A Big ? You Decide: The School: The Methods: The Result

A Few Reasons Why You Should Enroll With U

We teach Stenotypy, the fastest method of writing. Our *courses* teach you *know.* We *train* you to *grasp* your *opportunity.* Latest improved methods. 'Yo choice of *nine* different systems of *shorthand, two of them hold world's record speed* and *accuracy.*

Rates and terms most reasonable. *Real business courses* as taught at a *re commercial college.* Results unequalled. Twenty-five students recently placed positions.

Write for further information and terms. Do not put off this important step.

CENTRAL BUSINESS COLLEGE, ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

T. S. SPRADLIN, President

Methodist Benevolent Associatio

A Mutual Benefit Brotherhood for Southern Methodists. Issues Whole L 20-Premium Life, Term to 60, and Disability-Old Age Certificates. **Benefits, death, disability, or old age.** $150,000 paid **widows, orphans, disabled.** Reser **$30,000.** For terms, etc., write *J. H. SHUMAKER, Sec'y, Nashville, Ten*

Sweeter, richer in tone, more durable, lower price, unlike other bells. Our free catalog tells why

BLYMYER BELLS

The Church Bell of reputation. On approval and liberal terms.

THE CINCINNATI BELL FOUNDRY COMPANY, CINCINNATI, O.

WE PAY $80 A MONTH SALARY

and furnish rig and all expenses to introduce our guaranteed poultry and stock powders. Address BIGLER COMPANY, X708, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

HELP WANTED LADIES

Ladies of character may earn nice come at home every month taking ord from friends for REIF'S high class To Articles, Fairy Creme, Perfume, Food F voring Extracts and full line. Libe commission paid. This is for married single women, young or old. Referen required. Get our free Instruction bo We teach you how to succeed from start. Honorable, dignified work. Wr now and get territory and beautiful sa ple case.

United Stores Drug Co., 813 Cherry Str Chattanooga, Tenn.

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.

First Round

January

Fairview, Tweeds 23-24
North Asheville, night 24
Walnut, Jewel Hill 30-31
Hot Sp'gs and Marshall, Marshall, night 31

February

Sulphur Springs, Laurel Hill 6-7
West Asheville, night 7
Swannanoa, Swannanoa 13-14
Black Mountain, night 14
Weaverville Ct., Flint Hill 20-21
Bethel, night 21

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C.

First Round

January

Morven, Bethel 24-25
Wadesboro, Wadesboro, night 25
Pelkton, Peachland 30
Lilesville, Lilesville 31

February

Ansonville, Ansonville 6-7
Waxhaw, Waxhaw 13-14
Spencer Memorial 21

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.

First Round

January

Randleman and Naomi, St. Paul ..23-24
Asheboro 24-25
Uwharrie Ct., Concord 30-31
Denton Ct., Denton 31-1

February

Deep River, Cedar Falls 6-7
West Market 13-14

MT. AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mt. Airy, N. C.

First Round

January

Yadkinville, Prospect 23-24
Elkin, night 29-31
Jonesville 30-31

February

Dobson, Stony Knoll 6-7
Pilot Mountain, Pilot Mountain 13-14
Ararat, Chestnut Grove 20-21
Mt. Airy Ct., Zion 27-28

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

First Round

January

Watauga, Henson's Chapel 23-24
Elk Park, Elk Park 30-31

February

Avery, Fairview 6-7
Boone, Rutherwood 13-14
Laurel Springs, Transon 20-21
Sparta, Potato Creek 27-28

Revival Meetings

January

Creston, Creston 14-21

February

Avery, Fairview 2-11
Laurel Springs, Transon 16-23

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.

First Round

January

Bethel and Love's Chapel, Bethel ..23-24
Concord, Westford, night 24
Gold Hill Ct., Gold Hill 30-31
New London Ct., New London 30-feb1

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.

First Round

January

Hickory Ct., Marvin, 11 a. m. 23-24
Catawba Ct., Catawba, night 24-25
Statesville Ct., N. S'ville, 11 a. m., 30-31
Broad St., Broad St., night 31-Feb. 1

February

Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 11 a. m. 6-7
Davidson, Davidson, night 7-8
Mooresville Ct., Fair View, 11 a. m., 13-14
Mooresville Sta., Mooresville, night, 14-15
Cool Spring Ct., Cool Spg., 11 a. m., 20-21
Troutman Ct., Shepherds, 11 a. m., 27-28

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs. Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C

First Round

January

Crouse, Crouse 23
Stanly, Stanly 24-25
Shelby Ct., Sharon 30

Second Round

February

Dallas and Ozark, Dallas 6
West End, Franklin Avenue 6
Gastonia, Main Street 7-8
Lowesville, Snow Hill 13-14
Mt. Holly, Mt. Island 14-15
Bessemer, Concord 20-21
King's Mountain, King's Mountain.....21
Belwood, Kadish 27-28

March

Polkville, Polkville 6-7
Lowell, Lowell 13-14
McAdenville, McAdenville 14
Rock Spring, Mt. Pleasant 20-21

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.

First Round

January

Cliffside, Cliffside 23-24
Morganton Ct., Salem 30-31
Connelly Springs, Rutherford College, 31-Feb.1

February

Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Spruce Pine 5-7
Micaville, South Toe 6-7
Bald Creek, Bald Creek 13-14
Burnsville 14-15
Marion Ct., Green Mountain 20-21

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C., R. F. D. No. 2

First Round

January

Hayesville Ct., Oak Forest 23-24
Murphy Ct., Temotla 27-28
Ranger Ct., Salem 29-30
Murphy Station 31

February

Judson Ct., Maple Springs 2-3
Robbinsville Ct., Robbinsville 4-5
Andrews Station 6-7
Macon Ct., Union 13-14
Franklin Ct., Salem 16-17
Highlands Ct., Highlands 18-19
Franklin Station 21-22

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston-Salem, N. C.

First Round

January

Davie, Oak Grove 23-24
Cooleemee, night 24
Lewisville, Sharon 30-31

February

Kernersville, Kernersville 6-7

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Premier Carrier of the South

N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information and are not guaranteed.

12:15 a. m.—No 32 daily Southern's Southeastern Limited. Pullman drawing-room, open section sleeping cars Jacksonville and Augusta to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

12:35 a. m.—No. 112, daily, local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh which is open at 9:30 and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m.

1:42 a. m.—No. 30, daily, Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing-room and observation sleeping cars Birmingham and Columbus to New York, and Birmingham to Richmond. Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29 daily, Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing-room and observation sleeping cars New York and Richmond to Birmingham and Columbus. Daily tourist car Washington to San Francisco via popular Sunset Route. Dining cars. Coaches.

3:15 a. m.—No. 31 daily, The Southern's Southeastern Limited. Pullman drawing-room and open section sleeping cars New York to Jacksonville and Augusta. Dining car service. Day coaches.

3:45 a. m.—No. 45 daily, local for Charlotte, connecting for Atlanta and points south.

7:10 a. m.—No. 8 daily, local for Richmond.

7:15 a. m.—No. 37 daily, New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section sleeping cars New York to New Orleans, and New York to Asheville, and Macon. Pullman parlor car Greensboro to Montgomery. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service.

7:30 a. m.—No. 103 daily, local for Raleigh, Selma, and Goldsboro.

7:40 a. m.—No. 154 daily, except Sunday for Ramseur.

7:25 a. m.—No. 11, daily, local for Atlanta. Pullman sleeping cars Norfolk and Richmond to Charotte. Day coaches.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily, for Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Pullman sleeping car Raleigh to Winston-Salem.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily, local for Mt. Airy.

9:30 a. m.—No. 44, daily, for Washington and points north.

9:40 a. m.—No. 144, daily, Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro Pullman sleeping car Atlanta to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily, for Asheville and Waynesville, connecting at Asheville with Carolina Special for all points west. Chair car Goldsboro to Asheville.

12:55 p. m.—No. 130, daily, local for Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

1:30 p. m.—No. 7, daily, local for Charlotte, connecting for Seneca and Columbia.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily U. S. Fast Mail for Washington, New York and points north. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

2:00 p. m.—No. 207, daily, for Winston-Salem, connecting daily except Sunday for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daily, except Sunday for Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily, except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily, for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Chair car.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily, for Mt. Airy.

6:25 p. m.—No. 35, daily, U. S. Fast Mail, for Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham. Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham. Dining car service. Day coaches.

CABBAGE PLANTS





GROWN FROM EXPENSIVE SEED

I pay from three to five times as much for Peter Henderson & Co.'s seed as other planters pay for ordinary seed. Actual figures, $3.50 per lb. for Wakefields, $4.00 per lb. for Flat Dutch, against 75c. per lb. for ordinary seed. My customers get the benefit in

PERFECT PLANTS AT NO EXTRA COST

Why not plant cabbage grown from high-grade seed and raise a successful crop, rather than use plants from inferior seed and be disappointed in the results? It costs no more.

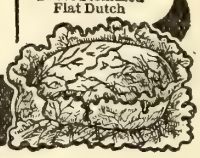
If I am out of the variety you want I will tell you. I NEVER SUBSTITUTE EXCEPT WHEN REQUESTED BY THE PURCHASER.

Prices by Express: 1,000 to 4,000, $1.50 per 1,000; 5,000 to 9,000, $1.25 per 1,000; 10,000 or over $1,00 per 1,000.



Varieties: Early Jersey Wakefield, Charleston Wakefield, Henderson's Succession, Flat Dutch, *All Frost Proof.* Order early to be sure of the variety you want.

2,000 bushels Harrison's Selected Seed Corn, $2.00 per bushe F. O. B. Charleston, S. C.



JOS. M. HARRISON
CHARLESTON, S. C.

HOW ABOUT YOUR
Dry Cleaning and Dyeing?

We have the best dyers and cleaners in the South and make a specialty of FAULTLESS DRY CLEANING and DYEING. :: :: ::
If you desire good work and prompt attention we are at your command, :: :: ::

Mail orders given prompt attention

The Charlotte Laundry

OLDEST —— LARGEST —— — BEST

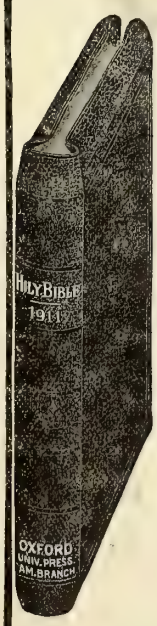
CHARLOTTE, N. C.

GREENSBORO NURSERIES
AGENTS WANTED

For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.
JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

An Exceptional Bible Offer

Endorsed by Representatives of all Denominations



THE 1911 BIBLE

Being the old familiar Authorized Version, carefully amended by American scholars in the light of the latest modern scholarship.

Not a Revision

Only such passages as are recognized by all scholars as needlessly obscure have been altered in any way.

Special Features

A New System of Chain References.
A New System of Collected References.
A New System of Paragraphs.

"We believe, unqualifiedly, that the 1911 Bible is far the best translation ever given the English-speaking people, and the worthiest of their confidence and affection."—*Herald and Presbyter.*

Printed in large black-faced type, very easy to read

Special Offer:

For $2.00 we will send you, postpaid, a copy of this superb Bible, beautifully printed in large black-face type, and bound in the best French morocco, with overlapping edges, round corners, red under gold edges, headband, and fine silk marker. This Bible contains 12 beautifully colored Maps, and Index to Maps.
Size, 8x5¼ inches.

For $5.00 we will send you, postpaid, ***the exquisite Oxford India Paper edition*** of this Bible, which measures only ⅞ of an inch in thickness. It is bound in the finest Alaska seal, with overlapping edges, full leather lined to edge, silk sewed, round corners, red under gold edges, and has silk headband and marker.
Size, 8x5½ inches, ⅞ of an inch thick.

Remember!! These Bibles are published by the Oxford University Press, American Branch—in itself a sufficient guarantee of their excellence.

Send for one of these Bibles to-day

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

PUBLISHER'S MESSAGE

A TALK ABOUT BUSINESS AND PLEA FOR CO-OPERATION

One would suppose that it would just be a delight to the Methodist business man in Western North Carolina to patronize the North Carolina Christian Advocate. Both the Advertising and Job Printing departments should appeal to these men. We believe this will be the case when attention is persistently called to it. Notwithstanding we have had a good deal to say from time to time, it is still true that many of our people have not fully realized the value of the Advocate as

An Advertising Medium

If our merchants, manufacturers, farmers and business men generally could be induced to try it we have no doubt they would be amply repaid for money paid in exchange for our advertising space. There ought to be a regular column filled with classified or want ads. and we hope to get our people who want anything or who have anything to sell to use the Advocate space and thus help their own business while helping to support an important institution of the church. For years a few of our enterprising business men have appreciated the Advocate as an advertising medium, but the great majority of them need yet to have their attention called to this. While throwing away vast sums of money on various advertising schemes presented by the promoter, they let this really rich opportunity go by unimproved.

We have purged our columns of all advertising which can not be rated as first class and clean in every respect and this itself greatly enhances the value of our space.

Again, there are hundreds of business men all over our section who have large quantities of printing done. They could turn much of this our way just as well, and many could turn all their job work into our house.

We are Equipped

for all kinds of job printing, especially pamphlets and commercial work, and this would help the Board of Publication very much in its efforts to establish firmly the business and make a great paper for the Conference. The members of this Board give their time and thought to this business without charge or hope of remuneration—their work is a labor of love. They feel the more free to appeal to

Methodist Business Men

to think of our Advocate printing house in Greensboro when they need anything in that line, and if they can get what they want we feel sure they will take pleasure in turning patronage this way. Just think of it

The Stationery of Our Country Stores

would make a nice business for our Job Department and would well-nigh keep our presses busy!!

Then think of the physicians, lawyers, preachers and other professional men who use printed stationery and other printed matter, besides printing for the churches and church organizations. Of course we do not expect a monopoly of all this business, and we are already getting a goodly share; but there are many who have never had their attention called specially to this, and with a little more thoughtfulness our business ought easily to be doubled, especially in the line of commercial work. It is evident that we need

More Diligent Co-operation

While any church business enterprise must depend mainly upon those who have charge, and cannot be allowed to depend upon such patronage as church loyalty alone would bring, it is nevertheless true that much depends upon that spirit of co-operation which church loyalty suggests and prompts. There are a few country merchants who have sent us their orders for stationery regularly since we began work in that line. They seem to be pleased, our business is benefited and we very greatly appreciate their spirit of co-operation.

A large manufacturer in one of our thriving towns, after hearing the editor at a District Conference last year, frankly stated that he had not had his attention called to this before and that he had quite a good deal of work that, everything else being equal, he would be glad to turn our way. Since that time we have been getting nice orders occasionally, and if fifty or seventy-five more, who no doubt are in the same position, would do likewise, most of our problems would be solved, for the reason that this additional work would be handled without appreciable increase in our payroll.

The Sale of Books

For some two years or more we have been handling books in a small way. Most of this is purely a mail order business. We have arrangements with publishers to fill our orders, and allow us the trade discount; so, without paying any more for books our people can send their orders through us and thus add quite a little item to our income. The only difference to the purchaser would be a delay of about one day. This applies to orders from Smith & Lamar, or any publishers in the United States. We hope to have the co-operation of our people in this respect also. We ought to co-operate in an effort to put more good books into the hands of our people. Nothing is needed more today than the turning of the minds of our people into the channels of more serious and profitable thought. Good books will do this.

Church Supplies

Record books for Quarterly Conference, Church Conference, Sunday Schools, Baraca and Philathea Classes, etc., Bibles and Disciplines can be secured through us at the same prices charged by our Publishing House and other dealers. Why not turn the trade commission or discount into our own treasury?

We take it that the Board need offer no apology for thus going into details in order to show our people of this opportunity for profitable and helpful co-operation.

For further information write

BOARD OF PUBLICATION,
Greensboro, N. C.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Reading Room
Trinity College

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, January [illegible] 1915 | Number 4

Humanity Weary of Philosophies

NO OPPORTUNITY in the world today is greater than that which is offered the Christian church to substitute a Saviour for a speculation. Humanity is weary of philosophies. It has been overfed with them for milleniums, and they do not satisfy. When it comes to matching philosophical systems, the east can hold its own with the west; yet the east is crying aloud for deliverance from an intolerable lot. What it wants, and what Christianity has to give, is a personal Redeemer, Jesus Christ, who becomes a new force and a saving power in the life of every person and nation that accept him. The Christ who was born in Asia satisfied the whole world's need. In every nation there are now those who can joyfully testify that Jesus has satisfied the deepest yearnings of their souls; and that he has likewise created new longings of which he himself is the satisfaction.—*William T. Ellis.*

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS

It is not our custom to discontinue subscriptions when the time paid for expires, without notice. Subscribers who do not wish the paper continued should send notice to discontinue direct to the office. Otherwise they will be expected to pay for the paper

THE ADVOCATE CAMPAIGN

The inclement weather has interfered with all plans, and the Advocate campaign in particular. We are not discouraged, however, since many pastors write that they are going ahead as rapidly as the weather will permit. This is the spirit that will ultimately win the victory. Let the ball roll right along.

PRAY FOR THE REVIVAL

Many of our people are feeling as never before the need of a revival. They are talking about the need of it. Some are deploring the lack of interest in those forms of religious service which are intended to promote a deeper personal experience. Unfortunately some are inclined to take a pessimistic view of the conditions.

We do not think that, with all that there is to discourage, the gloomy view is at all justified. The forces of righteousness are strong, and there never was a time when we had greater reason to hope for the rallying of these forces in an aggressive campaign against the powers of evil. What we need, at least for a time, is the concentration of thought and effort upon the matter of personal religious experience. In all the busy life of looking after the matter of social welfare, we sometimes overlook the means of grace which are essential to replenish the inner life, and it is worth while to turn aside occasionally and rest awhile.

Business and the demands of social life may have encroached upon the spiritual demands of our being. How easy it is for us to be so busy with the affairs of secular or social life as to forget the essential program of religious life! We are sure that one of the insistent reasons for the call for revival is that many have, through these things, gone much farther away from God than they really know. They must be awakened, and nothing except the extraordinary in religious zeal and power can accomplish this.

To adopt the language of a great religious leader: "We must have a revival that will mightily move the pulpit, convict sinners, restore backsliders, rebuild family altars, purge away social uncleanness, heal feuds, promote brotherly love, enforce business honesty, untie purse strings, drive out the love of luxury, promote the spirit of self-sacrifice, unloose the tongue of dumb saints, baptize the people with fire, and gird the Church with the power of a new Pentecost. Any other kind of a revival will not meet the emergency which is upon us. O Lord, give to thy Church a revival!"

Will not every reader of the Advocate join in this prayer? This is one way by which all may take a very important part in promoting the revival.

THE BASIS OF EFFECTIVE EVANGELISM

A consciousness of the divine call constitutes the foundation of an effective evangelism. Those who go forth to a successful ministry of the word must first have enquired seriously for the revelation of the divine will. In response to this they must have, through the ear of the soul, heard the command to go forward. This inquiry always implies willingness, if not eagerness, to go. Isaiah gives us an example of the method by which God calls men to the prophetic office. Let it be understood, moreover, that there is no essential difference in the prophetic office in all dispensations. The prophet of God in Isaiah's time was one called and annointed of God to be a preacher of righteousness; and such is the Christian minister of our own time.

The call to Isaiah came in a vision. This vision was concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uziah, Jotham, Ahaz and Hezekiah. A glimpse at the history of the time as well as Isaiah's own description, shows that the matter revealed to the prophet—the burden as other prophets expressed it—was the moral degeneracy of the people. The call to the ministry begins with the vision of moral and religious decay. This lays upon the heart of the prophet or minister an overburdening sense of the necessity that some one should go as a messenger of salvation. This conviction leads to inquiry—to the introspection of the individual. Thus the way is paved for another vision—a vision of God in all the glory and perfection of His character, and by contrast, a vision of self in all the deformity of sin. This vision came to Isaiah in the year that King Uzziah died. (Isa. 6:1). The Lord, enthroned in majesty and power, amid the company of glorified spirits, appeared; and immediately Isaiah cried out because his own depravity had been revealed to him. He saw not only the moral degeneracy of the men of his time, but his own uncleanness and consequent unfitness for the work of a reformer and the promoter of the needed evangelism.

No man is fit to lead a reformation who has not himself been reformed and purified. The ideal evangelist is the man who, in a mighty upheaval of spiritual forces, has had a vision of God and of self, and who in outcry of soul by confession and repentance, has come into conscious contact with the power that purifies and heals. "Woe is me," cries the awakened prophet. As if to say, this is holy business which I am about to undertake. "I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips." These discoveries were made, as he confesses, when he had the vision of God—when his eyes had seen the King, the Lord of hosts. Then came the touch of cleansing and the consciousness of power. His ears were open to hear the call of God for service, and his soul cried out for the commission to go.

There is a striking similiarity in the case of Saul of Tarsus. When on the way to Damacus he saw the vision he became at once obedient to the call to service, and his soul cried out immediately, "Lord what wilt thou have me to do?" We are in the Lord's hands, ready to go at his bidding only when we have had the vision—a personal revelation—a sense of his pardoning and sanctifying power.

Let those who have gone forth in the holy work of the Christian ministry—prophets of the latest and best dispensation—stop a moment and inquire. Let this inquiry lead to a discovery of our relation to those about us and of our duty. If we have the true prophetic spirit, which is the basis of an effective evangelism our ministry will not be barren of results.

DEATH OF REV. DR. J. T. BAGWELL

By an oversight we failed last week to announce the death of Rev. J. T. Bagwell, D. D., which occurred at his home in Ardmore, Oklahoma, on the 27th of December. Many Advocate readers will recall Doctor Bagwell as, for a number of years, one of the most prominent members of the old North Carolina Conference. One of the brightest stars of the Southern Methodist pulpit, in the midst of a popular career he met a sad eclipse. Subsequent to this he renewed his covenant and was readmitted and did several years of faithful service, transferring to the Arkansas Conference, where he was stationed at Fort Smith, afterwards serving as presiding elder of the Morrilton District.

Several years ago he went to Oklahoma and took a local relation in which relation he was at the time of his death. For some years his health had been very poor and his death was not unexpected.

Doctor Bagwell was born and reared in Alexander county, in a community which is remarkable for the number of talented and useful ministers which it has produced. His educational opportunities were limited, but he made good use of them and with apparent ease, came to the front as a preacher. His many former frien in this state will be glad to know that with h there was light in the evening time, and th his end was peaceful. Far removed from t bitterness and sorrow which come to men cause of human frailty we shall hope to me and greet him in that bright land where the will be no more curse.

Rev. M. L. Butler, of Ardmore, writing t account of his death to the Western Methodi of Little Rock, says: "Rev. J. T. Bagwell, D., who for a number of years was promine in the North Carolina Conference, and later c several years faithful work in the Arkans Conference, but for the past seven or eig years has been in the local ranks, died at t family residence in this city on the 27th of D cember, aged 65 years. He leaves a widow a six children. Funeral services were conduct by the writer, assisted by Rev. J. D. Salt Presiding Elder of Ardmore District. D Bagwell was a great preacher. His intellectu faculty was seldom equaled. He was our pe sonal friend, and we are sad because of h departure. He had been in declining heal for years, hence his death is no surprise."

MIRACLES OF MODERN SURGERY

The writer was brought up in a home ha ing the good fortune to enjoy the ministr of a Christian physician. Some of the most v uable lessons in hygiene that we ever learn came incidentally through him as he convers from time to time in the family on the v rious topics suggested by the cases under trea ment.

As we now recall the visits and conversatio of this really great and good man, his su gestions were not confined to physical hygie alone, but to moral therapeutics as well. H believed thoroughly in a clean life as well a clean body as the essential foundation strong manhood, and with him religion was t only foundation upon which to build such ma hood. What a blessing is the work of such physician in any community! A man w comes to heal both soul and body! The wo has yet to come to a just appreciation of t value of the Christian physician.

But we began to write more especially of t wonders of modern surgery and to call the a tention of our readers to the miracles that a being performed daily in our midst. As in o boyhood days we enjoyed the blessings of t consecrated skill of that godly physician wit out much thought of what we really owed him, so today we enjoy the almost miracle-wor ing skill of physicians and surgeons with lit thought of what it all means to us.

Some days ago the editor had occasion accompany a friend to the offices of Dr. J. Long, of this city, for examination under t X-Ray. We confess the process by which, the course of an hour, the patient was look through and through, was calculated to ma one stand in awe, as if for the moment co scious of being in the presence of the supe natural. The invisible was made visible, a we looked at the internal organs, including t heart which, like a dynamo, was driving t machinery of life. As never before, we appre ated the expression of the Psalmist, "I am fea fully and wonderfully made."

Incidentally, Dr. Long and his assistant, D Ogburn, son of our Rev. T. J. Ogburn, to occasion to exhibit some plates which have r cently been made showing seriously fractur and broken bones, and the various stages progress in their surgical treatment. Two cas where the subject had suffered gunshot woun piercing the head apparently through the ce ter. These pictures demonstrated clearly to t eye how, under the skillful treatment of t surgeon with the assistance of the X-Ray, n ture comes to the rescue, even to the extent forming a new bone by the absorption of t old.

This great machine was only recently insta ed taking the place of the less elaborate on which have been heretofore in use, and it is i possible to estimate the value of it in the gre surgical work now being done by Dr. Long.

What we have said with regard to th equipment and the wonders of modern surge itself may be said of this man in his work

a surgeon. Modest, unassuming, faithful and diligent, he does a work marvelous in extent and efficiency and only the centuries to follow will reveal the value of such, especially when it is considered that the skill of the hand and the ingenuity of brain have been directed by a child-like faith in God.

Drs. Long and Ogburn did not know this was to be written. Even now they will say it ought not; but the editor believes that all our physicians are over-modest about publicity. Our people should know that the skill and equipment of modern surgery, directed by Christian men, may be had at home as well as abroad. It is still true that men and women "suffer many things of many physicians," this accounting in no small degree for their serious ailments; but perhaps the most deplorable fact is that many of them go long distances and spend much of their means in the effort to avail themselves of service inferior to what may be had at their doors.

A little later we may take occasion to write what might be very properly termed the sequel to this, namely, a plea for the establishment somewhere in this central section of a hospital, under Protestant, if not Methodist, auspices, to furnish our people an opportunity to avail themselves fully of the benefits of such skillful surgery at home.

DR. H. M. HAMILL DEAD

The whole church, especially the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is bereaved because of the death of Rev. H. M. Hamill, D. D., which occurred at Tate Springs, Tenn., on Thursday night of last week.

Dr. Hamill has for many years been connected with our Sunday School Department and his name is a household word throughout the Southern Methodist Church. At the time of his death he was at the head of the Teacher Training Department of our Sunday School Board, also president of the International Sunday School Association. He was also chaplain general of the United Confederate Veterans. He was a native of Lowndesboro, Alabama, and was about sixty-five years of age. He had special adaptation to the work in which he was engaged and it will be hard to find a man who can fill the place with equal efficiency.

THE EFFICIENCY CONFERENCE

In accordance with the action of our last General Conference an Efficiency Conference has been arranged for which will be held at Thomasville, April 13th. This Conference has been called by Bishop Waterhouse and we are informed will be composed only of the Bishop and presiding elders.

ORDER YOUR BOOKS THROUGH US

We call attention to the following books which have been recommended specially for the preacher's reading just now:

John Wesley's Journal in 4 vols.	$1.50
Revival Lectures, Chas. G. Finney	.50
Pastoral and Personal Evangelism, Goodell	1.00
Taking Men Alive, Trumbell, Paper	.35
Evangelism Exemplified, Luther E. Todd	1.00
Primitive Traits in Religious Revivals, Prof. Davenport	1.50
Psychology of Religion, Prof. Starbuck	1.00
The Spiritual Life, Prof. Geo. R. Coe	1.00
Building the Kingdom, Chappell	1.00
The Building of the Church, Jefferson	.50
Great Revivals and the Great Republic, Candler	1.00

The foregoing books have been recommended for the Campaign of Evangelism now on and can be had at the prices named plus the postage, which for convenience we will guarantee not to exceed five cents for each volume when cash accompanies the order.

Any book from the Catalogue of Smith and Lamar or any accredited publishers at the publisher's price.

Address orders to

Board of Publication,
Greensboro, N. C.

NOTE AND COMMENT

The War Situation has not changed much since our last issue either in Mexico or in Europe. A naval engagement occurred in the waters of the North Sea on Sunday between British and German squadrons in which the Germans lost one of their battle cruisers and several hundred men.

* * * *

Alabama Swings Back into the prohibition column. Last week the legislature passed the act that is to close up the saloons on July 1st. Governor Henderson vetoed the measure and asked the legislature to submit the question to the voters at a special election; but both houses voted down his proposition and repassed the bill by overwhelming majorities, thus overriding the veto. It would seem now that Mr. Underwood ought to be trembling in his shoes and be getting ready for what is to happen to him if he does not change his mind on the subject of nation-wide prohibition. Alabama is overwhelmingly for prohibition, but has heretofore been hoodwinked by politicians.

* * * *

A Sane Movement is that of the Niagara Peace Conference, which authorizes the publication of the form of petition printed on page 10 and which it is hoped will be used by every religious organization in the country. We might even go farther and say that this petition should be used by every civic and business organization of the country. The wholesale destruction of life and property now going on in one of the richest and fairest sections of the world—the demon of war now engaged in tearing the very heart out of civilization—should arouse, not only the social and religious organizations of the country, but the civic and commercial as well. Let such organizations write to the Niagara Executive Committee, Niagara, N. Y., and secure a petition form like this one, appoint a committee with instruction to sign in behalf of such organization and return to the Niagara Executive Committee. This should be done at once.

* * * *

When Will the War End? was the inquiry of someone in the presence of Lord Kitchener. In reply to this question the great general is reported as saying: "I do not know when it will end, but it will begin in May." Commenting on this the Northwestern Christian Advocate says:

This answer is significant and suggestive. Most of us have been thinking the war has been on in real earnest since last August. What does the answer signify? Does it mean that the Allies are just holding the Teutons and by attacks and counter-attacks nibbling their forces and ammunition down and so waiting for an opportune moment for a united drive? Does it mean that it will take until spring for the Allies to get fully equipped in men and guns and ammunition; for it is known that at the beginning of the war they were inferior to the Teutons in all the requisites for the conflict, while the Germans were the most perfectly equipped for war of any nation in history? It is now announced that the Allies are making guns the equal, if not the superior, of the German guns. Does it mean that they are waiting for the opening of the Dardanelles and the re-arming and re-ammunitioning of Russia by way of the open Dardanelles? Does it mean that in the spring the French will send their reservists to the front and Great Britain her new army of one million and a quarter, and that this being done and Russia re-equipped, the anti-Teutonic forces will be ready for concerted action and a vigorous advance movement? The question and Lord Kitchener's answer are given here because of the questions raised. The answer is exceedingly suggestive of a policy not yet fully realized by the reading, anxious public who are wishing for the end of the slaughter.

* * * *

Intercession Sunday was the day recently observed in England at the request of King George, as a day of special prayer for the success of British Arms. We are not surprised that even in England some of the clergy balked. Dr. William Carnegie, Canon of Westminster, is reported to have declined to comply with this request. He said:

"Among the things which I hold should not be prayed for—I mention it with great hesitation, but feel it to be my duty, since it is set forth in the seventh section of the authorized form—is the triumph of our cause. We hold that our cause is righteous, but our foes are equally convinced that righteousness is on their side. God is the judge, and we must pray for submission to His will, whatever be the issue."

This utterance of the Canon ought to be an effectual rebuke to war lords who have the temerity to ask God's servants to lead the people in praying His blessing upon a cause, the righteousness of which they themselves cannot be certain about. It has been observed that the the rulers who have expressed faith in God at all have not been willing apparently to leave the result to the decision of Him alone who knows what ought to be done. If they had been of this temperament there weould have been no war.

* * * *

One Hundred Years of Peace. Endeavoring to bring to bear the united influence of the Church in America in behalf of universal peace, the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, is endeavoring to lead the churches in this country to observe Sunday, February 14th, in celebration of one hundred years of peace between the English-speaking nations. The Secretary of the Church Committee on Peace sends out the following message which we take great pleasure in printing with editorial endorsement:

Sunday, February 14, 1915, is the day selected for the celebration of a hundred years of unbroken peace between the two great English-speaking nations. In the Sunday schools a prepared peace program will be generally used, in young people's meetings also there will be suitable exercises, and it is hoped that every pastor will devote a sermon to the subject. The Committee earnestly urges what General Synods, General Assemblies, General Conventions and other denominational bodies have so heartily recommended, a wide observance of the day that the lessons of peace may be more thoroughly learned by young and old alike.

Why observe this centenary while Europe is ablaze with war and nations long our close friends are in deadly combat?

Because peace has its lessons more potent than war, and never were they more pertinent than now. Europe, insisting that peace could only be insured by great armies and armaments, is suddenly, in its preparedness, plunged into the greatest war of history and has broken boundaries and broken peace to show for its faith in the sword The United States, trusting in international law and goodwill, preserves inviolate its defenceless frontier of nearly 4,000 miles for a hundred years. There are no better neighbors than the Canadians and ourselves.

Is not this the moment to point to war as an unmitigated curse and an unnecessary and barbarous expedient? It is mangling and destroying the flower of Europe's manhood, breaking up homes, razing cities, ravaging fruitful lands and sinking thousands of millions of wealth. The Toronto Globe says "the sword now unsheathed should never be sheathed again—it should be broken." War never had fewer real friends and was never held at a lower estimate. Every one of the nations involved in it seeks to excuse itself and lay the blame on others.

Our hundred years of peace was many times threatened. Time and again, our international relations were strained and passions kindled; but national restraint and diplomatic patience and friendliness and also doubtless lack of preparation averted conflict. As a result the bonds of peace were never so strong between England and the United States as today. May we not, to adapt the words of a great Church leader, have a league of peace, offensive and defensive, with every nation of earth?

CONTRIBUTIONS

WHITEFIELD'S ELOQUENCE

Facts from Life

W. H. Townsend

"Dr. Lathrop, of West Springfield, Mass., related to Mr. Whitefield a fact which the doctor had personally witnessed. The same day Mr. Whitefield introduced the story in his sermon, and Dr. Lathrop as he heard it found himself drowned in tears."

Rev. Jno. Newton's Opinion of Whitefield

"In a company of noblemen and gentlemen, Rev. John Newton was asked if he knew Mr. Whitefield. He answered in the affirmative, and observed that as a preacher Mr. Whitefield far exceeded any other man of his time. Mr. Newton added, 'I bless God that I lived in his time; many were the winter mornings I got up at four to attend his Tabernacle discourses at five, and I have seen Moorfields as full of lanterns at these times as, I suppose, the Maymarket is full of flambeaux on an opera night.' As a proof of the power of Mr. Whitefield's preaching, Mr. Newton mentioned that an officer at Glassgow, who had heard him preach, laid a wager with another, that at a certain charity sermon, though he went with prejudice, he would be compelled to give something; the other to make sure he would not, laid all the money out of his pocket; but before he left the church he was glad to borrow some and lose his bet. Mr. Newton mentioned another striking example of Mr. Whitefield's persuasive oratory, collecting at one sermon £600 ($3,000.00) for the inhabitants of an obscure village in Germany that had been burned down. After the sermon Mr. Whitefield said, "We shall sing a hymn, during which those who do not choose to give their mite on this awful occasion may sneak off.' Not one moved; he got down from the pulpit, ordered all the doors shut but one, at which he held the plate himself and collected the above large sum. Mr. Newton related that at the time of Mr. Whitefield's greatest persecution, when obliged to preach in the streets, in one week he received not fewer than a thousand letters from persons distressed in their consciences by the energy of his preaching."

David Hume, the historian and infidel, testifies: "He is the most ingenious preacher I ever heard. It is worth while to go twenty miles to hear him." He then repeated the following passage which occurred towards the close of the discourse he had heard. After a solemn pause Mr. Whitefield thus addressed his numerous audience: 'The attendant angel is just about leaving the threshold and ascending to heaven. And shall he ascend and not bear with him the news of one sinner among all this multitude reclaimed from the error of his ways?' To give the greater effect to this exclamation he stamped with his foot, lifted up his eyes and hands to heaven, and with gushing tears, cried aloud: Stop, Gabriel; stop, Gabriel! stop ere you enter the sacred portals, and yet carry with you the news of one sinner converted to God!' He then in the most simple but energetic language, described what he called a Saviour's dying love to sinful man, so that almost the whole assembly melted into tears. This address was accompanied with such animated yet natural action that it surpassed anything I ever saw or heard in any other preacher."

"John Skinner of Houndscroft, England, was a strolling fiddler, going from fair to fair, supplying music to any party that would hear him. Having determined to interrupt that great and successful minister of Christ, Mr. Whitefield, he obtained a standing on a ladder raised to a window near the pulpit; he remained quiet till the text was named, when he intended to begin his annoying exercises on the violin. It pleased God, however, while he was putting his instrument in tune, to convey the word spoken with irresistible power to his soul; he heard the whole sermon and became altogether a new man."

"Whitefield was addressing an immense audience under the shade of a venerable tree in the meadows of Edinburgh, when a poor creature, thinking to turn him into ridicule, had perched himself on one of the overhanging boughs right above the preacher's head, and with monkey-like dexterity, mimicking his gesticulations, endeavored to raise a laugh among the audience. Guided by the looks of some of his hearers, Whitefield caught a glance at him, but without seeming to have noticed him, continued his discourse. With the skill of a practiced orator, he reserved the incident for the proper place. He was expatiating at the moment on the power and sovereignty of Divine grace. With gathering force and earnestness he told of the unlikely objects it had often chosen, and the unlooked for triumphs it had achieved. As he rose to the climax of his inspiring theme, and when in the full sweep of his eloquence, he suddenly paused, and turning round and pointing slowly to the wretch above him, exclaimed in a tone of deep and thrilling pathos, 'Even he may yet be a subject of that free and resistless grace.' It was a shaft from the Almighty. Winged by the Divine Spirit it struck the scoffer to the heart, and realized, in his conversion, the glorious truth it contained."

Benjamin Franklin's Tribute to Whitefield

"I happened," said the doctor, "to attend one of his sermons, in the course of which I perceived he intended to finish with a collection, and I silently resolved he should get notning from me. I had in my pocket a handful of copper money, three or four silver dollars, and five pistoles of gold. As he proceeded I began to soften, and concluded to give the copper, another stroke of his oratory made me ashamed of that, and determined me to give the silver, and he finished so admirably, that I emptied my pocket wholly into the collection dish—gold and all. At this sermon there was also one of our club, who being of my sentiments respecting the building in Georgia, and suspecting a collection might be intended, had by precaution emptied his pockets before he came from home. Towards the conclusion of the discourse, however, he felt a strong inclination to give, and applied to a neighbor who stood near him, to lend him some money for the purpose. The request was made to perhaps the only man in the company who had the coldness not to be affected by the preacher. His answer was, 'At any other time, friend Hodgkinson, I would lend to thee freely; but thee seems to be out of thy right senses!' "

One day Dr. Franklin returned to Philadelphia and found Whitefield preaching in the open air. He stood on the outskirts of the crowd where he could hear every word. From this point he made a calculation that "Whitefield could preach to ten thousand people in the open air and every word could be distinctly heard."

The Broken Heart

"When Whiteleld was preaching at Exeter there was a man present who had loaded his pockets with stones in order to fling them at this ambassador of Christ. He heard the prayer, however, with patience, but no sooner had he named his text, than the man pulled a stone out of his pocket and held it in his hand waiting for a fair opportunity to throw. But God sent a sword to his heart, and the stone dropped from his hand. After the sermon, he went to Whitefield and told him, 'Sir, I came to hear you this day with a view to break your head, but the Spirit of the Lord, through your ministry, has given me a broken heart.' The man proved to be a sound convert, and lived to be an ornament to the church."

Rev. John Wesley's Tribute to Whitefield

"Have we read or heard of any person since the apostles who testified to the gospel of the grace of God through so large a part of the habitable world? Have we read or heard of any person who called so many myrads of sinners to repentance? Above all have we read or heard of any that was the blessed instrument in His hands of bringing so many sinners from darkness to light, from the power of satan unto God.?"

Mr. Wesley said to a minister, "Go hear Whitefield and learn how to preach."

From the many testimonies of Whitefield's oratory from scholars, skeptics, critics, saints and sinners, it is probable that he was the greatest pulpit orator in the history of the Christian church.

WHO THEN IS THE GREATEST?

By Ernest A. Miller

The child is the greatest. According to a material measure this may not be a true statement. But life, or personality, as it is sometimes called, can never be adequately represented by the bookkeeper's balance sheet, the tailor's suit, the clerk's register or the grocer's scales. There is no greater delusion in life's appraisements than the delusion of bulk. The little child yields to it in wishing to be a man; the adult falls a victim to its deceit in ignoring the little child. The truth is that, in items of true value, life is a diminishing quantity. Years and merit form an inverse ratio rather than a direct one.

"A man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth." "The life is more than meat and the body than raiment." "Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment." Bigness is not greatness; strength is not power; avoirdupois is not weight; noise is not music; money is not wealth. He that is pure is great; he that can move another life to a "purer air and a broader view" is truly strong. By all standards of this character the children have the primacy.

The children are pure. Christ said so. "Of such is the kingdom." "Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God."

Children are pure because they have so recently come from God.

Trailing clouds of glory do we come
From God, who is our home:
Heaven lies about us in our infancy.

The greatness that is efficient is the greatness of purity. Whether it be purity of ignorance or purity by choice it is true greatness, and truly commanding. How small the befouled man feels, and how small he really is! Self-respect is an essential to large-souledness, and there can be no honest self-respect when there is a stain on the character. Many a man remembers reverently and longingly the white days of childhood. He recalls with poignant grief the first conscious wrongdoing. His soul was withered beneath the blight of sin. There was a perceptible shrinking of life at that time, which was very hard to bear. Through the growing meanness and sophistry of the years nearly all of self-respect has slipped away, and the soul is but a shadow of its former child self. A bolder and more imposing front is assumed, but the man knows the fallacy of his own life; and, what is more, he knows that God knows, and in his soul is sad.

Phillips Brooks once said: "It is an awful hour when the first necessity of hiding anything comes. The whole life is different thenceforth. When there are questions to be feared and eyes to be avoided and subjects which must not be touched, then the bloom of life is gone. Put off that day as long as possible. Put it off forever if you can."

Children have great power. Their very innocence and purity give their efforts full sway. You do not discount a child's word or deed; you do take with many a grain of salt what your conventionalized man or woman says or does. But children know no tricks of tongue or hand; they do not act—they live. They are all Sir Galahads.

My good blade carves the casques of men,
My tough lance thrusteth sure,
My strength is as the strength of ten
Because my heart is pure.

I have seen a child, by the very power of his soul, do what strong men have resolutely attempted, but without success. A man has been downed by the drink habit. Brothers and friends have tried to help him up. They have expostulated and pleaded, but all in vain. A good woman, willing to take the risk, and believing in the power of love, has said at the altar of sacrifice, "I will have this man to be my wedded husband," but she could not hold him on his feet. Then on a later day God sent that man a child, flesh of his flesh. That little life became that man's other, better self. The purity of that little soul mocked him, challenged him, sobered him, drove him to God for overcoming grace, and he stood upon his feet and walked, and was a man again. And, if ever he felt inclined to evil, a look out of those little eyes, or a chubby handclasp, or even a remem-

brance of his offspring, shot strength to his soul. What the earnestness of men, and the sweet love of a woman could not do, a little child did easily in the unmatched might of his radiant helplessness. God worked so naturally through that little life. It was "as effortless as woodland nooks send violets up and paint them blue."

Children are the true kings of the universe. They rule our hearts and our homes. We are very boastful of our determination, but children work us. They are the spellbinders of the human heart. In their hands we are as clay in the hands of the potter.

Because of little children we rise to the stature of heroes sometimes. Men have shouldered muskets and looked into the mouths of death-dealing cannon that their children might have a free country for an inheritance. We become as gods for the love of a child. We bid Satan to get behind us when we think of our own sweet, helpless children whose lives we must not blight. God will never die out of men and women so long as He permits them to give their lives away to these other little lives that are His and theirs.

I say again that, if true greatness attaches to purity and power, children are pre-eminently great. You may say that such greatness is not theirs because not self-chosen. I reply that children's greatness is all the more divine because unconscious. It is our conscious morality that devitalizes our apparent goodness. If our virtues are as natural and as spontaneous as those of Christ's chosen ones, the little children, then we may stand unashamed in God's clear light. We shall have preserved our birthright.

As parents and teachers and social beings, we have another duty than that of not allowing the child to die out of our own hearts; upon us rests the responsibility of the perpetuation of the purity and the power of these little lives into their maturity. We have to mold their characters. We must add to their faith virtue. "Whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea."—New York Christian Advocate.

BLESSED—MOURNE—COMFORTED

Forde Otts

On Friday afternoon I stood above the remains of his child and performed the last sad rites prior to the burial of the body in the earth. O, how my heart went out to the mother, who, broken in grief, bowed tenderly over the beautiful face and sobbed: "My little baby! My little baby! How much mamma loved her little baby! Good-by, little darling, mamma will meet you in heaven some day." God bless every mother who has had to say "good-by" to her child.

Saturday brought me a busy day in my study I knew nothing of the happenings on the outside. After my pulpit ministrations had been performed on Sunday morning I walked down the street a little way to catch a breath of God's pure air. I heard an oath—an oath from him whose child had so recently gone to live with God. "Ah is it possible," I said to myself, "that any father can so soon forget the prattle of little feet, the touch of baby hands, and the music of a childish laugh?" What in all this world but rum can drive so quickly from a father's heart the tender memories of a departed child! I stood for a few moments looking upon that fearful scene. There were those who shared with the poor drunken father in the thought that life was to him now complete. Others passed him with indifference, while others passed and pitied. I too, pitied but that was not all, for on the walls of my soul the hand of the Holy Spirit had painted this scene, and in the dull ears of my heart God had spoken. And so in the deepness of the night I saw this poor man stagger up to his humble home. I saw his wife wear away the night as grief and fear combined to baffle sleep. I heard his uncertain steps upon the porch. I heard her speak lovingly to the man whom she called husband. I heard the blow that sent her in a heap to the floor. I heard another sob which was an echo from the casket in white. I heard him swear again and then I saw her pass out hurriedly into the night. And still I heard him curse—curse himself, curse his friends, curse his soul and God.

Wakeful till the last watch in the night, I cried out of my soul: "O God, I did not get drunk—I did not call upon thee to damn my soul—'twas not my staggering steps that sent terror into the heart of that little woman; I did not drive her into the night; Lord, let me sleep and rest!"

If God ere spoke to any seer He spoke to me: O, selfish man, wilt thou not bear the world's dread load of pain upon the shoulders of thy soul! Dost thou refuse to watch with me out yonder in Gethsemane where drops of troubled sweat do mingle free with willing blood! I honor thee to let thee bear His cross through wakeful hours, for every agony thy soul has felt was first a sob in hearts divine, and every tear that veils thine eye doth mingle with the tears of mine.

And so I shall not lay my burden down,
For God will make some day my cross a crown.

ON THE SUNNY SIDE

Rev. C. F. Sherrill

"If the dear Lord should send an angel down,
A seraph radient in his robes of light,
To do some menial service in our streets,
As breaking stones, we'll say, from morn till night;
Think you the faintest blush would rise
To marr the whiteness of his holy face?
Think you a thought of discontent could find
Within his perfect heart an abiding place?

I love to think the sweet will of God
Would seem as gracious in a seraph's eye
In the dark and miry crowded lanes of earth,
As in the ambrosial bowers of Paradise;
That these fair hands that lately swept the lyre,
Would not against their lowly task rebel,
But as they ever wrought his will in heaven,
Would work it here as faithfully and well."

* * * *

Christ never wrought a miracle for His own convenience or self-agrendizement. In behalf of others and never for Himself the miraculous power was exerted. He who fed the multitude by the miracle of multiplication refused to turn the stones into bread to satisfy His own hunger when He had fasted forty days. He who raised Lazarus from the grave refused to come down from the cross to save Himself. How devoid of all selfishness was the Christ! His first miracle was to add innocent joy on the marriage occasion. His last miracle was to heal the ear of the servant who was in the mob to arrest Him.

"He might have built a palace at a word,
Who sometimes had not where to lay His head;
He healed another's scratch; His own side bled;
Side, feet and hands with cruel piercings gored!
O wonderful the wonders left undone!
O self-restraint, passing human thought,
To have all power, and be as having none!"

* * * *

Jesus' first miracle was as perfect as His last. This is not the way of mere man. It is a long road from grandma's spinning wheel to the ten million dollar factory; from the pine-knot to the electric light that lights up a ciy; from the Indian dug-out to the ocean liner. Man never made but one thing beyond which he has made no progress—the violin. All God's ways are perfect. The first miracle of Jesus was as perfect as His last.

* * * *

Love conquers all barriers. It is a spark of fire from the heavenly altars. All true love is akin to the Divine love. It looks in smiles, speaks in kind and gentle words; but love reaches its crown in service and sacrifice. Hardy men of Scotland braved the storm and waded through snow and ice to stand by the grave in which William McClure was to be buried. No storm was ever too rough for this heroic soul to face when suffering called him. His life was one of service. Self-sacrifice was the passion of this great soul. Children cried in the streets when William the silent was dead. How he loved the children! And how they loved him! "Men, I cannot promise you ease, but only pain, hardship and death," said Garabaldi to his soldiers; but they flocked to his standard. They loved their general and they loved Italy.

A HUNDRED YEARS OF PEACE

Isn't it worth while to celebrate such a momentous fact? Again and again the United States and Great Britain have been uncomfortably close to a rupture of their international relations. During and after the Civil War the bonds of peace were severely strained; the Fenian raid on Canada was very provocative, but the Canadians and ourselves have not ceased to be good neighbors; the attitude of England on economical questions of vital concern to us aroused feelings in us akin to hatred. A dozen times one or the other nation talked war pretty seriously, but we passed the danger points safely and our international relations were never more satisfactory than now.

We have had differences, but amity, patience, good sense have entered into the diplomacy of each nation, and a hundred years have cemented our friendship and broadened our common understanding. There is no mutual enmity except toward war.

The glory of the hundred years is that, having had temptation and excuse for war, we avoided it. With other European nations, excepting only Spain, we have had no occasion for serious quarrel.

If lack of defenses and armed defenders invites war, what about our Northern boundary and our relations with Canada? Never for a moment have either the Canadians or ourselves regretted the absence of warships on the Lakes, or fortifications and armies on the nearly 4,000 miles of frontier. We might have had war, instead of continued peace, if the armies and armaments, the battleships and marines, had been at hand in force. At least that is what has happened in Europe, where the frontiers bristled with formidable fortifications, and big armies and navies were ready to take up any quarrel in earnest.

At all events, we have abundant occasion for thankfulness that we have restricted our wars during the century to three; and are we not persuaded that the Mexican, Civil and Spanish wars, if present conditions of civilization, sentiment and statesmanship had prevailed last century, would have been avoided?

Wherefore, with amity for all nations and malice toward none, let us for ourselves and for our young people and children, draw comfort and confidence from the lessons of the hundred years, and dedicate ourselves anew to the cause of peace for our own nation and for the world.

Sunday, February 14, 1915, is the day selected for the religious celebration. There will be no other observance at present if at all. An excellent program has been provided for the use of Sunday schools by the American Church Peace Centenary Committee, of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America. It has been approved by the Executive Committee of the Sunday School Council of Evangelical Denominations, and is furnished by the Sunday School Boards of the various denominations. The program has been printed by the Methodist Book Concern, New York, Cincinnati, and Chicago, and by the Central Bureau of Friends, 150 North Fifteenth Street, Philadelphia, and possibly by others.

An adaptation of the same program will be used in young people's meetings of Christian Endeavor, Epworth League, etc., on the same date.

All pastors are urged to prepare sermons for the occasion, setting forth the blessings of peace, and the evil effects of war, and showing how to avoid the most deadly and inhuman, the most cruel and costly, the most unreasonable method of deciding international differences. Pastors will shortly receive through the mail a suggestive letter with a pamphlet of 80 pages of selections from Professor Dunning's new book, "The British Empire and the United States."

Necessary inquiries may be addressed to the Chairman, 114 Woodward Building, Washington, D. C. H. K. Carroll, Chairman.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM FIELD

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. T. C. Jordan, pastor of Wentworth Circuit, was in the city on Friday of last week and called at the Advocate office. He is hopeful of a very prosperous and successful year on the Wentworth charge.

—We regret to learn of the illness of Rev. A. E. Wiley, one of our superannuates, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Hanes, at Henrietta. We sincerely hope he may soon be restored to health.

—Rev. T. A. Groce requests us to thank the following for contributions on the fund for seating Pisgah church: Mt. Pleasant S. S., H. L. King, Tr., $1.00; Sandy Mush S. S., J. M. Capps, Supt., $1.00; Sandy Mush, Philathea class, $1.00.

—Miss Mary J. Hines, daughter of Mrs. M. E. V. Hines, of Mount Airy, was brought to St. Leo's Hospital on Thursday, January 14, where she submitted to an operation for appendicitis. The friends will be glad to know that Miss Hines is rapidly recovering.

—Rev. W. A. Lambeth, pastor of Main St. church, Reidsville, was a welcome visitor at the Advocate office on Friday of last week. He was stopping over in the city on his return from the Missionary Institute in High Point.

—The Caroleen correspondent of the Rutherfordton Sun, says: Rev. M. B. Clegg, the new pastor of the Methodist churches here and at Henrietta, seems to be getting right hold of the work and his people, and they in turn are liking him very much.

—The Methodist Corner in the Mount Airy Times-Leader says: Brethren Sprinkle and Folger have been making a canvass looking to the raising of $300 with which to pay for a church lot in north Mount Airy. They are making good progress.

—Rev. Dr. J. H. Weaver, who has been on a rest and taking special treatment for awhile, returned to his work last week and his friends will be glad to learn that he is much improved and expects now to go right along with his work.

—We regret to learn that the family of Rev. J. W. Williams, of Marshville, has been very much afflicted recently, Mrs. Williams and her two children having been confined to their rooms for some time. We wish for them a speedy recovery.

—Rev. Dr. Charles W. Byrd was before the Committee in Raleigh last Thursday, along with other representative men in behalf of the bill which is now pending to establish a Reformatory for fallen women. There is strong sentiment behind this movement and we sincerely hope the bill will go through.

—Referring to the work of Rev. B. M. Jackson on the Lowesville circuit, the Lincoln County News says: "Rev. Mr. Jackson has a 'Ford,' but it will not ford mud that is deeper than its wheels are high. Despite the fact that his work is badly scattered and bad weather, he has scarcely missed an appointment this winter."

—Miss Lelia Tuttle, who, for several years, has been in mission work in China, visited Greensboro last Sunday and made a very interesting address at West Market Street Church on Sunday evening. Miss Tuttle works under the direction of the Woman's Council, and is supported by Central Church, Concord.

—The Charlotte Observer on Monday said that before his sermon on Sunday morning at Trinity church, Dr. T. F. Marr took occasion to express gratification over the number of children who are attending the preaching services, and his desire that they continue to do so. There is no surer evidence that Dr. Marr is sowing seed in good ground.

—Our congregation at Burkhead, Winston-Salem is rejoicing over the happy achievement of having paid the debt on the church. On a recent Sunday they burned the note in the presence of the congregation. A pretty good evidence that the debt has been fully satisfied. Rev. W. L. Hutchins, the pastor, says in a note to the editor: "We are all happy and ambitious for the future. Our church is a veritable bee-hive."

—Rev. John D. Pegram, of the North Carolina Conference, died at his home in Jonesboro, on Sunday, January 17th. Brother Pegram was a brother of Prof. Pegram, long a member of the faculty of Trinity College. He was also a brother-in-law of Rev. Dr. C. W. Byrd, of Greensboro, his first wife being a sister of Dr. Byrd. He was a good and faithful minister of the gospel and was honored by his Conference by being elected a delegate to the General Conference at Birmingham in 1906.

—The revival at Mt. Morenci, Sulphur Springs circuit, must have been genuine. Rev. T. A. Groce, the pastor, reporting, says: "It was a great revival for the church. There were 16 professions and 11 joined the church. Pledges amounting to $400.00 for missions, seven new family altars and a pounding amounting to $30.00 for the pastor." The pastor adds, "I love my people and am praying for a great year for Sulphur Springs circuit."

—Rev. N. M. Watson, of the Holston Conference, and pastor of Church Street, Knoxville, was a visitor in the city on Friday of last week and made a pleasant call at the Advocate office. Brother Watson was called to the State on account of the death of Mr. Murray, who lost his life in the tragedy on Pamlico Sound last week, and who was his brother-in-law. Mrs. Murray, who was the only survivor of the ill-fated party, is reported to be rapidly recovering.

—Work on the addition to the Main Street M. E. church is nearing completion—in fact as soon as the pews arrive the church will be ready to permit of services. This addition gives our Methodist friends a modern edifice, one of the largest in this part of the country. Pastor Lambeth has extracted a promise from Rev. W. F. Womble, a former minister of the church, to preach the opening sermon, at which time the organist of All Souls (Vanderbilt's) church at Biltmore, a warm friend of Mr. Lambeth, will give a recital on the handsome pipe organ recently installed in the Reidsville church.—Reidsville Review.

—The church at Spencer, under the leadership of their pastor, Rev. C. M. Pickens, enjoyed a get-together meeting a short while ago of which the Crescent says: "This is the first meeting of the character held in Spencer and we are free to state that same will be of great help to the membership of the Methodist church, for in these meetings they get closer together than in any other way possible. It is a fact that the membership of the various churches is not in the spirit that it should be for the reason, the members have not had the advantage of meeting in purely social meetings like the one held last evening.

—The school board of the city of Asheville last week elected Mrs. W. A. Newell, wife of Rev W. A. Newell, president of Weaver College, as supervisor of the work of the kindergartens and the primary grades. Mrs. Newell's office has just been created by the members of the committee and she will assume her new duties the first of the coming month. She will have general supervision of the younger students of the city schools and will organize two teachers' classes, one being composed of kindergarten teachers while the others will have instructors in the primary grades as its members. Regular meetings of the classes will be held by Mrs. Newell who will give instructions. Mrs. Newell is a graduate of the University of Chicago, and was for some years a member of the faculty of that institution. She is, by nature and training, adapted to this class of educational work, and the people of Asheville are to be congratulated on the opportunity of placing one so competent in every way at the head of this new department.

—Referring to the very interesting Missionary Institute held for the Statesville District, the Landmark says: The Missionary Institute, in session at Broad Street Methodist Church, closed Friday night with a strong address by Dr. C. W. Byrd, of West Market Sreet Church, Greensboro, on "Qualifications for Missionary Service." Dr. Byrd filled the place of Bishop Atkins, who failed to come. A large number of preachers and delegates in attendance left on the night trains Friday. The outstanding feature of the day programme on Friday was the address of Dr. E. K. McLarty on "Evangelism." The congregation was much moved by the earnestness of the speaker and the compelling force of the message. Almost the entire congregation came forward to the altar at the close of the service in response to an appeal to join with the preacher in a prayer of consecration. It seemed to be a return to the old-time Methodist fervor in the old-fashioned camp-meeting style of coming forward for prayer.

Iredell Circuit—While it has been our pleasure to be assigned work with the loyal people of this charge once more, we feel that a word of information to the members of the charge and to the loyal readers of the church paper, should be given in regard to the blank report in the Conference Minutes, which was quite a surprise to me. In referring to the Minutes of the Twenty-fourth Session you will find all claims recorded in full with a small surplus in report of the Conference claims. This year we gave a similar report with minor exceptions. Should any one desire further information we have receipts and their equivalents showing all assessments for Conference claims in full with a surplus of some twenty dollars. We note a small per cent. deficit in pastor's salary. We sincerely trust this report of the work will in a manner abridge the error.

With great expectation we have resumed the work, feeling assured that our most successful year's work here has begun. We request your prayers for victory and the salvation of many during the year. Yours fraternally,

P. H. Brittain.

Farmington Circuit—January the 1st was a good day at the parsonage. On this good day the people loaded our dining room table with good things to eat. One lady remembered the pastor's horse by sending him two bushels of oats. The second Sunday the pastor found a box filled with good things for the table waiting for him at Smith Grove. The pastor also found a box for him when he went to the Christmas exercises at Bethlehem. This pounding of the preacher has continued intermittently up to the present. It is also told on these good people that they never finally stop pounding their pastor.

Our first quarterly conference has passed into history. The people very highly enjoyed the preaching of our presiding elder, Dr. H. K. Boyer. Our financial report was encouraging. Farmington church made the best report, having paid a little more than one-fourth of their assessment. Naming the churches in the order according to reports, giving the best first, we have Farmington, Smith Grove, Wesley's Chapel, Ward's Chapel, Bethlehem and Huntsville. D. C. Ballard, P. C.

Belwood Charge—We always hail with delight the mail which brings the Advocate. Life to us would be dull without it. Among other things, we enjoy very much the items from the field sent in by the brethren. Very often we think of dispatching a line from the Belwood charge, but not being specially adapted to that kind of thing, excuse ourselves and so pass on. But "It's a long lane that never turns," so we stop to speak a word.

The Belwood charge is made up of churches in upper Cleveland, situated in a splendid farming section. The people as a rule are progressive and carry on their farm work in a scientific way. Some of our strong men have labored among the people of this charge. We mention here the lamented Dr. Hudson and our present and beloved R. M. Hoyle and Brother Comann, our general evangelist. They

have left their "foot prints" behind them. I find many who rise up and call them blessed. Other good and faithful men have wrought well here.

Under the supervision of the Conference, Belwood once had a flourishing school. Some of our very efficient young preachers, such, for instance, as Loy D. Thompson, of Marion; O. J. Jones, of Wilkesboro, and J. M. Rowland, of the Virginia Conference, laid deep and broad the foundation for future study and learning here. We have now within the bounds of the charge a splendid State High School at Fallston, and the Piedmont School, which has in the neighborhood of two hundred boarding students. Many of our young people take advantage of the splendid opportunities which these schools offer.

Belwood has done well in contributing to the growth of our Central church in Shelby, giving to it such men as the late Capt. Hoyle, Barnie B. Baber, Horace Thompson, O. E. Ford and W. D. Lackey. These men, together with their estimable families, make strength anywhere. But we have just as good as we have given. We have a great many people on the Belwood circuit, who are really loyal to the church and who love God in sincerity and truth. They are the kind which sanctify the earth by living on it. They want to see things move up and out, get up and go. I feel sorry for any Methodist preacher who does not admire that kind of spirit anywhere.

We are now in our second year on this charge. We are praying that it may be the best of the two. The fruits which attended our labors last year encourage us to look for greater things this year. During 1914 the pastor spent one hundred and nineteen nights away from the parsonage and was engaged for seven long weeks in revival work, witnessed something like one hundred and fifty conversions and reclamations, and received thirty-nine on profession of faith. Yet so much had to be left undone.

In spite of the very depressed conditions financially, the salaries were raised above that of the preceding year and paid in full. Every dollar was paid on the collections ordered by the Conference. We were asked for 12 new subscribers to the Advocate and secured 13. But weather conditions have been such for the last two months that we have not had our usual congregations. In this lies one great defficulty in getting ourselves properly organized for the New Year. We find work rapidly accumulating. During the time which we have been shut in by weather we have kept ourselves busy reading and studying "Asbury's Journals," "Taking Men Alive," by Charles Trumbull; "The Great Revivals and the Great Republic," by our Bishop Candler, and other works of this nature. With the increased inspiration which these things have brought we are ready to confess that the work and toil of pulling through the mud and crossing the swollen streams have been greatly lessened. Thank God for such heroes of the past! But this is all too long. Pardon me for one more word. Many tokens of appreciation have come to us all along. Our Lawndale church made us joyful by dispatching a box of good things during the holidays. Then later came two wagons from our noble people at Palmtree and they carried many things that are really substantial. May they be repaid tenfold. J. F. Moser.

Morganton District Institute

The Institute for the Morganton District met in the Forest City church Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 13-14, 1915. Rev. J. E. Gay, the presiding elder, presided over all the services. A. C. Swafford was elected secretary. The program as published in Advocate of January 7th, with slight variations, was followed. Wednesday was devoted to the discussion of the social service work, missionary interests and lay activities.

Rev. E. E. Williamson spoke on the subject, How to conserve the social service committee, emphasizing individual responsibility and urging this committee to be made up of men and women who would work tactfully and earnestly to lead the unsaved to the church and to Christ.

Financial Plans for the District was discussed by Rev. J. E. Gay, E. E. Williamson, J. A. Frye, Albert Sherrill and the District Lay Leader, F. J. Chapman. The plan in outline is: —Every-member Canvass; Every-member Assessment; Early Missionary Collections; Envelope System; Every-preaching-day payment on pastor's salary; Support a missionary in Brazil through Sunday School Special Some Reasons Why We Failed; How We May Succeed; Difficulties and How to Overcome Them, were discussed by Revs. H. L. Powell, A. C. Swafford and Albert Sherrill.

Rev. J. L. Smith addressed the Institute on Home Missions. Rev. H. L. Powell gave a very interesting talk on Foreign Missions, giving us many personal experiences of the work in Cuba, on which field he served as missionary for nearly four years.

Rev. M. B. Clegg made a splendid address on the subject of "Missions in the Sunday School," speaking of the great importance of the work of training the children in missions and emphasizing the attitude of our church toward the children.

Thursday was a very interesting day. The general thought for the day was Evangelism. Rev. H. H. Mitchell spoke on the subject of Every Pastor His Own Evangelist. At eleven o'clock Rev. E. K. McLarty, D. D., of Tryon Street Church, Charlotte, gave a great address on Evangelism. Such a service as we had that day will be long remembered by those present. The Spirit's presence was manifest almost from the beginning of his opening remarks until the closing words of the prayer of consecration which followed the address. The message was one of unusual power and rang true to Methodist ideals. Not only did we get to the mountain top of joy, but many of us were determined then and there to return to our charges and by the Spirit's help, strive to promote genuine revivals in all our churches.

In the afternoon Dr. Frank Siler spoke on the "Support of the Ministry, Sunday School Work, and gave a survey of the conditions of the world.

In the evening Bishop Atkins was expected, but could not attend. Dr. C. W. Byrd, who was to fill his place on the program, also failed to report, much to the disappointment of the large congregation present. The hour was consumed by addresses by Revs. Albert Sherrill and E. E. Williamson.

A circulating library was established.

The District will probably publish a Bulletin.

It was a very interesting and profitable meeting and the people of Forest City gave the visitors a royal reception and hospitable entertainment. Brother Bowles made us all debtors to him for his many kindnesses. The new church is splendid. "It's a beauty," and a temple of God of which the town should feel proud.

A. C. Swafford, Sec.

Morganton, N. C.

Statesville Missionary and Evangelistic Institute

I desire a little space this week in order to give a brief report of our very interesting and profitable Institute which has just concluded a two day's session in Broad Street Church, Statesville. Those who have ever been fortunate enough to be associated with Dr. Mann, know that he never undertakes anything in a half-hearted fashion. The Statesville Institute held Jan. 14 and 15 reflected his thorough going characteristics, his intimate knowledge of conditions and men, his clear insighn and broad, statesman-like leadership of things pertaining to the Kingdom of Christ.

The Institute was especially fortunate in the personnel of its members, and especially those who engaged in the discussions. Besides the preachers and lay delegates of this district, most of whom were present, there were present Miss Lelia Tuttle, missionary to China; Frank Siler, the eloquent and ubiquitous advocate for missions; E. K. McLarty, the prophet-like champion of Evangelism; C. W. Byrd, the magnetic orator, and preacher; J. W. Jones, our optimistic insurance man, ever bubbling over with "talk," and pure love for men, and last but not least, R. L. Snow, the efficient, business-like lay leader of the Statesville district.

The first session on Thursday morning was given over largely to discussions by local speakers to the general theme of Evangelism. The presiding elder, after a brief devotional service, outlined in a few well chosen words the work and purposes of the Institute, emphasizing the great need for a ministry whose chief purpose is the salvation of souls, and for ministers who have been quickened by the evangel of God in preparation for their great work.

Following, Rev. C. L. McCain, of the Statesville circuit, discussed briefly, but clearly, and forcefully, "A Revival—the best method for bringing it about. These were, in the opinion of the speaker: (1) a pastor thoroughly in love with his work; (2) the co-operation of the church; (3) good music. Rev. J. W. Jones next spoke, in his inimitable way, on the same subject. "I don't agree with the preceding speaker in one thing," began he. "I believe in preaching doctrinal sermons during protracted services, not the dry-as-dust, controversial kind, but live, instructive sermons on great scripture themes. That word doctrine is all right. Don't it come from doceo, 'I teach,' Prof. Biles? Yes, it's all right. As I said, have one central idea, and let your whole preaching cluster around this theme. Repentance, Sin, Faith, Confession and all that line of vital doctrine, that makes you feel like saying, 'Why, I want that man's religion and must have it.' Some of our preaching is so inapplicable and scattering that if the subject was small-pox the revival would never catch it."

Rev. G. W. Fink discussed very fully and interestingly the Pastor as Evangelist, and made the point, which can not be emphasized too often, that the preacher, to be a Holy Ghost preacher, must have himself had a Holy Ghost experience. "This," he said, "is the secret of power, of success in evangelistic work." Very helpful talks were made in the general discussions following by Rev. C. M. Campbell, pastor of Race St., Statesville, and others.

Speaking on "Things that Help Protracted Meetings," Rev. W. M. Biles, of Newton, said: (1) advertise your meetings; (2) interest the children; (3) have cottage prayer meetings. "God moves in this old world as man moves," said the speaker. "God can work only as man co-operates. The Kingdom of God is not a small business. There is nothing small in the work of the pastor."

"The relation of good music to a successful revival and how to provide it for a country church," was interestingly discussed by Rev. J. W. Jones.

Full collections and how to secure them, was the interesting theme assigned to Rev. T. J. Ogburn, of Mt. Zion and Huntersville. The Institute requested Brother Ogburn to send a copy of this address to the Advocate for publication.

Dr. McLarty's appeal on behalf of Evangelism on Friday morning was a masterpiece, and must be heard to be appreciated. Dr. Byrd was sent to take the place of Bishop Atkins, and won golden opinions for himself in his clear-cut, convincing style, and forceful delivery. The Conference enjoyed thoroughly the address on Thursday night by Miss Lelia Tuttle, teacher in McTyeire School for Girls, Shanghai, China. Miss Tuttle made a very interesting display of Chinese garments, etc., which was interspersed with explanations of Chinese customs and sidelights on their life, manners, etc.

This report would not be complete without reference to Miss Gertrude Allen, who was introduced by the presiding elder, as probably the youngest Sunday school superintendent in Southern Methodism. This is an honor for which Statesville district feels proud. Miss Allen is a mere slip of a girl, 14 years old, who lives on the Alexander circuit, and has been regularly elected to the superintendency of their local school. In answer to my question, she said very modestly, "We began with four children, besides my own brothers and sisters, in an old house, which I had swept and prepared. Now we have 39 scholars. I love the work very much, and I would like to give my life as a foreign missionary if they will have me."

E. O. Smithdeal, Sec.,
L. T. Mann, P. E.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, Asheville, N. C.

THE MUSTARD SEED

One planted a seed—'twas a little thing
To sow in the field of his Lord and King—
A grain of mustard. It grew and spread
Till it sheltered the weary toiler's head,
And under its branches sweet songsters rare
Sang hymns of praise as they nested there.
And he who had planted the tiny seed
Forgot his shame at the humble deed.

And one gave life—'twas a little thing,
But 'twas all that he had to give to his King.
The Master sent him where darkness dwelt,
Where the blind and lame to strange idols knelt;
'Twas a lonely land but he looked above
As he brought to the hopeless the message of love.
And many whose gropings had been in vain
To the life of the Spirit were born again.
And his life, poured out for a world in need,
Was multiplied like the mustard seed!
—William Merrell Vories, Hachiman, Omi, Japan.

ANNUAL MEETING

Tomorrow evening at eight o'clock in Tryon Street Church, Charlotte, will convene the Third Annual Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the W. N. C. Conference. For many weeks this meeting has been looked forward to with pleasurable anticipation by the workers throughout the Conference and daily many prayers have ascended for God's blessings upon this gathering of his stewards. This will be one of the most important meetings which we have ever held and we trust the greatest. Many questions of vital importance are to be discussed and every phase of the work will be brought out in a most forcible and interesting manner.

It will be very gratifying to our workers to know that besides the officials of our own Conference we will have as visitors Mrs. Hume R. Steele, Educational Secretary of the Board of Missions; Mrs. James Atkins, formerly Corresponding Secretary of the Home Department of our Conference, who has just returned from a visit of several months to the Orient; Miss Leila Judson Tuttle, of McTyeire School, Shanghai, China; Miss Frank Miller, Deaconess of Winston-Salem; Rev. Frank Siler, Missionary Secretary of the W. N. C. Conference; Mr. W. R. Lynch, Welfare Worker, of Spray, N. C., and Bishop Atkins who will deliver the sermon on Sunday morning.

PROGRAM OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY W. N. C. CONFERENCE

Tryon St. Church, Charlotte

Friday Afternoon—3 O'clock

Executive meeting and conference of District Secretaries.

Friday Evening—8 O'clock

Devotional Service—Pastor.
Greetings.
President's Message—Mrs. L. H. Robertson.
Financial Survey—Mrs. P. N. Peacock; Mrs. R. L. Hoke.
Social Hour.

Saturday Morning

Devotional Service—Mrs. James Atkins.
Organization.
Report of Corresponding Secretary, Foreign Department—Mrs. L. W. Crawford.
Report of Corresponding Secretary, Home Department—Mrs. Frank Siler.
Report of Third Vice-President—Miss Cora Earp.
Report of Fourth Vice-President—Mrs. H. A. Dunham.
Report of Superintendent of Supplies—Mrs. J. L. Woltz.
Report of Superintendent of Publicity—Mrs. W. R. Harris.
Report of Distributor of Literature—Mrs. W. C. Houston.
Noon Hour—Memorial Service—Mrs. Frank Siler.

Saturday Afternoon

Devotional Service—Miss Frank Miller.
Reports of District Secretaries.
Meetings of Committees.

Saturday Evening

Reception to young people at Trinity Church.
Meetings of Committees.

Sunday

11 a. m., Sermon—Bishop James Atkins.
3 p. m., Children's Hour.
8 p. m., Address—Bishop James Atkins.

Monday Morning

Devotional Service—Miss Lelia Tuttle.
Report of First Vice-President—Mrs. Mattie H. Stewart.
Two-minute reports of lady managers.
Institute on New Form of Organization—Mrs. Hume R. Steele, Educational Secretary Board of Missions.
Address—Mrs. James Atkins.
Noon Bible Study—Mrs. Hume R. Steele.

Monday Afternoon

Devotional Service—Mrs. H. A. Dunham.
Report of Second Vice-President—Mrs. Plato Durham.
Two-minute reports of young people delegates.
Discussion—Who Has the Larger Opportunity, the Young Woman Who Goes or the Young Woman Who Stays—Misses Aleez Aycock and Helen Weaver, Greensboro College for Women.
Unfinished Reports.

Monday Evening

Our Fields—Mrs. Hume R. Steele; Miss Leila Tuttle.

Tuesday Morning

Devotional Service—Miss Terrie Buttrick.
Report of City Mission Boards, Asheville—Winston-Salem.
Report of Committee on Social Service.
Discussion—The Need and Method of Co-operation Between Church and State in Social Service—Mr. W. R. Lynch, Welfare Worker, Spray, N. C.
Report of Committee on Extension of Work.
Discussion—Correlation of the Missionary Forces of the Church—Rev. Frank Siler, Conference Missionary Secretary.
Pledging for the Conference.
Noon Hour of Intercession for World Peace—Leader, Mrs. Hume R. Steele.

Tuesday Afternoon

Devotional Service.
Unfinished Reports.
Election of Officers.
Place of Next Meeting.

Tuesday Evening

Closing Session.
Executive Meeting.

OFFICERS OF REIDSVILLE AUXILIARY

President Mrs. Lucy Trotter; 1st vice-president, Mrs. Wm. Ballard; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Alvis Pearson; recording secretary, Mrs. E. D. Watt; corresponding secretary, Mrs. D. R. Allen; treasurer, Mrs. A. L. Harris; superintendent of mission study and publicity, Mrs. A. Wilkinson; superintendent of social service, Mrs. J. D. Huffines; superintendent of supplies, Mrs. W. S. Blackwell; agent of Missionary Voice, Mrs. Florence Brooks.

INSTALLATION SERVICE AT CENTRAL CHURCH, ASHEVILLE, N. C.

A most interesting meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of Central Church, Asheville, N. C., was held Monday afternoon, January 18. This was the pledge meeting and notwithstanding the downpour of rain, there was a goodly attendance of members and visitors. Several interesting readings and talks relative to the pledge were given, and much interest was manifested in making the pledges for this year. The society supports its own missionary in China, Miss Frances Burkhead, Davidson Memorial School, Soochow, and the members feel that the living link is a great inspiration to them in their work. A highly impressive feature of the afternoon meeting was the installation of the officers, by Rev. J. H. Barnhardt, pastor of the church, the service used being that suggested by the council. At the close of the meeting, tea and sandwiches were served. The society has raised during the past year all its assessment and starts out in 1915 with most encouraging prospects.

HAS CHRISTIANITY FAILED?

The papers are much exercised with the question as to whether Christianity has failed or not, and many of them say it has failed.

Christianity has not failed. Any man who reads his Bible will see that Christianity has not failed. Hypocrisy has failed, as it always will; but not Christianity. Christianity has not failed any more than Truth has failed when a liar is apprehended; or than Love has failed when a divorce is granted, or the Sun has failed when night comes on.

Do not people marry who have never loved? How then can their parting be charged up to the failure of Love?

Do not men pretend to stand for decency who are themselves living indecent lives? How then can Honor and Truth be called failure when their perfidy is discovered?

The truth is the Anglo-Saxon is not now and never has been a Christian in the true sense of the word. "What," you ask then, "is a Christian?" And the answer is found in the Constitution of Christianity, the "Sermon on the Mount," found in the Bible, in the Gospel according to St. Matthew, chapters 5 to 7 inclusive.

When Jesus Christ was upon the earth in the flesh, He had to speak very plainly to the church people of his times. He called them hypocrites, likened them to whited sepulchres, etc. They had the form of Godliness, but not the spirit. They made professions but they did not believe. They uttered prayers, but never prayed. It does not matter that they called themselves sincere. They were sincere only because they were shallow and refused to look the facts in the face. Whenever they looked facts in the face, as St. Paul did, whereas they thought they were "blameless" they would see that they were "wretched."

So today the Christian nations are Christian only in profession, only when it is easy. They have been evangelized; they have not yet become Christianized. That is, the gospel has been preached among them and to a large extent they have assented to it; and indeed accepted it as an ideal; but no nation has yet accepted the gospel of Jesus as a practical working basis of government.

We cannot say Christianity has failed until it has been accepted. We are not Christian. The "Christian Church" is not Christian to say nothing of the nations. We repeat Christianity has not failed. Jesus Christ did not die in vain, or live in vain. Shall we need less of Christianity because of this war? Does not the war show as nothing else the need of Christianity? Does not the war show more than anything else that the only safety is in Christian brotherhood? We can not leave the world to the ambitions of ungodly men and have permanent safety and prosperity. There is but one refuge and that is in Christianity as fiducia (trusting faith).

Christianity has not conquered the world yet. That much is true, and that is all that is true. So the true Christian needs to gird his armor on for the battle against Satan and Sin and fight the harder. We have not failed; we have just not won.

Remember that this world is young yet. Man has not yet put his foot, so far as we know, on all parts of the globe. We have perhaps millions of years to go.

A boy may take up the study of medicine. His friends may call him "Doctor" as they often do, as soon as he matriculates. He may get a little inflated in his freshman year, and "palm" himself off on the ignorant as a real doctor. And in the same way this world is not Christian though we sometimes pretend to be.

But can Christianity show progress? Certainly. The method of warfare, horrible as it is, is a sign of Christianity's success. International law which limits war and makes impossible the brutalities of twenty centuries ago, is the result of Christian influence. The very horror we have is the result of the gradual dominion of a Christian conscience.

Christianity is emancipating woman. Christianity has brought popular education. Christianity has filled the land with hospitals ("visited the sick"). Christianity has changed our method of dealing with criminals. Christianity has abolished slavery. Christianity is democratising government. Christianity is substituting industrial civilization in the place of a military civilization. Christianity is eliminating competition in business. Christianity is introducing social justice. And a thousand other things Christianity has done. Decade after decade, century after century, Christianity's dominion over mankind is gradually spreading; and there is hope that ere this old world is dissolved Jesus Christ may reign from pole to pole.

In the midst of war Christianity is not one whit daunted, acknowledges no defeat, but reports progress and greater hope. If the world is convinced that it is not Christian, Christianity will be the gainer. If we all come forth with a clearer idea of just what Christianity is and the task of Christianizing the nation is, then we shall all be the gainers.—Christian Recorder.

HELP WANTED LADIES

Ladies of character may earn nice income at home every month taking orders from friends for REIF'S high class Toilet Articles, Fairy Creme, Perfume, Food Flavoring Extracts and full line. Liberal commission paid. This is for married or single women, young or old. References required. Get our free Instruction book. We teach you how to succeed from the start. Honorable, dignified work. Write now and get territory and beautiful sample case.
United Stores Drug Co., 813 Cherry Street, Chattanooga, Tenn.

RECIPE FOR GRAY HAIR

To half pint of water add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbo Compound, and ¼ oz. of glycerine. Apply to the hair twice a week until it becomes the desired shade. Any druggist can put this up or you can mix it at home at very little cost. Full directions for making and use come in each box of Barbo Compound. It will gradually darken streaked, faded gray hair, and removes dandruff. It is excellent for falling hair and will make harsh hair soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off.

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

How have you started out the New Year? Have you made new plans for a "Better League in 1915?" If you have not. do so at once.

At the cabinet meeting in December in was decided that a short discussion of the topic for the week should appear in the Advocate columns each week. Rev. O. P. Ader has consented to prepare this discussion each week. We hope that it will be helpful.

We give below a paper written by Miss Estelle Crowell, Secretary of the Salisbury District, which she read at the Salisbury Church, on "The Epworth League." It is a splendid paper and we hope every Leaguer and pastor will read it. She reports that they are ready to organize a League in Salisbury. We hope to have a report from them soon.

EPWORTH LEAGUE

In the last two decades rapid strides have been made in the conforming of the spirit of church work more exactly with the ideals of youth. Young people have proved their value in the complex machinery of the kingdom. Today they hold responsibilities that used to be the exclusive monopolies of their fathers and mothers. In every field of usefulness and in every department of organization they are acknowledged as co-workers and leaders.

Just twenty-five years ago a number of young people's missionary societies, previously existing in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, were organized into a cooperative union with a district constitution and plan of work. This movement was widespread, though not of great strength numerically and it was non-denominational.

The name of this organization is Epworth League and it's purpose is, "The promotion of piety and loyalty to our church among the young people, their education in church history, and their encouragement in works of grace and charity." The sum of all this is consecration, preparation and service. Its chief end is to make religion the life and business of the young and to show the beauty of piety.

There are three kinds of chapters, Senior, Intermediate and Junior. The Senior chapter embraces young people between the ages of fifteen and thirty. The Junior chapter embraces boys and girls from the ages of seven to sixteen. The age limit of the Intermediate is from fourteen to seventeen.

A special provision has been made for boys from twelve to eighteen. They may organize a chapter having only boys of their own age for members. They may secure a separate charter and conduct all their work entirely apart from the girls and older boys. This chapter is known as the Boys' League.

There are two kinds of members of an Epworth League chapter. Active members are those who take part in the distinctively spiritual work of the chapter. They are required to subscribe or assent to the Epworth League rule: "The application to daily life of our motto, 'All for Christ.'" Or, with the approval of the pastor and the council, this as an aid to the realization of the Epworth League motto, "All for Christ," I will make it the practice of my life to read the Bible and pray at some specified hour each day, to be faithful in attending the services of my own church and will endeavor each week to bring some one to the church service or otherwise do some personal work for the salvation of souls. Associate members are those who are not professing Christians, but who attend the chapter meeting and take part in such features of the program as they may elect.

There are four departments of Epworth League work: namely, the Department of Worship and Evangelism, Department of Social Service, Department of Culture and Recreation, and the Department of Missionary Work.

The true business of the first department, that of worship and evangelism, is to give to young people a personal sense of the nearness of God. A fuller answer would be that the first department aims to help young people express the admiration and reverence they feel for God and also to lead them to form the habit of complete dependence upon Him. "To prepare the heart with a message and to loosen the tongue with enthusiasm for speaking the truth is the finished work of the First Department."

The aim of the second department, Social Service, is (1) to give relief to the oppressed, the afflicted and the needy, (2) to seek to prevent evils which arise from causes that may be removed and (3) to lend a helping hand in all worthy undertakings as opportunity may be found.

The purpose of the third department is to improve the social powers of young people by developing their intellects and broadening their sympathies. Real social life is impossible without some degree of intellectual improvement. A common interest among young people, be it a book, a person or an experience furnishes a basis of fellowship. To multiply the common interests of any group is to add and elevate. their social life. "Social means companionable." Conversation depends upon ideas possessed in common by a number of people. The more ideas the more freely will the talk flow. Hence, this department fails embarrassingly in its attempt to conduct "socials" unless it seeks diligently to stimulate, nourish and direct the intellectual life. This department is probably the most attractive to most boys and girls. The programs for these meetings are many and varied. Among others these are sugested: "Have an evening with a great author, an essay or essays on his works and character, with quotations from his writings by members of the League." "Take a nation, modern or ancient, discuss its customs, religion, history, peoples, and its end or future. 'The Leaguers may add interest to this by wearing simple imitations of costumes or otherwise in their dress suggesting national manners." "Have an evening with the martyrs (as Huss, Fox, Cranmer, Savonarola); with eminent Methodists and other Christian heroes as Bunyan, Knox, à Kempis, Wycliffe and Carey." A "debating club" will furnish endless enjoyment and bring astonishing benefit.

When apparent Christian activity has no missionary side it is really unchristian and selfish. The Epworth League needs the missionary objective to call forth its best energies and develop its highest life. The section relating to this department in the constitution of the Senior League is as follows: "The Department of Missionary Work shall promote an interest in and disseminate intelligence of the work of missions at home and abroad; provide for mission study classes, the collection of a missionary library and other help; appoint leaders and provide for the monthly missionary meeting; and collect, take charge of and disburse money for missionary purposes under the direction of the pastor and cabinet."

Now let us see what have been some of the contributions of the League to the church. The General Secretary of the League affirms that scarcely a young man enters the ministry but who has been a central figure in some chapter. And it is a fair estimate that at least one thousand men are in the ministry of our own church through the spiritual work of the League. Sixteen missionaries from the South Georgia League alone are now in the foreign field. A secretary of the Board of Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church sat down at a breakfast in India with one hundred missionaries who had all come through the League. The Epworth League hastened by several years the opening of Korea, practically made possible the establishment of the Cuban mission and today is undertaking the entire support of the work in that field.

Do we need an Epworth League in our church? Do we want an Epworth League in our church? Can we have an Epworth League in our church? If not, why not?

Standard Form Collection Envelopes

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

HOLT'S CHAPEL

FOR PASTOR'S SALARY

AMOUNT

Name ..... | Dollars | Cents |

Date.....191....

MISSIONS AND CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

MOUNT ZION CHURCH

Name..... | Dollars | Cents |

Date .....

$1.90 for 1000, delivered

$1.40 for additional 1000, delivered

FOR EITHER FORM

This price is based on using the above forms, changing name of church only. The large envelope is manila, and of the quality regularly used for Pastor's Salary collections. The small envelope can be furnished in white, green or cherry. Its difference in color and size from the Pastor's Salary form makes it ideal for Missions and Conference Collections.

If special form is desired the price will average $2.40 for the first 1000, and $1 40 for additional 1000's, delivered.

Special rates on large quantities.

The Advocate Press, Greensboro, N. C.

A Big ? You Decide: The School: The Methods: The Results:

A Few Reasons Why You Should Enroll With Us

We teach Stenotypy, the fastest method of writing. Our *courses* teach you to *know*. We *train* you to *grasp* your *opportunity*. Latest improved methods. Your choice of *nine* different systems of *shorthand, two of them hold world's record* for *speed* and *accuracy*.

Rates and terms most reasonable. *Real business courses* as taught at a *real commercial college*. Results unequalled. Twenty-five students recently placed in positions.

Write for further information and terms. Do not put off this important step.

CENTRAL BUSINESS COLLEGE, ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

T. S. SPRADLIN, President

PAPER SHELL PECAN TREES.

Best varieties. Choice stock. Our reputation is our best salesman. If you buy 200 or more trees we will dynamite your land and plant your trees FREE. **CORDELE NURSERIES, Cordele, Georgia**

Our Children's Home

Conducted by Walter Thompson, Supt.

A PRESSING CALL

Below is a copy of the letter sent to our Sunday school superintendents:

January 20, 1915.

Dear Brother:—

January 31st is the 5th Sunday.

The Home is under the greatest pressure in its history—just as all Charitable agencies have been hard pressed to meet necessary demands for help during the past few months.

While our calls have been more urgent, our income since Conference has been very small indeed. The 5th Sunday in November was bad and we have received less than half what we usually receive from a 5th Sunday Collection.

Here is a letter which I have just received. I should be glad to have you read it to your school on the 4th Sunday:

"About a year ago we organized a little Methodist Church in the eastern part of this city which is known as East M. E. Church. It now has a membership of about twenty-nine who are all approximately poor people. We have one especially who is in very needy circumstances and who deserves help, and while I attempt to write this letter I do so with tears in my eyes and prayers in my heart for this Mother and little ones.

"We have stood by this Home and helped until we have come to the definite conclusion that something else must be done. One member of this little Church visited this Mother and Children yesterday with some food supplies and upon arrival found that not a mouthful had been eaten there that day with the exception of a few small turnips which their poor neighbors had given them.

"This Widow wants to get her children in your Orphanage if possible, and if you have the remotest idea that you can take these children which I hope and pray that you can then will you kindly let me hear from you by return mail relative to the matter and I will gladly come over and bring the Mother to see you before entering the Children that you may know exactly the infelicitous condition."

The above is not an unusual letter. If we do anything to help, it is because you enable us to do so by your help.

May we not have a good contribution?

Very truly yours
Walter Thompson,
Superintendent.

RECEIVED ON SPECIAL, GENERAL AND TEN PER CENT. COLLECTIONS

Wadesboro Methodist Church, Wadesboro, Rev. Geo. D. Herman, $40.00; Mooresville Church, Mooresville, Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, $25.00; Highlands Church, Glenville, Rev. W. C. Bowden, $30.00; Mrs. Hugh Chatham, Winston, $200.00; Mrs. Etta Parlier, Winston, $5.00; A Friend, $5.00; Wadesboro Methodist Church, Wadesboro, Rev. Geo. D. Herman, $25.00; Boone Charge, Boone, Rev. D. P. Waters, $3.00. Total, $333.00.

FIFTH SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Shady Grove Sunday School, East Bend, W. H. Hindal, $1.00; Advance Sunday School, Advance, F. M. Markland, $3.00. Total, $4.00.

BUILDING FUND

Men's Bible Class, Hickory, W. A. Rudisill, $75.00; J. H. Pitts, Catawba, $25.00; Hon. Lee S. Overman, Salisbury, $37.50; Miss Anna Lankford, Saluda, $5.00; A. S. Moore, Saluda, $2.00; Mrs. M. W. Rice, Candler, $5.00; W. A. Snyder, North Wilkesboro, $5.00. Total, $154.50.

THE DECLARATION OF AMERICA

We, the citizens of the American Continent, embracing peoples of every race and tongue, affording a true demonstration of the brotherhood of man, being about to commemorate the one hundredth year of unbroken peace along three thousand miles of unfortified boundary, do hereby solemnly publish and declare that the time has come for the peace-loving powers of the world to unite in a League of Nations, founded on such principles, and organized in such form, as shall conduct to the preservation of life, liberty and happiness throughout every quarter of the world.

We hold these truths to be self-evident:

1st. That "this is assuredly the opportunity for which a people and a government like ours were raised up, the opportunity not only to speak, but actually to embody and exemplify the counsel of peace and amity."—(President Woodrow Wilson in his latest message to Congress.)

2nd. That the great masses of citizens of one nation have no real hatred for the people of any other nation.

3rd. That there is no dispute that can arise between nations which cannot be satisfactorily settled by arbitration or by the Hague Court of Arbitral Justice.

4th. That while it should be our constant policy to make provision for national peace and safety, it is essential in so far as possible, to secure the co-operation of all other nations.

5th. That the foremost efforts of the American people should now be directed to the task of preventing the recurrence of war rather than to preparations for war.

6th. That the union of the peace-loving nations in a League of Peace should create the greatest possible strength for defense—far greater than any one nation could create alone.

7th. That the two most dangerous factors to be eliminated from future international affairs are: 1st, the "Competition of Armaments" which can and must be superceded by union and co-operation of military forces; 2nd, Secrecy in the conduct of diplomatic negotiations.

8th. That neither any nation as a whole, nor any class of persons, save manufacturers of armaments and munitions, derive any benefits from the ravages of war.

9th. That the agents of armament builders are continually perpetrating international disputes and agitating for greater armaments which, in turn, are bound to result in successive disasters if allowed to continue.

10th. That with the World unorganized as at present and practical anarchy existing in international affairs, the Armament Ring holds governments under absolute despotism. These persons are striving for unlimited military and naval expenditures, and go on inventing war scares to terrify the public and to terrify government officials.

11th. That the most pressing duty of civilization at this moment is to make itself stable and permanent by substituting unity of action through a League of Nations for the present disastrous chaos upon which the Armament Ring thrives.

12th. That the Nations of the League should mutually agree to respect the neutrality and sovereignty of each other.

13th. That in order to provide for the common defense and to insure permanency, the Nations of the League should create a powerful Exchequer to be known as the Hague Treasury, which shall hold a large Guaranty Fund.

14th. That the Nations of the League should bind themselves to abide by the conventions of the League, each Nation depositing with the Hague Treasury a sum equal to one-third of its appropriations for armament expended in the year 1913; and in succeeding years, beginning with 1916, each Nation should pay into the Hague Treasury a sum equal to one-third of its appropriation for armament during the year.

15th. That the Nations of the League should perpetuate the Hague Conference as its Legislative Assembly, meeting periodically to make all rules to become law unless vetoed by the Nations within a stated period.

16th. That all questions that cannot be settled by diplomacy should be arbitrated or referred to the Hague Court.

17th. That treaties, conventions and the legislation of the Hague Conference should be enforced under penalty of forfeiting the Guaranty Fund previously deposited with the Hague Treasury by each signatory Nation and of expulsion from the League.

18th. That the Nations should disarm to the point where the combined forces of the League shall be one hundred per cent. higher than those of the most heavily armed Nations outside of the League.

19th. That the combined forces of the League should be maintained for defensive purposes and should be under the command of an Executive Council, having recourse to the Hague Fund.

20th. That any Nation outside the League should have permission at all times to join the League by signing the articles of agreement, and, by depositing with the Hague Treasury the stipulated guaranty fund amounting to one-third of its average annual appropriation for armament in the three years immediately preceding the year of its application for membership.—Niagara Executive Peace Committee .

Firmly believing in the need of immediate action, we do hereby petition our President and elected representatives in our federal government to invite all governments of the World to appoint delegates who shall meet at Niagara Falls, N. Y., on the twenty-fourth day of May, 1915, or immediately thereafter, for the purpose of constituting a permanent League of Nations in which all military and naval forces may be united in order to promote national safety and to facilitate the judicial settlement of international disputes.

_____
_____
_____ } COMMITTEE.
_____
_____

DONATIONS IN KIND

Woman's Missionary Society, Newton, Mrs. Ida Trollinger, 2 barrels of notions, canned fruit, etc.

LAYMEN'S MISSIONARY MOVEMENT, PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN U. S., CHARLOTTE, N. C., FEBRUARY 16-18, 1915

For the above occasion Southern Railway has granted greatly reduced round trip fares from all points. Tickets to be sold on February 14th and 15th, also for trains scheduled to reach Charlotte by noon February 16th. Final limit of tickets midnight of February 22nd.

For detailed information, Pullman reservations, etc., apply to any Agent Southern Railway, or,

R. H. DeButtes, D. P. A., Charlotte, N. C.

It is, therefore, a superficial and mocking theory of human happiness which concerns itself mainly with circumstances. What is wanted is a principle which will put all accidental conditions in their right place, and persistently remind man that "the life is more than bread," and that apparent failure may be real success.—Joseph Parker.

MISSIONARY NOTES
FROM FIELD SECRETARY

Jan. 17-18, Lincolnton, Z. Paris, P. C. —For Mission Special, $65.00. They hope to raise $150.00, which, with Foreign Mission assessment of $108.00, will enable them to support a native preacher in Japan. Conference Mission Emergency Fund, $120.00 in four annual payments by Dr. L. A. Crowell.

* * * *

Jan. 19-20, Charlotte District Institute at Marshville—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder; Jno. W. Gulledge, District Lay Leader. Both present. A goodly representation of the preachers and laymen from the district present and participating in the discussion. By request of Presiding Elder, the District Lay Leader presided at most sessions. Miss Lelia Tuttle gave two helpful addresses on China and her observations around the world Dr. McLarty made his address on Evangelism. Dr. Rowe, Dr. Marr, Brother Abernethy, Brother Gulledge, Brother Cole, Conference Lay Leader, and others, spoke. Round table conferences were held about the three themes of Evangelism, Finances and the Sunday School. The Sunday schools of the district will direct their monthly missionary offerings to Dr. S. H. Wainright, executive head of the Christian Literature Society of Japan. This does not apply to schools having Foreign Specials of their own. Brother Gulledge will superintend this interest. Sunday schools will send their offerings to him. Three groups in the three counties respectively of district, of reading circles were formed, to be directed by Brothers Herman, Abernethy and Falls. Dr. McLarty is District Manager. The books to be read, as in all the Conference circles, are those which relate to evangelism. The Conference Committee on Evangelism, E. K. McLarty chairman, was instructed to take up with General Committee on Evangelism at Nashville, the question of tracts suitable for use in the revival. It was suggested that a call be made to members of conference—in fact a general one—for tracts to be submitted to Conference Committee and the General Committee for publication and distribution. Belief was freely expressed that tracts written by persons personally known would be read with more interest and effect than those by unknown parties. Dr. J. R. Jerome, of Wingate, gave me a subscription of $100.00 in four annual payments to Conference Mission Emergency Fund.

* * * *

Jan. 20-21, Greensboro District Institute, in beautiful new Wesley Memorial Church, High Point, J. H. Weaver, Presiding Elder; N. L. Eure, District Lay Leader. Dr. Weaver was present and presided over all sessions. Judge Eure is a member of the Legislature and was not present. A strong program was carried out with notable addresses by Dr. McLarty, Miss Tuttle and Bishop Atkins. Under topic, "Deficits Last Quarter—Cause and Remedy," the black spots in Conference exhibit were carefully gone over with strong conviction that with proper and prompt steps for the every member canvass in all churches the same may be avoided this year. W. O. Goode was made manager of reading circle. Rev. W. M. Mullen, in evangelistic work at Guantanamo, Cuba, is the district missionary for the Sunday schools. He is a Vanderbilt graduate.

* * * *

Jan. 21-22, Winston District Institute, at Lexington, H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder; R. B. Crawford, District Lay Leader. The latter was not present. A majority of the pastors and several laymen attended. A well arranged program was carried out. Strong, clear resolutions were adopted touching revivals, finances and education the three Conference lines of endeavor which head up in pastor, church leader and Sunday school superintendent. Dr. McLarty spoke Thursday night; Bishop Atkins Friday morning at eleven; Miss Tuttle that afternoon. Bishop Atkins brings a cheering and convincing message back with him from his last visit to Korea, Japan and China. The reading circle for entire district with presiding elder as general manager, was divided into three groups, R. M. Courtney, C. M. Short, and R. L. Pope, layman of Thomasville, managers. A number of laymen throughout the conference have joined reading circle. Rev. J. W. Frank in evangelistic work Nakatsu, Japan, a former Davidson County boy, was adopted as district missionary for Sunday schools, with R. B. Crawford, treasurer.

* * * *

The work has been planned. The plans must be worked to justify the Institutes.

* * * *

A note from Brother Willis states that Brother Sprinkle use the Advocate as Mt. Airy District Bulletin.

* * * *

Jan. 24, Lexington, A. W. Plyler, P. C., Geo. L. Hackney, S. S. Supt. A great day at Lexington. The District Institute had prepared the way for an advance. The Sunday school officers and teachers by previous announcement met at 9:30 in the Junior Philathea room for Conference on "How to Make the Sunday School More Effectively Missionary." The school observes first Sunday and takes collection for missions. Last year the amount was $100.00. This year they will observe fourth Sunday to conform to new law of Discipline, and contribute at least $175.00 to a special missionary. Following the teachers' and officers' meeting, I faced a splendid Sunday school in the elegant new school building, so arranged as to be a part of the larger auditorium at preaching services. The pledges in school, preaching service and afternoon canvass, including foreign mission assessment already provided for in budget, amounted to $550.00. The Sunday school and church will support a missionary at $600.00. Thus another of the strong stations of the Conference takes its place in the advance columns. Hurry up, Broad Street, Statesville and Wadesboro!

* * * *

The generosity of Tryon St., Charlotte, in consenting for Dr. McLarty to give nearly two weeks to a tour of the Conference in the interest of evangelism will no doubt encourage other of our stronger charges gladly to part temporarily with their pastors for the good of the larger number. Dr. McLarty's work without compensation—with scarcely his traveling expenses—will no doubt suggest to pastors already well provided for the possible service they can render in needy places without financial renumeration. Let pastors ponder well the meaning of this committee on evangelism and be ready to render aid at the call of the presiding elders and preachers in charge.

It Is a Burning Shame

that so many Churches are without sufficient insurance, and not properly safe-guarded against fire.

The National Mutual Church Insurance Co., of Chicago—The Methodist Mutual



furnishes protection and assists in prevention. Also writes tornado insurance. Take part and you can save money. Advantageous rates; easy payments; profits to policy holders. And your Church is entitled to share in these benefits. IT IS UP TO YOU. For applications and particulars address

HENRY P. MAGILL, Sec. and Manager
Insurance Exchange, Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. Alice Hargrove Barclay, Agent M. E. Church South
614 Norton Building, Fourth and Jefferson, Louisville, Ky.

PRIZE ESSAY

Through the generosity or a resident of California, and in connection with the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, the National Education Association is able to offer a prize of one thousand dollars for the best essay on "The Essential Place of Religion in Education, with an Outline of a Plan for Introducing Religious Teaching into the Public Schools."

Religion is to be defined in a way not to run counter to the creeds of Protestant, Roman Catholic, or Jew. The essential points to be observed are "A Heavenly Father, who holds nature and man alike in the hollow of His hand;" the commandment of Hillel and Jesus of Nazareth, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and thy neighbor as thyself;" the high ethical teachings and spirit or service and sacrifice indicated in the Sermon on the Mount.

Notice of intention to file an essay must be given the Secretary of the Association by April 1, 1915. Essays will be limited to ten thousand words and must be in the possession of the Secretary by June 1, 1915. Six typewritten copies must be furnished in order that the preliminary reading may be done independently.

The right is reserved by the Association to publish not only the prize essay, but any others which may be submitted in competition, copyright privileges to be vested in the Association for all such.

National Education Association,
D. W. Springer, Secretary.

TO THE FRIENDS OF TEMPERANCE

About the time you read this notice our bill to prohibit the delivery of liquor for beverage purposes will be introduced and if you want to see a law that will shut the jugs out of North Carolina passed, write your representative a strong letter and ask him to give his unqualified support to this measure. In addition to the petitions and resolutions that are being sent in, personal letters from all parts of the State should be sent. Such an appeal always reaches the individual and it is hard to overestimate its influence. Please attend to this at once.

R. L. Davis, Superintendent,
North Carolina Anti-Saloon League.

I will not allow that any life is successful, in the highest sense, which has not an ideal element, which does not recognize its wonderful relation to the sum of things, which does not expand and thrill with its sense of tthis relation, which is not deeply stirred with thankfulness for all the use and splendor that minister unti us from the moment of our arrival here until we go the way that all must go at length.—John White Chadwick.

Paint Without Oil

Remarkable Discovery That Cuts Down the Cost of Paint Seventy-Five Per Cent.

A Free Trial Package Is Mailed to Everyone Who Writes

A. L. Rice, a prominent manufacturer of Adams, N. Y., has discovered a process of making a new kind of paint without the use of oil. He calls it Powdrpaint. It comes in the form of a dry powder and all that is required is cold water to make a paint weather proof, fire proof and as durable as oil paint. It adheres to any surface, wood, stone or brick, spreads and looks like oil paint and costs about one-fourth as much.

Write to Mr. A. L. Rice, Manuf'r, 144 North St., Adams, N. Y., and he will send you a free trial package, also color card and full information showing you how you can save a good many dollars. Write today.

THE LATEST GERMAN GUN

A special from Berlin, January 25th, says:

Remarkable figures are given regarding the new German gun by a German gun expert, quoted in a Berlin paper. The figures are quoted to answer some similar figures given in the London Times relative to the guns of the German and British armies. The claim is made that this new Krupp gun will shoot three miles further than any British gun yet devised. Its projectile will weigh a ton and develop a velocity of 3,700 feet a minute.

This expert figures that it has fifty per cent. more muzzle force than the British gun with a range of 42 kilometers (28 miles). The channel at Dover is 22 miles wide and the guns can be fired from Calais and will drop projectiles six miles inland on the British coast.

A large charity is the growth of years, the last result of many trials.—Stopford A. Brooke.

To apply to others in charity the knowledge one has used against one's self judgment,—this is the hard thing. —W. H. Mallock.

It is one of the heaviest penalties of wrong thinking and of wrong living, that they blur, if they do not obliterate, the very perception of good and evil.—Mary Clemmer.

When one has learned to seek the honor that cometh from God only, he will take the withholding of the honor that comes from man very quietly indeed.—George Macdonald.

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.----------E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg.--W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller----------C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg., M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.-----J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg.--J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.----G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.---------A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel---J. W. Ligon

THE GREATEST BIBLE BARGAIN

A GENUINE 7.50 { HOLMAN India Paper Self-Pronouncing BIBLE } FOR ONLY 4.25 Carefully Wrapped and sent Postpaid in a box

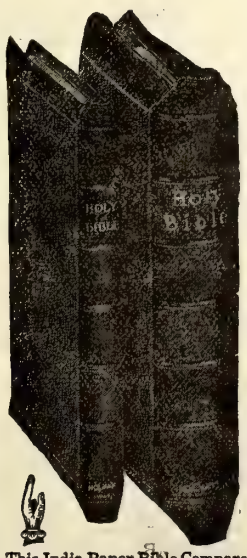
Authorized version, printed from the clearest type ever used in a Bible, large bold face open print with liberal spacing between the words and lines

PRINTED ON THE FINEST INDIA PAPER MADE

The Text is Self-Pronouncing with references. It has a new Concordance, alphabetically arranged and with analytical and comparative features and 50,000 References also New Biblical Atlas with Fifteen Colored Maps and Complete Index to Same.

BOUND IN GENUINE PERSIAN MOROCCO, divinity circuit, full leather linings, silk sewed, silk head bands and marker, special flat opening reinforced binding that will not break in the back.

The size is 5½ x 8 inches--only one inch thick.



This India Paper Bible Compared with one of ordinary paper, containing the same number of pages and same size type.

Easy to Read Type

Specimen of Type.

17 ¶ "From that time Jē'şus began to preach, and to say, "Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at

No. 700X Publisher's Price 7.50 Sent postpaid for 4.25

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

The Sunday School Lesson

FIRST QUARTER—LESSON V—
JANUARY 31, 1915

The Birth of Samson
Judges 13:8-16; 24,25

Golden Text—Beware, I pray thee, and drink no wine or strong drink. Judg. 13:4.

Summary of the Lesson

A clever man of letters once said that if you want to have a great man the place to begin is with his grandfather. In the Samson story we begin with the mother of the hero. A certain habit of life on his mother's part is to prepare for the coming of the new life to the world. The angel of Jehovah gives very specific directions as to the conduct of the woman who is to be the mother of Samson. She is to abstain from wine and strong drink, from all that comes from the vine and from all that is ceremonially unclean. The task of developing a worthy mother seems to be the great matter in the making of a hero.

The Mother of Samson

Abraham Lincoln used to say with deep feeling that he owed everything to his "angel mother." In the hard and lonely and primitive life of his boyhood one figure impressed him powerfully. The mother who passed out of his life so early made an ineffaceable mark upon his manhood.

The remarkable thing about the beginnings of the Samson narrative lies just in the great emphasis put upon the behaviour of Samson's mother. Manoah, her husband, is much more interested in the matter of how the child is to be treated. He prays especially that the one who announced the coming of the child may return and "teach us what we shall do unto the child." Then, when the prayer is granted and the angel of Jehovah appears, Manoah asks, "What shall be the ordering of the child? and how shall we do unto him?" In reply the angel repeats what has already been said about the manner of life to be assumed by the mother, and adds nothing at all about the child. The matter of urgent importance is clearly the behavior of the mother.

A keen and hard-headed newspaper reporter in a certain western city, who was constantly assigned to duties which brought him into the presence of temptation and evil, used to make this prayer: "O God, make me worthy of the woman whom I hope some day to make my wife." In all his testing experiences he was trying to prepare for the home which he believed would one day be his.

The strict discipline laid upon the mother of Samson suggests that one of the gravest responsibilities of life is the preparation for motherhood. Very early the prayer may be offered up, "O God, make me worthy of the innocent children I hope to see clustering about my knees and calling me 'mother.'" A selfish and artificial and flippant girlhood has made many a woman incapable of being the greatest sort of mother. The message of this ancient story to the women of today is that a life of noble self-control on the part of a mother is a supreme gift to a son. The preparation for motherhood ought to begin years and years before the little child opens small eyes to look upon a mysterious world.

The Abridgment of Personal Liberty

"A great many things are possible for the devil which would not be possible for God," was the observation of a brilliant and penetrating thinker. In truth every step in the development of character is taken by means of abridgment of personal liberty. All growth in taste brings limits of liberty. All development of civilization costs many abridgments of personal liberty. The recognition of human rights limits the liberty of tyrants; the recognition of property rights limits the liberty of roving savages. The acceptance of limitations for the sake of advancing life is the very nature of progress.

The recognition of these facts gives new significance to the command which the wife of Manoah received to abstain from some things as a preparation for motherhood. The prohibition of wine strikes us as a mattter of particular importance. The liberty to drink intoxicants stands right across the pathway of advancing civilization, and multitudes of people are coming to see that it costs far more than it is worth. Taken in the large, it means the liberty to decrease human efficiency. It means the liberty to lower the tone of the whole life. It means the liberty to spread poverty and to increase crime. It means the liberty to corrupt youth, to debauch maturity and to embitter old age. It means the liberty to set free lawless emotions, to take from the will all stern and noble self-control and to weaken the fiber of the mind. Well would it be if every mother and every son would take a vow of perpetual abstinence from all which intoxicates.

Life is not robbed of anything of real or lasting value by the abridgment of personal liberty which comes at the command of true progress and developing civilization. There is no false asceticism in doing without the things which poison the life of the community and deplete the life of the individual. We develop appreciation for ten higher joys for every one of the lower indulgences which we surrender.

The Man of Wine

"I can control everything in my kingdom except that which is under my own hat," said a certain European monarch. Samson did not live a life of steady and consistent self-control. Indeed, it has been wisely said that we should remember him as a warning rather than as an example. He was a man of physical strength and of moral weakness. He had never developed the muscles of his conscience. He had never hardened into strength the tissues of his soul. Desire rather than duty mastered him in more than one crisis of his life.

When we look out upon the modern world we see a great group of men who are slaves of their own desires. They have never learned to do without a thing which they want. Impulse, and not principle, holds the rudder of their lives. Outstanding in this group is the man of wine. Stimulus and sensation are the two things which he is seeking in life. When he is dull and heavy he turns to intoxicants for their bracing and invigorating effect. He does not think of reaction afterward. If he is a poet he finds his rhymes in the wine cup. He fails to see what nobler sources of inspiration he is missing. If he is an orator his eloquence was held in a bottle before he quaffed its contents and set free an army of leaping words. He does not see how poor and paltry and artificial such eloquence is. If dark and passionate desires make themselves articulate it is a glass of the drink which rules his life which enables him to stifle the qualms of conscience and go forth to the indulgences from which his better nature would draw back. Wine gives men a forged check to poetry, to eloquence, to enjoyment, to indulgence. All that it gives is artificial and unreal and the taste of it turns to gall and bitterness at last.

The Man of God

Whittier's regretful "It might have been" has echoed with sad rnythm through many a heart. One can draw a vivid mental picture of what the life of Samson might have been if he had developed in moral power as he did develop in physical strength. Upon such a man a nation might have leaned. In him it might have found complete deliverance. The tragic death of Samson was really brought upon him by his own lack of self-control, and the Samson who might have been would not have passed out of life by one last spasm of strength after such wreched weakness. He would have been wise in council, farsighted in planning for battle, brave in the hour of fighting and steady in the hour of victory. Under his leadership the consolidation of the nation would have gone forward rapidly. As it was, his career was that of a sort of glorified village bully. As it might have been, his career would have been that of a noble judge. Samson is one of the great failures of the Bible. He was meant to be a man of God. He only succeeded in being a man who could not hold his tongue.—Lyn Hough, D. D., in N. Y. Christian Advocate.

Positive proof from oldest Records that John baptized by Sprinkling. 68-page book, only 16 cents in stamps. **Mahaffey Co., Box 12, Batesburg, S. C.**

Fruit All the Year

Get a few early Peaches, some mid-season Apples, Pears, Peaches, Plums, Grapes, then some winter Apples and Pecans, and you can have fresh fruit the year round. "Eat all you can, and can all you can't."

Our catalog gives full information as to varieties. Prices always reasonable.

Tell us your tree wants. We have them ready for you. Also Roses, Flowering Shrubs and other ornamentals. Immediate shipment if desired. Place order promptly.

HOWARD NURSERY CO.,
Box J210 Stovall, N. C.

GARTSIDE'S IRON RUST SOAP CO., 4054 Lancaster Ave., Philadelphia, Pa. Gartside's Iron Soap (U. S. registered patent No. 3477) removes iron rust, ink and all unwashable stains from clothing, marble, etc., with magical effect. Good seller, big margins. House-to-house agents and store salesman wanted. The original, 25c a tube. Beware of infringements and the penalty for making, selling and using an infringed article. Suitable for church fairs.

THIS BEAUTIFUL BOOK FREE

"Simple Plantings for Southern Homes"—a handsome little book that shows just how to arrange trees, shrubbery, vines, etc., to get the most beautiful effects. This book shows what wonderful improvements can be made in the appearance of the home grounds by a judicious selection and arrangement of ornamentals, and at little expense. A number of plans are fully described and illustrated with photographs. The book is being distributed free by the J. Van Lindley Nursery Co., Box F. 203, Pomona, N. C. Write them for a copy, and for their catalogue, which contains full information and instruction on setting out, growing and caring for trees and plants.



Standard
Memorial Windows
Made in High Point

Beautiful in design—strong in construction. Largest and oldest glass plant in the South. Capacity for any and all orders and prompt delivery. Satisfaction guaranteed. References—any of our old customers or any bank or banker in High Point. Write for catalog.

Standard Mirror Co.
High Point, N. C.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER

Proprietor

GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY

DISEASES OF
STOMACH AND INTESTINES

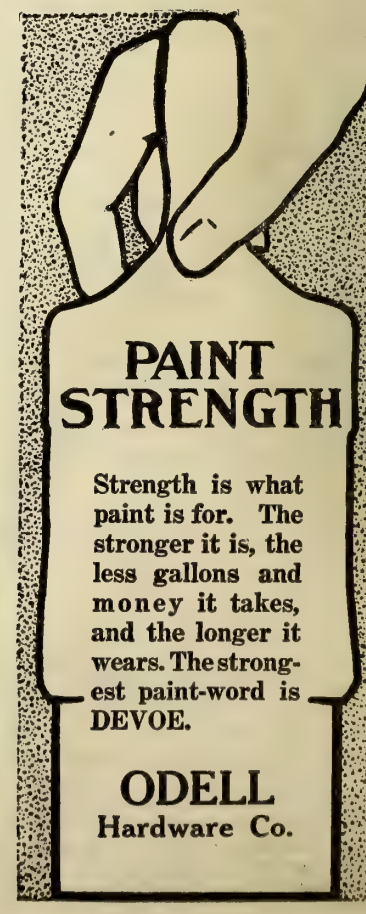
121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

The Newest Styles of Jewel

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER AND PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large asse ment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Gla ware and Ornaments. We are the old leading firm in the city. Everything gua anteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO
LEADING JEWELERS



PAINT STRENGTH

Strength is what paint is for. The stronger it is, the less gallons and money it takes, and the longer it wears. The strongest paint-word is DEVOE.

ODELL
Hardware Co.

Our Little Folks' Department

I like to get up in the morning
And begin a brand new day.
There are so many things to happen
And so many things to play!
I think I like the best of all
The time just after tea,
When mother takes the fairy book
And reads to Ted and me.
—Exchange.

JAPANESE CHILDREN

Far away, far away
Are the little brown Japanese children at play
In dresses so long and so loose and so bright,
With queer little shoes and hair like the night—
Far away, so far away.
Now, what do think these little folk play?
They chase the soft petals when bright blossoms fall,
And they love the white cherry bloom best of them all.

MARY'S LITTLE GUEST

"Here's something for you, Mary," Teddy Briscoe held out a pasteboard box with holes cut in the lid, which was securely tied on.

"O, what is it?" cried Mary, a little breathlessly.

"Something alive," grinned Teddy.

"Will it hurt me?" Mary asked, half afraid to take the box.

"No, siree! What would I bring anything to hurt you for? Take it!" And Teddy shoved the box into her arms. Teddy shoved the box into her hands.

There was a frightened flutter inside, Mary nearly dropped it. Then came an inquiring chirp and another flutter. "O, I know! It's a bird! It's a bird!" she sang as she hopped gleefully about on her well foot, hugging the box to her.

"Be careful, or you'll drop him and he'll get away. He can fly like anything."

Teddy thrust his hands into his pockets, stood with his feet wide apart and tried to look like Mr. Jackson when he was feeling very important.

"What kind is it?" asked Mary as she peeped under the lid, trying to see.

"It's a goldfinch, and he can sing. He must be an old one, for he was awfully hard to catch," answered Teddy.

"I wish I could see it," exclaimed Mary as she raised the lid a trifle higher in her efforts to see into the box.

Teddy banged it down in such a hurry that he nearly pinched her little freckled nose. "You'll let him out yet," he exclaimed impatiently. "Have you got a cage?" he asked.

"No; but Miss Spinney has an empty one. Maybe she'd lend it to us. I'll go and see."

And she limped away to Miss Spinney's pretty new cottage. She soon returned with the prettiest cage, all gilt and white wires, into which Teddy helped her put the frightened little bird.

"Thank you ever so much, Teddy," said Mary when it was all done.

"You're welcome. Besure you feed him and give him fresh water every day."

And Teddy started home.

Every day Mary put food into the cage, the very choicest bits she could find; but the goldfinsh refused to eat or to sing. Generally he sat with drooping wings, looking longingly out at the trees. Sometimes he fluttered and beat his little wings helplessly against the wires of his prison.

Mary was troubled. She knew how it felt not to be able to run and jump like other children, for she was a cripple. One day she sat and watched the bird a long time and tried to coax him to eat, but he would not. Then she picked up the cage and slowly opened the door.

Soon the goldfinch saw that he could get out and fluttered up into a nearby tree, looking so glad and surprised. Then he sang his sweetest song to thank Mary for his freedom and flew away.

Mary sighed a little. "I wish he had wanted to stay; but I am glad he has gone home, anyway," she said as she trudged back to Miss Spinney's with the empty cage.—Selected.

BABIES IN THE SNOW

"And you want me to tell you a new story?"

"Yes, Uncle Charles," answered Dorothy; "I want you to tell me a story that I have never, never heard before."

Uncle Charles looked quite thoughtful for a little while, and then asked: "Have you ever heard about Cinderella and the wee bit of a glass slipper that she wore on her wee bit of a foot?"

"Just lots of times, Uncle Charles.'

"Well, then, have you ever heard the story called 'Babes in the Wood'?"

"Just lots of times," again answered Dorothy.

Uncle Charles put on his "thinking cap" again and presently said: "I have it! I shall tell you about 'Babies in the Snow.' In Lapland the babies sleep in the snow while their papas and mammas attend church."

"Wait just a minute, Uncle Charles, interrupted Dorothy. "Is Lapland in the United States of America?"

This question made Dorothy's brother Tommy smile and look very wise. You see, he had been to school and had studied geography.

"No, Dorothy," answered Uncle Charles, "Lapland is not in the United States. It is in a European country, and it is a very cold country. The winters in Lapland are long, and the Lapps go about in sleds drawn by reindeer. The reindeer is by far the most valuable domestic animal of Lapland. Cold weather does not keep the Lapps from attending their places of worship, for they are a religious people. The missionaries who go among them to teach them about Jesus always have large and attentive audiences. When the reindeer come to a standstill, just outside of the church, Papa Lapp gets out of the sled, selects a good place for a bed, and then digs a bed right down in the snow. When the snow bed is ready, Mamma Lapp hands him Baby Lapp, all wrapped in skins as snugly as can be, and he puts him carefully in the snow bed he prepared for him. Then Papa Lapp piles snow around Baby Lapp until he is as snug as a bug in a rug. The baby thus put away in the snow bed, Papa Lapp then secures the reindeer, and he and Mamma Lapp walk solemnly into church."

"Sakes alive!" said Dorothy. "Uncle Charles, does the baby stay out in the snow bed all the time his mamma and papa are listening to the preacher?"

"Yes, Dorothy, the whole time," Uncle Charles replied. "All Lapp babies are thus left outside, buried in the snow. We are told that a Lapp baby in a snow bed is every bit as comfortable as he would be if he were tucked snugly in an eiderdown bed."

"'Babes in the Snow' is an all-right story," declared Dorothy when Uncle Charles had finished. "I shall," said she, "tell it to Flossie when she comes to play with me tomorrow."—Miss D. V. Farley.

QUEEN BESS AND THE FAWN

"What in the world have you got there?" asked Jack's mother as the boy drove into the farmyard.

For answer Jack lifted something from the bottom of the wagon and placed it on the ground, where it stood on its long, slender legs, looking timidly about.

"Why," said Mrs. Crafts, "it's a young fawn! Where did you get it?"

"Some one shot its mother in the woods, and the little thing hung about, and so the hunters brought it along into the village with them. They wanted to give it away, and I took it. I thought it would make a nice pet."

"O Jack! What will you do with it? It isn't old enough to feed."

Jack whistled. "I had not thought of that, mother." Then after a moment's thought: "Why not fix up a nursing bottle for it?"

"Well, you might try it; but I doubt if you can make the little thing use it."

But, strange to say, the little fawn took to the nursing bottle at once. It seemed very hungry, and the bottle was refilled several times before its hunger was appeased. They made a bed for it at night on some straw in the stable.

Jack's new pet grew very fast indeed and learned to follow him about like a dog.

When the summer came they put it in the pasture with the cows during the daytime, and soon a warm friendship sprang up between one of the cows called "Queen Bess" and the fawn.

Queen Bess had recently had a calf taken from her, and she adopted the fawn in its place. She would lick its face and body to keep it clean, and if it strayed far from her she would call to it frantically until it came running up to her.

By and by as the fawn grew older it would often leap the pasture fence and run out into the road. Sometimes it would go as far as the village. It was afraid of no one, and often, if it met a person whom it knew, it would run up to him and push its nose against his hand, which meant it wanted to be caressed.

Often it would follow Jack in his walks through the fields or woods. But Jack did not like to have his pet wander outside the pasture alone, for fear that some one who did not know she was a tame deer might shoot her.

After giving much thought to the matter he decided to put a tall wire netting around a clump of evergreen trees in the pasture and keep the fawn there through the daytime. He made a little gate in the netting for her to go through.

Every night at milking time the fawn was let out. Then it would gallop straight to the farmyard, where Queen Bess was waiting to be milked. The cow would always greet it foundly and caress it with her tongue. Then they would go to the tie-up, where they would lie side by side thurogh the night.—Rose D. Nealley.

A WESTERN PLOWMAN

In all the States east of the Mississippi River there are millions of tiny plowmen always at work helping prepare the soil for the farmers to plant their crops. They are the angle-worms which we often find when digging in our gardens and which Brother Tom gathers when he is going on a fishing trip. Now, in most of the Western States earthworms are quite unknown. But the farmers in that region are not without assistants. The little Western plowmen are very different from the Eastern ones. They wear fur coats, have sharp teeth and claws, and each one owns a pair of good-sized pockets on each side of his mouth. These little fellows were christened, from their pouches, pocket gophers. They are cousins of the gray and red squirrils that scamper through our woods. They are also called camas rats.

Tunneling is the gopher's greatest delight. He uses his claws, like a pick ax, to loosen the earth; and then, with his scooplike paws, he throws it behind him. When he has quite a pile he turns about and pushes the loose earth forward with his head until he has thrust it outside the entrance to his burrow.

The gopher is a neat little fellow, and when his digging is done for the day he sits up and combs and washes his coat with tongue and claws. He loves grain, and his recreation after a hard day's labor is to visit a cornfield and cram his pockets with the sweet kernels.

Some farmers say the gophers injure their crops by covering large portions of the fields with their earth mounds and gnawing the roots of trees that they come across in their burrowing. Other farmers say that their crops grow a great deal better after the little plowmen have worked over their fields and that they are glad of their assistance.

Though the gopher is a great worker, he likes now and then to take a little nap. When he is ready he carefully plugs up the door of his tunnel with firmly packed earth. Who knows but a weasel might creep in and seize him, or a badger spring upon him, before he even got his eyes open. "Best to be on the safe side," he says to himself, "even if it is more trouble."—Margaret W. Leighton.

THE BABY AND ITS SWING

A circus was passing through a country town recently, in which were several elephants. The people stood watching the procession when a little baby, just able to walk, toddled out into the road directly in front of the elephants. Everybody stood expecting to see the baby crushed by the big feet of the elephant. The leader of the herd picked the baby up with his trunk and swung it out of danger, depositing it on the side of the road, none the worse for its remarkable ride in the trunk of an elephant.—Exchange.

POCKET BIBLES



For those who object to carrying large Bibles these Editions are Thin, Light and very Compact.

AUTHORIZED VERSION, Clear Black Print, on the finest Thin Paper made.
All with the BUTTON FLAP BINDING which gives an added advantage for slipping in and out of the pocket.
The leather cover extends completely over the front edge and is fastened on top with a button clasp as shown on illustration.
Each containing a complete series of Colored Maps.

Size, 5½ x 3½ in. Self-Pronouncing Agate 32mo

Specimen of Type.
NOW when Je'sus was born in Beth'le-hem of Ju-dæ'a in the

No. 1115F. French Seal, divinity circuit overlapping covers, gold titles, silk head bands and silk marker, round corners, red gold edges. Publishers Price, $1.50. Our Price, *Postpaid*, **$1.20**

Holman India Paper Pocket Text Bibles.

Size, 3½ x 5½ inches. ¾ of an inch in thickness. Weighs 7½ ounces. Same Type as 1115F above.

No. 1115XF. French Seal, divinity circuit overlapping covers, gold titles, silk head bands and silk marker, round corners, red gold edges. Publishers Price, $2.40. Our Price, *Postpaid*, **$1.80**

No. 1130XF. Same as No. 1115X with Extra Leather Linings. Publishers Price, $2.80. Our Price, *Postpaid*, **$2.15**

POCKET REFERENCE BIBLES PRONOUNCING

Old and New Testaments, Marginal References and Maps. Chapter headings on outside corner of each page making the Bible Self-Indexed.

Specimen of Type
19 • And the border of the Ca'naan-ites was from Si'dŏn, as thou

Size, 4¾ x 6¼ inches. Minion 16mo.

No. 1410F. French Seal, divinity circuit overlapping covers, round corners, red gold edges. Publishers Price, $2.00. Our Price, *Postpaid*, **$1.65**

Holman India Paper Pocket Reference Bibles.

Pronouncing, References, &c., same type as 1410F.

Size, 4¾ x 6¼ inches. Minion 16mo. ⅞ of an inch in thickness. Weighs 12½ ounces.

No. 1412XF. French Seal, divinity circuit overlapping covers, head bands and marker, round corners, red gold edges. Publishers Price, $2.50. Our Price, *Postpaid*, **$2.10**

No. 1430XF. Same as No. 1412XF with Extra Leather Linings. Publishers Price, $3.00 Our Price, *Postpaid*, **$2.50**

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

MONEY Money For Churches Sunday Schools Missions Etc Raised Easily and Quickly By Our Guaranteed Plans Write For FREE SAMPLE One Church Raised $807 EY
Christian Finance Association, 80 Maiden Lane, New York.

SAVE YOUR MEAT
From Skippers
USE CHAMBERS ANTI-SKIPPER COMPOUND
One package is guaranteed to keep skippers and other insects from **Five Hundred Pounds of Cured Meat.** Keeps meat clean and sweet. Price 50c. per package, by mail, postpaid.
CHAMBERS-GODFREY MFG. CO. Martin, Tenn.

TRINITY COLLEGE NOTES

The local Young Men's Christian Association recently began a movement in the community to secure funds from its membership to erect for the use of its representatives to the Annual Bible Conference a cottage on the Blue Ridge Association Grounds. The women students here agreed to join their effort with the efforts of the Y. M. C. A., and are assisting in securing the necessary funds so that their representatives to the annual meeting of the Y. W. C. A. may also have the use of the house. It is said that it was largely through the enthusiasm of the women students here for the plan that the agreement was finally reached to build the cottage.

At a recent meeting of the Columbian Literary Society, the following officers were elected: P. G. Farrar, president; J. S. Cox, vice-president; L. C. Allen, secretary, and W. P. Hawfield, marshall.

Porfessor E. C. Brooks went to Greenville last Saturday where he delivered an address before the Pitt County Teachers' Association.

President William P. Few has returned from Nashville, where he attended the meeting of a committee on textbooks and literature of the Sunday School Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Dr. William H. Glasson, of the department of economics and politics, is the contributor of two important articles in the "Cyclopedia of American Government," a work published recently under the editorship of Professors Albert Bushnell Hart, of Harvard, and A. C. Laughlin, of the University of Chicago. The principal article by Dr. Glasson is on "Military and Naval Pensions in the United States," and a shorter article by him is on "Confederate Pensions."

SIGN YOUR NAME HERE

If you suffer with any chronic disease that does not seem to be benefited by drugs, such as dyspepsia, indigestion, sick headache, neuralgia, rheumatism, gall stones, liver or kidney diseases, or any other chronic ailment involving impure blood, you are cordially invited to accept the liberal offer made below. It is a grave mistake to assume that your case is incurable simply because remedies prepared by human skill have not seemed to benefit you. Put your faith in nature, accept this offer and you will never have cause to regret it.

I believe this is the most wonderful Mineral Spring that has ever been discovered, for its waters have either restored or benefited every one who has accepted my offer. Match your faith in this Spring against my pocketbook and if the water does not relieve your case I will make no charge for it. Clip this notice, sign your name, enclose the amount and let this wonderful water begin its healing work in you as it has in thousands of others.

Shivar Spring,
Box 5A, Shelton, S. C.

Gentlemen:

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....

(Please write distinctly.)

Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You run no risk whatever in accepting his offer. I have personally witnessed the remarkable curative power of this Water in a very serious case.

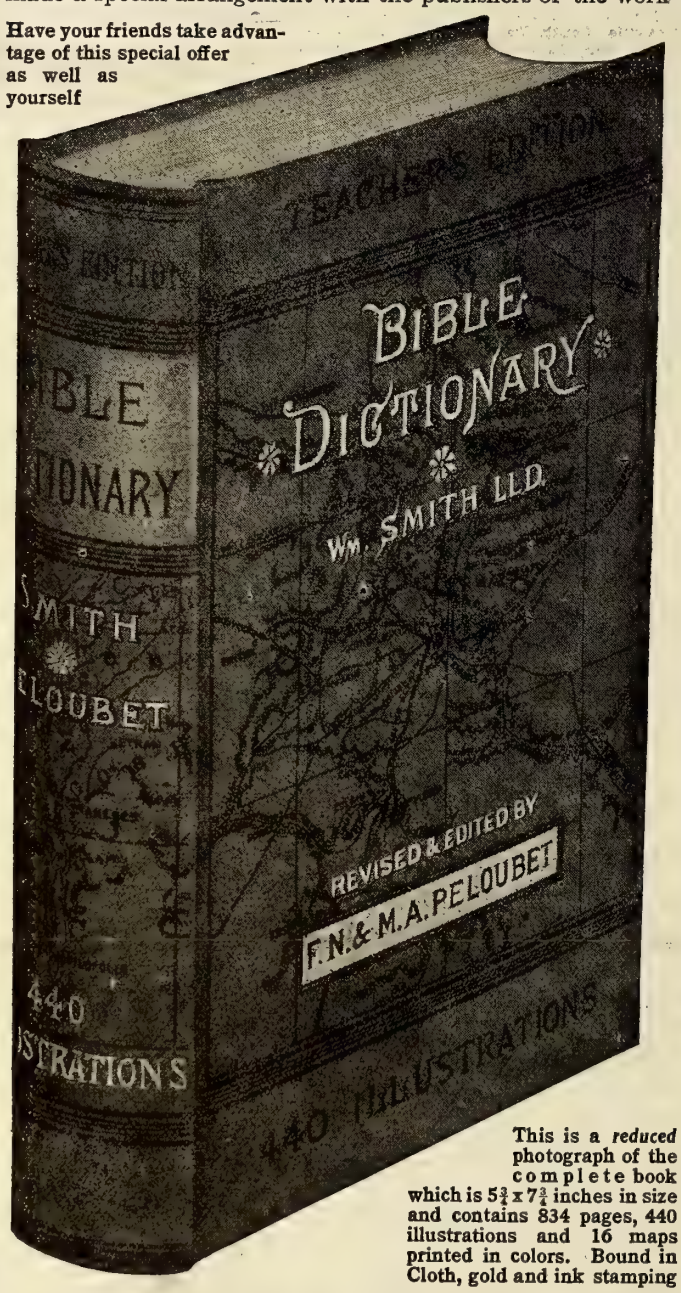
BLYMYER CHURCH BELLS. UNLIKE OTHER BELLS SWEETER, MORE DURABLE, LOWER PRICE. OUR FREE CATALOGUE TELLS WHY. Write to Cincinnati Bell Foundry Co., Cincinnati, O.

The Christian Advocate Offers You This Well Known Bible Dictionary

SEE SPECIAL OFFER BELOW

Realizing the wide demand that exists among our constituents for this Bible Dictionary, we have made a special arrangement with the publishers of the work by which they agreed to supply it to us on exceptional terms, provided we would widely advertise it, and this enables us to offer this **well-known Bible Dictionary in its original form** and with all its important features, including over 400 illustrations and maps in colors, at **less than half the regular price.**

Have your friends take advantage of this special offer as well as yourself



This is a *reduced* photograph of the complete book which is 5¾ x 7¾ inches in size and contains 834 pages, 440 illustrations and 16 maps printed in colors. Bound in Cloth, gold and ink stamping

THE FATHER OF ALL BIBLE DICTIONARIES

Everyone acknowledges the superior value of Dr. William Smith's Bible Dictionary, as containing the fruit of the ripest Biblical scholarship. It is practically the foundation, or father, of all other Bible Dictionaries. This late edition is brought down to the twentieth century and thoroughly revised to incorporate modern research and discoveries in Bible lands. It has been adapted in its present form to the convenience of teachers and scholars.

MAKES BIBLE STUDY EASY. MAKES THE BIBLE PLAIN TO EVERY READER

This Bible Dictionary is a veritable treasure to Christian Workers. It contains in the simplest language a full explanation of all topics mentioned in the Bible—every place, nation, tribe, person, and historical event; every custom and rite; every instrument and implement; every animal, plant, flower, mineral, metal, etc. It is a systematic collation of all the facts recorded in the Bible, supplemented and explained by materials supplied from authentic records of Biblical times. It gives in compact and lucid form the substance of the result of profound Biblical scholarship and research. IT OPENS A NEW UNDERSTANDING AND APPRECIATION OF THE BIBLE IN A WAY THAT NO OTHER BOOK DOES.

Our Special Offer

From this till March first we offer the Advocate one year and this dictionary for

$2.50

This applies to new subscribers and renewals.

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, GREENSBORO, N. C.



THE CELEBRATED
Throneburg Nursery
solicits your trade on apple, peach, pear, shade and ornamental trees. Prices reasonable. Agents wanted everywhere. Liberal commissions.
THE THRONEBURG NURSERY, NEWTON, N. C.

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO
ROBT. W. MURRAY
GENERAL INSURANCE
Greensboro, North Carolina
303½ South Elm St.
Phone 168

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland
108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective October 18th, 1914

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester Lv.	7 50 a m	----------	----------	----------	4 15 p m
Yorkville "	8 36	----------	----------	----------	6 38
Gastonia "	9 21!	----------	----------	----------	8 20
Gastonia "	9 30	4 30 p m	----------	----------	----------
Lincolnton "	10 28	5 40	----------	----------	----------
Newton "	11 05	6 44	----------	----------	----------
Hickory "	12 05 p m	7 30	12 05 p m	6 45 a m	----------
Lenoir "	1 08	8 50	1 08	8 07	----------
Lenoir "	2 00x	----------	----------	----------	----------
Mortimer "	4 09	----------	----------	----------	----------
Edgemont Ar.	4 35	----------	----------	----------	----------
Southbound	**NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only**	**NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.**
Edgemont Lv.	9 00 a m	----------	----------	----------	----------
Mortimer "	9 10	----------	----------	----------	----------
Lenoir "	11 20!	----------	----------	----------	----------
Lenoir "	1 35 p m	7 00 a m	8 15 a m	1 10 p m	----------
Hickory "	2 35	8 15	9 12	3 20	----------
Newton "	3 05	9 00	----------	----------	----------
Lincolnton "	3 43	9 51	----------	----------	----------
Gastonia "	4 30	11 23	----------	----------	----------
Gastonia "	5 05x	----------	----------	----------	11 50 a m
Yorkville "	5 54	----------	----------	----------	1 24
Chester Ar.	6 40	----------	----------	----------	3 10 p m

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. CHESTER, S. C.

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Weed, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.

First Round

January

Fairview, Tweeds 23-24
North Asheville, night 24
Walnut, Jewel Hill 30-31
Hot Sp'gs and Marshall, Marshall, night 31

February

Sulphur Springs, Laurel Hill 6-7
West Asheville, night 7
Swannanoa, Swannanoa 13-14
Black Mountain, night 14
Weaverville Ct., Flint Hill 20-21
Bethel, night 21

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C.

First Round

January

Morven, Bethel 24-25
Wadesboro, Wadesboro, night 25
Polkton, Peachland 30
Lilesville, Lilesville 31

February

Ansonville, Ansonville 6-7
Waxhaw, Waxhaw 13-14
Spencer Memorial 21

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.

First Round

January

Randleman and Naomi, St. Paul ..23-24
Asheboro 24-25
Uwharrie Ct., Concord 30-31
Denton Ct., Denton 31-1

February

Deep River, Cedar Falls 6-7
West Market 13-14

MT. AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mt. Airy, N. C.

First Round

January

Yadkinville, Prospect 23-24
Elkin, night 29-31
Jonesville 30-31

February

Dobson, Stony Knoll 6-7
Pilot Mountain, Pilot Mountain 13-14
Ararat, Chestnut Grove 20-21
Mt. Airy Ct., Zion 27-28

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

First Round

January

Watauga, Henson's Chapel 23-24
Elk Park, Elk Park 30-31

February

Avery, Fairview 6-7
Boone, Rutherwood 13-14
Laurel Springs, Transon 20-21
Sparta, Potato Creek 27-28

Revival Meetings

January

Creston, Creston 14-21

February

Avery, Fairview 2-11
Laurel Springs, Transon 16-23

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.

First Round

January

Bethel and Love's Chapel, Bethel ..23-24
Concord, Westford, night 24
Gold Hill Ct., Gold Hill 30-31
New London Ct., New London 30-feb1

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.

First Round

January

Hickory Ct., Marvin, 11 a. m. 23-24
Catawba Ct., Catawba, night 24-25
Statesville Ct., N. S'ville, 11 a. m., 30-31
Broad St., Broad St., night 31-Feb. 1

February

Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 11 a. m. 6-7
Davidson, Davidson, night 7-8
Mooresville Ct., Fair View, 11 a. m., 13-14
Mooresville Sta., Mooresville, night, 14-15
Cool Spring Ct., Cool Spg., 11 a. m., 20-21
Troutman Ct., Shepherds, 11 a. m., 27-28

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs. Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C

First Round

January

Crouse, Crouse 23
Stanly, Stanly 24-25
Shelby Ct., Sharon 30

Second Round

February

Dallas and Ozark, Dallas 6
West End, Franklin Avenue 6
Gastonia, Main Street 7-8
Lowesville, Snow Hill 13-14
Mt. Holly, Mt. Island 14-15
Bessemer, Concord 20-21
King's Mountain, King's Mountain.....21
Belwood, Kadish 27-28

March

Polkville, Polkville 6-7
Lowell, Lowell 13-14
McAdenville, McAdenville 14
Rock Spring, Mt. Pleasant 20-21

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.

First Round

January

Cliffside, Cliffside 23-24
Morganton Ct., Salem 30-31
Connelly Springs, Rutherford College, 31-Feb.1

February

Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Spruce Pine 5-7
Micaville, South Toe 6-7
Bald Creek, Bald Creek 13-14
Burnsville 14-15
Marion Ct., Green Mountain 20-21

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C., R. F. D. No. 2

First Round

January

Hayesville Ct., Oak Forest 23-24
Murphy Ct., Temotla 27-28
Ranger Ct., Salem 29-30
Murphy Station 31

February

Judson Ct., Maple Springs 2-3
Robbinsville Ct., Robbinsville 4-5
Andrews Station 6-7
Macon Ct., Union 13-14
Franklin Ct., Salem 16-17
Highlands Ct., Highlands 18-19
Franklin Station 21-22

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston-Salem, N. C.

First Round

January

Davie, Oak Grove 23-24
Cooleemee, night 24
Lewisville, Sharon 30-31

February

Kernersville, Kernersville 6-7

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Premier Carrier of the South

N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information and are net guaranteed.

12:15 a. m.—No 32 daily Southern's Southeastern Limited. Pullman drawing-room, open section sleeping cars Jacksonville and Augusta to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

12:35 a. m.—No. 112, daily, local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh which is open at 9:30 and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m.

1:42 a. m.—No. 30, daily, Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing-room and observation sleeping cars Birmingham and Columbus to New York, and Birmingham to Richmond. Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29 daily, Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing-room and observation sleeping cars New York and Richmond to Birmingham and Columbus. Daily tourist car Washington to San Francisco via popular Sunset Route. Dining cars. Coaches.

3:15 a. m.—No. 31 daily, The Southern's Southeastern Limited. Pullman drawing-room and open section sleeping cars New York to Jacksonville and Augusta. Dining car service. Day coaches.

3:45 a. m.—No. 45 daily, local for Charlotte, connecting for Atlanta and points south.

7:10 a. m.—No. 8 daily, local for Richmond.

7:15 a. m.—No. 37 daily, New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section sleeping cars New York to New Orleans, and New York to Asheville, and Macon. Pullman parlor car Greensboro to Montgomery. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service.

7:30 a. m.—No. 103 daily, local for Raleigh, Selma, and Goldsboro.

7:40 a. m.—No. 154 daily, except Sunday for Ramseur.

7:25 a. m.—No. 11, daily, local for Atlanta. Pullman sleeping cars Norfolk and Richmond to Charotte. Day coaches.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily, for Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Pullman sleeping car Raleigh to Winston-Salem.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily, local for Mt. Airy.

9:30 a. m.—No. 44, daily, for Washington and points north.

9:40 a. m.—No. 144, daily, Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro Pullman sleeping car Atlanta to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily, for Asheville and Waynesville, connecting at Asheville with Carolina Special for all points west. Chair car Goldsboro to Asheville.

12:55 p. m.—No. 120, daily, local for Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

1:30 p. m.—No. 7, daily, local for Charlotte, connecting for Seneca and Columbia.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily U. S. Fast Mail for Washington, New York and points north. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

2:00 p. m.—No. 207, daily, for Winston-Salem, connecting daily except Sunday for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daily, except Sunday for Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily, except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily, for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Chair car.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily, for Mt. Airy.

6:25 p. m.—No. 35, daily, U. S. Fast Mail, for Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham. Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily, for Winston-Salem.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily local for Sanford.

7:32 p. m.—No. 43, daily, for Alanta, and points south Sleeping car Raleigh to Atlanta.

10:15 p. m.—No. 12, daily, local, for Richmond. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Norfolk.

10:20 p. m.—No. 233, daily, for Winston-Salem.

11:29 p. m.—No. 38, daily, New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section sleeping cars New Orleans, Macon and Asheville to New York. Dining car.

E. H. COAPMAN, Vice-President and General Manager, Washington, D. C.

S. H. HARDWICK, P. T. M., Washington D. C.

H. F. CARY, G. P. A., Washington, D. C.

R. H DeBUTTS, D. P. A., Charlotte, N. C.

C. G. PICKARD, P. and T. A., Greensbore, N. C.

TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 : : : : *CHARTERED 1859*

A Southern institution of established national reputation. Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.



Large endowment fund makes possible complete, first-class equipment; full faculty of able, well-chosen instructors; beautiful campus, new buildings, modern laboratories, splendid library. Comfortable, inexpensive dormitories. For catalogue and illustrated booklet, address

R. L. Flowers, Sec. to the Corporation, Durham, N. C.

CABBAGE PLANTS





GROWN FROM EXPENSIVE SEED

I pay from three to five times as much for Peter Henderson & Co.'s seed as other planters pay for ordinary seed. Actual figures, $3.50 per lb. for Wakefields, $4.00 per lb. for Flat Dutch, against 75c. per lb. for ordinary seed. My customers get the benefit in

PERFECT PLANTS AT NO EXTRA COST

Why not plant cabbage grown from high-grade seed and raise a successful crop, rather than use plants from inferior seed and be disappointed in the results? It costs no more.

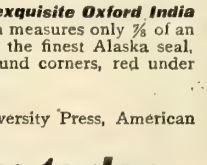
If I am out of the variety you want I will tell you. I NEVER SUBSTITUTE EXCEPT WHEN REQUESTED BY THE PURCHASER.

Prices by Express: 1,000 to 4,000, $1.50 per 1,000; 5,000 to 9,000, $1.25 per 1,000; 10,000 or over $1.00 per 1,000.



Varieties: Early Jersey Wakefield, Charleston Wakefield, Henderson's Succession, Flat Dutch, ***All Frost Proof.*** Order early to be sure of the variety you want.

2,000 bushels Harrison's Selected Seed Corn, $2.00 per bushe F. O. B. Charleston, S. C.



JOS. M. HARRISON
CHARLESTON, S. C.

GREENSBORO NURSERIES

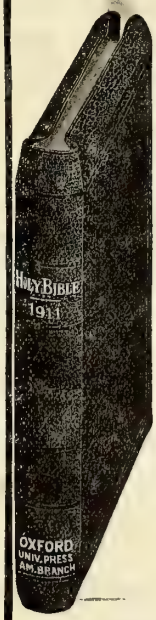
AGENTS WANTED

For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.

JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

An Exceptional Bible Offer

Endorsed by Representatives of all Denominations



THE 1911 BIBLE

Being the old familiar Authorized Version, carefully amended by American scholars in the light of the latest modern scholarship.

Not a Revision

Only such passages as are recognized by all scholars as needlessly obscure have been altered in any way.

Special Features

A New System of Chain References.
A New System of Collected References.
A New System of Paragraphs.

"We believe, unqualifiedly, that the 1911 Bible is far the best translation ever given the English-speaking people, and the worthiest of their confidence and affection."—*Herald and Presbyter.*

Printed in large black-faced type, very easy to read

Special Offer:

For $2.00 we will send you, postpaid, a copy of this superb Bible, beautifully printed in large black-face type, and bound in the best French morocco, with overlapping edges, round corners, red under gold edges, headband, and fine silk marker. This Bible contains 12 beautifully colored Maps, and Index to Maps.

Size, 8x5½ inches.

For $5.00 we will send you, postpaid, ***the exquisite Oxford India Paper edition*** of this Bible, which measures only ⅞ of an inch in thickness. It is bound in the finest Alaska seal, with overlapping edges, full leather lined to edge, silk sewed, round corners, red under gold edges, and has silk headband and marker.

Size, 8x5½ inches, ⅞ of an inch thick.

Remember!! These Bibles are published by the Oxford University Press, American Branch—in itself a sufficient guarantee of their excellence.

Send for one of these Bibles to-day

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

PUBLISHER'S MESSAGE

A TALK ABOUT BUSINESS AND PLEA FOR CO-OPERATION

One would suppose that it would just be a delight to the Methodist business man in Western North Carolina to patronize the North Carolina Christian Advocate. Both the Advertising and Job Printing departments should appeal to these men. We believe this will be the case when attention is persistently called to it. Notwithstanding we have had a good deal to say from time to time, it is still true that many of our people have not fully realized the value of the Advocate as

An Advertising Medium

If our merchants, manufacturers, farmers and business men generally could be induced to try it we have no doubt they would be amply repaid for money paid in exchange for our advertising space. There ought to be a regular column filled with classified or want ads. and we hope to get our people who want anything or who have anything to sell to use the Advocate space and thus help their own business while helping to support an important institution of the church. For years a few of our enterprising business men have appreciated the Advocate as an advertising medium, but the great majority of them need yet to have their attention called to this. While throwing away vast sums of money on various advertising schemes presented by the promoter, they let this really rich opportunity go by unimproved.

We have purged our columns of all advertising which can not be rated as first class and clean in every respect and this itself greatly enhances the value of our space.

Again, there are hundreds of business men all over our section who have large quantities of printing done. They could turn much of this our way just as well, and many could turn all their job work into our house.

We are Equipped

for all kinds of job printing, especially pamphlets and commercial work, and this would help the Board of Publication very much in its efforts to establish firmly the business and make a great paper for the Conference. The members of this Board give their time and thought to this business without charge or hope of remuneration—their work is a labor of love. They feel the more free to appeal to

Methodist Business Men

to think of our Advocate printing house in Greensboro when they need anything in that line, and if they can get what they want we feel sure they will take pleasure in turning patronage this way. Just think of it

The Stationery of Our Country Stores

would make a nice business for our Job Department and would well-nigh keep our presses busy!!

Then think of the physicians, lawyers, preachers and other professional men who use printed stationery and other printed matter, besides printing for the churches and church organizations. Of course we do not expect a monopoly of all this business, and we are already getting a goodly share; but there are many who have never had their attention called specially to this, and with a little more thoughtfulness our business ought easily to be doubled, especially in the line of commercial work. It is evident that we need

More Diligent Co-operation

While any church business enterprise must depend mainly upon those who have charge, and cannot be allowed to depend upon such patronage as church loyalty alone would bring, it is nevertheless true that much depends upon that spirit of co-operation which church loyalty suggests and prompts. There are a few country merchants who have sent us their orders for stationery regularly since we began work in that line. They seem to be pleased, our business is benefited and we very greatly appreciate their spirit of co-operation.

A large manufacturer in one of our thriving towns, after hearing the editor at a District Conference last year, frankly stated that he had not had his attention called to this before and that he had quite a good deal of work that, everything else being equal, he would be glad to turn our way. Since that time we have been getting nice orders occasionally, and if fifty or seventy-five more, who no doubt are in the same position, would do likewise, most of our problems would be solved, for the reason that this additional work would be handled without appreciable increase in our payroll.

The Sale of Books

For some two years or more we have been handling books in a small way. Most of this is purely a mail order business. We have arrangements with publishers to fill our orders, and allow us the trade discount; so, without paying any more for books our people can send their orders through us and thus add quite a little item to our income. The only difference to the purchaser would be a delay of about one day. This applies to orders from Smith & Lamar, or any publishers in the United States. We hope to have the co-operation of our people in this respect also. We ought to co-operate in an effort to put more good books into the hands of our people. Nothing is needed more today than the turning of the minds of our people into the channels of more serious and profitable thought. Good books will do this.

Church Supplies

Record books for Quarterly Conference, Church Conference, Sunday Schools, Baraca and Philathea Classes, etc., Bibles and Disciplines can be secured through us at the same prices charged by our Publishing House and other dealers. Why not turn the trade commission or discount into our own treasury?

We take it that the Board need offer no apology for thus going into details in order to show our people of this opportunity for profitable and helpful co-operation.

For further information write

BOARD OF PUBLICATION,
Greensboro, N. C.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Reading Room Trinity College

Volume LX Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, Feb[illegible]y 4, 1915 Number 5

THE OLD TIME

There is no time like the old time,
When you and I were young,
When the buds of April blossomed,
And the birds of springtime sung.
The garden's brightest glories
By summer suns are nursed,
But, oh, the sweet violets,
The flowers that opened first!

There is no place like the old place,
Where you and I were born,
Where we lifted first our eyelids,
On the splendors of the morn,
From the milk-white breast that warmed us,
From the clinging arms that bore,
Where the dear eyes glistned o'er us
That will look for us no more!

There is no friend like the old friend,
That has shared our morning days,
No greeting like his welcome,
No homage like his praise;
Fame is the scentless sunflower,
With gaudy crown of gold;
But friendship is the breathing rose,
With sweets in every fold.

—*Oliver Wendell Holmes*

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS

It is not our custom to discontinue subscriptions when the time paid for expires, without notice. Subscribers who do not wish the paper continued should send notice to discontinue direct to the office. Otherwise they will be expected to pay for the paper

A CASE IN POINT

There is a timidity characteristic of pastors about pressing the circulation of the church paper. We fully appreciate this knowing by experience the rebuffs that one meets. Nevertheless, every pastor owes it to himself and to the people whom he serves to brace himself for the task and go about this work with confidence and without apology. We happen to have in hand this week a case which illustrates what we are writing about and we trust that we violate no rule of propriety in giving it to our readers.

A short while ago we received a letter from the Lay Leader of Henrietta-Caroleen charge, lamenting the fact that few of their people were taking the Advocate. This man is an intelligent layman, who has properly had this matter upon his heart for years. As a last resort he proposed that we give them the $1.00 rate for a club of twenty or more. We confess that it was hard for us to write a letter declining to cut the rate; but in view of the fact that every yearly subscriber actually costs us more than $1.00, what else could we do?

On Monday of this week we received a letter from the pastor, Brother Clegg, enclosing a list of twenty new subscribers taken at the regular rate, enclosing a good portion of the amount and pledging the balance in a short time, also stating that they expected to send as many more before long. Besides, Brother Clegg is looking after the renewal of the old list. Brother Clegg will no doubt admit that, while loyal to the core, he has not been what we might term an aggressive man in this particular field. We are sure he will pardon us for taking the liberty of using this as an illustration of what can be done, and what must be done, if we continue to have a paper worthy to circulate among our people. This is the only hope. The sooner we all agree about it the better it will be for us. Our people are not going to subscribe for our paper on a mere recommendation or kindly mention. The pastor and our leading laymen, who know the value of the paper, must go after them.

A CAMPAIGN OF EDUCATION

Education and evangelization go hand in hand. They were joined together by Jesus Christ in the Great Commission, and no man can put them asunder and succeed. As reported by St. Matthew, Jesus said, "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, ... teaching them to observe all things, whatsoever I have commanded you." Thus the gospel is to present Christ to the world as the light of the intellect as well as the soul.

The truth is that the intellect is the avenue of approach to the heart, and while it is true that salvation does not depend absolutely upon intellectual processes, yet Paul gives us the logical relation of the intellect to the matter of personal salvation, when he says that "faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." "If ye know these things happy are ye if ye do them," says Christ, again recognizing knowledge as the basis of right doing and its result, personal happiness.

We must admit that many well-disposed people are far from being what they should, and come far short of enjoying many blessings that are theirs, for the simple reason that they do not know—they have not the knowledge that enables one to appropriate the good things that are in reach of them. There is a story, well authenticated, that a North Carolina man, for many years, made a door prop of a stone, as he supposed, which afterwards proved to be an almost solid nugget of gold. Of course the fabulous value of the little object, lying for so many years about the door, meant nothing to the owner, for the reason that he was ignorant of its value. The same ignorance abounding among neighbors, made him secure in the possession of it.

This is but an object lesson of what prevails almost everywhere today. The dreariest aspect of the field as viewed from the standpoint of an intelligent, consecrated minister of the gospel, is the prevalent ignorance and consequent prejudice with which he has to contend. The great mass of humanity presents one vast picture of intellectual and spiritual darkness. The people, coming in daily contact with the best things, and yet not able to discern, appreciate and appropriate them. The man in our illustration not only had a chunk of gold lying at his door, but there were rich stores of it under the surface of his fields, where, with much sweat and toil, he barely managed to eke out an existance. So the people, many of them, to whom we are sent to minister, are ignorant of the vast resources of wealth, intellect and spiritual enjoyment, that are actually in their possession, if they could only have eyes to see. Our people do not enter with joy into the real possession of that which they have, and it remains for us to lead them into such paths of enlightening truth, as will enable them to do so, lest they forfeit what they have.

* * * *

When we think of these things, how clearly the conviction comes that we are not using the means of enlightenment as we should. It will avail nothing to invoke light and at the same time neglect to remove obstructions. We must establish the agencies by which our people are to be brought into intelligent use of the means whereby the higher intellectual powers and spiritual impulses of the nature may be made to contribute to the happiness of living. The pulpit must take advantage of its opportunity to point out the more excellent way, even in those things that pertain to the physical comfort of man. It is not a vain gospel that makes a man aspire to be prosperous that he may make his home more comfortable and attractive. Nor is it a vain gospel that awakens in the masses a purpose to be more cleanly and attractive in person. Moreover, a gospel is but half preached that does not awaken in the minds of those who hear a desire to develop all the powers of the mind, so as to be able to know things—to acquire knowledge and use it for the better enjoyment of life ourselves, the good of our fellowmen, and the glory of God. In short, a full gospel addresses itself to all sides of the problem of life, and not only emancipates the soul from the thralldom of sin, but enlightens the understanding, and makes the desert blossom as the rose.

The curse of the earth is man's ignorance, as only a little observation will prove. As we write there comes before us a picture in memory. Beside the highway, there was in the days of our boyhood, a little farm. The hillsides were gaping gullies, and along the little stream that wended its way through little plats of bottom, the briars and brambles invaded the fields, till only small strips were left for cultivation. The fences were broken down and the briars that grew along these had gone on a journey to meet those growing along the banks of the stream. The house in which the family dwelt, and all the surroundings, had a tumble-down look. There was nothing but squalor within. In process of time this man, in sheer despair, moved out and another came to dwell in his stead. The neighbors shook their heads and said he too would be doomed to poverty. But it was not so. With him he brought intelligent methods, and with industry and intelligent perseverance, the gullies were soon closed, the briars and brambles disappeared, the fences were set up again, and the waters of that stream were soon kissing grassy banks. All the premises were neat and attractive, and the newcomer was not only making a living, but was marketing a surplus, living in comfort and serving God and his country by rearing a happy family. Let us not forget Isaiah's vision of the gospel day, as one that will remove the curse from the physical world, thus showing that the gospel that saves in the fullest, completest sense is the gospel of intellectual and spiritual emancipation.

The North Carolina Christian Advocate wants to help in this great work, and we appeal to every preacher and layman to come to our help, that we may find way somehow into every home in every pastoral charge this year. There is no agency that will make a more efficient co-worker with every pastor than the church paper, and these first months of the year should be used diligently in sowing down the whole field with good literature.

CHILDREN AND CHURCH ATTENDANCE

The importance of the subject justifies repeated discussion. If we are to have congregations at the regular preaching service in the next generation, we must train them for it in this. There is now a menace at both ends of the Sunday school. For some years it has been observed that, in many large congregations, but few of the children remain for the Sunday school. A recent complaint is that the large organized classes in many places are showing a disposition to turn their backs upon the preaching service. If either is true to any serieus extent, it makes a terrible indictment against the Sunday school.

Of course the Sunday school, as such, is not to blame. As a real auxiliary of the church and as a reccruiting agency for the preaching service, there is nothing which affords greater possibilities than the Sunday school; but its helpfulness depends upon the character of the superintendent and teachers. Our opinion is that where children go away from the preaching service, the fault is mainly with teachers of superficial calibre, and the same may be said of adult classes. A "smart Aleck" who abuses a great opportunity in such a way ought to be relieved of his place, no matter how capable he may be intellectually; though, of course, he ought to be labored with first with the hope of reformation.

Rev. Dr. J. A. Burrow, editor of the Midland Methodist, who, by the way is also presiding elder of the Chattanooga District, and in a position to have practical knowledge of the things about which he writes, says,

"If the Sunday schools of the land should, though unintentionally, encourage the idea that church attendance is unnecessary, then the Sunday schools would be a menace. The unintentional encouragement might consist in habitual failure to urge attendance at church, to agitate the question, or to even announce the preaching. Since the world is to be saved by the 'foolishness of preaching,' and since a habit of not going to church may follow the scholars out into the mature world, it can readily be seen how dissastrous such encouragement from such a source might be.

For organized classes to hold a session immediately following the Sunday school hour and then deliberately walk away from the preaching service is to make the organized class a menace. If we are to have organization that acts as a substitute for the public worship of God, then that organization will do more harm than good. The light setting aside of this public worship is the menace of the hour, and it behooves the watchmen on Zion's walls to lift their voices in alarm.

Sunday school teachers sometimes talk learnedly and eloquently to their classes, and then coolly walk home to spend the preaching hour in reading papers and magazines. A teacher who does this frequently is not the person to teach. The sooner some one else is given that class, the better it will be for all concerned. The teacher is an example, and should set the pupils in the right way. To encourage them in what they are glad enough to get encouragement in is bad—very bad.

If it be true, as some allege, that attendance today upon the preaching of the Word is suffering a decline, what about the future, when the untrained church-goers of modern Sunday schools become the men and women of our constituency? Will they pick up a habit after they are grown? Who will be to blame? Parents first, and Sunday schools next? If parents are

firm in enforcing attendance upon day schools, where the children learn grammar and geography, ought they not to enforce attendance upon church, where the children learn of Him who made tongues and continents? Are grammar and geography more momentous than the kingdom of God?

We must begin to cry aloud. Danger is at our doors. Our Sunday schools are good and great, but they are secondary to the preaching of divine truth."

DEATH OF REV. ALPHEUS E. WILEY

Rev. Alpheus E. Wiley, whose illness we announced last week, passed away at the home of his daughter at Cliffside on Sunday morning, January 31st. Brother Wiley suffered a stroke of paralysis at Gold Hill some years ago, and had not been able since that time to do any work, and has remained on the superannuate list. Not long ago he had an attack of grippe from which he had not recovered and from the effects of which he died.

If we mistake not Brother Wiley was a native of Rowan County. He joined the North Carolina Conference at Statesville in 1883, and is the second one of that class of fourteen to pass away. The class consists of Ashby, Bowles, Brothers, Blair, Daily, T. J., Hurley, John, Shamburger, Smith, M. A., Troy, Tuttle, D. H., Underwood, Wiley and Woosley.

That all these men save two, after thirty-one years, should still be living, and all the remainder be working save one, is a rather remarkable record. In this class there was no sweeter spirit nor more devoted and loyal itinerant than Alpheus E. Wiley. When stricken with the malady which disabled him, he was preparing to go to his appointment, and since that day has awaited in quiet resignation the call of the Master to his reward in the Father's house.

The body was laid beside that of his wife in Union county, she having passed away some years ago. We hope to be furnished a full memoir for publication at an early day.

THE RETIRED MINISTER

We are printing a little story this week on the fifth page to which we call special attention. It pictures better than we can a condition which exists among us unnoticed, largely because such men and their families suffer in silence. Men and women of the finest fiber, who, in the days of their strength, laid themselves out in unselfish service, not reckoning about future needs, and are now too high-minded to assume the role of mendicant. Modestly the old hero of our story tells that "the little home rents for six dollars per month when it is occupied. I receive a small sum from the ministerial Relief Fund. You know there are so many demands on the Church in these days, etc."

In these words of the poor old man is pictured the tragedy of a minister's old age and the unwitting cruelty of the church at large. Stressing to the breaking point the demands of our Educational and Missionary propeganda we forget the men and women whose sacrificing labors have made the church what it is today. As we write we have in mind a man who, in the days of his greatest efficiency, frequently gave one-fifth of his salary to help push the work forward in his charge. Today this man receives from the superannuate fund less per annum than he was accustomed to give in former years.

At our last Annual Conference a feeble effort was made to increase our fund for superannuates, but the "many demands" seem to be in the way of any advance in this respect. This feeble effort, however, is an encouraging sign, and we are hoping that some of our men of means will get together and organize a movement that will eventually wipe out all reproach so far as the Western North Carolina Conference is concerned. We hope to live to see the day when it may be said that no man who has given his life to the service of the church shall be doomed to suffer in silence for lack of the things that would make life comfortable.

There is no good reason why one hundred thousand Methodists in Western North Carolina should allow any of these old veterans to suffer. All that we need is to get a just perspective and not only give liberally, but give intelligently, of our means. Let the reader look up the story referred to, headed "The Story the Old Canvasser Told."

NOTE AND COMMENT

The German Submarine which has been raiding so successfully about the English coast is reported to have sunk five English Merchant ships early this week. It begins to look as if one or two submarines properly manned may yet prove of more value in naval warfare than a whole squadron of warships.

* * * *

The Movement to Establish a Reformatory for fallen women ought to have zealous support. Such a bill is now before our Legislature and we hope the way may be clear to establish the institution at once. That we may appreciate fully the necessity for such an institution it is only necessary to recall the fact that, when a young woman goes wrong there is scarcely a place where she may take refuge from the scorn of society with any hope of encouragement or help. The rescue and reformation of this class is a work in which the whole state is interested and to which the whole state should contribute.

* * * *

Wages for Convicts. We are glad to note that a bill has been introduced in the House of Representatives providing for the payment of the wages of convicts to their families. The bill provides that there shall be allowed as compensation for the labor of all prisoners serving terms of not less than six months and engaged in hard labor the sum of 50 cents per day. The amount to be paid over to the wife and children of dependent families. This is a law for which the Advocate has contended for years and we sincerely hope to see it enacted.

* * * *

The Bill to Prohibit the Shipment of Liquor into the State for beverage purposes is now before the Legislature. It seems, from reports in the papers, that there is some hesitation on the part of members of the Legislature about giving the bill their support. Some are proposing that the bill be referred to the people, thus subjecting the State to the worry and expense of another election. The editor of the Advocate is willing to take the responsibility of saying that the only trouble about the bill is that it proposes to stop the last hole and effectually prohibit all traffic in liquor. This the politicians are afraid of and some would now resort of political dodge of referring it to "the dear people." The people voted for prohibition seven years ago, but have never yet got what they voted for. Now that it is proposed in this bill to give them what they voted for, the politicians want to refer it to them again. Well, let them refer it if it is too hot for them to handle, and the people will show them something. Meantime, however, we shall have again millions of corruption money turned loose upon us by the liquor magnates. Why hesitate and subject the State to a flood of filth, when every one knows that the decency and intelligence of the State is calling for the bill?

* * * *

Bishop Atkins spoke to the Woman's Missionary Society and the people of Charlotte in an illuminating way last Sunday night on things as he saw them in the Orient on his recent visit. We quote from the report in Monday's Charlotte Observer:

"The population of China is estimated at 400,000,000. After spending awhile there I was quite prepared to believe there were 4,000,000,000, if anyone had made the statement with the shadow of a title. Ever and anon I would strike some place that I never heard of, and that did not appear on the map as a city. On inquiry I found that its population numbered a quarter of a million."

All these Oriental peoples are intensely religious. "In that fact is our hope and inspiration and in it, too, is their hope of eternal salvation." A religion that is earth-born and of man never rises higher than its source, he added, and the easiest way to ruin a man is to get him on the wrong side in his religious nature. Yet contemplating those vast multitudes, the bishop's mind recoiled from the idea that all of them and their ancestors through the centuries have been hopelessly lost, and he declared his belief that many of them have wrought out their salvation through the death of Jesus Christ. He could not conceive, he said, of God falling short of making ample and full provision for these great struggling masses of humanity. Yet this is no reason, he added, why Christians should not strive to the utmost of their ability to lift them to the heights of Christianity.

The mission work of the Methodist Church in the Orient is of two classes, educational and evangelical. Yet educational work there is very different from what it is here. There is not a single school whose ultimate object is not to capture the life of the student for Christ. There is not a teacher, no matter what his subject, who does not have as a bed-rock motive the absorbing desire to win the pupil to Christ. The speaker described some of the colleges and also the kindergartens. The latter, he said, is the grandest institution of all, for "a little child shall lead them," and the tiny children who learn practical things to do, as well as Christian maxims, are instrumental in arousing the interest of their families in the new religion.

Korea politically is in better condition since its annexation by Japan, said Bishop Atkins. The oppression by native rulers is ended and much development has occurred. By the change Korea has secured a railroad, which it would probably never have obtained in a thousand years, and it is of a better grade, broader guage than the Japanese railroads, though the latter are operated with clock-like precision and accuracy. Government farm schools have been established, too. The Korean is a big, handsome, majestic looking man, with something of an intellectual element. A process of intermarriage with the Japanese has begun and this promises to produce the greatest combination in the Orient. The Korean is a dreamer, but he also has a practical side which is being cultivated.

"There is no bigger man on the face of the earth than the Chinaman when he is fully developed under favorable circumstances," said the speaker narrating instances observed on the Pacific coast where Chinamen of the lowest standing have developed in character and responsibility under American civilization. The Chinese system makes honesty impossible, but under the American system honesty becomes his cardinal trait.

"The Japanese woman when fully developed under the influence of Christianity is going to be one of the most charming and useful women on earth."

Bishop Atkins told how it is a custom in China, the original land of firecrackers, to honor a visiting prince by deafening explosions. One kind of cracker hurls itself 250 feet into the air and explodes with a detonation like a cannon. At one place, when the train stopped at his destination, he heard the uproar and inquired of his escort, "What prince is on this train?" "You are," was the response, and it was even so. A rousing reception was accorded to him and to Mrs. Atkins.

"It put your ordinary Christmas Eve celebration to shame. It was almost awful. It sounded like war," said Bishop Atkins. "But it was all right. It showed that they loved their church."

The bishop had planned to have an interview with the Emperor of Japan, but this, like a good many other things, was prevented by the outbreak of the war. The Emperor was busy with his ministers.

The bishop at the beginning of his address said the scope of the subject was too vast to admit of adequate treatment, and that he could not hope to even suggest the greatness of the field and of the mission accomplishments. At five minutes past nine he said, "Well, I suppose I had better stop. There's no end to it. Good night."

—Rev. R. T. Vann, who for many years has been at the head of Meredith College, the great Baptist institution for the education of women at Raleigh, has been elected Secretary of the Board of Education and will be expected to take up his duties at the close of the college fiscal year and give his whole time to the work.

CONTRIBUTIONS

GERMANY AGAIN

J. M. Rowland

Since my last article passed the censor and I have not been arrested for violating the laws of neutrality, I have it in mind to finish my say about Germany. There are some things about this little nation that we need to keep in mind at this particular time.

If Germany could be put down upon us here it would cover Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia. It would take fourteen such countries to make one as large as the United States. This is the size of the little country that has thrown half the earth into war and stunned the entire world. The population is nearly seventy million, about two-thirds as many folks as we have. The population per square mile is ten times as great as ours. The German navy is second in the waters of the world and at the beginning of this war she had a trained army of over five million soldiers or more than ten times the size of the army of the United States, counting every trained soldiers we could possibly muster. This shows that you cannot say there are no germs in Germany if you mean war germs. Our wealth is seventy billion dollars more than the wealth of Germany and our war expenses thirty-two million dollars less. At the beginning of the war the national debt of Germany was nearly two billion dollars, with an interest of fifty-five million dollars yearly or nearly a dollar yearly for every man, woman and child in the empire. It is estimated that the first year's war will add an expense of twelve dollars upon every man, woman and child besides the awful damage to property and the destruction of human life.

The salary of the German Emperor is $3,698,260, besides income from vast estates belonging to the crown, which would doubtless run his pay up to the enormous sum of six million dollars a year. In other words every time the President of the United States draws one dollar for administering the duties of his office, the Kaiser draws sixty dollars for running a country fourteen times smaller. These facts will give some idea of the burdens that autocratic government puts on a people. The marvel of it is they submit to it.

In addition to the crime of Bleeding Belgium, which history and the Judge of the earth will lay at the door of the German Emperor, if it is possible he is guilty of worse things than prostrating this innocent country and conserving the powers of his kingdom for years in such a way as to cause this most bloody and senseless war the world has known. He has gone forth with his drawn sword and engines of hell, his garments streaming in blood of his fellows, representing himself as the agent and representative of Almighty God. He is the leader of the hosts of God. It is 'me and God," but mostly "me." He makes God a bloody murderous German, under the dictates of the German army, instead of the merciful Father of us all. If he had left God out of it we might respect him more.

Another crime just as great is the part he played in bringing Turkey into the war. When he made the proposition to Turkey he well knew that it would cause the awful horrors of a "Holy War," in which the cruel Turks would rise to slay all foreigners, including the missionaries, their wives and little children. This is just the reason he made the compact. He hoped when the devil was turned loose in Turkey, England would be so busy looking after the helpless foreigners there that he could have a better chance to grind the bodies and souls of men in his war machines further north. This man is drunk on blood and military power and it will be the darkest day the history of modern civilization has known if he wins, but he will not win.

Before we leave Germany for that eventful trip through the south of Europe there are a few things more pleasant than the above, I desire to say. I was greatly impressed with a sign I saw in Hamburg as we were leaving that city. Over the home office of the "Hamburg American Steamship Line" I read their motto: "The World is My Field," and was told they borrowed it from John Wesley.

We visited the Emperor's palace, for which we paid 12½ cents. It was rich and beautiful. Upon its walls we read a welcome sign, to the effect that servants and employees were not allowed to accept tips. The palace was arranged with a Red Room, Blue Room, etc., as our White House is, but had a more kingly appearance.

We found Dresden not so large a city as Berlin but even more attractive and beautiful. Here we saw the Green Vault, so named because of a rare stone, a green diamond, the only one in the world. The collection of crown jewels is valued at twelve million dollars. A royal stove is shown that cost twelve thousand dollars, along with many trinkets, wine cups and gems running into millions of dollars, which gives you a good example of how the babies of royalty spend the people's money for their toys. We beheld one piece of statuary which, according to the guide, required seventeen men seven years to finish. The most interesting thing here, however, was Martin Luther's communion cup. When we thought of the inspired lips that touched that cup all the crown jewels, wine bowls and trinkets became indeed the toys of children. You cannot think of Germany without thinking of Martin Luther. And when you look upon that black spot on the wall of his room and are told that it was caused by his throwing his ink bottle at the face of the devil who was there to dissuade him as he wrote the declaration of freedom from the oppression, you are prepared to believe it. His disciples have somewhat forsaken this great old saint like the disciples of Wesley have done, but his footprints are on the sands of time and will be until the last gust of eternity's wind has blown those sands away.

Beyond a doubt the most interesting thing I saw in Germany was Raffael's "Sistine Madonna," the greatest and most famous picture the hand of man has ever produced. Long had I hoped my feet might some day come this way and let me stand before this picture. The children of men throng the art galleries of the world and jabber and sputter over articles of "art" that ought to be destroyed from among men, but they come at last to the top of the hill and stand enraptured, thrilled, softened, overpowered before the modest picture of the mother and her child. They are noisy and garrulous before many of the other scenes, but when they come to this picture without being told they stand with heads bared and bowed, their movements soft, their voices hushed, and the feet of the multitude come this way, and stand longest here. People of every station and class in life are coming. Rich, poor, old and young, wise and ignorant. Day after day, year after year they come. They stand, they sit about the little chapel and look and look and look. Few speak, many let unhindered tears flow down their cheeks, many tremble. The hope of the human heart is in that something that selects from all the pictures it ever sees, the mother and the child, to hang the highest on the walls of the soul. No one could describe that picture, though many try. You must see it to know it. The light of heaven falls on it. The mother's feet are on the clouds with all things of earth underneath. In her face is the glorified, immortalized life and light of motherhood. Her arms are clasped about her little child. His little white hands are on hers; his little innocent face is resting against his mother's face. Beneath the clouds, looking up as you are looking up, are two cherubs, while over the faces of Mary and the little child Christ, falls the heavenly light of redemption and the Fatherhood of God. In this scene heaven and earth are meeting together, the hand of man and God clasp each other. It is a great hour for a soul that has any art in it to stand before that picture, not to worship it, but to look beyond it to that which it pictures. It is on wood and covers the side of a room. Rockefeller has offered a fabulous sum for this picture, but it is not for sale. This picture is four hundred years old and in perfect condition. Raffael was a young man when he turned from hi hand this picture that has given him a fadeles name. He died in 1520 in Rome at the age o thirty-seven.

IS THERE NOT A PEACEFUL METHOI OF SECURING FUTURE PEACE?

Thomas Kane

All the advocates of peace seem to agree tha to secure permanent peace four things are nec essary: First, there must be disarmament. Sec ond, there must be an end of making prepara tions for war between nations. Third, there must be an international court of arbitration Fourth, there must be an international police and naval armament of sufficient size and power to enforce the decisions of the International Court.

The question is: Are all these necessary? If the nations become convinced that there would be no more war between them, time would bring disarmament. If war should cease, while an international police would do no harm, there would be nothing for it to do. An International Court of Arbitration is, of course, a necessity, but is there not another entirely peaceful, friendly and yet efficient and inexpensive method of securing obedience to the Court's decision?

Remembering that nations, no matter how large, are made up of individuals, and that in each of these individuals the pocket is the most sensitive as well as the most vulnerable nerve, suppose that our country should take the lead in offering to combine with other peace-loving and non-military nations in a treaty agreeing that we and they would impose an additional duty of say ten per cent. on all products of any country sent to our markets or to the markets of the other nations joining in the treaty, which refused to discontinue making preparation for war. Also that the same duty should be paid on all products from other countries carried in vessels bearing the flag of the nation that persisted in preparing for war. Would not war between commercial and manufacturing nations automatically cease?

To illustrate: Suppose at the close of the present war Germany should decide to continue making preparations for future war. Germany is named, because while the terms of the treaty would apply to all nations alike, Germany in recent years has been making the most thorough preparation for war. Suppose France should complain to the International Court that Germany was arming and that unless she stopped, France too must arm in order to be prepared for war. The International Court would cite representatives of Germany to appear before it within a given time, and make answer to the complaint of France. If she declined to obey the summons within the specified time, or to obey the decision of the court, should it be against her, the terms of the treaty between peace-loving nations would automatically take effect, and just as automatically the whole subject would be transferred to the people of Germany. It would cease to interest other nations except as a matter of news. But it would become at once the question of questions, not to the rulers only, but to every man, woman and child old enough to think in all Germany. In this one fact lies the key to the situation and its solution.

If the rulers and people decided to pay the additional tariff of ten per cent rather than discontinue preparing for war, the tariff could be increased until it would become practically prohibitory. With such conditions and possibilities, all under the control of the nations signing the treaty, is it not safe to conclude that the German people would decide that preparations for war must cease?

Of course, Germany or any other country which insisted on continuing preparations for war could retaliate by levying the same or even higher duties against the products of peace-loving countries, but would she do it? Would the people indorse such a course? It would seem that to ask the question is to answer it.

We should never forget that war of itself is punishment. Both parties are losers—the victor only less than the vanquished. Our efforts as lovers of peace should be against preparation

for war. Would not this method be feasible? Would it not be successful if the United States alone decided to adopt it?

PREPARING FOR THE REVIVAL

The first preparation is that which begins in the heart of the preacher himself. In the great deep of his own heart he hears the voice of the Spirit calling him to the work. He comes to know why the ancient prophets sometimes spoke of their message as a burden. The Word of the Lord becomes as fire in his bones.

Out of this comes great prayerfulness. He is possessed of a consuming desire to see the salvation of his people. He must pray, and he must prevail. As he prays, faith grows. "Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." He comes to feel that these strong desires, this celestial passion, must have some real connection with things about to come to pass. That it can not be mere fantasy of the mind, but an apprisement of divine possibilities within reach. Faith becomes vision. Like Elijah on Carmel, he hears the "sound of an abundance of rain." There is a "going in the mulberry trees."

Gradually out of this glorious vision of promise plans emerge for its realization. The Spirit who imparts faith, and gives the vision, can also lead the mind in practical details. As the preacher broods over the situation, as his heart yearns over his people as a mother over her children, certain persons will come to mind as those most in sympathy with the work. These must be his chief of staff. His mind, illuminated by more than earthly wisdom, sees strategic points in his church organization. He feels impelled to do certain things, such as have a heart-to-heart talk with a Sunday school superintendent, a conference of Sunday school teachers, an unannounced experience meeting, to form a prayer list. And about this time he begins to meet with evidences that the Lord who has been leading him has also been touching others. Unexpected confirmation of his faith is found as he goes forward. The Lord who gives Peter the vision has also been busy at the house of Cornelius.

Then preaching takes on another character. It takes on a yearning tenderness not known before. The preacher begins to see new depth of meaning in the compassion of the Master for the multitudes in the days of his flesh. He comes to know the blessedness of weeping over sinners. He finds in complete abandonment to himself to the work that he has ascended a throne of power and is able in the name of the Lord to wield a strange influence over the consciences of men. He now knows that preaching the gospel is the most glorious privilege ever given to men. The Word of God becomes a sharp threshing instrument in his hands, a two-edged sword, dividing the very thoughts and intent of the heart. Again, it becomes the balm of Gilead to heal and make alive. And now the work multiplies. The battle is on, and every hour brings its need for heavenly skill, for quick decision, and serpentine wisdom. But the man of God finds that he is not alone. The great Captain is on the field, and as Paul he can say: "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." Unexpected illumination comes in preaching. Sermons spring out of the most unlikely looking texts. Divine flashes break out of the Word where hitherto it has been a sealed book. The preacher becomes an astonishment to himself and to others. He begins to understand why the multitude were swayed as Peter preached at Pentecost. He is ashamed of former faithlessness and coldness. He sees now that the gospel thus preached is ever the power of God unto salvation, and has all that is needed for a lost world. Given this preparation on the part of the preacher himself, and all others will come.—J. A. Baylor, in Midland Methodist.

THE STORY THE OLD CANVASSER TOLD

"Good morning, madam. Can I interest you in my line of specialities?"

It was the same old inquiry that was made at my door that bright spring morning; but, ordinary as the words might be, I realized instinctively that it was no ordinary canvass that thus addressed me. Voice, manner and pronunciation evidenced that my caller was a man of culture and refinement. The slender form and slightly stooping shoulders bore witness to scholarly habits.

It is a pathetic sight and one which strongly appeals to me to see an aged person striving to eke out a scanty living by going about with the inevitable handbag of light wares, seeking patronage from house to house. The man who stood at my door was apparently about seventy years of age; and as his goods were staples of which I happened to be in need, I gladly invited him in to sit and rest while I made my selection. Always on the alert for a story, especially one from real life in its infinite phases, I felt that there was one not far to seek.

"Sir," I remarked, busying myself among his goods, "I perceive that you are a man with a past; you have not always been a canvasser. Am I warranted in asking what part in the world's work you have taken in other days?"

His answer was a question. "What would you fancy?" he asked with a quiet smile.

"As you stood at the door," I made answer, "I was reminded of words spoken long ago by a brave soldier: 'I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus.' I believe, sir, that you are a retired minister."

The "light that never was on land or sea" lighted up the worn old face at this evidence of soul recognition. The stooping shoulders straightened.

"You have rightly judged. I retired from the ministry five years ago after spending forty years as an ambassador for my King."

"Forty years in the service of the Church!" I exclaimed. "And now"—I pause with a deprecating glance at the scattered wares about me.

"Yes, I understand," he answered gently. "Yet you must not feel that 'some strange thing' has befallen me. I am only one in a goodly company. It is a very simple story," he continued, "and one often duplicated among my brethren. Do you care to hear it?"

I assured him of my interest, and the gently modulated voice continued: "From the time I was called to the ministry I felt that I was peculiarly fitted for the home missionary field, and the first twenty years after my ordination were spent in the lumber and mining districts of Northern Michigan. You know what that means. It paid in glorious experiences, but in little else. The last twenty years of my ministry were spent in more remunerative fields. Yet, owing to force of circumstances, 'mother' and I have come down to our threescore years and ten with no earthly wealth than two splendid sons and a little home back East worth a few hundred dollars. There were four children in the little home missionary parsonage, one of whom passed away in childhood. It was a long, hard pull to see our two boys through college, but we had our reward."

Again the brave old face was lighted up.

"Yes," he repeated, "we had our reward; for they were both called to the foreign mission field. One is in China, the other in Central Africa. We last saw them two years ago. . . . We shall not see them again till we hold our family reunion on the other side."

I had ceased to examine the samples before me. I was looking on the drama of a life; I was listening to music from the harp strings of a human heart.

"Our daughter," continued the old soldier of the cross, while the harp strings were swept still more tenderly, "our daughter developed talents that justified us in giving her the best musical education that our means could command. But just as she had begun what promised to prove a successful career, she failed so rapidly in health that an immediate change of climate was the only hope held out to us for her recovery. It has been such a comfort to me that at that time, in addition to securing our little home, I had gathered together a few hundred dollars, which enabled mother and Nellie to come to your own beautiful Pasadena, while I carried on the work at home the best I could alone. But the diesase had become thoroughly intrenched before we had even suspected. We did all we could; . . . they were here a year; . . . then mother came home alone, leaving Nellie sleeping in beautiful Mountain View. We had always been so thankful that our little savings held out until she was past all need of earthly comforts."

There was a long pause ere he resumed his story.

"That was the last year of my ministry. Soon after my own failing health made us long for a warmer climate; and last fall we sold such of our goods as we could realize the most from, rented the little home, and turned our faces toward the sunset. It was natural that we should come to Pasadena. Perhaps you understand the attraction of a distant grave."

Aye, I understand. "And your resources?" I asked impulsively.

"The little home rents for six dollars per month when it is occupied. I receive a small sum from the Ministerial Relief Fund. You know there are so many demands on the Church in these days," he added apologetically. "Then I have this little work; it is about all I am able to do. Some days I make as much as fifty cents on my sales, and mother is a capital manager, you see."

Yes, it was obvious that "mother" was a capital manager. "But what of the coming years?" I asked. "The time may come that you will not be able to do even this work."

A shadow fell athwart the face opposite me, but only for a moment.

"Ah, dear madam, God does not come to the end of his resources when we come to ours." And then, as if forgetful of my presence, he repeated softly: "'I have been young, and now I am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread."

. . . . . .

Since that spring morning there have been many precious interviews with the man of God and also with "mother," the "capital manager," who served her apprenticeship long ago in the home mission parsonage. The old handbag is still in evidence, and with it the bearer carries a benediction to those who have hearts to understand; and I rejoice that occasionally at least I have "entertained angels" not "unawares."—Lena G. Brown, in the Advance.

TIDINGS FROM THE MISSION FIELD

Storming the Forts

The steady onward movement of God's forces are seen in the regular weekly meetings, but we need sometimes to storm the forts by special effort. Such an effort has just been made in our four churches on the Kyoto Circuit and at Kyoto Station. The meeting lasted two weeks and many souls were reached with the gospel message for the first time. More than fifty expressed a desire to be instructed more fully in these things. They are as earnest seekers after the light as I have ever tried to lead. In the Central the greatest results were realized, as we were able to reach more people in our new church building. About ten of them will be baptized before the end of the year. I am glad to be able to report that the congregations in our new church are increasing regularly and conditions are most encouraging.—W. A. Davis, Kyoto, Japan.

Anglo-Korean Graduates at the Top

The Anglo-Korean School is the Mission Academy or Middle School. The efficiency of the faculty and the raising of the course of study to the recognized standard have been features which have given the school a degree of prominence hitherto unexperienced. The graduates of the class in March of this year stood higher in the tests given by the Educational Senate than the pupils from any other Academy of the country. We have 110 pupils in the Higher Department, 160 pupils in the Primary Department, and 25 in the Special Trades Course conducted by Mr. Deal. The spirit of the student body is excellent. This school will reach a larger number of students and will do greater work when further equipped with buildings and apparatus.—W. G. Cram, Songdo, Korea.

By faith we can remove mountains. It would be well, however, for us to try our faith first on little hills. Some people are trying to heal diseases and cast the devils out of others who have not learned to be charitable.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM FIELD

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. S. E. Richardson requests us to state that his post office address is East Spencer and not Salibury as stated in the minutes.

—Rev. J. J. Eads is holding revival services at Shepherds on the Troutman circuit. Rev. G. W. Fink, of Rhodiss is assisting the pastor.

—Mr. R. C. Marshall, of Taylorsville, and Miss Sallie Keller, of Blowing Rock, were united in matrimony at the parsonage in Boone on Saturday, Jan. 23rd, Rev. D. P. Waters officiating.

—Rev. T. A. Groce, of Sulphur Springs circuit, requests that we thank the following for donations for seating Pisgah church: Asbury S. S., $2.10; North Asheville S. S., $1.00; Sandy Mush S. S., $1.00; Acton Philathea class, $1.00.

—Rev. Albert S. Barnes, of the North Carolina Conference, has been elected Superintenaent of the Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh, succeeding Rev. Jno. N. Cole, who passed away last month. Brother Barnes is one of the younger members of his Conference and is just coming into his prime.

—Rev. Dr. H. M. North, presiding elder, of the Durham District, has been appointed by Bishop Waterhouse to the Duke Memorial church, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Rev. Leslie P. Howard. We have not learned at this writing who will succeed Dr. North on the district.

—Rev. R. M. Courtney, pastor of West End, Winston-Salem, visited Albemarle last week and made an address on our mission work to the congregation of Central church on Friday evening. Referring to his visit the Enterprise says: It was a matter of regret to those present that the entire membership of the church could not hear the able minister's inspiring words.

—Rev. E. L. Kirk, who has been a student of Scarritt-Morrisville College, Morrisville, Mo., for the past three years, is now at his home near Albemarle, and will remain here till next fall. Brother Kirk has done supply work in the West each summer since he has been there and is available now for such work if there should be an opening. His address is Albemarle, N. C., Route 1.

—Rev. E. M. Avett, pastor of the Fines Creek circuit, was married to Miss Annie Tucker, of Granite Quarry, on Tuesday, January 26th. The ceremony took place at the home of Mr. J. A. Brown, brother-in-law of the bride, at Granite Quarry and was performed by Rev. P. W. Tucker, brother of the bride. The Advocate joins the numerous friends of the couple in hearty congratulations.

—Rev. Dr. E. K. McLarty, pastor of Tryon St. church, Charlotte, is conducting a series of meetings in the Y. M. C. A. hall at Trinity College this week. These meetings are of extraordinary importance for the reason that the student body will be largely brought under the influence of the gospel, as presented by this earnest preacher.

—The Ministerial Association of Newton presents a strong plea to the Aldermen of the town to require the one pool room to take down screens, remove frosted windows and do things in the open. This is right. Why do such places try to conceal things? There is but one answer: "Men love darkness rather than light, because their deeds are evil."

—A Training School for Sunday school teachers and workers is to be organized in Greensboro this week. A preliminary meeting looking to the permanent organization was held in the West Market Street Annex on Tuesday evening. This training school is to be conducted under the auspices of the State Sunday School Association and will therefore be interdenominational.

—The Black Mountain correspondent of the Raleigh News and Observer says: "The Methodist Colony Company is by no means inactive. There are several new houses being erected on the property and the officials of the company expect to build a large lake on the property the approaching summer. The lake will be named Lake Tomahawk. About forty thousand dollars worth of lots have been sold in the past eighteen months and about ten miles of streets have been opened and graded.

—The Salisbury correspondent of the daily press last week announced that arrangements have been made to have Rev. Dr. W. F. McMurry in Salisbury and Spencer Sunday, February 7. Dr. McMurry is secretary of the Board of Church Extension of the Southern Methodist Church and comes here in the interest of Holmes Memorial church, which is preparing to build a new house of worship. Dr. McMurry will be accompanied for the services by Dr. W. R. Ware, presiding elder of the Salisbury District.

—Through the Winston-Salem Sentinel we learn of the death of Mrs. Brothers, mother of Rev. L. F. Brothers, of Southside, Winston-Salem, which occurred at her home at Elizabeth City on Thursday, January 28th. Brother Brothers will have the sympathy of the whole Conference in this deep sorrow. The Sentinel in announcing her death says: The deceased was a sweet-spirited Christian woman, one whose consecration and devotion to her church and Master were convincingly felt by those who knew her.

—The Southern Christian Advocate comes in new dress from Anderson instead of Greenville. The three numbers already received indicate that the Rev. W. C. Kirkland, the new editor, is going to give the two Conferences in South Carolina a paper in every way up to the high standard maintained by this paper in its long and honorable career. Much of the better aspirations of our boyhood days came to us through the old Southern, when edited by Dr. Kennedy and others who wrought well in the field of religious journalism in those days. A slight acquaintance with Dr. Kirkland has drawn the heart-strings toward him, and we shall be beside him in the spirit of brotherly sympathy in the inevitable trials into which he has been called. The best we can hope for him is that South Carolina Methodists may be as good to him as Western North Carolina Methodists have been to us.

—One of the choice spirits of Methodism in the Twin-City during the past thirty years passed quietly and peacefully away in a hospital in Richmond, Va., on January 12th, when the soul of Mrs. P. H. Hanes took its flight to the better land. Mrs. Hanes had been in delicate health for many years and had been a great sufferer; nevertheless, she loved the church and never seemed happier than when extending the hospitality of her home to the ministers whom she revered as the men of God. With strong domestic instincts, she made the inmates of her home happy, and in the sphere of a great motherhood she filled truly the real mission of a consecrated woman. The writer shares very deeply the bereavement which has come to Brother Hanes and his family, and regrets that, by oversight, this reference to the departure of our dear sister did not appear at the proper time.

Lexington—On Sunday, January 21st, the Lexington congregation had a great day. The Dispatch says:

Rev. Frank Siler, Missionary Secretary of the Western North Carolina Conference of the M. E. Church, South, preached two strong sermons at the Methodist church Sunday morning and Sunday night. In spite of bad weather large congregations heard him. While here he helped to arouse a great deal of missionary enthusiasm in the local church. It was decided that the Lexington church would support a missionary in Korea, beginning at once. Mr. Siler said he thought he could arrange to have Rev. J. R. Moose, a North Carolinian, now presiding elder of the Seoul (Korea) district, assigned to the Lexington church. Many of the people of Lexington are acquainted with Mr. Moose and they are hoping that they will be able to secure him as their representative in Korea.

Avery Circuit—We have just closed our meeting at Jonas Ridge. We had forty-six professions; about thirty added to the two churches—Methodist and Baptist. It continued sixteen days. The Lord was there in great power. I did the preaching except three sermons by Rev. J. M. Harris, of Morganton. We have a good, kind, appreciative people to work with. We are praying for a great year on the Avery circuit. Brethren, pray for us.

John H. Green.

Henrietta-Caroleen—Rev. M. B. Clegg, the pastor, writes as follows:

The brethren of Henrietta-Caroleen charge have been exceedingly kind to us since we have been here. They gave a royal reception and a most generous pounding. We have not missed a service on account of the very bad weather which has come our way about every Sunday since our arrival, except one. The congregations have been good. The prayer meetings are well attended. The interest in church work generally is fine. This speaks well not only of these good and loyal people, but also of their most excellent former pastor, Rev. J. F. Armstrong.

Creston Charge—Creston charge is in Ashe County. It takes its name from the town which lies on the North Fork of New River. The eight churches which make up this charge are situated on this river and its tributaries. Creston church has the best building on the charge. The parsonage is also built on their lot. It was at this church our first quarterly meeting was held. In connection with this meeting a revival was held. The pastor started on the second Sunday night and was joined Thursday night by Rev. J. H. Bennett, the presiding elder, who remained with us one week, preaching twice a day. The revival was a success, although held under unfavorable weather conditions. Brother Bennett did some great preaching while with us. He came a stranger, but went away known and loved. Creston charge is well pleased with our new presiding elder.

Yours truly,

J. I. Hickman.

Broad River—We had our first quarterly conference the 16-17, and we had a fine one. Brother Gay, in his usual cheerful way, was a great inspiration to both pastor and the board of stewards. We had a large number present Saturday. We have made our second round on our work and have met a kind-hearted, loyal people at all our churches. These good people believe in taking care of the preacher and his family. On Dec. 24, we were very generously pounded and our Christmas was made brighter from the results thereof. And these good things did not all come at one time and then stop, but "good things" keep coming often and more of them. The prospects with us for a great year are evident at all our churches, and we hope to make this the best year of our lives.

May the Lord help us to be a faithful and wise leader for these, such dear people.

H. H. Mitchell.

Liberty Church, Winston-Salem has come into the bonfire brotherhood. The Twin-City Sentinel, of January 30th, says:

The pastor, Rev. J. S. Hiatt, and the membership of Liberty M. E. Church are entitled to congratulations. The $1,100 debt on the church lot, located on the corner of Liberty and Balsley Streets, has been liquidated. The note held by one of the local banks is now in the possessiou of the pastor and will be destroyed in a bonfire at a service to be held at 11 o'clock next Sunday morning.

Pastor Hiatt deserves the success that has crowned his efforts to get rid of the indebtedness held against this house of worship. He was told that this was not a good time to raise money. To those who entertained and expressed such an opinion he replied that taking financial subscriptions for anything required activity and that he had learned from actual experience that the average person never considered any time a good one for raising cash. He took hold of the arduous task a few weeks ago, and, undaunted by any words of discouragement, he refused to permit anything, either

by act or word, to discourage him until the last dollar had been collected. He and his members duly appreciate the assistance rendered by members and friends of other congregations.

The small but faithful and loyal membership of the Liberty church co-operated with the pastor, and the services next Sunday morning will be an occasion for general rejoicing.

It will be recalled that the debt on Burkhead Institutional church was liquidated a few weeks ago and that the last note was destroyed by fire at an appropriate service held at the church.

Main Street Reidsville. The congregation of Main Street church, Reidsville, occupied their new Sunday school annex for the first time last Sunday. The Review announcing the opening gives the following description: This addition is heated by steam and lighted by electricity in a most beautiful way. The main auditorium has a large gallery, part of which is partitioned into separate class rooms. On the main floor there are two large rooms that can, by accordion doors, be thrown into the general auditorium. These two rooms are to be used by two organized classes of the Sunday school on Sundays, while one of them is to be the ladies parlor on week-days.

In the basement there is a very large room which will be used for first time on Sunday by the elementary department of the school. There the little tots will assemble and have their opening and closing exercises, as well as the reciting of their lessons, separate and distinct from the rest of the school.

There are seven other individual class rooms in this basement, not to mention a pantry and a room for the organ-blower."

Mr. R. B. Chance is Superintendent and gave a cordial invitation to the people of the city to unite with them. We congratulate Brother Lambeth and his congregation. They will be in good shape for entertaining the Annual Conference in November.

"C. and N.-W. Circuit"—I was appointed; I came; I am pleased; I am very busy. The charge listed in the Journal as Ozark-Dallas is a new work formed by taking the Ozark church from Ozark-West End, the Dallas church from Dallas-Lowell, and the High Shoals church from Stanley Creek, and combining them to form a "C. & N.-W. Circuit" (So called because the Carolina & Northwestern Railway courteously furnishes conveyance for the Circuit Rider, gratis.)

The new preacher was kindly received by the people, and he and his little family have been comfortably domiciled in the home of Brother C. C. Cornwell while a parsonage was being provided. A nice little cottage, well furnished, practically new, and situated on Main Street just a block from the church in Dallas has been purchased for a parsonage, and will be furnished and ready for occupancy in a few weeks.

In spite of the rainy season and a widely distributed membership, I have made 160 pastoral visits, lacking less than a dozen of having visited every Methodist home in my charge. Two immediate results of this campaign of pastoral evangelism have been: a doubling of attendance at church, and fifty-four accessions to the membership.

The financial budget has been estimated, and will be raised quarterly by the stewards. The pastor will be well cared for by this wide-awake, loyal and responsive people. May the Lord make his ministry to bear much fruit among them this year.

Best wishes to all my brethren.

Fraternally, W. Edgar Poovey.

Dallas, N. C.

Advance Charge—We received a warm welcome to this charge by the good people of Advance church. Upon our arrival we found automobiles waiting at the depot, and several of the people, and soon were carried to the parsonage, where we found a good number of the folks with a warm house and a splendid dinner, and provisions for some time to come, and since that day good things have continued to come. I wrote of our reception immediately afterwards but it failed to reach the paper some way, so thought I would say something of it now.

We have built a good barn since we got here; indeed it is the best barn I have ever seen at a parsonage, and the best barn I know of anywhere to the size of it. It is only 25x27 feet, has three stalls, a corn bin and room for two or three buggies, and can drive inside and unhitch when it is raining, and hitch up also inside, feeding currying, milking, all done inside; plenty of room for feed above, and it is built of good timber, nearly all heart pine weatherboarding and practically no debt on it.

I closed a three weeks' protracted meeting last night which has resulted in quite a revival. We have had a good number of professions, perhaps between forty and fifty and the church is in so much better condition except a part of the church that did not attend the meeting. It was a good revival. The country folks did not many of them get out enough, on account of bad roads, etc., to get the full benefits of the meeting and a few in town who do not attend church. I have received four members and have three or four to receive yet. We expect to continue the meetings Wednesday evenings and Sundays, and expect to have conversions at these meetings. This is the normal condition of the church and we ought at least to keep up to a normal condition. We have a good people to serve, a splendid church in which to hold our services in Advance, and our country churches are comfortable except Cornatzer, where we are building and expect to finish the church this year or early next year.

Respectfully, E. Myers.

Church Extension Notice

Application blanks for aid from either the General or Conference Board of Church Extension may be had by applying to me. I have also a supply of Church Extension Manuals, a copy of which will be sent to any who will drop me a card requesting one.

A. W. Plyler, Secretary.

Report from Rev. W. L. Dawson

Rev. W. L. Dawson, Conference Evangelist, writes as follows: "We closed a very good meeting at Walnut Street Thursday night, resulting in much good to the church. Several professions and some to join the church. I am now with Brother J. A. Fry, at Bald Creek. I expect to go from here to Bakersville to be with Brother J. P. Morris, and from there to Shoal Creek to be with Brother R. F. Mock."

The Loan Funds

On New Year's eve I reported a total increase of $84,843.07 in the Loan Fund Capital of the Board of Church Extension for the nine months of the fiscal year. Twenty days of January have brought in twelve contributions, the total amount of which is $4,374.76. The smallest of these was $1.00; the largest, $1,250, and there were two of this amount, given by two aged women of Maryland to constitute a Memorial Loan Fund for their sister. The total increase in the Loan Fund Capital for the fiscal year to date, January 20, 1915, is $89,217.83.

We must have the balance, $10,782.17, necessary to make the $100,000.00 for the fiscal year, by March 31st. W. F. McMurry.

1025 Brook St., Louisville, Ky.

Great Meeting at Rehobeth

Prof. Rudd Newsom, the holy and truly useful man of God, conducted the music for us for fourteen days at Rehobeth. God did wonderful things for us. Many were reclaimed, many saved and several Christians sought and received the baptism of the Holy Spirit and are now living the more abundant life. Quite a large class is to be received into the church. People were saved from eight to seventy years of age. One young husband is called to preach and he and wife are planning to move to some college for preparation.

Today we began in Denver. The devil seems to have a branch office in this section, but we are expecting God to help us bankrupt his headquarters here. Let all the saints pray earnestly for us. Trustingly,

Jim Green.

Important

This is to notify the friends of temperance, who are anxious to see the law to prohibit the delivery of liquor for beverage purposes in North Carolina passed, that the Anti-Saloon League bill looking to this end was introduced in the House by Mr. Grier, of Iredell, on January 28th, and that a hearing before the joint committees of the House has been fixed for Tuesday, February 9th, at three p. m., in the House of Representatives, when both the proponents and the opponents of the measure will be heard. All who desire to appear before that committee will take notice and be on hand.

All who are getting up petitions are urged to send them in prior to the committee hearing on the 9th, and all who intend writing letters to their representatives should do so at the earliest possible moment. We are very much encouraged at the headway made so far, but it is necessary that every influence that can be harnessed be brought to bear upon our General Assembly. Do your part.

R. L. Davis, Supt.
N. C. Anti-Saloon League.

Missionary Notes from Field Secretary

Jan. 28-29, Elkin, J. P. Hipps, P. C.—$509.00 cash and four-year subscriptions Conference Mission Special; $200.00 of this by Capt. G. T. Roth, Lutheran.

Jan. 30, Walkertown, G. C. Brinkman, P. C. —$14.00 cash Conference Mission Special.

Jan. 31-Feb. 1, Advance, E. Myers, P. C.—Sunday school at Advance will aid in support of Rev. J. W. Frank, of Japan. $246.00 cash and four-year subscriptions Conference Mission Special. Mr. C. G. Bailey subscribed $200.00 of this.

* * * *

The last Annual Conference asked that as early as possible salaries of married preachers be made not less than $800.00; those of single men not less than $600.00. An every member canvass with envelope system in every church will help to bring this to pass. In meantime let us all work together to secure an emergency fund for the preachers of the Conference of not less than $20,000.00. Brother Bailey, of Advance, longs to see better support of the country preacher. He lives two miles from railroad. He suggests that one hundred men give $50.00 a year special for four years to create this fund. He and Capt. Roth have led the way. Who will be the other ninety-eight? 136 of our 234 pastors received last year less than $800.00 from the charges served. One man received $22.00. Our foreign missionaries are far better supported than are those of our Western North Carolina Conference.

* * * *

Each of the three charges visited during week have new pastors, all of whom are in high favor.

Brother Meyers closed at Advance a three weeks' series of revival meetings, Jan. 24th, with several conversions and additions. This congregation moved Sunday night, the 31st, to secure for him a gift in money as a token of their appreciation of his earnest work.

* * * *

Mr. D. C. Moyer, of Walkertown, asked Brother Brinkman if he was going to conduct his revival meeting himself or secure some one to help him. Receiving the reply that he would do his own preaching she suggested to her husband that they take the $5.00 sometimes given the preacher helper and give it to the Conference Mission Emergency Fund. Believing, too, that the every-member canvass methods being introduced by Brother Brinkman would save them another $5.00 usually given at end of year in the annual tug to bring church out, she asked Brother Moyer to make their offering $10.00. He agreed. You see there are ways of doing the larger things by doing more and with less money at home base. Sister Moyer wants to help the preacher's wife by making better provision for pastor's support.

* * * *

The three pastors greatly aided me in last week's work. But such co-operation I find everywhere, for which I am deeply grateful.

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

ORGANIZING AND WORKING THE RURAL EPOWRTH LEAGUE

Rev. P. O. Lowrey, in Epworth Era

The Methodists have always recognized the value of the country Church and have done well in meeting their obligations to the country people. In fact, in the early days, when her chief religious program was for her itinerants to "line off" their hymns at the monthly appointments and to hold annual revivals in each congregation, the country Church was Methodism's glory. And still the larger part of her ministry and many of her strongest laymen are the products of the rural Church, and any tendency to neglect these sons and daughters of the soil would be not only unwise but equally unjust. That the country Church is weak through the migration of her strongest and best-educated young men and young women to the city, thus leaving her with an inefficient leadership, is in many cases too evident to need argument. But rather than justifying the Church in neglecting this special field of its operations, that in the past has been most fruitful in members and leaders, this very weakness is the surest call to make strong her teaching and training agencies. That there are few trained workers is the greater reason why the Sunday school and the Epworth League should be persistently used in training these for the work that needs to be done. That these members of the country Church should have the training that their position and needs demand, our most capable preachers should be sent to them as pastors—men who can organize and direct the educational and training agencies of the Church. For a pastor simply "to be one of them" in social life and to preach sermons of the "small rivulet of exegesis running through a broad valley of exhortation" type is not sufficient. The demand for a strong pastor is in direct proportion to the weakness of the leadership in the congregation; and the sooner the appointing powers and m'ssion boards recognize this, the better for the kingdom of God.

Many of these country Churches that have been served by untrained pastors who simply "filled their appointments" monthly and held annually their ten days' revivals worship in the same old rickety houses that have been in use for years, some of them in the South without means of heating or windows to shut out the wintry winds, and have neither teaching nor training agencies organized. Of necessity the Christian ideals in such a Church are very low, and the unharnessed life and the untrained talents among the young of these congregations is but little less than appalling. It is enough to make Edison weep again "at the loss of power," as is reported of him when beholding the unused waters of the great ocean that lay before him.

To assist in leading these young people of brawn and natural moral stamina into higher religious ideals than those which necessitate their being reclaimed at each annual revival meeting and then lost sight of for another year, and in order to train them for higher service in the Church, is the work of the Epworth League. Its organization and purpose, with its leadership and literature, can not be neglected without blame upon those who are called "to feed the flock of God;" and the more difficult the League is to be worked, so much greater is the need that this should be done. We suggest three essentials in making this work a success in the country or anywhere else:

1. The regularly held Council meeting. It is here that the pastor can do most in helping his leaders in their work. If he is not privileged to attend with them the various meetings of the Chapter, he can at least have a monthly Council with them and with them study their problems and assist in planning their work. Difficulties can usually be overcome in these Council meetings, and without them most Leagues will either die or succeed only in some one or more departments that may chance to have Superintendents capable of succeeding by themselves.

2. Essential also is the holding regularly the monthly business meeting. No real training work can be carried on helter-skelter; it must be done "decently and in order." The Epworth League as an organization has a business side, where all its members have a share in the responsibility of its successful management; and to let a few of them assume all the responsibility or authority that belongs to all is not only suicidal to the League but distinctly unfair to its members as well. If an officer has failed in his work or any discouragement has arisen, it is in the business meeting that it should be corrected. And in a businesslike way the officers and chairmen of departments should be trained to make reports of faithful service rendered in the offices to which they have been called. Without the business meeting the League must of necessity be a failure, whether in the rich city Church or in the humble log meetinghouse.

3. The regular meeting of the several committees is also a matter of no little importance. The chairman is not the committee, but only its leader, and he should assume neither the authority nor the responsibility that belongs to the whole committee. If he is weak, he must have the counsel of his committee; if he is strong, he should use this meeting for training the members in the work of which they are a part. Only thus can the wisdom of all and the coöperation of all be put into the League's enterprises and activities.

Given a policy of co-operation as laid down above, we make the following suggestions as to the work of the several departments, the sum of which is the work of the League:

1. Let the Superintendent of the Department of Spiritual Work and his committee be composed of devout persons who will assume the responsibility of looking after the spiritual life of the League's members, and let them have charge of the devotional meetings. There should be subcommittees on music, securing attendance, ushers, and personal evangelism. The leaders should be appointed at least four weeks in advance, care being taken to get those that are best suited to the several subjects. This makes it necessary that the subjects be studied in advance and that the leaders be carefully selected. In case the leader be untrained and not familiar with his subject, he should be given assistance in making out his program, which should in every case be written down in definite order, with the songs, Scripture readings, recitations, talks, and testimonies in their places. (This program may be varied from, but few leaders are safe in trusting an extempore plan.)

The time and place of the weekly devotional meeting should depend upon local circumstances. It might be well to hold it at the regular hours of worship on those Sundays when there is no preaching service following the Sunday school session, or at night, thus giving each congregation one teaching and one speaking service each Sunday; or it might take the place of the midweek prayer-meeting, in which case the meetings might be held from home to home in the community. In these meetings the aim should be to train the members to the devotional study of the Bible, in observing the quiet hour, to express their religious faith and experience in talks and in testimonies, and in the art of soul-winning, as in the Fellow Workers' Covenant.

2. The Second Department stands for Christian service, and its chairman and members should be those who will strive faithfully to represent the League in this field of endeavor. This may be in community service, such as visiting the sick, caring for the poor, aiding in social betterment, or in the work of caring for the local church, such as house-cleaning, putting flowers on the pulpit, and keeping the yard in order . The League through this committee can at times be of service to the pastor in raising and distributing the benevolent funds of the Church and in aiding in the upkeep of the parsonage in such ways as painting, screening, or furnishing. To do these lines of work there may be subcommittees, as in the First Department, but the committee as a whole should have its regular meetings and make its general plans.

3. The Recreation and Culture Committee should aim to take charge of the social life of the community and to supply everything needed socially by its members. Programs should be given weekly, biweekly, or, by all means, monthly. This committee can also solicit subscribtions to such choice literary periodicals as its members should read. Good books should be reviewed from time to time and be placed in the hands of the members and their literary tastes and reading habits developed. In carrying out these social features it is often practicable to form circuit unions with the other Leagues of the pastoral charge and have joint meetings from time to time, using the visitors on the programs thus conducted; and so not only furnish happy social intercourse among the members, but also develop them in using their literary gitfs on public programs, repeating in the neighboring League what has already been used at home.

4. The Missionary Committee keeps in touch with all the missionary agencies of the church and plans the monthly meetings in time for those taking part to make thorough preparation, using the various missionary periodicals and such maps, charts, and books as may be accessible. The pastor's library is of value here. Besides this, regular mission study classes should be conducted from time to time, using the prescribed course for Leaguers for that year. It is sometimes practicable to have returned missionaries or other missionary specialists to visit the League. To the missionary and benevolent causes the committee should train the members to systematic and proportionate giving, teaching the law of the

(Continued on Page 9)

Standard Form Collection Envelopes

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

HOLT'S CHAPEL

FOR PASTOR'S SALARY

AMOUNT

Name _____ | Dollars | Cents |

Date _____ 191___

MISSIONS AND CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

MOUNT ZION CHURCH

Name _____ | Dollars | Cents |

Date _____

$1.90 for 1000, delivered

$1.40 for additional 1000, delivered

FOR EITHER FORM

This price is based on using the above forms, changing name of church only. The large envelope is manila, and of the quality regularly used for Pastor's Salary collections. The small envelope can be furnished in white, green or cherry. Its difference in color and size from the Pastor's Salary form makes it ideal for Missions and Conference Collections.

If special form is desired the price will average $2.40 for the first 1000, and $1 40 for additional 1000's, delivered.

Special rates on large quantities.

The Advocate Press, Greensboro, N. C.

TRINITY COLLEGE NOTES

Beginning tomorrow, Sunday evening, a series of religious meetings will be held in the Y. M. C. A. hall, in East Duke building, at 12 o'clock noon and at 7:30 every evening, continuing for a week, the services being conducted by Rev. Dr. E. K. McLarty, pastor of Tryon Street Methodist Church, Charlotte. Dr. McLarty is an alumnus of the college, a member of the class of 1895, and a preacher of unusual strength. The community is fortunate in having him conduct these mid-year religious services which now for so many years have been held regularly following the close of the first term's work, and which occupy such an important part in the religious life of the entire community.

Professor E. C. Brooks, of the department of Education, has been elected a member of the Durham City School Board, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of General J. S. Carr.

Through the efforts of Dr. William E. Boyd, professor of history, a number of rare and valuable books on North Carolina and Southern history have been procured for the library. These books were in the collection of Mr. William H. Hoyt, of New York City, and were only recently purchased through Dr. Boyd. They make a valuable addition to the already large amount of historical material collected here. In the collection recently added are:

"Proceedings of the Friends of Convention, at a meeting held in Raleigh, December, 1822."

"To the Freemen of Orange County, at a meeting of the General Assembly, March 18, 1823."

"The Journal of the Convention assembled at the city of Raleigh, on the 10th of November, 1823, to adopt such measures as were decreed necessary to procure an amendment to the Constitution of North Carolina, 1823."

"The proposed new Constitution of the State of North Carolina, as agreed upon by the Convention assembled in Raleigh on the 16th of November, 1823. Together with a copy of the present constitution. Raleigh, 1823."

"Debate on the Convention question, in the House of Commons in the Legislature of North Carolina, December 18 and 19, 1821, Taken in shorthand by Joseph Gales, Raleigh, 1822."

"Debate on Mr. Fisher's resolution against Caucuses in the House of Commons of North Carolina, in December 1823. Raleigh, 1824."

"Debate in the Legislature of North Carolina on a proposed appropriation for rebuilding the Capitol, and on the convention question, in the months of December and January, 1831-1832. Raleigh, 1833."

"Debate on the convention question, House of Commons, January 14, 1832. Raleigh, 1832."

"Statement of the accounts of the Banks of North Carolina with the State. Raleigh, 1838."

"Annual report of the Board for Internal Improvements of North Carolina to the General Assembly, with a condensed view of their accounts from the organization of the board, together with Mr. Fulton's reports on sundry public works. December 5, 1823 (8). Raleigh, 1823."

"Annual report of the Board for Internal Improvements for North Carolina to the General Assembly, with a statement of their accounts, together with Mr. Fulton's reports on sundry public works. November 22, 1824. Raleigh, (No. 2).

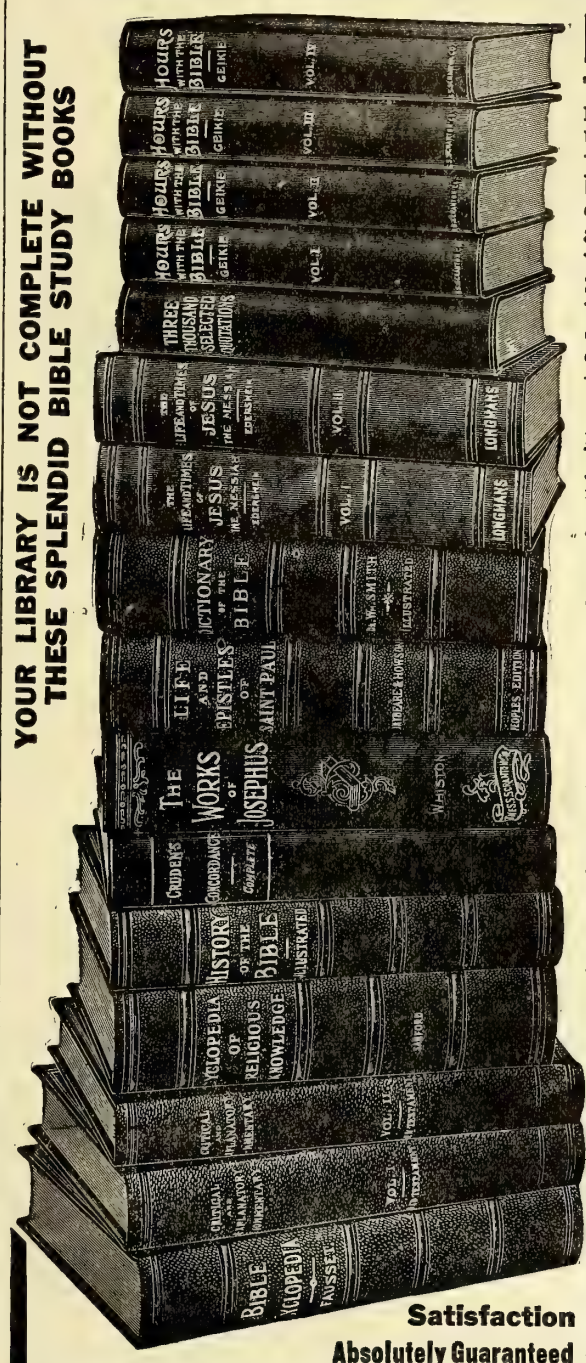
Two annual reports of the Board of Public Improvements for the years 1820 and 1835.

A First Payment of Only $2 Puts Into Your Home These 16

Indispensable Bible Study Books

This Splendid Library Forms the Most Remarkable Bible Study Collection at the Most Remarkable Price Ever Offered. Our Readers Will Need Them During 1914 as Never Before.

YOUR LIBRARY IS NOT COMPLETE WITHOUT THESE SPLENDID BIBLE STUDY BOOKS



Satisfaction Absolutely Guaranteed

Less Than 1/3 Former Prices

They contain the richest, most authoritative treasures of fact and commentary on the Holy Word to be found in all sacred literature—newly enlarged and enriched. Now 16 volumes. Every Sunday School Teacher, Superintendent, Pastor, Bible Student, Evangelist, and Christian Home needs these books.

NOW ONLY $16 FOR ALL CASH

Easy Monthly Payments Price $18

Cruden's Complete Concordance. The alphabet of Bible use. Even the riches of the Bible are half use less if you cannot tell where to find them. 756 pages. Former Price $1.50

Jamieson, Fausset, and Brown's Commentary (2 vols.) Covers both Old and New Testaments, elucidating difficult passages, historical allusions, unfamiliar customs, and so on; a massive storehouse of authoritative but lucid notes, concise but pregnant. 1,380 pages. Former price $9.

Smith's Dictionary of the Bible A great standard classic, never superseded. All serious Bible users need their Smith only less than their Cruden. 1,024 pages, finely illustrated. Former Price $4.50.

Fausset's Critical and Expository Cyclopedia A masterpiece of compressed riches; 3,700 articles of enormous variety, condensed yet complete and thorough, handling both historical and expositional questions with the highest scholarship and grasp. 750 3-column pages, 600 illustrations. Former price $5.

Kitto's Illustrated Bible History A brilliant work of immense popularity, filling up the gaps in the Scripture narrative and completing it in a rounded historic unity to the destruction of Jerusalem by Titus. 735 2-column pages, 220 illustrations. Former price $4.50.

Edersheim's Life and Times of Jesus the Messiah (2 vols.) A vivid portrait of the society, life and intellectual and religious development of Christ's Palestine, to serve as a background for his own portrait; by a world famous Christian Jewish scholar. 1,524 pages. Former price $6.

Conybeare and Howson's Life and Epistles of Saint Paul A splendid work of enduring popularity and authority; a lifelike picture of the great apostle and his work, an acute and illuminating commentary on his epistles, with a style at once full of fine scholarship and of literary charm. 917 pages; many fine illustrations, maps, charts, etc. Former price $4.50.

Geikie's Hours with the Bible New Testament Series (4 vols.) Dr. Geikie has enriched these volumes with knowledge gathered through wide reading and study and through information obtained first hand—having traveled in Egypt, Syria, and throughout every nook and corner of the Holy Land. His graphic explanation enables every teacher, Bible student and preacher to put the old truths in clear, fresh and winning form. 2,110 pages, richly illustrated. Former price $6.

Josephus' Complete Works The priceless writings of the great Jewish leader and statesman in the generation after Christ; History and Antiquities of the Jews; the Roman-Jewish War, which stamped out the Jewish nationality in blood and fire, etc. 978 pages. Former price $4.

Sanford's Concise Cyclopedia of Religious Knowledge A surprising treasury of information regarding Church and Bible History, Names, Places, and Customs, Creeds and Sects, the early Church, Story of the Reformation, Young People's Societies, Cathedrals, Churches, etc. 985 pages, beautifully illustrated. Former price $3.50.

Gilbert's 3,000 Selected Quotations A gold mine to speakers and writers. Pithy and eloquent passages from the literature of all ages, with complete index of authors and subjects. Undenominational, but evangelical. 681 pages. Former price $2.

Every book newly made and handsomely bound in cloth. Average size of volumes 9⅝x6⅞x1¾.

Monthly Payment Prices			Cash Prices	
Complete Set,	16 Volumes	$18.00	16 Volumes,	$16.00
Choice of	12 "	15.00	12 "	13.00
Choice of	10 "	14.00	10 "	12.00
Choice of	8 "	12.00	8 "	10.00
Choice of	6 "	10.00	6 "	8.00
Choice of	4 "	8.00	4 "	6.00
Choice of	2 "	4.00	2 "	3.50

Money cheerfully refunded if books are not entirely satisfactory.

How to Order On the Monthly Payment Plan we require $2.00 with order, and your promise to pay $1.00 monthly thereafter for 16 months. Books forwarded at once on receipt of cash price or first installment of $2.00. Customers pay freight or express charges. Customers at remote points or in foreign countries desiring us to prepay will send 30c. per volume to cover cost of postage or express. Safe delivery guaranteed to any station in the country or to any mail point in the world. We will take back books that are not satisfactory in ten days after examination and return money, deducting only the return transportation charges. As to our reliability, we refer you to the publisher of this paper or to any commercial agency. Established 1866.

S. S. SCRANTON CO., Publishers, 118 Trumbull St., Hartford, Conn.

HOW SHIVAR MINERAL WATER RELIEVES RHEUMATISM

According to the standard medical books, Rheumatism is not a germ disease but is the result of imperfect nutrition. The food is either imperfectly digested or imperfectly assimilated. Poisons accumulate and these irritate and inflame the delicate linings of the joints, the heart and other organs. To cure Rheumatism it is therefore necessary to stop the formation of these poisons and get rid of those already formed.

The celebrated Shivar Mineral Water acts on the stomach and kidneys. It corrects the digestion and washes out the poisons through the kidneys. This is the opinion of physicians who prescribe it. If you suffer with rheumatism, dyspepsia, indigestion, gall stones, disease of the kidneys, bladder or liver, uric acid poisoning, or any condition due to impure blood, read the following letter, then sign it, enclose the amount and mail it. Only two out of a hundred, on the average, report no benefit.

Shivar Spring,
Box 5M, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen:

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....

Address .....

Shipping Point .....

(Please write distinctly.)

Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You run no risk whatever in accepting his offer. I have personally witnessed the remarkable curative power of this Water in a very serious case.

EPWORTH LEAGUE DEPARTMENT

(Continued from Page 8)

tithe as the minimum standard of Christian duty. Each chapter should espouse the cause fostered by the Epworth League Board, as the Africa Special for 1914-15.

These general plans for the Epworth League apply to the country as well as to the town. If it be hard to carry them out, so much the greater is the need that the effort should be made. The way for the Church to get efficient leaders is to make them, and the Epworth League is the training school of the Church. If any one has a better way, let him produce it; if not, let him work the one the Church has provided, and in doing so he will not only help his own Church but will constantly be sending trained workers into other Churches as well.

Kentwood, La.



THE CELEBRATED Throneburg Nursery

solicits your trade on apple, peach, pear, shade and ornamental trees. Prices reasonable. Agents wanted everywhere. Liberal commissions. THE THRONEBURG NURSERY, NEWTON, N. C.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, Asheville, N. C.

ENOUGH

"My grace is sufficient" 2 Cor. 12:9
Enough when days are dark and drear,
Enough when shadows fall;
Thy grace will then sufficient be,
Dear Lord, to meet them all.

Enough when morning dawns most bright,
Whene'er the sun shines clear,
Enough to keep my feet aright,
E'en with temptation near.

Enough when pleasure beckons on,
From duty's path to lead,
Enough to comfort in distress,
Enough for every need.

Thy grace, not mine, O Christ divine,
Through life enough will be,
Enough to guide my feeble bark,
Across life's changeful sea.

Enough whene'er the voyage is o'er,
And all our harbors past,
Into the haven of sweet rest,
To bring me home at last.

Mrs. E. M. Anderson.

Bradentown, Fla.

THIRD ANNUAL MEETING, WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY, W. N. C. CONFERENCE

In response to a most cordial invitation from the Woman's Auxiliaries of the various Methodist Churches in Charlotte, the third annual session of the Woman's Missionary Society of the W. N. C. Conference convened in Tryon Street Church, on Friday, January 29th, 1915. Surely there could not have been a more delightful place found for this annual gathering of our missionary workers than this progressive, wide-awake, beautiful city of Charlotte, "the Queen City of North Carolina."

Lavish in their hospitality the hostesses of the Conference left nothing undone for the pleasure and comfort of their guests.

More than 150 delegates were in attendance and prominent visitors who added greatly to the pleasure and profit of the occasion were: Mrs. Hume R. Steele, Educational Secretary of the Board of Missions; Miss Leila Tuttle, of McTyeire School, Shanghai, China; Miss Frank Miller, Deaconess of Winston-Salem; Rev. Frank Siler, Missionary Secretary W. N. C. Conference; Mr. W. R. Lynch, Welfare Worker, Spray, N. C., and Bishop James Atkins, of Waynesville, N. C.

With the conference of District Secretaries and executive meeting on Friday afternoon and the formal introductory service on Friday evening, the Conference was inaugurated. At the opening service, after an inspiring anthem by the choir and devotional services by the pastor, Rev. E. K. McLarty, who also extended to the Conference a most cordial welcome to Charlotte in behalf of the missionary workers and Charlotte Methodism, Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, President Emeritus of Greensboro College for Women, who for twenty-five years, by her wise leadership as President of the Conference, has been an inspiration to the workers of the W. N. C. Conference, gave her annual address. This address, which was a brief and concise recapitulation of the work that has been achieved during the past year, was full of interesting information to the large congregation that filled the church.

A most interesting "Financial Survey," covering the money matters of the foreign department of the society, was given by Mrs. P. N. Peacock, of Salisbury, Treasurer of this department. The absence of Mrs. R. L. Hoke, Treasurer of home department, was regretted.

Following the program a social hour was enjoyed, a time at which old acquaintances were revived and new ones formed. Refreshments were served during the evening by representatives from the young people's societies.

Saturday morning after devotional services by Mrs. Robertson, the reports of the various Conference officers were given. These annual messages from the leaders, those to whom we look especially to plan our work and from whom we get many valuable suggestions and splendid ideas, are always a most interesting feature of our Conferences and each officer is heard with the closest attention, as she reviews the work of the past year and lays plans for a successful carrying forward of our "King's Business" for the coming year.

Interspersing these reports were soul-stirring missionary songs by the Conference and especially beautiful was the vocal duet "Little Church in the Wildwood," sweetly sung by the handsome manly little sons of Rev. and Mrs. McLarty.

Saturday afternoon Miss Frank Miller was the leader of the devotional service, and the reports of the District Secretaries were read. These reports were encouraging, showing for the most part gains over last year. It was most gratifying to have such a large number of District Secretaries present at the meeting. Never perhaps before have our business sessions been so full of interest.

It has been the custom of our Conference to hold the memorial services on Sunday afternoon, but varying from this custom the noon hour on Saturday was made an hour of consecration service and tributes were paid to those of our workers who have "passed from earth to heaven" since our last meeting at Hendersonville. Especialy beautiful were the memoirs to Mrs. W. L. Nicholson, and Mrs. J. J. Crow, who were so long and so closely identified with our work. These tributes so expressive of our sorrow and our bereavement were read by Mrs. W. W. Hagood and Mrs. L. N. Presson.

Sunday morning the large auditorium of Tryon Street Church was filled to its capacity to hear the splendid sermon by Bishop James Atkins, of Waynesville. He chose as his text the first twelve verses of the 47th chapter of Ezekiel—the vision of the holy waters.

Comparing this vision to the unfolding of God's Kingdom, he traced the growth of the missionary work from its beginning with Robert Morrison and his one convert to Christianity during the first six years of his labors to its present status. "Its growth had been wonderful and its prospects are as bright as God's promisses," quotting Morrison.

His message was full of encouragement to those engaged in this great work of the world's redemption.

There is no service held during our annual meetings which is of greater interest than the children's service which is usually held on Sunday afternoon. All the world loves the innocence and simplicity of childhood. So it was not a surprise that the church was filled to hear the children of the various societies who, under the leadership of their lady managers, acquitted themselves so creditably. What a beautiful sight to see two hundred children all dressed in white ranging from the tiny little tot of the Baby Division to the fourteen-year boy and girl comprising the Juniors! How inspiring it was! The following program was given:

Onward, Christian Soldiers.
Prayer—Jack Spencer.
Address of Welcome—Jack Montgomery.
Duet—The Whole World—Ruth Dillon and Annie May Hayes.
Reading—I Grow—Helen Dooley.
Song—Lillian Lineberger.
Pantomime—Abide With Me—Patsy Gattis.
Duet—Sarah and Elizabeth Ledwell.
Purity, Fidelity and Service—Caldwell, Hoyle, Irma Wilkinson, Elizabeth Whitlock.
Duet—James and Furman McLarty.
Readings—Mildred Blackburn and Susie Thomas.
Solo—Just a Pansy—Connie Butts.
Duet—Grace Sherrill and Mary Davis.
Chorus—Whole Wide World.
Reading—Amelia Galloway.
Address—Miss Buttrick.
Solo—Miss Yung We Tsung.
Address—Miss Tuttle.
Chorus—Joy to the World.

Friends of Mrs. V. L. Stone, District Secretary of the Asheville District, will sympathize deeply with her in the death of her sister, Mrs. S. S. Taylor, of Jamestown, N. Y., which occurred on Saturday, January 23rd, following an illness of only a few days. May God comfort the aged parents, sisters, husband and daughter who feel so keenly the loss of a loved one.

NEW OFFICERS

Centenary Church, Winstton-Salem

President, Mrs. J. K. Norfleet; 1st vice-president, Mrs. E. L .Bain; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. J. F. Griffith; superintendent of mission study and publicity, Mrs. R. L. Castin; superintendent of social service, Mrs. C. F. Lowe; superintendents of supplies, Mrs. P. R. Masten and Mrs. W. L. Ferrell; corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. J. Gentry; recording secretary, Mrs. A. H. Medearis; treasurer, Mrs. H. B. Pulliam; agents Voice, Mrs. Felix Crutchfield and Mrs. W. P. Hill.

Calvary Church, Charlotte, N. C.

President, Mrs. R. S. Howie; 1st vice-president, Mrs. W. F. Holmes; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Lillian Harnandez; corresponding secretary, Mrs. George Dooley; treasurer, Mrs. C. F. Shuman.

Mills River

President, Miss Hattie Posey; 1st vice-president, Mrs. Dr. Greenwood; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. T. L. Johnson; superintendent of mission study and publicity, Mrs. R. F. Hunnicutt; superintendent of social service, none reported; superintendent of supplies, Mrs. Dr. Johnson; corresponding secretary and treasurer, Mrs. W. F. Cathey; recording secretary, Mrs. Floyd Osborne.

Franklin

President, Mrs. A. S. Bryson; 1st vice-president, Mrs. S. L. Rogers; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Hattie Jones; superintendent of mission study and publicity, Mrs. R. H. Daugherty; superintendent of social service, Mrs. R. H. Daugherty; superintendent of supplies, Miss Irene Weaver; recording secretary, Mrs. F. S. Johnston; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Estena G. Bidwell; treasurer, Mrs. James Gurney; agent Voice, Mrs. Estena Bidwell.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, Our Heavenly Father in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to take unto himself our beloved sister, Mrs. William McKee, be is resolved:

First, That we, the members of the Womans Missionary Society of Franklin, bow in humble submission to Him who doeth all things well.

Second, That in her death the society has lost a consecrated member, who had all the attributes of a lovable Christian character.

Third, That we earnestly endeavor to emulate her example, in reverance for the Father and for the Holy Bible and also her beautiful Christian graces and virtues.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved husband, the Franklin Press and the Woman's Page in the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and that a copy be also spread upon the records of the society.

Mrs. S. L. Rogers,
Mrs. A. S. Bryson,
Mrs. F. S. Johnson.

MILLS RIVER AUXILIARY

From Mrs. R. F. Hunnicutt, superintendent of publicity, comes the following account of a most enjoyable meeting of the Mills River auxiliary:

On Thursday morning January 7th 1915, the members of the missionary society came laden with baskets to the parsonage, where they had planned to hold an all-day meeting. The dining table was laden with the many good things and after they had enjoyed this feast of tempting edibles and the pleasant intercourse of the minister's family who were the invited guests, they found that the pantry had been replenished sufficiently to last several days.

Assembling in the parlor of the pastor's home, the afternoon was given over to the missionary meeting. The subject of the program being "The Steward and the Day of Opportunity." Interesting papers and talks relative to the subject were given. We need to know more fully what the day of opportunity means, and to strengthen by our thoughts, prayers and help the undertakings for the advancement of Christ's Kingdom. We want a broader vision of the needs and hope during the year to be enabled to do more than we have ever done before in this great cause.

An important feature of the meeting was the election of officers. Because of the faithful and untiring services of the former officers as many as would consent to serve were re-elected.

We are beginning to plan for taking up some course of mission study. It has been deemed advisable by some of the members, that during the winter season, while the evenings are long, we might have a circulating library, each member purchasing a missionary book to be read by all the members. In this way, not only would we read about missions, but this plan would form a nucleus for a missionary library.

We want to make this a great missionary year at Mills River, and do all we can for the upbuilding of His Kingdom.

A WORD FROM THE SUPPLY DEPARTMEN OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL

Mrs. J. H. Yarborough, Superintendent

The terrible war which has lasted so many years has devastated Mexico so that her people have become impoverished and many have come to America, not only to avoid the horrors of war, but to secure some employment by which they may have bread and clothing.

The condition of our own country as a result of the European war, has made it near impossible for these people to secure work. As a result, there are thousands of poor starving Mexicans on our borders. Many of these people have come from the tropics and the high altitude of Arizona and New Mexico causes them to suffer intensely with the cold.

Repeated appeals for boxes of warm clothing have come to my office; and while our Woman's Missionary Council authorizes boxes to be sent through the auxiliaries, only to ministers, our own mission schools and settlements we make an exception in this instance because of the dire suffering of these people. The call comes especially from the Pacific Coast.

Auxiliaries or individuals that find it possible, are urged to send warm clothing (particularly bed-clothing blankets, quilts, as well as clothes for men, women and children) to our mis

sionary at Nogales, for distribution. Send to

Rev. Jose Thacker,
Nogales, Arizona,

The auxiliaries that send these boxes must report the same through their Conference Superintendent of Supplies who will include it in her report for 1915 to my office.

We trust that we may be able to send relief to these suffering people immediately.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, Aur Heavenly Father in His infinite love and wisdom has seen best to take from us our dear friend and co-worker, Mrs. Jessie Morrow Tatum, be it therefore resolved:

First, That we, the members of the Woman's Missionary Society and the Ladies' Aid Society of First Methodist Church, Salisbury, bow in submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well.

Second, That in her death we have lost a faithful and consecrated member, and have sustained an irreparable loss.

Third, That we shall strive daily to emulate her Godly life, as she so beautifully lived in her home, as a devoted wife and mother, and in her church as a loyal member.

Fourth, To the loved ones who are so sorely bereaved, especially the husband and family, we offer our tenderest and deepest sympathy. We are truly thankful for the privilege of having known her, and we are grieved that she has been taken from us.

Fifth, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, placed upon the minutes of our Society, also sent to the Christian Advocate for publication.

(Signed) Mrs. J. W. Moores.
Mrs. T. E. Conley.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT AND SYMPATHY

Since God who doeth all things well has removed from the Church Militant to the Church Triumphant our ex-superintendent of long service, Dr. J. T. Johnson:

Resolved therefore, that we humbly submit to the will of God who doth make no mistakes. The whole school recognized in him an example of right living—a kind father, an excellent neighbor, a faithful church worker, and a benevolent man to the poor and needy, indeed, a man of God has been taken away from us, nor do we mourn, for we feel sure he has his reward for his faithful service during a long life.

Resolved that these resolutions be spread upon the Sunday school minutes of the church, and a copy to each of our city weeklies, the Christian Advocate and a copy to the family of the deceased.

G. W. Hahn, Chairman,
W. H. Nicholson,
W. A. Rudasill.

SOUTH MAIN STREET, SALISBURY

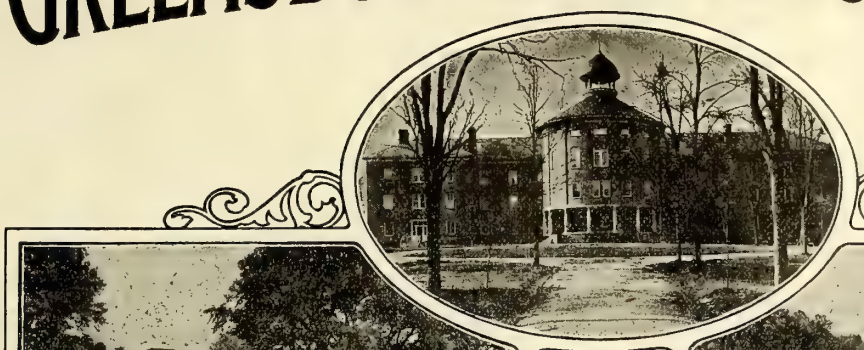
The Baraca class of South Main Street M. E. Church donated an offering Sunday in behalf of the needy in our community. This class is doing a good work and is always ready and willing to help a worthy cause when called upon.

The Sunday school at South Main Street Methodist Church is still increasing in number. There were two hundred and fifty-two present last Sunday, despite the inclement day.

A large and attentive audience heard the excellent Baraca sermon last Sunday morning in South Main Street Methodist Church, delivered by Rev. C. F. Sherrill. At the close of the service all the senior and junior Baracas stood up numbering over one hundred that were present.

The evening service was well attended despite the inclement weather. Rev. C. F. Sherrill preached on "Christian Homes."

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY—FITZGERALD HALL

ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

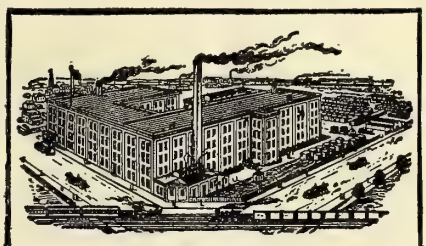
Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

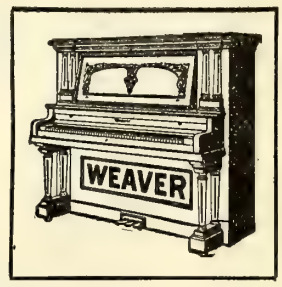
REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Is Any Upright Piano Worth $500



FACTORY, YORK, PA.

YES! But only if it sells for $500. Not if it is quoted at $500 and sold for $238. There are many pianos sold at $500 and over.



Weaver Pianos

are sold at from $400 for a fine upright up to $850 for the finest Grand because discriminating buyers know they are worth those prices. The fact that those who know most about pianos buy the most expensive instruments is the best proof we know of that cheap pianos are not satisfactory to the best musicians.

THE WEAVER PIANO is a Work of Art

A real treasure in the home of refinement and musical culture. The new art catalogue of the Weaver Piano contains much information that is valuable. Send for it (free) if interested in the purchase of a fine piano.

OLD INSTRUMENTS TAKEN IN EXCHANGE
TIME PAYMENTS. DISTANCE NO OBSTACLE

WEAVER ORGAN & PIANO CO.

MANUFACTURERS YORK, PENNSYLVANIA

SWAT THE FLY POISON PERIL

Of forty-seven cases of arsenical poisoning of children reported from fifteen states from July to October, 1914, in thirty-four the children were three years old or less. In thirty-seven the children had drunk poisoned water from a saucer containing fly paper. In eight cases the children were poisoned by sucking the wicks in tin receptacles containing arsenic, sugar and water. In two cases the children were poisoned by sucking a sponge used to moisten these wicks in poisonous fly destroyers.

The similarity of the symptoms of arsenical poisoning to those of cholera infantum make it quite certain that there are a great many more cases than are reported. Cholera infantum, one of the most common ailments of very young children, is prevalent at the time these poisonous fly killers are most used.

Most of the children are too young to tell the cause of their illness and unless seen taking the poison, arsenical poisoning may not be suspected.

Arsenical fly killers are commonly placed within the reach of young children. As sugar is used with the arsenic for the purpose of drawing the flies, the arsenical fly killers in whatever form are extremely dangerous to children. Many more deaths are caused by them than were caused by the phosphorous match, which practically has been abolished because of the fatalities to children. No deadly poison is so commonly put within the reach of children as is arsenic for killing flies.

As there are effective and safe methods of killing flies there is no excuse for using poisonous fly killers of any kind. The use in the home of poisons of any kind is dangerous but all other poisons combined do not present the same dangers to children as do the poisonous fly killers. The little ones should be protected from this really grave and exceedingly common danger.

An old couple were walking down Main Street one day, looking at the signs. They ran across one which the old man read: "John's Shirt Store." "Well, I declare!" said the old lady. "I wonder who tore it, and what do they want to tell people about it for? Can't his wife mend it?"—Exchange.

The Sunday School Lesson

FIRST QUARTER—LESSON VI
FEBRUARY 7, 1915

RUTH CHOOSES THE TRUE GOD
Ruth 1

Golden Text—Thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God. Ruth 1. 16.

Summary of the Lesson

A distinguished Scottish preacher and writer has described the book of Ruth as a very original kind of love story. Most love stories tell of a young man's devotion to a young woman. This love story tells of the devotion of a young woman to her mother-in-law. Naomi had lost her husband and her sons in a foreign land. She prepared to return, a lonely widow, to the land of her fathers. She had no claim on the two young women whom her sons had married in Moab. With gentle dignity and affection she wished them well and bade them adieu as she set out on her journey to the land of Judah. Both offered to accompany her. With sad and kindly raillery, and yet with firmness in her tone, she bade them go to their own people, while she pursued her solitary way. One of them obeyed. The other absolutely refused. Ties of love which could not be broken bound Ruth to Naomi. She was ready to change her home, her people and her religion at the command of this powerful human devotion.

The Woman Who Lost Everything

An old Greek story tells of the lady Niobe and her seven sons and seven daughters and of all her pride in their beauty. Her thoughtless boasting words angered the lady Leto, the mother of Apollo, and so it came to pass that arrows from the bow of Phoebus Apollo slew the seven sons and the seven daughters of the lady Niobe. The terrible grief of the bereft mother left her lifeless, and turned to stone by her grief she sat through the long years a monument of mourning for the beautiful children whom the strong and angry Apollo had slain.

Naomi appears before us in the character of a woman of sorrows. Famine had driven her husband, her two sons and herself away from their own land, and in the midst of a strange country the husband and the sons had died. Then it was that the light of the world went out for Naomi. There were still duties to be performed, and with the composure and self-control of one who has no fears, because the world has done its worst and there is no hope which can be disappointed, she set about arranging for the journey back to Judah.

It is quite clear that Naomi was a woman of much power to rouse affection as well as of much strength of character. She had won the devotion of the two young women of Moab whom her sons had married, and they clung to her because they loved her. She had not allowed race prejudice to make her cold and harsh. She had treated them as daughters for whom she cherished a real affection, and they had given her a place which is won only by those who have the gift of understanding sympathy and love. Human ties had a real meaning to her, as well as ties of race. Unconsciously she had grown into a woman of larger sympathy and deeper understanding because of her sojourn in a foreign land. She longed to spend the last days of her empty life in the spot where once she had been a proud, glad mother.

The Woman Who Gave Everything

A traveler of varied experience in many lands once stood before a striking picture. The traveler was a woman of wealth, to whom life had brought many disillusioning experiences. At times she was tempted to be self-centered and synical. The picture revealed a stretch of beach, with the waves of the ocean beating against it. In the foreground stood the figure of a woman. She seemed a part of the landscape. The dull gray sky, the hostile, restless sea, the strange and sinister loneliness of the beach and the solitary woman seemed to tell one story of the emptiness of life. Beneath the picture was the word, "Forsaken." It suddenly came to the dealthy, traveler that there were lives as empty as that, lives embittered and solitary beyond any personal meaning which these words had for her, lives to which she could bring the gift of a tender and understanding friendliness. She had been seeking what the world could give her and had been disappointed. Now she would seek what she could give to the world, and a sudden deep intuition told her that so she would find satisfaction and inner rest. She stood long before the picture. Healing waves of sympathy swept over her own life. She went out to find a new world because of a secret which she carried in her own heart.

As Ruth looked at Naomi, all ready to go on her lonely journey, there came to the young woman of Moab a compelling sense of the terrible isolation, the controlled suffering of the woman she loved. Could she allow Naomi to go alone, staggering under her burden, even while she tried so bravely to carry herself with poise and self-command. Ruth forgot all about herself. She thought only of this sad woman, and she knew that she must go with her, to kindle some blaze of affection in her desolate life and to keep it burning. She must give up her own people. She must give up her own religion. She must break a thousand clinging ties of girlhood. She must go from the land which seemed a part of herself, and all this she would gladly do for the sake of the woman whom she could not bear to think of as alone. With Ruth Naomi might be sad, but she would never be forsaken. Together the two would fight the battle of life. Together they would meet whatever the future might bring.

The Service of Love

Love is the philosopher's stone which turns all life's experiences into gold. In the twelfth century a rude building in the valley of Clairvaux, in France, seemed the very spot where heaven touchd earth, because here the heavenly minded Bernard lived his life of amazing devotion and taught his monks to sense the divine presence in the midst of the greatest privation and the sternest mastery of all natural desires. The travelers who visited Clairvaux did not remember the rude quarters of the monks. They remembered a pervading devotion, which was like a perpetual heavenly light, and the world seemed an empty spot after a man had been at Clairvaux.

The life of Ruth and Naomi was narrow and cramped enough when the land of Judah was reached. To be the companion of a broken-hearted woman, in whose eyes there smiled no light of hope, was not an enliving occupation to a young woman in the full bloom of health and beauty, and poverty and privation made the experience more acutely difficlt, but Ruth did not move about restlessly. She did not rebel against the consequences of her choice. With gentle serenity she went about her tasks. Love transformed the whole situation. She was content to be with Naomi. She was glad of the opportunity of serving her. She was constantly busy doing all that the insight of affection suggested to lighten the weight of sorrow resting on Naomi. Because she had forgotten herself in serving another there was a gentle radiance all over her sky.

The Reward of Love

There is a little gate called sacrifice through which multitudes have passed to bewildering experiences of happiness and joy. The artist who writes the meaning of their selfishness and sin, of their devotion and tenderness, in delicate lines upon the faces of men and women was very busy in these days with the face of Ruth. Frederic Lawrence Knowles once published a volume of poems entitled Love Triumphant. We may take these words from his volume and use them to describe the luminous face of Ruth when her spontaneous devotion to Naomi had written its story upon her countenance. There was some subtle distinction of generosity, some fine grace of self-forgetfulness, which she unconsciously carried with her wherever she went.

This it was which attracted the attention of the rich farmer Boaz, who had already been interested in the story of Ruth's devotion to Naomi. This it was which made a new world open to Boaz and to Ruth as together they discovered the meaning of a home with truth and sincerity and self-forgetful devotion as its foundation. The reward of love was the creation of more love, and the woman who thought she had sacrificed all found that instead she had gained all. She was incorporated into the deepest meaning of the life of the people to whom she had gone with Naomi. She had found a home, a religion and a destiny far beyond anything of which she would even have dared to dream.

The last glimpse we have of Naomi is memorable and beautiful. She stands holding a little child. This tiny boy has cleared the shadows from her face. He has brought the light of hope again to her eyes. She is no more forsaken or desolate. Her heart is filled with gladness as she cares for the child of Ruth.—Lynn H. Hough, D.D., in N. Y. Christian Advocate.

TREE PLANTING TIME

The last half of February is a good time for spring planting. Do not wait too long; other things can wait, but not this. Get your order in at once.

Apples, Pears, Peaches, Plums, Grapes, Berries, Pecans; complete assortment ripening through the season. Also Flowering Shrubs, Roses, etc., to make the home ground attractive for the children.

Some special bargains in surplus apple and peach in lots of 300 and over for spring shipment.

HOWARD NURSERY CO.,
Box K210 Stovall, N. C.

FREE—TWELVE PLANS FOR BEAUTIFYING THE HOME

These are plans actually used by a number of Southern home-owners in the arrangement of trees, vines, shrubbery, etc., around their homes. The beautiful effect secured is clearly shown in handsomely made photographs. These plans, and many other good ideas on home planting, are contained in a little book, "Simple Plantings for Southern Homes" which is being distributed free by the J. Van Lindley Nursery Co., Box H 203, Pomona, N. C. The plans are very simple, require little work and expenditure, and can be followed easily by every home owner. You will find this book very interesting and valuable. Write the nursery today for a copy. Ask for their latest catalogue, which gives full information on the care of trees and plants



Standard
Memorial Windows
Made in High Point

Beautiful in design—strong in construction. Largest and oldest glass plant in the South. Capacity for any and all orders and prompt delivery. Satisfaction guaranteed. References—any of our old customers or any bank or banker in High Point. Write for catalog.

Standard Mirror Co.
High Point, N. C.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER

Proprietor

GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY

DISEASES OF STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER AND PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS



PAINT STRENGTH

Strength is what paint is for. The stronger it is, the less gallons and money it takes, and the longer it wears. The strongest paint-word is DEVOE.

ODELL
Hardware Co.

Our Little Folks' Department

WHY TOMMY WAS GLAD

"I'm glad I'm not a rabbit,"
Said Tommy, "cause, you see,
They're not allowed at table
At dinner or at tea;
And goats, they eat up rags and things;
And I'm glad I'm not a cat,
For should I climb the fence,
The folks 'ud holler 'Scat!'
And little pigs have no clean beds;
And doggies, they eat bones.
Now, when I think of all these things
I'm glad I'm Tommy Jones."
—S. Virginia Levis.

A BIG WORD

"Do you know your reading lesson, Tommy?" Aunt Felicia inquired as her nephew came into the parlor from the nursery, where he had been preparing his next day's school work.

"Yes'm; all but one big word, which I can not pronounce. It's the biggest word I've had. Why, it has five syllables!" the young student complained.

"Spell it," Aunt Felicia suggested.

And Tommy read slowly from his open book: "O-p op, p-o-r por, t-u tu, n-i ni, t-y ty."

"Yes, that is a very big word," Aunt Felicia agreed thoughtfully; "one of the biggest words we meet in life; but, unlike other big things, the easiest to lose and the hardest to find when once lost."

"What does it mean?" Tommy asked interestedly.

"Your question is very hard," Aunt Felicia answered after a silence; "but I should say that an opportunity is an occasion or chance given us for accomplishment."

"Yes'm," Tommy replied vaguely; and just then a whistle sounded clearly beyond the open window, and he ran out to greet his chum, Dick Dale.

The next afternoon Tommy came home from school looking very solemn. This was most unusual, as the lad was accustomed to running in merrily, eager for his lunch and play

"You're not ill, are you, my dear?" Aunt Felicia inquired anxiously.

"No'm; I'm just sorry," Tommy answered in his funny little way.

"Sorry about what?" came the question.

"'Cause I missed a word and didn't get to trap clean to the top of the spelling class," Tommy replied.

"But I thought you knew every word perfectly. You spelled them all correctly when I heard your lesson this morning," Aunt Felicia observed.

"Yes'm, I did know every word and could spell 'em as fast as you'd call 'em," the student replied gravely; "but you see, I was looking out the window watching a boy fly a kite when teacher gave the word out, and I didn't he She was away off from me, and I didn't think all those in front of me would miss it; but it was the hardest word we've had—that one I was telling you about yesterday, you know—and everybody missed it till it fot to Sam Pratt, and he trapped us all clean to the top of the class and got a head mark. I was leading the class, you know; but that head mark put Sam up with me, and there wasn't any use of my missing it, either, for I knew it well, only I didn't hear teacher when she called the word."

"It was 'opportunity,' wasn't it?" Aunt Felicia asked thoughtfully. "And you lost it. Now do you understand what the word means? It means just what you lost by inattention. It is a very big word and plays a most important part in everybody's life. It calls to us all; but if we do not answer before it's gone we lose it and then we feel sorry, just as you are feeling this afternoon."

"O yes'm, I believe I know what it means now! And I don't believe I'll ever forget it." Tommy replied after a thoughtful silence.

"Then you've learned one of the finest lessons of all," Aunt Felicia said. "'Opportunity' is indeed a big word."
—Med Ransom.

THE BED-TIME TRAIN

Billy and Joe could sit high up on the wide front porch of their own pleasant home and watch the trains coming and going to and from the city.

There was one train that always came by at eight o'clock in the evening, and this was called the "bed-time train," because it had a great headlight on it, and you could see it coming, and the clock was upstairs, where you might not think of looking to see if it said eight o'clock.

The nights were getting cool now, and when the family sat out on the porch they had to get coats and shawls and wrap up a little in order to be quite comfortable. Billy was sitting in mother's lap, and she was telling little piggy-wiggy stories with his fingers and toes, while Joe was just about to go to sleep in father's arms. Both sets of eyes were winking and blinking with the feeling of the sleepy sand man's sand, and both sets of eyelids were getting heavy.

"The 'bed-time train' had better hurry up, or I know two little sleepy-heads who won't see it," said mother.

And then both pairs of eyes opened up wide and began to look. "I see it," said Billy. "And I see it too," said Joe. And then they all began watching that wonderful "bed-time train." They could see it leave the depot and dip into the subway, then hide behind the hill, then out again with its fiery eye and sweep around the curve and up the grade and on toward the open prairie. It was like a great dragon with smoke coming from its nostrils and having one great fiery eye in front and many smaller ones on each side. When you first saw it you were so far away that it slipped along slyly and silently, but by the time it got round the curve and to the crossing it was thundering along like the most awful dragon you could think of. "Chuff! chuff! chuff!" said Billy as he listened. "Just hear him puff!" And then as they looked and listened the big train slowed down and came to a standstill right at the crossing.

Some men got off and ran up and down, waving lights and signaling, and then the big old "bed-time train" got up steam and puffed away.

"I wonder why it stopped out here," said mother, straining her eyes after the disappearing train.

"I wonder too," said father. "They never take people on at the crossing, and I've never known them to stop and let any one off."

They did'nt have to wonder very long, though, for pretty soon they saw two people—a man and a woman—coming up the road from the crossing. Everybody watched with all their eyes, and, sure enough, the strangers turned in at their own gate and came right up the walk to their own front porch, only when the light shone on them they were not strangers at all, but dear grandmother and Uncle Billy, come for a surprise visit.

"How did you ever get them to stop and let you off at the crossing?" father asked Uncle Billy.

"I didn't," Uncle Billy answered. "They would not do it for me and my money; but grandmother got to talking to the superintendent of the road and told him about this being the "bed-time train" and how Billy and Joe would be sound asleep if we had to get off at the depot and ride out here. She didn't once asked him to stop the train for us; he just offered to do it. And when grandmother thanked him and told him good-by he shook hands with her and sent his love to Billy and Joe."

That is what happened the night the "bed-time train" stopped; and, of course, Billy and Joe got to sit up a little later that night.—Francis McKinnon Morton.

THE BROWN CREEPER

Sometimes when you are in the woods you see the sunbeams playing on the tree trunks, having a game of hide and seek with the shadows cast by the branches. Look closely. Is that a little live bundle of sunshine and shadow creeping up the bole of the big beech tree? "It must be a new kind of mouse," you say, "mottled brown and white." See, it pauses, propping itself up with its bristle-pointed tail, and clings to the bark with its sharp claws. Did you ever see a mouse with a long, sickle-like beak? No, my friend; this is a bird, though he creeps like a mouse, so soft and still. He is one of the hardest-working of our feathered tree wardens. As he circles the trunks and branches he is always peering with his sharp eyes for signs of insect eggs and grubs. With his long, sharp bill he pokes beneath the bark, and few are the insects that escape him.

But this mouselike bird is not always so quiet and retiring. If you would see the other side of his nature, you must follow him to the North in the spring. He and his mate are busy as can be on an April morning, selecting a site for the wall pocket nest they mean to build. Tree after tree is examined, till at last Mrs. Creeper says: "I think this loose piece of bark on the spruce will make a fine shelter for our nest." So the next morning she searches about till she spies a spider's cocoon. The little spinner's silk is just what she wants to fasten her nesting materials together. Deftly she unwinds length after length and carries it in her beak, while her husband is shredding up bark and gathering moss.

Two weeks later there are five pinkish-white eggs in the dainty nest; and while Mrs. Creeper patiently keeps them warm her mate sings cherrily from a near-by branch and brings her the choicest tid-bits he can find. The baby creepers are the frailest atoms of birds you ever saw; but watched over and tended by their devoted parents, it will not be long before they are busy destroying insect pests.—Margaret W. Leighton.

To persevere in one's duty and to be silent is the first answer to calumny.—Washington.

GARTSIDE'S IRON RUST SOAP CO., 4054 Lancaster Ave., Philadelphia, Pa. Gartside's Iron Soap (U. S. registered patent No. 3477) removes iron rust, ink and all unwashable stains from clothing, marble, etc., with magical effect. Good seller, big margins. House-to-house agents and store salesman wanted. The original, 25c a tube. Beware of infringements and the penalty for making, selling and using an infringed article. Suitable for church fairs.

CABBAGE PLANTS FREE

Send $1.50 for One Thousand Frost Proof Cabbage Plants and receive an extra Thousand Free. Make large heads.

Atlantic Coast Plant Co.,
Young's Island, S. C.

36 LB Feather Beds $5.92

6 lb. pair Pillows to match for $1.00

All new, sanitary feathers. Famous Amoskeag ticking, 9¼ yards to tick, positively biggest and best bed on market selling for less than $12. Safe delivery and satisfaction guaranteed or money back. Order today or write for catalog and big special offer. First order counts on premium.

SANITARY BEDDING COMPANY, Dept. 613 Charlotte, N. C.

"THE SANITARY" Individual Communion CUPS

List of thousands of churches using our cups and FREE CATALOG with quotations sent upon request.

Sanitary Communion Outfit Co., 71st St., Rochester, N. Y.

POCKET BIBLES



For those who object to carrying large Bibles these Editions are Thin, Light and very Compact.

AUTHORIZED VERSION, Clear Black Print, on the finest Thin Paper made.
All with the BUTTON FLAP BINDING which gives an added advantage for slipping in and out of the pocket.
The leather cover extends completely over the front edge and is fastened on top with a button clasp as shown on illustration.
Each containing a complete series of Colored Maps.

Size. 5½ x 3½ in. Self-Pronouncing Agate 32mo

Specimen of Type.
NOW when Jē'sus was born in Bēth'lē-hĕm of Jū-dæ'a in the

No. 1115F. French Seal, divinity circuit overlapping covers, gold titles, silk head bands and silk marker, round corners, red gold edges. Publishers Price, $1.50. Our Price, *Postpaid*, **$1.20**

Holman India Paper Pocket Text Bibles.

Size. 3½ x 5½ inches. ¾ of an inch in thickness. Weighs 7½ ounces. Same Type as 1115F above.

No. 1115XF. French Seal, divinity circuit overlapping covers, gold titles, silk head bands and silk marker, round corners, red gold edges. Publishers Price, $2.40. Our Price, *Postpaid*, **$1.80**

No. 1130XF. Same as No. 1115X with Extra Leather Linings. Publishers Price, $2.80. Our Price, *Postpaid*, **$2.15**

POCKET REFERENCE BIBLES PRONOUNCING

Old and New Testaments, Marginal References and Maps. Chapter headings on outside corner of each page making the Bible Self-Indexed.

Specimen of Type
19 • And the border of the Că'nāan-ites was from Sī'dŏn, as thou

Size. 4¾ x 6⅞ inches. Minion 16mo.

No. 1410F. French Seal, divinity circuit overlapping covers, round corners, red gold edges. Publishers Price, $2.00. Our Price, *Postpaid*, **$1.65**

Holman India Paper Pocket Reference Bibles.

Pronouncing, References, &c., same type as 1410F.

Size, 4¾ x 6⅞ inches. Minion 16mo. ⅞ of an inch in thickness. Weighs 12½ ounces.

No. 1412XF. French Seal, divinity circuit overlapping covers, head bands and marker, round corners, red gold edges. Publishers Price, $2.50. Our Price, *Postpaid*, **$2.10**

No. 1430XF. Same as No. 1412XF with Extra Leather Linings. Publishers Price, $3.00 Our Price, *Postpaid*, **$2.50**

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE,
Greensboro, N. C.

100% HORSE EFFICIENCY

The Lankford HUMANE HORSE COLLAR

$1.00 Delivered

Prevents galls and sore shoulders or heals those there. Made of U.S. ARMY DUCK, leather bearings, open at bottom; rolls back and forth as load comes on and off, removing friction unavoidable in a top opening collar. Filled with treated cotton fiber. With reasonable care lasts 2 to 3 years.

One planter has "LANKFORDIZED" his stock and, since, a sore shoulder would be a "curiosity." Users of horse and mule power recognize "HUMANITY" and "HORSE SENSE" are twins and adopt the LANKFORD. Six million shoulders of horses and mules have discovered the MERCIFUL, COMFORT GIVING, PAIN SPARING virtues of Genuine Lankford cotton horse collars. No shoulder of those six million ever galled. If your dealer does not handle the Genuine Lankford, write

COUCH BROS. MFG. CO.
Box 974 U Box 19 U
Atlanta, Ga. Memphis, Tenn.
Look for this trade mark

TRADE MARK



KEEP THE TOLL YOURSELF

Use the time for the drive to mill in grinding feed and corn meal. One horse can do it. We guarantee capacity, material and workmanship in

Star Sweep Feed Grinders

Big returns from little investment. Ear corn and small grains ground. Saves you money. Free catalog. Write Star Mfg. Co., 7 Depot St., New Lexington, Ohio.

DAINTY COOK BOOK FREE

We are mailing free our book, "Dainty Desserts for Dainty People," to anyone mentioning the name of their grocer. This book is beautifully illustrated in colors and gives over 100 recipes for the daintiest Desserts, Jellies, Puddings, Salad, Candies, Ices, Ice Creams, etc. If you will send a 2c stamp, we will also send you a full pint sample of KNOX GELATINE, or for 15c a two quart package, if your grocer does not sell it.

KNOX GELATINE
201 Knox Avenue Johnstown, N. Y.

Our Children's Home

Conducted by Walter Thompson, Supt.

RECEIVED ON SPECIAL, GENERAL AND TEN PER CENT. COLLECTIONS

J. S. L. Orr, North Charlotte, $10.00; Union Baraca Class, Cool Sring, Cleveland, W. S. Moore, $3.00; Bryson and Whittier Charge, Bryson City, Rev. D. H. Rhinehardt, $3.77; Ladies at Prospect Church, Monroe, Mrs. J. C. Postelle, $2.60. Total, $19.37.

RECEIVED ON BUILDING FUND

H. C. Holt, Spencer, $25.00; Men's Bible Class, W. H. Ruddsill, Hickory, $75.00; J. H. Pitts, Catawba, $25.00; Hon. Lee S. Overman, Washington, D. C., $37.50; Miss Arra Lankford, Saluda, $5.00; A. S. Moore, Saluda, $2.00; Mrs. M. C. Rice, Candler, $5.00; W. A. Snyder, North Wilkesboro, $5.00. Total, $179.50.

DONATIONS IN KIND

Woman's Missionary Society, Granite Falls, 2 quilts; Ladies of Cooleemee Church, 1 quilt; Lincolnton Sunday school, 4 coops chickens.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The Act of Congress approved December 17, 1914, relative to compounding, sale, dispensing or giving away opium or coca leaves, their salts, derivatives or preparations requires each person, firm or corporation handling same, whether druggist, physician, dentist, veterinarian or others, to register with the Collector of Internal Revenue as such dealer on or before March 1, 1915.

At time of registry, Special Tax shall be paid at rate of $1.00 per year or 34 cents for period March 1st to June 30, 1915, and order forms, to be used in case of each purchase, costing $1.00 per hundred from the Collector.

A penalty of $2,000.00 is imposed for violation or failure to comply with provisions of this act.

Copies of the act and regulations thereunder giving full information to those interested can be obtained from the Collector of Internal Revenue.

A. D. Watts,
Collector.

Paint Without Oil

Remarkable Discovery That Cuts Down the Cost of Paint Seventy-Five Per Cent.

A Free Trial Package is Mailed to Everyone Who Writes

A. L. Rice, a prominent manufacturer of Adams, N. Y., has discovered a process of making a new kind of paint without the use of oil. He calls it Powdrpaint. It comes in the form of a dry powder and all that is required is cold water to make a paint weather proof, fire proof and as durable as oil paint. It adheres to any surface, wood, stone or brick, spreads and looks like oil paint and costs about one-fourth as much.

Write to Mr. A. L. Rice, Manuf'r, 144 North St., Adams, N. Y., and he will send you a free trial package, also color card and full information showing you how you can save a good many dollars. Write today.

YOUR FRECKLES

Need Attention in February and March or Face Will Stay Covered.

Now is the time to take special care of the complexion if you wish it to look well the rest of the year. The February and March winds have a strong tendency to bring out freckles that may stay all Summer unless removed. Now is the time to use othine—double strength.

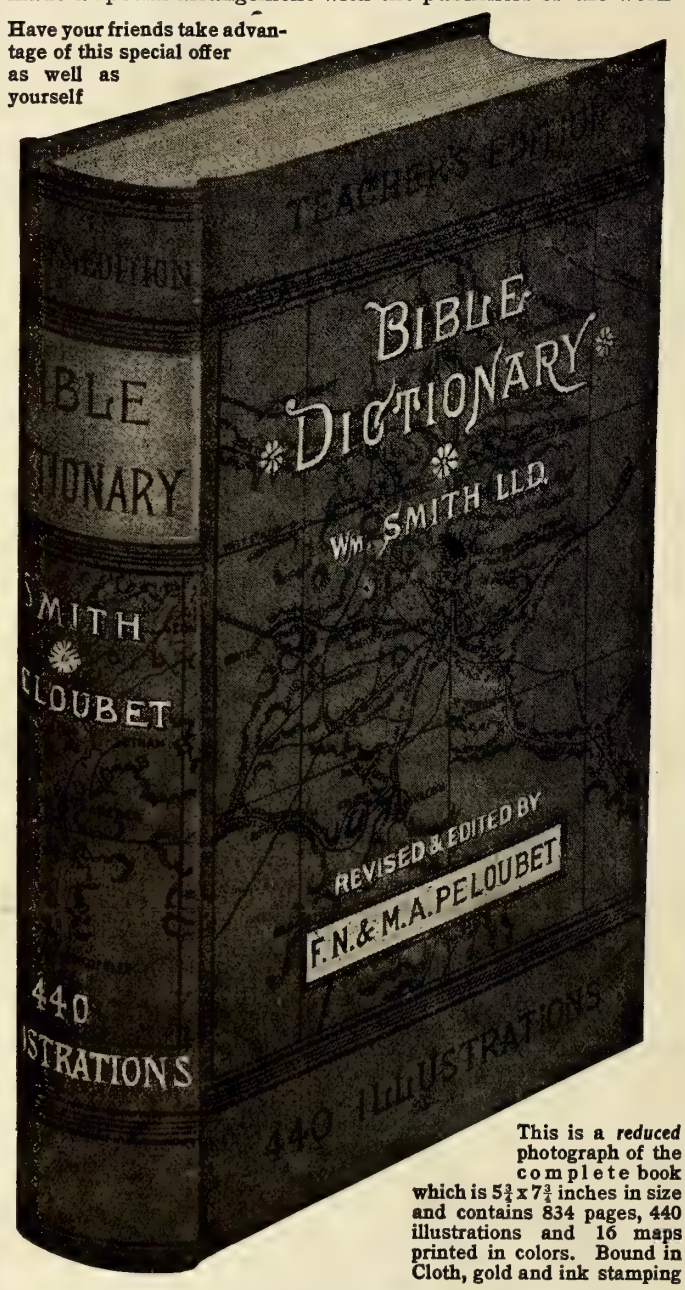
This prescription for the removal of freckles was written by a prominent physician and is usually so successful that it is sold by your druggist under guarantee to refund the money if it fails. Get an ounce of othine—double strength, and even a few applications should show a wonderful improvement, some of the smaller freckles even vanishing entirely.

The Christian Advocate Offers You This Well Known Bible Dictionary

SEE SPECIAL OFFER BELOW

Realizing the wide demand that exists among our constituents for this Bible Dictionary, we have made a special arrangement with the publishers of the work by which they agreed to supply it to us on exceptional terms, provided we would widely advertise it, and this enables us to offer this **well-known Bible Dictionary in its original form** and with all its important features, including over 400 illustrations and maps in colors, at **less than half the regular price.**

Have your friends take advantage of this special offer as well as yourself



This is a *reduced* photograph of the complete book which is 5¾ x 7¾ inches in size and contains 834 pages, 440 illustrations and 16 maps printed in colors. Bound in Cloth, gold and ink stamping

THE FATHER OF ALL BIBLE DICTIONARIES

Everyone acknowledges the superior value of Dr. William Smith's Bible Dictionary, as containing the fruit of the ripest Biblical scholarship. It is practically the foundation, or father, of all other Bible Dictionaries. This late edition is brought down to the twentieth century and thoroughly revised to incorporate modern research and discoveries in Bible lands. It has been adapted in its present form to the convenience of teachers and scholars.

MAKES BIBLE STUDY EASY. MAKES THE BIBLE PLAIN TO EVERY READER

This Bible Dictionary is a veritable treasure to Christian Workers. It contains in the simplest language a full explanation of all topics mentioned in the Bible—every place, nation, tribe, person, and historical event; every custom and rite; every instrument and implement; every animal, plant, flower, mineral, metal, etc. It is a systematic collation of all the facts recorded in the Bible, supplemented and explained by materials supplied from authentic records of Biblical times. It gives in compact and lucid form the substance of the result of profound Biblical scholarship and research. IT OPENS A NEW UNDERSTANDING AND APPRECIATION OF THE BIBLE IN A WAY THAT NO OTHER BOOK DOES.

Our Special Offer

From this till March first we offer the Advocate one year and this dictionary for

$2.50

This applies to new subscribers and renewals.

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, GREENSBORO, N. C.

"Now, Thomas," said the teacher severely, "how many times must I tell you not to snap your fingers? Put your hand down, and presently I'll hear from you." Five minutes later she said: "Now, then, Thomas, what was it you wanted to say?" "There was a man in the entry a while ago," said Thomas serenely, "and he went out with your new silk umbrella."—Exchange.

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO

ROBT. W. MURRAY

GENERAL INSURANCE

Greensboro, North Carolina

308½ South Elm St.

Phone 168

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL

General Insurance

General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland

108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective October 18th, 1914

Northbound		NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester	Lv.	7 50 a m				4 15 p m
Yorkville	"	8 36				6 38
Gastonia	"	9 21!				8 20
Gastonia	"	9 30	4 30 p m			
Lincolnton	"	10 28	5 40			
Newton	"	11 05	6 44			
Hickory	"	12 05 p m	7 30	12 05 p m	6 45 a m	
Lenoir	"	1 08	8 50	1 08	8 07	
Lenoir	"	2 00x				
Mortimer	"	4 09				
Edgemont	Ar.	4 35				

Southbound		NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Edgemont	Lv.	9 00 a m				
Mortimer	"	9 10				
Lenoir	"	11 20!				
Lenoir	"	1 35 p m	7 00 a m	8 15 a m	1 10 p m	
Hickory	"	2 35	8 15	9 12	3 20	
Newton	"	3 05	9 00			
Lincolnton	"	3 43	9 51			
Gastonia	"	4 30	11 28			
Gastonia	"	5 05x				11 50 a m
Yorkville	"	5 54				1 24
Chester	Ar.	6 40				3 10 p m

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. CHESTER, S. C

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Weed, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.

First Round

February

Sulphur Springs, Laurel Hill 6-7
West Asheville, night 7
Swannanoa, Swannanoa 13-14
Black Mountain, night 14
Weaverville Ct., Flint Hill 20-21
Bethel, night 21

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C.

First Round

February

Ansonville, Ansonville 6-7
Waxhaw, Waxhaw 13-14
Spencer Memorial 21

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.

First Round

February

Deep River, Cedar Falls 6-7
West Market 13-14

MT. AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mt. Airy, N. C.

First Round

February

Dobson, Stony Knoll 6-7
Pilot Mountain, Pilot Mountain 13-14
Ararat, Chestnut Grove 20-21
Mt. Airy Ct., Zion 27-28

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

First Round

February

Avery, Fairview 6-7
Boone, Rutherwood 13-14
Laurel Springs, Transon 20-21
Sparta, Potato Creek 27-28

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.

First Round

February

Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 11 a. m. 6-7
Davidson, Davidson, night 7-8
Mooresville Ct., Fair View, 11 a. m., 13-14
Mooresville Sta., Mooresville, night, 14-15
Cool Spring Ct., Cool Spg., 11 a. m., 20-21
Troutman Ct., Shepherds, 11 a. m., 27-28

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C.

Second Round

February

Dallas, Dallas 6
Gastonia, F. Ave. 6
Gastonia, Main Street 7
Lowesville, Snow Hill 13-14
Mt. Holly, Mt. Island 14-15
Bessemer, Concord 20-21
Lowell, Lowell, ...27-28
McAdenville, McAdenville 28

March

King's Mountain, ElBethel 6-7
Polkville, Polkville 13-14
Rock Springs, Mt. Pleasant 20-21
Belwood, Kadish 27-28

April

Shelby Circuit, Sulphur Springs 3-4
Lincolnton Circuit, Marvin 10-11
Lincolnton, Lincolnton 11
Crouse, Pleasant Grove 17-18
Stanly, Iron 18-19
South Fork, Plateau 24-25

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.

Second Round

February

Salisbury, South Main Street, 11 a. m., 14
Salisbury, Holmes Memorial, night.....14
Salisbury, First Church, 11 a. m.....21
E. Spencer-N. Main St., N. Main St. night 21
Salisbury Circuit, Providence 27-28
Spencer, night 28

March

Concord Circuit, Mt. Carmel 6-7
Concord, Forest Hill, night, ...7-8
Woodleaf Circuit, Gay's Chapel 13-14
West Concord, Kerr St., night 14-15
Cottonville & Oakboro Ct. Mt. Zion 20-21
Norwood 20-21
Concord, Central, 11 a. m. 28
Concord, Epworth & C., Epworth, night 28

April

Albemarle, Central, night 2-4
Albemarle Circuit, Stony Hill 3-4
Mount Pleasant Circuit, Saint Paul, 10-11
Concord, Westford, night 11
Salem Circuit, New Mount Tabor....17-18
Albemarle, First Street, night 18
Kannapolis Station, 11 a. m. 23-25
Kannapolis Circuit, Bethpage.....24-25
China Grove & Landis, China Grove, night 25

May

New London Circuit 1-2
Gold Hill Circuit 2-3
Bethel & Love's Chapel, Love's Chapel 8-9

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.

First Round

February

Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Spruce Pine 5-7
Micaville, South Toe 6-7
Bald Creek, Bald Creek 13-14
Burnsville 14-15
Marion Ct., Green Mountain 20-21

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C., R. F. D. No. 2

First Round

February

Judson Ct., Maple Springs 2-3
Robbinsville Ct., Robbinsville 4-5
Andrews Station 6-7
Macon Ct., Union 13-14
Franklin Ct., Salem 16-17
Highlands Ct., Highlands 18-19
Franklin Station 21-22

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston-Salem, N. C.

Second Round

February

Southside, 11 a. m. 14
Centenary, night, ...14
Walkertown 20-21
Grace, night 21
Linwood, Macedonia 27-28
Lexington, night 28

March

Thomasville, South Thomasville.....6-7
Thomasville, Main Street, ...5-7
Advance, Advance 13-14
Burkhead, night 14
Davidson, Midway 20-21
Forsythe, Mineral Spring 27-28
West End, night 28

April

Jackson Hill, Jackson Hill 3-4
Salem, night 4
Farmington, Bethlehem 10-11
Mocksville 9-11
Lewisville, Concord 17-18
Davie, Liberty 24-25
Cooleemee, night 25

May

Kernersville 1-2

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Premier Carrier of the South

N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information and are **not guaranteed.**

12:15 a. m.—No 32 daily Southern's Southeastern Limited. Pullman drawing-room, open section sleeping cars Jacksonville and Augusta to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

12:35 a. m.—No. 112, daily, local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh which is open at 9:30 and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m.

1:42 a. m.—No. 30, daily, Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing-room and observation sleeping cars Birmingham and Columbus to New York, and Birmingham to Richmond. Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29 daily, Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing-room and observation sleeping cars New York and Richmond to Birmingham and Columbus. Daily tourist car Washington to San Francisco via popular Sunset Route. Dining cars. Coaches.

3:15 a. m.—No. 31 daily, The Southern's Southeastern Limited. Pullman drawing-room and open section sleeping cars New York to Jacksonville and Augusta. Dining car service. Day coaches.

3:45 a. m.—No. 45 daily, local for Charlotte, connecting for Atlanta and points south.

7:10 a. m.—No. 8 daily, local for Richmond.

7:15 a. m.—No. 37 daily, New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section sleeping cars New York to New Orleans, and New York to Asheville, and Macon. Pullman parlor car Greensboro to Montgomery. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service.

7:30 a. m.—No. 103 daily, local for Raleigh, Selma, and Goldsboro.

7:40 a. m.—No. 154 daily, except Sunday for Ramseur.

7:25 a. m.—No. 11, daily, local for Atlanta. Pullman sleeping cars Norfolk and Richmond to Charotte. Day coaches.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily, for Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Pullman sleeping car Raleigh to Winston-Salem.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily, local for Mt. Airy.

9:30 a. m.—No. 44, daily, for Washington and points north.

9:40 a. m.—No. 144, daily, Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro Pullman sleeping car Atlanta to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily, for Asheville and Waynesville, connecting at Asheville with Carolina Special for all points west. Chair car Goldsboro to Asheville.

12:55 p. m.—No. 130, daily, local for Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

1:30 p. m.—No. 7, daily, local for Charlotte, connecting for Seneca and Columbia.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily U. S. Fast Mail for Washington, New York and points north. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

2:00 p. m.—No. 207, daily, for Winston-Salem, connecting daily except Sunday for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daily, except Sunday for Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily, except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily, for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Chair car.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily, for Mt. Airy.

6:25 p. m.—No. 35, daily, U. S. Fast Mail, for Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham. Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham. Dining car service. Day coaches

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily, for Winston-Salem.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily local for Sanford.

7:32 p. m.—No. 43, daily, for Alanta, and points south Sleeping car Raleigh to Atlanta.

10:15 p. m.—No. 12, daily, local, for Richmond. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Norfolk.

10:20 p. m.—No. 233, daily, for Winston-Salem.

11:29 p. m.—No. 38, daily, New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section sleeping cars New Orleans, Macon and Asheville to New York. Dining car.

E. H. COAPMAN, Vice-President and General Manager, Washington, D. C.

S. H. HARDWICK, P. T. M., Washington D. C.

H. F. CARY, G. P. A., Washington, D. C.

R. H DeBUTTS, D. P. A., Charlotte, N. C.

C. G. PICKARD, P. and T. A., Greensboro, N. C.

TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 : : : : CHARTERED 1859



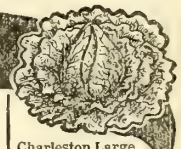
A Southern institution of established national reputation. Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.

Large endowment fund makes possible complete, first-class equipment; full faculty of able, well-chosen instructors; beautiful campus, new buildings, modern laboratories, splendid library. Comfortable, inexpensive dormitories. For catalogue and illustrated booklet, address

R. L. Flowers, Sec. to the Corporation, Durham, N. C.

CABBAGE PLANTS





GROWN FROM EXPENSIVE SEED

I pay from three to five times as much for Peter Henderson & Co.'s seed as other planters pay f r ordinary seed. Actual figures, $3.50 per lb. for Wakefields, $4.00 per lb. for Flat Dutch, against 75c. per lb. for ordinary seed. My customers get the benefit in

PERFECT PLANTS AT NO EXTRA COST

Why not plant cabbage grown from high-grade seed and raise a successful crop, rather than use plants from inferior seed and be disappointed in the results? It costs no more.

If I am out of the variety you want I will tell you. I NEVER SUBSTITUTE EXCEPT WHEN REQUESTED BY THE PURCHASER.

Prices by Express: 1,000 to 4,000, $1.50 per 1,000; 5,000 to 9,000, $1.25 per 1,000; 10,000 or over $1,00 per 1,000.





Varieties: Early Jersey Wakefield, Charleston Wakefield, Henderson's Succession, Flat Dutch, ***All Frost Proof.*** Order early to be sure of the variety you want.

2,000 bushels Harrison's Selected Seed Corn, $2.00 per bushe F. O. B. Charleston, S. C.

JOS. M. HARRISON
CHARLESTON, S. C.

GREENSBORO NURSERIES
AGENTS WANTED
For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.
JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

Agents Wanted

¶ We want good, live, hustling agents in all towns. :: :: :: :: ::

¶ If you desire good work and prompt service, we are at your command. :: ::

¶ Write for our liberal terms. Represent

The Charlotte Laundry
OLDEST —— LARGEST —— BEST
CHARLOTTE, N. C.

A Big You Decide: The School: The Methods: The Results:

A Few Reasons Why You Should Enroll With Us

We teach Stenotypy, the fastest method of writing. Our ***courses*** teach you to ***know.*** We ***train*** you to ***grasp*** your ***opportunity.*** Latest improved methods. Your choice of ***nine*** different systems of ***shorthand, two of them hold world's record*** for ***speed*** and ***accuracy.***

Rates and terms most reasonable. ***Real business courses*** as taught at a ***real commercial college.*** Results unequalled. Twenty-five students recently placed in positions.

Write for further information and terms. Do not put off this important step.

CENTRAL BUSINESS COLLEGE, ROANOKE, VIRGINIA
T S. SPRADLIN, President

Methodist Benevolent Association

A Mutual Benefit Brotherhood for Southern Methodists. Issues Whole Life, 20-Premium Life, Term to 60, and Disability-Old Age Certificates. **Benefits, at death, disability, or old age. $150,000 paid widows, orphans, disabled. Reserve $30,000.** For terms, etc., write ***J. H. SHUMAKER, Sec'y, Nashville, Tenn.***

PUBLISHER'S MESSAGE

A TALK ABOUT BUSINESS AND PLEA FOR CO-OPERATION

One would suppose that it would just be a delight to the Methodist business man in Western North Carolina to patronize the North Carolina Christian Advocate. Both the Advertising and Job Printing departments should appeal to these men. We believe this will be the case when attention is persistently called to it. Notwithstanding we have had a good deal to say from time to time, it is still true that many of our people have not fully realized the value of the Advocate as

An Advertising Medium

If our merchants, manufacturers, farmers and business men generally could be induced to try it we have no doubt they would be amply repaid for money paid in exchange for our advertising space. There ought to be a regular column filled with classified or want ads. and we hope to get our people who want anything or who have anything to sell to use the Advocate space and thus help their own business while helping to support an important institution of the church. For years a few of our enterprising business men have appreciated the Advocate as an advertising medium, but the great majority of them need yet to have their attention called to this. While throwing away vast sums of money on various advertising schemes presented by the promoter, they let this really rich opportunity go by unimproved.

We have purged our columns of all advertising which can not be rated as first class and clean in every respect and this itself greatly enhances the value of our space.

Again, there are hundreds of business men all over our section who have large quantities of printing done. They could turn much of this our way just as well, and many could turn all their job work into our house.

We are Equipped

for all kinds of job printing, especially pamphlets and commercial work, and this would help the Board of Publication very much in its efforts to establish firmly the business and make a great paper for the Conference. The members of this Board give their time and thought to this business without charge or hope of remuneration—their work is a labor of love. They feel the more free to appeal to

Methodist Business Men

to think of our Advocate printing house in Greensboro when they need anything in that line, and if they can get what they want we feel sure they will take pleasure in turning patronage this way. Just think of it

The Stationery of Our Country Stores

would make a nice business for our Job Department and would well-nigh keep our presses busy!!

Then think of the physicians, lawyers, preachers and other professional men who use printed stationery and other printed matter, besides printing for the churches and church organizations. Of course we do not expect a monopoly of all this business, and we are already getting a goodly share; but there are many who have never had their attention called specially to this, and with a little more thoughtfulness our business ought easily to be doubled, especially in the line of commercial work. It is evident that we need

More Diligent Co-operation

While any church business enterprise must depend mainly upon those who have charge, and cannot be allowed to depend upon such patronage as church loyalty alone would bring, it is nevertheless true that much depends upon that spirit of co-operation which church loyalty suggests and prompts. There are a few country merchants who have sent us their orders for stationery regularly since we began work in that line. They seem to be pleased, our business is benefited and we very greatly appreciate their spirit of co-operation.

A large manufacturer in one of our thriving towns, after hearing the editor at a District Conference last year, frankly stated that he had not had his attention called to this before and that he had quite a good deal of work that, everything else being equal, he would be glad to turn our way. Since that time we have been getting nice orders occasionally, and if fifty or seventy-five more, who no doubt are in the same position, would do likewise, most of our problems would be solved, for the reason that this additional work would be handled without appreciable increase in our payroll.

The Sale of Books

For some two years or more we have been handling books in a small way. Most of this is purely a mail order business. We have arrangements with publishers to fill our orders, and allow us the trade discount; so, without paying any more for books our people can send their orders through us and thus add quite a little item to our income. The only difference to the purchaser would be a delay of about one day. This applies to orders from Smith & Lamar, or any publishers in the United States. We hope to have the co-operation of our people in this respect also. We ought to co-operate in an effort to put more good books into the hands of our people. Nothing is needed more today than the turning of the minds of our people into the channels of more serious and profitable thought. Good books will do this.

Church Supplies

Record books for Quarterly Conference, Church Conference, Sunday Schools, Baraca and Philathea Classes, etc., Bibles and Disciplines can be secured through us at the same prices charged by our Publishing House and other dealers. Why not turn the trade commission or discount into our own treasury?

We take it that the Board need offer no apology for thus going into details in order to show our people of this opportunity for profitable and helpful co-operation.

For further information write

BOARD OF PUBLICATION,
Greensboro, N. C.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, February 11, 1915 | Number 6

Reading Room Trinity College

A TIME FOR PRAYER

This week will perhaps decide the question as to whether our homes and our boys are to have protection against their greatest enemy. By circular letter the stream of death has been turned into our homes, and those who would make merchandise of the souls and bodies of our boys are now baiting them for ruin. Shall we allow this to continue? Shall we, for the accommodation of a few wrecks of humanity, and others whose lust for money and self-indulgence would overbalance their regard for the peace and order of society, sacrifice our boys and the happiness of our homes? During the past two weeks we have prayed by petitions and letters to our representatives at Raleigh. Now let us pray to God that these men may be made courageous in the time of supreme test. See editorial page this week.

THE IRONY OF FATE!

Facing the Situation All too Soon What Will Our Legislators Do?

Years ago, when the struggle for prohibition began in earnest, there were many who said that they feared the jug trade. These people held first that bar rooms on the outside of a town would be more of a menace than those inside under municipal control. At that time they did not hesitate to declare themselves as opposed to liquor, and ready to vote for prohibition whenever it should be made a state-wide issue. "If you will just let us have a chance to put it out of the state we will go with you," they said.

After awhile they were given the opportunity to vote it out of the state. Immediately they shifted their position in mortal dread of the jug trade, the blind tiger, etc., and they widened their horizon. They said that they would be with us, teeth and toenail, if only we would make the proposition nation-wide and drive it from the United States. They were ardent advocates of temperance, but would never vote for prohibition as long as there remained the possibility of demoralizing the country with the jug trade. No, not they.

The fact is, these people never wanted prohibition and some middle-aged men and women have lived long enough to see them dodge the issue half a dozen times, till now, lo! and behold! they are frightened to death with the prospect of an opportunity of helping to vote it out of the United States! This is surely the irony of fate. They never expected to see the day when they would be face to face with the question of doing what they so often boasted that they would be only too glad to do.

Some people are exceedingly strange. They take shelter in all sorts of subterfuge in order to shield their hypocracy. These are the people who have been telling us that prohibition does not prohibit, and that more liquor is sold and used under prohibition than under license, that we simply lose the revenue without abating the evil. There is a fear that the present legislature in North Carolina is in danger of halting on the threshold of a good opportunity to have prohibition that will prohibit. For the first time in the history of the state it is now possible to stop the last hole and shut out all liquor for beverage purposes, and here comes the cry of party expediency, and the invasion of personal liberty. To cap the climax, the alarm is given that Keely Institute will be stranded! Surely this is the last straw on the camel's back, and the bill must not pass, notwithstanding the state asked for prohibition by nearly 50,000 majority in 1908. To be sure, Keeley Institute would soon be without a constituency if we shut off the supply of liquor, and we believe even Colonel Osborne will be glad when there are no more inebriates to give it patronage. If we can get the sort of prohibition proposed in the bill now before the legislature, Keely Institute and all institutions for the treatment of inebriacy, will be as useless as a military school in the millennium.

We suspect that, after all, many of our friends have really never wanted a prohibition law that would quite prohibit, and they now face a situation all too soon that is going to put them to the test. We have some mighty good men in this legislature, and we are not prepared to accept the averment of some who say that the majority of them will falter when the test comes.

* * * *

Referring to the question as to whether prohibition, even as we have it, prohibits, the editor of the Baltimore Southern Methodist, gives a fine discussion which we here reproduce, and which will prove illuminating to those who study it. He says:

If Prohibition Is Not Prohibiting, Man Is Losing His Taste For Mint Juleps

One of the favorite arguments of whiskey orators, that, on account of its plausibility, has strongly appealed to moral and even religious men, has been "Prohibition doesn't prohibit; it breeds blind tigers and hypocrites and encourages immorality. Therefore, as a community cannot get rid of liquor anyway, in the interests of morality, it is better for it to be sold under the eye of the law with proper safeguards, than lawlessly." For whiskey men to be prating about the moral interests of a community is like the devil opening a school for the teaching of virtue.

It does not take a skilled logician to point out the fallacies in the foregoing argument as it is unnecessary, for its backbone has been broken by recent developments that stand out in such bold relief that even the blind can see. The Hoster-Columbus Breweries of Columbus, O., a $12,000,000 corporation, by order of the United States district court is in the hands of a receiver. A statement issued by the company gives as the cause: "Decreased demands for beer, adverse legislation, and the voting dry of many states and countries in the last eight years." "The crowning blow," it says, "came in loss of West Virginia, where we did a business of nearly $500,000 a year, to say nothing of old Virginia's voting dry, to go into effect in 1916." According to Commissioner Blue, of West Virginia, Cincinnati alone formerly got $1,000,000 from that little state for that which is worse than useless. Think of the enormous sum in addition to other sums, most of it from the pockets of the poor, coming out of West Virginia every year that now goes into the legitimate channels of trade—for groceries, clothing, education, travel, and religion. Commissioner Blue, in his address the other Sunday afternoon at the Lyric, spoke of the marvelous transformation in industrial centers, giving facts and figures that were an eloquent testimony of the material and moral benefits of prohibition, and emphasized the fact attested by the wail of the brewers that in West Virginia prohibition does prohibit.

As to whether prohibition does or does not prohibit as a rule, let our enemies, the brewers, again be the judges. In the January number of the "American Brewers' Review," is the following significant paragraph:

"The outstanding facts are that five more states have adopted state-wide prohibition, and that there has been a decrease of over 2,000,000 barrels in the amount of beer produced as against the preceding year. Also there has been a loss of about forty breweries, the total number of breweries, according to the annual report of the commissioner of internal revenue for the year ended June 30, 1914, being 1,392. These facts present the gloomy side of the picture."

"Mida's Criterion," of Chicago, published in the interest of the liquor business, seems to be profoundly impressed with the fact, that somehow or other prohibition does prohibit. Its pessimistic cry is voiced in this language:

"Immediately after the recent elections in the west when the trade lost four states there was some congratulation that things were no worse. Since the trade has analyzed the situation and watched the course of events growing out of the new conditions a feeling of depression has settled over it and even now, quite three weeks after the issue was settled, the cloud presses down on the trade with even more force. It seems gratuitous to call attention to the fact but it seems nevertheless to be true that California was saved to the trade by the vote of San Francisco, and it seems that even Ohio was saved by the vote of the cities, notably Cincinnati and Cleveland. Attention would not be called to this melancholy fact were it not best for the trade to face the situation as it really is by way of preparing for the future, as there will inevitably be a future. As the trade looks over the situation as it is today it is rather stupefied. There is really no parallel to present conditions in the trade. In time gone by when the trade lost a state or two it recovered from the shock and in a few weeks or a month or so business had adjusted itself to the new circumstances and the wheels were turning much as ever. But business never suffered such discouragement before."

When one takes into consideration that the report of the internal revenue commissioner ending June 30, 1914, recently made public shows a decrease in the production of distilled liquor of 10,000,000 gallons, and a decrease in consumption of 4,000,000, and that in spite of the decreased production of distilleries and the fact that there are 127 fewer of these poison-making factories than in 1913, there is an oversupply of whiskey in the bonded warehouses, he is impressed with the appropriateness of the distilleries blending their tenor with the deep bass notes of the brewers in the song entitled "The Handwriting on the Wall."

Even Kentucky can join in the song, for it is reported that Col. G. W. Dunlap, superintendent of the Pepper Distilling Company, of Lexington, has said, "Prohibition agitation is cutting a figure in the consumption of the Kentucky product, necessitating the curtailment of the output."

The latest figures as to the advance of prohibition in the United States might put some more ginger in the music. Of a total of 2,973,890 square miles in the United States, 2,236,062 are prohibition territory. The total population of the United States is 91,972,266 persons, of whom 48,118,394 now reside in territory in which the liquor traffic has been outlawed. In other words, about 80 per cent. of the area of this country is under prohibition and approximately 54 per cent. of the total population lives in the territory. Add to this the growing world-wide prohibitiory sentiment developed in part by the European war, which revealed the decreased efficiency of soldiers using alcoholic drinks, and by scientific tests showing physical, mental and moral deterioration of drinkers, the future of the liquor traffic does not seem to be painted in specially roseate tints.

* * * *

The People Come to a Knowledge of the truth slowly on the effects of alcohol as well as its value as a medicine. Till recently it has been generally accepted that in the practice of medicine alcohol is essential. Even the best of people thought it necessary to have some on hand for use in emergencies. A physician here and yonder for many years has had the courage to speak out against it and to declare that it has no real value as a medicine. During the past year the North Carolina Medical Society placed itself on record as opposed to the use of alcohol in the practice of medivine, and this has done more to make strong the cause of prohibition in North Carolina than anything that has taken place during a half a century. Why should our legislators hesitate with such strong backing as this? Besides the opinion of the North Carolina physicians, listen to the words of an eminent surgeon, Dr. George A. Lung of the United States Navy: "Who is to be the authority to set the limit, and say where safety ends and danger begins? As a beverage, or even as a medicine, I am almost convinced that the world could be deprived of alcohol and not suffer. I am almost convinced that the world would be better for its absence. The opening wedge is usually the insidious argument that 'a little drinking will do no harm,' but soon this develops the universal craving which sooner or later gives license for an indulgence making an evil end probable. No young man, or even an old one, who may be classed as an occasional drinker, can foretell to a certainty that he will not degrade, as he advances in years, first to the state of a drunkard and then to that of an inebriate."

SPECIAL NOTICE

Advocate Sunday and the week following for special canvass were completely annulled on account of inclement weather. This is to thank the brethren who are now taking up the work and to request that all do so at once. The need is urgent. Not only is the money needed for current expenses, but it is very necessary that all dead heads be removed from the lists

NOTE AND COMMENT

What a Little World this is to men and women who cannot read! What a small sphere this in which they move! Let us not deceive ourselves. While we boast of the progress of education we are still far from the goal. The inefficiency of our Sunday schoools is largely due to illiteracy. Only those who have had varied experience and a rather wide opportunity for observation have any idea to what extent the work is handicapped by illiteracy. In many places there are large numbers of adults who can not read, and many who are classed as "able to read and write," read so poorly as to get very little out of what they read. The "literacy test" would put many of our people out if they were dependent upon education for a place among us. We bid the "moonlight schools" God speed if they can do anything for us. The pressing need of the hour is that our people learn to read and that they learn to read intelligently—understandingly.

* * * *

Two Bills Now Before Congress propose to exclude from the mails such periodicals as shall publish any "scandalous, scurrilous, indecent or immoral books, pamphlets, pictures, prints, engravings, lithographs, photographs, or other publications which are, or are represented to be, a reflection on any form of religious worship practced or held sacred by any citizens of the United States." The bills also provide that "the Postmaster General shall make the necessary rules and regulations to exclude such matter from the mails."

Now this all sounds very good to one who reads without thinking what a jumble it really is. It is in fact a regular Trojan Horse. We already have ample laws which will exclude from the mails all obscene, scandalous and immoral literature. The public has been amply protected by legislation in this respect. These things are mentioned in the proposed act to sugar-coat the mischief that the author of this bill intends to foist upon the country by the power to exclude from the mails "other publications which are, or are represented to be, a reflection on any form of religious worship practiced or held sacred by any citizens of the United States." Now, wouldn't Mormonism, or any other abomination in the name of religion, find shelter and flourish under the protecting wing of such a law? It is significant that the authors of the proposed legislation are Roman Catholics. Let every form of religious belief and practice take its chances in the open, under the blazing light of public criticism. That which can not survive the criticism of a free press and open speech is not fit to live.

* * * *

The Immigration Bill which has twice met its fate in a presidential veto, will surely now be allowed to rest awhile. This measure is projected upon the false hypothesis that a literacy test is the supreme thing in citizenship. Mr. Taft and Mr. Wilson each take substantially the same position, maintaining that much of the best and most desirable element in foreign immigration would be excluded by such a law, while many of the most vicious would be admitted. While it is true that immigration is a constant peril, the danger is not so much from illiteracy as from vicious moral character which is largely due to unfavorable environment in the old country. It has been the boast of America that here the oppressd and downtrodden may find, not only an escape from oppression, but an opportunity to pursue happinss and high ideals. May it ever be so. The Christian Advocate (New York) commenting on the action of President Wilson, says:

"The President is right in assuming that not until he has received the mandate of his fellow citizens, expressed through party action at least, is he justified in giving his approval to a measure which he believes is open to serious objection. The literacy test embodied in this restrictive bill would shut out even those immigrants who desire to enter the United States for the very purpose of gaining that elementary education which was denied them in their own lands. Furthermore, the refusal of immigrants who have been political offenders under despotic governments by people who glory in their ancestors' revolt against tyranny is an absurdity. Had either of these barriers been erected a hundred years ago, it would have deprived America of some of its most valuable citizens. Against pauperism, criminality, disease, mental delinquency and other evils we may well build invincible bulwarks. But the proposal to create restrictions which bear no relation to physical soundness, mental sanity or moral character should be flouted in the name of freedom and justice. Have our national legislators forgotten that God gave America a mission to the nations of the earth which is not yet finished?"

* * * *

William A. Sunday, the most sensational evangelist in the world today, and perhaps the most sensational in the history of the world, has been holding forth in Philadelphia for more than a month. We have been watching the reports with some degree of regularity as given in the Philadelphia American. Enormous crowds have attended, and while much criticism has been published, we notice that most of the criticism is of his manner of preaching rather than of what he preaches. This we think is significant. Even in Old Testament times, the more aggressive prophets were accused of irregularities and criticised for apparently eccentric manners. John the Baptist drew crowds to his ministry who went out to see an eccentric prophet who dared to clothe himself in coarse garments and live abstemiously while speaking with the authority of a messenger from heaven. Jesus Himself was blamed more for the how than for the what of his teaching, and suffered death finally under the charge of being a non-conformer.

So the world goes, and we have about decided that Billy Sunday is going to be vindicated by what they accuse him of, his enemies being the principal witnesses in his favor. We notice that the bad people are against him, and a late tribute to the value and effectiveness of his ministry is the report current that Richmond does not want him to come there. Like the people of Gadara, they would show no hospitality to a man who would run the hogs out.

Another thing we notice is that, in Philadelphia and vicinity, the Methodists, Baptists, Presbyterians and other evangelical churches endorse his work, and say that he is sound in doctrine as well as in his attitude toward the evils of society in general. In fact, great society leaders, of whom there are not a few in Philadelphia, have been much impressed and sobered by his ministry. While Mr. Sunday's methods are quite sensational and expensive, we should not forget that nothing short of these perhaps would so attract attention in a large city as to arouse great public interest. Mr. Sunday, no doubt, has his weaknesses like other men, but he is no reed shaken by the wind, and his work is telling mightily.

* * * *

The Sunday School Lesson for February 14th is one of more than ordinary interest to old and young. The subject is "God's Call to Service," suggested by the call of Samuel as recorded in 1 Sam. 1:24-28. Parents ought to read this lesson aloud to their children and see that it is duly impressed upon their minds. The case of Samuel is typical. To every chlid there comes, early in life, the call of God. Not in audible voice, but a voice, nevertheless, which speaks to the inner ear of the soul, and it is exceedingly important that the child be encouraged to respond—to yield—to the divine call. There should be no effort to repress the child when he shows a disposition to yield to the call of God. Some parents make the mistake of supposing that the child in tender years does not know what he is about when he expresses a desire to take upon himself the vows of the church. Remember, the call came to Samuel when he was but four years old.

* * * *

Commenting Upon This Divine Call one of our exchanges says:

"This incident gives opportunity for a word or two about the call to the ministry. In earlier days mothers were wont to feel that among the priceless boons of motherhood was a child who might become a minister. In Scotland the usual salutation to children was not, 'How are you?' but, 'What are you looking forward to?' It was only the occasional family which did not furnish at least one candidate to say, 'The ministry.' As one outcome the leaders of Scottish national life have been almost uniformly ministers; and just because of the emphasis upon this particular calling the tone of religious life in Scotland has been more serious and aggressive than among other peoples.

God's call may come in the family habit of prayer and serious converse. It may come in the affectionate prayer and pressure of paternal concern; it may come in the consciousness of a passion for the gospel and for men and it may come through the voice of dear friends or the Church. No sincere man, no man who rigidly or rigorously tells the truth to himself, who studies himself in the light of his own needs and qualifications, who walks close with God and keeps an ear attent to spiritual voices and leadings will ever want the clear and convincing assurance of his call to the ministry."

* * * *

There is No Great Change in the war situation. During the past week a desperate battle has developed in Poland and in the Carpathians between the Russian and German armies and the Austro-Hungarians and Germans. The armies in North France and in Flanders are comparatively quiet. There is much concern just now in diplomatic circles as to the possible effect of Germany's determination to place the seas surrounding the British Isles in the war zone.

CALL FOR BUILDING FUND

In this column we are printing the call of Rev. Dr. J. C. Rowe, presiding elder of the Charlotte District, for the raising of the district pledge on the Advocate building. We greatly appreciate the interest the district manifested in making this pledge and the interest Dr. Rowe and his pastors are showing. The Shelby District also made a pledge of $350. by a unanimous vote in the District Conference, and divided the amount among the charges. The Greensboro District pledged $500. and proceeded at once to cover the amount by individual and church pledges. Only a few of these charges in the three districts have made any payment, although one-half was due in November. In view of the peculiar financial situation we have not pressed these collections, but times are manifestly easier now and we hope to hear from all at an early day. In other districts only individual pledges were taken, with a few exceptions where pastors and laymen present pledged their congregatiens. Many of these pledges are still behind.

Will not every one concerned respond to this call and let us have the amount of their pledge? Several hundred dollars already paid in is now in the savings bank drawing only 4 per cent. interest, whereas, if we had the amounts now past due we could make a payment on our note and thus cancel a large portion of the note on which we are paying 6 per cent. The reader will understand that the money was borrowed from an endowment fund and we can not make a payment till we are ready to cancel at least one-half of our debt.

We will greatly appreciate prompt attention to this, and all will rejoice when we can see this splendid building and plant entirely free from debt.

PREACHERS OF CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

Dear Brethren:—As you know, the Charlotte District Conference last year agreed to raise five hundred dollars in the district, to be applied to the Advocate building in Greensboro. The conference instructed the district stewards to apportion it to the several charges in the district, with the other collections. This has been done. Please raise this collection for the Advocate and send the money to Rev. H. M. Blair as soon as you can. The Advocate has an elegant building, and it is the property of the Western North Carolina Conference. This is one of the most meritorious enterprises of the Conference, and well deserves this service.

J. C. Rowe.

CONTRIBUTIONS

IN CONCLUSION

Forde Otts

"Now in conclusion let me warn—"
Our preacher said one Sunday morn.
He closed the Bible with a flop
And laid the hymn-book square on top
And leaned against the carved pulpit
"There's one more thought before I quit—"
The congregation in accord
Prepared to hear the "final word—"
The deacon shifted on his seat
As "Brethren, I must here repeat—"
And then our thoughts we did corrall
To hear "something that's practical—"
Until an ache crept up our spine
"While here I'll add another line—"
We knit our brows like some ascetic
To hear the final homiletic
About old Abraham and Buz
And every prophet ever was
To Revelation's pending doom,
And then we had "Praise God from whom—"

Conclusion

O brother, this ineptitude
Of forty minutes to conclude!
You'll find out if you inquire
That "a long spoke makes a long tire,"
And what is worse (Please me excuse)
It fills your church with empty pews.

THE OLD TIME AND THE MODERN COUNTRY CHURCH

A. W. Cline

The country church of today is not the country church of fifty years ago; yea, I might say twenty years ago, and too I might add that it doesn't take a close observer to notice a marked change in the past ten years. The transition is rapid and their must be some cause for it. You ask me what I mean when I say there has been a change. Your old grandfather or grandmother who has attended the same church for seventy-five years can answer the question more intelligently than I can; in fact, my idea for this sketch was obtained from a conversation with a godly old man who deplores the fact that religion has lost its power, not only in some city churches, but scores of rural churches as well. Of course this condition is not universal, but it is more prevalent in some localities than others. I know country churches that only a few years ago were alive with the gospel of Christ and now they are spiritually dead. To attend a service in these churches now seems more like you were present at a lecture in some public hall than the place where the egospel was being expounded. The atmosphere reminds one of a December day.

If the above is true there must be some cause for it. Let us see if we can't find a few of the causes for the present drift of many churches away from the old time religious customs. How many of the younger readers ever attended a service where no organ was used, but some saintly old man "raised" the tune of "Nearer My God to Thee," "What a Friend We Have in Jesus," "Jesus Lover of My Soul," and other of the old hymns that will live throughout ages. If you attended such a service and didn't feel the power of the Holy Spirit you were indeed a hardened sinner. Such a service was enough to touch the heart of an infidel.

When I refer to the service without the organ don't understand me as being opposed to its use in the churches; far from that. I believe the organ can be made a great power for good if the proper person is organist. In many country churches the advent of the organ was the death of the church. Now let us consider the best possible way for the organ to be used for the glory of God. Of course with the coming of the organ the old gray-headed "tune pitcher" had to take a back seat, or at least he wasn't needed any more, and some squeeky-squawky-voiced girl who has taken two or three lessons in instrumental music was raised up to take his place. It is not the organ but the organist that kills the religious fervor of a service. I do think that any one who has not experienced the love of God in his or her heart, and who is uneducated in music should be debarred from holding the exalted position of church organist. Better throw the organ out of doors than let such a person kill the power of the service. How many have made the remark that if a certain person is organist or sings in the choir "I am going to stay away." Ask an old person to compare the revival of fifty years ago with the one of today. Young as I am I can remember when the altar wouldn't hold the penitents when the invitation was given in a revival meeting in the home church and when the invitation was closed some good old Christian knelt beside each "mourner" and pointed him to the way of life. Only a few years ago I spent a few days at home during the summer revival. The pastor, one of the best in the state, had labored faithfully for a week and when a call for penitents was made after a heart-touching sermon, there was not a response out of the congregation of several hundred, the majority young people and known to be out of Christ. Won't someone tell us why the gospel has lost its hold on the people in this particular section?

What is true of the section just mentioned is true of hundreds of sections throughout this and other states. Something must be done and that quick, or the church will be nothing more than a mere playhouse.

Now, let us see if we can't find a few things that look like they are responsible for the state of affairs mentioned above. Some time during the meeting referred to the pastor asked the heads of families in which family prayer was held, at least once a day, to raise their hands. Not a hand went up. He then wanted to know how many had occasional prayers in their homes, and one out of the entire congregation responded. Oh! may the day hasten when a family altar will be erected in every Christian home throughout the land. No matter how far from home the young man who was raised in a home where family prayer was a daily event wanders, the influence of that home will follow him, and no doubt some day be the means of leading him to Christ. My opinion is, that the abolishment and failure to establish the family altar is responsible for the greater part of the loss of interest in the churches of today.

What has become of the old-time pastor that threw his saddle bags across his horse and started for the neighborhood of one of his country churches about Thursday before his appointment on Sunday? His coming was looked forward to with a high degree of pleasure by every member of the family he visited. He would usually spend several days visiting among "the members," generally from Thursday until Monday. Now the preacher hurries out on Sunday morning and preaches. Sometimes he will wait to take dinner with some one near the church before hurrying back to town; but usually he hurries back to get ready for his evening appointment at his town or suburban church where the greater part of his time is spent. I know pastors that have served country churches for several years and have never darkened the doors of some members of their congregations. In many places today the country church is only considered a side line. Pastors, give your country churches more attention and the best fruits of your labor will be found there.

Asheboro, N. C.

A NEW PERIODICAL

E. H. Rawlings

Have you seen it yet, brethren? Maybe it has not reached you generally. But a little after the first of January it will reach your charges, coming to all your superintendents. It is The Missionary Messenger, and its object is more than suggested in the sub-title that reads, "Monthly Program and Bulletin for the Use of the Sunday School Superintendent and the Chairman of the Missionary Committee." For some time past a quarterly missionary program for "Missionary Day" in the Sunday school has been given in The Teachers' Magazine, in connection with and on the topic of the quarterly missionary lesson. But a very general demand has come to us for an attractive, workable program for each of the remaining eight "Missionary Days" in the year. Thi leaflet periodical furnishes that monthly pro gram. And it reaches every Sunday school, a least every school the address of whose superin tendent has been furnished the Sunday schoo office at Nashville through the pastor's repor to Conference. The general Sunday Schoo Board by special resolution requested the Con ference Sunday School Boards to appropriat each the money needed to send this program t every superintendnt in its borders, and, a far as we know every Board has made the ap propriation. Indeed, as soon as the request wa stated to a Sunday School Board the member recognized in The Messenger the very thing th Sunday schools have been looking for, and most cheerfully made the appropriation at once

An Interesting History

The Missionary Messenger is not an acci dent, however. It is rather a striking and quite logical part of a carefully thought ou missionary plan for the Sunday school. A a Church we have had a Missionary plan fo the Sunday school of one sort and another fo thirty years and more. The history is a mos interesting one. At first the Discipline said "Let every Sunday school so far as practicabl be organized into a missionary society." Bu after several quadrenniums somebody in th General Conference saw that a wrong cue wa given in the wording, and cut out "So far a practicable." A little later the preposition "into" fell under condemnation. Somebody had the discernment to see that it ought not t be necessary to change the Sunday schoo "into" something other than it is in its essen tial character in order to make it missionary and so substitute "as" for the "into." And then, finally at the last General Conference i was still further seen that it should not even take the organization to make a Sunday school missionary. Ideally the school is mis sionary by its very existence, and so the new Discipline reads, "Let every Sunday schoo be regarded as a missionary society."

Our Joy Task

But the changes indicated above are not the only changes that have been made in our mis sionary plan in thirty years. To appreciate how far we have come, one has only to read the little clause in the Discipline of the early "80's" and with that contrast the splendid paragraph 264 in our last Discipline, and to know that this paragraph is not all but has its side lights and stays in other paragraphs and, indeed, is itself only the charter of a plan agreed upon by two general boards and that has gone on improving till, through the legislation of 1914, in which the General Conference gave practically everything asked for by the Boards we have a missionary plan for the Sunday school than which no church in this country has a better. The Sunday school shares in the missionary offering while the cause of missions has an open field in the Sunday school; the Educational Secretary of the Board of Missions is a member ex-officio of the Sunday School Board, and the Sunday School Editor is a member of the Mission Board. All the secretaries recognize in the revised policy a most attractive and stimulating feature of Sunday school organization not only, but our very best single opportunity for educating the Church in the great business of world evangelization, and are glad to work at it themselves and to help superintendents, pastors, presiding elders and all local leaders work at it as the one great joy task of our present church organization.

What Is a Missionary Sunday School?

The policy is a comprehensive one involving many features that will follow out logically in the faithful application. But a few things are cardinal and outstanding. There is the Missionary Committee that is to be appointed by the superintendent, and about whose appointment there is no longer any option. There is the monthly "Missionary Day" on which the work is to be done, and that is also required by the discipline. A denominational lesson wrought into the international schedule, comes once a quarter. The problem of a program for Missionary Day is solved by the Missionary Messenger, and the way is wide-open for an assault upon the vexed problem of the offering. I say "vexed" because that matter of the offering has been mightily vexed as well as

genuinely vital. It would not seem so, and many who take the offering think this the easiest feature of the policy and so far from being a problem, itself solves other problems.

Now Is It Right?

This is what I mean. For a quadrennium the offering had been increasing at the rate of about $10,000 a year till last year, when the increase suddenly leaped upward to $30,000, making the entire missionary offering in the Sunday school as reported in Conference Journals, about $200,000. That is splendid, but nothing like as fine as it looks. Oh, that fly in the ointment—why should there so often be! Well, we found that this big increase in the Sunday school had not greatly helped the income of the Mission Board. At the end of the year when the "tug" came, as it always comes, the stewards, finding a shortage and looking around for some loose money, espied the missionary offering of the Sunday school, the pastor, under the pressure, consenting, and simply have taken our money and used it to pay missionary and other assessments upon the congregation. Now, brethren, that ought not so to be. And for a simple reason that alone should be absolutely conclusive. Our Foreign Mission assessment upon the Church, which is only 25 cents a member—till the last General Conference only 20 cents— is simply insufficient to do the work we are trying to do. Listen—does this mean anything? If no church in the connection had done more for missions last year than raise its assessment, we not only would not be sending out new missionaries but would now be calling in about a fourth of our entire force or else asking the banks to carry us for $150,000.

But better even than that, is this reason. When a Sunday school takes our list of specials and, nobly pushing aside the little 25 cents assessment from before its eyes, takes a native worker, a bed in a hospital, a circuit, a missionary, as many are gladly doing, carrying it because of the school's vital and definite interest in the work, the whole spirit of the service is changed, and the business of missions in that Sunday school is nothing less than transfigured. And all this is why the General Conference in the New Discipline says, "It is urged that as far as possible, the missionary offering in the Sunday school go as free-will and not used to pay the missionary assessment upon the congregation."

Another Problem—Who Is He?

Now that is our policy. What is our problem? Well, I tell you what nearly everybody says. In institutes and correspondence it is a testimony almost universal. "We cannot get our superintendent interested," "He will not appoint the committee or name the day." "And when he names the day he forgets or slurs it over," and so we were just about settling down to calling the superintendent our problem, when we fell upon a better way of looking at him. He is a busy man. If not, he ought not to be superintendent. He has his hands and heart full of the things he is already trying to get done in his school, and any new thing proposed frightens him, even when it is as good a thing as missions. But we know him and know that he is wide-open to suggestions, when wisely, kindly and persistently made. Don't give him up. Suddenly the thing will break upon him and he will show himself the key that unlocks the problem—the one man that can lead his school into this open door for missionary education in the Church.

But after all, it is a fact that, if the superintendent is the key, the one man that can turn that key is the pastor. Yes, this is added to the pastor's other thousand and one obligations. But he usually knows that it is opportunity for him as most of his obligations are, and gladly says the skilled word, that, going further with the superintendent than anybody else's word, gets the plan started in every Sunday school. This is why the new Discipline connects the pastor with well-nigh every feature of the missionary policy, making him ultimately responsible for its faithful application in every church.

A Purple Cornucopia

Now all the above is expressly told about in the literature of the policy. No, I would not frighten anybody off with any menace that the word "literature" might covertly carry. It is a better thing than that. It is a beautiful purple cornucopia. I mean the envelope that used to go out carrying the missionary literature and "helps" for the Sunday school has been overhauled throughout, all its pieces shortened, brightened, sharpened, and all with reference to the practical demands of people that are working at missions in the Sunday school, and then on the address side of our big envelope is the same legand "Missions in The Sunday School," but heralding a beautiful cornucopia—a horn of usable helps for the missionary policy in the Sunday school. This goes free to anybody that is working at the plan.

The Hour Has Struck

This "piece" has taken more space than was intended and makes strong claims for the importance of this missionary policy. But not too strong. When we rise above all the entanglement of Boards and policies of secretaries and promoters, every man whose heart is right knows well enough that the business of missions is not the business of a secretary or board—the buiness of world-evangelization, as the one burden of the Master, is the business of the whole Church. But if the world is ever saved, the interest of more than a third of the membership of the Church must be enlisted. The Church must be made missionary. But brethren, there is only one way to make the church missionary. It is a noble work our women have done and they will keep on doing it and will do it better. The laymen are coming to their own. But if, overlapping, transcending and binding together all sections in one great cultural plan, we finally make the whole Church missionary, we shall have to reach and train the Church when and where it can be trained and that is in the Sunday school. The hour has struck for missions in the Sunday school. All conditions conspire, all forces turn that way, and contribute their share. Let us not miss our chance. But now at the beginning of the quadrennium, at the beginning of the new Conference year, when the niche of need and opportunity is wide open, let's all fall to and by putting on this simple missionary plan, lift a little, each in his place, in the great and glorious business of making the Church we love missionary.

IF I WERE AN AUTOCRAT

By Rev. S. A. Steel, D. D.

But I am not, so nobody need be uneasy. I had nothing to do at Conference but enjoy it, study it, and vote steadily, as I did to the end against division. I saw many things to commend, and quite a number to mend. We were all pleased with the firm, courteous, and kindly manner in which the presiding bishop handled a delicate and complicated situation, and guided the craft safely through the rapids. I was particularly impressed with Dr. Ivey's suggestion of the need of a board on the circulation of our Church literature. We have so many wheels now that it almost makes a pastor's head swim to keep them all whirling; but it really looks like such a "board" might float some things. The metaphor is mixed, perhaps, but, as Bishop Kavanaugh used to say about mixed metaphors, "the idee is clear." But I started to write about some of the things we ought to mend.

If I were an autocrat, with power to enforce my instructions, I would compel eighty percent. of the preachers to take a course in voice culture, and advise the other twenty to do so. Some spoke so low they could not be heard half a dozen seats away; most spoke so indistinctly, that when loud and strong enough, they could be understood with difficulty. Now there is no excuse for this. It is idle to lay it on "poor acoustics in the building, or blame nature for a bad voice. It is due entirely to negligence; and this is due either to laziness, or to a lack of appreciation of the importance of the voice as the instrument with which we work. Didn't Demosthenes have a poor voice to begin with? It seems to me I heard that Dr. J. M. Buckley, for many years the distinguished editor of the New York Christian Advocate, and admitted to be the champion debater on the floor of his General Conference, took a course in voice training only a few years ago. If a man past sixty will do that, what is the matter with you? Do you say you have no opportunity to get a teacher? That makes me tired—everlastingly wanting help. Get a move on you, get you a book on elocution, and study and practice till you master the art of clear, distinct, ringing speech. I do not offer my own voice as a model, but have been heard by ten thousand people, and I got my voice calling hogs. In the language of the man from Arkansas, "Now laugh, darn ye!"

If I were an autocrat I would not accept the excuse those young preachers offered for failing to bring up their studies that they had trouble with their eyes. That won't do. As this sounds a little hard on them, I must justify the judgment by citing my own experience with eye trouble and study. When I was in my Sophomore year in Emory and Henry College, I had a severe spell of measles. The disease settled my eyes, perhaps weak from over-study. While I was in bed with the measles, I received notice of my election as chaplain of the University of Virginia, and also of my selection to preach the Commencement sermon for one of our leading colleges. (By the way, how many 'Sophomores' have such honors thrust upon them now.) When I got up from the measles, though I faced such tasks, I was forbidden to look in a book, and I did not. But I preached that Commencement sermon, won my sweetheart, getting her promise the night after I preached, went to the University and preached to one of the most intellectual audiences in America twice every Sunday for a year without ever seeing print. In my audience sat such men as John B. Minor, and B. L. Gildersleeve, and F. H. Smith, and Schele de Vere, and among the students such men as Thomas Nelson Page and Henry Carter Stuart, now the noble Governor of Virginia, and many others who have since rose to high places. It was no easy task for a practically blind boy; but I did it, and took some of the courses in the university. Some charming young ladies in the University read to me, and friendly students read aloud so I could hear, and in this way I made it go.

So you see I have a right to speak on this point. Paul had to have help with his eyes, but there is no hint that he asked to be excused for not keeping up his studies on that account. He found people, just as I did, who were not only willing, but anxious to help him by lending him the use of their own. One of the best preachers I heard in my boyhood was a blind man. He had a negro servant who read to him, and I heard my father say it was hard to tell which knew the most, the preacher or the negro reader. I knew the "Blind Chaplain" of Congress, Rev. W. H. Milburn, and was always astonished at his familiarity both with standard and current literature. Remember Milton. By all means take care of your eyes. By resting mine for a year, sternly resisting the urgent demand for their use under trying circumstances, I saved them, and am still using them. But don't let it interfere with your study.

One young brother told me he got behind because he had so much visiting to do. That won't work either. Paul went "from house to house," but kept up his studies. Who ever moved more constantly and steadily than Wesley, yet he was an incessant student. Visiting is important and must not be neglected; but your rating as a minister is going to be based on your ability as a preacher, the grade of your appointment determined by that; and you can't preach unless you study, and study hard. So tell your wife, and, if you have not yet got such a treasure, tell you sweetheart, that I beg her to make you get busy, and tear the heart out of those books before Conference. If you don't you will be a scrub, and that is all there is to it; a sort of pius pony. Now and then nature endows a man with a degree of power that enables him to dispense with study; but even then his power would be immensely increased by mental culture. To the average man, education is a necessary condition of success. And while no preacher who expects to be anything will think of restricting his reading and study to the Conference Course, yet that course if thoroughly mastered, will make a man a fairly well educated man.

I do not take much stock in your "Correspondence School" method of study. The best way—

But my, I must stop, or ye new editor will faint.—Southern Christian Advocate.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM FIELD

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Mrs. J. D. Arnold, of Waynesville, visited relatives in Greensboro last week.

—Rev. A. L. Stanford, pastor of First Church, Hickory, has recently returned from an extended visit to Florida.

—The Board of Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church has established an illustrated magazine called the World's Outlook.

—Rev. T. A. Groce requests us to thank Rev. C. A. Wood, Weaverville and H. Redwood & Co., Asheville, for $5.00 each on the Pisgah church fund.

—We regret to learn that Miss Gertrude Edwards, daughter of Rev. J. J. Edwards, of Cool Springs circuit, has been quite sick with lagrippe. We are glad to know that she is rapidly recovering.

—Mrs. Nancy Shuping, an aged and highly respected member of our church in Burke county, passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Woodward, near the State Hospital, last week. The funeral was conducted on Tuesday by Rev. A. C. Swafford.

—Rev. W. R. Minter, who, for several years, has served as pastor of the Presbyterian church in Lincolnton, has accepted a call to a church in Austin, Texas, and will leave for Austin to take up his new work about the 15th of March.

—The Davenport College Chorus gave a sacred concert at the Presbyterian church in Lenoir on last Sunday night. Davenport has a splendid music department which is constantly growing under the efficient direction of Prof. Birmingham.

—We have learned with deep regret of the death of Rev. J. K. McCain, of the South Carolina Conference, which occurred at his home at Gray Court last week. Brother McCain was the uncle of Rev. C. L. McCain, of our Conference, who will have the sympathy of all the friends in this hour of bereavement.

—A late item from the Franklin Press announces that the U. S. Government has just paid for the forty-third tract acquired, under the Weeks Law, in the area designated as the Savannah North, which comprises the southeast portion of Macon, the southern part of Jackson and southwestern part of Transylvania counties. The purchases consummated aggregate 856,689 acres, and all lie in Macon county.

—West Market Street church, this city, always has large congregations, Dr. Byrd's strong preaching holding the grip upon the people. A new feature in the program of services is a monthly choral entertainment on Sunday evening. For this month the service was held last Sunday night with the Greensboro College Choral Class in charge. The audience packed the great auditorium to its utmost capacity. These services are capable of being made a great blessing to the church and we trust the experiment will be entirely satisfactory.

—Rev. G. C. Rankin, D. D., editor of the Texas Christian Advocate, passed to his reward on Tuesday of last week. His death was wholly unexpected and was a great shock to all Texas Methodism as well as the whole church. Doctor Rankin was well known throughout the church and was a man who had impressed himself upon the whole church as few men within the last quarter of a century. At the time of the organization of our Conference he was pastor of Central Church, Asheville, and was considered one of the strongest men ever in that pulpit. Many people still in that church will share deeply the grief that is felt because Dr. Rankin is no more. After serving pastorates in Kansas City and in Texas, he became editor of the Texas Christian Advocate about seventeen years ago, and has continued in that work to the present, making a profound impression upon the church by his work as editor. The whole Southern Methodist press shares in the sense of bereavement because of his death.

From West Concord—We are making progress, were kindly received when we arrived. Of course we left good friends at Bethel, but we found good ones here at Concord also. We have not had any favorable weather since we came here, yet we have had good services all the while. Almost the entire congregation fell upon us Saturday night and gave us a severe blow, yet we were able to be out and conduct services as usual Sunday. They came as a complete surprise to us and left us many things.

I have never served a more loyal people than here at Concord. Our work is in fine shape.

R. K. Brady.

Spring Creek Charge—We closed a very successful meeting Sunday morning, Feb. 7th, at Ottinger's Chapel. The spiritual life of the **whole church has been quickened.** About thirty were converted. Some twenty-five were reclaimed. Eighteen united with the church at Ottinger's Chapel. Four or five will join at Paint Rock, with six or eight at Antioch. We are in a meeting at Paint Rock. Pray for us that the Lord may bless the people at this place.

Yours for victory,

J. R. Warren.

Shepherd's Church, Troutman Ct.—The meetings of one week closed last night. We had with us Rev. G. W. Fink, pastor of Rhodhiss station. Brother Fink is used of God in an extraordinary way. He is a good preacher, a man of strong faith, who gives the glory to God, utterly devoid of the cranky and the sensational, one of the very finest spirits that I have ever known, and withal, a very efficient evangelist.

It will be of interest to many to know that this splendid, new and commodious house of worship stands on historic ground. In 1802 a kind of transient camp-meeting was held here. 8,000 to 10,000 people were present. There were 262 wagons, with other vehicles. There were four stands, or places for preaching. Many were refreshed and many reclaimed, and many rejoiced in a new found love. It continued from Friday to Tuesday.

It was under the auspices of the Presbyterian Church. There were present 23 preachers—14 presbyterians, 3 Methodists, 2 Baptists, 2 Lutherans, 1 Protestant Episcopal and 1 Dutch Calvinist. The place was then known as The Cross Roads church, but later the property was owned by a Mr. Shepherd and was afterwards known as Shepherd's Cross Roads. It is now known as Shepherd's, not only by the Methodist church, but also by the Southern Railway Company and by our Postoffice Department.

So far as can be tabulated the results of the meetings are as follows: 41 found peace with God; 18 members have been received. Other candidates already committed for church membership, with others expected to come—in all about 25 members expected, besides those that will enter other communions. Thus the seal of God rests upon the church. There is no doubt but that the hand of God is upon us at Shepherd's.

Very truly,

Joseph J. Eads, pastor.

Troutman, N. C.

A Word from Waynesville—The captain on the train said, "I'd rather be a yaller dog and sleep under the bed in my own home than to be a preacher and have to move as you men do."

That is the way some men see it. But there is another side of the situation to see. Long years ago a Friend and Brother of men passed through the world, and went His way, saying as He left His lovers, "Let not your hearts be troubled . . . . I go to prepare a place for you." That Friend keeps His word in all worlds. And when we got to Waynesville we found He had gone before and prepared a **place for us here. We are thankful to Him** most heartily and to His lovers who have ceived us so royally in His name.

The Board of Stewards at Waynesville h already agreed before we came to increase t pastor's salary $200.00. We can take to o selves no credit for this fine forward move, b to them belongs the glory.

Brother Cordell, our presiding elder, h one of the biggest and hardest fields in o Conference. This rainy winter, cold a changeable, has been trying on him. But is doing things. Our missionary conference Clyde the middle of last month was caught a snow storm, but it was good to be there. T Holy Spirit whispered into our spirits so ma fine things while there that we felt our hea strangely warmed. Brother Siler and Broth McLarty spoke as men moved by the Ho Ghost. God is moving upon the souls of m in the Waynesville district and the spirit evangelism is stirring the servants of God go seek to save the lost.

What e'er we do, or do not do;
Dear Lord of truth, let us be true.

Olin P. Ader

Jefferson Circuit—Prof. W. L. Scott, one our local preachers, who has charge of the Je ferson School, and myself, conducted a reviv during the holidays, at Mill Creek churc This is Prof. Scott's home church. He help to build it with his own hands and mone It is a splendid country church. We had se vices at 1 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Though t weather was inclement, the large house w very often full. There were a number of pr fessions and restorations and nine were recei ed into the church.

The first Sunday in January we tried to g every member of the Jefferson church to present for a special service. So after t Sunday school we had a love feast. It was t first that many of the people had ever been i The Holy Spirit was present and was very ev dent as He manifested Himself through t emotions and words of the people. Then preached and we all went out feeling that was good to have been there.

On Saturday morning, the 9th of Januar Brother J. H. Bennett met a large crowd Bethany, for our first quarterly conference. W were all delighted with Brother Bennett fro start to finish. He preached Saturday a Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Saturd afternoon he held a very interesting session the quarterly conference. He took the ti and opportunity to explain to and enlight the church about several of the questions the Discipline. Sunday afternoon he condu ed a Sunday school institute for us. On Mo day night, the 11th, he preached at Jeffers for us and met some of the folks who did not a tend the quarterly conference. Brother Be nett is planning to help each pastor in the d trict who wants him, in a revival and to prea at least once in each church on the distri Also he is trying to arrange for Bishop Wat house to visit our district during the year. has been thirty-five years since a bishop h visited this section of the church.

I know that it will be of interest to all t preachers who have served in Ashe county learn that the Virginia-Carolina Railroad now completed and operating to West Jeff son. This depot is two and a half miles fro Jefferson. This road is now being complet to Todd. It passes right through the Jeffers circuit, and if many people come to the pr posed new towns, we preachers and Christia will have a lot to do in trying to keep the in touch with the church.

The Jefferson School, under the manageme of Prof. W. L. Scott, is getting along ve nicely. The dormitory has been opened recen ly and will be of much help to the scho Music, Elocution and Domestic Science a now being taught in addition to the regul graded and high school courses.

E. P. Stabler.

Statesville Circuit—After two pleasant a we hope profitable years with the good peop of the Troutman charge (and let me say better people are found anywhere) we we moved to the Statesville circuit; so on t **23rd of November we bade good-bye to the**

good people and after a drive of seven miles we found some new friends of the North Statesville church at the new parsonage, with a nice warm dinner ready, to extend a welcome to their new pastor and his wife. Sometimes the way of the itinerant seems hard, yet to the true itinerant Methodist preacher there is a great deal of joy. For as he leaves old friends he always finds some new ones. So I will always thank God that he called me to the life of an itinerant Methodist preacher. But this is drifting from what I started to write. Let me get back to my subject. On the night of the 24th of November while sitting, trying to think out plans for the new Conference year, there was heard a soft step on the front porch, as if some one was anxious to know why there was a stillness within; but on investigation there was found to be in the yard near by a company of the good people of North Statesville, regardless of denomination, waiting for the door to be opened, and before the preacher could collect his wits the dining table was being loaded with such things as are of use in the pantry of a Methodist parsonage. But that is not all; there has not hardly a day passed since we came but there has come some token of thoughtfulness from these good people; so we are led to believe that the lines have fallen to us in a good place. We are here housed in a new parsonage in North Statesville, one among the best circuit parsonages, we think, in the Conference. The churches are somewhat scattered and some of them a good distance from the parsonage, but to one who enjoys horse-back riding and with a good saddle horse, these distances are soon covered. So as yet we have not missed a single appointment since Conference. Though the weather has been rough and roads bad, we have found some few people at every service. If there is any business requiring haste and courage, we think it is the Lord's business, so we should not neglect it on account of a little rain or snow.

Our first quarterly conference was held with North Statesville, the 30th and 31st. Brother Mann was with us and gave us two good sermons which were enjoyed by all. There was a fairly good attendance of the official board, and after consultation, the salary was raised $100.00, so we take courage and press forward. May all the brethren pray for a great revival on the Statesville circuit this year, for we feel that we need it.

Will you pardon me for a personal note? We received a message from a brother in Greenville, S. C., yesterday morning stating that Uncle John had passed away early that morning. The uncle referred to was a member of the South Carolina Conference, Rev. J. K. McCain. He had been a Methodist preacher for forty-five years, thirty-eight in the active work, for seven years on the superannuated list, caused from a wound in the knee during the Civil War. While this was not the cause of his death, it crippled him so as he, though he could not do the work of an itinerant preacher, but preached a great deal where opportunities offered themselves during these seven years. As we write these lines they are laying his body in the cemetery at Gray Court, S. C. The good people of Gray Court, whom he had served for four years during his active ministry, gave him a nice home in which to spend his last days. If we had more people like them our superannuates would spend their last days in joy and gladness. We regret very much that we could not be present with the sorrowing ones. C. L. McCain.

Conference Brotherhood

The death of Rev. A. E. Wiley, who was a member of our Conference Brotherhood, requires that assessment No. 12 be usd to pay his claim. Therefore, on Feb. 3rd, 1915, assessment No. 13 was called for and due to be paid within sixty days from that date. This assessment will be retained in bank until needed to pay the next death claim.

The following have paid assessment No. 13: W. A. Wilson, J. D. Arnold, R. L. Melton, W. E. Poovey, G. D. Herman, R. M. Hoyle, J. H. Weaver, H. C. Sprinkle, M. F. Moores, P. L. Terrell, J. P. Hipps, C. S. Kirkpatrick, W. A. Newell, E. Myers, G. H. Christenberry, J. E. Thompson, E. G. Pusey, E. L. Bain, W. L. Dawson, J. T. Ratledge, W. H. Willis, W. L. Sherrill and A. G. Loftin.

C. M. Pickens, Sec. and Treas.
Spencer, N. C.

Report of Treasurer of the Board of Missions

RECEIVED ON ASSESSMENTS

	For'n	H. & C.
Asheville, Haywood St., E. M. Hoyle	$ 88.00	
Davidson Ct., T. J. Houck	2.38	
Norwood, R. M. Taylor		20.00
Total on assessment to Feb. 1	$ 90.38	$ 20.00

RECEIVED ON SPECIALS

Creston, J. I. Hickman		$ 10.00
Salisbury Dist., W. R. Ware		10.00
Hickory, First Church, W. I. Caldwell, Tr.	100.00	
W. L. Sherrill		10.00
Hendersonville, F. E. Durfee		10.00
Mooresville Sta., R .L. Snow, Tr.		1.25
Mt. Zion, R. L. Snow, Tr.		5.00
N. Wilkesboro Dist, J. H. Bennett		31.50
N. Wilkesboro, W. P. Kelly, Tr.		59.05
Salisbury, First Ch., Frank Siler		25.00
Iredell Ct., Frank Siler		42.50
Asheville, Haywood St., H. A. Dunham, Tr.	13.75	
Lenoir St., M. H. Courtney		5.00
Elkin, Frank Siler		62.75
Walkertown, Frank Siler		14.00
Shelby Station, Frank Siler		5.00
Winston-Salem, West End, N. V. Stockton, Tr.	350.00	33.33
	$463.75	$324.38
Total receipts to Feb 1		$898.51

In connection with this my first report for the year in the Advocate let me say a word about the remitances sent to me. Sometimes I get a check with no statement about how it is to go except "for missions. If we are to keep our books straight we must know how to enter the remittances. So, brethren, when you send me a check please designate what it is for. Please state whether it is for "Foreign Assessment," "Home and Conference Assessment," or "Home Mission Special," or "Conference Mission Special," or "Sunday School Contribution on Assessment," or "Sunday School Contribution on Special."

One other request: Brethren, send in your checks on missions and help to make this monthly report interesting reading.

R. M. Courtney, Treas.
Winston-Salem, N. C., Feb. 1, 1915.

A Pounding and Else

Not long ago the good people of Trinity gave expression of their loyalty to the parsonage when they came in on the good wife, in my absence, with a pounding that we will not forget soon. They brought the substantials and not a few. These people don't do things by halves. No better people can be found anywhere. We are delighted to live among them. May the good Lord help me to be a faithful leader of this splendid people.

The work seems to be moving on well, and there is quite a tendancy to go forward in finances as well as in spiritual things.

The angel of death has visited the charge and claimed three of the members. On Dec. 6th, that noble Christian wife and mother, Mollie S. Winston, was called to her reward. By the assistance of Rev. A. S. Raper, her former pastor, we laid her to rest in the cemetery at Mt. Vernon. Then, Jan. 20th, the spirit of Luvina Needham took its flight to be at rest with her Lord. She had been a faithful member of the church at Trinity. She had reached the age of 76 years.

Again, on last Saturday, Jan. 29th, I was called to Mt. Vernon to hold a funeral service over the remains of old Sister Jane Gray, who had lived to the age of 90 years. She was regular in attendance at the church until age prevented. E. N. Crowder.

"He that giveth to the poor lendeth to the Lord." A good and safe place to take care of your money.

Missionary Notes from Field Secretary

Feb. 2-8, Tryon St., Charlotte, E. K. McLarty, P. C. During parts of two days I attended the annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Conference and studied its work. The attendance was good and the high interest seemed sustained to the last. My message before the body was a discussion of the "Correlation of the Missionary Forces of the Church," a topic assigned me by the Executive Committee. I advocated in a general way the policy which I believe the General Board to be working to and was glad to have Mrs. Steele, one of the educational secretaries, present at the meeting, privately say to me that my positions had her general indorsement. I remained over in Charlotte to preach at Tryon Street Sunday for Dr. McLarty, who was at Trinity College conducting the annual series of special meetings under auspices of the College Y. M. C. A. Dr. McLarty is soon to have the every-member canvass for specials carried by his church. Accordingly I did not take a public collection. By his permission and that of his missionary committee, I saw privately some of his members in the interest of the Conference Mission Emergency Fund; also some aid for Brother Dawson, with results as follows: Conference Mission Special cash and four-year subscriptions, $1,040.00; support of Brother Dawson, $200.00. I am not authorized to raise money for Brother Dawson. He is Conference, not Missionary, Evangelist. The Conference hopes that his work will be self-sustaining. The Committee on Evangelism will aid him if necessary. Brother E. A. Cole, a member of the Committee on Evangelism, requested that his subscription of $100.00 go to Brother Dawson in helping him to get started. His brother, E. M. Cole, subscribed a similar amount for the same purpose. These subscriptions are not included in the above amount reported for Conference Missions.

J. Luther Snyder and John Paul Lucas joined the number paying $50.00 a year for four years.

Mrs. S. B. Tanner gave me a check for $100.00; Mrs. J. S. Spencer check for $50.00.

B. D. Heath and Joseph McLaughlin a check each for $25.00.

Smaller amounts made the total money receipts $245.00.

OLDEST METHODIST CHAPEL IN THE WORLD

There can be little doubt that the oldest complete Methodist chapel in the world is Wesley's Chapel at Kingswood, Bristol, now in the hands of the reformatory committee, says the Methodist Recorder of London. Before its completion, in 1740, the "new room in the horse fair," Bristol, had been opened. Only a part of that building now remains. The Kingswood Chapel, therefore, can maintain its claim, although it was erected at the beginning as a schoolhouse for the collier's children. After being in Methodist hands for more than one hundred years, it was sold in 1843, to the Kingswood reformatory, and is still used as their chapel. Its quaint interior contains Wesley's pulpit, and is redolent of old Methodist memories. Here was held the first Watch Night service on December 31, 1740, from half-past eight until the new year dawned. Near by John Cennick preached in the open air—the first of John Wesley's lay helpers who dared to obey the call of God to preach without waiting for ordination. Although Howell Harris had already been preaching as a layman in Wales, we may yet say that the Methodist local preacher dates his origin back to Kingswood on June 14, 1739.

The reformatory committee has decided to clean and repair the old chapel. The original proposals would have radically altered it, but at the appeal of representative Bristol Methodists the committee has listened to the suggestion to preserve its old form. Money was promised to the renovation fund if this condition were carried out. An appeal is now being made to Methodists to contribute £150 to this object, and to mark several sites sacred to Methodists in Bristol itself.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, Asheville, N. C.

A PRAYER

Lord Jesus, Thou who lovest
Each little child like me,
Oh, take my life and use it,
And let me shine for Thee:
Oh give me bits of work to do
To show how much I love Thee too.

I know in distant countries,
Beyond the deep blue sea,
Are many little children,
Thou lovest just like me.
But they have never heard Thy name,
And do not know that Jesus came.

Lord, let me send Thy message
Across the deep blue sea,
To tell those little children
What Thou hast done for me.
Oh show me, Lord, what I can do
That they may know and love Thee too.

THIRD ANNUAL MEETING, WOMAN'S MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

Our report of this, one of the greatest Annual Meetings we have ever held, which was given in last week's issue, gave only the proceedings of the first two days, closing with the services of Sunday afternoon.

On Sunday evening in the presence of a congregation filling every available space in Tryon Street Church, Bishop Atkins delivered a most magnificent address showing how Christianity was transforming the East and how its living and vitalizing effects were being felt.

He gave many striking examples of the progress of the work in the Orient. Having been so recently a visitor to these countries his address was of especial interest. Korea, China and Japan were especially pointed out as nations of great promise. The work of the Methodist Church, he thinks, is of two kinds, to educate and to christianize, but the educational work is different from America in that it is the object of every teacher in every school ultimately to bring the pupil to a belief in Christ.

Bishop Atkins believes that the annexing of Korea to Japan will be for the political welfare of the Korean and that through intermarriage a fine type of manhood and womanhood will be developed. As to China there is no finer specimen of manhood than the Chinaman when brought up under favorable circumstances, he declared.

This discourse gave a more vital and interesting picture to the congregation present than they had had opportunity to secure before and the facts of conditions prevailing in these countries as brought out by Bishop Atkins will be remembered for many years by those as fortunate as to have heard him.

Monday morning after a devotional service conducted by Miss Leila Tuttle, of Shanghai, China, the report of Mrs. Mattie H. Stewart, First Vice-President of the Conference, was heard. This report was a hopeful one and showed that in the work of the children there had been some advance made. A most gratifying feature of this report was the number of Mission Study classes that have been organized during the year. We predict a splendid year for the children for 1915. A most interesting fact brought out was the adoption of the Standard of Excellence for the children which will in the future take the place of the banners which have been given at each annual meeting for efficient and excellent work. Let every Junior auxiliary adopt at once this standard and try to obtain the number of points to which every working society is entitled. Two-minute reports from the leaders of the children's societies were heard and were for the most part encouraging.

"Our Work in China" was the subject of a most excellent talk by Miss Tuttle. She contrasted the work of the McTyeire School in 1891, the date of opening, with the work of last year and the wonderful growth of these years is most encouraging to those interested in this branch of our work.

The noon Bible study by Mrs. Hume R. Steele was illuminating and inspirational.

The Monday afternoon devotional service was conducted by Mrs. H. A. Dunham, of Asheville, and was specially suited to the work of the young people. In absence of Mrs. Plato Durham, whose absence was greatly regretted, the report of the Second Vice-President was read by Mrs. R. T. Wills of Greensboro

There was no more interesting feature of the whole Conference than the discussion on "Who Has the Larger Opportunity, the Young Woman Who Goes or the Young Woman Who Stays." The missionary to the foreign field was represented by Miss Aleez Aycock, who in a most convincing manner showed the advantages of the woman who gives her life to the unsaved in the far-off lands, while equally convincing were the arguments brought out by Miss Helen Weaver in favor of the worker in the homeland. Both of these young ladies were representatives of the Senior class of the Greensboro College for Women. At this juncture Miss Mary Buttrick of Asheville came forward and signified her intention of going as a missionary as a kindergarten teacher. Our Conference feels honored in having one of her talented daughters offer herself to the work. Miss Buttrick will enter the training school this fall to prepare herself for the work. She is a sister of Miss Terrie Buttrick, who has been in Mexico for a number of years as one of our missionaries.

An Institute led by Mrs. Hume R. Steele on "The New Form of Organization" was held and many of the problems with which we have been wrestling in the past few months as we have tried to conform to the new order of things were made plain to us by Mrs. Steele who is so familiar with the work of the Council of which she is one of the most wide-awake members.

At the evening service "Our Fields" were represented, the foreign by Miss Tuttle of China, who gave most interestingly the development of our work there, while Mrs. Steele showed our growth in the home work. Both Mrs. Steele and Miss Tuttle were an inspiration and the Conference was very fortunate in having them present.

Tuesday morning's devotional service was conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris of Asheville, after which the reports of the city mission boards of Asheville and Winston-Salem were read. In absence of Miss Guffin of Asheville, Mrs. Dunham read a most gratifying report of the work being accomplished there. Miss Frank Miller, Deaconess of Winston-Salem, gave a splendid report of the work she and her co-laborers are doing in this part of Christ's vineyard. There is no work in which our Conference has a part that is more important than that of our city mission boards and we are especially glad to hear of the growth of the work at these two points.

In a most splendid address on "The Need and Method of Co-operation Between Church and State in Social Service," Mr. W. R. Lynch, Welfare Worker, of Spray, held the closest attention of his audience. Prison reform, Juvenile courts, playgrounds, labor and illiteracy were the subjects discussed in a most earnest manner by the speaker. (We hope to give our readers this address in full shortly. Editor.)

The noon tide devotional was again conducted by Mrs. Steele and was an intercession for World Peace.

Tuesday afternoon was given over to reading of committee reports, election of officers, and a strong address by Rev. Frank Siler, Conference Missionary Secretary, who spoke on "The Correlation of the Missionary Forces of the Church." Dr. Siler spoke with fervor and enhtusiasm as he brought out the points in the arguments of the facts in reference to the consolidation of the missionary forces as one —as a unit—instead of separate bodies.

Greensboro was chosen as the next place of meeting, most cordial invitations having been extended the Conference from representatives of the various churches there and the district as well.

The following officers were chosen for the coming year:

President, Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, Greensboro, N. C.; First Vice-President, Mrs. H. K. Boyer, Winston-Salem, N. C.; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Mattie H. Stewart, Charlotte, N. C.; Recording Secretary, Mrs. E. L. Bain, Winston-Salem, N. C.; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs H. A. Dunham, Asheville, N. C.; Treasurer, Mrs. P. N. Peacock, Salisbury, N. C.; Supt. of Mission Study and Publicity, Mrs. W. R. Harris, Asheville, N. C.; Supt. of Social Service, Mrs. T. F. Marr, Charlotte, N C.; Supt. of Supplies, Mrs. J. N. Hauss, Thomasville, N. C.; Distributor of Literature, Mrs. W. C. Houston, Concord, N. C.

AN APPRECIATION

We feel that in accepting the resignation of Mrs. L. W. Crawford, who has so faithfully and efficiently served as Conference Corresponding Secretary for fifteen years, we are losing from our Executive Committee in our body, as well as in the Woman's Council, a woman of the deepest spirituality and faith. It has been she, "with the still small voice," who has sat quietly among us and tenderly but strongly guided us by her words of wisdom and love.

Time after time, year after year, she has been the moving inspiration leading our women into fields of faith she has trodden and we had never dreamed of. Hers is the prayer life and at all times during the discussion of matters of greatset importance or perplexing situations, it has been her voice that has settled the problems and we have never dared to question her council or been slow to accept the standards she set for our Conference, because we knew that the message was from God and she brought it from her knees. It has been God's message to us to launch out into the deep waters of faith and plan great things and give large gifts for the Master. Rarely have such large visions of God's plans for the salvation of the world, such consecration of heart, such firmness of soul been exemplified in our midst.

Never for a moment has she been unmindful of the work of the young people and children, realizing the all-importance of their enlistment and training in the missionary work. We owe her a debt of love and thanks we can never repay.

Many of us remember her when the mantle of dear "Aunt Bumpass" fell upon Mrs. Crawford. At the meeting in Winston, she came into the work as an answer to prayer. Our Conference pedge was then about $300, but from the very first board meeting she attended she began her work by setting our goal high up and has kept it going up until it has reached the high water mark of $15,000. We deem it a rare and precious opportunity to have worked side by side with Mrs. Crawford—a woman of great faith.

An incident of her faith in God and in our women was illustrated in the last session of the Annual Meeting. When all the District Secretaries pledged in advance of last year to extent of their faith, Mrs. Crawf after communing with her Mas made an appeal for special love of ings from the members of the C ference. As a result individ pledges amounting to $525 were ma she herself heading the list with most liberal contribution.

Her blessings, her prayers, her ample of consecration and faith remain with us and may we not strive to, at least in some measure, tain to that degree of spirituality possesses.—Mattie H. Stewart.

THANKS FOR COURTESIES

The Society adopted unanimou the following report of the commit on courtesies:

"When it was made known that third annual meeting of the Woma Missionary Society of the West North Carolina Conference was to in Charlotte there was a glad sc in the heart of each member. T Queen City has verified the fact t it is indeed a center of loving ki ness and Christian hospitality as w as missionary activity.

"For the gracious reception a lavish entertainment we are dee grateful, and would express our preciation to each one who has c tributed in any way to our pleasu and comfort.

"To Brother McLarty, the pastor a Mrs. McLarty for their interest a helpfulness, the local committee the elegant luncheon served each d in the dining room of the Church, t children for their beautiful enterta ment Sunday afternoon, the choir their inspiring music, the railroad a thorities for their kind considerati and the local papers which have mo generously opened their columns the reports of our proceedings.

"It is with profound appreciation desire to thank Bishop Atkins for splendid sermon and address—both full of convincing thought.

"We are deeply indebted to M Hume R. Steele for her cheerful a untiring helpfulness and to Miss Le Tuttle for her presence and very teresting addresses.

"We were glad for the privilege hearing Mr. W. R. Lynch in his ma terly address on social service, the interesting and instructive messa brought to us by Doctor Siler and t encouraging remarks by Rev. J. Baldwin.

"Mrs. R. P. Anderson,
"Mrs. H. K. Boyer,
"Mrs. W. R. Harris."

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON E TENSION OF WORK

Believing that:

"More things are wrought by pray than this world dreams of," and membering that the supreme comma of our Master himself was: "Pray therefore, the Lord of the harvest th he will send forth laborers into h hravest," we would ask that our me bers covenant together for daily tercession for these definite thing (1) That our women everywhere sh catch the larger vision of our unit missionary work and be loyal to all demands of time, talent and mone (2) That the joy of a life hid wi Christ in God may be so manifest our daily lives and service that t children in our homes may be dra into a surrendering of life for hi (3) That such courage and faith m be born within us that we shall und take hard things this year "as go soldiers of Jesus Christ."

Coming in this spirit of prayer consider how to extend our work, yo committee would make the followi recommendations:

1. That as the District Secretary becoming more and more the unit power in our organization, we gi ourselves much to prayer for the

(Continued on Page 14)

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

DISTRICT SECRETARIES

Asheville
H. E. Walter .....Asheville
Charlotte
Miss Leola Hannon, Box 1056, Charlotte
Winston
F. T. Scarborough ....Winston-Salem
Greensboro
Miss Lillian Massey .....High Point
Morganton
Rev. J. F. Armstrong .....Henrietta
North Wilkesboro
Rev. J. M. Downum .....Boone
Salisbury
Miss Estelle Crowell .....Salisbury
Statesville
Herbert H. Lowry .....Newton
Mount Airy
Rev. A. L. Aycock .....Leaksville
Shelby
Miss Della Nolen .....Gastonia
Waynesville
Miss Margaret Rogers .....Franklin
Superintendent Junior Leagues
Mrs. C. M. Pickens .....Cornelius

WHAT HAVE WE DONE TODAY?

We shall do so much in the years to come,
But what have we done today?
We shall give our gold in a princely sum,
But what did we give today?
We shall lift the heart and dry the tear,
We shall plant a hope in the place of fear,
We shall speak the words of love and cheer,
But what did we speak today?
We shall be so kind in the afterwhile,
But what have we been today?
We shall bring to each lonely life a smile,
But what did we bring today?
We shall give to truth a grander birth,
And to steadfast faith a deeper worth
We shall feed the hungering souls of earth,
But whom have we fed today?
We shall reap such joys in the by and by,
But what have we sown today?
We shall build us mansions in the sky,
But what have we built today?
'Tis sweet in idle dreams to bask,
But here and now do we do our task?
Yes, this is the thing our souls must ask:
"What have we done today?"
—Nixon Waterman.

Rev. J. S. Hiatt, pastor Grace Church, Winston, writes us that he expects to organize a Senior League at that church in the near future. We wish them much success with their League and hope to have some good reports from them soon.

He also sends following clipping from Twin-City Sentinel in regard to meeting of the Junior League of Liberty Church. This is a meeting that would be appropriate for all our Junior Leagues.

RECITE BIBLE VERSES AND WIN PRIZES

The Junior Epworth League of Liberty M. E. Church held a very interesting service last night at the church. A prize had been offered to the boy or girl that could recite the most verses of Scripture. Miss Nell Clingman won first prize, reciting one hundred and twenty-nine verses. Misses Edith Stanley and Myrtle Campbell won second prize, each reciting forty-seven verses.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, Nell Clingman; vice-president, Lucy Marshall; secretary, Osborne Lancaster; treasurer, Eugene Oakley.

The class numbers thirty-five and is doing a fine work for the boys and girls of North Winston.

Grace Church, Winston-Salem, has two Junior Leagues. That is fine. Are the other churches going to be so behind this church that they will not even have one League—either Senior or Junior? A church with two Junior and one Senior League is bound to do something, so keep your eyes on Grace Church, Winston-Salem.

Newton Epworth League elects the following officers for the New Year: President, Mr. H. H. Lowry; first vice-president, Miss Mabel Bacon; second vice-president, Miss Maude Ballard; third vice-president, Miss Olive Duke; fourth vice-president, Miss Dorothy Ervin; secretary, Miss Ola Smith; assistant secretary, Miss Daisy Stamey; treasurer, Mr. T. E. Wright; reporter, Miss Lula Watts. This organization, which is one of the largest in the town, is composed of nearly 80 members.

The following bit of poetry was given us at Junaluska last summer. We think it would be helpful to all our Leaguers if they would memorize it or place a copy where they could read it each day:

You are writing a gospel;
A chapter each day,
By words that you speak,
By deeds that you do.
Men read what you write,
Whether faithful or true.
Say, what is this gospel
According to YOU?

FOR SUFFERING BELGIUM

No appeal that has come to us for international charity has had more urgent cause than that of wronged, desolated, bleeding, suffering Belgium. Invaded by a foreign army, ruined as a consequence of maintaining the inviolability of her own borders, mulcted of millions for indemnity by her despoilers, her resources destroyed, the need of seven million Belgians makes a loud call for aid.

Apart from the cause, Belgium's necessities would be an imperative demand upon us who are happily situated in the midst of peace and comfort. While her sons are fighting for principle and liberty the women and children are weeping in helpless misery, facing famine and pestilence.

The interest of Epworth Leaguers in Belgium is associated with their great mission work in the Belgian Congo. Many courtesies have been shown our Bishop Lambuth and his heroic band of missionaries by the Belgian Government. Now let us add to our work for the black subjects of Begium in the Congo gifts for King Albert's white subjects in the homeland.

Will not every League Chapter do something for Belgium? Make an offering; give a beautiful entertainment and devote the proceeds; solicit money of friends; in some way answer the call of Belgium, which is the call of Christ.

Send the money to J. D. Hamilton. Treasurer, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn., or to the "Epworth Era," stating that it is for the Epworth League Belgian Relief Fund, and it will be applied at once to the sacred cause for which it is given.—Epworth Era.

36 LB Feather Beds $5.92
6 lb. pair Pillows to match for $1.00
All new, sanitary feathers, Famous Amoskeag ticking, 9¼ yards to tick, positively biggest and best bed on market selling for less than $12. Safe delivery and satisfaction guaranteed or money back. Order today or write for catalog and big special offer. First order counts on premium.
SANITARY BEDDING COMPANY, Dept. 813 Charlotte, N. C.

Standard Form Collection Envelopes

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

HOLT'S CHAPEL

FOR PASTOR'S SALARY

AMOUNT

Name _____ | Dollars | Cents |

Date _____ 191____

MISSIONS AND CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

MOUNT ZION CHURCH

Name _____ | Dollars | Cents |

Date _____

$1.90 for 1000, delivered

$1.40 for additional 1000, delivered

FOR EITHER FORM

This price is based on using the above forms, changing name of church only. The large envelope is manila, and of the quality regularly used for Pastor's Salary collections. The small envelope can be furnished in white, green or cherry. Its difference in color and size from the Pastor's Salary form makes it ideal for Missions and Conference Collections.

If special form is desired the price will average $2.40 for the first 1000, and $1.40 for additional 1000's, delivered.

Special rates on large quantities.

The Advocate Press, Greensboro, N. C.

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective October 18th, 1914

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester Lv.	7 50 a m				4 15 p m
Yorkville "	8 36				6 38
Gastonia "	9 21!				8 20
Gastonia "	9 30	4 30 p m			
Lincolnton "	10 23	5 40			
Newton "	11 05	6 44			
Hickory "	12 05 p m	7 30	12 05 p m	6 45 a m	
Lenoir "	1 08	8 50	1 08	8 07	
Lenoir "	2 00x				
Mortimer "	4 09				
Edgemont Ar.	4 35				
Southbound	**NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only**	**NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.**
Edgemont Lv.	9 00 a m				
Mortimer "	9 10				
Lenoir "	11 20!				
Lenoir "	1 35 p m	7 00 a m	8 15 a m	1 10 p m	
Hickory "	2 35	8 15	9 12	3 20	
Newton "	3 05	9 00			
Lincolnton "	3 43	9 51			
Gastonia "	4 30	11 28			
Gastonia "	5 05x				11 50 a m
Yorkville "	5 54				1 24
Chester Ar.	6 40				3 10 p m

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. **CHESTER, S. C.**

Our Children's Home

Conducted by Walter Thompson, Supt.

FIFTH SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Center S. S., Catawba, E. B. Stiles, 51c; Bethlehem S. S., Claremont, B. M. Morrow, $1.60; Spray S. S., Spray, S. W. Hodges, $3.40; West End Methodist S. S., Winston, Eugene Simpson, $21.31; West Market S. S., Greensboro, W. H. Rees, $16.73; Loves S. S., Walkertown, D. C. Moir, $8.50; Wentworth S. S., Wentworth, J. T. Smith, $5.22; Joshen M. E. S. S., Stokesdale, J. M. McMichael, $2.00; Mount Pleasant S. S., Clemmons, S. T. Naylor, 50c; Mt. Holly S. S., Mt. Holly, G. B. Howard, $6.27; Rockford S. S., Rockford, J. M. Dunn, $1.75; Siloam S. S., Siloam, R. N. Marion, $7.44; Gold Hill S. S., Gold Hill, C. C. McHargue, $4.28; Rutherfordton, S. S., Ruthefodrton, W. J. Mode, $3.75; Rutherfordton, W. J. Mode, $3.86; Mocks S. S., Advance, W. S. Phelps, 72c; Doub's Church S. S., Pfafftown, E. W. Hauser, $4.22; Friendship S. S., Newton, N. E. Propst, $1.00; Weightman S. S., Polkton, S. B. Lee, $2.10; Peachland S. S., Peachland, M. W. Lee, $1.00; Weddington S. S., Matthews, L. C. Kimbrell, $3.09; Main St. M. E. S. S., Gastonia, R. B. Babington, $15.61; Pisgah S. S., Lincolnton, R. C. Lynch, $1.60; Pleasant Hill S. S., Marion, I. M. Parker, 50c; Central M. E. S. S., Shelby, J. F. Roberts, $12.02; Greenlee S. S. ,Marion, Mrs. R. L. Padgett, $1.00; Centenary S. S., Clemmons, J. E. Brewer, 65c; Concord M. E. S. S., Mocksville, P. R. Davis, $1.20; Gilkey S. S., Gilkey, C. F. Cline, $4.00; Olin S. S., Olin, Jas. A. Weisner, $1.00; Acton S. S., Sulphur Springs Circuit, Acton, Rev. J. M. Hawkins, $2.07; Wesley Chapel S. S., Monroe, L. L. Moore, $1.00; Union S. S., Monroe, Joseph Redwine, $1.15; Monroe, J. E. Starnes, $1.17; North Monroe S. S., Monroe, B. F. Sanford, $3.55; Central M. E. S. S., Monroe, C. B. Laney, $9.91; Rocky Springs S. S., Hiddenite, A. C. Sharpe, 50c; Bethel S. S., Canton, Dr. J. E. Wilson, 50c; Mt. Pleasant S. S., Asheville, H. L. King, $6.77; South Lenoir Church S. S., Lenoir, R. F. Wellons, $1.83; Central Methodist S. S., Asheville, W. Allen Kindal, $43.81; Grace S. S., Winston, A. B. Hauser, $13.60; Center S. S., Greensboro, A. J. Busick, $1.00; Zion S. S., Greensboro, J. W. Zink, $2.20; Linwood M. E. Church S. S., Linwood, J. R. Raper, $5.18; China Grove S. S., China Grove, J. W. Dayvault, $3.85; Wilkesboro S. S., Wilkesboro, C. F. Morrison, $2.08; North Charlotte, C. D. Moore, $4.90; Cottonville S. S., Norwood, B. F. Kendall, $1.55; Morven M. E. S. S., Morven, Cliff Ratcliff, $8.79; Rural Hall M. E. S. S., Rural Hall. A. L. Payne, $2.63; Shady Grave S. S., Winston-Salem, R. H. Stone, $1.20; Pine Hall S. S., Pine Hall, J. C. Flinn, $2.58; Bethany S. S., New London, R. A. Hunnycutt, $1.87; Bethlehem S. S., Reidsville, Miss Lottie Burton, $3.00; Trinity S. S., Trinity, W. C. Massey, $9.25; High Shoals S. S., High Shoals, D. A. Medlin, $4.06; Asbury S. S., Lincolnton, C. B. Goodson, $1.00; Hudson M. E. S. S., Hudson, J. F. Query, $1.27. Whitsett M. E. S. S., Whitsett, O. P. Fitzgerald, $1.30; Whitsett S. S., Lenoir, R. W. Shell, $1.04; Etoneville S. S., Stoneville, S. T. Hodgin, $2.15; Trinity S. S., Charlotte, J. J. Stillwell, $3.39; McAdenville Station, McAdenville, Rev. D. W. Brown, $4.06; Central S. S., Albemarle, H. L. Horton, $6.35; Wesley Memorial S. S., High Point, V. A. J. Idol, $21.26; West End S. S., Gastonia, T. L. Jenkins, $2.95; Mt. Olivet S. S., Concord, J. A. Scott, $6.61; Waxhaw M. E. S. S., Waxhaw, H. G. Clark, $1.50 Greensboro, A. L. Hicks, $4.75; Pleasant Hill S. S., McFarlan, H. E. Maxwell, $2.17; Stanley S. S., Stanley, J. W. Dellinger, $1.72; Unity S. S., Thomasville, G. V. Bodenheimer, $1.70; Ruffin, M. D. Holderly; 85c; Antioch S. S., Rural Hall, W. E. Kreeger, $2.50; Mt. Pleasant S. S., Donnaha, R. E. Ward, $3.10; Draper M. E. S. S., Draper, T. A. Caston, $3.00; Danbury Union S. S., Danbury, V. O. Petree, $1.60; Marshall M. E. S. S., Marshall, J. R. Sevann, $6.00; Rutherford College S. S., Rutherford College, Miss Bessie Havner, $3.75; Fruitland S. S., Hendersonville, Miss Cleo Johnson, $2.75; Lee's Chapel S. S., Brown Summit, Miss Juanita Lucas, $1.00; Sharon S. S., Winston-Salem, M. S. Speas, $2.60; Peach Tree S. S., Murphy, Miss Judith Davis, $2.00; Concord S. S., Farmer, Geo. M. Dorsett, $2.00;Union S. S., Lewisville, J. R. Hauser, $1.00; Blackburns S. S., Todd, E. E. Houck, 28c; Panther Creek S. S., Crabtree, T. L. McElrath, 65c; Crabtree, Riley M. Ferguson, $1.50; West's Chapel Sunday School, Biltmore, J. R. Roberts, $3.00; Mt. Pisgah S. S., Guilford College, Houston Nelson, 50c; Lowes S. S., Reidsville, R. L. Pearson, $1.50; Lowell S. S., Lowell, B. F. Leonhardt, $2.60; Liberty S. S., Mocksville, W. H. Hobson, $1.35; Laboratory S. S., Lincolnton, M. J. Lynch, $3.75; Mt. Olivet S. S., Lexington, W. M. Zimmerman, $5.00; Dallas S. S., Dallas, J. F. Puett, $6.25; Macedonia Church, Jackson Hill Charge, Eldorado, J. G. Harris, $1.97; Sanders S. S., Wentworth Circuit, Leaksville, S. P. Thomas, $2.65; Elk Park M. E. S. S., Elk Park, E. H. Mortimer, $1.74; Forest Hill M. E. S. S., Concord, J. W. Kime, $5.39; Cleveland S. S., Cleveland, J. W. Brewer, $2.00; Webster S. S., Webster, J. L. Broyles, $1.00; First M. E. Church Sunday School, Mooresville, Mors McKeught, $8.64; Fair View S. S., Mooresville, W. C. Thompson, $1.00; Ramseur S. S., Ramseur and Franklinville Charge, Ramseur, Charles A. Reece, $10.50; Rural Hall, M. A. Walker, 55c; Liberty M. E. S. S., Liberty, E. A. Caudle, $4.58; Holt's Chapel S. S., Greensboro, Dred C. Ward, $2.82; Chestnut Grove S. S., Sandy Mush, W. S. Robinson, $2.00; Cross Rock S. S., Cross Rock, V. L. Church, $1.00; Salem S. S., Bostic, B. F. Weast, 78c; Troutman S. S., Troutman, E. M. Wagner, $1.06; Oak Grove S. S., Mt. Airy, James C. Welch, $1.00; Glen Alpine S. S., Glen Alpine, A. M. Davis, $1.50; Cedar Hill S. S., Ansonville, A. E. Hendley, $3.62; Asheboro M. E. S. S., Asheboro, Jesse Scarboro, $11.26; Hendersonville M. E. S. S., Hendersonville, H. M. Whitfield, $5.38; Pine Bluff S S., Georgeville, L. Z. Shinn, 70c; Crews' S. S., Walkertown, Miss Emma Beeson, $1.80; Gilboa S. S., Marshville, W. B. Marsh, $2.00; Elkin S. S., Elkin, J. S. Bell, $10.25; Norwood S. S., Norwood, T. A. Hathcock, $13.17; Bethel S. S., Cabarrus, Lemmil Flowe, $1.25; Boone S. S., Boone, J. F. Hardin, $3.20; Hayesville S. S., Hayesville, C. H. Heigler, $2.00; Pisgah S. S., Candler, J. W. Howell, $1.67; Belmont S. S., Belmont, R. S. Armstrong, $4.62; Murphy, Geo. B. Strickland, $4.00; Mt. Island S. S., Mt. Holly, Miss Lizzie McKelvey, $2.00; Pleasant Hill S. S., Candler, J. C. Curtis, $3.70; First Methodist S. S., Salisbury, Leroy A. Smith, $25.66; Patton's S. S., Franklin, E. Patton, $1.05; Bethel M. E. S. S., Cullasaja, A. W. Jacobs, $1.25; Haywood St. S. S., Asheville, H. A. Dunham, $23.38;

This World-Renowned Work Published in Smaller and More Volumes **Was $49** Bound Complete in Seven Big Volumes Including Index Volume **Now $10**

The grandest library of Bible Knowledge and Teaching in existence at the most sweeping reduction ever made on a work of similar value. Originally published and sold in a bulky and unwieldly set of 25 small volumes at $49.00, we now offer the identical complete work compactly bound in seven volumes at a small fraction of the original cost FOR A LIMITED TIME.

We Save You $39.00, And We Guarantee Satisfaction **BUT YOU MUST ACT QUICKLY**

AN EXPOSITION OF THE BIBLE

"By far the best commentary on Genesis"—*The Churchman*, New York.

"Full of spiritual truth and instruction."—*Christian Work.*

"Young ministers will find it a mine of treasure."—*New York Evangelist.*

"Unusually fresh and bright."—*Presbyterian and Reformed Review.*

"Delightful and instructive reading."—*Continent.*

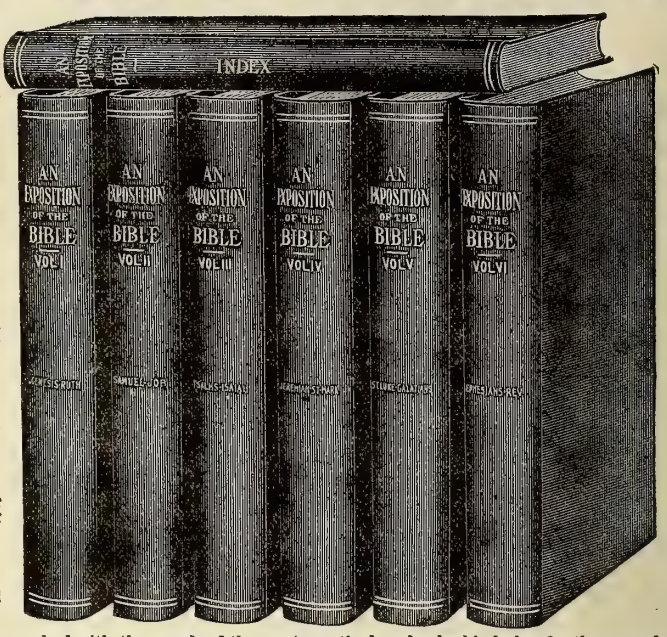
"Rich imagery and elegant diction."—*N.Y. Christian Advocate.*

"The preacher who can not derive very material assistance from these volumes must be a difficult person to help."—*The Living Church.*

"It easily takes its place in the front rank of works which have for their object the understanding of the Bible and the application of its teachings to practical life."—*The Outlook.*

"The plan is most admirable, being in the nature of expository lectures rather than conservative and verbal comments, and its carrying out by foremost preachers and theologians secures scientific and scholarly thoroughness along with popular and practical interest."—*The Christian Intelligencer.*

"The series is proving that the exposition of the Scriptures need be neither dry nor wearisome, and preachers will do well to study these volumes, as examples of expository style and method."—*The Watchman.*



FOR THE PREACHER

it affords endless material to enrich his sermons, both in history, criticisms, and exposition.

FOR THE TEACHER

it provides overwhelming resources of attaining or communicating Scriptural knowledge or answering questions.

FOR THE LAYMAN

it spreads a matchless feast of instruction and comfort.

This great work consists of seven large volumes solidly packed with thousands of the most practical and valuable helps for the preacher, teacher and Bible student. Unlike the ordinary commentary with its details and technicality this vast library of Bible helps actually expounds the Word of God. The contents are made up of scholarly, suggestive and intensely interesting expository lectures on all the books of the Bible, contributed by the foremost preachers and theologians of the day—men whose very names are the highest assurance of the far-reaching value of their contributions. The work has won universal praise from the entire religious press and pulpit.

SEVEN MASSIVE VOLUMES averaging 876 pages each, 10 3-8 x 7 1-4 inches, strong handsome buckram binding, (including Indispensable New Index Volumes) Containing nearly 1,400 chapters, 5,261 pages, exhaustively illuminating every topic and every phase of each chapter and book of the Old and New Testaments.

Twenty-seven of the World's Most Eminent Biblical Scholars

Distinguished Authors and their Contributions:—Genesis, St. John, First Corinthians, MARCUS DODS, D. D., Exodus, St. Mark, G. A. CHADWICK, D. D. Leviticus, S. H. KELLOGG, D. D. Numbers, Judges, Ruth, Job, R. A. WATSON, D. D. Deuteronomy, ANDREW HARPER, D. D. Joshua, First and Second Samuel, W. G. BLAIKIE, D. D., LL.D. First and Second Kings, Daniel, DEAN F.W. FARRAR, D.D. First and Second Chronicles, W. H. BENNETT, M. A. Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther, Song of Solomon, Lamentations, W. F. ADENEY, M. A. Psalms, Colossians, Philemon, ALEXANDER MACLAREN, D. D. Proverbs, R. F. HORTON, D. D. Ecclesiastes, SAMUEL COX, D. D. Isaiah, Twelve Minor Prophets, GEORGE ADAM SMITH, D. D., LL. D. Jeremiah, C. J. BALL, M. A. Ezekiel, JOHN SKINNER, M. A. St. Matthew, J. MUNRO GIBSON, D. D. St. Luke, HENRY BURTON, M. A. Acts of the Apostles, G. T. STOKES, D. D. Romans, H. C. G. MOULE, D. D. Second Corinthians, Thessalonians, JAMES DENNEY, D. D. Galatians, Ephesians, E. G. FINDLAY, D. D. Philippians, ROBERT RAINEY, D. D. First and Second Timothy, Titus, James, Jude, A. PLUMMER, D. D. Hebrews, C. T. EDWARDS, D. D. First and Second Peter, J. R. LUMBY, D. D. First, Second and Third John, W. ALEXANDER D. D. Revelation, W. MILLIGAN, D. D.

Features of Indispensable Value to Every Preacher, Teacher, Student

"All of the volumes are replete with instruction, and embody the best and latest results of Biblical criticism and study. As a whole, indeed, *they are the best practical exposition of the Scriptures in the English language.*"—*Reformed Church Review.*

Thousands of preachers, teachers, and Bible students will realize the importance and far-reaching value of this library.

The Bible's Richest Treasures
The richest, most suggestive, and most inspiring portions of the Bible are selected, illustrated, and analyzed in the most helpful and interesting way.

A Library of Right-Hand Helps
Preachers, students and teachers can not afford to be without this massive library of helps to the more thorough, scholarly and satisfying interpretation of the Scriptures.

New Beauties of Scripture
New beauties of Scripture are disclosed to the preacher and student, and a treasure seed thought is provided which is almost inexhaustible.

"The series is planned so as to give the reader all the good of a scientific commentary without the padding, technicality, and detail. . . . In every book of the Bible the rich, fertile, and perpetually significant portions are selected, and continuously analyzed, illustrated and explained by interpreters who are *scholarly yet interesting.*"—*British Weekly.*

HOW TO ORDER On the Monthly Payment Plan we require $2 with order, and your promise to pay $1 monthly for ten months. Books forwarded on receipt of cash price or first installment of $2. Customers pay freight or express charges. Those at remote points or in foreign countries desiring us to prepay will send 30 cents per volume to cover cost of postage or express. Safe delivery guaranteed to any station in the country or to any mail point in the world. We will take back books that are not satisfactory if returned within ten days and refund money, deducting only the return transportation charges.

As to our reliability, we refer you to the publishers of this paper, or to any commercial agency. Established 1866.

S. S. SCRANTON CO., 118 Trumbull Street, Hartford, Conn.

Stony Hill S. S., Albemarle, T. B. Mullinex, $3.05; Cedar Grove S. S., Norwood, E. L. Lauder, 12c; Randall S. S., T. P. Snuggs, $1.00; Hiddenite, Miss Pattie Beckham, $2.20; North Wilkesboro S. S., North Wilkesboro, Frank D. Hackett, $5.12; Rosman S. S., Rosman, Drayton Randolph, $3.00; Hatchers Chapel S. S., Brim, J. F. Bishop, $1.15; Belmont S. S., Belmont, T. S. Ritch, $4.10; Mill Creek S. S., Raven, D. R. Scott, $3.10; Bethany S. S., Baldwin, A. H. Houck, $1.48; Yadkinville S. S., Yadkinville, R. C. Puryear, $1; Bethany S. S., Sherrills Ford, T. R. Howard, 50c; Connelly Springs S. S., D. W. Alexander, $3.00; Waxhaw S. S., Waxhaw, J. C. Haywood, $1.27; Cooleemee, A. C. Walker, $4.82; Nellie, T. L. Palmer, 72c; Providence S. S., Henrietta, W. L. Smith, 60c; Little Sandy S. S., Canton, Elbert Barrett, $1.00; Poplar Spring S. S., Newsom, J W. Newsom, $3.00; Mt. Zion S. S., Lenoir, H. H. D. Hoover, $1.00; Wesley Chapel S. S., Mocksville, Miss Mary McMahan, $1.18; Newton S. S., J. E. Setzer, $10; Bulah S. S., Moravian Falls, W. C. Scroggs, $1.71; Race St. S. S., Statesville, C. M. Campbell, $2.50; Bethel S. S., Salisbury, F. B. Miller, 75c; Concord S. S., Monbo, Samuel Turner, $3.00; East Laport S. S., East Laport, R. C. Hunter, 60c; Macedonia S. S., Harmony, Miss Cecil Paris, 78c; Leicester, Verly E. Alexander, $1.00; Leaksville S. S., Leaksville, A. L. Aycock, $14.58; Unity Kannapolis S. S., Glass, M. C. Searcy, $1.50; Main St. M. E. S. S., High Point, Chas. Osborne, $9.58; East End S. S., High Point, H.L.Lewis, $2.01; Flint Hill S. S., Alexander, W. H. Hunter, $2.00; Asbury S. S., Candler, Earle Thrash, $2.18; Oak Hill S. S., Sulphur Springs Circuit, Candler, A. S. Starnes, $2.00; Crouse S. S., Crouse, $2.00; Moriah Memorial S. S., Balsam, Mrs. D. T. Knight, 50c; Burkhead S. S., Winston, J. A. Magee, $16.16; Brevard St. S. S., Charlotte, W. T. Greene, $8.55. Total $695.03.

RECEIVED ON SPECIAL, GENERAL AND TEN PER CENT. ASSESSMENT FUND

C. M. Grier, Macon, Ga., $15.00; Wadesboro Methodist, Wadesboro, Rev. Geo. D. Herman, $25.00; Cooleemee Church, Cooleemee, C. M. Short, $3.40; Biltmore Methodist Church, Biltmore, Miss Julia Brookshire, $2.34; Patty's Chapel, Brickton, Miss Janie L. McDowell, $4.18; C. M. Edwards, High Point, $15.00; Kannapolis Church, Kannapolis, P. W. Tucker, $10.00; McAdenville, Rev. D. W. Brown, $1.15; Ramseur Church, Ramseur and Franklinville Charge, Ramseur, Charles A. Reece, $16.00; Franklinville S. S., Ramseur, Charless A. Reece, $6.25; Mt. Pleasant, Denver, L. P. Eckard, $1.00; Hiddenite, Miss Pattie Beckham, $2.50; Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Foushee, Winston, $10.00; Broad St. M. E. Church, Statesville, T. B. Bunch, $30.64; Henrietta M. E. Church, Henrietta, Rev. J. N. Callahan, $6.26; Jackson Hill Church, Jackson Hill, C. C. Williams, $1.50, Oak Forest, Morganton, A. C. Swofford, $2.28; Salem Church, Morganton, A. C. Swofford, $1.80; Main St. Church. High Point, Chas Osborne, $3.18; E. Spencer, S. E. Richardson, $2.05. Total $159.53.

BUILDING FUND

Junior Philathea Class, Lexington, J. F. Spruill, teacher, $30.00; John H. Cathey, Asheville, $12.50; R. R. Boggs, Catawba, $10.00; H. G. Bassett, Asheville, R. 1, $10.00; E. S. Roberts and wife, Biltmore, $5.00; Joe Ralston, Asheville, R. 1, $5.00; Charles Ralston, Asheville, Rte. 1, $2.50; G. C. Logan, Waynesville, $2.50; Mrs. C. P. Heavener, Lincolnton, $1.00. Total $78.50.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER

Just one more month for the present session to finish its work of the 63rd Congress. So much is yet to be done that an extra session of the 64th Congress is feared.

The passage of the immigration bill over the President's veto in the lower house this week failed by five votes of a two-third vote. Administration senators are apprehensive that the ship purchase bill will suffer defeat at the hands of a half dozen or more opposing democrats. Senator Simmons, who is one of Mr. Wilson's strongest supporters, favors an extra session if necesary. Many leaders are urging the strictest economy in appropriation bills which have not yet become a law.

Since his recent visit to Washington where 5,000 to 8,000 heard a most powerful sermon our good people are organizing and taking steps to have the celebrated baseball evangelist, "Billy" Sunday, hold a campaign of religious services at the National Capital.

Some 600 leading business men representing all but one state in the union composing the United States Chamber of Commerce, are holding their annual session in this city. Many prominent speakers, including President Wilson and Secretary Bryan, added greatly to the interest of the meetings.

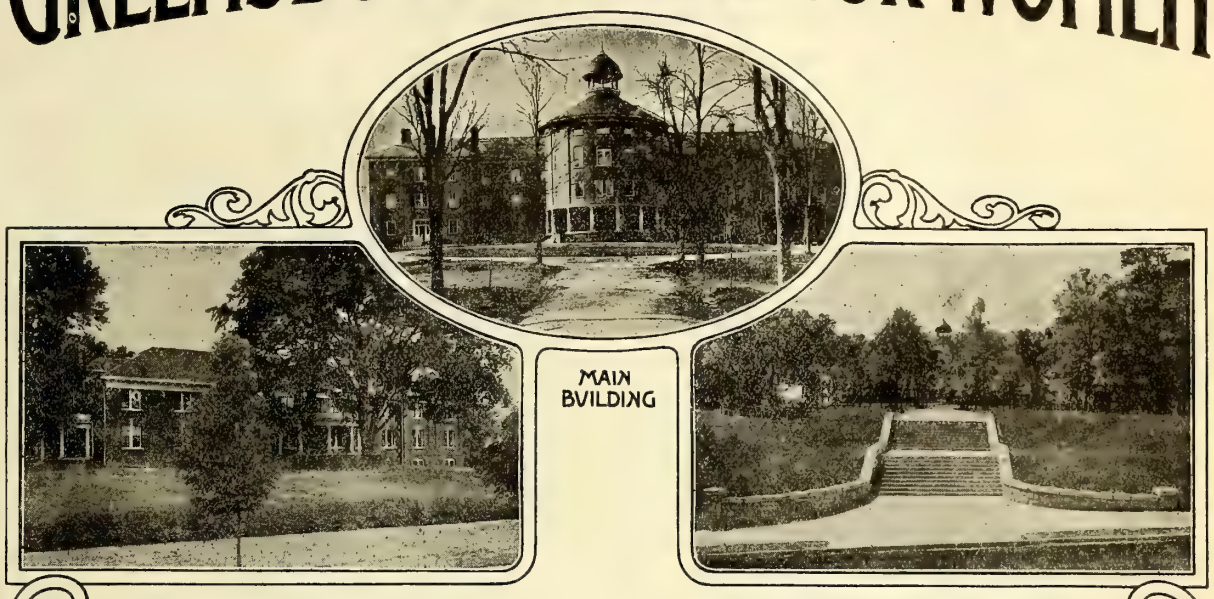
The North Carolina Society of this city enjoyed a most delightful at home—a typical Southern social evening—at the Confederate Veteran's hall on Friday night of last week. Several hundred "tar heels" were present, including a number of prominent persons. The society holds its annual banquet at Ranscher's on the 18th of this month, at which Dr. E. A. Alderman, Secretary Daniels, Senator Overman, Representative Page and others are expected to make addresses.

Mrs. Page, wife of Ambassador Walter H. Page, of the Court of St. James who is visiting Hon. Robt. N. Page was given a specially attractive reception at the ladies' congressional club a few days since, to which many invitations were issued and accepted.

About forty additions to Mt. Vernon church is the result of a month's revival just closed. W. F. Tomlinson.

The Hillside, Feb. 5, 1915.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY—FITZGERALD HALL

ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

"I approach you in a worthy cause, Mr. Titewadd. We want to raise $100,000. A prominent philantropist offers to contribute a quarter of that." "O, well," said Mr. Titewadd hastily, "I don't mind giving another quarter. Can you change a half?"—Housekeeper.

Ex-President Taft was out for his afternoon walk in Washington one day when a flaxen-haired little girl ran out in front of him, held up her finger, and exclaimed in a shrill baby voice: "I know who you are!" The President, thinking it not at all unusual that she should possess this information, but willing to gratify her, asked: "Well, who am I?" "Aw," she said teasingly, "you're Humpty-Dumpty." — Everybody's.

"Now, if I were only an ostrich," began the man at the breakfast table as he picked up one of his wife's biscuits, 'then"— "Yes," interrupted the patient better half, 'then I might get a few feathers for that old hat I've worn for three winters."—Chicago News.



Destroyed by Lightning, Saved by Insurance

That is the story of many churches, and yet many are damaged or destroyed—and no insurance whatever. This latter number is decreasing and has been since our

Methodist Mutual, The National Mutual Church Insurance Co., of Chicago

began to impress upon church officials the importance of insurance and sufficient insurance, and to furnish it on such terms that none could afford to put it off. Just think of it! Protection for a few cents or less a day on easy payments, and no assessments. Write for particulars.

Henry P. Magill, Sec. and Mgr., Insurance Exchange, Chicago

Mrs. Alice Hargrove Barclay, Agent M. E. Church South
814 Norton Building
Fourth and Jefferson, Louisville, Ky.

GARTSIDE'S IRON RUST SOAP CO., 4054 Lancaster Ave., Philadelphia, Pa. Gartside's Iron Soap (U. S. registered patent No. 3477) removes iron rust, ink and all unwashable stains from clothing, marble, etc., with magical effect. Good seller, big margins. House-to-house agents and store salesman wanted. The original, 25c a tube. Beware of infringements and the penalty for making, selling and using an infringed article. Suitable for church fairs.

SAVE YOUR MEAT From Skippers

USE CHAMBERS ANTI-SKIPPER COMPOUND

One package is guaranteed to keep skippers and other insects from **Five Hundred Pounds of Cured Meat.** Keeps meat clean and sweet. Price 50c. per package, by mail, postpaid.

CHAMBERS-GODFREY MFG. CO. Martin. Tenn.

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER AND PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS



The Chinese Woolflower

The three most popular garden flowers the world over were all named and introduced by us within the past 20 years (the Golden Glow, Hybrid Cosmos and Gladiolus Childsi America) a record without a parallel. This year we add to the trio another novelty equally unique, equally valuable and of surpassing brilliancy. It will find its way over the world as quickly as the others did and take its place everywhere as the foremost garden annual.

The Chinese Woolflower is a Celosia of new form and easy growth, two feet high with a score of branches each crowned with a great crimson ball of wooly substance which holds its color and beauty all through the season making it the most interesting, novel and showy of all garden or pot annuals.

Price **20 cts. per pkt.** of 40 to 50 seeds; **3 pkts, for 50 cts.,** together with New BLUE PETUNIA and GIANT SUMMER COSMOS free for trial and Catalog.

Our Big Catalogue of Flower and Veg. Seeds, Bulbs, Plants and rare new Fruits *free* to all who apply. We are the largest growers in the world of Gladiolus, Cannas, Dahlias, Lilies, Iris, etc., and our stocks are best and cheapest.

JOHN LEWIS CHILDS, Flora Park, N. Y.

The Sunday School Lesson

FIRST QUARTER—LESSON VII
FEBRUARY 14, 1915

Samuel Called to Be a Prophet. 1 Sam. 1. 24-28; chapter 3

Golden Text—Speak, Jehovah; for thy servant heareth. I Sam. 3. 9.

Summary of the Lesson

"You hear only what you understand" is a brief and epigrammatic way of saying that it is perfectly possible to hear words without hearing ideas; it is perfectly possible to hear sounds without detecting meanings. When the voice divine spoke in the house of God Eli heard neither words nor ideas, but the fresh and responsive ears of Samuel heard the voice, and it was he who was called to be the mouthpiece of Jehovah in a trying and perplexing age. The very first message given to Samuel was sharp and stern with judgment. He was trained for a prophet's career by being brought very early into the presence of life's moral verities and life's moral tragedies. As a boy and as a man Samuel was the kind of person to whom God can speak.

The Voice

"Earth's crammed with heaven,
And every common bush afire with God,
But only he who sees takes off his shoes."

wrote Mrs. Browning in a mood of noble inspiration. It was her way of saying that sight is useless without insight. Celestial significances are detected only by the heavenly minded. This is true not only in the realm of sight, but also in the realm of sound. The world is full of subtle, wonderful voices if our ears are tuned to catch their music, and in our hearts the one great voice is ready to speak if we are willing to listen to its behests.

We must not allow the fact that the voice divine has been articulate in a unique and dominant way at some critical times in the working out of the plan of God to rob us of the sense that in a genuine fashion God's voice is ready to speak to every man who will find an hour of silence and bring into it a listening soul. It is true of many a man that his thoughts make so much noise in his mind that he can not hear the voice of God. There is a profound ethical quality to the silence of the listening soul. It is the quiet of a stern control where the fiery steeds of desire and selfishness are held still and steady by a firm hand. It is the quiet of a surrendered will, ready to obey the behests of God. It is the quiet of a powerful purpose passionately eager to know and to do God's will. It is a silence full of potentiality and electric with vital energy. In such a silence the voice of God in all its gentle stillness and royal power is heard speaking to the soul.

We often speak of a man with his ear to the ground when we describe an astute and understanding politician, who knows how to keep in touch with the most subtle movements of thought and conviction among his constituents. We should more often speak of a man with his ear to the sky when we think of that sincere and noble seeking for divine direction which waits and listens amid all life's confusions for the voice of God.

The Man Who Did Not Hear

A world-famed singer was rousing the most extraordinary enthusiasm in a great American city. The audience gathered in a large music hall was fairly rapturous in its applause. As the voice with all its subtle, wonderful cadences and its rich, deep, melodiousness rolled out, one man sat in the midst of the spell-bound audience with a frown upon his forehead and a look of bewilderment over his whole face. He had no ear for music and he was dully wondering what it was all about. There was something positively uncanny about the way in which all these people were wildly applauding a performance which had absolutely no meaning for him. He sat in the concert hall through the evening, but he went home that night without hearing the great singer.

Eli did not hear the voice of Jehovah. He had no ear for the voice divine. It was not that he was a deliberately bad man. In fact, he was a man of much piety and in many regards a very good man indeed, but there was a secret of courageous sincerity which his life had never known. There was a fine moral venturesomeness in the name of the highest and best, to which his nature was quite foreign. There was a brave inner integrity of spirit to which he had never been equal. And so, though he was a man of actual piety and the best intentions, his ears had not the power to detect the voice of God.

There are many men who give us the sense of what Professor William James called second-hand religious experience. They have a genuine reverence for reality and the kindliest feelings for all noble things, but they have never dared to meet reality alone in the dark. Such men at last lose the power for first-hand contact with truth. They become perpetual echoes. The second generation of such men are echoes of echoes, and so the process goes on until the sense of reality is quite lost.

The world has suffered immeasurably from religious leaders who have lost the power to hear the divine voice.

The Boy Who Heard

In one of his poems Longfellow used as a refrain some lines from an old Lapland song, containing the words, "the thoughts of youth are long, long thoughts." I think it was Hawthorne who wrote, "Children can understand anything but hypocrisy." The notable thing about the Samuel story which we are now studying is that so young a boy was pushed into the serious movement of life and brought face to face with its moral failures and tragic experiences. It seems suggested that God takes chidhood very seriously and is ready to treat it with respect and allow it to share in a knowledge of His purposes. It is important that we remember in this connection the glimpse we are given in the New Testament of the boy Jesus in the temple, eagerly questioning the doctors and full of interest in the things of God.

Of course all this does not mean that childhood is constantly to be kept pitched to the key of life's serious and solemn experiences. Samuel was no doubt a very normal, human boy, with all a boy's usual experiences. He was the while hearing supernatural voices and listening to messages of extraordinary significance. He had his moments when he rose to this height, but he had his hours and days of the everyday experiences of growing boyhood.

That a boy, with all his restless, careless moods, has moments of the most wonderful outreach and upreach, which he dimly understands, and is fearful to express, is a thing we are just beginning to understand. These are the moments which should be seized and interpreted to him and filled with noble moral and spiritual content and put in control of his life. The possession of such moments is the demonstration of a boy's capacity to hear the voice divine.

Samuel's boyhood was utilized by God because that boyhood had openness of mind and heart, the simple trusting spirit and the dawning spiritual desire which made it capable of receiving and transmitting a divine message.

The Sin of Tolerance

It is very difficult not to judge Seneca by some things which Nero did. The great philosopher was doubtless a restraining influence on the impetuous and brutal monarch, but the requirements of his position necessitated concessions to Nero which the admirers of Seneca find distasteful enough. The problem does not invole any crimes which Seneca ever committed. It involves the matter of crimes which he tolerated.

Sentence of judgment was pronounced upon Eli not because of sins which he had committed, but because of sins of which he had been tolerant. When his sons entered upon evil ways "he restrained them not." To Samuel was given a stern and terrible message for Eli because of the evil which he had not opposed and put down

The principle involved seems to be that you are guilty of the sin which you permit. You are a partner in the evil you did not prevent Responsibility is not merely individual. It is social. A man may be individually innocent and socially guilty. He may be individually a saint and socially a sinner.

Doubtless this is a principle which must be stated with great care and one which has real qualilcations. There are so many bad things in the world that a man could not fight them all if he did nothing else, but this is no reason why he should refuse to fight any one of them. It becomes a matter of moral perspective. Eli did not face his responsibility for matters with which he was as closely connected as the conduct of his sons. He did not understand the moral solidarity of the family. He sinned by what he tolerated and not by what he did.

No more perplexing series of questions rise before the mind of the modern Christian than those suggested by the evils which are all about him. Where shall he do battle? In what matters shall he be silent? What should he fight? And what should he ignore? The developing of an adequate social conscience is one of the outstanding tasks of Christendom.—Lynn H. Hough D. D., in N. Y. Christian Advocate.

RECIPE FOR GRAY HAIR

To half pint of water add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbo Compound, and ¼ oz. of glycerine. Apply to the hair twice a week until it becomes the desired shade. Any druggist can put this up or you can mix it at home at very little cost. Full directions for making and use come in each box of Barbo Compound. It will gradually darken streaked, faded gray hair, and removes dandruff. It is excellent for falling hair and will make harsh hair soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off.

TREE PLANTING TIME

The last half of February is a good time for spring planting. Do not wait too long; other things can wait, but not this. Get your order in at once.

Apples, Pears, Peaches, Plums, Grapes, Berries, Pecans; complete assortment ripening through the season. Also Flowering Shrubs, Roses, etc., to make the home ground attractive for the children.

Some special bargains in surplus apple and peach in lots of 300 and over for spring shipment.

HOWARD NURSERY CO.,
Box K210 Stovall, N. C.

BLYMYER CHURCH BELLS. UNLIKE OTHER BELLS SWEETER, MORE DURABLE, LOWER PRICE. OUR FREE CATALOGUE TELLS WHY.
Write to Cincinnati Bell Foundry Co., Cincinnati, O.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER

Proprietor

GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY

DISEASES OF STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO

ROBT. W. MURRAY

GENERAL INSURANCE

Greensboro, North Carolina

308½ South Elm St.

Phone 163

FREE

To every farmer of Guilford County who will mail us a postal card asking for an

HOMESTEAD ALMANAC

we will mail one absolutely free to each address, as long as the present supply lasts.

Besides the regular information contained in almanacs this Homestead Almanac contains many interesting things that a farmer likes to know.

ODELL HARDWARE CO.
GREENSBORO, N. C.

Our Little Folks' Department

VALENTINES

Ellen D. Masters

The wind was blowing down our street
And it was snowing some;
But I watched from the chilly porch,
To see the postman come.

Across the street, to Elsie's door,
And then I meant to run
Before she got the valentine—
I knew that she'd get one.

I knew it would be beautiful,
With lace and hearts and things,
And pretty verses on the leaves,
And tied with ribbon strings.

I knew the verses all by heart;
I knew the bows were pink;
The hearts were gold; the lace was white—
Oh, what would Elsie think!

I saw the postman come at last,
And Elsie at the door;
She got a valentine, sure'nough—
I knew she would before.

And then I hid inside our hall;
And, when his whistle blew,
The postman called: "Hello! hello!—
A valentine for you!"

Sure 'nough, I got a valentine,
With lace and hearts and things,
And pretty verses on the leaves,
And tied with ribbon strings.

And I have wondered ever since
And guessed if Elsie knew
For sure, I'd get a valentine,
Before the postman blew.

Just like I knew that she'd get one
And knew her verses, too;
I never s'posed that I'd get one—
Do you guess Elsie knew?

A SURE SIGN

Here's the mail, sort it quick—
Papers, letters, notes,
Postcard scenes,
Magazines;
Our hearts are in our throats.
Something there
White and square,
Sealed with wax, and bumpy—
At the edges flat and thin,
In the middle lumpy?
When you feel the envelope,
Do your fingers trace
Something narrow,
Like an arrow?
Or a part
Of a heart?
Or a Cupid's face?
Is your name 'cross the back
In a crooked line?
Hurry, then; that's a sign
Some one's sent a valentine!

—Nancy Byrd Turner.

MARGIE'S VALENTINE

About two weeks before Christmas, as Robert and Margie were returning from school, they met the mail man, who gave them a letter for their mamma. By the postmark they knew it was from their Aunt Mary, who lived in Hartford, Conn.

When mamma read the letter she smiled and said: "I have a pleasant surprise for you. Aunt Mary is coming to spend Christmas, and will bring Dorothy and Wallace."

The children spent their evenings planning what they would do at grandpa's. All the relatives—twenty-three in all—were going to spend a week at the old home farm, and a jolly house party it promised to be.

A few days before they expected to start to the country the children were in the yard playing on a spring board. Robert had just made a fine jump from the board, and Wallace, who was two years younger, determined to do as well, but, instead, he fell.

The children laughed gaily, but when he did not rise, and they noticed how white his face had become, they were frightened and they called the colored man, who chanced to be near. He took the little fellow in his arms, and hurried to the house. A physician was called at once, who said Wallace had broken his leg, and must remain in bed for several weeks.

The children felt this was a sad ending to all their Christmas planning. Walace was a brave boy, and insisted that all should go to grandpa's; his mamma only should remain with him. On Christmas Eve Wallace received such a number of beautiful presents that he assured his mamma he was perfectly content to spend Christmas Day without her. So she left him in care of the trained nurse, and went to grandpa's for the day. As the time drew near for Aunt Mary to return to Wallace, Margie became very quiet. At length she whispered to mamma that she thought it her duty to go home and help entertain Wallace, as he was their guest.

Mamma kissed her little daughter tenderly, and asked, "Are you sure you are ready to give up this week at grandpa's?" Margie said she had thought it all over and was anxious to go.

At first Aunt Mary refused to allow Margie to make the sacrifice, but the little girl insisted, and was at last allowed to accompany her aunt home. For a week she devoted her time to Wallace. It was not an easy task, for Wallace, usually so sweet tempered, at times grew cross and unreasonable.

At last Wallace was able to hobble about on crutches, and then his papa came to take him home. Just before starting away, Aunt Mary called Margie to her and said: "I do not believe there is another little girl in the country who would have done for her cousin what you did. You are a little heroine."

Margie was very happy and felt more than paid for her sacrifice. Then her uncle said: "Here is a little present." When Margie opened the package she found a lovely ring with three rubies in it.

On the fourteenth of February the children all received beautiful valentines from their cousins, Dorothy and Wallace. Later that day the expressman left a box for Margie. When opened, out jumped—what do you think?—a cunning little dog, with long, curly white hair. Wallace had sent it to his kind cousin.

Amid shrieks of delight the little fellow was named. They called him "Valentine."—Selected.

OUR VALENTINES

We ring and run away—
What fun we have today!
Our valentines, all lace and hearts,
With pretty rimes and golden darts,
In writing strange we have addressed
To all the friends that we love best;
Then in the twilight gray
We ring and run away!

—Elizabeth Howland Richards.

PEGGY-PIGEON BRINGS A VALENTINE

On St. Valentine's Day, Margaret was looking out of the window and waiting for the postman. "Do you think I'll get any valentines?" she asked.

Grandmother Ellis was reading the newspaper. "Valentines? Why, is this St. Valentine's Day? I forgot all about it."

Margaret had been homesick since she had come to spend the winter with Grandmother Ellis. She did not like the city; her grandmother was kind, but she had not been used to children and the noise they make. After a long time Margaret gathered courage to ask Grandmother Ellis to call her "Peggy," but grandmother had refused.

"What, call you Peggy?" her grandmother had said. "Not when you have a beautiful name like Margaret! No, indeed."

Next door, in the very same kind of house, there lived a very fortunate girl. Her name was Katherine Augusta, but no one ever thought of calling her by that name. They said Kitty, Puss, Pussy and even Kits, and no one seemed to care how much noise she made.

On the other side was the corner house. In it lived Mr. Ferguson, who owned many pigeons of all kinds. He and Margaret were great friends. She often went with him to see his pigeon house, which he had built on his kitchen roof, and to help him feed his pigeons. She soon learned all their names. Many of them were so tame that they would eat out of her hand. Grandmother Ellis did not need to call Margaret to her breakfast, because she was always awakened by the pigeons coo-cooing their good morning greetings. There were two of the birds that lived in a little house of their own, and never left it. One happy day Mr. Ferguson had taken Margaret to see some little baby pigeons in the nest.

"What do you think that one is named?" he asked, as he tuoched the plumpest one.

Margaret had no idea. "Do tell me!" she cried.

"You'll have to tell me," he said, "because I'm going to let you name it. Perhaps you can think of a name now."

Indeed she could. "Would you mind calling it Peggy, after me? Of course, my real name is Margaret, but I'd like—"

"Fine," agreed Mr. Ferguson. "Peggy-pigeon is the name—after you."

One morning, several weeks later, she looked out of her window, and saw him feeding the pigeons in the yard. "See what I have here!" he called to her, and showed her the namesake pigeon in his coat pocket.

"O Mr. Ferguson, you're not going to sell Peggy-pigeon, are you?"

"No, indeed," he answered; "just wait and see. I'll tell you later."

Many times afterward Margaret sow him go away in the morning, with the pigeon in a cage that he had made for it. She never saw him come back with it, but as the pigeon was always there again in the morning, she supposed that he brought it home every evening.

The postman's ring broke in on Margaret's thoughts, and she ran eagerly to the front door. The letters were all for her grandmother.

"I'm sorry," said Grandmother Ellis; "but there's another delivery at noon. Perhaps you'll get a valentine then."

Mr. Ferguson knocked at the back door. "Can I borrow a little girl to help me this morning?"

"May I, grandmother? Mr. Ferguson wants me to go and help him."

"Yes, but come right in when I call you."

"Did you get any valentines?" asked Mr. Ferguson, as Margaret followed him.

Margaret shook her head. "I suppose Kitty had a lot—but I didn't."

"Well, it's not too late, is it?" As he spoke, Mr. Ferguson looked into the sky. The mail isn't the only way," he murmured. "There might—"

He did not finish his sentence, but gazed up into the clouds, and seemed to be paying little attention to what he was doing. As Margaret watched him, she saw a smile come over his face.

"I left my old glove up in the pigeon house. Will you go and get it?" he asked.

Margaret climbed the ladder, but could not find the glove. As she was coming down, she was surprised to see a bird flying toward her.

"Why, it's Peggy-pigeon!" she cried. "Look, Mr. Ferguson, it's coming home! I wonder how it got out?"

If Mr. Ferguson knew, he said nothing. The bird flew to Margaret's hand, and she saw that a white envelope was tied round its neck.

"It has my name on it—it must be for me! I wonder what it is?"

"I'll hardly be surprised," said Mr. Ferguson, "if it's a valentine. You'd better open it and see."

She opened it and read:

"A Valentine For Miss Peggy Scott.

"On flying wing, this message bring,
To my dear Valentine;
Across the sky, to you I fly,
For you're my Valentine."

"How do you like it?" asked Mr. Ferguson.

"It's lovely!" cried Margaret. "Nobody in all the world could have a better one. Who sent it to me?"

Then Mr. Ferguson told her that for a month he had been taking the pigeon from home, farther each day, until it had learned to come back from a long distance. "Yesterday I took it ten miles to some friends of mine, and they kept it in a cage all night. This morning they let it out, and allowed it twenty minutes to come home."

"Can pigeons fly half a mile in a minute?" asked Margaret.

"Not at first, but they learn to fly faster and a greater disance each trip."

"Just think, grandmother," said Margaret, a little later, "my Peggy-pigeon brought a valentine ten miles for me!"

"Really," said Grandmother Ellis, "it was nice that it happened today."

"It didn't happen, grandmother. I know that Mr. Ferguson made it come on purpose."—Edith M Cleaver.

FRECKLES

February and March Bring Out Unsightly Spots. How to Remove Easily.

The woman with tender skin dreads February and March because they are likely to cover her face with ugly freckles. No matter how thick her veil, the sun and winds have a strong tendency to make her freckle.

Fortunately for her peace of mind the recent discovery of a new prescription, othine—double strength, makes it possible for even those most susceptible to freckles to keep their skin clear and white. No matter how stubborn a case of freckles you have, the double strength othine should remove them.

Get an ounce from your druggist and banish the freckles. Money back if it fails.

FREE BOOK ON HOME PLANTING

"Simple Plantings for Southern Homes" shows you how easy it is to make the home grounds beautiful. This is a handsome little book that is being distributed free by the J. Van Lindley Nursery Co., Box J 203, Pomona, N. C. It is full of good ideas for the home owner. It illustrates, with actual photographs, a number of simple but very effective plans for setting out trees, shrubs, vines, etc., in a way that greatly enhances the beauty and value of the place. This book shows clearly what wonderful transformations can be effected by a little judicious planting. Write the nursery today for a copy, and also for their latest catalogue, which gives ful! information on setting out, growing and caring for trees and plants.



Standard
Memorial Windows
Made in High Point

Beautiful in design—strong in construction. Largest and oldest glass plant in the South. Capacity for any and all orders and prompt delivery. Satisfaction guaranteed. References—any of our old customers or any bank or banker in High Point. Write for catalog.

Standard Mirror Co.
High Point, N. C.

WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EXTENSION OF WORK

(Continued from Page 8)

officers that they may become increasingly efficient in leadership and may also be able to develop the talent for leadership among the women and young people in their districts.

2. That each District Secretary familiarize herself with the new book, "Helps for Missionary Societies," and, if possible, put to a practical test this year every requirement and suggestion it contains.

3. That each District Secretary secure from the strong, well-organized auxiliaries in her district helpers who may with her visit the weak and struggling auxiliaries to hearten and help them, or may visit an unorginized church to assist in securing an organization.

4. That the district meeting be held if practicable during the month of March in such order as will make it possible for the Conference officers and other helpers to assist to the best advantage and to secure the largest results. It is suggested that these meetings as far as possible be planned by the District Secretaries in Conference together before they leave the place of the Annual Meeting.

5. That the Executive Committee and the District Secretaries hold a mid-summer conference which shall be largely a school of methods for conducting the work, and that just preceeding the Annual Meeting another conference shall be held at the place of the meeting for a survey of the work done and for getting it before the delegates in the best form.

6. That as soon as practicable a conference organizer be secured because we believe such a helper would carry inspiration into the hard places and would by patient instruction be able to effect organization that would endure. In the meantime we request that our Conference officers take their time in helping to get the Conference thoroughly organized, co-operating with the District Secretaries in seeing that no charge or church fails to receive a visit looking toward an organization.

7. That in order to give real help to the First and Second Vice-Presidents in their work, each auxiliary provide for at least one meeting a year to which every mother of the church shall be invited, and that a program be prepared with educational and inspirational features and every possible appeal be made to the mothers for co-operation with the officers charged with the training of the young people and the children.

8. That the Executive Committee of each auxiliary study in the regular executive meetings the annual reports of the Woman's Missionary Council, and of the Conference Society as early as possible after their publication; and that the most important things in these reports be brought before the auxiliary by means of a quiz, a blackboard exercise or any means that will vitalize the information given.

9. That at the close of each quarter the Executive Committee of each auxiliary hold a special meeting to review the work of the past quarter and to plan for the new quarter, to secure full and correct reports from every department, and to see that these reports are promptly forwarded to the proper officers.

10. That a committee of three, one of whom shall be the Conference Corresponding Secretary, shall be appointed to visit the institutions within our territory and that one, or more if necessary, of this committee visit each of these institutions during the year.

11. That in order to prevent confusion and to unify all our work in the minds of those members who are still uninformed and of those hosts of women still outside whom we must win to understanding co-operation with us, we make twenty-five cents (25c) per month the basis of full membership in our Conference Society as meeting all obligatory requirements.

12. That while we stand loyally by our work and seek to bring it to the highest efficiency, we steadfastly maintain a loyal sympathetic attitude toward all the other mission agencies of our Church and so help to hasten the day of harmonious co-operation of oll our Church forces in giving "the whole gospel to the whole world."

Mrs. Frank Siler, Chairman,
Mrs. M. B. Goodwin, Secretary.

YOU WILL WRITE A LETTER LIKE THIS

I wish that I knew which one of the thousands of letters I receive would have the most weight with you, my friend. I can't quote all of them here, but I am going to ask you to read these carefully and then give me a chance to renew your health and make you write me one very much like them:

701 Barnard Street,
Savannah, Ga., Dec. 28, 1910.

Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C. Dear Sir: As you are aware, in 1909 I was suffering with indigestion, stomach and liver disorders and all its train of horrifying phenomena for several months. I had lived on milk, soft eggs, shredded wheat, a very insufficient diet for an active working man, and, of course, from disease and starvation was in a very low state of nervous vitality and general debility. I ordered ten gallons of your Mineral Water, which I used continuously, reordering when necessary, and in four months gained twenty-nine pounds, was strong and perfectly well and have worked practically every day since. It acts as a general renovator of the system. I prescribe it in my practice, and it has in every instance had the desired effects. It is essential to use this water in as large quantities as possible, for its properties are so happily blended and in such proportion that they will not disturb the most delicate system. It is purely Nature's remedy.

A. L. R. AVANT, M. D.

Leeds, S. C., March 2, 1911.

I have tested your Spring Water in several cases of rheumatism, chronic indigestion, kidney and bladder troubles, and in nervous and sick headaches, and find that it has acted nicely in each case, and I believe that if used continuously for a reasonable time will produce a permanent cure. It will purify the blood, relieve debility, stimulate the action of the liver, kidneys and bladder, aiding them in throwing off all poisonous matter.

C. A. CROSBY, M. D.

These are not selected cases nor are the results unusual. I receive thousands like them from physicians, ministers, lawyers, merchants, farmers, manufacturers and every conceivable profession. I want the satisfaction of receiving such a letter from you. No matter what your complaint may be, dyspepsia, indigestion, nervous headache, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney or liver disease, or any chronic ailment that has not responded to drugs. I invite you to match your faith in the Spring against my pocketbook. If the water fails to benefit you simply say so, return the empty demijohns and I will promptly and willingly refund your money—every cent. Sign below:

Shivar Spring,
Box 5B, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen:

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)

Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You run no risk whatever in accepting his offer. I have personally witnessed the remarkable curative effects of this water in a very serious case.

STOPS TOBACCO HABIT

Elders Sanitarium, located at 513 Main St., St. Joseph, Mo., has published a book showing the deadly effect of the tobacco habit, and how it can be stopped in three to five days.

As they are distributing this book free, anyone wanting a copy should send their name and address at once.

WINSTON DISTRICT MISSIONARY INSTITUTE

The Missionary Institute for the Winston District was held at Lexington Jan. 21-22, Rev. Dr. H. K. Boyer presiding, and under his direction the meeting proved to be of practical good to the entire district.

Brother R. B. Crawford, District Lay Leader, was present and presided over the first session.

All the speakers came with real messages which stirred our hearts and sent us back home more determined to do things this year.

Dr. E. K. McLarty spoke Thursday night on "Evangelism," his message should move the whole district to greater effort for the salvation of souls.

The message of Bishop Atkins on Friday on "Conditions in the Orient," was great, full of facts and inspiration. He said, "Tell the church that every dollar we give is being rapidly transmuted into immortal values that shall not fade away."

Miss Lelia Tuttle and Rev. Frank Siler brought messages which were equally strong and inspiring.

The district assumed the support of Rev. J. W. Frank, of Japan, the same to be provided for by the Sunday schools of the district.

A reading circle was formed with the following as managers in their respective counties: Rev. R. M. Courtney, Mr. R. L. Pope and Rev. C. M. Short.

Strong resolutions were adopted relative to Evangelism, Missions and Finances, and to these I wish to call special attention:

1. On Evangelism. "We recommend a real and earnest observance of Decision Day in the Sunday school. Teachers to be impressed that the chief business of the Sunday school is to lead the children to Christ.

We ask our pastors to emphasize our position that evangelism is central to our work, the saving of men being our divinely appointed task."

2. On Missions. "We recommend that all of our Sunday schools be made thoroughly missionary; the formation of mission study circles and the circulation of missionary literature, especially the Misoionary Voice.

We recommend the holding of missionary institutes in all our congregations wherever practicable; and that at least 50 per cent. of our Conference collections be paid in by the time of District Conference."

3. On Finance. "We recommend as the ultimate goal that which is given in the Word of God, 'that every one bring to the church (and not compel the steward to come after it) not less than one-tenth of his income which he has laid by in store on the first day of the week,' and that our preachers and stewards call the attention of our people to this goal being the command of the Lord."

"We further recommend that every charge endeavor to pay all assessments in full by the Annual Conference and make a special effort to have at least 50 per cent. paid by District Conference.

That every charge make the every-member canvass and that circuits collect and pay at least quarterly and stations at least monthly."

Dr. Boyer has a strong hold on the Winston District and under his wise leadership the district is moving forward to a foremost place in the Conference.

Brother A. W. Plyler and his hospitable people extended every courtesy, for which we were very grateful.

C. M. Short, Sec.



THE CELEBRATED
Throneburg Nursery
solicits your trade on apple, peach, pear, shade and ornamental trees. Prices reasonable. Agents wanted everywhere. Liberal commissions.
THE THRONEBURG NURSERY, NEWTON, N. C.

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of
Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,
SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.....E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg...W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller.....C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg., M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.....J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg...J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.....G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.....A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel...J. W. Ligon

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Premier Carrier of the South

N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information and are **not guaranteed.**

12:15 a. m.—No 32 daily Southern's Southeastern Limited. Pullman drawing-room, open section sleeping cars Jacksonville and Augusta to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

12:35 a. m.—No. 112, daily, local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh which is open at 9:30 and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m.

1:42 a. m.—No. 30, daily, Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing-room and observation sleeping cars Birmingham and Columbus to New York, and Birmingham to Richmond. Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29 daily, Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing-room and observation sleeping cars New York and Richmond to Birmingham and Columbus. Daily tourist car Washington to San Francisco via popular Sunset Route. Dining cars. Coaches.

3:15 a. m.—No. 31 daily, The Southern's Southeastern Limited. Pullman drawing-room and open section sleeping cars New York to Jacksonville and Augusta. Dining car service. Day coaches.

3:45 a. m.—No. 45 daily, local for Charlotte, connecting for Atlanta and points south.

7:10 a. m.—No. 8 daily, local for Richmond.

7:15 a. m.—No. 37 daily, New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section sleeping cars New York to New Orleans, and New York to Asheville, and Macon. Pullman parlor car Greensboro to Montgomery. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service.

7:30 a. m.—No. 108 daily, local for Raleigh, Selma, and Goldsboro.

7:40 a. m.—No. 154 daily, except Sunday for Ramseur.

7:25 a. m.—No. 11, daily, local for Atlanta. Pullman sleeping cars Norfolk and Richmond to Charotte. Day coaches.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily, for Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Pullman sleeping car Raleigh to Winston-Salem.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily, local for Mt. Airy.

9:30 a. m.—No. 44, daily, for Washington and points north.

9:40 a. m.—No. 144, daily, Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro Pullman sleeping car Atlanta to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily, for Asheville and Waynesville, connecting at Asheville with Carolina Special for all points west. Chair car Goldsboro to Asheville.

12:55 p. m.—No. 130, daily, local for Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

1:30 p. m.—No. 7, daily, local for Charlotte, connecting for Seneca and Columbia.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily U. S. Fast Mail for Washington, New York and points north. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

2:00 p. m.—No. 207, daily, for Winston-Salem, connecting daily except Sunday for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daily, except Sunday for Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily, except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily, for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Chair car.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily, for Mt. Airy.

6:25 p. m.—No. 35, daily, U. S. Fast Mail, for Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham. Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily, for Winston-Salem.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily local for Sanford.

7:32 p. m.—No. 43, daily, for Alanta, and points south Sleeping car Raleigh to Atlanta.

10:15 p. m.—No. 12, daily, local, for Richmond. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Norfolk.

10:20 p. m.—No. 233, daily, for Winston-Salem.

11:29 p. m.—No. 38, daily, New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section sleeping cars New Orleans, Macon and Asheville to New York. Dining car.

E. H. COAPMAN, Vice-President and General Manager, Washington, D. C.
S. H. HARDWICK, P. T. M., Washington D. C.
H. F. CARY, G. P. A., Washington, D. C.
R. H DeBUTTS, D. P. A., Charlotte, N. C.
C. G. PICKARD, P. and T. A., Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland
108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Weed, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.

First Round

February

Swannanoa, Swannanoa 13-14
Black Mountain, night 14
Weaverville Ct., Flint Hill 20-21
Bethel, night 21

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, 508 N. Tryon St., Charlotte, N. C.

First Round

February

Waxhaw, Waxhaw 13-14
Spencer Memorial 21

Second Round

February

Hickory Grove 27-28
Chadwick, night 28

March

Seversville, Pleasant Grove 6-7
Brevard, night 7
Pineville, Harrison 13-14
Calvary, night 14
Thrift, Moore's Chapel 20-21
Trinity, night 21
Belmont 28
Tryon, night 28

April

Weddington, Union 3-4
Matthews, Indian Trail, 3 p. m. 4
Marshville, Smyrna 10
Prospect, Midway 11
Unionville 17-18
North Monroe, Icemorlee, night 18
Waxhaw 24-25
Monroe, Central, night 25

May

Ansonville, Cedar Hill 1-2
Wadesboro, night 2
Lilesville, Shiloh 8-9
Morven, Morven 15-16
Dilworth 23
Spencer Memorial and Derita, night.....23
Polkton, Mount Moriah 29-30

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.

First Round

West Market 13-14

Second Round

February

Walnut St. and Carraway Memorial, Walnut St. 13-14
Ruffin, Ruffin 20-21
Reidsville 21-22
Gibsonville, Whitsett 27-28
Spring Garden, night 28

March

Pleasant Garden, Liberty 6-7
Greensboro Circuit, Rehobeth 13-14
Centenary, ...14-15
Wentworth, Lowes 20-21
West Greensboro, Friendship 27-28

April

Coleridge, Mt. Olivet 3-4
Ramseur & Franklinville, Franklinville, 4-5
Randolph, Hopewell 10-11
Wesley Memorial 17-18
Main St. 18-19
East & West 18-19
Deep River, West Bend 24-25
Asheboro 25-26
Randleman, Naomi 25-26

May

Uwharrie, Union 1-2
Denton, Clarkesbury 8-9
West Market 15-16

MT. AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mt. Airy, N. C.

First Round

February

Pilot Mountain, Pilot Mountain 13-14
Ararat, Chestnut Grove 20-21
Mt. Airy Ct., Zion 27-28

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

First Round

February

Boone, Rutherwood 13-14
Laurel Springs, Transon 20-21
Sparta, Potato Creek 27-28

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Lee T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.

First Round

February

Mooresville Ct., Fair View, 11 a. m., 13-14
Mooresville Sta., Mooresville, night, 14-15
Cool Spring Ct., Cool Spg., 11 a. m., 20-21
Troutman Ct., Shepherds, 11 a. m., 27-28

Second Round

March

Iredell, Mt. Bethel, 11 a. m. 6
Broad Street, Broad Street, 11 a. m. ..7-8
Race Street, Race Street, 7:30 p. m. 7-9
Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 11 a. m. 13-14
West Hickory, West Hickory, 7:30 p. m. 14-15
Lenoir Circuit, Littlejohn's, 11 a. m. 20
Lenoir Station, Lenoir, 11 a. m. 21-22
South Lenoir and Valmead, Valmead, 3:30 p. m. 21-23
North Lenoir Circuit, Ebenezer, 11 a. m. 27
Granite Falls and Hudson, Hudson, 11 a. m. 28-29
Hickory—First Church, Hickory, 7:30 p. m. 28-29

April

Alexander, Liberty, 11 a. m. 3-4
Stoney Point, Pisgah, 3:30 p. m. 4-5
Hickory Circuit, Grace Chapel, 11 a. m. 10
Newton, Newton, 11 a. m. 11-12
Maiden, Pisgah, 11 a. m. 17
Catawba, Hopewell, 11 a. m. 18-19
Statesville Circuit, Trinity, 11 a. m. ...24
Cool Spring, New Salem, 11 a. m. 25-26

May

Troutman, 11 a. m. 1
Davidson, Davidson, 11 a. m. 2-3
Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 7:30 p. m. 2-3
Mooresville Circuit, 11 a. m. 8
Mooresville Station, Mooresville, 11 a. m. 9-10

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C.

Second Round

February

Lowesville, Snow Hill 13-14
Mt. Holly, Mt. Island 14-15
Bessemer, Concord 20-21
Lowell, Lowell, ...27-28
McAdenville, McAdenville 28

March

King's Mountain, ElBethel 6-7
Polkville, Polkville 13-14
Rock Springs, Mt. Pleasant 20-21
Belwood, Kadish 27-28

April

Shelby Circuit, Sulphur Springs 3-4
Lincolnton Circuit, Marvin 10-11
Lincolnton, Lincolnton 11
Crouse, Pleasant Grove 17-18
Stanly, Iron 18-19
South Fork, Plateau 24-25

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.

Second Round

February

Salisbury, South Main Street, 11 a. m., 14
Salisbury, Holmes Memorial, night.....14
Salisbury, First Church, 11 a. m.....21
E. Spencer-N. Main St., N. Main St. night 21
Salisbury Circuit, Providence 27-28
Spencer, night 28

March

Concord Circuit, Mt. Carmel 6-7
Concord, Forest Hill, night, ...7-8
Woodleaf Circuit, Gay's Chapel 13-14
West Concord, Kerr St., night 14-15
Cottonville & Oakboro Ct. Mt. Zion 20-21
Norwood 20-21
Concord, Central, 11 a. m. 28
Concord, Epworth & C., Epworth, night 28

April

Albemarle, Central, night 2-4
Albemarle Circuit, Stony Hill 3-4
Mount Pleasant Circuit, Saint Paul, 10-11
Concord, Westford, night 11
Salem Circuit, New Mount Tabor....17-18
Albemarle, First Street, night 18
Kannapolis Station, 11 a. m. 23-25
Kannapolis Circuit, Bethpage.....24-25
China Grove & Landis, China Grove, night 25

May

New London Circuit 1-2
Gold Hill Circuit 2-3
Bethel & Love's Chapel, Love's Chapel 8-9

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.

First Round

February

Bald Creek, Bald Creek 13-14
Burnsville 14-15
Marion Ct., Green Mountain 20-21

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C., R. F. D. No. 2

First Round

February

Macon Ct., Union 13-14
Franklin Ct., Salem 16-17
Highlands Ct., Highlands 18-19
Franklin Station 21-22

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston-Salem, N. C.

Second Round

February

Southside, 11 a. m. 14
Centenary, night, ...14
Walkertown 20-21
Grace, night 21
Linwood, Macedonia 27-28
Lexington, night 28

March

Thomasville, South Thomasville.....6-7
Thomasville, Main Street, ...5-7
Advance, Advance 13-14
Burkhead, night 14
Davidson, Midway 20-21
Forsythe, Mineral Spring 27-28
West End, night 28

April

Jackson Hill, Jackson Hill 3-4
Salem, night 4
Farmington, Bethlehem 10-11
Mocksville 9-11
Lewisville, Concord 17-18
Davie, Liberty 24-25
Cooleemee, night 25

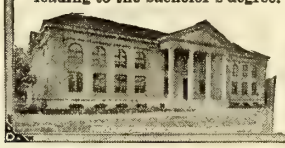
May

Kernersville 1-2

TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 : : : : CHARTERED 1859

A Southern institution of established national reputation. Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.



Large endowment fund makes possible complete, first-class equipment; full faculty of able, well-chosen instructors; beautiful campus, new buildings, modern laboratories, splendid library. Comfortable, inexpensive dormitories. For catalogue and illustrated booklet, address

R. L. Flowers, Sec. to the Corporation, Durham, N. C.

GREENSBORO NURSERIES

AGENTS WANTED

For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.

JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

A Big ? You Decide: The School: The Methods: The Results:

A Few Reasons Why You Should Enroll With Us

We teach Stenotypy, the fastest method of writing. Our *courses* teach you to *know*. We *train* you to *grasp* your *opportunity*. Latest improved methods. Your choice of *nine* different systems of *shorthand, two of them hold world's record* for *speed* and *accuracy*.

Rates and terms most reasonable. *Real business courses* as taught at a *real commercial college*. Results unequalled. Twenty-five students recently placed in positions.

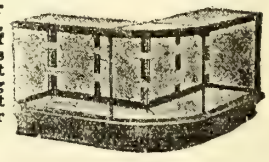
Write for further information and terms. Do not put off this important step.

CENTRAL BUSINESS COLLEGE, ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

T S. SPRADLIN, President

Show Cases Direct From Factory

The Famous Gurley Show Cases cannot be had from any other manufacturer in America. Our goods received double award at the Jamestown Exposition. A jobber who has been selling Gurley Show Cases for nine years, says that only one customer has made any complaint of our goods, and only one small case was involved in his complaint. This is a wonderful record. We sell direct to the merchant. Drug store outfits a specialty. For drug store outfits ask for catalogue "V"; for wall or street cases ask for catalogue "W"; for general line ask for catalogue "Y."



HIGH POINT SHOW CASE WORKS igh Point, North Carolina

PAPER SHELL PECAN TREES. Best varieties. Choice stock. Our reputation is our best salesman. If you buy 200 or more trees we will dynamite your land and plant your trees FREE. **CORDELE NURSERIES, Cordele, Georgia**

SOUTHERN RAILWAY STATEMENT

Washington, D. C., February 4.—The results of operation of Southern Railway Company, exclusive of interest, rentals, and other income charges, for the six months ended December 31, 1914, are announced by Comptroller A. H. Plant today as follows:

	This Year	Last Year	Inc. or Dec.	Perc't
Gross Revenue	$32,765,576	$36,982,039	Dec. $4,216,463	11.40
Operating Expenses	24,538,336	25,564,444	Dec. 1,026,108	4.01
Net Revenue	$ 8,227,240	$11,417,595	Dec. $3,190,355	27.94
Taxes—Railway	$ 1,288,197	$ 1,262,968	Inc. $ 25,229	2.00
Taxes—Federal Income (Cr)	13,102	45,621	Dec. 58,723	
Total Taxes	$ 1,275,095	$ 1,308,589	Dec. $ 33,494	2.56
Uncollectable Railway Revenue	8,364		Inc. 8,364	
Operating Income	$ 6,943,781	$10,109,006	Dec. $3,165,225	31.31

In addition to the foregoing operating costs, the Company has spent during the six months ended December 31, 1914, for improvements to its roadway and structures, the following amounts:

Six months, this year $4,436,265
Six months, last year 1,482,653

An increase of $2,953,612

Note:—Operating income as shown above represents the amount remaining after the payment of only those expenses incurred in the actual operation of the railway and of taxes, and takes no account of the charges for hire or equipment, rental of leased lines, terminals, and other facilities, and interest on funded debt (bonds), all of which costs are charges against Operating Income.

GOSPEL TEXT CALENDAR FOR 1915

We have received a copy of the Gospel Text Calendar for 1915, published by H. S. Hallman, Berlin, Ontario.

It is a beautiful thirteen-page Calendar, containing Bible Text for each day of the month, and large Calendar at the bottom. Beautifully printed in colors. Price, 25c each, post paid.

Mother: "Teddy, we must all try to give up something while times are so hard." Teddy: "I'm willing." Mother: "What will it be, dear?" Teddy: "Soap."—Our Lambs.

Paul Armstrong tells of a friend of his, an exceedingly deaf man, who was being introduced to a young woman. The young woman was pretty, but she had a strange name. Her name was Dinglefugle. "Mr. Smith," said the mutual acquaintance, "this is Miss Dinglefugle." The deaf man cupped his hand behind his ear. "Please pardon me," he said, "but I'm hard of hearing. What did you say the name was?" "Miss Dinglefugle." "I'm awfully sorry," murmured the afflicted one with a strained and puzzled look in his eye, "but I haven't caught it yet." The other man raised his voice to a shout. "Miss Dinglefugle!" he blared. Resignedly, hopelessly the deaf man shook his head. "It's no usle," he said; "sounds like Dinglefugle to me."—Ex-

PUBLISHER'S MESSAGE

A TALK ABOUT BUSINESS AND PLEA FOR CO-OPERATION

One would suppose that it would just be a delight to the Methodist business man in Western North Carolina to patronize the North Carolina Christian Advocate. Both the Advertising and Job Printing departments should appeal to these men. We believe this will be the case when attention is persistently called to it. Notwithstanding we have had a good deal to say from time to time, it is still true that many of our people have not fully realized the value of the Advocate as

An Advertising Medium

If our merchants, manufacturers, farmers and business men generally could be induced to try it we have no doubt they would be amply repaid for money paid in exchange for our advertising space. There ought to be a regular column filled with classified or want ads. and we hope to get our people who want anything or who have anything to sell to use the Advocate space and thus help their own business while helping to support an important institution of the church. For years a few of our enterprising business men have appreciated the Advocate as an advertising medium, but the great majority of them need yet to have their attention called to this. While throwing away vast sums of money on various advertising schemes presented by the promoter, they let this really rich opportunity go by unimproved.

We have purged our columns of all advertising which can not be rated as first class and clean in every respect and this itself greatly enhances the value of our space.

Again, there are hundreds of business men all over our section who have large quantities of printing done. They could turn much of this our way just as well, and many could turn all their job work into our house.

We are Equipped

for all kinds of job printing, especially pamphlets and commercial work, and this would help the Board of Publication very much in its efforts to establish firmly the business and make a great paper for the Conference. The members of this Board give their time and thought to this business without charge or hope of remuneration—their work is a labor of love. They feel the more free to appeal to

Methodist Business Men

to think of our Advocate printing house in Greensboro when they need anything in that line, and if they can get what they want we feel sure they will take pleasure in turning patronage this way. Just think of it

The Stationery of Our Country Stores

would make a nice business for our Job Department and would well-nigh keep our presses busy!!

Then think of the physicians, lawyers, preachers and other professional men who use printed stationery and other printed matter, besides printing for the churches and church organizations. Of course we do not expect a monopoly of all this business, and we are already getting a goodly share; but there are many who have never had their attention called specially to this, and with a little more thoughtfulness our business ought easily to be doubled, especially in the line of commercial work. It is evident that we need

More Diligent Co-operation

While any church business enterprise must depend mainly upon those who have charge, and cannot be allowed to depend upon such patronage as church loyalty alone would bring, it is nevertheless true that much depends upon that spirit of co-operation which church loyalty suggests and prompts. There are a few country merchants who have sent us their orders for stationery regularly since we began work in that line. They seem to be pleased, our business is benefited and we very greatly appreciate their spirit of co-operation.

A large manufacturer in one of our thriving towns, after hearing the editor at a District Conference last year, frankly stated that he had not had his attention called to this before and that he had quite a good deal of work that, everything else being equal, he would be glad to turn our way. Since that time we have been getting nice orders occasionally, and if fifty or seventy-five more, who no doubt are in the same position, would do likewise, most of our problems would be solved, for the reason that this additional work would be handled without appreciable increase in our payroll.

The Sale of Books

For some two years or more we have been handling books in a small way. Most of this is purely a mail order business. We have arrangements with publishers to fill our orders, and allow us the trade discount; so, without paying any more for books our people can send their orders through us and thus add quite a little item to our income. The only difference to the purchaser would be a delay of about one day. This applies to orders from Smith & Lamar, or any publishers in the United States. We hope to have the co-operation of our people in this respect also. We ought to co-operate in an effort to put more good books into the hands of our people. Nothing is needed more today than the turning of the minds of our people into the channels of more serious and profitable thought. Good books will do this.

Church Supplies

Record books for Quarterly Conference, Church Conference, Sunday Schools, Baraca and Philathea Classes, etc., Bibles and Disciplines can be secured through us at the same prices charged by our Publishing House and other dealers. Why not turn the trade commission or discount into our own treasury?

We take it that the Board need offer no apology for thus going into details in order to show our people of this opportunity for profitable and helpful co-operation.

For further information write

BOARD OF PUBLICATION,
Greensboro, N. C.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, February [illegible]915 | Number 7

Reading Room Trinity College

For Our Children and Our Homes

THE QUESTION IS STILL ON THE LIPS OF THE MULTITUDE, "WHAT WILL OUR LEGISLATORS DO?" AT THE HEARING BEFORE THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON TUESDAY OF LAST WEEK, THERE WERE SOME TWENTY-FIVE OR THIRTY REPRESENTATIVE MEN FROM ALL SECTIONS OF THE STATE, READY TO PLEAD FOR THE BILL WHICH PROPOSES TO PROTECT OUR BOYS AND OUR HOMES. THERE WAS NOT ONE PRESENT WHO DARED TO OPEN HIS MOUTH AGAINST IT. AFTER HEARING FIVE OR SIX OF THESE MEN, THE COMMITTEE WENT INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION, AND FINALLY ADJOURNED TO MEET AGAIN ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH. IT IS EVIDENT THAT THE LEGISLATORS ARE EMBARRASSED. THE BILL IN THE SHAPE IT HAS BEEN PRESENTED WILL DO WHAT THE PEOPLE WANT DONE. THE POLITICIANS DO NOT WANT THIS, AND ARE GOING TO DISAPPOINT THE PEOPLE IF GREAT PRESSURE IS NOT PLACED UPON THEM NOW. IF THEY REFER IT TO THE PEOPLE THERE IS NO DOUBT ABOUT WHAT THE PEOPLE WILL DO. BUT AFTER THE PEOPLE HAVE SPOKEN AS THEY HAVE IT WILL BE AN OUTRAGE TO SUBJECT THEM TO THE WORRY AND EXPENSE OF ANOTHER STATE-WIDE CAMPAIGN AND ELECTION TO DETERMINE WHAT HAS ALREADY BEEN DETERMINED. IT IS A TIME NOW FOR BOTH PRAYER AND EFFORT. WHILE WE PRAY LET US ONCE MORE BY LETTER AND PETITION URGE THOSE WHO REPRESENT US TO VOTE FOR THIS BILL WHICH WILL TAKE THE JUG AWAY FROM THE NEGRO BRUTES AND UNSCRUPULOUS WHITE TRASH WHO, INFLAMED BY LIQUOR, ARE A CONSTANT MENACE TO OUR HOMES AND OUR LIVES. WRITE ONE MORE LETTER TO YOUR REPRESENTATIVE.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS

It is not our custom to discontinue subscriptions when the time paid for expires, without notice. Subscribers who do not wish the paper continued should send notice to discontinue direct to the office. Otherwise they will be expected to pay for the paper

LET US HAVE THE RENEWALS

We are compelled to urge that all who are in arrears send in their renewals at once. Please turn to page 11 and find a renewal blank ready to clip out of the paper. Clip this out, fill in the blanks, pin check or money order to same and mail. The need is urgent.

WHAT WILL OUR LEGISLATORS DO?

This question is now uppermost in North Carolina. Never in the history of the state have such grave issues hung upon the decision of the men who represent us at Raleigh. Thousands are urging that the bill now pending be passed. There is no open or well expressed opposition to the bill. What are our representatives waiting for? Is it possible that these men are lagging behind the public sentiment of the state which they represent?

We are beginning to wonder if our representatives are willing for North Carolina to fall behind Russia in the march of modern civilization. In one day a great empire, comprising one-sixth of the world's population, has its supply of strong drink shut off, and here we hesitate to do likewise although a large majority of our citizens have, by ballot, determined that this should be done. The situation is an anomalous one. The sentiment of the civilized world piling up clouds that are big with wrath against a traffic which has desolated the world, yet our men—Christian men—not able to determine what they ought to do! Surely it is a time for both prayer and work.

Let these hesitating men read what the leader of the Ontario Opposition said in Hamilton a few days ago:—"Never in modern times has civilization passed so unanimous a judgment against any legalized business as it has against the liquor traffic since the outbreak of the war. All the great nations engaged in the conflict have sought, by legal enactment, public proclamation or direct appeal, either to wipe it out or to materially limit its operations and evil effects. It has been everywhere recognized as an internal enemy, impairing both the defensive and offensive powers of the nation, and just as its operations have been curtailed there has been increased efficiency and national power. This judgment of civilization will never be reversed."

And yet our representatives are waiting! Waiting for what?

THE LEAVEN IN AFRICA

The kingdom of heaven is like leaven, says the Great Teacher. Some of us have lived long enough to see this illustrated. In fact, one does not have to live many years in these stirring times to have a practical demonstration of the manner of building the Kingdom of God by silent though powerful agencies.

It has been less than two years since we heard Rev. C. C. Bush and his little, delicate looking wife say their farewell words at Lake Junaluska, along with others of the brave little company who were about to start on their long journey to Africa. Perhaps many of our readers have been wondering what has become of the little band. Did they ever reach the end of the long journey? Have they been eaten by canabal tribes in the far away jungles of darkest Africa? The following extract from a letter only recently received in this country answers these questions and incidentally strengthens our faith in the final triumph of the gospel even though it works as silently as the leaven which Christ chose as the symbol of its power. Brother Bush, writing from Wembo-Niama, the home of Bishop Lambuth's friend, the great Chief, says:

"Two weeks ago I sent to the printers at Luebo a First Reader and booklet of fourteen hymns. Next week I expect to have a Catechism ready for the press, so that we can begin to instruct applicants for church membership. By the time this letter reaches you we expect to have erected a building to be used as an evangelistic training school for boys. Our school is making progress, and all our workmen are very anxious to learn to read and write. The church is splendid, and I rejoice to see the increasing number of women coming to the services. These women have known nothing but servitude for untold generations, but they respond to the gospel touch, and this fact puts a stupendous value upon lady missionaries who will come and help lift the women of Africa from their state of degradation which is so aptly described by Dr. J. S. Dennis in "Social Evils of the Non-Christian World" as a scandal and a slave, a drudge and a disgrace, a temptation and a terror, a blemish and burden. Who will be the first lady missionary to come?"

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN

This old institution, belonging to the two Conferences in North Carolina, is crowded to its full capacity, and plans are now under consideration for enlargement. A remarkable indication of increased interest is the fact that a large number of the rooms are already taken for next year.

Not only is the course of study in the literary department up in every respect to the requirements for the A grade college, but the college has steadily enlarged the scope of vocational courses whereby a young woman may be able not only to know something, but also to do something.

In addition to the regular classical course, special attention is called to the Department of Expression and Art, to the vocational courses in Household Economics, Business, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to a complete School of Music, which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

The college conducts a Preparatory Department under separate corps of teachers. Students having finished the eighth grade in a good high school may enter this department, which is so correlated with our collegiate course that all work done counts for full value in preparation for the college classes. Students thus enjoy the twofold advantage of having superior training and the cultural benefits of the college life.

Elsewhere will be found an attractive advertisement of the college, to which we direct special attention. It will be well for all who anticipate sending their daughters here next year to correspond with the president early.

SOME NEW PUBLICATIONS

The War—A Study of the Purposes of God in Permitting it. By Gross Alexander, D. D., Editor of the Methodist Review, Smith & Lamar, Nashville, Tenn.; Dallas, Texas; Richmond, Va. Price 10 cents.

This is undoubtedly one of the most illuminating treatisies on the great War in Europe that has been published. We urge our readers who want light on the causes leading up to the war to order the pamphlet.

William McKendree, a Biographical Study, by Rev. E. E. Hoss, D. D., a Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. This is a nice book of 206 pages, bound in cloth and sells for $1.00. Smith & Lamar publishers.

Bishop Hoss had an interesting subject and although material was scarce, he has succeeded in giving us one of the most interesting life stories in all the Methodist Founder's Series. This book put in the hands of our boys will be worth its weight in gold. McKendree was, next to Asbury, perhaps the most important character in the history of early Methodism in America. We recommend this book especially to parents who want something that will interest and inspire their boys to a great life.

Remember that the Board of Publication can furnish any book at publisher's price.

THE MORAL INFLUENCE OF AMERICA

The Annual Report of the General Secretary of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America calls attention to the deep impression, all over the world, of the President's appointment of the Day of Prayer for Peace and says it has undoubtedly done much to prepare the way for reconciliation. The Council's Berlin correspondent reports that the Federal Council's letter to the President was translated and submitted to the most important heads and authorities of the Protestant and Roman churches in Germany and Austria and that it was printed in the church papers of those nations. One of the Paris daily papers printed a long editorial commending the action and the spirit of the letter and recommended that the President of the French Republic also appoint a Day of Prayer. A Chinese daily paper remarked that a Day of Prayer be observed by the people of China and urged that the President of the Republic, chiefs of ministries and boards, and all Governors join in prayer to God.

EDITORIAL BRIEFS

The club or lodge makes a very pleasant evening for the husband, but it makes a dreary place at home for the wife and children. After all, the home is the best place to spend the evenings, and going elsewhere should be the exception.

* * * *

He could not spare one dollar and fifty cents for his church paper, but he could pay two dollars per for a seat in the opera and carry a number of friends with him. A good many church members spend more for one evening of pleasure than they give to help support the cause of religion in a whole year. This is part of our answer to the question, "What is the matter with the church?"

* * * *

The dreary days of winter which have been so long with us are about to give place to the bright and joyous days of spring. There is compensation in everything. The fact that the winter days were so dark will make the spring days all the more joyous.

* * * *

"Godliness with contentment is great gain." This does not mean that one is to fold his hands and make no effort to improve his condition. Godliness implies industry and perseverance in right things, and has no provision for laziness or indolence in its program. But when we have done our best we are to be content with results. Covetousness is the father of discontent.

* * * *

We are wont to say that what we have is our own and we can do with it as we please. The Psalmist evidently did not understand it thus for he said, "the earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and they that dwell therein." If we belong to God what we possess must be his also, and we should not boast of our right to do as we please with it. "Honor the Lord with thy substance" is the rule by which we are to determine how to appropriate what we possess.

* * * *

Trees begin to die at the top. So do men. As the topmost branches of the tree die and fall away to the ground, so do the more conspicuous virtues and graces of the individual disappear under the process of decay and death. One may maintain a formal and merely nominal religious life long after he has ceased to pray and meditate upon spiritual truth.

* * * *

A hard bargain may sometimes prove hardest to the one who thereby has planned to get the advantage of his fellowman. It is always best to regard the advice of St. Paul and provide things honest in the sight of all men.

* * * *

Pray for the pastor and you will find his preaching far more helpful to you and more effectual in bringing sinners to repentance. In fact, much of the barrenness of our church work is to be attributed to the prayerlessness of those who claim to be the Lord's people.

NOTE AND COMMENT

The Spanish Minister was expelled from Mexico last week by order of General Carranza, and this has precipitated a new sensation. It seems that the Spanish Minister had rendered himself odious to Carranza and took his departure for Vera Cruz where the American Battleship Delaware was ordered to take him on board for protection. Spain is now said to be appealing to the powers to co-operate in an effort to put an end to anarchy in Mexico.

* * * *

Increasing the Price of Bread because of the constantly advancing price of wheat is a serious matter for the great mass of men, women and children of the cities who depend upon the daily wage. This is inevitable, however, and the retail dealers are compelled either to advance the price of the loaf or else have the baker reduce the size. Under the circumstances it would seem that the people would use more corn bread, as corn bread is both nutritious and healthful.

* * * *

Two More States have recently taken their places in the dry column. Alabama, by a special act of the legislature, has closed up the saloons, overriding the Governor's veto, and Arkansas by a similar act followed last week. In Arkansas the Governor gave the bill his immediate approval. Thus it seems that the whole South is soon to be in the dry area and it is well enough that such is the case. Let the good work go on till the whole jug trade is shut out and women and children will no more be afraid of negro brutes inflamed by liquor.

* * * *

The Administration Ship Purchase Bill was practically defeated in the Senate last week by a Republican filibuster which had been kept up for a week or more. The filibuster ended in the desertion of a number of Democrats, and a general breaking up of party alliance. Mr. Wilson has rejected all compromise measures and is endeavoring to line up his party in the support of a bill in a modified form. The idea seems to prevail now that an extra session of Congress will be necessary. There seems to be great diversity of sentiment as to the wisdom of Mr. Wilson's ship purchase plan, but he holds on to it with the tenacity of one under great conviction, and he has the habit of winning men to his views.

* * * *

Another Great Battle developed in East Prussia last week where the Russians had for some days assumed the offensive and were threatening to envelop the German left wing. It seems that General Von Hindenburg had quickly transferred 200,000 fresh men to that point and came upon the Russians with unexpected force, so that the army of the Czar was compelled to withdraw. It is reported from Berlin that the Germans took 20,000 prisoners and many guns. In the meantime desperate fighting continues in the Carpathians and the Russians seem to be gaining some advantage, though progress is slow.

* * * *

A Respectful Note of Warning was addressed by our State Department to Great Britain and to Germany last week on account of grave concern for the safety of American ships and American passengers on the vessels of belligerent nations should Germany carry out her plan of warfare upon ships of commerce in the war area. Great Britain is warned against the common use of the American flag over her ships, while Germany is warned against the policy of attacking vessels without first going aboard and determining beyond doubt that the vessel is that of an enemy. These notes have created intense interest and it is pointed out that a most delicate situation may spring up at any time because of the disregard of this warning by either power. The notes while couched in respectful and friendly terms were firm and unequivocal in language and we sincerely hope and pray that they may prevent rather than furnish the occasion for this country to become involved in the international imbroglio.

The Present Legislature has done nothing upon the whole to discourage the movement for equal suffrage. While the bill which was intended to provide for this was reported unfavorably by the committee, it is nevertheless true that a bill was passed granting to women who are property holders the right of petition, also one allowing women to serve as notaries. The prospect is very bright for the cause and we really believe our sisters would make more rapid progress if they did not prejudice their cause by bringing agitators from the North to plead their cause. There is no need to go outside of the state to find women amply able to plead the cause and they can do so without stirring that feeling of resentment which unfortunately asserts itself even yet among many of our people. The editor of the Statesville Landmark says:

"The ladies who want the ballot certainly have no reason to complain of their progress in North Carolina. If the 'cause' advances as rapidly within the next four years as it has in the past four, they will be at the ballot box about 1920. The 1911 legislature authorized the appointment of women to school committees. The present legislature has authorized their appointment as notaries public and given them the privilege, when they own real estate, of being counted along with men in petitions for special tax elections, and their signature in such cases will count as much as man's in the matter of ordering the election. Then, seeing the surprising strength the suffrage proposition developed in the House, the sisters can, as did the Apostle to the Gentiles when he came in sight of the Three Taverns, thank God and take courage."

* * * *

The Pastor Labored Diligently with the family to induce them to subscribe for the church paper. There were, besides the father and mother, two daughters in their teens, and he could not understand their reticence about the matter. They seemed to love the church and were always among the faithful ones, who, through cold, heat, rain or sunshine, always came to the service.

Finally the good mother yielded to the pastor's persuasion and gave her name as a subscriber. After two weeks a call came over the phone, "Please have the Advocate paper stopped. My husband says we don't need it."

Then the pastor was still more perplexed and the editor wondered what objection had been found in either of the two issues sent out. The explanation came when, after some inquiry, it was found that neither the husband nor wife could read. As we so often hear it expressed, neither one "knew a letter in the book." A little further investigation revealed the fact that the education of the daughters had not been such as to create a taste for such reading as is usually found in the church paper. In fact, they had no fondness for reading and could not relieve the tedium of life for the parents by reading to them.

So here is a case in point which reveals, in all its vividness, a situation with which every pastor has to deal. It perhaps shows, moreover, how those of us who make papers for our people to read, miss the mark in the bill of fare presented from week to week. It is doubtful, however, whether anything apart from the purely sensational, or something appealing to the sensuous instincts of our nature, would command the attention of those whose training has never been directed toward a life of high purpose. The blight of illiteracy has fallen with paralyzing effect upon thousands of our young people. Even the school advantages enjoyed by this generation cannot wholly save the young people from this blight. It will take patient and persevering effort to bring the people out of the darkness of illiteracy into the light of intelligence.

* * * *

"Billy Sunday's Methods are both sane and Scriptural," says Rev. James Cannon, D. D., editor of the Richmond Christian Advocate, after having had the opportunity of hearing him. Doctor Cannon further says:

"He relies chiefly upon the Bible and prayer. He considers preaching to be 'rightly dividing the word of truth.' Like Mr. Moody, he preaches the Word. He is dogmatic, openly, almost fiercely dogmatic. He indulges in no speculations; he knows no compromise. 'Jesus Christ bore our sins in his own body on the tree.' We are saved by faith and not by character. Personal responsibility, heaven and hell, are vital facts. Absolute loyalty to Christ as divine Master and Lord is demanded on pain of rejection by him before the assembled universe.

" 'The word of truth' means to him the old fundamental orthodox doctrines which have always gripped the hearts of men, and which have always been preached in any great outpouring of the Spirit and revival of religion. The Christian religion is thoroughly uncompromising, and the Master himself with all his mercy and love never made any compromise as to the truth. The man who accepts him as Saviour and Master has eternal life and the man who rejects him has eternal death. Thank God, the preaching of Billy Sunday demonstrates afresh that what the people need and what they really hunger after is the 'word of truth.'

"Other objections lie against the personal characteristics of the man. Here I am obliged to refer the critics to God for answer. I am not an apologist for some of the gestures Billy Sunday makes, nor for the attitudes he strikes, nor for some of the expressions he uses. 'To his own Master he standeth or falleth.' I know that God has made use of men and of methods which I shall never understand. But I have been obliged to accept them and to rejoice in the results of the labors.

"The blowing of rams' horns about Jericho was not scientific, but the walls fell. The exploits of Samson are a tangled web which it is hard to untangle, but he stands in the eleventh of Hebrews as one of the heroes of faith. Gideon with his lamps, pitchers and trumpets is utterly inadequate as an explanation of results. What figure is more spectacular than that of John the Baptist, with his camel's hair coat and his locusts and wild honey denouncing men as thieves, liars, hypocrites and serpents? The people cried that he had a devil, but the Divine judgment declared that no greater man had been born of woman. What reception would John the Baptist receive today if he should step out on the banks of the James River with only a camel's hair robe and a leathern girdle, and if he should denounce men today as he did then? Doubtless some Herod or Herodias in high society would seek to muzzle his lips and denounce him as possessed of a devil.

"With Samson and Hosea and John the Baptist before me, I do not propose to reject the work of Billy Sunday because I would not use some language he uses or make some gestures he makes. God seems to be using him to accomplish a great work, just as he used Samson. 'By their fruits ye shall know them.' Test Billy Sunday by the fruits and not by our pre-conceived opinions of what God will and will not do."

THE AMBASSADORS OF THE CHURCHES IN JAPAN

Prof. Shailer Mathews, President of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, and his companion, Rev. Sidney L. Gulick, Associate Secretary of the Federal Council, now in Japan as ambassadors of the American churches to the churches and people of Japan, are receiving a hearty welcome. They were met by a large delegation at Yokohama and escorted to Tokio where they appeared before a large gathering of the Federated Churches of Japan.

In addition to the letter of greeting from the Federal Council, they also bore letters from President Wilson and Secretary of State Bryan, all of which have been printed in full in the leading Japanese papers with editorial comment stating that while the mission is one of distinctively spiritual significance it also means much in the interest of international good-will.

They have already been received by Count Okuma and other leading officials.

Send your renewal direct to the Advocate office. Your label shows when your subscription expired.

CONTRIBUTIONS

BY THE WAY

Rev. F. L. Townsend

Today I was doing pastoral visiting five miles from the center of Greensboro. In the afternoon I was accompanied by a friend, and we went on foot through the fields and woods for a mile to visit a widow and her children. As we walked along through the forest we came upon a distinct line of depression in the earth; yet covered with a coat of fallen leaves and pine straw, and overgrown with brush, saplings and small trees. My friend remarked: "This used to be a road leading to a distillery a little further up the branch." What a change has come to pass, I thought. Long time ago cruel men drove reluctant teams with wagons loaded down with fruit or grain through mud and slush to the place of distillation. What yelling and shameless blasphemies these somber pines and sturdy oaks must have witnessed in their younger life! How the barking squirrel and timorous hare and musical bird must have fled in wild panic before the face of man insane from the poison of his own manufacture!

But how different now! Everything is so quiet, so suggestive of safety and rest. The oak and the pine seem to say to us: "Stop and rest and worship amid the sacred benedictions that drop to earth from our overspreading branches." The squirrel chatters saucily from yonder moss-covered old hickory tree. The robin sings her sweetest roundelay from the budding maple. A fine covey of partridges whir and curve and sail and drop in the distant meadow. Now we come to the open field, and now to the highway leading to the great city. Here is the modern macadam, where, instead of dejected teams dragging their loads doggedly through mud and grime, we see well-groomed horses jogging merrily on with loads of produce to an expectant market. The hoarse whistle of the mill invites the farmer with the resources from field and forest. The bell of the modern graded school invites the boy and girl to a coveted education. The great colleges invite to a finished course of learning—as good as the best. Church bells peal out from tall steeples of splendid temples inviting young and old alike to worship the King Imperial, who has brought to us so great a change. May we not exclaim, "What hath God wrought?" And all through human instrumentality.

Who will dare to say the former times were better than the present times? Many of us remember those good(?) old times, when liquor was sold in all our towns and villages, and even at all the public cross-roads. And how the money that should have been spent for clothing for the little children was spent for strong drink, and brought the farmer back to frighten his faithful wife and precious children with his drunken blasphemies?

Who would be willing for a moment to consider reverting to those horrible days with their horrible experiences? May we never "look back to the flesh pots of Egypt," but may our watchword ever be progress, and may we march steadily onward from victory to victory, till every road leading to the old-time distillery shall be up-grown with trees, and the sweet silence of rest shall reign as queen of the woodland.

A LETTER

B——, Texas, Jan. 7, 1915.

Dr. W. F. McMurry,
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Brother and Friend:—

Your November remittance and Christmas greetings were forwarded to me from D—— to this place. I have been wanting for some time to tell you what a great blessing my annuity bond has been to me in these last few months.

My niece, ——— ———, contracted a severe cold last April, which grew worse as the weather grew hot. When in August my physician told me she had tuberculosis and must be removed to a healthier locality or she would not live through the coming spring, I was greatly distressed; had little more than money enough to bring us here and supply our needs until November.

Being confident that you would send my money then, we got ready and came here the 18th of September. It would have been impossible for me to do this had my dependence for means to come been on that little farm. That which I thought would some day be a help and blessing to the church has been of untold value to me. Words cannot express my gratitude for this means to try to save the life of my loved niece. Neither can I express my gratitude that the Church Extension Board ever formulated the plan of "Annuity Loan Funds," and to you for arranging everything for me. Your promptness in payments, and the little remembrance cards are very much appreciated also.

You will be glad, I know, to hear that the physician who attends her here gives me hope of ——— recovery. I do not think of leaving her before the last of April or first of May, when, if she has regained her health sufficiently for me to leave her, I will return home for awhile.

I want to ask a favor of you. If you can arrange to pay me a quarterly payment this time in February it will very much oblige me. I am afraid I will not have money enough to run me until May without a quarterly payment. My expenses beside the doctor are very much greater than at home. The doctor insists on her having everything nourishing she can possibly eat, and we find some things high priced, eggs especially, and that is the principal requirement, raw eggs. But I am making this letter too long. Yet I must tell you, people have been kind to us and the Lord has been and is still with us. "A very present help in time of trouble."

Dr. McMurry, if you can arrange a quarterly payment in February, please let me know as soon as you can, so that I may know what I can do, and please reserve the tenth and place it where you see it is most needed.

May our God continue to guide and bless you in this great work is the prayer of your sincere friend,

Mrs. M—. A—. M———.

For information concerning Church Extension Loan Funds, Memorial and otherwise, address W. F. McMurry, Corresponding Secretary, 1025 Brook Street, Louisville, Ky.

ON THE SUNNY SIDE

Rev. C. F. Sherrill

"I see my jewels again," said Princess Eugenie, "and how much more beautiful now!" She had sold her jewels to build a hospital on the island for the poor women. This vision of her jewels in richer luster came to her as she sat by the cot of a dying woman, who said to her, "O, Princess, had you never come I would not have known of Jesus, and He now fills my soul with joy!" And the elect lady thought not of the jewels gone, but of the far richer jewel of a ransomed soul. "It will be two heavens to me," said Rutherford, "to find one there I helped on the way."

* * * *

One of the choice stories of literature is The Legend Beautiful. Fidelity to facts is the charm of the poet's dream. Tennyson saw that the larger vision always comes in unselfish service. Christ came to minister to the lowly, leaving the glory of God for the form of man, and they are most like Him who are most in service. The Blessed Vision said to the monk who left the light and glory of the temple to feed the poor at the gate, "Hadst thou stayed, I must have fled."

"Not as crucified and slain,
Not in agonies of pain,
Not with bleeding hands and feet
Did the monk his Master see;
But as in the village street,
In the house or harvest field,
Halt and lame and blind He heald;
He walked in Galilee."

* * * *

The resurrection of Christ is the best attested fact in history. Christianity rose to life when Christ rose from the grave. Ha Christ never risen, Christianity would hav been no better than last year's almanac. Wit the dawn of the first Easter morn a new lif came to the world. A beautiful spiritua springtime came to the land. All this faith an life and love were not built on a sealed grav There is no way to account for the first and a succeeding centuries, except by the rise Christ. The evidence of the resurrection, of divine Lord in the affairs of men, is beyond a the acts of logic or rhetoric to disprove.

* * * *

One of the wonders of sculpture is Angel "Statue of David." In the Florentine art ga lery the stream of visitors from over the worl stand before it in reverent awe. It is the pe fection of art; a poem in stone. An inferi artist, making a failure, threw the stone awa as worthless. The genius and vision of Micha Angelo transformed that discarded stone to faultless piece of art. The Great Sculpter ha a finer touch. He has a larger vision. H sees more than an angel in the stone. In a of the fallen ones there are "remnants of th Divine"—possibilities of a nobler manhood. I to dead souls the Living Artist can breathe heavenly life. What a difference betwen th David in the Stone and the David in th Psalms! Under the divine touch Saul becom Paul.

* * * *

"The sweetest lives are those to duty wed,
whose deeds both great and small,
Are close-knit strands of unbroken thread,
Where love ennobles all.
The world may sound no trumphet, ring n
bells,
The Book of Life the shining record tell
A child's kiss set upon thy lips will make th
glad,
A poor man served will make thee rich,
A sick man helped will make thee rich.
Thou shalt serve thyself with every sense
Of service thou renderest others."

WOULD YOU STOP THE WAR?

General February, that grimmest of strat gists, is now in full command of the Europea battle fronts. The imagination, already bu dened by the horrors of war by land and se by corpse-strewn fields and blood-soake trenches, must picture the sordid miseries a winter campaign—the pitiless exposure, th keener sufferings of the wounded, the unspea able wretchedness of the millions of non-com batants who are prisoners of despair in th zones of conflict.

No one with a spark of humanity in his hea can contemplate the struggle without bitt sorrow and a passionate desire that it could halted. If you had the power—you who rea this—would you stop the war today? We thin you would. We think we should ourselves.

This war has brought untold misery to mi lions, and privation even to tens of thousan of our countrymen. The world is sick with th calculated horror of it all. As men visuali the dreadful details of the picture—the screar ing shells, the mangled bodies, the splittin asunder of laden ships, the rain of explosiv from the clouds, the gaunt skeletons of ruine cities, the tears of women, the faces of chi dren pinched with want and fear—the very souls must cry out for an end to it.

And yet—what then? Let us look a little this vision of peace.

The war, let us say, is to be stopped tonigh A silence falls along the vast battle lin League after league, in the trampled, bloo stained snow, the weary troops rest on the arms.

The huge fleets disperse; the submarines gli away through the waters, to hunt their pre no more; the winged warcraft circle to th earth and are at rest; the great siege guns sti lift their muzzles to the sky, but the black li are cold and dumb. And the glad message peace rings like an anthem round the globe.

This is the end of the fighting. But wh is it that we have done?

Belgium lies prostrate and bleeding und the heel of the invader. Her people, robbe of their nationality, their liberty and the homes, are suffering cold and hunger and th

cruel bitterness of aggression. A wide territory in France has been laid waste, its cities are leveled, its fields and vineyards stripped, its inhabitants scattered abroad or held as helpless hostages. Poland and East Prussia are overrun by foreign troops.

If you decree an end of the war tonight, is Belgium to be sacrificed? Is all her devotion to be in vain? For the sake of a convenient peace, is her heroic sacrifice to win for her only the crushing burden of legalized conquest and enforced slavery to a triumphant imperialism? Is France to have another Alsace-Lorraine torn from her side? Is Holland to be laid under the menacing shadow of absorption by the victorious empire?

But, you say, one would not suggest stopping the war upon any such outrageous terms. Possessing the power, one would impose, of course, conditions of a just and honorable peace.

It would be necessary that Belgium be restored to her people, and that they be indemnified so far as money could restore the hideous ravages of war. France must be freed of the invader and her material losses repaid. Justice must be done to Alsace-Lorraine and to Poland. There must be no looting of territory, whether in East Prussia or Austra-Hungary or the Balkan States.

Let us imagine, then, that you could impose such a peace today—it is really inconceivable while Germany has her armies, but let us conceide that it were miraculously possible—would you do it? If you did, you would perform the greatest imaginable disservice to Europe, to the cause of peace and humanity.

A million men have died, whole provinces have been visited with destruction, nearly twenty billions of wealth have been consumed, the normal activities of the whole world have been checked and disrupted and must remain in uncertainty for many months to come. And all these terrific losses, when once it was discerned that they were inevitable, have been endured as a price to be paid. Now, it is to be imagined, at a wave of your wand, you halt the slaughter and devastation and—except for the ruined lands, the towering debts and the unnumbered graves—conditions are restored as they were last July.

Not a single question has been settled, not a single principle established or vindicated. Austria's demand upon Servia remains unsatisfied. Balkan ambitions or nationality are denied; Balkan intrigue still invites conflict. Franco-German distrust has not been quenched, but inflamed. British domination of the seas has been in nowise reduced. Germany's fanatical faith in her world-shadowing destiny still fires her exultant soul.

Nevertheless, you urge, militarism has been checked in its designs; the conscience of the world has said, "Thus far and no farther!"

True, militarism has been checked, but for how long? Our decree of peace leaves it still dominant in Germany, more worshiped than ever for having withstood a world in arms. Autocracy is still higher exalted, the religion of valor still rules and pervets the faculties of a great people—the most determined and the most efficient on earth.

And elsewhere, how much tranquility? Are we to imagine the hosts of Russia, aflame with patriotic and religious ardor, peacefully retiring to contemplate the graves of their dead and the barred gates that shut her from the sea? Do you conceive the blessings of unthreatened security enwrapping Belgium, whose wounds a generation of peace will not stanch?

And do you envy France, war worn and impoverished of her best blood, starting once more upon the weary hill she climbed from 1870 to 1914, staggering under a collosal burden of debt, stung by the memory of futile sacrifice, ever conscious of the dark shadow of militarism across her stony path? Or England, facing for unknown years the menace of another visitation such as for the first time in her history has struck real terror to her soul?

Peace! But where? Peace on scraps of paper, peace in the masked faces of intriguing statesmen, peace in the hollow formalities of diplomatic ceremony. But in the hearts of men, in the souls of nations, bitterness, hostility, jealousies, fear, hatred and the potentiality of unending conflict.

For, mark this: You stop the war today, and you stop it when every nation involved is perfectly assured that it is on the march to victory. Austria has been beaten, but not conquered. The Russians boast that they have just begun to fight. France has proved her valor against an ancient foe, and her soil will be rich for years with the blood of invaders.

The British have shown such intrepidity and tenacity as the legions of Marlborough and Wellington, the sailors of Drake and Nelson, never exceeded. The Germans today are as confident of triumph as when their hosts were thundering toward the gates of Paris. Stop the war now and you stop it with all the people exalted with the belief that they are invincible and need only another opportunity to prove it.

This and the leaving of the causes of the war untouched could have but one effect. The struggle for supremacy in armaments would begin anew, and would be prosecuted with feverish energy. Arsenals, shipyards and arms factories would work overtime, and every nation would prepare for the inevitable resumption of hostilities.

When we in this country yearn for an insistant peace we are thinking only of the frightful losses, the sufferings of soldiers and the crushing misery of the non-combatants; we lose sight of the fundamental factors in the conflict.

What is the real issue at stake? We readily recognize a conflict of races, rivalry of empires, territorial ambitions, a struggle for economic ascendency. But at bottom this is a war against war, against a great delusion.

Half the world has been plunged into strife because of its frantic efforts to avoid it, and must continue until the monstrous cult has been buried under mounds of bodies that will be an everlasting memorial and warning of human madness. If this terrible sacrifice does not finally destroy war from the earth, then humanity is entering the darkest period of its history and civilization is revealed as a hideous failure.

Let those who talk of interrupting the war at this point consider the spirit that drives the contesting nations and measure the possibilities of creating thereby an enduring peace.

To learn the mind of Germany we need not quote the familiar maxims of Von Bernhardi, though they have millions of devoted believers; we may accept the utterances of the statesmen, the scholars and the newspapers, which breathe a faith that sacrifice has only intensified.

Less than a week ago the kaiser declared, "We will stay on hostile territory until the enemy is vanquished or has collapsed." Maximilian Harden spoke for the German people when he said:

"We do not stand before the judgment seat of Europe. We acknowledge no such jurisdiction. Our might shall create a new law of nations. It is Germany that strikes."

Just as clearly Prof. Ernest Richard, of Columbia University, uttered the thought of his nation when he said a few weeks before he died:

"Germany cannot lose. She will never surrender a foot of land nor an army. Every German might be killed, and yet Germany will not be defeated. German defeat would be horrible. It is impossible, unthinkable. The march of civilization would be halted and its standards dragged in the mire of dark ages."

We need not quote English leaders; the world knows that that nation has set its bulldog grip upon the purpose to fight while it has the breath of life in it. But read the solemn declaration of the premier of France in the house of deputies:

"France will not sheathe the sword until she has taken vengeance for outraged right; until she has regained the provinces ravished from her by force; restored heroic Belgium to the fullness of her material life and political independence, and until militarism has been crushed. We are struggling to determine the fate of the world—against barbarity and despotism; against the system of provocations and methodical menaces which Germany called peace; against the insolent hegemony of a military caste."

Or turn to the words of Senator Baron de Constant, one of the foremost of the world's advocates of peace and a member of the tribunal of The Hague:

"Even the most pacific—those who in good faith have done their duty in trying to prevent the war—all today would refuse to conclude with Prussian militarism a peace which would be only a lying truce. The present war cannot end by a pretense of peace. It must end by the crushing of German domination, or it would only have to begin anew."

The judgment of thinking Americans has been expressed by the New York World:

"To restore Europe to the condition of an armed camp would not be peace. The nightmare of militarism would still hang over the nations, and every laborer in Europe—perhaps every laborer in America—would have a soldier on his back. When certain questions are submitted to the court of cannon they must be decided by the court of cannon. Either all Europe will come under the yoke of military despotism, or all Europe will be free."

Peace now would be a mockery. The sovereignty of force would be exalted. Militarism would emerge triumphant and bring under its iron sway the peoples of all nations. The sacrifice of a million lives would have been vain, and this war would be but the overture to a future struggle more bloody, more destructive and more cruel.

Until the brazen idol of militarism is overthrown and broken in pieces there will be no rest for the races of men. And that can be accomplished only by compulsion achieved through a decisive result. In no other way can an end be made of the barbaric era of armament, not only in Germany, but in England, in France and in all the countries of the war-sick world.

We cannot stop the war, and it is well that we cannot. We would not, for the sake of the civilization it has wrecked and the humanity it has crucified.—Philadelphia North American.

A Magnificent Opportunity

The People's Central Institute is the only Protestant Institutional Church in this great metropolis of a million souls. Notwithstanding the financial crisis through which the world in general, and Brazil in particular, are passing, we have been able to expand considerably the local financial support since the outbreak of the war. It was hard to have faith that the English firms and individuals, who contribute a large portion to the local financial support, would not, many of them, drop out, owing to the strain of the war on their purses and sympathies. But I have just completed the collections for the year, and not an English firm or individual dropped out of our ranks.—H. F. Bailey, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

More Churches Needed in China

The concensus of opinion at the Conference was the same old cry—the need of churches to house our people. May God move in a mighty way and persuade the people at home that it would be more pleasing to Him if they would divide up and put less in their home churches and give more for their heathen brother. I say this not because they are giving too much at home, but because the proportion is all wrong.—John C. Hawk, Changchow, China.

World Tragedies

1. Two hundred and seven million bound by cast—Hinduism.
2. One hundred and forty-seven million permeated with atheism—Buddhism.
3. Two hundred and fifty-six million chained to a dead past—Confucianism.
4. One hundred and seventy-five million under the spell of fatalism—Mohammedanism.

Never mind if some man of prominence and standing accuses the church of time serving and complicity with wrong. "The church is of God and will be preserved to the end of time." Some people in the church at times perhaps need rebuke, but those who essay to administer such rebuke should do it in the spirit of humility and love. Only a coarse spirit is capable of parading the infidelity of his mother before a gazing public.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM FIELD

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. D. H. Comann, general evangelist, assisted Rev. P. L. Terrell in revival services at Pleasant Garden last week.

—Dr. Charles E. Brewer, who has long been a member of the faculty of Wake Forest College, is expected to succeed Dr. Vann as president of Meredith College.

—Rev. E. O. Cole, pastor of our church at King's Mountain, has arranged for an evangelistic campaign beginning March 14th, which will be conducted by Rev. Dr. T. F. Marr.

—Rev. W. M. Biles, pastor of our church at Newton, is planning for revival services with his congregation to begin March 14th. He will be assisted by Rev. Z. E. Barnhardt, of Lenoir.

—The Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church announced last week from New York that it had arranged for pensioning its missionaries. It is said the minimum will be $600 annually.

—Rev. T. A. Groce requests us to acknowledge with thanks the following contributions to the Pisgah church fund: J. A. Nichols, $5.00; Patty's Chapel S. S., J. C. Sales, Supt., $2.00; H. E. Coffey, Supt. Pleasant Grove S. S., $1.00.

—Rev. M. A. Osborne, a student in Trinity College and formerly a very efficient supply pastor in this Conference, has been appointed pastor at Duke, N. C., to fill the vacancy caused by the removal of Rev. Frank Culbreth to Beaufort, N. C. After June Brother Osborne expects to remove his family to Duke.

—Mrs. Eliza Allen, perhaps the oldest person living in Caldwell county, died at the home of her son, Mr. Julius A. Allen, in Lenoir on Monday morning, February 8th, at the age of 97. The deceased was familiarly known as "Grandma Allen," and was known and loved by a large circle in the county for more than half a century.

—The Methodist Episcopal Church is making a great move for the better support of their superannuated preachers. A special from Chicago on the 11th inst., said:—A campaign for a fund of $11,000,000 to provide for retired ministers and for widows and orphans of ministers of the Methodist Episcopal Church of the United States has been decided on at the annual meeting of the Board of Conference Claimants of the Church here. There are 7,000 claimants in the United States.

—A special from Washington on the 11th says:—The National Forest Reservation Commission has approved purchase of 35,370 acres in addition to the 1,114,208 acres already approved for national forests in the Southern Appalachians and the White mountains of New England. The land consists of 10,533 acres in Virginia, and 12,867 acres in North Carolina, and 11,970 acres in New Hampshire. The total amount of money involved is $233,038.

—The Charlotte News on Thursday of last week had this interesting item:—Bishop John C. Kilgo, who spent Tuesday here planning for future occupancy of his handsome new home at Chatham Estates, left Tuesday night for Washington to attend a meeting of a committee which has charge of the erection of a $400,000 church in Washington. Doctor and Mrs. Kilgo will come here May 1 to reside permanently.

—Miss Annie Gwyn and Mr. Thos. B. Gilliam were united in marriage Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 27, 1915. The marriage ceremony was performed at "Idlewilde," the beautiful country home of the bride near Mount Airy, N. C., by her pastor, Rev. J. M. Folger. The bride is the daughter of the late R. L. Gwyn and the groom is a young business man of High Point, N. C. On their return from the bridal trip to Florida, Cuba and other points south, they will reside in High Point.

—A press dispatch from Seoul, Korea, dated February 13th, says that amnesty has been granted by Japanese authorities to Baron Yun Chi Ho, a former cabinet minister; Yan Ki Tak, formerly connected with the "Korean Daily News;" An Tai Kog, Im Chi Chong, Yi Sung Hun, and Ok Wan Pin, all of whom were sentenced in 1913 to six years imprisonment, being accused of attempting to assassinate Gen. Terauchi, Japanese Governor General of Korea. Our people will rejoice to learn that Baron Yun Chi Ho, our own T. H. Yun, whom many of us knew and loved, has been liberated and that he can now return to his work. No doubt God will yet fully vindicate his servant, and these years of cruel imprisonment will prove to have been among the most fruitful of his life.

—Mr. J. A. Yokley, one of the most prominent and highly esteemed citizens of Mt. Airy, and for many years a steward in Central church, committed suicide on Friday morning at his home in that place. Brother Yokley had a break-down physically some years ago and suffered a mental or nervous collapse. He spent several years in private sanitariums and finally came home apparently restored, and resumed active business and seemed to enjoy good health until a short while ago, when his old trouble began to return, and arrangements were being made to carry him away for treatment again. He was a man above reproach in every way, and was greatly loved by all who knew him. The news of his tragic death will bring sorrow to many hearts. The Advocate joins in expressions of sympathy to the stricken family, consisting of wife, three daughters and three sons. The funeral was conducted from Central church on Saturday, Rev. W. H. Willis, the pastor, officiating.

—Our people in the historic town of Louisburg are rejoicing in the completion of extensive improvements on their church. On Monday night of last week they held a Jubilee Banquet, under the auspices of the Woman's Missionary and Young Woman's Missionary Societies. The press correspondent, giving an account of the occasion, says:—"From time immemorial, Louisburg has furnished a fertile soil for the teachings of that noted religious propagandist. This city enjoys the distinction of being the meeeting place of the first General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in America on April 4, 1785, which was composed of 18 ministers who came from remote sections of the country on horseback. The town was yet in its swaddling clothes at that time, but it was deemed of sufficient importance from the Methodist viewpoint to become the scene of one of the most significant events in their glorious history in this country. "Green Hill," just outside the present city limits, is the name given to the historic residence in which the sessions of the Conference were held, and is still in a good state of preservation, and is occupied by M. Stuart Davis, a descendant of the original owner, Green Hill. The property has remained in the possession of his family through all the years. In the family burying-ground near the house rest the bones of Edwin Fuller, one of North Carolina's most brilliant poets, who was also a descendant of Green Hill. The North Carolina Conference has in this city also one of their finest fitting schools for young women, Louisburg College, which a few years ago came under its control. The Methodist Church here has been served by a long line of able ministers."

Spruce Pine—Rev. W. L. Dawson, Conference Evangelist, writes under date of February 15th, as follows:

Just closed a good meeting of two weeks' duration at Spruce Pine. Brothers Morris, the pastor, and Gay, the presiding elder, had been preaching here for over a week when I came, and they had been preaching some telling gospel too. There were about forty-five professions and twenty-five accessions to our church, except those who will join other churches. The church is greatly revived. Brother Morris is in fine favor with his people here. We go from here to Bakersville to begin a meeting Wednesday night, the 17th.

Rock Springs Circuit—A very fine meeting in Denver on Rock Springs circuit. Ninety professions and reclamations. Four men above 60 years old were converted, and 28 have joined our church with a few others to follow. Prof. Newsom conducted the singing

Sincerely, Jim Green.

Revival at Bald Creek—Rev. W. L. Dawson, Conference Evangelist, writes, under date of Feb. 11th:

We have had a great meeting at Bald Creek. About fifty-six professions, eighteen additions to our church, with others to join, and several joined the Baptist church. The meeting started off well the first day and the Lord was manifestly with us in every service. Many old troubles were settled and we left the people loving each other. Brother J. A. Fry, the pastor, is in great favor with his people, and he has a great people to serve.

Marion Circuit—On Saturday evening, Feb. 6, 1915, the good people of the Cotton Mill gave expression of their loyalty to the parsonage when they came in on the good wife in my absence with a pounding that we will not forget soon. They brought the substantials and not a few of these people don't do things by halves. There is no better people to be found anywhere. We moved in the new parsonage on Monday, Feb. 8, 1915, and on Tuesday afternoon the good ladies around came in and each one of them left something that is useful in a Methodist pantry. We are delighted to live among such good people. May the good Lord help me to be a faithful leader among them. The weather has been so unfavorable we have not been out among our people much, but are hoping for better weather now.

J. M. Ridenhour, P. C.

Call for Catalogues

If any readers of the Advocate have catalogues of Trinity College for years 1860 to 1867, 1871-72, 1872-73, 1881-82, 1891-92, they will confer a great favor if they will notify me.

Robt. L. Flowers,
Trinity College, Durham, N. C.

Executive Committee Meeting

The Executive Committee of the Board of Church Extension of the Western North Carolina Conference is hereby called to meet in Lexington, N. C., March 9, 1915. All persons interested in this meeting will keep in mind the place and date. The committee will meet at 11 o'clock, but those having business with the committee will be heard in the afternoon, if they fail to reach Lexington before noon.

Walter Thompson,
Chairman.

Pray For Your Presiding Elder

Presiding elders can be a great blessing to pastors. The unselfish, consecrated spirit of my first presiding elder, John Tillett, in 1856, has been a blessing to me till this day. When the bishop gives you a new presiding elder, you should pray for him every day. When you have prayed for him three hundred and sixty-five days you will hardly know how to stop praying for him. Nearly all of my presiding elders have gone on to heaven. Only five are now on my prayer list—Hurley, Bundy, Bradshaw, Moore and Gibbs. I expect to pray for them till I die. I trust they and the readers of these lines will pray for me during the few days that I may live.

A. D. Betts.
Greensboro, N. C.

Important Information Wanted

The Executive Committee of the Trinity College Alumni Association is at work on a complete register of all old students of the college. When the work is completed, it is the plan to publish a directory which will give in a concise form information about each old student. In order that there may be a uniformity, blanks have been sent to all whose addresses were known to the committee. Hundreds of the blanks properly filled out have been returned. The committee urges all who have received blanks to return them at once.

Any old student who has not received a blank is requested to send for one.

On account of a change of address, the committee has been unable to reach several old students, and the co-operation of all friends of the college is solicited in locating all whose names are entitled to a place in the directory. The committee wishes to thank the large number of people who have aided in this work.

R. L. Flowers,

Chairman Executive Committee Trinity College Alumni Association.

Revival at Trinity College

Beginning Sunday, January 31, and ending Sunday night, February 7, Dr. E. K. McLarty, pastor of Tryon Street church, in Charlotte, conducted a most gracious revival of religion at Trinity College. Services were held morning and evening, all college work being suspended from twelve to one o'clock. The meeting was far-reaching in its influences. It affected scores and scores of men.

It is a custom of long standing to have a revival meeting just after the mid-year examinations. It is doubtful if any meeting ever held at the college has had more far-reaching effects than the one closed last week.

Dr. McLarty is a graduate of Trinity, in the class of 1895, notable for the number and later career of the men in it who have gone into the ministry. Among Dr. McLarty's classmates were Dr. Plato Durham, Dean of the Theological Department of Emory University; Dr. Thomas A. Smoot, pastor of Centenary church, Richmond; Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe, pastor of Wesley Memorial church, High Point; Dr. Charles C. Weaver, president of Emory and Henry College; Rev. Benjamin H. Black, Rose Hill; Rev. E. W. Fox, Weaverville, and Rev. Robert S. Howie, Charlotte.

Rev. Walter Holcomb in Spartanburg

The Spartanburg Herald, referring to the work of Rev. Walter Holcomb, in that city, says:

"This week will bring to a close a revival meeting that has been in progress in the city for five weeks, and under the influence of which many men and many women of the city have been made better men and better women, prepared to face the problems of life with a clearer vision and a better understanding of the meaning of life and its deeper great reasons for being. No city can have too much religion. It makes better citizens, cleaner citizens, more sympathetic and thoughtful neighbors, gentler in their ways and more kindly in their thoughts. The real thing in the way of religion cannot be hid. Men see it and know it and glorify the power that is reflected in the life that is lived with devotion to the great and saving ideal.

Spartanburg needed just such a purifying as it has had. It could stand much more, and yet not be clean, but for the things that have been accomplished there should be, as there is, rejoicing.

Through his ministry Mr. Holcomb has endeared himself to many in Spartanburg. His meeting has not only reached those out of the churches, but he has brought the denominations of the city closer together in the great and only work of the church, that of saving souls, reaching the individual."

Missionary Notes From Field Secretary

Feb. 9, Mount Holly, N. R. Richardson, P. C.—$40.00 four-year subscription Conference Mission Special.

Feb. 10-11, Shelby Station, W. E. Abernethy, P. C.—$1,235.00 cash and four-year subscriptions to Conference Mission Special. Mrs. John D. Lineberger subscribed $1,000.00 of the above, payable in four equal annual payments as a memorial to her husband, whose death less than three years ago took from the Conference one of the best known and best loved laymen we had. For sixteen years he was the faithful and efficient president of the Conference Board of Church Extension. It is eminently fitting that Sister Lineberger should have seen fit to direct a portion of her means toward better support of the men who preach in the churches her husband helped to build. This is the largest single gift yet made toward the Conference Mission Emergency Fund ordered by the last Conference. Others will, no doubt, with the suggestion of the splendid generosity of this great, good woman, be led to like deeds of heroism at a time that tests the faith of the preachers, their wives and children in the parsonage. The beautiful acquiescence of the children of Brother Lineberger, who will not withhold their part in sacredly memorializing their good father's name, surrounded the gift with a blessed atmosphere.

The action of the Conference Board of Missions endorsed in joint session by the Bishop's cabinet fixing minimum salaries for our preachers will be supported by the entire Conference. Not one dollar of this emergency fund should be appropriated except in co-operation with an intelligent, earnest move on the part of the charge aided to at least reach the minimum standard. This fund will be used, as all our mission funds are, as aids to self support. Probably in its actual use, after the present year's emergencies already voted have been **met** it will be conditionally appropriated. Sister Lineberger will send her check to Brother Courtney annually on March 6th, the anniversary of Brother Lineberger's death.

* * * *

Feb. 12, Lincolnton, Z. Paris, P. C.—$54.00 Foreign Mission Special pledge by Brother M. W. Shook to make possible a $300.00 Foreign Special for Lincolnton. He will pay $72.00 on a $400.00 special. Thank God for minute men and women.

* * * *

Better salaries for our preachers means more money for the orphans at the Children's Home, and better provision for disabled preachers' widows and orphans of deceased preachers. In fact, the pastor's salary guages all the benevolences.

* * * *

Feb. 13-14, Hickory Station, A. L. Stanford, P. C. $520.00 cash and one-year and four-year subscriptions Conference Mission Special. W. H. Nicholson subscribed $25.00 annually for four years. J. M. Allred and A. S. Abernethy each $25.00 this year. Brother Allred's will be credited to Granite Falls. Three subscribed each $10.00 annually for four years. Many other smaller subscribers but equally liberal ones made up the above amount which, with Children's Home obligations previously assumed, make a creditable showing for Hickory.

I preached Sunday night for Brother Biles at Newton. This church has its foreign missionary in Korea. Industrial conditions impelled Brother Biles at beginning of year to non-concur in a movement to increase his salary $100.00. The feeling Sunday night was so pronounced for an increase that $78.00 was quickly pledged, Brother Warlick leading off with $25.00, another the same amount. The night was rainy and others to hear from will help make the salary $1200.00 or more. And so Newton comes to the front. Brother Biles will be aided in a meeting in March by Brother Z. E. Barnhardt of Lenoir, they having arranged to help each other.

Dr. Byrd will aid Brother Stanford at Hickory in April. The revival fires throughout the Conference make interesting reading.

This letter shows the feeling of a wellwisher for success of the Emergency Fund campaign:

Feeling of a Wellwisher

Advance, N. C., Feb. 15, 1915.

Rev. Frank Siler,

Greensboro, N. C.

Dear Dr. Siler:

Enclosed please find my check on Bank of Davie for $65.00. $15.00 of this amount is to go to the credit of my sister, Mrs. W. A. Bailey. I trust you will receive it in due time and will be placed at a place I trust will be appreciated by the preacher that receives it, and will do good in upbuilding our Lord Jesus Christ's kingdom.

Yours sincerely,

C. G. Bailey.

CAMPAIGN FOR NEW SUBSCRIBERS

Report to Feb. 15th, 1915

Asheville District

Brevard Ct., C. M. Carpenter	2
Hendersonville Sta., W. F. Womble	4
Swannanoa, J. F. Starnes	11
Sulphur Springs, T. A. Groce	9
Spring Creek, J. R. Warren	2
Bethel, J. C. Harmon	6
Mills River, R. F. Honeycutt	2
Weaverville Sta., E. W. Fox	1
Total	37

Charlotte District

Thrift, B. F. Fincher	½
Matthews, M. H. Vestal	1
Marshville, J. W. Williams	1
Total	2½

Greensboro District

So. Main St., High Point, H. C. Byrum	12
Randolph Ct., E. N. Crowder	2½
Reidsville, W. A. Lambeth	3
Ramseur & F., T. J. Rogers	7
Total	24½

Morganton District

McDowell Ct., M. W. Mann	6
Broad River, H. H. Mitchell	1
Bald Creek, Joseph Fry	1
Marion Ct., J. M. Ridenhour	3
Marion Sta., L. D. Thompson	1
Henrietta & Car., M. B. Clegg	20
Micaville, R. F. Mock	1
Total	33

Mount Airy District

Dobson Ct., J. G. W. Holloway	1
Walnut Cove, E. J. Poe	2
Pilot Mountain, R. L. Doggett	2
Central, Mt. Airy, W. H. Willis	3
Summerfield, T. B. Johnson	4
Total	12

North Wilkesboro District

Avery Ct., John H. Green	4
Jefferson, E. P. Stabler	3
Creston, J. I. Hickman	3
Total	10

Statesville District

West Hickory, E. O. Smithdeal	3
So. Lenoir & Valmead, R. F. Wellons	7
Catawba, A. G. Loftin	6
Mt. Zion, T. J. Ogburn	2
Lenoir Ct., T. S. Coble	2
Mooresville Sta., C. S. Kirkpatrick	7½
Alexander, R. E. Hunt	4½
Total	32

Shelby District

Mount Holly, N. R. Richardson	1
Crouse Ct., J. T. Stover	2
Total	3

Salisbury District

Norwood, R. M. Taylor	1
Epworth, Concord, A. S. Raper	½
Woodleaf Ct., J. W. Kennedy	4
Concord, Central, M. F. Moores	3
Total	8½

Waynesville District

Haywood Ct., R. C. Kirk	1
Fines Creek, E. M. Avett	2
Hayesville, Z. V. Johnson	1
Waynesville Sta., O. P. Ader	3
Macon, J. L. Teague	3
Total	10

Winston District

Burkhead, W. L. Hutchins	3
Davidson Ct., T. J. Houck	12
Farmington Ct., D. C. Ballard	14
Jackson Hill, C. C. Williams	4
Forsythe, J. W. Vestal	1
Thomasville Ct., J. B. Tabor	1
Kernersville, C. P. Goode	½
Thomasville, D. M. Litaker	1
Lexington, A. W. Plyler	1
Total	37½
Miscellaneous	22
Grand Total	232

This report will be published again in March. We hope by that time the districts that are lagging will come up, and that every pastor will have a place on the list. We beg also that the renewals be looked after.

Rutherford College Ministerial Band

Our Band has reached the number of thirty this year, beating all previous years. One remarkable feature about the Band is, none are users of tobacco. The Band went to Morganton Saturday and had a group made which it hopes to get in the Advocate soon.

Any one desiring the assistance of a young minister in revival work during the summer would do well to write to the president of the Band.

Isaac L. Shaver, Pres.

FOR SALE

A few shares of stock in the Mount Airy Orchard Co., can be bought at a bargain. The owners of this stock need the money and therefore offer the stock at par. The orchard is just coming into bearing, with over 6,000 trees.

Address H., Care of North Carolina Christian Advocate, Greensboro, N. C.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, Asheville, N. C.

OFFICERS WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY, WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

President—Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, Greensboro, N. C.
First Vice-President—Mrs. H. K. Boyer, 1090 W. Fourth St., Winston-Salem, N. C.
Second Vice-President—Mrs. Mattie H. Stewart, 807 N. College St., Charlotte, N. C.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. E. L. Bain, Winston-Salem, N. C.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. H. A. Dunham, 224 Patton Ave., Asheville, N. C.
Treasurer—Mrs. P. N. Peacock, 215 West Horah St., Salisbury, N. C.
Superintendent Mission Study and Publicity—Mrs. W. R. Harris, 48 North French Broad Ave., Asheville, N. C.
Superintendent Social Service—Mrs. T. F. Marr, 4 Jackson Terrace, Charlotte, N. C.
Superintendent Supplies—Mrs. J. N. Hauss, Thomasville, N. C.
Distributor Literature—Mrs. W. C. Houston, Concord, N. C.

District Secretaries

Asheville—Mrs. V. L. Stone, Asheville, N. C.
Charlotte—Miss Daisy Cuthbertson, Charlotte, N. C.
Greensboro—Mrs. A. E. Fordham, Greensboro, N. C.
Morganton—Mrs. M. B. Goodwin, Morganton, N. C.
Mount Airy—
North Wilkesboro—Mrs. W. F Trogdon, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Salisbury—Mrs. C. M. Bobbitt, Spencer, N. C.
Statesville—Mrs. M. M. Courtney, Lenoir, N. C.
Shelby—Mrs. B. T. Morris, Gastonia, N. C.
Waynesville—
Winston—Mrs. R. M. Courtney, Winston-Salem, N. C.

NOTICE! AUXILIARIES, PLEASE LISTEN!

By referring to the report of Committee on Finance (Article 1) found in this issue, you will see that the dues of the adult societies have been fixed at $3.00 per year or 25 cents per month $2.40 membership offering, 50 cents Conference Expense Fund and 10 cents a year Retirement and Relief Fund). The Conference Treasurer, Mrs. P. N. Peacock, asks that the months of March and April be set apart as Conference Expense Months, and that the auxiliaries in making their financial reports state the amounts collected on this fund. There is no fund in our work that is more necessary than the Conference Expense or contingent fund and we hope that the treasurers of the various auxiliaries will see that the amounts for this branch of our work are collected during these months and forwarded to the treasurer during the first and second quarters. Will we not give this our attention? It is so necessary.

HIGH POINT YOUNG PEOPLE

A most enthusiastic meeting of the Young People's Missionary Society of Wesley Memorial Church was held Wednesday February 3rd, with Mrs. Walter Hargett as hostess. The leader of the Junior Division reported the children wide-awake and working. They have recently raised money with which to purchase a table for the Ladies' Parlor of our church.

The report of the Charlotte Conference was given by Mrs. J. O. Wilson and was a source of inspiration and enthusiasm.

The question of a Mission Study class was discussed and left in the hands of the superintendent of publicity and her committee. We hope in a short time to have a class organized and at work. Mrs. F. P. Ingram.
Supt. of Publicity.

A TRIBUTE OF LOVE

At the January meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of Central M. E. Church, Albemarle, N. C., brief memorial services were held in honor of four of the society's most faithful and beloved members. The following tribute of love was read by Mrs. J. M. Brown, immediately following which the members of the society arose and stood in silence with bowed heads as a tribute of love and respect to these departed friends:

"It is with feeling of peculiar sadness that we pause for a few moments today to pay a passing tribute to the memory of four of our most faithful and efficient members who have passed into the "Great Beyond." Mrs. J. M. Bivins, affectionately known as "Mother Bivins," Mrs. Julia G. Pemberton, Mrs. Fannie E. Stevens and Mrs. I. J. Caldwell have entered into rest. Seldom indeed, we hope, is a society called upon to mourn in brief succession four such loved and honored members. All of them had borne the burden and heat of the day, two having passed the three-score and ten years allotted to man and were veritable "mothers in Israel." To all of them may be justly applied the beautiful tribute of David to Saul: "They were lovely in their lives," and it is perhaps therefore the more fitting that in their deaths they should not be widely separated.

"To two of them the summons came without warning. God in His mercy spared them days and nights of pain and suffering—for them no moaning of the bar, no sadness of farewell—just a beautiful translation to perfect peace, joy, rest and glory at the trone of the Most High. "God's finger touched them and they slept."

"To the other two it was given to exemplify the truth that Jesus can make "a dying bed feel soft as downy pillows are." Stricken with an incurable malady, knowing full well that they would never again enter into the duties, cares and pleasures of friends and loved ones, that never again for them would Sabbath bells peal out, and that the remanider of their days, be they few or many, must be spent on beds of pain and languishing, yet they never faltered or murmured, but met the inevitable with a beautiful resignation, a fortitude not Spartan, but Christ-like and a faith almost sublime. We visited their sick rooms to cheer and comfort, we came away cheered, comforted and strengthened ourselves. We miss them—we miss their kindly faces, their hearty hand clasps, their wise counsel, their ever ready sympathy, encouragement and help, and possibly as the weeks lengthen into months and the months lengthen into years, we shall realize only the more keenly our great loss. We mourn our friends, yet we feel in our hearts to thank God that we have been privileged for awhile to have them as co-workers and may their beautiful, saintly lives be an inspiration to each member of the society to

"So live that when the summons comes to join
The innumerable caravan that moves
To that mysterious realm, where each shall take
His chamber in the silent halls of death,
We go not like the quarry slave at night
Scourged to his dungeon, but, sustained and soothed
By an unfaltering trust, approach our graves
Like one who wraps the drapery of his couch
About him, and lies down to pleasant dreams."

—Mrs. J. M. Brown, Supt. of Pub.

NEW ORGANIZATION

Spencer Memorial, North Charlotte, Charlotte District, nineteen members. President, Mrs. W. B. West; first vice-president, Mrs. J. O. Simmons; 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Eliza Honeycutt; corresponding and recording secretary, Miss Amanda Stutts; treasurer, Mrs. W. P. Kistler; assistant treasurer, Miss Willie Haithcock; superintendent of mission study, Mrs. Amanda Beaver; superintendent social service, Mrs. Chas. Beehtler; superintendent of supplies, Mrs. T. F. Gaddy; Voice agent, Mrs. G. L. Shoe.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

We enter this year upon a new era in the management of our finances and in order to make most effective the new plans set forth by the Council, it behooves us to fall in line at once with increased spirituality and loyalty.

(1) In Adult Auxiliaries the dues shall be $3.00 a year of 25 cents a month—$2.40 membership offering, 50 cents Conference Expense Fund, and 10 cents a year Relief and Retirement Fund. The salaries of missionaries shall be counted as pledge. Bible women and Scholarships are Specials, and while these moneys can not be counted as pledge they are counted in the total amount raised by the Conference. Dues and pledge shall be pro rated, 40 per cent. to the Home and 60 per cent. to the Foreign. Pledge and membership offerings from Young People and children shall be pro rated in the same way. Conference Expense Fund shall be 25 cents a year from young people, and 10 cents from children.

(2) In view of the special need of funds at Scarritt Bible and Training School, $5.00 shall be paid by each adult auxiliary towards the Trueheart Lectureship.

(3) That we take time to think of God and His world-wide purposes; that we covenant to pray daily for the salvation of the nations; whatever may have been our contribution in the past we increase it this year; endeavor to be true stewards of the Lord, and that we make our gift monthly or at least quartely, so that our Council officers may not have to be embarrassed by borrowing money and paying interest that should go directly into mission work. The quarterly reports shall be sent promptly on the 1st of January, April, July and October, in no case later than the 5th of these months.

(4) That the Conference Treasurer shall pay from the contingent fee all necessary expenses incurred for printing and for office and extension work. These payments shall be made on order signed by the President and Corresponding Secretary.

(5) That we attempt to bring our total receipts to $25,000.00, and that we leave nothing undone in our efforts to reach that amount. In order to do this we recommend that our special pledge be $15,000.00.

(6) The pledge shall be apportioned to the district, the amounts to be re-apportioned by the District Secretaries to the adult, young people and children's societies of their districts. This work shall be done as soon as possible after this Annual Meeting.

(7) We realize that in our own strength we can do nothing, but that our God will supply all our need. Let us depend therefore upon Him who is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think.

The pledge shall be divided to the districts as follows, the District Secretaries trying to bring up the amount to $15,000.00;

Asheville, $1,945; Charlotte, $3,000; Greensboro, $3,480; Morganton, $400; Mount Airy, $505; North Wilkesboro, $190; Salisbury, $2,010; Shelby, $500; Statesville, $705; Waynesville, $260; Winston, $1,020. Total, $14,015.

Mrs. P. N. Peacock, Chairman.
Mrs. J. E. Lambeth, Secretary.

RECORD OF THE FIRST MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

From the Charlotte News of February 1st we copy the following account of the first meeting of our Conference held in Salisbury in 1890. We feel sure our readers will enjoy this article especially since our work has been so prosperous through these years.

"Mrs. W. W. Hagood for 18 years district secretary of the Charlotte District of the Woman's Missionary Society of the W. N. C. Conference of the M. E. Church, South, who tendered her resignation during the recent session of the Conference and for whom a new office, that of keeper of records, was created, has a record of each and every meeting of the society since its organization in Salisbury, August 6th, 1890—25 years ago. The first volume is of especial interest.

"Miss Amanda Lee, of Shelby, was Secretary of the first meeting. The secretary records many things of interest, the following being culled from her minutes:

"'Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, of Greensboro, was called to the chair. Miss Amanda V. Lee, of Shelby, was requested to act as Secretary, and Mrs. W. R. Odell, of Concord, as Treasurer. The addresses of welcome were made by Mrs. Dr. Griffith, and Revs. T. W. Guthrie and J. J. Renn.

"'The delegates responding to roll call were: Mrs. F M. Bumpass, Mrs. L. H. Robertson, Mrs. J. E. Ray, Mrs. E. E. Chaston, Mrs. E. J. Ector, Mrs. R. M. B. Ellington, Mrs.D. B. Coltrane, Mrs. L. L. Hendren, Mrs. C. C. Kennedy, Mrs. H. T. Hudson, Mrs. W. M. Robbins, Miss Belle Hall, Mrs. W. R. Odell, Mrs. C. A. Reynolds, Mrs. A. M. Adams, Miss Lillie Rowe, Miss Sallie Whisnant, Miss Amanda V. Lee, Miss Alice Small and J. L. Price.

"'Mrs. W. S. Black, the beloved "Aunt Mary" of the North Carolina Conference, was introduced by the President. A committee of three, Mrs. Robbins, Mrs. Ray and Mrs. Hendren, was appointed to draft a constitution and by-laws.

"'The officers elected were: President, Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, Greensboro; Vice-President, Mrs. J. E. Ray, Asheville; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Frances M. Bumpass, Greensboro; Recording Secretary, Mrs. John R. Brooks, Shelby; Treasurer, Mrs. W. R. Odell, Concord; Auditor, Mr. W. R. Odell, Concord; Superintendent of Juvenile Work, Miss Anna, Aston, Asheville.

"'District Secretaries: Asheville, Mrs. J. E. Ray, Asheville; Greensboro, Mrs. L. L. Hendren, Winston; Charlotte, Miss Sallie Whisnant, Charlotte; Franklin, Mrs. S. F. Ferguson, Franklin; Mount Airy, Mrs. Gwyn, Elkin; Salisbury, Miss Mittie Lanier, Salisbury; Statesville, Mrs. W. M. Robbins, Statesville; Shelby, Mrs. H. T. Hudson, Shelby; Trinity, Mrs. Sallie Thomas, Thomasville.

"'Mrs. Bumpass was chosen a delegate to the Woman's Board of Missions with Mrs. Robertson as alternate.'"

In looking over the list of the above officers, we find that four of the six have gone to their reward. Of the remaining two Mrs. J. E Ray, of Asheville, is still doing splendid work in the Conference, is president of the Woman's Missionary Society at Chestnut Street Church, Asheville, and her ocasional contributions to the Advocate column are always full of interest and are an inspiration to those who read them.

Mrs. Robertson, elected President at that meeting, is still our leader in that capacity, and the following from the Charlotte Observer regarding her reelection at the recent meeting is highly endorsed by all the missionary workers in the Conference who know and love her. The Observer says:

"The honor paid to Mrs. Robertson

(Continued on Page 11)

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

A GREAT FIELD FOR THE EPWORTH LEAGUE

That the country church is facing a crisis is no matter of loosely formed opinion. Accurate surveys have been made showing a distressing decline of once prosperous and religious rural communities. The Federal government has its commission on rural life; some of the churches have organized departments of country life; the great State universities are making special efforts for the industrial and educational improvement of the conditions of country communities, and political economists are seriously analyzing the conditions of life in the country. To deny that there is a rural problem is simply to close one's eyes to an array of significant facts. Whether viewed from the standpoint of the economist or the evangelist, the present-day facts of rural life call for earnest, honest study and a constructive program. Just now, under the auspices of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ, an extensive study of the rural church is being made.

Those of our readers who three years ago took the mission study course in "The Church in the Open Country," need no proof of the importance of the subject. Meanwhile a number of volumes on the country church have been issuing from the press, giving evidence of widespread and intelligent interest in the subject. Not only these works on the country church, but, without exception, books on other aspects of the rural problem, assert the importance of the church as a factor in the salvation and development of rural life. There are many reasons for giving to the rural church the primacy among the forces that should make for a new era in the country community. In the first place, ideals can best be formed upon the basis of the truths of religion, and the church is the custodian of religious teaching and the organ of spiritual life. Again, the church is historic and can hold the rapidly changing populations of the country to the historic culture of our race and nation at such a time as this, when immigration and sifting are both at work to alienate us from our past. The church is organized upon a foundation sure and permanent, so that it can supply the great need of a nexus between the segregated elements of the communities and by its evangelism create a fellowship—the outstanding need of men of the country. Particularly efficient for these ends should be the circuit plan of Methodism, with its capacity for creating a larger community sense and effecting a more thorough evangelism than any other system.

It is not my purpose to undertake within the narrow limits of an editorial the discussion of even a single element of the problem of country life or even of the country church, but to point out a few of the adaptations of the Epworth League as the church's best agency for effecting her part in the salvation of country life. What Methodism has done for rural life amid other conditions she can continue to do under conditions of today, but not without the newer instrumentalities that God has given her. Of these, the latest is the Epworth League, now of fully demonstrated efficiency.

One great obstacle to the improvement of the country church is the extreme and proverbial conservatism of the community. Kipling's "fool who tried to hustle the East" would not be less a fool did he try to introduce innovations into the average country community. But the Epworth League deals with young people, plastic and open, capable of seeing visions and working them into their uncrystallized natures. An Epworth League generation is not a long one, but it is tremendous in its potencies; for it affects life at a period when ideals are acquired, when will becomes potent, when spirit and intellect, faith and knowledge, duty and the choices of life, meet and become fused in the great composite of personality. Neglect of the young people has caused the country problem; attention to the young people will solve that problem.

The Epworth League, with other educational agencies, must enter the country home. In the country home almost as great losses have occurred as in the town home, but country life does not afford the compensations of town life. The home must be made beautiful and expressive of an enriched and broadened life. Family piety it once had in a large measure, but has lost or is losing it. Not directly but surely the religious training and cultivation of young people produces modifications in the home, which takes on features expressive of the fuller life of those who are becoming conformed to Christ.

Particularly through its Department of Recreation and Culture the Epworth League affects the home, as young Leaguers build up homes of their own. The unity of life in Christ—the entire sanctification of spirit, soul and body—presses pictures, music, books, conversation into a spiritual service.

But while these more remote ends are being served the immediate, pressing need of rural life for recreation is to be served by the Epworth League. Social life is to be redeemed from emptiness by the introduction of reading and study courses, which give content to social contact and strengthen the bonds of fellowship as the field of common interest is enlarged. Singing societies cultivate and refine the emotions and enrich the service of the sanctuary.

The Epworth League Calendar may be used to interpret the seasons as something more than promises or measures of the crops. Christmas, Easter, Anniversary Day, Independence Day, Temperance Sunday, Covenant Day, as they become by indissoluble association recurring messengers of good tidings and monitors of duty, crown the year with goodness and significance.

The impoverishment of country church life is partly due to inadequate provision for worship. Infrequent services, affording so little besides the sermon that "preaching" has become the invariable term for the whole service, do not cultivate that love for the sanctuary which is one of the strong conservators of religion. The house is bare and uncomely, and the services lack beauty and opportunity for participation by the congregation. But a voluntary society of young people, holding weekly meetings for religious culture and expression, may be organized in almost any rural church. It will redeem the Sabbath from a day of emptiness or frivolity and afford the incentive for manifold works of grace and charity.

Students of the subject assure us that leadership is among the great lacks of country society. The Epworth League has a conspicuous record of success in developing leadership. It has never been widely tried in the country churches, but in a number of instances it has proved its adaptation to rural conditions and has to its credit an honorable roll of men of real leadership.—Epworth ffra.

36 LB Feather Beds $5.92
6 lb. pair Pillows to match for $1.00
All new, sanitary feathers, Famous Amoskeag ticking, 8½ yards to tick, positively biggest and best bed on market selling for less than $12. Mail delivery and satisfaction guaranteed or money back. Order today or write for catalog and big special offer. First order counts on premium.
SANITARY BEDDING COMPANY, Dept. 913 Charlotte, N. C.

Standard Form Collection Envelopes

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

HOLT'S CHAPEL

FOR PASTOR'S SALARY

AMOUNT

Name _____ | Dollars | Cents |

Date _____ *191*____

MISSIONS AND CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

MOUNT ZION CHURCH

Name _____ | Dollars | Cents |

Date _____

$1.90 for 1000, delivered

$1.40 for additional 1000, delivered

FOR EITHER FORM

This price is based on using the above forms, changing name of church only. The large envelope is manila, and of the quality regularly used for Pastor's Salary collections. The small envelope can be furnished in white, green or cherry. Its difference in color and size from the Pastor's Salary form makes it ideal for Missions and Conference Collections.

If special form is desired the price will average $2.40 for the first 1000, and $1.40 for additional 1000's, delivered.

Special rates on large quantities.

The Advocate Press, Greensboro, N. C.

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective October 18th, 1914

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester Lv.	7 50 a m				4 15 p m
Yorkville "	8 36				6 38
Gastonia "	9 21!				8 20
Gastonia "	9 30	4 30 p m			
Lincolnton "	10 28	5 40			
Newton "	11 05	6 44			
Hickory "	12 05 p m	7 30	12 05 p m	6 45 a m	
Lenoir "	1 08	8 50	1 08	8 07	
Lenoir "	2 00x				
Mortimer "	4 09				
Edgemont Ar.	4 35				

Southbound	NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Edgemont Lv.	9 00 a m				
Mortimer "	9 10				
Lenoir "	11 20!				
Lenoir "	1 35 p m	7 00 a m	8 15 a m	1 10 p m	
Hickory "	2 35	8 15	9 12	3 20	
Newton "	3 05	9 00			
Lincolnton "	3 43	9 51			
Gastonia "	4 30	11 23			
Gastonia "	5 05x				11 50 a m
Yorkville "	5 54				1 24
Chester Ar.	6 40				3 10 p m

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID, G. P. Agt. **CHESTER, S. C.**

Our Children's Home

Conducted by Walter Thompson, Supt.

FIFTH SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Bryson City M. E. S. S., Bryson City, J. E. Freeman, $2.75; Shady Grove S. S., Waynesville, E. H. Howell, $1.00; Whittier S. S., Whittier, S. E. Varner, $10.25; M. E. Summerfield S. S., Summerfield, R. O. Gamble, $3.00; Central Church, Mt. Airy, E. C. Foy, $12.15; Valle Crucis S. S., Valle Crucis, D. F. Mast, $2.20; Catawba S. S., Catawba, Miss Fanny Abernathy, $1.60; St. Garden S. S., Kernersville, W. H. Manuel, $2.00; Palmerville S. S., Palmerville, Miss Ruth Cox, 74c; Good Hope S. S., Advance, D. E. Ader, $1.65; Shepherds S. S., Shepherds, A. M. Gabriel, 42c; Bethel S. S., Morven Circuit, Morven, B. L. Robertson, $4.00; Tryon St. M. E. S. S., Charlotte, T. H. Washburn, $25.00; East Flat Rock S. S., East Flat Rock, C. R. Rogers, $3.85; Bethel S. S., Lexington, H. L. Walser, 80c; Bethel S. S., Winston-Salem, Lexsa Kimel, $3.67; Ansonville S. S., Wadesboro, H. S. McLendon, $3.58; Mt. Zion S. S., Franklin, James C. Weaver, $3.00; Center Church S. S., Concord, A. S. Raper, $1.20; Epworth S. S., Concord, A. S. Raper, $2.00; Hopewell S. S., Catawba, Alva Martin, $1.25; Landis S. S., Landis, H. A. Walker, $1.00; Bethel S. S., Asheville, C. R. Perry, $2.47; New Hope S. S., Winston-Salem, W. H. Speas, $1.68; Asbury S. S., Lincolnton, G. B. Goodson, $3.38; Shoal Creek S. S., Whittier, John L. Ferguson, $4.10; Mt. Harmony S. S., Connelly Springs, Eli Taylor, $2.40; Murphy's Chapel S. S., Marion, Mrs. G. C. Conley, $1.30; Salem S. S., Wentworth Circuit, Reidsville, Eugene J. McDonald, 81c; Oak Grove S. S., Ellenboro, J. M. K. Randell, $2.24; Elizabeth Church S. S., Waynesville, J. L. Wells, $1.60; Hensons Chapel S. S., Mast, N. L. Mast, $2.00; Forest City S. S., Forest City, R. E. Biggerstaff, $2.00; Triplette S. S., Mooresville, R. W. Davis, $1.00; Prospect S. S., Monroe, H. L. Yarborough, $1.10; Stokesburg S. S., Walnut Cove, Mrs. A. G. Jones, $1.00; Davidson Church S. S., Davidson, D. S. Carver, $1.02; Pine Grove S. S., Winston, Frank Woosley, $1.72; Lexington S. S., Lexington, Charles Hackney, $38.89; Dobson M. E. Church S. S., Dobson, R. A. Folger, 74c; Lincolnton S. S., Lincolnton, R. C. Good, $14.51; Woodleaf S. S., Woodleaf, R. M. Seamsue, $1.60; North Liberty S. S., Winston, W. E. Huls, $2.00; Centenary S. S., Mt. Ulla, T. J. Wilson, $1.31; Ebenezer S. S., Pinnacle, M. L. Wall, $1.00; Elbethel S. S., Kings Mt., G. S. Man, $2.00; North Statesville S. S., Statesville, J. S. Mitchel, $1.00; Alexander Chapel S. S., Alexander, J. L. Fox, $5.00; Pleasant Grove S. S., Forest City, W. E. Trout. $1.00; Midway S. S., Lexington, E. E. Hyatt, $8.73; Harte S. S., Norwood, S. H. Vick, $2.50; Ebenezer S. S., Lexington, W. C. Wilson, $1.88; Reidsville M. E. S. S., Reidsville, M. W. Pleasants, $17.00; Pilot Mt. S.S., Pilot Mt., W. J. Swanson, $3.36; Granite Falls M. E. S. S., Granite Falls, M. C. Forbes, $7.16. Total, $226.45.

AMOUNT RECEIVED ON SPECIAL, GENERAL AND TEN PER CENT. ASSESSMENT

Dilworth M. E. Church, Charlotte, J. O. Ervin, $14.00; J. W. Clinard, High Point, $4.00; Summerfield Charge, Summerfield, T. B. Johnson, $10.00; Epworth Church, Concord, A. S. Raper, $3.00; Mooresville, Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, $13.67; Davidson Church, Davidson, D. C. Carver, $20.45; Elkin M. E. Church, Elkin, J. S. Bell, $31.25; A Friend, High Point, $5.00. Total, $101.37.

BUILDING FUND

Miss Laura B. Miller, Shelby, $2.25; A Friend, Salisbury, $1.00; A Friend, Salisbury, $1.00. Total, $4.25.

Save 1/2 on these splendid Books

This Library Consists of eight large volumes (8 1-4x5 1-4) and is one of the most helpful and inspiring works ever compiled. It has proven to be a fountain of real and indispensable help to thousands of Pastors, Evangelists, Students, and Christian Workers of all denominations. Average number of pages per volume 309.

CLERICAL LIBRARY

Furnishes Pastors, Bible Students and all earnest Christian Workers with stimulus and helpful suggestions in the various departments of their work. It contains the best thoughts of the world's greatest preachers and writers. It is printed in large, clear type, on white paper, strongly and handsomely bound in cloth.

This Set of Standard Helps is Being Received with the Highest Satisfaction by an Increasingly Large Number of Pastors and Bible Students.

Former Price $12

Now Only $6.00



Read What Some of the Owners of These Books say

"A truly magnificent addition to the ministerial helps."

"I consider the Clerical Library of rare value."

"A fine tonic for the hard-working minister."

"The books are valuable to me in the way of suggesting certain lines of thought."

"The bane of the pulpit is the heavy style and monotonous delivery."

"These incidents and anecdotes will send the truth home to the hearts of the people."

"This set of books is a valuable addition to any preacher's library."

"They are just what are needed."

"I heartily recommend them to all engaged in pastoral work."

Outline Sermons on the Old Testament

This volume, containing **139** outlines of sermons by **46** eminent English and American clergymen, is fully indexed by subjects and texts.

Outline Sermons on the New Testament

This volume contains **300** outlines by **77** eminent English and American clergymen; it is fully indexed by subjects and texts. The outlines furnished in these two volumes have been drawn from the leading pulpit thinkers of every denomination in Great Britain and America, including Rev. Drs. Wm. M. Taylor, John Cairns, Howard Crosby, Theodore L. Cuyler, Charles H. Spurgeon, R. S. Storrs, H. J. Van Dyke, James McCosh, J.T. Duryea, Alex. Maclaren, Joseph Parker, C. F. Deems, Canon Farrar, Dean Stanley, Bishop Phillips Brooks, and many others. The subjects are practical rather than controversial.

Outline Sermons to Children

With numerous anecdotes; fully indexed by subjects and texts. This volume, containing **97** outlines of sermons of a very high grade of thinking, by men of acknowledged eminence in possessing the happy faculty of preaching interestingly to the young. It contains enough illustrations and anecdotes to stock for many years the average preacher of children's sermons.

Anecdotes Illustrative of Old Testament Texts

529 anecdotes and illustrations, fully indexed by subjects and texts. Dr. Guthrie says his hearers often remembered the illustrations in his sermons when they had forgotten the abstract truth.

Anecdotes Illustrative of New Testament Texts

614 anecdotes and illustrations, fully indexed by subject, and texts. Preachers will find this book a very godsend to their preparation for the pulpit, and full of windows to let in the light.

Expository Sermons and Outlines on Old Testament

These sermons by distinguished preachers embrace a great variety of subjects from the Old Testament, are rich in application, and will be an education and inspiration to many.

Pulpit Prayers by Eminent Preachers

These prayers are fresh and strong; the ordinary ruts of conventional forms are left and fresh thoughts of living hearts are uttered. The excitement of devotional thought and sympathy must be great in the offering of such, prayers, especially when, as here, spiritual intensity and devoutness are as marked as freshness and strength.

Platform and Pulpit Aids

Consisting of striking speeches and addresses on Home and Foreign Missions, the Bible, Sunday-school, Temperance, and kindred subjects, with illustrative anecdotes. Just the book an overworked pastor who has many speeches to make, with little time for study, will appreciate.

TWO PLANS OF PAYMENT We will forward at once the whole set of 8 volumes, securely packed, and guarantee safe delivery on receipt of **$6**, you paying express or freight charges or, send **$1.00**, and promise, in your letter to pay **$1.00** a month for 6 months, making **$7.00** as complete payment, and we will forward at once the whole set of 8 volumes, securely packed, and guarantee safe delivery, you paying express or freight charges.

Customers living a long distance from us may send, if they choose, 70 cents additional, and we will prepay express or mail charges and guarantee delivery. *As to our Responsibility, we refer to this paper or to any Commercial Agency. Established 1866.*

S. S. SCRANTON COMPANY, 118 Trumbull Street, Hartford, Conn.

DONATIONS IN KIND

Woman's Missionary Society, Granite Falls, two quilts, two pairs pillow cases, ten yards of calico; Mrs. D. M. Yount and S. S. class, Granite Falls, one quilt; Ladies' Missionary Society, Cooleemee, one quilt.

THE GREATEST NECESSITY

You can do without food for weeks.
You can do without drink for days.
You can do without warmth for hours.
But you can do without air only for minutes. And very few minutes at that.

For without air the body promptly poisons itself. This air starvation is called strangulation.

In coughs and colds the phlegm in the organs of respiration coats the membranes, so that only a part of the air is effective in reaching the membranes and in purifying the blood. You have partial strangulation.

The blood is not purified momentarily as it should be and the whole body is self-poisoned, for the waste is not oxidized.

Under such circumstances Mentholatum is a great relief.

Its pungent oils tickle the membranes into activity, loosening the phlegm, assisting in removing it, so that the air can reach the membranes and purify the blood.

For this reason Mentholatum is almost indispensable in cases of sore throat, catarrh and croup.

"Reverend Sir: As you have announced that you are seeking to enlighten young men, kindly tell me, who was Cain's wife!" The preacher read the note carefully, and then during the breathless silence which reigned, said: "I love young men, especially those inquiring for truth, and should like to give this young man a word of advice. It is this: "Don't lose your soul's salvation looking after other people's wives."—Exchange.

"It is a bad sign when boys and girls begin to feel as if some other place were better than home."

CABBAGE PLANTS FREE

Send $1.50 for One Thousand Frost Proof Cabbage Plants and receive an extra Thousand Free. Make large heads.

Atlantic Coast Plant Co.,
Youngs Island, S. C.

GARTSIDE'S IRON RUST SOAP CO. 4054 Lancaster Ave., Philadelphia, Pa Gartside's Iron Soap (U. S. registered patent No. 3477) removes iron rust, ink and all unwashable stains from cloth ing, marble, etc., with magical effect Good seller, big margins. House-to house agents and store salesman wanted. The original, 25c a tube. Beware of infringements and the penalty fo making, selling and using an infringe article. Suitable for church fairs.

Peach and Apple Trees 2c and up

Pear, Cherry, Plum, Grapes, Strawberry etc. Catalogue Free. TENN. NURSERY CO., Box 60, CLEVELAND, TENN.

WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT

(Continued from Page 8)

was regarded as one highly deserved. Throughout the entire meeting she presided with unfailing tact, poise, clear judgment and patience. For twenty-five years has been president of the foreign department, and during the past three years while the union of the home and foreign departments was being consummated her ability as a leader has been brought many times to the test, and always she emerged triumphant from it. It is believed that few women could have effected this merger with the lack of friction, the generaus understanding and the sweetness of spirit that has characterized her presidency."

An interesting fact about the recent meeting in Charlotte was the presence of five of the ladies attending the first conference in Salisbury twenty-five years ago, these being Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. W. W. Hagood, Mrs. C. C. Kennedy, Mrs. D. B. Coltrane and Mrs. E. C. Watlington.

The following resolution expressing the sentiments of the members of the Missionary Conference, as regards the liquor question, was adopted by a rising vote:

In view of the fact that there are again clashing in our State Legislature the forces that shall decide whether many a home shall be one of happiness or one of misery,

We, the Woman's Missionary Society of the Western North Carolina Conference of the M. E. Church, South, do hereby

Resolve, That we put ourselves on record as strongly favoring the bill now before our Legislature (to prohibit shipment into our State of alcoholic drinks for beverage purposes) and that we urge our representatives to secure its passage.

Mrs. R. P. Anderson,
Mrs. Frank Siler,
Mrs. W. E. Franklin,
Mrs. H. A. Dunham,
Mrs. P. N. Peacock,
Mrs. W. W. Hagood.

Immediately after its adoption a telegram, as follows, was sent to R. L. Davis, of the State Anti-Saloon League:

"By rising vote Woman's Missionary Society, W. N. C. Conference, endorses bill in regard to shiping liquor into the state, now pending in Legislature."

TRINITY COLLEGE NOTES

The entire community is looking forward with interest to the civic celebration here February 22nd, when Professor Edward Potts Cheyney, professor of European History in the University of Pennsylvania, will deliver the annual address This celebration is held here every year and prominent leaders in this and others states have been secured for the principal address. Dr. Cheyney has been secured for the address this year and will speak on "Law and Accident in History."

Professor Cheyney is widely known for his writings on various phases of European history. Among his best known books are: "Social Changes in England in the 16th Century," "A Social and Industrial History of England," "The European Background of American History," "Readings in English History," "The History of England from the Defeat of the Armada to the Death of Elizabeth." He has recently published the first volume of "The History of England in the Later 16th and Early 17th Century." Dr. Cheyney is also one of the editors of the American Historical Review.

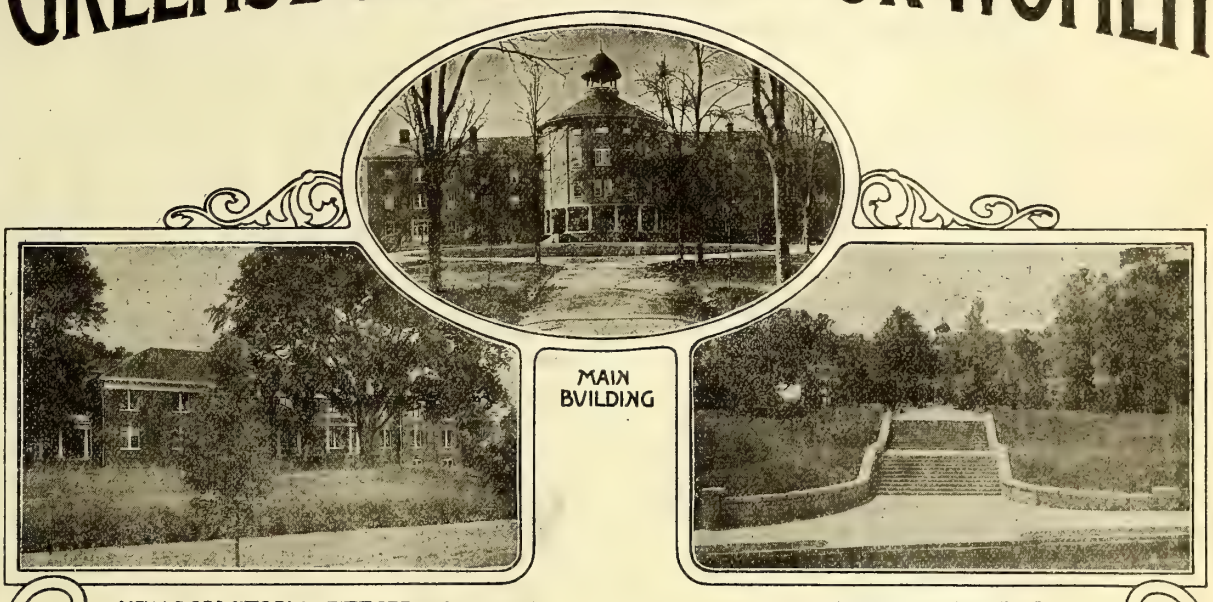
The celebration here of Washington's Birthday has come to be a very important event in the life of the college. It is an official holiday and the exercises in the evening are always well attended. Last year the address was delivered by Mr. R. D. W. Conner, secretary of the North Carolina Historical Commission.

The series of religious services which began here last Sunday are continuing with two services a day, at noon and in the evening, conducted by Rev. Dr. E. K. McLarty, pastor of Tryon Street Methodist Church, Charlotte. Interest continues to grow in the meetings which are largely attended.

The college basketball team is now on its annual northern tour through Virginia, where it is playing a schedule with a number of Virginia colleges. The team is accompanied by Director W. W. Card, of the Angier Duke Gymnasium.

Coach West and Captain Maddox, of the baseball team, have called for daily practice of the squad this week, and with an improvement in the weather practice will increase until the opening of the season next month. A large number of students are on the field every afternoon.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

BILLY SUNDAY'S MESSAGE

AUTHORIZED. Great Opportunity for man or woman to make $6.00 to $15.00 a day. Unusually liberal terms. Spare time may be used. Particulars and samples free. Universal Bible House, 518 Winston Bldg., Philadelphia.

27 BIG RE-ROOTED TOMATO PLANTS

the kind that bears the First-Early, Red-Meat Beauties (3 weeks ahead of the season), delivered to you by Post, our risk, for 50 cents. Larger lots cheaper. The big bunches of roots are packed in damp moss, then wrapped in wax paper and will carry a thousand miles. Ask for our New Booklet that tells of vegetable and flowering plants that we grow by the millions. Wakefield Plant Farm, Charlotte, N. C.

Freckle-Face

Now Is the Time to Get Rid of These Ugly Spots.

Do you know how easy it is to remove those ugly spots so that no one will call you freckle-face?

Simply get an ounce of othine, double strength, from your druggist, and a few applications should show you how easy it is to rid yourself of freckles and get a beautiful complexion. The sun and winds of February and March have a strong tendency to bring out freckles, and as a result more othine is sold in these months. Be sure to ask for the double strength othine, as this is sold under guarantee of money back if it fails to remove the freckles.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

The Sunday School Lesson

FIRST QUARTER—LESSON VIII
FEBRUARY 21, 1915

The Death of Eli and His Sons
I Sam. 4. 1-18

Golden Text—Be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deluding your own selves. James 1. 22.

Summary of the Lesson

In one of his short stories Maarten Maartens desires to give a quick and powerful impression of the horror of death. He wants the reader to feel that where there had been a person, now there is only a thing. He does it by means of a sentence which consists of one word. "Behind the threadbare curtains of the alcove she lay. It." That one terrible word, standing all alone, tells the whole tragic story.

Our study today has to do with humiliation, defeat and death. The Philistines smite the people of Israel. They capture the ark of the covenant, which had been brought to the camp of Israel as a rallying center and a great hope. They slay the multitudes of Israelites and send the rest of the army in flight. They kill Hophni and Phinehas, the unworthy sons of Eli, and when the old man hears of the death of his sons and the capture of the ark he falls from his seat and breaks his neck. It is all a veritable carnival of death.

Taking the Ark to War

Superstition often goes under the name of religion. When the people of Israel had suffered severe repulse at the hands of the Philistines they looked about for some new resource. Then they bethought themselves of the ark of the covenant. "Let us fetch the ark of the covenant of Jehovah out of Shiloh unto us," said the elders, "that it may come among us and save us out of the hand of our enemies."

This seems perilously near like having faith in the ark, rather than in the God of the ark. It suggests dependence upon the visible symbol of Jehovah's relation with His people, rather than in Jehovah Himself. The everlasting danger of symbols which are concrete and visible is that they have a way of slipping into the place of that which they symbolize. It is the hardest thing in the world to keep a symbol in its place. It is a sort of moral upstart, and the first thing you know it becomes a usurper.

Doubtless there were those in the army of Israel to whom the ark was just a suggestion in tangible form of the invisible and august and potent presence of Jehovah. On the other hand, there were doubtless those who believed that some strange and mysterious power resided in the ark itself.

It would prove a stanch defender in the hour of need, and little as they may have understood it, we can clearly see that along this road idolatry lay.

It is always a great deal easier to be sure of the presence of the ark of God than it is to be sure of the presence of the God of the ark. It is easier to take the forms of religion into a war than it is to take the power of religion into it. All the splendor of a stately and impressive religious observance may be marshaled at any time, but it may easily happen that the God who is worshiped is far away. To open a meeting with prayer does not assure the divine presence and to open a war with prayer does not secure the divine blessing. These things are settled in the light of those deep moral and spiritual realities which determine the welfare of the race. You can carry the ark of God into all sorts of battles, but the blessing of God has never rested on an unholy war.

The Men Who Were Afraid

A soldier had behaved with conspicuous courage upon the field of battle. Indeed, his daring had been so extraordinary as to cause the comment of all who observed him. The evening after the engagement he sat among his comrades at arms. "You fought like a lion," said one of them. "How did you come to do it?" The man was silent for a moment, and then he said, with startling candor, "I fought so fiercely because I was afraid."

There are times when men must either be heroes or abject cowards. There is no middle ground. Fear gnaws at their hearts. They can make fear itself a driving power to deeds of daring or they can surrender to its tremors and take refuge in timorous flight. This was the dilemma of the Philistines when they heard the great shout go up in the camp of Israel and knew that the ark of Jehovah had been brought into it. "The Philistines were afraid for they said, 'God is come into the camp.'" The more they talked about it the more fearful they became, but just at this point a new mood possessed them. If things were as bad as they supposed they must still be men. If they had all this cause for alarm there was the more reason why they should fight with the utmost bravery. Every fear was turned into a weapon of war. Every anxiety was turned into a motive for resistless fighting. These Philistines were made invincible by their very fears. They fought so furiously just because they were afraid, and then that day they won a great victory.

Fear may palsy and fear may inspire. It may cause a man to run or it may cause a man to fight. The brave man is not a man who has no fears, but a man who turns his fears into weapons as he goes forth to battle.

Defeat and Death

There was never a great victory without an equally great defeat. The triumph of the Philistines was the humiliation of Israel, and most galling and terrible of all, the ark of the covenant of Jehovah was carried off by the foes of Israel. Thousands on thousands lay slain when the fierce onslaught of the Philistines had ended in the flight of their foes, and among the men of Israel whose cold and pallid faces lay in the stillness of death upon that battlefield were the two false priests, Hophni and Phinehas. The attractive thing about the priesthood to these men was the revenue of the priesthood. They were in religion for what they could get out of it and they saw to it that they could get a great deal. Men of gross and glaring sensuality, they made religion a means for the gratification of their lusts. They were an embodied contradiction of every ethical principle of the religion of Jehovah. For long their career of greed and lawless indulgence had gone on unchecked. Their weak father had not restrained them and they may have thought of God as a sort of enlarged Eli, amiably and indulgently overlooking the grossest evils. Now the end had come. The two false priests lay dead on the battlefield, while the ark of he covenant was being carried away in savage triumph. They had lived for the body; now they lay dead like beasts of prey. Such, indeed, they had been, but they would prey no more upon the people, for whom they were meant to have been priests. We leave them lying so, while strange, futive creatures of the night come forth to move among the bodies of the dead.

The Old Man by the Gate

One of the most terrible things about a war is the lot of those who wait for tidings. The mighty armies maneuver and come at last to their terrible clash of deadly combat, and the very excitement of it all does something to sustain the spirits of the participants in the conflict, but in a million lonely homes men and women and children wait and watch and listen with bated breath. "Another victory—but is John safe?" "Another defeat—and had James survived?" These know the heart's full bitterness as they wait in dread.

Sitting by the gate of the city an old man waited for news of the fight between the Philistines and the men of Israel. The weight of years and the weight of sorrows had descended upon Eli. He was too old to fight; he was too weak to be with the army; he could only sit by the gate of the city with anxious heart. Many thoughts passed through his mind while he waited. He remembered the days when his two sons were innocent children and all the charms of their childish prattle. He remembered their wild and lawless lives when they had come to manhood and many a tale of their wretched wrongdoing had come to his unwilling ears. He remembered the stern word of judgment which had been spoken regarding these same sons, a word of judgment against Eli and his house. He shuddered as he thought of the ark of Jehovah subject to all the wild vicissitudes of war. What would the outcome be? How was the battle going? Heavy like a great stone his heart lay within him. The suspense became an agony in which it seemed that all his past sorrows and errors played their part.

At length a refugee from the army came to the city, with all his tale of defeat and woe. The tumult roused the old man and he begged for tidings. The refugee from the army hid nothing. Israel had been defeated. There was great slaughter. Hophni and Phinehas had been killed. The ark of God was in the hands of the enemy.

Blow upon blow the words fell upon the old man who waited by the gate. He had little vital energy left and as he heard of the captured ark he fell down, unable to bear more. Life had nothing to offer to this heart-broken man, and it was as much mercy as judgment that his life ended with his fall. He had loved righteousness, but had tolerated iniquity, and he was caught in the meshes of the tragedy which came upon those false priests, his sons.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in New York Christian Advocate.

TREE PLANTING TIME

The last half of February is a good time for spring planting. Do not wait too long; other things can wait, but not this. Get your order in at once.

Apples, Pears, Peaches, Plums, Grapes, Berries, Pecans; complete assortment ripening through the season. Also Flowering Shrubs, Roses, etc., to make the home ground attractive for the children.

Some special bargains in surplus apple and peach in lots of 300 and over for spring shipment.

HOWARD NURSERY CO.,
Box K210 Stovall, N. C.



THE CELEBRATED
Throneburg Nursery
solicits your trade on apple, peach, pear, shade and ornamental trees. Prices reasonable. Agents wanted everywhere. Liberal commissions.
THE THRONEBURG NURSERY, NEWTON, N. C.

The Newest Styles of Jewelry
WATCHES, STERLING SILVER AND PLATE WARE
Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.
SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO,
LEADING JEWELERS

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS
Furnished on short notice
Summit Avenue Greenhouses
HOWARD GARDNER
Proprietor
GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345
DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF STOMACH AND INTESTINES
121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO
ROBT. W. MURRAY
GENERAL INSURANCE
Greensboro, North Carolina
308½ South Elm St.
Phone 163

FREE
To every farmer of Guilford County who will mail us a postal card asking for an
HOMESTEAD ALMANAC
we will mail one absolutely free to each address, as long as the present supply lasts.
Besides the regular information contained in almanacs this Homestead Almanac contains many interesting things that a farmer likes to know.
ODELL HARDWARE CO.
GREENSBORO, N. C.

Our Little Folks' Department

A WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY WISH

The little young George Washington,
Our country's best-beloved son,
I fear no holiday he had
Upon his birthday, as a lad,
For times were somewhat sterner then,
And boys worked harder, more like men
While festal days, to us so dear,
Were rare in homesteads pioneer.

Oh, how surprised he would have been
If, looking forward, he had seen
The multitude of little folks
With gleeful mien and merry jokes
And hatchet, flag, and cherry bough
His birthday celebrating now!
I wish he might have shared our fun—
The little young George Washington.
—Rose Mills Powers.

WONDER

Wonder if George Washington
Did just the way we do?
Wonder if he slid on ice,
And now and then broke through;
Slid on ice, and fought with snow,
And whittled hickory sticks,
Called his brother, "April Fool!"
And played him April tricks?

Wonder if he shed his shirt
Down beneath the beeches,
Kicked his buckled slippers off,
And his buckled breeches,
Jumped into the swimming pool,
And gave a splendid shout,
Nice and shiv'y, clean and cool,
While splashing like a trout?

Wonder did he sit in school,
And try to work a sum,
With bumblebees all bumbling,
"Summer's come, summer's come!"
If he used to count the days,
And give a sort of sigh,
'Cause—how queer!—there coudn't be
A Fourth in his July!

Wonder if he ever took
His history and read
Tales of mighty generals,
All glorious and dead,
Turned the leaves and wished that he
Could be a hero, too?
Wonder if George Washington
Felt just the way we do?
—Nancy Byrd Turner.

THE SNOW WASHINGTON

Uncle Richard lived in New York. When he came to Daybrook to visit his nephews and nieces, he always received a warm welcome, for he was an artist, and knew how to amuse and entertain young people. But once, when he came for a visit in the middle of the winter, he resisted all the pleas for the funny drawings that Charlie, Dan and Beth usually counted upon.

"Not this time," he said. "I am so tired that I am going to have a good rest from drawing. I do not want to touch pencil, crayon or brush while I am here."

So they stopped teasing, and after he had told them a few stories, they trooped off to the yard, where they had made a snow man.

Uncle Richard watched them from the window for a time. Then he smiled. "Tomorrow will be Washington's Birthday," he said. "I'll have a surprise for them."

He was up early the next morning, and busied himself in the yard before the children came down to breakfast. Dan was the first to look out of the dining-room window, and he could hardly believe his eyes.

"Look! Look!" he cried, when he could find his voice. "Our snow man has turned into George Washington!"

There was a chorus of exclamations as the others rushed to the windows. They all hurried out, leaving their breakfast untasted. Dan was right. There was no doubt of the snow man's likeness to George Washington. The shape of the head, the wig and the features were all those of the Father of his Country. It was some time before they realized that Uncle Richard had made the change, and then they showed more wonder than any of his drawings had roused in them.

After breakfast the chidren called their little friends to see the wonderful George Washington. They kept coming all day, and some brought flags and wreaths to decorate it. It was the strangest celebration of Washington's Birthday that Daybrook had ever seen. The children themselves made many more snow men during the day, and they tried hard to give them the likeness of Washington. but somehow they could not do it so well as Uncle Richard.—Irving Palfrey.

THE SNOW-FORT

Robert Smith's uncle was an officer in the navy, and when he came home for a short visit he made Robert a present of a flag. It was made of fine material, and created much interest among the boys. There was, too, a bit of mischief in one or two boys who lived near by, and whenever the flag appeared as a decoration, it was the signal for some sort of skirmish.

Robert bore all this with good nature, and when on Fourth of July the boys took his flag down from its place above the veranda and stuck it up in Tom Green's yard, he only laughed, and waited until they brought it back.

When winter came, and the snow was much drifted, more than for years, Robert and his friends built a big snow fort in the yard; and they had many good-natured battles.

The morning of Washington's birthday was clear and cold, but Robert was up bright and early, and planted his flag in the most conspicuous part of the fort; and while he was eating breakfast he view it proudly, as the bright colors shone against the snow.

Robert and his sister were to have a little party in the evening, and the guests were to come in costume; all who could were to wear some old-time clothing. Robert had a wig and an old Continental coat. After breakfast he was quite busy helping decorate the rooms and running errands. On his return from one of these, he saw his flag flying gaily from the yard in a house two blocks below. A small fort in imitation of his own had been quickly made, and the flag was stuck in the very top.

Robert was not a boy to cry over the matter, but as soon as his work was done he organized his friends into a little band, and they went down to triumphantly bring the flag home.

At first the battle was all in good spirit, but when Robert had at last captured the flag and borne it back to his own yard, the other boys grew aggressive, and running round by a back street, they climbed into Robert's fort, and would not let him set up the flag. A hot battle followed. Snowballs flew in every direction. The girls came out to watch the struggle and cheer on the boys. Several times Robert and his friends gained the top of the fort, but were driven back by the boys.

Just as Robert had begun to lose his temper a little, he heard a strong, manly cry behind him: "Remember it is Washington's birthday! Don't give up the flag!" He did not turn to see who was calling, but with another great effort gained the top, and planting the flag in its old position, pushed and crowded the boys back. His friends climbed up by the other side, and they were victors of the day. It was then he saw that the voice which had cheered him on was that of his uncle who had unexpectedly returned for the day.

He was so happy over this that he soon forgot his anger, and when his uncle suggested that he go down and ask the boys to come to the party that evening, he was glad to do so.

The boys were a little ashamed at first, and would not readily accept; but when they heard that Robert's uncle was to tell naval stories, they shook hands, and said, "I guess we'll leave the flag just where it is!" This was the last time the flag was ever molested, and Robert had gained three more friends to help him defend it from attack.—Selected.

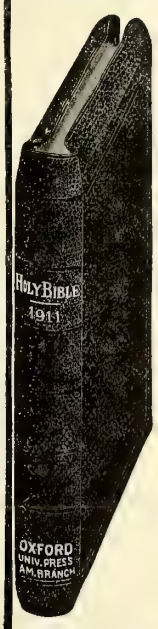


Methodist Benevolent Association

A Mutual Benefit Brotherhood for Southern Methodists. Issues Whole Life, 20-Premium Life, Term to 60, and Disability-Old Age Certificates. **Benefits, at death, disability, or old age. $150,000 paid widows, orphans, disabled. Reserve $30,000. For terms, etc., write *J. H. SHUMAKER, Sec'y, Nashville, Tenn.***

An Exceptional Bible Offer

Endorsed by Representatives of all Denominations



THE 1911 BIBLE

Being the old familiar Authorized Version, carefully amended by American scholars in the light of the latest modern scholarship.

Not a Revision

Only such passages as are recognized by all scholars as needlessly obscure have been altered in any way.

Special Features

A New System of Chain References.
A New System of Collected References.
A New System of Paragraphs.

"We believe, unqualifiedly, that the 1911 Bible is far the best translation ever given the English-speaking people, and the worthiest of their confidence and affection."—*Herald and Presbyter.*

Printed in large black-faced type, very easy to read

Special Offer:

For $2.00 we will send you, postpaid, a copy of this superb Bible, beautifully printed in large black-face type, and bound in the best French morocco, with overlapping edges, round corners, red under gold edges, headband, and fine silk marker. This Bible contains 12 beautifully colored Maps, and Index to Maps.
Size, 8x5½ inches.

For $5.00 we will send you, postpaid, ***the exquisite Oxford India Paper edition*** of this Bible, which measures only ⅞ of an inch in thickness. It is bound in the finest Alaska seal, with overlapping edges, full leather lined to edge, silk sewed, round corners, red under gold edges, and has silk headband and marker.
Size, 8x5½ inches, ⅞ of an inch thick.

Remember!! These Bibles are published by the Oxford University Press, American Branch—in itself a sufficient guarantee of their excellence.

Send for one of these Bibles to-day

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

A Big ? You Decide: The School: The Methods: The Results:

A Few Reasons Why You Should Enroll With Us

We teach Stenotypy, the fastest method of writing. Our *courses* teach you to *know*. We *train* you to *grasp* your *opportunity*. Latest improved methods. Your choice of *nine* different systems of *shorthand, two of them hold world's record* for *speed* and *accuracy*.

Rates and terms most reasonable. *Real business courses* as taught at a *real commercial college*. Results unequalled. Twenty-five students recently placed in positions.

Write for further information and terms. Do not put off this important step.

CENTRAL BUSINESS COLLEGE, ROANOKE, VIRGINIA
T. S. SPRADLIN, President

BOOK FOR HOME OWNERS—FREE

Home owners will find a wealth of good suggestions in this little book, "Simple Plantings for Southern Homes." It shows how the beauty and value of the home can be greatly increased by a little judicious planting of trees, shrubs, vines, etc. It is handsomely illustrated with photographs, showing a number of planting plans that require little work and expenditure, but which give wonderful results. It outlines, also, the principles of landscape gardening. The book has just been published by the J. Van Lindley Nursery Co., Box L 203, Pomona, N. C. Write them today for a free copy. Ask also for their catalogue, which contains full information on planting, growing, and caring for trees and plants.

Our Dead

BURNS—Mrs. Sallie A. Burns (nee Allen) was born at Norwood in Stanly County, N. C., Jan. 7th, 1841, and died at her home near Cedar Hill in Anson County, Dec. 9th, 1914; age 73 years, 11 months and two days.

In July, 1865, she was married to Joshua A. Burns. To this union six children were born. Her husband and one daughter passed to their reward some years ago. Those surviving are Geo. E. and Miss Nannie Burns, of Ansonville; Paul Burns, of Greensboro; Ernest Burns, of Richmond, Va., and Mrs. Bulah Anderson, of Montgomery County.

Sister Burns was converted in early life and joined the Methodist Church and through the years afterward remained within its pale attending upon its ordinances, supporting its institutions with unfaltering devotion and loyalty. Her religion was genuine. It was in the home that it shone to best advantage. There she taught her children the way of truth and righteousness. There she bore such clear and convincing testimony of the power and goodness of God. May the grace that sustained her through life and in death abide with her children and grandchildren. L. L. Smith.

JOHNSON—Thompson L. Johnson was born March 8th, 1842, and died Jan. 22nd, 1915; aged 72 years, ten months and 14 days. He leaves behind a wife and four children.

He was an industrious man, a kind neighbor and a kind, good father. He joined the church at Center Nov. 1st, 1914. The writer visited him during his last illness, and he said the future was clear for him. Funeral services were conducted in Center church by the writer. May God comfort the widow and children left behind.

T. B. Johnson.

PRICE—Mrs. Emily Price was born July 18th, 1828, and died Jan. 30th, 1915; aged 86 years, six months and 12 days. She professed religion at Lee's Chapel in 1876. This meeting was held by Revs. Abe Kirkman, Robt. Stafford and John W. Lewis, preacher in charge at that time. She leaves behind two daughters, grandchildren, great grandchildren and other relatives. Thomas Price (her husband) died in 1865. Sister Price was a good Christian woman and she told her friends and her pastor that all was clear for the future. May God comfort her loved ones left behind.

T. B Johnson.

HOLCOMB—Anna Patience Holcomb was born Aug. 31st, 1847, and died Nov. 27th, 1914. She was the wife of Dr. C. M. Holcomb, of Yadkin County, N. C., and was the mother of six children, four of whom, together with the bereaved husband, are still living.

Sister Holcomb was a devout Christian, a gentle, loving wife and mother, and had the esteem and love of all who knew her. She was a worthy member of the Methodist Church and died in the full triumph of the Christian faith.

We laid her body to rest in the country near her home. The funeral services were conducted by this writer.

M. H. Vestal.

SCROGGS—On Saturday, Feb, 6th, 1915, while the sun was shining brightly in the heavens, and apparently nature was at its best for the season of the year, the pale horse of death entered the home of Mr. Jno. O. Scroggs, of Hayesville, N. C., and ended the earthly career of his daughter, Miss Carrie C. Scroggs. Deceased was born in Clay County, near Hayesville, N. C., April, 22, 1880, and died on the above mentioned date, living 34 years, nine months and 14 days. It is believed by all who knew her that she was ready. Her most intimate acquaintances do not hesitate to say that she possessed qualities that were rare in the way of virtue and excellency of character. Her life was a benediction to those who knew her best. No one could be in her presence long and not discover these extraordinary qualities of Christian character which she possessed. It can be truthfully said of her that she in life and conduct was as a city set on a hill. She professed faith in Christ when quite young, and had for many years prior to her death lived a devout Christian life. She was a loyal member of the Southern Methodist Church, holding her membership at Hayesville Methodist Church where she resided. She leaves behind three sisters, three brothers and a father, the home. The church and the community will miss her. Z. V. Johnston.

WARWICK—William Durant Warwick, son of Brother and Sister W. B. Warwick, of Pineville, was born Sept. 5, 1894, and died in camp near El Paso, Texas, Jan. 29, 1915. He was a member of the 16th Infantry U. S. Army, was with his regiment on duty guarding the international border along the Mexican frontier. While asleep on his cot he was wounded from a gun shot fired by the Mexicans across the border and died in about ten minutes. He thus gave his life for his country and in defense of our homes from the invasion of a hostile and warring nation.

His body was shipped to the home of his grief-stricken parents in Pineville, N. C. His funeral and burial was attended by the largest crowd ever assembled for a funeral in our little town.

Willie joined the church when a boy and it is to be hoped that he never strayed far from the tenets of his early Christian faith and influence of his mother's prayers. He was highly honored by his comrades and officers, all sending messages of sympathy and regret. We pray God's richest blessings on the father, mother, brothers and sisters, who are so sorely grieved in this loss of their loved one.

B. F. Hargett.

IN MEMORIAM

We, the members of the Women's Missionary Society of Marvin Methodist Church, desire to express our sorrow at the loss sustained in the death of our beloved friend and co-worker, Mrs. Laura Howie Sutton, wife of Mr. G. W. Sutton. Her life was an inspiration to us and we shall miss her sadly.

Therefore, be it resolved:

First, That we bow in reverent submission to the will of our Father, for we know that He doeth all things well.

Second. That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the husband and all her loved ones.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and placed on the minutes of our society. (Signed)

Miss Annie Ezzelle,
Mrs. James Crane,
Mrs. Tom Hudson.

SUTTON—Mrs. Laura Howie Sutton was born April 11, 1858, and died at her home near Marvin Jan. 21, 1915. She is survived by her husband, Brother G. W. Sutton, and three brothers and three sisters.

She joined the M. E. Church, South, in early life and was one of the most devoted and loyal Christian women this writer has ever known. The last few months of her earthly life she was a great sufferer, but never complained, always cheerful, thinking more of the interest of her church and loved ones than of her own affliction. Truly it can be said of her, "She hath done what she could."

Upon the husband, Bro. Sutton, an official and zealous worker in our church, who has been left alone, her loved ones and many friends, we sincerely pray God's blessings and point them to the same Christ she so faithfully served and trusted. Her pastor.

IN MEMORY OF G. H. OSBORNE

Granville Harrison Osborne, of Oval, N. C., was born August 8th, 1840, and died January 13th, 1915, being 74 years, five months and five days old. He was the son of Enoch and Ruth Perkins Osborne, of Helton, who have some time since gone to their reward. June 9th, 1867, he married Mary Ann Graybeal, who still survives. Of this union 12 children were born. Four have passed from time to eternity; and eight, five girls and three boys, still survive their father. These survivors are Mr. Eugene Osborne, Limestone, Tenn.; Mr. Roby W. Osborne, Idlewild, N. C.; Mrs. L. S. Vannoy, Fleetwood, N. C.; Mrs. Tom Vannoy, Oval, N. C.; Mrs. Arthur Phillips, Idlewild, N. C.; Mr. Isom V. Osborne, Oval, N. C.; Mrs. W. R. Watson, Oval, N. C., and Mrs. W. L. Campbell, Beaver Creek, N. C., R. F. D. Also there are four brothers and one sister who survive Mr. Osborne: Messrs. Lee and Marshall Osborne, Rugby, Va.; Mr. Zacariah Osborne, in Nebraska; Mr. W. W. Osborne, Bellair, Md., and Mrs. Emiline Park, Grassy Creek, N. C. There are besides these 38 grandchildren who now live to call him blessed. When Dr. James H. Weaver was pastor of the Jefferson circuit he received Brother Osborne into the church. From that day to the day of his death he was a consistent member of the church and consistent member of the church and a Christian gentleman. He stood right by the church in a quiet conservative way. He was a believer of and a constant grower in grace. To the writer, who has been his pastor for more than a year, he has time and again expressed his faith in Christ and his hope of heaven. He remained conscious to the end, but was not able to articulate so as to be understood for some weeks before his death. He had been sick for five years. But for two years and two months before his death, he was helpless. During all these years of suffering he was never heard to murmur or complain. Relatives, neighbors, friends and acquaintances say "he was a good man." He left Jefferson with the first company who went from there to the Civil War, and remained to the end of that struggle. He received four wounds at Gettysburg. One of these was very severe. At Richmond also he received a severe wound. He believed that one these wounds was the cause of his long suffering. He is gone now to his reward. But may we remember his traits of industry, patience and faith. E. P. Stabler.

RHEUMATISM AND INDIGESTION

Practically all physicians and medical writers are agreed that there is a close relationship between Indigestion and Rheumatism. This view is substantiated by the fact that Shivar Spring Water, which is probably the best American mineral water for Dyspepsia and Indigestion, relieves Rheumatism and the Rheumatoid diseases, such as Gout, Sciatica, Neuralgia and Nervous Headache. All of these diseases are probably related and all are probably due in whole or in part to imperfect digestion or to imperfect assimilation of food. Physicians who have studied this water and who have observed its effects in their practice believe it relieves these maladies by rendering the digestion complete and perfect and thereby preventing the formation of those poisons which inflame the joints and irritate the nerves, and also by eliminating, through the kidneys, such poisons as have already been formed.

The following letters are interesting in this connection:

Dr. Crosby, a South Carolina physician, writes:—"I have tested your Spring Water in several cases of Rheumatism, Chronic Indigestion, Kidney and Bladder troubles and in Nervous and Sick Headaches and find that it has acted nicely in each case, and I believe that, if used continuously for a reasonable time, will produce a permanent cure. It will purify the blood, relieve debility, stimulate the action of the Liver, Kidneys and Bladder, aiding them in throwing off all poisonous matter."

Dr. Avant of Savannah writes:—"I suffered for years with a most aggravating form of stomach disorder and consulted a number of our best local physicians, went to Baltimore and consulted specialists there and still I was not benefited. I had about despaired of living when I began to use Shivar Spring Water and in a short time was cured."

Mr. Rhodes of Virginia writes:—"Please send me ten gallons of Shivar Spring Water quickly. I want it for Rheumatism. I know of several who were cured of Rheumatism with this water."

Editor Cunningham writes:"The water has done more good than any medicine I have ever taken for Rheumatism. Am entirely free from pain."

Mr. McClam of South Carolina writes:—"My wife has been a sufferer from Rheumatism and after drinking twenty gallons of your Mineral Water was entirely cured of the horrible disease."

Mr. Carter of Virginia writes:—"Mr. Carter has had enlarged joints upon his hands, caused by Rheumatism. Shivar Spring Water removed every trace of the enlargement. The water is simply excellent."

If you suffer with Rheumatism, or with any chronic disease, accept the guarantee offer below by signing your name. Clip and mail to the

Shivar Spring,
Box 5S, Shelton, S. C.,
Gentlemen:

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....

Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You run no risk whatever in accepting his offer. I have personally witnessed the remarkable curative effects of this water in a very serious case.

TRINITY COLLEGE NOTES

The annual revival services conducted by Rev. Dr. McLarty, pastor of Trinity on Street Methodist Church, Charlotte, closed last Sunday evening, after continuing successfully for eight days.

Monday, February 22nd, will be celebrated here as a holiday as usual, and the annual civic address will be given by Dr. E. P. Cheyney, Professor of European History in the University of Pennsylvania. His subject will be "Law and Accident in History."

At a recent preliminary contest for the purpose of selecting a third speaker for the Washington and Lee debate to be held this spring, Mr. W. R. Shelton, of Asheville, was selected, with L. C. Allen and Henry Greenberg, of Durham, as alternates.

At a recent meeting of the science club the following subjects were discussed: "The Machinery of War," by Professor C. W. Edwards; "The Structure of the Atom," by J. H. Comas and "Telephoning 3,400 Miles," by J. Thaxton.

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of
Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.
SOLICITING OFFICES:
New York—118 E. 28th St.....E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg...W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller.....C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg., M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.....J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg...J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.....G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.....A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel...J. W. Ligon

"THE SANITARY" Individual Communion CUP
List of thousands of churches using our cups and FREE CATALOG with quotations sent upon request.
Sanitary Communion Outfit Co.. 71st St., Rochester, N.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland
108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.
Second Round

February
Mars Hill, Beech Glen 27-28
Weaverville, night 28
March
Leicester, Little Sandy 6-7
Elk Mountain, night 7
Brevard Circuit, East Fork 13-14
Brevard 14
Missionary and Sunday School Institute 14-16
Hendersonville—Missionary and Sunday School Institute 16-17
Henderson Circuit, Fruitland 20
Central, Asheville, 11 a. m. 21
North Asheville, night 21
Missionary and Sunday School Institute 21-22
Marshall Missionary and Sunday School Institute 23-24
Mills River, Horseshoe 27-28
Hendersonville, night 28
April
Tryon and Saluda, Saluda 3-4
Flat Rock, Tuxedo, 3 p. m. 4
Spring Creek, Ottingers 10-11
Hot Springs and M., Hot Springs, night 11
Fairview, Bethany 17-18
Haywood St., Asheville, night 18
Sulphur Springs, Oak Hill 24-25
Biltmore and Mt. Pl., Biltmore, night, 25

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, 508 N. Tryon St., Charlotte, N. C.
Second Round

February
Hickory Grove 27-28
Chadwick, night 28
March
Seversville, Pleasant Grove 6-7
Brevard, night 7
Pineville, Harrison 13-14
Calvary, night 14
Thrift, Moore's Chapel 20-21
Trinity, night 21
Belmont 28
Tryon, night 28
April
Weddington, Union 3-4
Matthews, Indian Trail, 3 p. m. 4
Marshville, Smyrna 10
Prospect, Midway 11
Unionville 17-18
North Monroe, Icemorlee, night 18
Waxhaw 24-25
Monroe, Central, night 25
May
Ansonville, Cedar Hill 1-2
Wadesboro, night 2
Lilesville, Shiloh 8-9
Morven, Morven 15-16
Dilworth 23
Spencer Memorial and Derita, night 23
Polkton, Mount Moriah 29-30

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.
Second Round

February
Walnut St. and Carraway Memorial, Walnut St. 13-14
Ruffin, Ruffin 20-21
Reidsville 21-22
Gibsonville, Whitsett 27-28
Spring Garden, night 28
March
Pleasant Garden, Liberty 6-7
Greensboro Circuit, Rehobeth 13-14
Centenary, ... 14-15
Wentworth, Lowes 20-21
West Greensboro, Friendship 27-28
April
Coleridge, Mt. Olivet 3-4
Ramseur & Franklinville, Franklinville, 4-5
Randolph, Hopewell 10-11
Wesley Memorial 17-18
Main St. 18-19
East & West 18-19
Deep River, West Bend 24-25
Asheboro 25-26
Randleman, Naomi 25-26
May
Uwharrie, Union 1-2
Denton, Clarkesbury 8-9
West Market 15-16

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Second Round

February
Mount Airy Station, night 28
March
Stokesdale, Mount Carmel 5
Summerfield, Pisgah 6-7
Walnut Cove, Palmyra 13-14
Madison & Stoneville, Stoneville, night 17-18
Draper, night 18-21
Spray, night 19-21
Leaksville, night 20-21
Danbury, Delta 27-28
April
Dobson, Pleasant Ridge 3-4
Elkin, night 7
Jonesville, Maple Springs 9
Yadkinville, Booneville 10-11
Rural Hall, Mt. Pleasant, night 11-12
Pilot Mountain 18-19
Ararat 24-25
Mount Airy Circuit 25-26

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Second Round

March
McDowell, Pleasant Hill 5
Thermal City, Centennial 6-7
Old Fort, Bethlehem 13-14
Marion Station 14-15
Rutherfordton, Gilboa 19
Green River, Mann's Chapel 20-21
Table Rock, Oboth 27-28
Morganton Station 28-29
April
Forest City, Salem 3-4
Cliffside, Hopewell 3-4
Broad River, Kistlers 10-11
Henrietta and Caroleen, Caroleen 11-12
Morganton Circuit, Glen Alpine 17-18
Connelly Springs, Harmony 24-25
May
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Oak Grove 1-2
Micaville, South Toe 8-9
Bald Creek, Hortons 15-16
Burnsville 16-17
Marion Circuit, North Catawba 22-23

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C.
Second Round

February
Lowesville, Snow Hill 13-14
Mt. Holly, Mt. Island 14-15
Bessemer, Concord 20-21
Lowell, Lowell, ... 27-28
McAdenville, McAdenville 28
March
King's Mountain, ElBethel 6-7
Polkville, Polkville 13-14
Rock Springs, Mt. Pleasant 20-21
Belwood, Kadish 27-28
April
Shelby Circuit, Sulphur Springs 3-4
Lincolnton Circuit, Marvin 10-11
Lincolnton, Lincolnton 11
Crouse, Pleasant Grove 17-18
Stanly, Iron 18-19
South Fork, Plateau 24-25

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.
Second Round

February
Salisbury, South Main Street, 11 a. m., 14
Salisbury, Holmes Memorial, night 14
Salisbury, First Church, 11 a. m. 21
E. Spencer-N. Main St., N. Main St. night 21
Salisbury Circuit, Providence 27-28
Spencer, night 28
March
Concord Circuit, Mt. Carmel 6-7
Concord, Forest Hill, night, ... 7-8
Woodleaf Circuit, Gay's Chapel 13-14
West Concord, Kerr St., night 14-15
Cottonville & Oakboro Ct. Mt. Zion 20-21
Norwood 20-21
Concord, Central, 11 a. m. 28
Concord, Epworth & C., Epworth, night 28
April
Albemarle, Central, night 2-4
Albemarle Circuit, Stony Hill 3-4
Mount Pleasant Circuit, Saint Paul, 10-11
Concord, Westford, night 11
Salem Circuit, New Mount Tabor 17-18
Albemarle, First Street, night 18
Kannapolis Station, 11 a. m. 23-25
Kannapolis Circuit, Bethpage 24-25
China Grove & Landis, China Grove, night 25
May
New London Circuit 1-2
Gold Hill Circuit 2-3
Bethel & Love's Chapel, Love's Chapel 8-9

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston-Salem, N. C.
Second Round

February
Walkertown 20-21
Grace, night 21
Linwood, Macedonia 27-28
Lexington, night 28
March
Thomasville, South Thomasville 6-7
Thomasville, Main Street, ... 5-7
Advance, Advance 13-14
Burkhead, night 14
Davidson, Midway 20-21
Forsythe, Mineral Spring 27-28
West End, night 28
April
Jackson Hill, Jackson Hill 3-4
Salem, night 4
Farmington, Bethlehem 10-11
Mocksville 9-11
Lewisville, Concord 17-18
Davie, Liberty 24-25
Cooleemee, night 25
May
Kernersville 1-2

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
First Round

February
Laurel Springs, Transon 20-21
Sparta, Potato Creek 27-28

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Lee T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Second Round

March
Iredell, Mt. Bethel, 11 a. m. 6
Broad Street, Broad Street, 11 a. m. 7-8
Race Street, Race Street, 7:30 p. m. 7-9
Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 11 a. m. 13-14
West Hickory, West Hickory, 7:30 p. m. 14-15

TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 : : : : *CHARTERED 1859*



A Southern institution of established national reputation. Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.

Large endowment fund makes possible complete, first-class equipment; full faculty of able, well-chosen instructors; beautiful campus, new buildings, modern laboratories, splendid library. Comfortable, inexpensive dormitories. For catalogue and illustrated booklet, address

R. L. Flowers, Sec. to the Corporation, Durham, N. C.

GREENSBORO NURSERIES

AGENTS WANTED

For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.

JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

Lenoir Circuit, Littlejohn's, 11 a. m. 20
Lenoir Station, Lenoir, 11 a. m. 21-22
South Lenoir and Valmead, Valmead, 3:30 p. m. 21-23
North Lenoir Circuit, Ebenezer, 11 a. m. 27
Granite Falls and Hudson, Hudson, 11 a. m. 28-29
Hickory—First Church, Hickory, 7:30 p. m. 28-29
April
Alexander, Liberty, 11 a. m. 3-4
Stoney Point, Pisgah, 3:30 p. m. 4-5
Hickory Circuit, Grace Chapel, 11 a. m. 10
Newton, Newton, 11 a. m. 11-12
Maiden, Pisgah, 11 a. m. 17
Catawba, Hopewell, 11 a. m. 18-19
Statesville Circuit, Trinity, 11 a. m. 24
Cool Spring, New Salem, 11 a. m. 25-26
May
Troutman, 11 a. m. 1
Davidson, Davidson, 11 a. m. 2-3
Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 7:30 p. m. 2-3
Mooresville Circuit, 11 a. m. 8
Mooresville Station, Mooresville, 11 a. m. 9-10

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, R. 2, Asheville, N. C.
Second Round

February
Jonathan Circuit, Dellwood 27-28
March
Bethel Circuit, Harmony Grove 6-7
Canton Station 7
Clyde Circuit, Long's Chapel 13-14
Fines Creek Circuit, Fines Creek 20-21
Haywood Circuit, Fincher 27-28
Bryson and Whittier, Olivet 30-31
April
Glenville Circuit, Speedwell 3-4
Webster Circuit, Love's Chapel 4-5
Waynesville Station 11
Sylva Station, night 11
Hayesville, Ledford 17-18
Murphy Circuit, Brasstown 20-21
Ranger Circuit, Bellview 24-25
May
Murphy Station 1
Andrews Station 1

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Premier Carrier of the South

N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information and are not guaranteed.

12:15 a. m.—No 32 daily Southern's Southeastern Limited. Pullman drawing-room, open section sleeping cars Jacksonville and Augusta to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

12:35 a. m.—No. 112, daily, local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh which is open at 9:30 and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m.

1:42 a. m.—No. 30, daily, Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing-room and observation sleeping cars Birmingham and Columbus to New York, and Birmingham to Richmond. Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29 daily, Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing-room and observation sleeping cars New York and Richmond to Birmingham and Columbus. Daily tourist car Washington to San Francisco via popular Sunset Route. Dining cars. Coaches.

3:15 a. m.—No. 31 daily, The Southern's Southeastern Limited. Pullman drawing-room and open section sleeping cars New York to Jacksonville and Augusta. Dining car service. Day coaches.

3:45 a. m.—No. 45 daily, local for Charlotte, connecting for Atlanta and points south.

7:10 a. m.—No. 8 daily, local for Richmond.

7:15 a. m.—No. 37 daily, New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section sleeping cars New York to New Orleans, and New York to Asheville, and Macon. Pullman parlor car Greensboro to Montgomery. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service.

7:30 a. m.—No. 108 daily, local for Raleigh, Selma, and Goldsboro.

7:40 a. m.—No. 154 daily, except Sunday for Ramseur.

7:25 a. m.—No. 11, daily, local for Atlanta. Pullman sleeping cars Norfolk and Richmond to Charotte. Day coaches.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily, for Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Pullman sleeping car Raleigh to Winston-Salem.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily, local for Mt. Airy.

9:30 a. m.—No. 44, daily, for Washington and points north.

9:40 a. m.—No. 144, daily, Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro Pullman sleeping car Atlanta to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily, for Asheville and Waynesville, connecting at Asheville with Carolina Special for all points west. Chair car Goldsboro to Asheville.

12:55 p. m.—No. 130, daily, local for Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

1:30 p. m.—No. 7, daily, local for Charlotte, connecting for Seneca and Columbia.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily U. S. Fast Mail for Washington, New York and points north. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

2:00 p. m.—No. 207, daily, for Winston-Salem, connecting daily except Sunday for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daily, except Sunday for Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily, except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily, for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Chair car.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily, for Mt. Airy.

6:25 p. m.—No. 35, daily, U. S. Fast Mail, for Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham. Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily, for Winston-Salem.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily local for Sanford.

7:32 p. m.—No. 43, daily, for Alanta, and points south Sleeping car Raleigh to Atlanta.

10:15 p. m.—No. 12, daily, local, for Richmond. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Norfolk.



This India Paper Bible Compared with one of ordinary paper, containing the same number of pages and same size type.

THE GREATEST BIBLE BARGAIN

A GENUINE 7.50 { HOLMAN India Paper Self-Pronouncing BIBLE } FOR ONLY 4.25 Carefully Wrapped and sent Postpaid in a box

Authorized version, printed from the clearest type ever used in a Bible, large bold face open print with liberal spacing between the words and lines

PRINTED ON THE FINEST INDIA PAPER MADE

The Text is Self-Pronouncing with references. It has a new Concord ance, alphabetically arranged and with analytical and comparative features and 50,000 References also New Biblical Atlas with Fifteen Colored Maps and Complete Index to Same.

BOUND IN GENUINE PERSIAN MOROCCO, divinity circuit, full leather linings, silk sewed, silk head bands and marker, special flat opening reinforced binding that will not break in the back.

The size is 5½ x 8 inches--only one inch thick.

Easy to Read Type

Specimen of Type.

17 ¶ "From that time Jē'sus began to preach, and to say, "Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at

No. 700X Publisher's Price **7.50** Sent postpaid for **4.25**

THE DUTY OF THE HOUR FOR AMERICA

By Rev. Charles S. Macfarland, Ph.D.
General Secretary of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America

Each of the nations is fighting, in others, the very sins which it has committed. Each is fighting now a foe without, because each failed to fight her foe within.

More than one nation had by newspaper and by its literature, contemplated this holocaust, sometimes with criminal levity. Each was unwilling it should come, but not enough unwilling. Even now it is talked of by more than one, with appalling complacency, as a more or less permanent event.

All have, in varying degree, either talked or acted an imperialism, and each has constantly increased the suspicions of the other. Men of all these nations had helped it to come by perpetually reminding themselves and the others that it was "bound to come." The national snobs were not of one nation alone. And in the final judgment, while the guilt for certain immediate acts may rest more heavily on one or two, they will all admit their share of guilt, and on no other assumption can we hope for justice at that judgment. And one thing had been absolutely neglected by each and all, although if anything stands out as the clear verdict of history, it is that no nation was ever killed by guns and powder, but that all who have gone down have died of injuries internal. Our statesmen, some of them, are telling us that Europe's war is America's warning; that we must get ready and that our readiness must be very much like that of Europe's nations; that we must do the very things that they for thirty years have done. They tell us that our chiefest need and our most permanent defense and our lasting security is a battleship, which costs millions of dollars and takes years to build, but which can be blown to the four winds with a little torpedo that can be made in a day or two and costs a few dollars. But I want to approach it from another viewpoint, and put the warning in a different light. They say that we must get more guns and ships and shells. I want to point out a different kind of armament. They are dealing with one set of forces. I will try to deal with another. And one thing I admit, we must have either theirs or mine. Our nation must have forces either material or moral, and the only question is—which shall they be?

The duty of the hour for us is to seek how we may build the new Jerusalem, the holy city, upon the ashes of the old; and most of all to ask ourselves what should be our own state of mind and condition of heart at this moment, when the world has lost its way. Our first duty is not to condemn the world, but to find out how it may come again to life and have it more abundantly than before.

For let us forget it not, far above this, another battle is being fought, one of whose armies may with right and truth appeal to God. Let us rise out of this conflict into the higher one, which is not against flesh and blood, but against the spiritual hosts of wickedness within the heavenly places of our own souls, the battle of eternal and ultimate realities and ideals.

It will, therefore, be wise and well, instead of lamenting the national misdeeds of others, to make this the solemn occasion when we turn our eyes inward and seek in an inviolable solitude of our national personality to stand face to face with the divine reality, and having judged our brothers, if we so must, proceed then to judge ourselves.

The blame is universal. We have all assented to a so-called balance of power, equipoised upon a sword, with bullets in the scale for weights. We have all agreed to secret alliances other than for reason and justice. We all share the peril of the sword because we have taken the sword. The differences are in degree and not in principle and kind.

The conflict in Europe was no mere accident. The ultimate causes of her woe are selfish ambitions, material competition, unfair advantages, suspicions, the doctrine that might makes right, the confusion of moral with physical power, the ruthless law of the survival of the fittest; in all which the militarists have been ably supported by the intellectuals and the aristocrats of the old world. It arises out of a false philosophy of human life, a false conception of racial relationships, and a false view of human progress. Are we free from the danger of these ultimate causes?

Oh, if the nations of Europe had only thought less about their foes without and more about their foes within. We blame them because they are not democratic either in form or in fact, but perhaps there is still greater danger to the nation that has the form without the fact; that raises hopes before its people which it does not enable them to realize, and ideals before the world, which it sadly fails to demonstrate within itself.

The nations are still suspicious of us. Japan has an attitude of watchful waiting as to whether or not we are a just people. China has her alternate hope and doubt, and is mercurial in her temper toward us. The little nations to the south are not quite sure of us, and the most hopeful sign of this day and generation was that three of them did try us once and did not find us wanting.

We need to arm ourselves against them; yes, but we shall do it best by disarming them of their doubts and their lingering suspicions. Confidence is the only ultimate security of the relations between nations. The unselfish return of China's indemnity was worth at least one battleship to this nation.

The new patriotism will begin to transform the world when one nation makes her own people see that to love one people truly is to love all peoples, and that the loss of a nation's ho is infinitely worse than the loss land, and that her service to other tions is the measure of her greatne

Mexico is really waiting to whether we shall send into her mi the messengers of light. And now eyes of the whole world are on It does not yet know whether democracy is real of specious, a whether the whited sepulchres wi out are inwardly filled with de men's bones. The eyes of God on us. At this moment the vineya is in our possession and it is ours say whether or not, in us, the pa ble shall be fulfilled. But if our o house only can be set in order, shall, under the hand of God, beco the world's messiah. By self-dis pline alone is moral domination w and the surest way to protect ousselv and the surest way to protect o selves is to purify ourselves within

And now, when all else has brok down and the darkness about them so dense that the light can not mistaken, let the nations see in us nation that will rather suffer wro that do a wrong.

A GOLD MINE in Your Own Garret



and in Hundreds of other Garrets, Wardrobes, and Chests in the Carolinas.

We estimate that the value of soiled but perfectly good clothing in the Carolinas, which is now laid aside, but which we could renew very inexpensively, is not less than

FIVE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS

We wish to save this enormous value to you and other Carolinians. ***Read this by all means—every word of it.*** It is a message of ***economy*** for ***you.*** It means the saving of many, many dollars right now when saving is urgently needed. It tells you how to

DRESS WELL AT ALMOST NO COST

Laid away in the garret or closet are the family's old clothes. Ordinarily you would sell or give these away, but this year you are going to economize. There's your coat suit—somewhat soiled and out of shape, but not so badly worn. This year you are going to have it cleaned and restored to newness by our FAULTLESS DRY CLEANING PROCESS and save the cost of a new suit, at a cost of only two dollars. There is also a waist and skirt, rather soiled and stained, which you will send off and have every trace of dirt removed for a mere song, $1.50. Then there is Hubby's suit. This is not quite so hard to clean and restore as your suit, and it will only cost $1.50; without vest, $1.25. Going through his wardrobe are his fancy vest, 50c; soiled, mussed ties, 5c, and dirty gloves, 10c. There are also your gloves, dresses, evening slippers, etc., every one of which can be cleaned and freshened at insignificant cost and much money saved.

OLD CLOTHES MADE NEW

By Our Faultless Dry Cleaning Process

This is the wonderful French method of dry cleaning and restoring clothing. Without injury to the most delicate of fabrics or shades of coloring, it cleans and renews clothing of every description, restoring the original new "hang" of the garment and making it good for another season of usefulness. Ours is the most modern establishment in the South, being equipped with the latest improved machinery and modern devices. Our work people are the most skilled possible to obtain.

Our Dyeing Department

In this department we dye garments to any darker shade desired. By availing yourself of this service you can change the appearance of any garment which has become old and tiresome, converting your old suit, coat, waist, or drapery, etc., into as good as new articles at a trifling cost. Laces and dress trimmings dyed to match samples. We make a specialty of mourning goods dyed on short notice.

MONEY SAVING FOR YOU

We realize the necessity for many people in this section to practice the most strict economy for the next year or so. Hence we have made very attractive prices on ***Dry Cleaning and Dyeing.***

DRY CLEANING		DYEING	
Ladies' Suits	$2.00 up	Ladies' Suits	$3.00
Ladies' Skirts	1.00 "	Ladies' Skirts	1.50
Ladies' Dresses	1.50 "	Ladies' Dresses	2.50
Waists	.50 "	Waists	1.00
Coats	1.00 "	Coats	1.00
Plumes	.75 "	Plumes	1.00
Tips	.50 "	Tips	.75
Men's Coats	.75 "	Men's Coats	1.00
Men's Pants	.50 "	Men's Pants	1.00
Men's Vests	.25 "	Men's Vests	.50
Overcoats	1.50 "	Overcoats	2.00 up
Fancy Dresses	2.50 "		
Opera Coats	2.00 "		
Gloves, Short	.10		
Gloves, Long	.20		

Laces and Dress Trimmings dyed to match samples. Mourning orders dyed on short notice.

OUR IRON CLAD GUARANTEE

We guarantee all dry cleaning and dyeing work absolutely. Any unsatisfactory work will be done over FREE OF CHARGE. If we then cannot delight you with the results, say so and without a word of discussion, **Back Goes Your Money to You.** We know we can please you and hence are not afraid to guarantee absolute satisfaction.

Read our IRON CLAD GUARANTEE, then look through your old clothing and send us a trial order at once. Parcel post gives prompt and inexpensive delivery. We pay RETURN CHARGES ON ORDERS OF 50c AND OVER. We advise customers in case an order can not be executed exactly as desired and suggest best method of treatment.

Act at once and learn the economy of FAULTLESS DRY CLEANING AND DYEING.

Correspondence Solicited.

THE CHARLOTTE LAUNDRY,

Main Office and Works: Nos. 8-16 East Second Street,

OLDEST - LARGEST - BEST

CHARLOTTE, N. C.

JACOBS & CO.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, February 2[illegible]915 | Number 8

Reading Room Tilden College

THY WILL BE DONE

I am thankful that I have learned not only to say, but to feel what it is truly to say, "good is the will of the Lord" in little things as well as in great things. Many who seek to be enabled, and are in a measure enabled, to say this in great things, have yet to learn what it is to say it in little things; and, in consequence they are often heard complaining of what in little matters God appoints for them in a way that contradicts the faith that "all things work together for good to them that love God, and that, therefore, there is a good in all things, to be extracted from each thing as it comes, by receiving it in the light of love. Love to God, that love which receives God himself as the portion of the soul in every cup, its sweetest ingredient, whatever other sweet ingredients may be in it, is as essential to the right understanding of what God does in providence as the faith that he is love in what he does.—*John McLeod Campbell.*

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS

It is not our custom to discontinue subscriptions when the time paid for expires, without notice. Subscribers who do not wish the paper continued should send notice to discontinue direct to the office. Otherwise they will be expected to pay for the paper

LOOK UP THE ORDER BLANK

On page 11 the subscriber will find a renewal order blank. We are compelled to urge every one in arrears to clip out the blank, fill it out and pin check or money order to it. The matter is urgent and we beg subscribers to heed our call. Do not wait to see your pastor but mail direct to the office.

TO OUR PASTORS

We are depending upon pastors to see that the Advocate campaign is made at the earliest possible moment. Those who need new lists should write giving the post offices, and lists will be sent at once. The heavy list of delinquents is making it hard for us. The pastors should look over the lists at least and instruct us as to any who should be cut off. We want to remove from our lists at once the names of any from whom there is no prospect of collecting. Please, brother pastor, take the matter up these pretty days and thus relieve the great strain to which these unusual conditions are subjecting us. We are doing our best to keep the paper up to the best and highest standard in order to serve the church. Let us have your co-operation. You have nothing to lose by it. The Advocate can not get on without it.

OUR CHILDREN'S HOME

The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of our Children's Home had a meeting at the Home last week and agreed to push the work for raising the $50,000. which is so urgently needed to put the institution in good shape for enlargement of its work.

Most readers of the Advocate of course understand that the work has always been handicapped by a lack of such buildings as are necessary for comfort and convenience. The High Point building, the Smith building and the Cornelius building are first class in every respect, but the Home still waits for an administration building, and other cottages are badly needed.

The Superintendent, Brother Thompson, has the farm in fine shape and the members of the committee were highly pleased with this feature as well as all the work of the Superintendent.

Rev. J. H. West, the Field Agent of the Home, spent last Sunday with the West Market Street congregation, and a movement was begun in the Sunday school to raise a considerable fund. Brother West will return during the week to continue his work of soliciting and will spend next Sunday with the congregation at Spring Garden Street church. We trust that Greensboro people will give him cordial treatment. His work is made doubly difficult because of the business depression, but we hope to see the canvass result in a large increase in the fund for substantial improvement. Greensboro in fact ought to have a representative building at the Home.

THE JOINT QUARTERLY MEETING

We notice from the papers that Rev. W. R. Ware, presiding elder of the Salisbury District, is arranging for a joint meeting of the second Quarterly Conference for the charges in Salisbury and suburbs. We presume he will arrange for the same in Concord and possibly for Albemarle.

This is a wise arrangement, and one that the Advocate would commend most heartily for our cities, especially for the second round and possibly the third. It is not an experiment. It has been tried out. Brother Ware held several joint meetings while in charge of the Greensboro District, and they proved very satisfactory and far more interesting than they could have been if held separately.

There are many interests shared in common by the churches in the same city, and nothing is more helpful than the cultivation of the spirit of unity. Such meetings are needed in order to keep alive the fact that the churches are all one and that they can share equally in plans for enlargement and progress. The fact is, one element of weakness in our city work is the feeling of isolation shared in common by the pastors and congregations of our weaker city churches. It is really pathetic to see how many of these congregations struggle for existence—how they must buffet with the tide that is constantly flowing against them. They need the help and sympathy of the stronger charges and there is no method by which such help and sympathy may be brought to them, except as we bring the leaders together in occasional counsel.

What could Holmes Memorial do in an hour like this if it could not get the co-operation of a united Methodism in Salisbury? Yet there is no field in the city which offers larger and richer results from co-operative effort. The same may be said of many congregations already organized and of almost countless numbers of places that ought to be organized in all our cities.

We commend the joint quarterly meeting to all our presiding elders in charge of city work. It will open the way for the successful management of many things which can not be handled otherwise.

A GOOD BILL OF FARE

We are constrained to call special attention to some things in the present issue of the Advocate. In fact, we might say that, despite the "War in Europe," the "Old North Carolina" has not failed to set before its readers each week a good bill of fare. We have always had a full menu and we hope to be able to continue this.

But we started to say in particular that the contribution by Rev. J. M. Rowland on page four is well worth looking up; and we guarantee that those of our readers who do so will find that they can not stop till they have read it to the last period. Brother Rowland, by the way, is one of our most valued correspondents and his articles are always read with great interest.

We call attention also to the new plan of Sunday service adopted by the Burkhead congregation at Winston-Salem, as outlined on our news page. This experiment will be watched with no little interest, since it undertakes to solve the problem so often referred to recently, namely, that of having the Sunday school children in the preaching service.

The editor of the Advocate does not hesitate to confess that he has always been jealous of any plan that would compromise our regular preaching service. We do not believe that there is any form of service that can be substituted for it without damage to the spiritual life of the church; but we see no reason why, with one more service left without any sort of compromise, the Burkhead plan should not be made to work satisfactorily, provided the pastor will proceed at once to preach his sermon without taking time for hymns or special music. We shall at least watch this new plan with much interest.

We call attention also to the remarkable increase of revival interest as indicated in the news columns this week. The news of revival fires kindled even in country churches thus early in the year is both cheering and inspiring. Such news makes one feel like adopting the psalmist's words, "Cry aloud and shout, thou inhabitant of Zion." The news that men are repenting and giving practical evidence—bringing forth fruits meet for repentance—is not to be ridiculed. Men who get the blessing that way have a right to praise God. May the good work go on. Already the good fruits of Brother Green's revival have been felt on the Advocate mailing list. A similar result in all the charges would pull us out of all our holes and place us on easy street. After all, it is genuine religion that is needed more than anything to "make times good."

STATISTICS OF RELIGIOUS BODIES

Rev. Dr. H. K. Carroll, who is the acknowledged authority on the subject of church statistics, has sent out his report for the year and we give a condensed report of same below.

There is no reason for discouragement in these figures for the evangelical denominations. Of course Roman Catholicism, as usual, shows large figures and large increase. It is to be remembered, however, that Roman Catholics count all the members of a family, whether really communicants or not. It is also true that their increase comes largely from immigration.

Following are the condensed statistics, in which it will be seen that the Methodist church is the largest Protestant denomination and that it shows the largest net increase:

The grand total of members is now 38,708,149. All the larger denominations share in the increase. Baptists gained 122,125; Eastern Orthodox churches, 36,500; the Roman Catholic Church, 136,850; the Lutherans, 56,248; the German Evangelical Synod, representing the State Church of Prussia, 29,315; the Methodists, 231,460; the Presbyterians, 56,019; the Protestant Episcopal Church, 28,641.

The Protestant Episcopal church has crossed the million line, having gained 86,468 since 1910, and over 300,000 since 1900.

The Roman Catholic Church has gained nearly a million and a quarter since 1910 and more than five and a half millions since 1900.

The Methodist Episcopal Church gained 187,487 in 1914 and nearly 700,000 since 1900.

The thirty Churches, constituting the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, report as will be seen, nearly 17,500,000 members, somewhat less than half of the aggregate for all denominations, with 103,000 ministers and nearly 139,000 churches. These bodies have a net increase of over 500,000 members, or more than two-thirds of the entire increase of all bodies.

There are nine denominations which have a million and upward, the Roman Catholic, 13,794,637; the Methodist Episcopal, 3,603,265; the Southern Baptist, 2,592,217; the National Baptist (Colored) 2,018,868; the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, 2,005,707; the Presbyterian, Northern, 1,442,498; the Disciples of Christ, 1,363,163; the Northern Baptist Convention, 1,238,323, and the Protestant Episcopal, 1,015,238. These seven denominations aggregate over 29,000,000 members, or more than three-fourths of the entire aggregate of the 170 religious bodies.

It will be interesting also in this connection to give the detailed report for our own body, the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, as follows:

There are 7,299 traveling preachers, a gain of 96 as compared with 1913. We have a membership of 2,040,308, a gain of 36,555. Those Conferences showing the largest gain are: Holston, 4,130; Little Rock, 4,001; North Georgia, 3,223; South Carolina, 3,087; N. Alabama, 3,073; Louisiana, 2,445; Virginia, 2,401; Memphis, 2,269; Western North Carolina, 2,194; and Louisville, 2,032. Sixteen Conferences show a decrease in membership.

There are 139,801 Sunday school officers and teachers, a gain of 4,871, and 1,575,845 scholars, an increase of 95,868.

Conference Brotherhood

Assessment No. 13—Since my last report the following have paid this assessment: J. W. Campbell, S. Taylor, R. D. Sherrill, D. R. Proffitt, H. K. Boyer, R. M. Courtney, O. P. Routh, J. B. Carpenter, M. T. Steele, L. A. Falls, T. J. Ogburn, T. F. Marr, T. B. Johnson, E. P. Stabler, W. F. Womble, O. P. Ader, J. I. Hickman, W. M. Curtis, J. H. Green, J. F. England, J. P. Davis, A. W. Jacobs, J. E. Woosley, S. M. Davis, R. E. Hunt, J. A. Wiggins.

C. M. Pickens, Sec. and Treas.
Spencer, N. C.

NOTE AND COMMENT

Montana Is Moving to submit a prohibition amendment to the voters of the state. Every day adds evidence to support the theory that this nation is getting ready to repudiate the liquor traffic and leave off the liquor drinking habit.

* * * *

The House of Representatives passed a bill last week without a dissenting vote to prohibit the manufacture and sale of malt in North Carolina. This is the companion of the anti-jug law which was passed by the House and is still pending in the Senate.

* * * *

The House of Representatives of the state of Vermont on the 18th inst., passed a bill looking to the prohibition of the sale of intoxicating liquors. The bill provides for referring the question to the people. The measure now goes to the Senate.

* * * *

The State of Iowa took its place in the prohibition column on February 18th by an act of the legislature providing for the closing of saloons after January 1st, 1916. The Governor has approved the bill and thus a start is made among the high latitudes. Every day there is increasing evidence that John Barleycorn is going to be put out of business.

* * * *

A Recent London Dispatch says that reckoning each man as a wealth-producing force equal to a mere $2,500 in capital, the economic waste of human life in the present European war on the basis of a million dead and permanently incapacitated, has already cost Europe $2,500,000,000, according to F. W. Hirst, a well-known financer. Addressing the Sheffield bankers on the political economy of war, he also said in the first three months of this war Britain had actually spent more than in her entire three years' campaign in the Crimea, or two and a half years in the Boer War.

* * * *

A Serious Automobile Accident occurred near Raleigh on the morning of February 19th, in which Will Aycock, engrossing clerk of the North Carolina house of representatives and nephew of the late ex-Governor Charles B. Aycock, was instantly killed, and Speaker Emmett R. Wooten and State Senator Rivers Johnson injured. Mr. Wooten's injuries were quite serious and he is now in a hospital where he is expected to remain for quite awhile if he should recover at all. Senator Johnson was only slightly injured. It seems that the automobile was overturned and Mr. Aycock's body was caught under the machine.

* * * *

The Panama-Pacific International Exposition was formally opened on Saturday, Feb. 20th, at San Francisco. The press special of that date says::

The skies were overcast, but this did not diminish the city's enthusiasm. For an hour, beginning at 6:30, noise-making instruments of all kinds joined in awakening the city and sent thousands to the exposition. The program for today called for a parade of various organizations. The actual opening took place at noon, Pacific time, when President Wilson was to send a wireless spark that would cause the doors of the exhibit to swing open automatically and the machinery in machinery hall to start. Forty-one foreign nations and forty-three states and territories are represented.

* * * *

The War and Confusion which are now in evidence should not be allowed to unsettle us. In the midst of it all we should show our faith in God by standing steady and declaring with the psalmist, "God is our refuge and strength * * therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea." The world, especially the heathen world, needs our witness at a time like this. Dr. John R. Mott is quoted as saying: "The faith of many Christians has become confused. This is true of the Orient, and the regrettable thing is that we have not enough missionaries to help the people to think straight and see the difference between true and formal Christianity, help them to see that the war is not caused by Jesus Christ but by the lack of Him."

* * * *

The War Situation has not materially changed since our last issue. Germany has entered upon her announced policy of endeavoring to blockade the British Isles by a submarine war on trading vessels. Two or three small vessels have been sunk, but ships are still coming and going much as usual. An American vessel laden with cotton for Bremmen was sunk by a mine it is supposed in the North Sea. An investigation has been called for. It is evident that Great Britain is going to push things to the limit in the attempt to cut off all supplies from Germany and thus, if possible, bring the war to an end. The Russians have been pushed back with heavy loss in East Prussia, but there are always more Russians to take the place of those captured or killed. Germany is evidently getting hungry and this no doubt accounts for her desperate threats to both belligerants and neutrals.

* * * *

Newspapers Have Been Hit Hard by the war. There is a popular notion that newspapers are helped by war, but this is a great mistake. It is said that in Germany 212 newspapers have disappeared entirely and perhaps half that number have died in Great Britain. All have suffered more or less in the United States, and none quite so much as the religious newspapers. Having to exclude much of the best paying advertising there is nothing to depend upon but the income from subscriptions. Many people, in looking about for some place to cut down expenses will order the paper discontinued the first thing, without thinking how necessary it is to stand by such enterprises of the church in a time of stress and strain. A writer in one of our exchanges says:—"A modern newspaper is an exceedingly complex organization, and the purchaser obtains for a penny or half-penny a publication which costs more than that sum to produce. The explanation is to be found in the profits derived from advertising revenue, with the result when that decreases below a certain point a paper is run at a loss on production, which increases with the increase of circulation. Few industries are more hard hit by a long war than the press."

* * * *

The Passing of Fannie Crosby, whose death occurred at her home in Bridgeport, Conn., on the 12th inst., removes from us one whose character had impressed two generations as few persons ever have. A prodigy in the art of hymn writing she literally poured out the treasury of a soul filled with devout song. We doubt if any influence has been more potent in the lives of the young people in this country since the Civil War than that of Fanny Crosby whose songs the children have been singing. The press dispatch sent out from Bridgeport on the day of her death says:

Eight thousand hymns of Christian worship sung in Protestant churches throughout the world, are the work of Fanny Crosby. No one since the days of Charles Wesley or Isaac Watts has made anywhere near as large a contribution to the gospel song book as did the blind writer whose death occurred today. Fanny Crosby's name was signed so regularly as author of one hymn after another that the hymn book makers of a quarter of a century ago were forced to give her some 200 different pen names to make it appear that some one besides the famous writer had contributed. Thousands—perhaps hundreds of thousands—who sang her songs, which were translated into every language, did not know that it was a blind woman's inspiration which they employed to express their Christian faith and hope in song.

* * * *

One of the Greatest Missionary Conventions yet held in this state came to a close on Thursday evening of last week at Charlotte. This convention was held under the auspices of the Presbyterian laymen, and there were great crowds in attendance. Dr. John R. Mott, J. Campbell White, William T. Ellis and other great missionary leaders among the laymen were present and made great speeches. We have no doubt that the missionary spirit of all the churches will be greatly quickened by this convention. Among the significant utterances of the occasion we take the following from the speech of Mr. J. Campbell White on Thursday evening:

"The real war in the world is not the war in Europe. The greatest function of the European war is to help us measure the far bigger world war in which none of us dares to be neutral. Only 20,000,000 men have been called to the colors in Europe, and while that seems like a vast army, 50 times that many in the non-Christian world are in dire spiritual and eternal peril. We are told that one million soldiers have been killed in the European war, but during the last six months 12 times that many have died in the non-Christian world.

"Mr. Mott in his New York address said that in Europe it seemed to him there were rivers of suffering. I tell you that there are oceans of suffering and it has been going on for centuries in the world that knows not God. The physical suffering now going on in Europe is nothing, it is negligible, compared to the physical suffering that has been endured for thousands of years in the non-Christian world. In China alone there are 100,000,000 women with bound feet who suffer more than it is possible for the men in Europe to suffer."

"For the smaller war," said Mr. White, "the belligerents are spending between $35,000,000 and $45,000,000 a day, and for the big war all Christendom spends only $35,000,000 a year. The 20,000,000 men, more than 1,000 times as many as all Christendom has sent out to the big war, for there are less than 12,000 men in the mission fields.

"Canada has only sent 300 men as missionaries whereas its first contingent was 30,000 men and it is preparing to send 70,000. Its first vote was $50,000,000, which is more than Canada gave in all its history to send the gospel around the world. Already the armies have cost eight billion dollars, which is four times the largest estimate ever made for the evangelization of the world. It costs $3,000 to kill a man, and it costs only $1 a piece to evangelize them." * * * * * * "I never expect to be able to give $1,000,000 to missions, but I expect to induce other men to give millions of dollars, and I hope, if I live long enough, to be the means of bringing the gospel of Jesus Christ into touch with at least a million men.

"If ever there was a time when money should be brought into action in missions it is now. A million dollars released in this crisis in the world's history might be worth more than twenty-five millions even ten years from now. God can multiply dividends from investments in a way that no man can do."

The Methodist Handbook For 1915

For a number of years Rev. Thomas N. Ivey, D. D., has been issuing this booklet, which is a real multum in parvo of information for the people called Methodists. These years of patient and persistent research have rendered him eminently fitted for this task, and have brought into his possession a marvelous fund of facts for the present year. The book is published primarily for the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, but contains a summary of facts about all kindred Methodists that all lovers of this great branch of Christians will be delighted to have at finger's end.

By the way, how many things are there you ought to know, you can know, still you do not know? Who are our bishops, our connectional officers, our college presidents, our missionaries, and what are their addresses? Who are the bishops and leaders of other churches of Methodism? All these and a thousand other things you can learn from this beautiful little book of nearly two hundred pages. It is published at Nashville, Tenn., by Smith & Lamar. Write to them for it and you will be surprised at the great mine of facts coming into your possession.

F. L. Townsend.

—The Albemarle Enterprise says that the Committee on Evangelism of Central church is making plans for holding some cottage prayer meetings in various parts of the town during March.

CONTRIBUTIONS

THROUGH AUSTRIA-HUNGARY AND THE BALKAN STATES

J. M. Rowland

For a long time we will not forget that fifteen hundred miles from Dresden, Germany, through Southern Europe to Constantinople. We were on the train, the Continental Express, which is a good train, for two days and nights. Our party numbered fifty and we were unable to secure but twelve berths in the sleeper. We adopted a rule that only the older ladies would be entitled to sleep, and never in my life have I seen ladies age so rapidly. We finally modified the rule by allowing men who were both old and infirm a few hours in bed. The rest of us sat up with the corpse. And well we might sit up for there was no sleep on that trip. We were passing through countries recently shaken by war, with battlefields much in evidence, while seething, surging all about us the caldron of the nations was about ready to boil over again. It seemed a shame that a section of the world so rich in possibilities, wide and fertile fields, hills heavy laden with boundless ore, should be settled by a people so restless and so turbulent. Such a nervous condition would be hard to equal. Soldiers and guards were everywhere. We had to snatch a little nap beside a soldier whose form was decked with guns and swords and whose eye watched your movements. At every little thing he would start and his hand would seek his gun. At every turn guards and officials of vicious mien and piercing eye came stalking through the train in gaudy uniform and clanking steel. They overhauled us, scrutinized us, looked at our passports, fumbled through our baggage, examined our eyes and talked to one another about us in words we could not understand. They gesticulated over us and made many signs and motions. They looked through the car to see if we had anything concealed. They would leave us for a while and go off only to return presently with others more vicious looking than the first and men of higher rank who wore more things on their bodies and carried longer swords. Again they would gather about us, jabber, and motion, looking first at us and then at one another. At every station crowds of soldiers and citizens of every kind and shape and style would gather about the car windows looking in and likewise talking about us, expressing their opinions of us in a language like the barn yard. Often they would bring their friends to peer at us and say what they thought about us. Sometimes we dozed from sheer exhaustion soon to be aroused by approach of armed guards and heathen hands upon us and we started over the routine we had dropped but a while ago. One night at two o'clock they stopped the train and examined the wheels. We learned they proposed to put off our car and leave us with it in the heart of the Balkan mountains for there was no room in the rest of the train for us. We plead but it did no good. The leader, being inspired by a Methodist impulse to get out of a tight place by taking a collection, raised a few dollars and handed it over to the heathen. They smiled, and after examining the wheels again, reported that three more francs would make the train in condition to travel. They got the money and we went on. After that when language failed us and our country's flag was of no avail, we passed the hat and money talked us through. After all, there is no language like that of silver and gold.

We passed through the town in which the Austrian prince and his wife were murdered the very day of the crime. Little did we think what a great matter a little fire would kindle. But the fire was already there and it took only that to fan the flame. From what we heard of the man we do not think he was worth what he has cost the world.

During this trip we had time to stop for a short visit to Vienna and Budapest. We found these cities far more beautiful and attractive than we had expected. We knew Vienna was called one of the most beautiful cities of the world, and it sustained its reputation. The capitol and royal buildings were indeed attractive. Many of the people made a fine appearance, some of the women being the most beautiful we ever saw. Constantly we observed ever changing costumes, both of men and women, but none were more marked than those of the young ladies at Budapest. Their feet were bare and their skirts reached their knees. Such skirts we never saw before. Some of them were twenty-five feet around and they wore many skirts one over another. They were of various shades all ruffled and arranged so when they walked it looked like the whirl of the rain bow. Some of them must have had on two dozen skirts. The social rank of a lady is shown by the number of her skirts and on that count I think we butted into an international ball of the royal swells.

We were greatly impressed with the names of some of the people and the places of these countries. I copied in my note book some of the merchants. It may be in order to recommend to the mothers who read the Advocate the advisability of keeping their children out of mischief by having them pronounce these names. These are some of them, noted citizens of Vienna and Budapest; Zum Zuckerlkonig, Mr. Puperkoniggim, Mr. S. Tibersversicherungs, M. Schrierbmosher, T. Schrunmachiermeister, C. Wasserlolanger, T. Sputuosenschonk, Z. Vizzygyintzete, V. Gyogykisyeltetnek, A. Zcegtulojdonos, M. Meghoditotluk, S. Arczfinomitoers, and Zim Zuckerbuckeri. How would you like to do business with men of such names in the rush of this fast day? How would you like to be secretary of a Conference over there and try to call the roll? I met some of these gentlemen and when I introduced them I said, "Allow me to present Mr," and then I sneezed. The allies will have a time taking places and people with such names as these.

I dare say if some of these folks come to our land we Americans will treat them like a certain section of North Carolina once treated a son of Italy who came in their midst to settle, with a hand organ, a monkey and a name as long as the monkey's tail. Not being able to call the name with much speed or satisfaction, the Tar Heels called him Old Man Turney because he turned the organ for the monkey to dance and Turney it had to be. He raised a big family and the people called them "The Turney youngens." In the public school they registered as Joe Turney, Jim Turney, Pete Turney, etc., and the last time I was in the town I heard Joe stand at the window of the post office and ask if there was any mail for any of the Turneys. I doubt if Joe knows that awful thing the priest called his daddy back in Sunny Italy, when he made the cross and put the holy water on his head in that far off day before North Carolinians brought his family through the reformation.

On this trip we first met a certain brand of European cheese that, like some fish markets, needs no sign to advertise itself. It was at breakfast when tired, sleepy, nervous and with no appetite and a home-sick taste in our mouths, we made our way to the dining car. The first thing the waiter did was to bring a bottle of wine and open a little box of cheese. We thought they did it to drown our troubles and take our minds off of what they had been on. It could not be described not to say exagerated. We raised the windows and some of the ladies nearly fainted. We were told it was recommended to shield you from all germs and disease. Yellow fever trembles when it meets it and the deadly germs of Asiatic cholera will take to their heels at the first breath of it. It will even balk appendicitis and run rheumatism out of the country. This may be one reason you are advised to eat it, but it seemed to be very valuable in another way. When a box was opened or the waiters came near you with its odor on their breath as they so often did, it greatly decreased the consumption of rations at that time and thereby added to the income of the hotel keeper.

Through fertile valleys, well watered and rich, we made our way to the south. In the valleys we found it hot while high up on the peaks of the Balkans we saw in mid summer mantles of snow. Our hearts grew sad as all about us we saw unnumbered hosts of men, women and little children bereft of all tha makes life worth living in home and human so ciety, subjects of a tyranny and despotism tha knows no bounds, torn by ceaseless wars an internal strife, cursed by a religion far wors than darkest heathenism. The number of sou in these countries seems without number. Thei lives are pathetic beyond the power to tel What could they do in this great country wit our civilization and religion? Did ever brighter day dawn for the race than when Go guided Columbus to our shores? Should an people be more happy than we whom the Lor has so richly blessed and so tenderly cared for These nights about your firesides with you loved ones, surrounded by peace and heaven blessings of a Christian home and the gospel o Jesus, think of the horrors of war, famine, pe tilence, superstition, heathenism and sin tha sweep the hills of Europe and Asia, and kne and thank your God for your lot. It require an effort to keep the troubles of those sou from taking the pleasure out of your trip.

PROHIBITION—A NATIONAL ISSUE

By Allen Sutherland

The attention of men and women, not only o the United States but of all the world, will b centered in the great American Anti-Saloo League Convention to be held on the Millio Dollar Steel Pier, at Atlantic City, N. J., Jul 6 to 9. It will be the greatest dry gatherin in the history of the world. The most com plete dry exhibit ever known is being prepare for this convention and speakers of nationa and international reputation will address th thousands of delegates.

Since the convention held in Columbus, Ohi in 1913, vast strides have been made in edu cating the minds of men everywhere against th liquor traffic. It was not so long ago that me in all portions of our country thought it woul be impossible to overcome the evils of intempe ance, and those who made and sold rum brazen ly flaunted their boasted strength in the face of helpless women whose husbands were mad imbeciles, of children whose fathers were mad hopeless drunkards, and of outraged citizen who powerlessly saw the finest specimens o manhood and womanhood degraded. Toda men are thanking God that the day star ha dawned, that the shadows are being swept awa and that the time is not far distant when th nations of the earth will rejoice in the blessing of temperance, and the saloon will be only fearful memory of the past. The temperanc cause is advancing victoriously, and only th most optimistic advocates of the booze interest can fail to see the doom of this dread de spoiler of home, happiness and character.

On the 22nd of December, 1914, the House o Representatives debated the Sheppard-Hobso Prohibition Amendment for ten hours, an when the roll was called, the members voted fo the amendment by 197 to 189 against it. A though the measure failed because it did not re ceive the two-thirds majority required to pass constitutional amendment, yet it was grandl significant that by a decided majority the mem bers of the United States House of Representa tives voted in favor of the resolution.

Fifty years ago a total abstainer was almos unknown among our congressmen; today mor than half of our representatives in Washingto are abstainers. It is also significant that mos of these abstainers are among the younger men showing that the younger generations are bein educated to abhor this evil.

The first state law requiring that the natur and effects of alcohol should be taught in th public schools, was passed in 1882; withi twenty years every state of the Union had suc a law upon its statute books. A committe appointed by the American Academy of Medi cine in 1903 has spent more than eleven year watching the working of these laws, and i judging the results of using the text-books. Th opinion of these experts is that these laws re quiring the teaching of hygiene and temperanc are most helpful in warning our boys and girl of the evils of intemperance.

A French paper, favoring such a course o study in France says: "Compulsory courses i anti-alcohol instruction enlighten the youth up on the fatal consequences of the evil. Late

these young men will read and wonder why the Parliament permits this dreadful plague to sap the vitality of the nation."

By an imperial edict, the Czar of Russia banished the rum demon from his empire, thereby freeing one-tenth of the world's population and one-sixth of the world's land surface from the curse, which is a victory of world-wide significance. Raphael Georges Levy, the economist, has declared that the efficiency of labor in Russia has improved 50 per cent. since the recent prohibition measures were adopted. M. Kharitonoff, comptroller of the Russian treasury, speaking before the duma budget committee on January 25th, 1915, declared that owing to the great increase in the national savings, due to prohibition, the extraordinary outlay occasioned by the war had caused no suffering as yet in Russia. As proof of this, Mr. Kharitonoff said the national savings in December, 1913, which amounted to 700,000 roubles ($350,000), had increased to 29,100,000 roubles ($14,550,000) in December, 1914. He added that the total savings for 1913 amounted to 34,000,000 roubles, ($17,000,000) as compared with 84,000,000 roubles ($42,000,000) for 1914.

Sixteen states of our Union are now in the prohibition column. Twelve others have dry territory anywhere from 50 to 90 per cent. Twelve other states have from one-fourth to one-half of their population in dry territory. Only seven states in the Union have less than one-quarter per cent. dry territory.

Only a little while ago, Secretary Daniels issued an order, countersigned by President Wilson, in which he says, "The use or introduction for drinking purposes of alcoholic liquors on board any naval vessel, or within any navy yard or station, is strictly prohibited, and commanding officers will be held directly responsible for the enforcement of this order."

A leading newspaper of Philadelphia thus says editorially of prohibition Kansas: "It is this defiance of what other states have legalized as a necessary evil that has helped to make the citizens of Kansas the richest per capita in the country, and the richest of all agricultural folks in the world; that has given her a permanent school fund of $10,000,000 and has reduced her illiteracy to almost nothing. Ninety-eight per cent. of her 400,000 school children have never seen a saloon."

These are some of the reasons why the great July convention of the Anti-Saloon League at Atlantic City is being looked forward to with much interest. All persons will be recognized as delegates who are appointed by local churches, Sunday schools, Adult Bible Classes, Brotherhoods, Gideons, Young People's Societies, Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., and W. C. T. U., or any other temperance organizations. Each local organization is entitled to one delegate and one alternative. Pastors and representatives of all co-operative organizations are requested to forward the names of their representatives to the Anti-Saloon League of America, Westerville, Ohio, in order that literature and other information may be mailed to them at once. No organization interested in the cause of temperance and in the moral and material welfare of the United States can afford to be without a representative at this great epoch gathering.

TIDINGS FROM MISSION FIELD

Africa, a Land of Silence

One of the most noticeable things in Africa is the silence. None of the thousand and one things that make noise in a civilized land are here, and nature takes things very quietly. The birds, as a rule, make no note; African dogs do not bark, and the only things that make a noise are people. Of course if one has a hundred or so around him, as we have now most of the time, he does not find the silence particularly oppressive; but out on the road you may strain your ears as you will, and you cannot hear a sound. Even in the forest it is the same —as silent as the tomb. But the worst and most appalling thing of all is the condition of the women of this Batetela country. If it is true, as I have often read, that a people cannot rise above its womanhood, then these people must do a great deal of climbing before they can take their place among respected people; for, degraded and immoral as the men undoubtedly are, I believe it is a fact that women are much more so. Even the native women from Luebo who came with us were shocked at their condition.—J. A. Stockwell, Wembo-Niama, Africa.

The Church Facing Its Greatest Opportunity

The present situation is immeasurably more urgent than that of other days because of the recent unparalleled triumphs of Christianity. It is a remarkable fact that the most extensive victories of Christian missions have been those of the recent past. Not even in the early days of Christianity were such striking results achieved as have accompanied the efforts of Christian missions in Asia and Africa during the last decade. These victories have been achieved not only in the more favored parts of the world where the forces and influences of the Christian religion are most concentrated, but on some of the most difficult battlefields of the church. Unquestionably it is a time of rising spiritual tide. It is always wise to take advantage of a rising tide. More can be accomplished in a short time under such circumstances than in long, weary, discouraging periods of effort while the tide is falling. God seems to have done a hundred years' work within the last five years. The Christians of the West must quicken their pace. The discerning traveler returning from journeys in the eastern world today must be constrained to confess solicitude, not lest the peoples of the East fail to receive Christ, but lest the Christians of the West lose Christ as a result of not passing on the knowledge of Him. The Christians now living in Western lands should have a realizing sense that this preseent, unparalleled world situation affords not only the greatest opportunity the church has ever known, but also, so far as they are concerned, their best and their only opportunity.—John R. Mott.

Signs of Progress in Korea

The work of evangelization has had for the past few years somewhat of a setback on account of the political condition and a somewhat curious and unwarranted system of espionage which was operating against our organized work. This has been greatly relieved. Much more liberty is being given and we are enjoying quite a good deal of freedom in carrying forward the work of the Kingdom. Backsliders are returning; new societies are being organized; the old organized societies are receiving new believers. We are planning to hold in each church in the district a revival within the next three months. We are expecting to see many souls born into the Kingdom. I ask that special prayer be offered for the native preachers and the missionaries who take part in this winter's campaign.—W. G. Cram, Songdo, Korea.

Six Million Unevangelized Women

Of the thirty-four graduates of the Lambuth Memorial Bible Woman's Training School, Kobe, Japan, twenty-two are now working as evangelists, five are wives of preachers, five are married to Christian laymen, one is studying in the Woman's University at Tokyo, and one is at home with her mother. Social conditions are such in Japan that the sending of these young women out after graduation without missionary women to supervise them is attended with the very gravest dangers. The efficiency of these women would be more than trebled by the wise leadership of godly women missionaries. Is it possible that we look to our Church in America in vain for such women? Is it really known and has it sunk down into our consciousness that there are 6,600,000 unevangelized women in the ten provinces in which the Japan Mission of the M. E. Church, South, works? Surely this is not known or else it has not taken hold of our Church, for we believe there would be a quick and hearty response to so great a need. We have now only two single women evangelistic missionaries for this great task.—Maud Bonnell, Kobe, Japan.

Big Opportunities Calling For Men

There are few sections of the country that offer such inspiring opportunities as the wide extended territory known as the Nipe Bay and the Mayari Valley sections. What can we accomplish in that territory with the field adequately manned can readily be imagined when we look for a moment at what has been done at Preston in one year. When we went to Preston in the early part of the year there was a congregation of something like a half dozen. Gradually our pastor, Brother Caperton, laid hold on the situation; he opened his house to the young men gathered together from the different parts of the island in the employ of the large Sugar Mill; he became their friend; some of them began attending the services, then others and others; they became interested in the Christian life, steered clear of the haunts of sin, became candidates for membership, and members of the church as they were prepared for it. Scarcely a service is held now in which some do not come forward and apply for membership. At present there are forty of these applicants who have not yet been accepted as members. Twenty-nine have been received. The congregations fill the house and the company will very probably enlarge the building for us this year. Everybody is becoming interested, services are held in the hospital every Sunday morning, and the results of our labors in that one town will be felt to the very ends of the Island. All through that section there are wonderful opportunities and we are laying hold on them as rapidly as we can with the force we have.—O. K. Hopkins, Santiago, Cuba.

Joy in Service

On the night of December 23, we closed the fall term, which was, I suppose, one of the most successful of any corresponding term in the history of the school. The enrollment was 454, nearly 100 above that of last year, in spite of the war. Sunday, December 20, four Palmore students were received into church, making nine in all since the beginning in September. This may seem a very small number out of 454, 95 per cent. of whom are non-Christian, but as things go in Japan it is something to be proud of. These young men are our best students. I can imagine how the work at Palmore, which includes both day and night, might grow monotonous to one who did not find inspiration in the work itself; but the noise of a dozen typewriters going at the same time in one small room is music to my ears, and then when I get up before a house filled to the very limit with eager students to lead them in singing "Stand up, stand up for Jesus," or some other soul-stirring hymn, there is no thought of long hours of work, and I feel as if I would not exchange places with anybody.—J. S. Oxford, Kobe, Japan.

Briefs

Without fear of contradiction I affirm that our Mexican Church has the livest League in this city. This can be said in exaltation rather than in disparagement of other Leagues, for there are other very good ones. This League, through its workers, is filling the church to overflowing at the Sunday evening services. It not only brings the people, but gives them the gospel message when they get there. Last Sunday evening the house was crowded as usual. Some twenty-five of the young people present publicly professed faith in Christ.—J. H. Fitzgerald, El Paso, Texas.

* * * *

Evangelistic effort among the heathen villages is the present crying need of our work. We have hundreds of villages in this West Kang Won territory which have not one believer who would point a dying soul to God.—F. G. Vesey, Seoul, Korea.

* * * *

Some Christians give the impression that they have a very small Christ. To hear them speak one would form the idea that they believe that Christ has revealed Himself wholly to their particular denomination or communion or nationality. But Christ is so infinite that He requires all the Christian bodies which acknowledge Him as Lord, and all nationalities and races of the world, through which to reveal Himself and to accomplish His purposes.—John R. Mott.

* * * *

Throughout the Choon Chun District there are a number of non-Christian villages asking for Christian schools. The Koreans are indeed being aroused to the great need of modern education. They are beginning to realize that their old mthods must go.—L. C. Brannan, Choon Chun, Korea.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM FIELD

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—The Methodist Protestants have opened a new church building at Oak Ridge.

—Rev. P. L. Terrell and daughter, Mrs. Russell, of Granite Falls, were pleasant callers on Monday morning.

—Mr. Will Young and Miss Bertha Hill were married at the Broad River parsonage on January 27th, Rev. H. H. Mitchell officiating.

—The friends of Captain T. L. Rawley, of Winston-Salem, will be glad to learn that he is rapidly recovering from an attack of sickness which had kept him confined to his bed for several days.

—Dr. Len. G. Broughton, a native of Wake County, N. C., who has been for some time pastor of Christ Church, London, has resigned his pastorate there and accepted the pastorate of the First Baptist Church, Knoxville, Tenn.

—Mr. W. G. Tanner and Miss Mattie Green were united in matrimony at the home of the bride's sister in Rutherford county on January 31, Rev. H. H. Mitchell performing the ceremony.

—Rev. G. W. Williams, pastor of our church at Draper, was a welcome caller at the Advocate office last week. He makes a cheerful report of the work at Draper and is working faithfully for the liquidation of their church debt.

—Mr. William B. Byrd, one of the promising young attorneys of the city and son of Rev. Dr. C. W. Byrd, has announced his candidacy for the office of judge of the municipal court of Greensboro. The present incumbent, Judge S. Glenn Brown, is a candidate for re-election.

—Mr. Charles Penland, of Clyde, N. C., and Miss Ollie Glance, of Crab Tree, were married at the residence of the groom's brother-in-law, Mr. Jas. F. Williams, in Haywood county, on December 20th, 1914, Rev. G. A. B. Holderby officiating.

—Mrs. Hamill, widow of the lamented Dr. H. M. Hamill, has been appointed superintendent of primary teaching in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Mrs. Hamill is peculiarly well qualified for the work for which she has been elected.

—Rev. T. P. Jimison is expected to lead in revival services in Central church, Mt. Airy, beginning March 7th. Brother Jimison is recognized as an evangelist of unusual ability and the people of Mount Airy are looking forward to this meeting with much interest.

—American Methodism has never had a better record of service than that rendered by Bishop A. W. Wilson, who, on February 5th, rounded out his four-score years. For sixty-two years he has been a Methodist preacher and for thirty-two years a Bishop in our great church.

—Rev. Dr. T. H. Lewis, of the Methodist Protestant Church and who is one of the recognized leaders in the movement for the union of Methodist bodies, was a visitor to our state last week. He was in Winston-Salem and spoke in the interest of deniminational education. He also visited Greensboro and High Point.

—The Epworth League of Main Street Methodist church will hold its regular monthly business and literary meeting tonight at 7:30 o'clock. At this meeting the League will commence the study of "The Methodist Armor" with Rev. H. H. Jordan, the pastor, as teacher. —Gastonia Gazette.

—We sympathize greatly with the people of Jamestown in the loss of their splendid High School building by fire on Thursday of last week. There was fairly good protection by insurance, but there will be great inconvenience in conducting the school. The total loss is estimated at $9,000., with insurance amounting to $6,000.

—Mrs. N. R. Robey, widow of the late Rev. Dr. W. M. Robey, died at her home in Goldsboro on the night of February 16th, at the age of 73. The funeral was held from St. Paul's church on Wednesday afternoon, conducted by Rev. N. H. D. Willson, her pastor. The deceased was formerly Mrs. H. F. Grainger, and leaves children by her former marriage only.

—Rev. D. H. Comann and Rev. P. L. Terrell were pleasant callers on Friday of last week and reported the meeting at Pleasant Garden as having closed on Thursday evening with splendid results. Some forty or more applications for membership and the church generally revived. The meeting continued twelve days.

—The recent gift of $1,000. to the Conference Mission Emergency Fund, by Mrs. Lineberger, of Shelby, as a memorial to her departed husband, is a well-deserved tribute to one of our best men. We are sure nothing could have been done which would be more in accord with the wishes of the departed brother.

—Just as we were closing up the forms for this week's Advocate we received the sad intelligence of the death of Mrs. McNinch, eldest daughter of the late Rev. P. L. Groome, which occurred at her home in Charlotte on Sunday night. Advocate readers will sympathize deeply with sister Groome and other members of the family thus sorely bereaved.

—The Home Chronicle is the name of a neat little monthly just issued from our Children's Home at Winston-Salem. The paper is designed to give our people full information on the work of the Home. The paper is printed at the Home. The price is 50 cents per year. Much of the matter is prepared by the children and will give them an opportunity to learn the art of expression.

—The Watauga Democrat of last week says: Rev. Mr. Bennett, presiding elder of the North Wilkesboro District, held his first quarterly conference at Rutherwood on Saturday and Sunday last, for this circuit. The Reverend gentleman is making his round under most trying conditions, as he has a broken arm, and, we learn that he has not missed an appointment since the accident occurred.

—Rev. Jno. L. Cunninggim, who for several years has had charge of the Correspondence School of Vanderbilt University, has been appointed presiding elder of the Durham district to succeed Rev. H. M. North, who was appointed to fill the vacancy at Memorial church, Durham. We welcome Brother Cunninggim back to North Carolina and into the regular work again and wish for him a happy and successful year.

—Our people at Holmes Memorial, Salisbury, are preparing to build an $8,000.00 church on Park Avenue, one block farther east than the old site. Dr. W. F. McMurry, Church Extension Secretary, visited Salisbury on a recent Sunday and secured a good amount in pledges for the enterprise. The First church, of which Rev. Jno. W. Moore is pastor, will contribute $3,000 to the enterprise. Rev. G. W. Vick, the pastor, is working faithfully and in the meantime is preaching to his congregation in the county court house.

—A few hours spent with Rev. W. A. Lambeth and his people of Main Street church, Reidsville, last week gave us the opportunity to look in on the work of reconstruction of their beautiful church. This congregation had a good church but had outgrown its capacity, and so went to work some months ago to enlarge. Many changes have been made, giving them one of the most beautiful auditoriums besides commodious and well arranged quarters for their Sunday school. In all, the expenditure for reconstruction and pipe organ will amount to about $15,000. There need be no uneasiness as to accommodation of our Conference which will hold its session in this church in November. Brother Lambeth and his people are to be congratulated on the completion of this splendid house of worship.

—A special from North Wilkesboro under date of February 20, brings the sad intelligence of the death of Mrs. Claude Y. Miller, which occurred at her home in Wilkesboro on Friday, the 19th. The deceased had been in poor health for some time. About ten days before her death she developed pneumonia, and it was seen that the end was near. The edit of the Advocate shares deeply the sense bereavement, as the deceased was numbered f long years among his most valued person friends. We can sincerely endorse this tri ute given in the press dispatch: "Mrs. Mill was a woman of the rarest character, a devot wife, a loving mother and a kind neighb By her beautiful disposition, and ever wi ingness to lend aid she was a favorite and b loved by all who knew her. As a member the Methodist church she was a leader and devout Christian."

Swannanoa Circuit—The pastor, Rev. J. Starnes, writes:—We have just held our fi quarterly conference. The reports were ve good, the best, the stewards say, for a lo while for the first quarter. We have put the monthly payment system with envelop We are right on the verge of building a ne church. We hope to do some revival work th spring.

Fines Creek—We have a fine people to ser in this delightful country. We have a compa charge—the farthest point from the parsona is only five miles. The people have continual brought of their good things to the parsona On the 29th of Jan. when we came, acco panied by the "better half," the good ladi were here to help "Grandma" Smith serve a elegant dinner, then at night, just at 9 o'cloc we heard the church bell chime, which was signal for a serenade by our young folks, a when we opened they came in and made f the dining table, literally loading it dow We appreciate this expression from the you folks. May the Lord use us for His kingdom advancement among this people.

The circulation of Advocate will be look after. Fraternally,

E. M. Avett.

Thermal City Circuit—I want to say a fe words in regard to our work here. We regret very much the loss of our good pastor, Broth H. H. Mitchell. We expected him back wi us this year but for some cause he was change He is one of the greatest workers we ha ever had. Last year he did more for this wo than any other man we have ever had. Du ing his time here an Epworth League was o ganized also a prayer meeting. The Sunda school was revived too. More was paid on pa tor's salary here at this place than has be since this church was established. We feel a know the people must be proud of their go pastor where he is this year. We ha a good man this year and let us a pray for him and help him all we c that he may leave a good history behind hi too. Brother Richardson has preached for twice with a large congregation each time.

Very respectfully, A Friend.
Dysartsville, N. C.

Webster Charge—Two great meetings sin Conference. One in December at Love Chapel, in which Rev. W. A. Lamar, Easley, S. C., did very efficient work, a about forty people professed to be saved fro their sins. Sixteen have joined the churc The church was greatly revived. A buildi committee has been appointed and they a making plans to build a new church at an ear date.

On last Sunday, the 14th of February, closed a glorious meeting of two weeks' dur tion at Cullowhee. Brother J. P. Rodgers, Canton, did the preaching. He preached wi great power and his discourses were sufficient simple that even the children could unde stand them. I am persuaded that eternity alo will reveal the results of this meeting. The were about fifty who professed a saving fai in Christ. Seventeen accessions to our churc and thirteen gave their names for membersh in the Baptist church.

We are serving a loyal people who ha been exceedingly kind to us for the past thr years. We are sorry that with this year t statute of limitation is exhausted with us. W are praying for great revivals at the oth churches on the charge.

D. R. Proffitt, P. C.

Avery Circuit—Will you please permit me a little space in your valuable and worthy paper to say something about Avery Circuit? Our first quarterly meeting for this circuit was held at Fair View Methodist church on Saturday and Sunday, 6th and 7th of this month. Our worthy and efficient presiding elder, J. H. Bennett, arrived on Monday evening before and preached twice a day until the next Sunday night and most excellent preaching and resulted in much good to the community, and after leaving on Monday our pastor, Rev. J. H. Green, continued the meeting and preached twice a day until the second Sunday and resulted in nine conversions and reclamations and seven accessions to the Methodist church. The spiritual life of the church was quickened and the community benefited and a prayer meeting organized. We are well pleased with our presiding elder and pastor. They have greatly endeared themselves to us and we are looking and hoping for gracious results from their preaching this year.

J. P. Thompson.

Clyde Circuit—On Tuesday, Nov. 24th, we bade the good folks of Concord adieu, and came to Spencer and East Spencer, where we spent Thanksgiving with friends and relatives, setting out for Clyde on the morning of the 27th, from Salisbury. We had served the West Concord charge for two years and found many true, loyal Methodists there, besides a host of good friends irrespective of denominational differences. We will ever fondly cherish the memory of the Kerr Street Ladies' Aid Society and the excellent choir of that church. Brother Jno. W. Chaney was our choir-leader, Mrs. J. W. Culp our organist and Junior Epworth League leader, and as faithful board of stewards as any church can boast of, with Brother R. A. Hullender as chairman and Brother J. W. Bonds, secretary-treasurer. Our circuit this year at Clyde is composed of five appointments and we have been well received, and pray that we may be able to give them such pastoral service as will be most helpful to this kind people. We are talking "Advocate" to them but have not made any headway at securing subscriptions yet.

Fraternally, G. A. B. Holderby.

Stanley Creek—Regardless of the rough weather everything is moving along nicely on this charge. Not having a horse and buggy the pastor has not been able to visit a great deal in the country, but he has made something over seventy pastoral calls.

We arrived in our new field on thanksgiving day and were warmly welcomed by all the people. We have been the recipients of many good things since we came. There has hardly been a day since we entered the parsonage here that we were not remembered by the good people whom we are trying to serve.

We have had three deaths in our congregation this year: Mr. Vance Summey, Mrs. Francis Clippard and Captain J. M. Rendleman. These were all life long and loyal members of the Methodist church.

Captain Rendleman was perhaps the oldest person within our charge. He was born in Lincoln county, May 3, 1836, and died January 29th, 1915. His life was one of continual service. He was in the bloom of young manhood when the Civil War began, and he answered to the first call. He proved a true and valiant soldier. He was wounded in the first battle at Gettysburg and after spending a while in the hospital of Lynchburg, Va., he returned to the army and was appointed Lieutenant. Serving in this capacity a short while, he was made Captain in the fifty-seventh regiment. Not only was he a valiant soldier of his country, but of his God. He joined the Methodist church in his boyhood, and proved a loyal member until death.

The writer went to see him the day that he died. But little did we think that death was so near. He was up and seemed to be feeling even better than usual. He ate a hearty supper just a few minutes before his death.

Among many things he told the writer, one was, "I love my church and I regard its privileges as my greatest heritage." He is survived by one sister and six children. May God add his blessings to all those who have been bereaved.

Respectfully,
N. C. Williams.

Great Day in Salisbury

Sunday, February 7th, was a memorable day for the Methodists of Salisbury. Not only did events of the day prove that the Methodist churches of the city are knit together in brotherly love, but pledges amounting to over $3,300 were made for the rebuilding of Holmes Memorial church.

Dr. W. F. McMurry, Secretary of the Church Extension Board, took the pledges and he stated privately after the day was over that the collection at the First church, taking everything into consideration, was the finest collection he had ever taken. This congregation at the morning hour pledged $2,148 and promised to raise this amount to $3,000 at an early date. At the evening hour the Holmes Memorial congregation, which is now worshiping in the Community Center building, raised over $1,200.

Last September a wind storm so damaged the Holmes Memorial church building that it was condemned as unsafe and the congregation had to move out. Rev. G. W. Vick, the pastor, has held his flock together and last week they secured a fine site just one block from the old church and will proceed to build an eight thousand dollar house of worship, which will be a credit to that section of the city. The Methodists have the only congregation in the east ward which constitutes one-fourth of the city's area and with this new large church will hold the field for some time yet.

Dr. W. R. Ware, presiding elder of the Salisbury district, lent his personal presence and official position to the services of Sunday and with Rev. John W. Moore, of the First church, and Rev. G. W. Vick, of Holmes Memorial, helped make the event a great success.

L. A. S.

(The foregoing letter was somehow misplaced and failed to appear at the proper time.—Editor.)

The Country Church

I have just finished reading Mr. A. W. Cline's article on "The Old Time and the Modern Country Church." I agree with him—that the country church needs doctoring, but I am not willing to risk his medicine. It is not new buildings, new methods, or new customs that is hurting the country church. It is rather the lack of these, together with the constant moving of country people to the city. However, enough people are yet left in the country to do better church work.

The country home is no longer a log house, having two or three square holes in it for windows. It is now a splendid structure often equipped with modern conveniences. The farmer's barn is not built of pine logs, notched together at corners, having one window left in the center through which fodder and hay is pushed. He has a large building planned for convenience, usefulness and comfort.

The farmer used to scratch his soil with a short, "bull tongue" plow drawn by a little mule. He now has improved machinery and a heavy team. He formerly cut his wheat with a reap hook. He now uses the reaper and binder and enjoys the thrill of harvest time. He is not complaining of too much machinery. He knows how to use it.

The homespun dress is not worn any more. Country people dress very much like their city cousins.

But how about the country church? Has it kept pace with the times? In many instances you will find the same little wooden building up on the hill that was there fifteen or twenty years ago. The paint is washed off and some of the glasses have fallen out of the windows. There is nothing inviting about it. One often finds it real filthy and uncomfortable in winter.

When did the people in the towns and cities get better churches and better schools? When they "went down into their pockets" and paid for them. When will the country people have them? When they pay for them. Instead of moving to town for school and church advantages that others have made possible by great sacrifice, is it not better to keep children on the farm, away from the temptations of a wicked city, and give them the same advantages there? Did I say school advantages too? Our state is already beginning to provide good schools. May the day soon dawn when the country church will not be a neglected place but an attractive center around which a community may circle.

I think it best not to build too many churches—two or three at the cross roads as we now often find. But build a good structure, having Sunday school rooms, rolling partitions—all opening into one big auditorium that can be used on special occasions.

W. M. Biles.

Burkhead's New Plan

The Winston-Salem Sentinel, one day last week, had this item:

"The innovation established by Burkhead Institutional church on Sunday made a decided hit. The attendance upon the Sunday school was a record-breaker, while the house of worship was filled at the preaching service. The experimental plan is to connect the two services, the first one opening at 10 a. m., closing with orchestral selections at 11; the morning sermon following without interruption. Other pastors will likely adopt the schedule, the purpose being to secure the attendance of as many of the children as possible at the preaching service."

The pastor, Rev. W. L. Hutchins, referring to this, says:

"It is, in reality, not the combining of the two services, the Sunday school and preaching service, but it is one big Bible school service lasting one hour and thirty minutes. We have everything so well organized that every department moves like a piece of clock work. The entire Sunday school is turned over to me at 11 o'clock. And then I have thirty minutes in which I can do whatever seemeth best. I shall use my time making practical applications of the lesson to the children for the most part, closing with an evangelistic appeal. Those who opposed the plan in the beginning are now enthusiastic over it."

Beyond Description

Our meetings at Rehobeth and Denver were really great. They swept the communities. Many unusual things were witnessed in them. Denver was swept from center to circumference—people of all ages. About 160 professions in those two meetings. But the meeting at Mt. Pleasant, I shall never find words to describe. I have neither seen nor read of anything that would surpass it in modern times. It stands gloriously above any meeting I have witnessed. Let no one any more doubt that pentecost comes in upper room fullness today, and no one who knows what happened can any more question the miraculous. Till my dying day I shall not forget some things I have here witnessed. O how glorious! The first night of the meeting the mighty power of God was present and very unexpectedly to me great numbers fell in the altar and thirty, nearly all of them grown, were happily saved, and inside of twenty-six hours there were fifty-six professions. The meeting has only been going four and a half days and has swept, I think, every unsaved person except three. One of them is away and another is at the altar, so we will be able to close by tomorrow, the fifth day. To date 106 have professed. Thirty-three have joined our church and others will go elsewhere. Men have surrendered their liquor jugs; others have settled feuds; skeptics have been saved; church members are making restitution by sending money to former pastor whom they hated and refused to pay. Many have been filled with the Holy Spirit since they believed. Today, oh today, shall I ever forget it? How the fire fell! Oh, those faces that were shining with heavenly radiance and the many, many voices of people, young and old, which were lost in a tide of praise that swept onward like a river of glory.

It is now almost 5 o'clock p. m., and as I sit writing this in the home of the late, good Dr. Sherrill, I feel the abiding touch of the Spirit's presence. Oh, that our Western North Carolina Conference may be likewise swept with the Holy Ghost this year!

Trustingly, Jim Green.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, Asheville, N. C.

SONG FOR THE CHILDREN

Keep summer time in your hearts, my dears,
Though the winter days are here,
And the clouds are low, and the rain comes down
And the days seem dark and drear.

Keep summer time in your hearts, little ones,
Let them ever be warm and true;
And your face bright with a happy light,
As you do what you have to do.

Keep summer time in your hearts, my dears,
Though your lessons are hard and long.
Just do your best, your very best,
And fill up your days with song.

Keep summer time in your hearts, my dears,
Though you hover around the fire;
And the world is white with the ice and snow,
And of cold, bleak days you tire.

Keep summer time in your hearts, my dears,
For the spring-time will come again;
Let your hearts be light and your faces bright,
In sunshine and in rain.

Mrs. E. M. Anderson.
Bradentown, Fla.

NEW DISTRICT SECRETARIES

It is with great pleasure we announce the appointment of the District Secretaries for the Mount Airy and Waynesville districts. Mrs. J. L. Woltz, of Mount Airy, who for several years has been the efficient Superintendent of Supplies of our Conference, has been chosen for the Mount Airy District, and Mrs. M. D. Cowan, of Sylva, who has done a splendid work in the Sylva auxiliary for a number of years, has been named for the Waynesville District.

We feel that each of these districts is to be congratulated and believe that these consecrated, Christian workers, so well equipped for the Master's service, will carry the work of these districts forward. We would ask for them the co-operation of the missionary workers.

HAYWOOD ST., (ASHEVILLE) AUXILIARY

The missionary society of Haywood Street Methodist church has done excellent work during the past year. We have nearly fifty members, most of whom are active Christian workers.

Our president, Mrs. H. A. Dunham, is a woman of prayer. We feel and know as our leader, she is a pure, consecrated woman whose life is full of good works.

We have recently organized a Mission Study Class and in January held our first meeting. Twenty-two were in attendance and we felt that our beginning was a most successful one. We are studying "Mexico Today," by George Winton, for the first six months of this year. The young ladies of our church are becoming enthused with the spirit of missions and we are hoping to accomplish a great deal more this year than ever before. In fact, our whole church seems to be taking on the missionary spirit.

Our Social Service department is in charge of Mrs. Neptune Buckner, whose influence is felt not only in Haywood Street church but all over our city. Our treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Campbell, is one of our most consecrated Christian workers, well fitted for the work which has been committed to her. In our last meeting she made a most impressive talk on "Giving to the Lord."

Rev. E. M. Hoyle, our pastor, whose presence with us has been a blessing, believes that a church must be busy every day in the week working for the Master, and he has proven a very great help to us.

We hope that this may be our greatest year. Mrs. R. W. Betts,
Supt. Mission Study and Publicity.

TO SUPERINTENDENTS OF MISSION STUDY AND PUBLICITY

My dear Sisters:

I hope you will read carefully the Report of the Committee on Mission Study and Publicity as adopted at last annual meeting of our Conference at Charlotte, which you will find in this issue. May I not ask that you take it item by item and study carefully the meaning of each?

We desire to make this year a great one in many respects. First, we want a Superintendent of Study and Publicity in every auxiliary in our Conference, and we want these superintendents to organize mission study classes, until every adult, young people and junior society is studying missions. When we realize the startling fact that "half the world has never yet heard of Christ, half the world is without any scientific medical knowledge, half the world can neither read nor write in any language, and that these conditions offer little hope of improvement till these people get a basis of Christian civilization, we face a task set us by our Master and we see how great a duty devolves upon us. We need our missionary vision broadened, we need to consecrate our time and our talents to this work. Is not this task an appeal to every woman and an answer to the question, "Why study missions?"

"The purpose of mission study" as defined by one of our Council officers, "is not only to acquire information about missions, but is intensive cultivation whereby men and women may be aroused so that they may become leaders of the church in the prosecution of the missionary enterprise."

What Is Our Aim?

A mission study class in every auxiliary. A better knowledge of the Word for every Christian. A spirit of intercessory prayer in every life. A wider opportunity for presenting missionary information in every home.

Mission study has aroused thousands of persons to study more intelligently, to pray more earnestly, to give more liberally and to volunteer for service.

Results of Mission Study

More love, wider sympathies, broader intelligence, deeper prayer life, new vision of Christ and the world's need, new faith in missions based on knowledge—a definite personal responsibility to pray, to work, to give, to go according to the will of God.

Now, my sisters, will you not cooperate with me in the work for this year? May I not depend upon you to help to carry forward this great work to which God has called us?

Will not each auxiliary superintendent of mission study and publicity resolve with me to make this year show a great advance along this line of our work?

I am exceedingly anxious to get the name of every auxiliary superintendent, number of members of study class, and the name of book which each auxiliary is now studying. Will you not send me this information at once?

With best wishes, Most cordially,
Mrs. W. R. Harris,
Conf. Supt. Mission Study and Publicity.

Dear Young People:—

I greet you in a new official capacity and want to speak to you, from this page a personal word in regard to your work and mine for this year 1915.

Your motto is "Loyalty," your watchword, "Each One Win One." I want every member of every Young People's Society to think upon these words and live them out in your work this year. If you do this we shall have a great year for our King.

Your opportunity is great, the need is appalling. Coupling then these two tremendous facts: Opportunity, Need, what greater inspiration for earnest endeavor could we ask?

I suppose each society has received the literature for first quarter, including Leaflets, Year Book and the new edition of "Helps," which your former first vice-president, Mrs. Durham, writes we she has mailed to you."

I want to ask each corresponding secretary of the Y. P. Societies to send me at once the names of the new officers, so that I may have a correct mailing list.

I shall appreciate the opportunity to serve you in every way possible, and shall ask for the privilege as occasion may arise.

Hoping, believing, we are setting out upon a year of great service,

I am yours to command,
Mrs. Hugh K. Boyer,
Box 339, Winston-Salem, N. C.

A WORD OF EXPLANATION AS TO FINANCES OF Y. P. SOCIETIES FROM CONSTITUTION

1. "Each member must pay stated monthly dues."

The dues are left optional, being a love offering, but no member is expected to give less than she has been giving heretofore, that is, 10 or 20 cents a month. I would suggest that each society will name an amount for "stated dues," so that those who really cannot give more may give this minimum amount, and still be in "good standing," while those financially able to do so, give more, thus balancing the receipts. This is a liberal plan, presupposing a just adjustment of finances to the individual, yet without embarrassment to any one. It is a plan which calls for the *very best* of which each member is capable, and I feel sure you young people will rise to this higher plane, and find a new joy in this new plan of giving.

In addition to the regular monthly offering the constitution says:

2. "Each member is expected to make an offering for the maintenance or extension of such work in the home and foreign fields as are assigned to the young people by the council." (For 1915 this offering goes to Sue Bennett Memorial in Kentucky and Songdo and Seoul stations in Korea.) This offering constitutes your pledge.

3. "Each member must give a stated sum to the Retirement and Relief Fund (for retired missionaries and worn out deaconesses) "and to the Conference Expense Fund" (for the expense necessary to maintain our own Conference organization.)

All money is sent directly to our one Conference Treasurer, Mrs. P. N. Peacock, Salisbury, N. C., she making the proper distribution of it, as indicated by your treasurer's report to her.

Now, "Plan your work and work your plan," and all will be well.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MISSION STUDY AND PUBLICITY

Realizing the opportunities that are open before us perhaps as never before —to advance Christ's Kingdom, and knowing that information is the keynote to interest, and interest the keynote to service, we therefore emphasize:

1st. The necessity of a Superintendent of Study and Publicity in every auxiliary, and a prompt and systematic distribution of the literature prepared for this department.

2nd. The importance of this department among the young people and children's societies and urge the superintendents of these societies to report quarterly to the Conference Superintendent of Mission Study and Publicity, so that these departments may be ade quately represented.

3rd. That we urge the election o women who are alive to the importanc of this work and who realize the ben efits derived from the printed pag and will use the opportunity afforde by the local press as well as by ou church papers.

4th. That we beg for accurate an prompt reports and also that the en rollment card be promptly filled an sent to the Educational Secretar when a new study is taken up.

5th. That each auxiliary have a mis sionary library. If no funds are avai able for library purposes, we sugges that the members of the study clas distribute their books, after they hav read them, among the women of th church.

6th. That we urge each auxiliary t study at least two books during th year, using one book on home an one on foreign missions. That th month of October be designated as Mi sion Study Campaign Month and a vig orous effort be made to organize a mi sion study class in each Adult, Youn People's and Junior Society.

7th. Appreciating the value of th Missionary Voice as a source of info mation and inspiration, and since th programs contained in the Year Boo for 1915 are planned largely fro the matter which the Voice will co tain, we therefore, feel a strong add tional reason for urging that ever member shall read the Voice.

The Young Christian Worker bein attractive in form, with the beautifu illustrations and wholesome and inte esting reading matter, we hope tha parents will see to it that their chi dren have this paper and read it.

8th. We ask each president to mak an earnest effort to have her auxiliar undertake systematic study of the B ble and as prayer meets needs in mi sionary work which can be met in n other way, we urge the formation c prayer circles in each auxiliary fo private prayer for definite objects.

9th. The Bulletins are prepared fo us with care and for a purpose. W urge that they be used in every s ciety. We would also urge the stud and use of the information and help afforded by the Minutes.

Mrs. W. R. Harris, Chm,.
Mrs. H. K. Boyer, Sec.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

It is a matter of great regret tha we are deprived of the guidance an counsel of our Second Vice-Presiden Mrs. Plato T. Durham, whose remova from our state has necessitated he resignation. Our tender sympathy i with her in her recent bereavemen and we pray that God's blessings ma rest richly upon her. Through he loving care, wonderful tact and pa tience, this work has made splendi advancement. We deplore the loss o her leadership and charming perso ality.

Realizing that the efficiency of fu ture leaders depends on the training o the young people of the church, w recommend:

Mission Study

1st. That the months of October an February be set apart as special time for organizing study classes in Youn People's Societies.

Prayer

2nd. That we endeavor to deepen th spiritual life of the young people o our church by forming prayer circle in our own societies. We suggest tha a stated hour be set apart by eac society for prayer.

Membership

3rd. That every Adult First Vic President be urged to organize Youn People's Societies and to render ten der and loving assistance to increas their effectiveness.

Christian Stewardship

4th. That we tithe not only ou money but our time. That we conse crate our talent and our influence t

(Continued on Page 9)

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

DISTRICT SECRETARIES

Asheville
H. E. Walter .....Asheville
Charlotte
Miss Leola Hannon, Box 1056, Charlotte
Winston
F. T. Scarborough ....Winston-Salem
Greensboro
Miss Lillian Massey .....High Point
Morganton
Rev. J. F. Armstrong .....Henrietta
North Wilkesboro
Rev. J. M. Downum .....Boone
Salisbury
Miss Estelle Crowell .....Salisbury
Statesville
Herbert H. Lowry .....Newton
Mount Airy
Rev. A. L. Aycock .....Leaksville
Shelby
Miss Della Nolen .....Gastonia
Waynesville
Miss Margaret Rogers .....Franklin
Superintendent Junior Leagues
Mrs. C. M. Pickens .....Cornelius

We hear rumors that several new Leagues are being organized or are going to be organized soon. If you have organized your League, please write us about it. We are anxious to hear all about what you are doing now and your plans for the future.

We are sorry to announce that Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Setzer, two of our missionaries to Africa, have been obliged to return home on account of Mrs. Setzer having African fever. They reached Hickory several weeks ago and we are glad to say that Mrs. Setper is improving. We hope that she will speedily recover, and that they may be able to take up their work again.

The fact that Mr. Setzer has returned home will in no way affect our Africa Special. The work will have to be carried on and we must do our part. What has your League done for the Africa Special?

WHAT DOES THE LEAGUE REALLY DO?

Does it accomplish anything? Is it of any advantage to the church? These are questions that we hear on all sides when we begin to talk League.

What does the League really do? is a hard question to answer, for it does so many things—so many things that are not seen on the surface. Ask a pastor who has a live League chapter in his church, and he could tell you a dozen things that an outsider could not see. Ask the Leaguer who loves his League and who has had the League training and he could tell you a dozen more things that the League has done for him that even his pastor does not see. It is not the visible results that mean the most to the kingdom of God. Often it is a character that has been developed by the League; or a talent that has been put to work; or a soul that has been awakened, that means more to the church than all the financial or other visible work that the League has done.

It is not always the League that raises the most money or has the most meetings that does the best work or accomplishes the greatest good. Sometimes it is the small League that seems to be drifting along that is really planting seeds of some great work. Often a seed of righteousness planted in the heart of one of our Leagues will blossom in the future into a flower of rare beauty. Let us not be too quick to judge the work of the League by the outward signs.

I was talking not long ago to a member of one of our leading Leagues and she said that if their League did nothing this year but develope the character of their president, as she thought it was doing it would accomplish a great work. That could be said of other Leagues in our Conference I am sure. The work of the League is the training of young people for the service of God and it is doing it every day.

No matter how small a League or how poor it is, it always adds something to the character of its members, though they may not know it at the time or others may not be able to see it.

No Leaguer, no matter how indifferent he may be to the League work, will say that the time spent in League work has been thrown away. If it is not wasted it surely will be of some good to somebody. Sometimes we feel that our efforts are not appreciated and that they do not accomplish anything, but if they do not help others, simply the fact that we did what we could, will help us.

I heard a young lady, a former Leaguer, who did not take a very active part in the League work, but who since, in connection with her work, had been obliged to take an active part in Christian Endeavor work, say that she would not take anything for the training and influence of the Christian Endeavor and League and only wishes she had taken a more active part in the League.

If we can not see the many things that the League is accomplishing, let us labor on with the assurance that our Father in Heaven sees them and will reward us openly in due season. Let us not be discouraged, for the church is waking up to the need of the League and is finding it one of its greatest assets.

I feel that I owe more to my League training than to any other agency of the church. What my life is and what it may mean in the work of the kingdom, I feel is due directly to the Epworth League. For my part, if I had my choice of any one department of the church, with the exclusion of all others, I would take the Epworth League. The League in itself includes all branches of church work. The Sunday school is indispensable, but it reaches only one phase of the work—the study of the Bible. The preaching services simply enlarge on the Sunday school work. The missionary society emphasides the giving of your means, while the League covers all these fields. Young people are more impressed by what they do than by what they hear. To utter only one sentence in prayer will do a young person more good than to listen to the most beautiful prayer any preacher can make. To read one verse of Scripture at a League meeting will do a young person more good than to hear a preacher read a dozen chapters. Pastors, ask your young people, if this is not so. I am speaking from my own experience, and not from hear say.

Pastors, study the work of the League and watch its results and in the end I am sure you will say: "I can not get along without an Epworth League.

A. Stanly Hall.

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT EPWORTH LEAGUES

It has been quite a time since the columns of the Advocate have contained news of the Asheville District Epworth League. To prove to you and all our friends that we are still among the living, I give you herewith a sketch of conditions as they really are. For some years the work of the Epworth League in this district was allowed, for the most part, to lie dormant, and very little effort was made in its behalf. However, we have some good chapters which pulled along nicely, and are today the nucleus for a revival of work in this important department of our church work, and the end of this year, we trust, will find a League on every charge in the district. We hope to have one in every Asheville church. "Old Haywood" is moving along triumphantly, with a membership of nearly a hundred. Balm Grove, Biltmore and Weaverville have Leagues. A Junior League of 22 members was organized at Chestnut Street by Dr. D. Atkins, assisted by the writer, Sunday, the 7th inst. A Senior League at Chestnut Street, Central and Bethel are early probabilities; and a little later we hope to include Grace.

With the aid of a Harley-Davidson motor cycle, the writer hopes to visit every charge on the district, and by the time the convention meets at Junaluska, we want a representative from every pastoral charge in Asheville district to be present.

We want the church membership to realize the magnitude of the Epworth League and its value as a training camp for the church. "We must revive the work," and here in Asheville district "we're going to do it."

Brother Bain will be censured (perhaps) for his poor selection of a secretary for the district, but we'll try to do something so that he will not have too much to answer for.

With best wishes, I remain

Yours in the work,

H. E. Walter,
Sec. Asheville Dist.
Box 437, Asheville, N. C.

TRY THIS FOR YOUR HEALTH

For diseases which do not readily yield to drug treatment, such as chronic dyspepsia, indigestion, rheumatism, Bright's disease, gall stones, uric acid poisoning and diseases of the kidney and liver, the best physicians send their wealthy patients to the famous mineral springs. Some even spent months at the Spas of Europe and were almost invariable cured or greatly benefited.

I believe that the Shivar Spring is the greatest mineral spring ever discovered and I believe it so firmly that I offer to send you enough water for a three weeks' treatment (two five-gallon demijohns) on my guarantee that if it fails to benefit your case I will refund the price. You would hardly believe me if I told you that only about two out of a hundred, on the average, say that they have received no benefit. The water is restoring thousands. It restored my health when my friends and physicians thought my case was incurable and I am willing and anxious for you to match your faith in the Spring against my pocketbook. If I win you become a life-friend of the Spring. If I lose I will be sorry for you, will appreciate your courtesy in giving the water a trial and will gladly refund your money on request. Sign the following letter:

Shivar Spring,
Box 5C, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen:

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....

Address .....

Shipping Point .....

(Please write distinctly.)

Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You run no risk whatever in accepting his offer. I have personally witnessed the remarkable curative effects of this water in a very serious case.

36 LB Feather Beds $5.92

6 lb. pair Pillows to match for $1.00

All new, sanitary feathers. Famous Amoskeag ticking, 9¼ yards to tick, positively biggest and best bed on market selling for less than $12. Safe delivery and satisfaction guaranteed or money back. Order today or write for catalog and big special offer. First order counts on premium.

SANITARY BEDDING COMPANY, Dept. 613 Charlotte, N. C.

DEPARTMENT OF WOMAN'S WORK

(Continued from Page 8)

God's service and prove His power through a yielded life.

Reports

5th. That we endeavor to send accurate and prompt reports the first of each quarter.

Standard of Excellence

6th. That we call attention to the simplified Standard of Excellence and urge its adoption.

Finances paid in full, 50 credits; dues paid for every member, 20; some amount paid on both Home and Foreign Pledge, 10; Retirement and Relief Fund, 10; Conference Expense Fund, 10; one delegate to Annual Conference, 10; two delegates to District Meeting, 10; Mission Study Class, 10; prompt and accurate quarterly reports, 10. Each new member counts 1. Total, 91.

Pledge

7th. That earnest effort be made to raise in full our share of the pledge of $25,000.00, to be divided as follows: $15,000.00 to a fund for the stations of Songdo and Seoul, Korea, and $10,000.00 to a fund for Sue Bennett Memorial School in London, Ky. Also that literature regarding these specials be studied in each society.

Pin and Pennant

8th. We recommend the use of the pin and pennant significant of the aims of the Young People's Auxiliaries which have been prepared by the Council.

Mrs. Richard Wills, Chm.,
Miss Rosamonde Lucas, Sec.

FRECKLES

February and March Worst Months For This Trouble—How to Remove Easily.

There's a reason why nearly everybody freckles in February and March, but happily there is also a remedy for these ugly blemishes, and no one need stay freckled.

Simply get an ounce of othine, double strength, from your druggist and apply a little of it night and morning, and in a few days you should see that even the worst freckles have begun to disappear, while the light ones have vanished entirely. Now is the time to rid yourself of freckles, for if not removed now they will stay all Summer, and spoil an otherwise beautiful complexion. Your money back if othine fails.

GOOD IDEAS IN THIS FREE BOOK

"Simple Plantings for Southern Homes," will show you how easy it is to make your home more beautiful. This book describes and fully illustrates with handsome photographs a number of simple, but very effective plans for setting out trees, shrubbery, vines, etc., to get the most beautiful effects. These are plans that have been worked out by Southern home owners, and they will give you many valuable suggestions that you can put to use on your own place. You can get a copy of this book free by writing the J. Van Lindley Nursery Co., Box N 203, Pomona, N. C. Ask also for their latest catalogue, which is full of practical information on setting out and caring for trees and plants.



15 ROSES postpaid anywhere in the U. S. for **$1.00**

This grand collection consists of 15 nice, healthy plants, the cream of Tea, H. T. and H. Pol. roses in existence. It contains varieties such as: Helen Gould, Papa Goutier, Sofrano, W. Maman Cochet, Francisca Kruger, Dutches de Brabant, Marie Guillot, Catherine Mermet, Conquette de Lyon, Meteor, Abel Chatney, Clotilde Soupert, Pink Cochet, and Bessie Brown. Try some—you will want more. SATISFACTION GUARANTEED or your money back.

Address: Singer THE FLORIST

Dept. 1 Harrodsburg, Ky.

BLYMYER CHURCH BELLS

UNLIKE OTHER BELLS SWEETER, MORE DURABLE, LOWER PRICE. OUR FREE CATALOGUE TELLS WHY.

Write to Cincinnati Bell Foundry Co., Cincinnati, O.

Our Children's Home

Conducted by Walter Thompson, Supt.

FIFTH SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Wesley's Chapel S. S., Linwood, Mrs. W. M. Meacham, $1.43; Laurie Hill S. S., Candler, C. A. Epler, $2.00; Mt. Tabor S. S., Winston-Salem, E. L. Miller, $2.42; Fallston S. S., Fallston, Henry Dixon, $2.00; Salem S. S., Cullasaja, T. R. Gray, $2.36; Richfield S. S., Richfield, Geo. W. Miller, 60c; Farmington S. S., Farmington, L. J. Horn, $2.79; Brookstown S. S., Vienna, C. F. Mickle, $1.05; Center S. S., Mocksville, W. B. Barneycastle, $1.00; Pisgah S. S., Catawba, Z. W. Wilkinson, 42c; Horseshoe S. S., Horse Shoe, Miss Bessie Lee Allen, $3.80; Seversville M. E. S. S., Charlotte, Harry Kestler, $3.43; Palmyra S. S., Walnut Cove, J. B. Greene, $7.25; Salem S. S., Albemarle, W. I. Hatley, $5.05; Rocky Springs S. S., Hiddenite, A. C. Sharpe, $1.10; Maiden S. S., Maiden, G. D. Wilkinson, $3.00; Cakdale S. S., Jamestown, Edw. Jordan, $2.50; River View S. S., Asheville, C. L. Rice, $1.00; Fines Creek S. S., Crabtree, Miss Nellie Graham, 27c; Lebanon S. S., Mill Spring, J. C. Powell, 90c; Mt. Zion S. S., Clyde, C. E. Rogers, $3.30; Keslers Chapel S. S., Rutherfordton, Miss Lola B. McBrayer, $1.00; Unionville S. S., Unionville, T. L. A. Helms, $1.25; Mills River S. S., Fletcher, Floyd C. Osborne, $1.00; Dillsboro, Homer Bryson, $4.38; May's Chapel S. S., Maiden, Robert E. Keener, $1.00; Henson Chapel S. S., Mast, N. L. Mast, $1.50; Spruce Pine S. S., Spruce Pine, Rev. Jas. P. Morris, $5.00; Liberty S. S., Gold Hill, A. D. Morgan, $2.00; Arcadia S. S., L. E. Ripple, $5.61. Total, $70.41.

SPECIAL SUPPORT, GENERAL SUPPORT AND TEN PER CENT. ASSESSMENT

William's Chapel, Mooresville Ct., Mooresville, Rev. J. E. Ratledge, $11.50; Trinity church, Charlotte, A. G. Craig, $26.98; Zion S. S., Morganton Ct., Morganton, S. M. Asbury, $3.75; North Asheville church, Asheville, B. L. Ownbey, $17.22. Total, $59.45.

BUILDING FUND

T. H. Redding, Ashboro, $25.00; Vernon Hawkins, Asheville, $10.00; Ed. W. Whitesides, Asheville, 10.00; Prof. C. H. Trowbridge, Brevard, $12.50; N. E. Boggs, Belwood, $2.50; Mrs. T. H. Galloway, Brevard, $5.00; Dr. Dred Peacock, High Point, $5.00; W. J. Armfield, Ashboro, $10.00; R. C. Johnson, Ashboro, $2.50; A. G. Higgins, Belwood, $6.00; E. J. Liddy, Asheville, $2.00; Dr. J. F. Miller, Ashboro, $2.00; Mrs. G. G. Beal, Ashboro, $2.00; Mrs. Fannie Carter, Biltmore, R. F. D., $5.00. Total, $99.50.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE

I have the Funk & Wagnall new Standard Dictionary, price $36.00, which I offer in exchange for a good second hand typewriter, or will sell cheap. Address H. M. Wellman, Burnsville, N. C.

PICK-UPS OF CHURCH NEWS

At its last session the South Carolina Conference (then undivided) paid the claimants on the Conference Fund (the old preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers) 130 per cent. on the assessment made for them. Verily, this is something "new under the sun!"

* * * *

In a very able paper recently read before a Pittsburgh (Pa.) Methodist Preachers' Meeting Bishop Earl Cranston advocated working for the union of the several Methodist denominations in the United States. Bishop Cranston is a member of the Federal Council of Methodism.

* * * *

A vigorous movement is under way in Texas to get things in shape to insure the opening of the Southern Methodist University, at Dallas, next fall. This movement is being led by Bishop McCoy and Bishop Mouzon. All the Annual Conferences in that state and several others west of the Mississippi River have made assessments for the maintenance of this institution.

* * * *

There is talk of replacing the historic old John Street church of New York City with a sky-scraper building, with the church auditorium located on top of it. This unique old house of worship is surrounded by lofty structures.

* * * *

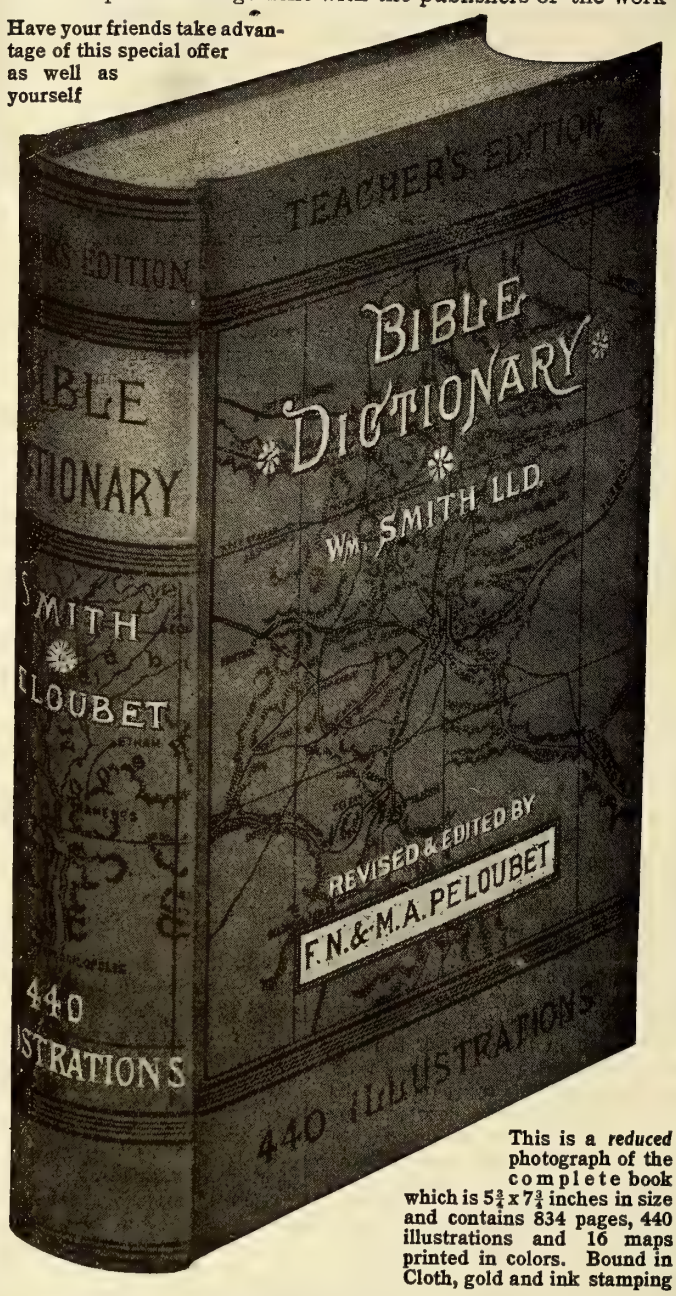
Our dead are never dead to us until we have forgotten them; they can be injured by us; they can be wounded; they know all our penitence, all our aching sense that their place is empty, all the kisses we bestow on the smallest relic of their presence. —George Eliot.

The Christian Advocate Offers You This Well Known Bible Dictionary

SEE SPECIAL OFFER BELOW

Realizing the wide demand that exists among our constituents for this Bible Dictionary, we have made a special arrangement with the publishers of the work by which they agreed to supply it to us on exceptional terms, provided we would widely advertise it, and this enables us to offer this **well-known Bible Dictionary in its original form** and with all its important features, including over 400 illustrations and maps in colors, at **less than half the regular price.**

Have your friends take advantage of this special offer as well as yourself



This is a *reduced* photograph of the complete book which is 5¾ x 7¾ inches in size and contains 834 pages, 440 illustrations and 16 maps printed in colors. Bound in Cloth, gold and ink stamping

THE FATHER OF ALL BIBLE DICTIONARIES

Everyone acknowledges the superior value of Dr. William Smith's Bible Dictionary, as containing the fruit of the ripest Biblical scholarship. It is practically the foundation, or father, of all other Bible Dictionaries. This late edition is brought down to the twentieth century and thoroughly revised to incorporate modern research and discoveries in Bible lands. It has been adapted in its present form to the convenience of teachers and scholars.

MAKES BIBLE STUDY EASY. MAKES THE BIBLE PLAIN TO EVERY READER

This Bible Dictionary is a veritable treasure to Christian Workers. It contains in the simplest language a full explanation of all topics mentioned in the Bible—every place, nation, tribe, person, and historical event; every custom and rite; every instrument and implement; every animal, plant, flower, mineral, metal, etc. It is a systematic collation of all the facts recorded in the Bible, supplemented and explained by materials supplied from authentic records of Biblical times. It gives in compact and lucid form the substance of the result of profound Biblical scholarship and research. IT OPENS A NEW UNDERSTANDING AND APPRECIATION OF THE BIBLE IN A WAY THAT NO OTHER BOOK DOES.

Our Special Offer

From this till April first we offer the Advocate one year and this dictionary for

$2.50

This applies to new subscribers and renewals.

Address **CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, GREENSBORO, N. C.**

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL

General Insurance

General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland

108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective October 18th, 1914

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester Lv.	7 50 a m	----------	----------	----------	4 15 p m
Yorkville "	8 36	----------	----------	----------	6 38
Gastonia "	9 21!	----------	----------	----------	8 20
Gastonia "	9 30	4 30 p m	----------	----------	----------
Lincolnton "	10 28	5 40	----------	----------	----------
Newton "	11 05	6 44	----------	----------	----------
Hickory "	12 05 p m	7 30	12 05 p m	6 45 a m	----------
Lenoir "	1 08	8 50	1 08	8 07	----------
Lenoir "	2 00x	----------	----------	----------	----------
Mortimer "	4 09	----------	----------	----------	----------
Edgemont Ar.	4 35	----------	----------	----------	----------
Southbound	**NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only**	**NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.**
Edgemont Lv.	9 00 a m	----------	----------	----------	----------
Mortimer "	9 10	----------	----------	----------	----------
Lenoir "	11 20!	----------	----------	----------	----------
Lenoir "	1 35 p m	7 00 a m	8 15 a m	1 10 p m	----------
Hickory "	2 35	8 15	9 12	3 20	----------
Newton "	3 05	9 00	----------	----------	----------
Lincolnton "	3 43	9 51	----------	----------	----------
Gastonia "	4 30	11 23	----------	----------	----------
Gastonia "	5 05x	----------	----------	----------	11 50 a m
Yorkville "	5 54	----------	----------	----------	1 24
Chester Ar.	6 40	----------	----------	----------	3 10 p m

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. **CHESTER, S. C.**

THE FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL COUNCIL OF EVANGELICAL DENOMINATIONS

The Sunday School Council of Evangelical Denominations is one of the newer organizations in religious work, but, from its beginning, it has been an association of unique power and influence. It is, as its name implies, an assembly of the Evangelical Denominations of the United States and Canada, associated together for counsel in respect to Sunday School work, which means a complete survey of the entire field of religious education.

The Council is made up of representatives appointed by Sunday School Boards and Sunday School Publication Societies of the several Denominations constituting the Council. These representatives are chosen from among the secretaries, editors, publishers and field workrs. By the very nature of the case it is an organization of first rank and of unique power in the field of religious education.

The strength of the organization is marked by its purpose and its personnel, rather than by its numbers.

The Fifth Annual Session was held this year in Cleveland, O. Several addresses of striking character and insight were delivered, indicating that the Council is dong a work of investigation that is likely to mean much more intelligent work in connection with the Sunday Schools.

The note of emphasis in this meeting was the importance of the local Church. This thought was brought out clearly in several of the addresses, indicating that it is a live question, and that those having to do with the larger work of the different Denominations are coming to a keen appreciation of the value of the local Church, and that the local Church in its service to the community and to humaniy is really the goal of consideration rather than the advancement of any organization.

Another matter that received particular attention was the question of the relation of public schools to religious education. The whole matter was faced with a frankness that was remarkable. Arguments pro and con were advanced with characteristic Christian feeling. The judgment of the Council seemed to be that in this important matter it is possible to make serious mistakes by undue haste, and the course that, from a superficial view of the matter, seems advantageous might contain elements threatening disaster.

There was no finding on this subject, but a very strog Committee was apointed to thoroughly investigate the relation of the public school to religious education, and to report to the Council at a later meeting. This special Cimmittee is composed of:

Dr. Edward Lewis, New York, N. Y.; Dr. A. L. Phillips, Richmond, Va.; Dr. Lester Bradner, New York, N. Y.; Dr. Benjamin S. Winchester, Boston, Mass.; Rev. C A. Myers, Toronto, Ont.

A report of the International Sunday School Lesson Committee indicated that the Committee had held its first meeting, and had effected permanent organization, but that the work of this Committee is at the present time not sufficiently advanced to indicate the lines on which the new courses of lessons will be promulgated.

The Officers elected by the Council for the year 1915-1916 are as follows:

President, Dr. Edgar Blake, Chicago, Ill.; Vice-President, Dr. John T. Faris, Philadelphia, Pa.; Secretary, Dr. Geo. T. Webb, Philadelphia, Pa.; Treasurer, Mr. D. M. Smith, Nashville, Tenn.

Executive Committee:

Dr. Edgar Blake, Dr. A. J. Rowland, Dr. I. J. Van Ness, Dr. S. T. Bartlett, Dr. R. M. Hopkins, Dr. R. Douglas Fraser, Mrs. J. W. Barnes, Dr. W. R. Funk, Dr. John T. Faris, Dr. George T. Webb, Mr D. M. Smith, Miss Margaret Slattery, Dr. C. Hauser, Dr. E. B. Chappell Dr. John H. Rice.

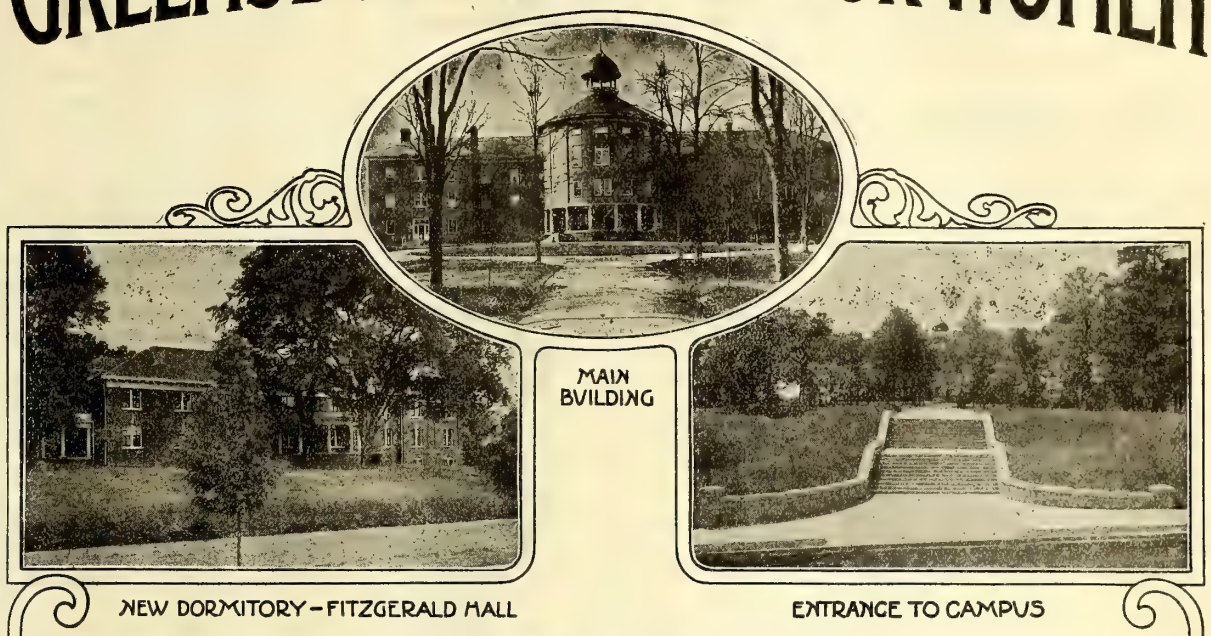
The Chairmen of the Sections are as follows:

Editorial, E. B. Chappell, Nashville, Tenn.; Publication, C. Hauser, Cleveland, Ohio; Educational and Extension, Miss Margaret Slattery, Baston, Mass.

The question of the place of next meeting of the Council was referred to the Executive Committee with power.

Almighty God, make us to have that sense of reality that shall make us humble in the presence of Thy world and of our great task. Give to us that love that vaunteth not itself, that wisdom dhich ever more is manifest in the meekness of wisdom. So may we join that great company of the true-hearted, the earnest, the blessed souls, who through their own experience verify the beautitudes. So, with One who came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, may we worship Thee, the All-perfect, the All-good. Amen.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY—FITZGERALD HALL

ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

A Big ? You Decide: The School: The Methods: The Results:

A Few Reasons Why You Should Enroll With Us

We teach Stenotypy, the fastest method of writing. Our *courses* teach you to *know*. We *train* you to *grasp* your *opportunity*. Latest improved methods. Your choice of nine different systems of *shorthand, two of them hold world's record* for *speed* and *accuracy*.

Rates and terms most reasonable. *Real business courses* as taught at a *real commercial college*. Results unequalled. Twenty-five students recently placed in positions.

Write for further information and terms. Do not put off this important step.

CENTRAL BUSINESS COLLEGE, ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

T S. SPRADLIN, President

WE WILL PAY YOU $120.00

to distribute religious literature in your community. Sixty days' work. Experience not required. Man or woman. Spare time may be used.

ZEIGLER CO., Dept. 35, Philadelphia.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

.....

.....

The Sunday School Lesson

LESSON IX—FEBRUARY 28

Samuel, the Victorious Leader
1 Sam. 7:3-17; Memorize verses 11, 12

Golden Text—Hitherto hath Jehovah helped us. 1 Sam. 7:12.

Notes by Dr. and Mrs. Camden M. Coburn

The Character of Samuel

When the present writer spoke of Samuel's life in a recent Sunday school lesson, as a "tragedy of weakness," the phrase ought to have been explained. No man weak in all respects could have possessed a personality so impressive as to have obtained for itself a place in the Hebrew gallery of fame. Yet Samuel lacked certain dominating qualities to such an extent that he failed to control his own children, and like Eli lost his chance of perpetuating a house of rulers and establishing a dynasty. He is also the only judge concerning whom no single act of personal bravery or achievement in war is remembered. It was his words, not his exploits, that gave him influence. He was a prudent and sagacious national counselor, an Odysseus without his armor. If Samson with his buoyant disposition, his ability to "mix" with the people, and above all his tremendous strength, which in that age of the world made him a champion fit to win reverence and loyalty as well as fear, had also possessed Samuel's ability to organize and persistently carry out mature plans for reforming the people and saving them from their enemies he might have been the Hebrew Napoleon, the second Moses to reunite the separate clans and start them again on the successful conquest of Palestine. But it was the man of peace, not the man of war, who did this. Samuel personally probably never fought a battle. He was not a general. The only military operation which turned out successfully under his personal direction, so far as the Hebrew memory went, was one in which victory came to his forces by reason of a furious storm which suddenly arose and brought confusion to his enemies. Samuel frankly acknowledged that the victory was due to God's prowess, not his own, when he erected the monument on the battle-field, inscribing on it, "Ebenezer, Stone of Help" (1 Sam. 7:12). Othniel, Deborah, Gideon, Jephthah and all the other judges excepting Eli achieved their pre-eminence by deeds of war; but Samuel, who never performed one act of personal valor, did more than all the others put together in reuniting the scattered forces of the Hebrews and preparing them for a successful national future. He was preeminently a religious man. His killing of Agag was not an act of bravery, but neither was it, as often supposed, an act of gross and bloody savagery. Saul did not save Agag as an act of mercy. To suppose that he did is to show one's self utterly unacquainted with the condition of the world at that time. It was the universal law among nations and tribes at the era that the conqueror had full right to the life of the conquered. The law promulgated by Joshua in the conquest of Canaan, "Run or die," was the universal international law. When prisoners were saved they were saved either through personal pride to humble them, or torture them, or to make a captured king head of some foreign district as an ally. This was doubtless what Saul meant to do with Agag. Samuel as the religious head of the nation was against this. He had sought to get some of the brutality out of war by making the necessary killing a religious act instead of a deed of personal vengeance or glorification. In order that Palestine might be a country set apart as an experiment station where monotheism might be for the first time in the world's history tried out under favorable circumstances, this little country had to be captured and the heathen cleared out of it. The experiment was worth the cost a million times over. Saul by making an ally of an idolatrous prince was spoiling the experiment, and by torturing him or humiliating him he was misrepresenting God's purpose in taking possession of Palestine, and in either case he was disobeying God's commands given through Samuel, the head of the Hebrew church. For this reason, which was most sufficient, Saul's family lost its position at the head of the Hebrew state.

The Origin of the Prophets

While individuals had previously arisen who felt themselves to be the mouthpieces of Jehovah, and were therefore later called prophets, yet it is with Samuel that the "Prophets" as an official religious class arose among the Hebrews—a unique class of religious teachers unknown in any other ancient country and unequaled in influence and sublime independence and self-sacrifice by any modern teachers of religion. Instead of influencing the destiny of his nation by raising an army, as other judges did, Samuel established this band of itinerant preachers who should go from end to end of the country proclaiming God's commandments. It was now for the first time that "schools of the prophets" were found in various towns. These official evangelists were very much below the great prophets who arose three centuries later, but notwithstanding their rather superstitious actions at times, and their emotional ecstasies which usually characterized them, they were leaders of religious thought, just as the early Methodists, who had some of these same peculiarities, were also God's men who produced a new spiritual age. The wise direction of these religious enthusiasms to practical political ends—a combination never elsewhere in the world's history so successfully made—made these prophets under Samuel "the chief proximate influence in the establishment of the monarchy" (McCurdy). A theocratic commonwealth with Jehovah as the head and earthly ruler had been found, because of the grossness of the people, to be impracticable. The government through "Judges," which was in many cases only a compromise with the monarchical principle, had not succeeded. Even the union of civil and religious functions in the hands of Eli, the best and most revered of the priests, had ended in signal failure. The only resort left was a monarchy. This was not adopted as the ideal government; indeed, Samuel saw that it was just the reverse of this; but it was granted as a necessity of the situation, and through the influence of the prophets, who traveled from one end of the country to the other under Samuel's direction, proclaiming it to be God's will that all the tribes should unite in a religious revolution against the Philistines, and should be moral and holy as Jehovah was moral and holy, a new era of prosperity came to the Hebrew people. It must be recorded to the credit of Samuel that he was the first in all the long list of Israel's leaders to make morality and the administration of justice the chief thing to be considered if God's favor were to be gained and true political success obtained. A king must come in order to unite and control such a people as this, but the king to keep his crown must bow to the will of Jehovah and to his representative, the prophet-priest. Such was the great life-work of this Nazarite judge whose long hair was never touched by scissors, and whose temperance put Samson's intemperance to shame.—Pittsburgh Christian Advocate.

PLANT TREES NOW

April will be too late. Some things you can put off, but not this. You gain a whole year in ripening time by planting NOW rather than fall.

Tell us what you want and we will ship promptly. Prices always reasonable. If we weren't reliable this paper would not print this.

Plenty Apples, Peaches, in large or small quantities. Some low prices for large quantities for spring shipment if ordered at once. Pears, Plums, Grapes, Berries, also Evergreens, Flowering Shrubs, Roses, Shade Trees, etc., to make the home attractive.

HOWARD NURSERY CO.,
Box L210 Stovall, N. C.

CABBAGE PLANTS FREE

Send $1.95 for One Thousand Frost Proof Cabbage Plants and receive an extra Thousand Free. Make large heads.

Atlantic Coast Plant Co.,
Youngs Island, S. C.

In Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma, the territory served by the Texas Christian Advocate, there are 362,776 Methodists. Of these, nearly 300,000 are in the Lone Star State.

* * * *

The Woman's Missionary Council of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will meet in Little Rock, Ark., on April 14, instead of at San Frascisco, as was announced last year.

GARTSIDE'S IRON RUST SOAP CO., 4054 Lancaster Ave., Philadelphia, Pa. Gartside's Iron Soap (U. S. registered patent No. 3477) removes iron rust, ink and all unwashable stains from clothing, marble, etc., with magical effect. Good seller, big margins. House-to-house agents and store salesman wanted. The original, 25c a tube. Beware of infringements and the penalty for making, selling and using an infringed article. Suitable for church fairs.

Peach and Apple Trees 2c and up

Pear, Cherry, Plum, Grapes, Strawberry, etc. Catalegue Free. TENN. NURSERY CO., Box 60, CLEVELAND, TENN.



Standard **Memorial Windows**

Made in High Point

Beautiful in design—strong in construction. Largest and oldest glass plant in the South. Capacity for any and all orders and prompt delivery. Satisfaction guaranteed. References—any of our old customers or any bank or banker in High Point. Write for catalog.

Standard Mirror Co.
High Point, N. C.



THE CELEBRATED
Throneburg Nursery

solicits your trade on apple, peach, pear, shade and ornamental trees. Prices reasonable. Agents wanted everywhere. Liberal commissions.

THE THRONEBURG NURSERY, NEWTON, N. C.

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER AND PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER
Proprietor
GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF STOMACH AND INTESTINES
121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO
ROBT. W. MURRAY
GENERAL INSURANCE
Greensboro, North Carolina
308½ South Elm St.
Phone 163

FREE

To every farmer of Guilford County who will mail us a postal card asking for an

HOMESTEAD ALMANAC

we will mail one absolutely free to each address, as long as the present supply lasts.

Besides the regular information contained in almanacs this Homestead Almanac contains many interesting things that a farmer likes to know.

ODELL HARDWARE CO.
GREENSBORO, N. C.

Our Little Folks' Department

CHILDREN OVER THE SEA

Over the sea, 'way over the sea,
There are hundreds and hundreds of children like me.
They don't look the same in their queer foreign dress,
But they talk and they walk and they play games, I guess;
They run and they laugh and they eat and they sleep,
And the little wee babies can't walk till they creep.
And folks tell them stories—perhaps about me
And all of us children on this side the sea. —Grace Allen.

WHO MADE THE MUSIC?

We had been in the sitting room that Sunday afternoon having games and stories and music, and then we went into the dining room to get our supper. Mother had been playing the piano for us while we sang, but she came out when we did. There were five of us, and two neighbor children were over there, so we were quite a big, noisy bunch of little folks.

Father was away from home, and it had been very gloomy weather outside all day. The clouds were low, and there had been little showers of rain that froze into sleet as they fell and little flurries of snow that seemed to get lost in the cold wind. It might have been a very dreary day if mother hadn't been so bright and cherry and kind. As it was, it was so cold that we put the tiny chickens to bed by the kitchen fire and let Rover, our Collie dog, come in to get warm.

We were sitting around the dining room fire enjoying a plate of extra good sandwiches that mother had brought us when we heard some one striking the piano keys back in the sitting room, where we had been all the afternoon.

"I thought mother was in the kitchen," said Sister Alice, "but I hear her in there at the piano."

"I don't see how she got in there," said Ned; "I didn't see her come through here."

And we all wondered the same thing; but just then the music stopped and mother called out from the kitchen: "Don't bang on the piano, children. Play if you like, but don't peck on the piano like that."

"We didn't do it; we thought it was you," we called back to her, and she laughed.

We thought then that she had just done it to tease us, and so we laughed too; but pretty soon we heard it again, and then we began to feel queer, because we knew mother was in the kitchen that time.

Whoever was playing on our piano didn't seem to have much ear for music. Nearly always just one note at a time was struck. It sounded exactly like a little child was picking out tones with one finger, though now and then the finger seemed to slip and strike two notes at once.

We felt very sure that it wasn't mother, but when we tried to think who it might be it made us feel queerer than ever. We knew there was no one else in the house, and there was no light in the sitting room except the dim light from the coals in the grate. I got up and said, "I believe it's mother trying to tease us," though I didn't half believe it and said it only to give myself courage to go and look.

Just then, though, mother came into the dining room and said: "Children, it isn't funny to do what mother asks you not to do, even though you do it for a joke."

And then while she sat there talking to us and we could all see each other and all knew perfectly well that none of us had been doing it, the music began again.

Mother didn't say anything, but she had a queer look on her face, and we had a strange, creepy sort of feeling as we followed her through the hall and to the sitting room door. Mother opened the door, but the music had stopped, and no one was in the room, only old Rover sleeping on the rug before the fire. Mother said nothing, but went back to the dining room with us, where we had been only a little while when the music began again, and again we went to see who could be making it. This time, though, we went more softly, and when we got a little crack in the door, just so that we could peep through, we caught the rascal at it. It was old Rover. He was standing up before the piano stool, one foot resting on the stool, and with the other he was touching the keys and seemed to be much delighted with his success. We barely caught sight of him before he saw us, and then he went very soberly back to the rug and pretended to go to sleep.

We knew that Rover liked music and often howled when we sang and seemed to be doing his best to join in the music, but it was the very first time he had tried to play the piano. It wasn't the last time, though, for after that we did our best to teach him to pick out a tune, but we could never quite do it. We thought he was very smart to try to play.—Francis M'Kinnon Morton.

BILLY'S MOVING PICTURE

To keep still seemed the very hardest task that Billy Bumpus was ever required to do.

"Billy, my son, don't ride your chair; it isn't a pony. It's meant to sit in," father would say as Billy, standing on the rounds of a rocker, would swing back and forth rapidly.

"If you'll only stand still a minute, I can get your collar fastened and your tie into a proper bow," mother would plead when she was trying to get the small boy ready for school.

And teacher had to call several times every day from the rostrum: "Billy Bumpus, stay quiet at your desk. You seem constantly moving about."

Little sister complained: "Buddy wiggles so I can't sit by him at church. Please let me move my place at the end of the pew, mother."

But Billy, paying no heed, went on riding chairs and wiggling and keeping up his perpetual motion generally.

"I'm going to take the children down to the photographers. Grandma's birthday is next week, and I think she would like their pictures as gifts better than anything I could get for her," mother announced one fine morning at the breakfast table.

The photographers shop was down in town, on Sixth Street, right next door to an ice cream parlor, and a trip there meant a treat and maybe a visit to the toy store or a picture show; so Billy was delighted with mother's plan. At an early hour, arrayed in their very best clothes, the family drove away toward the city. The weather was glorious for driving, and the only thing that marred the pleasure of the trip to town was Billy's constant inclination to stand upon the seat or hang on the step. At the photographer's shop there was a brief wait, and during that interval Billy covered every space in the rooms, examining each detail.

Little sister sat for her picture first. She was patient and did exactly as the photographer directed. She posed gracefully, and the artist was much pleased. "She'll make a fine picture, and now for the little man," he observed with gratification as the first sitting was completed.

But the "little man" in question was at that moment under a table, teasing a cat.

"Come quickly, Billy," mother called; and Billy reluctantly crawled out into view, dusty and disheveled.

The photographer was kept very busy during the next quarter of an hour. It seemed impossible to get the "little man" to pose properly or to keep still at all long enough to get a photograph of him. "Madam, I suppose I'll have to take a 'moving picture,'" the artist exclaimed in desperation at last, turning to Billy's mother.

"Yes, I suppose you will. It seems impossible to keep him still," she replied. "Snap him now as he is," she directed suddenly.

"But madam," the photographer objected, for Billy had stood upon his head as soon as the artist's back was turned, and was now kicking his feet in the air.

"Yes, take him in that position; it will possibly serve as a lesson to him," mother insisted; and so the "moving picture" was taken.

At grandma's birthday party all the family connection was assembled, and their gifts were placed upon a table before her. Among them were the two grandchildren's pictures, which had just come from the photographer's. Little sister's was a perfect likeness and a very graceful pose; but Billy's —O, it was dreadful! and his own cheeks burned as he gazed at it. He was photographed standing upon his head, making an awful face and licking out his tongue. Grandma had been so pleased with all her other gifts, but she only looked strangely at this one while mother explained: "We couldn't keep him still, so we just had to take a moving picture."—Med Ransom.

THE HELD PENNY

"This arm in now," said mother as Leelee twisted to get into her coat.

"My dear, what is that in my little girl's hand?"

"A penny." And the head dropped slightly.

"A penny, dear? Where did you get it?" A thought flashed through mother's mind. Monday—and yesterday was Sunday!

"It's a held penny," piped Leelee, as if she had heard her mother's thought. "I held it yesterday when the teacher passed the plate at Sunday school."

"O daughter!" And mother looked very sad. Then she quietly took the penny and held it flat on the palm of Leelee's hand. "That penny is God's penny. Now, a naughty thought came to Leelee to keep that penny for herself. But she can't, for it belongs to God."

"I thought there were so many pennies on the plate," Leelee began, excusing herself. "And we had not had any candy since Christmas." She put one finger in her mouth.

"Now, Leelee, you take this penny and we will put it under the big brass candlestick for next Sabbath. It belongs to God."

The candlestick was a sacred place to hide pennies for Sunday school. After the penny was safe, Leelee said: "Mother, why can't I earn money like Big Sister and Big Brother?"

Father entered just as she said it. "Earn money!" he laughed. "What can a little seven-year-old do to earn money?"

"I could dust, I could rub silver, I could go on errands, and do lots of other things," pleaded the little one.

"Well, mother, I guess she is entitled to five cents every Saturday night like the rest. But be sure, daughter, that you earn it."

Father lifted his little girl high upon his shoulder, and she reached down and put one arm around mother's neck.

"I love father and mother the best," she said, with a hug for each. "And I'll work so hard!" Then the little head dropped close to mother's ear as she added: "And I's so sorry about the held penny!"—Selected.

An Exceptional Bible Offer

Endorsed by Representatives of all Denominations



THE 1911 BIBLE

Being the old familiar Authorized Version, carefully amended by American scholars in the light of the latest modern scholarship.

Not a Revision

Only such passages as are recognized by all scholars as needlessly obscure have been altered in any way.

Special Features

A New System of Chain References.
A New System of Collected References.
A New System of Paragraphs.

"We believe, unqualifiedly, that the 1911 Bible is far the best translation ever given the English-speaking people, and the worthiest of their confidence and affection."—*Herald and Presbyter.*

Printed in large black-faced type, very easy to read

Special Offer:

For $2.00 we will send you, postpaid, a copy of this superb Bible, beautifully printed in large black-face type, and bound in the best French morocco, with overlapping edges, round corners, red under gold edges, headband, and fine silk marker. This Bible contains 12 beautifully colored Maps, and Index to Maps.
Size, 8x5½ inches.

For $5.00 we will send you, postpaid, ***the exquisite Oxford India Paper edition*** of this Bible, which measures only ⅞ of an inch in thickness. It is bound in the finest Alaska seal, with overlapping edges, full leather lined to edge, silk sewed, round corners, red under gold edges, and has silk headband and marker.
Size, 8x5½ inches, ⅞ of an inch thick.

Remember!! These Bibles are published by the Oxford University Press, American Branch—in itself a sufficient guarantee of their excellence.

Send for one of these Bibles to-day

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

Our Strains of Wakefield's Improved Sweet Potato Plants, improved by Seed Selection in the fields during 10 years, have attained such a degree of popularity that for three years we have been unable to fill over 60 per cent. of the orders sent us. We double our capacity this year. Nancy Hall and ten other kinds. Tomato plants also. Free plant booklet.
Wakefield Plant Farm, Charlotte, N. C.

MISSIONARY NOTES FROM FIELD SECRETARY

Feb. 16-20, West Market St. Church, Chas. W. Byrd, P. C.—$837.50 cash and subscriptions, Conference Mission Special; cial; $308.75 payable tis year. In addition, Mrs. E. C. Watlington gave a lot on Keogh Street 50x150 feet which will be turned into money for the Emergency Fund. Dr. C W. Banner, Chas. H. Ireland, W. B. Merrimon, Fred C. Odell, Geo. L. Hopkins, S. L. Alderman and J. W. Wheeler each subscribed $50.00. Thos. C. Hoyle, J. W. Landreth, W. D. Rowe and G. L. Ferguson, Jr., $40.00 each. Dr. John Wesley Long, J. A. Odell, M. W. Sterne, E. D. Broadhurst, W. C. Boren, $25.00 each. W. H. Alderman, Miss Selma Lamb, W. H. Swift, G. W. Whitsett, I. F. Peebles, A. E. Fordham, F. C. Boyles and G. S. Boren gave each $20.00.

* * * *

Feb. 21, Centenary, R. D. Sherrill, P. C.—$491.00 pledged and Conference collections.

* * * *

One contribution of W. C. Boren should be credited to the West Greensboro charge, Rev. P. E. Parker, pastor.

UNIVERSAL EDUCATIONAL THEME OF DR. CLAXTON

Commissioner of Education Delivered Inspiring Address at Greensboro College for Women

Dr. P. P. Claxton, United States Commissioner of Education, was the guest of Greensboro College for Women at supper yesterday evening. At the close of the repast the distinguished guest was introduced by the president, Dr. S. B. Turrentine, and greeted with great enthusiasm by the student body, who listened with intense interest to an inspiring after-dinner talk. Dr. Claxton is a man of broad vision, and as he defined true education and pictured the blessing which "Universal Education" would bring to the human race, his listeners were filled with deeper purpose to be among those who "can and do."

One speaker clearly illustrated the relative value of home and school training by saying that the average person under 21 years spends 179,000 hours in home and 5,000 in the world.

Dr. Claxton closed his talk by expressing his pleasure in renewing his association with Greensboro and the school which has been such a large factor in the social and educational life of the Old North State.

The faculty and the seniors who met Dr. Claxton afterwards in the parlor will long remember the delightful interchange of thought and opinion which made the time of his visit all too short.

AN EARLY RISER

When I waked up this morning
It was so very soon
That in the sky all golden
I still could see the moon.

It was not round and shining,
But just a silver thread
That, like a fairy princess,
Was sailing overhead.

And on behind came trailing
A wee sweet baby star
That looked so small and lonely
Away behind so far,

I jumped up in a hurry
And asked the moon to stay
And wait for that star baby
Before she went away.

But she paid no attention
To anything I said,
And through the cloudy billows
Went sailing straight ahead.

Till up the sun came peeping
And gave her such a fright
She just picked up that baby
And scampered out of sight.

—Francis McKinnon Morton.

Our Dead

WASHAM—Mrs. Mary Jane Washam, wife of Mr. Rufus R. Washam, of Cornelius, N. C., died Saturday evening, Feb. 13, in her seventy-fifth year, after some years of feeble health and a few days of acute suffering, borne in Christian patience and resignation.

For some 38 years her pious life and cheerful disposition had brightened the home of her husband, whose child by a former wife she helped to rear and always loved with a mother's care and tenderness.

Sister Washam was greatly loved in her community. Several hundred of her acquaintances attended her funeral services conducted by her pastor at Mt. Zion church, of which she was a faithful member. For about 60 years she had lived a life so consistently Christian that all who knew her well believe she has gone to glory.

Of those who survive her, in addition to her husband, are a stepson, Mr. Thomas Washam, of Cornelius; a sister, Mrs. Kerr, of Mooresville; and three brothers: Mr. James Thompson, of Lenoir; Mr. Thomas Thompson, of Mooresville, and Mr. Junius Thompson, of Concord. Her Pastor.

CATHEY—William Kerr Cathey was born August 9th, 1851, and departed this life Jan. 6, 1915, aged 63 years, 4 months and 27 days. In the year 1872 he was married to Miss Mary Edwards, who survives him. To this union were born seven daughters and three sons, of whom the following survive him: Miss Sarah Cathey; Mesdames E. S. Reeves, of Weaverville College; H. E. Brooks, of Canton; T. H. Haynes, of Clyde; and three sons: Messrs. Edward, Thad and William Cathey, all of Clyde. Twenty-eight years ago Brother Cathey professed faith in Christ and united with the M. E. Church, South, and was a steward for many years. He was sick for several weeks before his death, but bore his suffering patiently. His remains were taken to Bethel church (Haywood county) where the funeral was conducted by the writer, assisted by Rev. R. A. Sentelle, of the Baptist church, and he was laid to rest in the church cemetery with Masonic honors. The blessings of God abide with the bereaved ones. His pastor,

G. A. B. Holderby.

PENLAND—Clarence Penland, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Penland, of Clyde, N. C., was born Sept. 24, 1894, and departed this life Dec. 11, 1914, aged 20 years, 2 months and 17 days. Little Clarence, as his devoted parents and sisters called him, was impotent in mind and body, being the constant care of his mother and other members of the family. As is usual in such a case, the constant care because of his helpless and dependent condition, caused them to love Clarence the more. To the sorrowing family and friends we would say that their loss is Clarence's eternal gain, for we feel sure that he is this morning basking in the sunlight of heaven and singing with the redeemed in heaven. Poor Clarence never had the power of speech with which to sing, but we believe his spirit has been liberated from its impotent house of earthly tabernacle and is today in glory, where there is no sickness and sorrow, and where God doth wipe away all tears.

G. A. B. Holderby.

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Lena Riggs Reid

Our pen has a touch of sadness when we attempt to chronicle the seemingly untimely death of the lamented young wife of Mr. Eugene Reid. Before marriage she was Miss Lena Gray Riggs, the much adored and only daughter of Mrs. J. B. Riggs. Her father preceded her to the great beyond some years ago. She left a devoted husband, who was untiring in every task or effort that might possibly brighten or lighten her last months of suffering through which she lived with such resolute endurance, brave courage and sweet patience. Even in the dark hour of utter hopelessness, as to her frail life, she had a bright smile and cheery word for every passing friend. She always evinced such grateful appreciation for every act of kindness from her faithful nurses.

While resigned to her fate, she oftentimes expressed a great desire to live, because life looked so sweet, she said, with her kind companion and her dear little son, Edwin, whom she was leaving motherless at the tender age of two years. Too, she desired to live to comfort her sorrowed and widowed mother, but our Heavenly Father, who cannot err, saw fit in His wisdom to remove her from earthly ties to the beauty and glory of unhampered spiritual communion with loved ones gone before.

To her bright boy and other bereaved ones, many friends have extended sympathy, hoping much sorrow will be conquered by the comforting thoughts that she is freed from her intense sufferings and the cares and burdens of earth and is happy in the work and joy of heaven.

She was twenty-seven years old. Her short life was freighted with the bitters and sweets that make up the life of all God's children.

Her spirit took its flight to the unknown world, October 27, 1914, leaving a happy little home lonely and desolate.

'Tis hard to break the tender cord
When love has bound the heart,
'Tis hard, so hard to speak the words,
Must we forever part?

Farewell, Lena, we have laid thee,
In the peaceful grave's embrace,
'Till we see thee face to face.
'Till we see thee face to face.

D. S. R.

Dobson, N. C.

SHIELDS—Robert B. Shields quietly passed away December 31, 1914, being about 43 years old. His remains were tenderly laid to rest by the Masonic Lodge in the cemetery here on New Year's Day to await the resurrection morn. He has left behind his aged father and mother, his wife and seven children, who greatly feel their loss.

Deceased was a man well beloved by all who knew him. In his death the community has lost a good citizen and useful man, for he was a neighbor in the true spirit of the "Good Brother Shields was converted on Brotheer shields was converted on Sunday night just preceding his death. During this very limited period of Christian experience his physical pain was severe, but his spiritual joy was equally great. On the morning of December 31, he was heard whispering softly, "Pass me not, O gentle Saviour," and then presently became unconscious, in which condition he remained till death.

The sweet assurance of sins forgiven in this case as in all others, brings joy unspeakable.

It seems hard, hard to part with our friend, only son, husband and father, especially so early in life; yet, while we feel deeply our loss, we rejoice more in his eternal gain and humbly submit to the divine will. As tears of sympathy and sorrow trickle down the question arises:

"Why should our hearts in sorrow flow,
When God recalls his own,
And bids them leave a world of woe,
For an immortal crown?

"Then let our sorrows cease to flow;
God has recalled his own;
But let our hearts in every woe,
Stil say, 'Thy will be done.'"

May the Holy Spirit comfort each of the bereaved ones and in some way fill the vacancy and fill them with joy of salvation. O. C. Fortenberry.

RESOLUTIONS OF BRYSON

Whereas, It has pleased the all-wise God to remove from our class of Whittier Methodist Sunday school one of its brightest students. Garrett Ratcliff Medford; be it therefore resolved:

First, That we miss his sunny face and bright smiles from our class.

Second, That we, as a class, try to emulate his cheerful disposition, and follow his upright example.

Third, That we extend our heart-felt sympathies to the bereaved family, sincerely praying that they may prepare to meet their loved one in the bright beyond.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, one to the Bryson City Times, one to the Waynesville Courier and one spread upon the minutes of our Sunday school, and a copy be forwarded to the bereaved family.

Mrs. R. J. Roane, Teacher,
Witzel Henson,
Glenn Stalcup,
Fred King,
Committee.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Premier Carrier of the South

N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information and are not guaranteed.

12:15 a. m.—No 32 daily Southern's Southeastern Limited. Pullman drawing-room, open section sleeping cars Jacksonville and Augusta to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

12:35 a. m.—No. 112, daily, local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh which is open at 9:30 and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m.

1:42 a. m.—No. 30, daily, Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing-room and observation sleeping cars Birmingham and Columbus to New York, and Birmingham to Richmond. Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29 daily, Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing-room and observation sleeping cars New York and Richmond to Birmingham and Columbus. Daily tourist car Washington to San Francisco via popular Sunset Route. Dining cars. Coaches.

3:15 a. m.—No. 31 daily, The Southern's Southeastern Limited. Pullman drawing-room and open section sleeping cars New York to Jacksonville and Augusta. Dining car service. Day coaches.

3:45 a. m.—No. 45 daily, local for Charlotte, connecting for Atlanta and points south.

7:10 a. m.—No. 8 daily, local for Richmond.

7:15 a. m.—No. 37 daily, New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section sleeping cars New York to New Orleans, and New York to Asheville, and Macon. Pullman parlor car Greensboro to Montgomery. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service.

7:30 a. m.—No. 103 daily, local for Raleigh, Selma, and Goldsboro.

7:40 a. m.—No. 154 daily, except Sunday for Ramseur.

7:25 a. m.—No. 11, daily, local for Atlanta. Pullman sleeping cars Norfolk and Richmond to Charotte. Day coaches.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily, for Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Pullman sleeping car Raleigh to Winston-Salem.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily, local for Mt. Airy.

9:30 a. m.—No. 44, daily, for Washington and points north.

9:40 a. m.—No. 144, daily, Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro Pullman sleeping car Atlanta to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily, for Asheville and Waynesville, connecting at Asheville with Carolina Special for all points west. Chair car Goldsboro to Asheville.

12:55 p. m.—No. 130, daily, local for Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

1:30 p. m.—No. 7, daily, local for Charlotte, connecting for Seneca and Columbia.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily U. S. Fast Mail for Washington, New York and points north. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

2:00 p. m.—No. 207, daily, for Winston-Salem, connecting daily except Sunday for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daily, except Sunday for Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily, except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily, for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Chair car.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily, for Mt. Airy.

6:25 p. m.—No. 35, daily, U. S. Fast Mail, for Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham. Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily, for Winston-Salem.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily local for Sanford.

7:32 p. m.—No. 43, daily, for Alanta, and points south Sleeping car Raleigh to Atlanta.

10:15 p. m.—No. 12, daily, local, for Richmond. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Norfolk.

10:20 p. m.—No. 233, daily, for Winston-Salem.

11:29 p. m.—No. 33, daily, New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section sleeping cars New Orleans, Macon and Asheville to New York. Dining car.

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.

Second Round

February

Mars Hill, Beech Glen 27-28
Weaverville, night 28

March

Leicester, Little Sandy 6-7
Elk Mountain, night 7
Brevard Circuit, East Fork 13-14
Brevard 14
Missionary and Sunday School Institute 14-16
Hendersonville—Missionary and Sunday School Institute 16-17
Henderson Circuit, Fruitland 20
Central, Asheville, 11 a. m. 21
North Asheville, night 21
Missionary and Sunday School Institute 21-22
Marshall Missionary and Sunday School Institute 23-24
Mills River, Horseshoe 27-28
Hendersonville, night 28

April

Tryon and Saluda, Saluda 3-4
Flat Rock, Tuxedo, 3 p. m. 4
Spring Creek, Ottingers 10-11
Hot Springs and M., Hot Springs, night 11
Fairview, Bethany 17-18
Haywood St., Asheville, night 18
Sulphur Springs, Oak Hill 24-25
Biltmore and Mt. Pl., Biltmore, night, 25

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, 508 N. Tryon St., Charlotte, N. C.

Second Round

February

Hickory Grove 27-28
Chadwick, night 28

March

Seversville, Pleasant Grove 6-7
Brevard, night 7
Pineville, Harrison 13-14
Calvary, night 14
Thrift, Moore's Chapel 20-21
Trinity, night 21
Belmont 28
Tryon, night 28

April

Weddington, Union 3-4
Matthews, Indian Trail, 3 p. m. 4
Marshville, Smyrna 10
Prospect, Midway 11
Unionville 17-18
North Monroe, Icemorlee, night 18
Waxhaw 24-25
Monroe, Central, night 25

May

Ansonville, Cedar Hill 1-2
Wadesboro, night 2
Lilesville, Shiloh 8-9
Morven, Morven 15-16
Dilworth 23
Spencer Memorial and Derita, night.....23
Polkton, Mount Moriah 29-30

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.

Second Round

February

Gibsonville, Whitsett 27-28
Spring Garden, night 28

March

Pleasant Garden, Liberty 6-7
Greensboro Circuit, Rehobeth 13-14
Centenary, ...14-15
Wentworth, Lowes 20-21
West Greensboro, Friendship 27-28

April

Coleridge, Mt. Olivet 3-4
Ramseur & Franklinville, Franklinville, 4-5
Randolph, Hopewell 10-11
Wesley Memorial 17-18
Main St. 18-19
East & West 18-19
Deep River, West Bend 24-25
Asheboro 25-26
Randleman, Naomi 25-26

May

Uwharrie, Union 1-2
Denton, Clarkesbury 8-9
West Market 15-16

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.

Second Round

March

Stokesdale, Mount Carmel 5
Summerfield, Pisgah 6-7
Walnut Cove, Palmyra 13-14
Madison & Stoneville, Stoneville, night 17-18
Draper, night 18-21
Spray, night 19-21
Leaksville, night 20-21
Danbury, Delta 27-28

April

Dobson, Pleasant Ridge 3-4
Elkin, night 7
Jonesville, Maple Springs 9
Yadkinville, Booneville 10-11
Rural Hall, Mt. Pleasant, night.....11-12
Pilot Mountain 18-19
Ararat 24-25
Mount Airy Circuit 25-26

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.

Second Round

March

McDowell, Pleasant Hill 5
Thermal City, Centennial 6-7
Old Fort, Bethlehem 13-14
Marion Station 14-15
Rutherfordton, Gilboa 19
Green River, Mann's Chapel 20-21
Table Rock, Oboth 27-28
Morganton Station 28-29

April

Forest City, Salem 3-4
Cliffside, Hopewell 3-4
Broad River, Kistlers 10-11
Henrietta and Caroleen, Caroleen....11-12
Morganton Circuit, Glen Alpine 17-18
Connelly Springs, Harmony 24-25

May

Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Oak Grove 1-2
Micaville, South Toe 8-9
Bald Creek, Hortons 15-16
Burnsville 16-17
Marion Circuit, North Catawba 22-23

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C.

Second Round

February

Lowell, Lowell, ...27-28
McAdenville, McAdenville 28

March

King's Mountain, ElBethel 6-7
Polkville, Polkville 13-14
Rock Springs, Mt. Pleasant 20-21
Belwood, Kadish 27-28

April

Shelby Circuit, Sulphur Springs 3-4
Lincolnton Circuit, Marvin 10-11
Lincolnton, Lincolnton 11
Crouse, Pleasant Grove 17-18
Stanly, Iron 18-19
South Fork, Plateau 24-25

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.

Second Round

March

Concord Circuit, Mt. Carmel 6-7
Concord, Forest Hill, night, ...7-8
Woodleaf Circuit, Gay's Chapel 13-14
West Concord, Kerr St., night 14-15
Cottonville & Oakboro Ct. Mt. Zion 20-21
Norwood 20-21
Concord, Central, 11 a. m. 28
Concord, Epworth & C., Epworth, night 28

April

Albemarle, Central, night 2-4
Albemarle Circuit, Stony Hill 3-4
Mount Pleasant Circuit, Saint Paul, 10-11
Concord, Westford, night 11
Salem Circuit, New Mount Tabor....17-18
Albemarle, First Street, night 18
Kannapolis Station, 11 a. m. 23-25
Kannapolis Circuit, Bethpage.....24-25
China Grove & Landis, China Grove, night 25

May

New London Circuit 1-2
Gold Hill Circuit 2-3
Bethel & Love's Chapel, Love's Chapel 8-9

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston-Salem, N. C.

Second Round

February

Linwood, Macedonia 27-28
Lexington, night 28

March

Thomasville, South Thomasville.....6-7
Thomasville, Main Street, ...5-7
Advance, Advance 13-14
Burkhead, night 14
Davidson, Midway 20-21
Forsythe, Mineral Spring 27-28
West End, night 28

April

Jackson Hill, Jackson Hill 3-4
Salem, night 4
Farmington, Bethlehem 10-11
Mocksville 9-11
Lewisville, Concord 17-18
Davie, Liberty 24-25
Cooleemee, night 25

May

Kernersville 1-2

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Second Round

March

Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro 7-8
North Wilkesboro 14-15
Wilkes, Union 20-21
Helton, Asheley 27-28

April

Jefferson, Jefferson 3-4
Creston, Big Laurel 18
Watauga, Valle Crucis 24-25

May

Elk Park, Montezuma 1-2
Avery, Jonas Ridge 8-9
Boone, Fairview 15-16
Sparta 22-23
Laurel Springs 29-30

Revival Meetings

Wilkes, Union.....March 14-21
Helton, Asheley.....March 24-April 1
Elk Park, Montezuma.....April 26-May 6

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Lee T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.

Second Round

March

Iredell, Mt. Bethel, 11 a. m. 6
Broad Street, Broad Street, 11 a. m. ..7-8
Race Street, Race Street, 7:30 p. m. 7-9
Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 11 a. m. 13-14
West Hickory, West Hickory, 7:30 p. m. 14-15
Lenoir Circuit, Littlejohn's, 11 a. m. 20
Lenoir Station, Lenoir, 11 a. m, ...21-22
South Lenoir and Valmead, Valmead, 3:30 p. m. 21-23
North Lenoir Circuit, Ebenezer, 11 a. m. 27
Granite Falls and Hudson, Hudson, 11 a. m. 28-29
Hickory—First Church, Hickory, 7:30 p. m. 28-29

April

Alexander, Liberty, 11 a. m. 3-4
Stoney Point, Pisgah, 3:30 p. m. 4-5
Hickory Circuit, Grace Chapel, 11 a. m. 10
Newton, Newton, 11 a. m. 11-12
Maiden, Pisgah, 11 a. m. 17
Catawba, Hopewell, 11 a. m. 18-19
Statesville Circuit, Trinity, 11 a. m. ...24
Cool Spring, New Salem, 11 a. m. 25-26

May

Troutman, 11 a. m. 1
Davidson, Davidson, 11 a. m. 2-3
Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 7:30 p. m. 2-3
Mooresville Circuit, 11 a. m. 8
Mooresville Station, Mooresville, 11 a. m. 9-10

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, R. 2, Asheville, N. C.

Second Round

February

Jonathan Circuit, Dellwood 27-28

March

Bethel Circuit, Harmony Grove 6-7
Canton Station 7
Clyde Circuit, Long's Chapel 13-14
Fines Creek Circuit, Fines Creek....20-21
Haywood Circuit, Fincher 27-28
Bryson and Whittier, Olivet 30-31

April

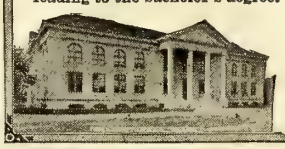
Glenville Circuit, Speedwell 3-4
Webster Circuit, Love's Chapel 4-5
Waynesville Station 11
Sylva Station, night 11
Hayesville, Ledford 17-18
Murphy Circuit, Brasstown 20-21
Ranger Circuit, Bellview 24-25

May

Murphy Station 1
Andrews Station 1

TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 : : : : CHARTERED 1859



A Southern institution of established national reputation. Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.

Large endowment fund makes possible complete, first-class equipment; full faculty of able, well-chosen instructors; beautiful campus, new buildings, modern laboratories, splendid library. Comfortable, inexpensive dormitories. For catalogue and illustrated booklet, address

R. L. Flowers, Sec. to the Corporation, Durham, N. C.

GREENSBORO NURSERIES

AGENTS WANTED

For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.

JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

POCKET BIBLES



For those who object to carrying large Bibles these Editions are Thin, Light and very Compact.

AUTHORIZED VERSION, Clear Black Print, on the finest Thin Paper made.

All with the BUTTON FLAP BINDING which gives an added advantage for slipping in and out of the pocket.

The leather cover extends completely over the front edge and is fastened on top with a button clasp as shown on illustration.

Each containing a complete series of Colored Maps.

Size. 5½ x 3½ in. Self-Pronouncing Agate 32mo

Specimen of Type.

NOW when Jē'sus was born in Bĕth'lē-hĕm of Jū-dæ'a in the

No. 1115F. French Seal, divinity circuit overlapping covers, gold titles, silk head bands and silk marker, round corners, red gold edges. Publishers Price, $1.50. Our Price, *Postpaid,* **$1.20**

Holman India Paper Pocket Text Bibles.

Size. 3½ x 5½ inches. ¾ of an inch in thickness. Weighs 7½ ounces. Same Type as 1115F above.

No. 1115XF. French Seal, divinity circuit overlapping covers, gold titles, silk head bands and silk marker, round corners, red gold edges. Publishers Price, $2.40. Our Price, *Postpaid,* **$1.80**

No. 1130XF. Same as No. 1115X with Extra Leather Linings. Publishers Price, $2.80. Our Price, *Postpaid,* **$2.15**

POCKET REFERENCE BIBLES PRONOUNCING

Old and New Testaments, Marginal References and Maps. Chapter headings on outside corner of each page making the Bible Self-Indexed.

Specimen of Type

19 ° And the border of the Cā'nāan-ites was from Sī'dŏn, as thou

Size. 4¾ x 6⅛ inches. Minion 16mo.

No. 1410F. French Seal, divinity circuit overlapping covers, round corners, red gold edges. Publishers Price, $2.00. Our Price, *Postpaid,* **$1.65**

Holman India Paper Pocket Reference Bibles.

Pronouncing, References, &c., same type as 1410F.

Size, 4¾ x 6⅛ inches. Minion 16mo. ⅞ of an inch in thickness. Weighs 12½ ounces.

No. 1412XF. French Seal, divinity circuit overlapping covers, head bands and marker, round corners, red gold edges. Publishers Price, $2.50. Our Price, *Postpaid,* **$2.10**

No. 1430XF. Same as No. 1412XF with Extra Leather Linings. Publishers Price, $3.00 Our Price, *Postpaid,* **$2.50**

N. C. CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE
Greensboro, N. C.

The all-important thing is not to live apart from God, but as far as possible to be consciously with him. It must needs be that those who look much into his face will become like him.—Charles H. Brent.

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.----------E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg.--W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller----------C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg., M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.-----J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg.--J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.----G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.---------A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel---J. W. Ligon

THE GREATEST BIBLE BARGAIN



A GENUINE 7.50 { HOLMAN India Paper Self-Pronouncing BIBLE } FOR ONLY 4.25 Carefully Wrapped and sent Postpaid in a box

Authorized version, printed from the clearest type ever used in a Bible, large bold face open print with liberal spacing between the words and lines

PRINTED ON THE FINEST INDIA PAPER MADE

The Text is Self-Pronouncing with references. It has a new Concord ance, alphabetically arranged and with analytical and comparative features and 50,000 References also New Biblical Atlas with Fifteen Colored Maps and Complete Index to Same.

BOUND IN GENUINE PERSIAN MOROCCO, divinity circuit, full leather linings, silk sewed, silk head bands and marker, **special flat opening reinforced binding that will not break in the back.**

The size is 5½ x 8 inches--only one inch thick.

Easy to Read Type

Specimen of Type.

17 ¶ ᵐ From that time Jē'sus began to preach, and to say, ⁿ Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at

This India Paper Bible Compared with one of ordinary paper, containing the same number of pages and same size type.

No. 700X Publisher's Price **7.50** Sent postpaid for **4.25**

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION

The State Highway Commission bill has emerged from the Roads Committee of the House unanimously endorsed. It is now before the Committee Appropriations. The sentiment in its favor increases daily as the purpose and provisions of the bill are more clearly understood.

The bill creates a State Highway Commission on a basis that guarantees impartial adimnistration of the trus At its head is the Governor of the State. With him are three civilians, one from the eastern, one from the western, one from the central section. The remaining three represent the profession of engineering, the State Geologist, a professor from the University and another from the Agricultural College. No salaries are attached to these positions, expenses only while attending to the bussiness will be covered. The apropriation of $30,000 is to be invested in expert engineering services, which are to be available in any county in the State without cost. It is optional with the county to avail itself of these services or no

The purpose is to try to stop the appalling drain on the State's resources due to the mud-tax and to the undeniable fact that a large proportion of the $5,000,000 expended each year on roads in the State is wasted because of improper construction and neglect of maintenance. The Office of Public Roads of the United States has made a careful study of the roads in all the States, and have published its findings. It states that North Carolina pays a mud-tax of more than $12,000,000 a year on increased cost of haulage over the cost were the roads improved. It also states that the enormous expenditure upon the roads is "practically thrown away." This does not mean that no benefit results, but that permanency of result is not secured. It attributes it to the fact that men are charged with the responsibility of building permanent roads who have not the requisite training; and the remedy they suggest is, the expert road engineer.

That the remedy suggested is a remedy, has been proved in forty States where a State Highway Commission is in charge of the work. North Carolina is much older than most of the States, but it is not too old to learn. The State is not asked to take up some "new-fangled" notion, an untried experiment. It has been tried out for many years elsewhere. No State that has tried it has given it up. The proposition is to strengthen the present arrangement so long in operation here; supplementing it, not supplanting it; and remedying the single defect, the lack of the expert engineer, by offering engineering services, without cost, to any county board that requests it.

Should there be hesitancy to add a burden of $30,000 a year to the budget it must be remembered that in reality the burden will be greatly reduced, a vital consideration in these times. The fact that an awful war is being waged does not change the situation that during 1915 this State will pay some $12,000,000 for the privilege of going in mud. By withholding $30,000 we are not going to escape losing millions of dollars through road deterioration and mistakes of location and construction. It is not a question of whether we can afford to do it now; the question is, "Can we afford to pay that awful mud-tax another year?"

The creation of a State Highway Commission seems to be a condition precedent to the State's participation in any apropriations which the Federal Government may make for the construction and maintenance of roads. House of Representatives, Bill 11686, passed the House by a large majority, carrying an appropriation of $25,000,000 a year. North Carolina's share would be $650,000 a year. The bill was amended in the Senate Committee on Roads, and reported for passage as Calendar No. 644. It calls for a bond issue of $500,000,000, of which North Carolina's share would be $13,000,000. What the final action will be is, of course, uncertain; but the Administration has gone on record for Federal participation in road improvement and one clause of Calendar No. 644 will, in all probability, be included in the coming Federal Good Roads Law.

Section 3. "That before any State shall be entitled to take advantage of the provisions of this act, it shall establish by law a State Highway Commission, which said commission shall have general supervision of road construction and improvement in that State, and of the expenditure of the money received from the United States Highway fund."

No one was surprised, therefore, when the Hon. William Jennings Bryan, on the occasion of his recent visit to Raleigh, made the following statement:

"The farmer, who pays more than his share of the taxes, and who receives less than his share of the proportionnate benefits derived from these taxes, has a very just claim for attention in the matter of good roads. I am glad to learn that there is a good prospect of attention being given to this subject by the North Carolina General Assembly through the creation of a State Highway Commission." (The Raleigh News and Obesrver, Jan 31st.)

The bill is fortunate in respect to those who seek its passage. Its sponsor is the North Carolina Good Roads Association, a guaranty that it is not drawn in any private interest, but solely for the public good, embodying the collective wisdom of those who have led in the splendid advance of the State in road matters. To Col. Bennehan Cameron has been assigned the duty of piloting its way through the General Assembly to the statute-books. Col. Cameron is known throughout the State as a represnative of business interests, conservative and well-balanced. He is also one of the most successful farmers in the State. His leadership strengthens the cause. As one of the elderly representatives puts it, "Where Col. Camern leads it is safe to follow; he will lead us along no unsafe path."—John C. Drewry.

A GOLD MINE in Your Own Garret



and in Hundreds of other Garrets, Wardrobes, and Chests in the Carolinas.

We estimate that the value of soiled but perfectly good clothing in the Carolinas, which is now laid aside, but which we could renew very inexpensively, is not less than

FIVE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS

We wish to save this enormous value to you and other Carolinians. ***Read this by all means—every word of it.*** It is a message of ***economy*** for ***you.*** It means the saving of many, many dollars right now when saving is urgently needed. It tells you how to

DRESS WELL AT ALMOST NO COST

Laid away in the garret or closet are the family's old clothes. Ordinarily you would sell or give these away, but this year you are going to economize. There's your coat suit—somewhat soiled and out of shape, but not so badly worn. This year you are going to have it cleaned and restored to newness by our FAULTLESS DRY CLEANING PROCESS and save the cost of a new suit, at a cost of only two dollars. There is also a waist and skirt, rather soiled and stained, which you will send off and have every trace of dirt removed for a mere song, $1.50. Then there is Hubby's suit. This is not quite so hard to clean and restore as your suit, and it will only cost $1.50; without vest, $1.25. Going through his wardrobe are his fancy vest, 50c; soiled, mussed ties, 5c, and dirty gloves, 10c, There are also your gloves, dresses, evening slippers, etc., every one of which can be cleaned and freshened at insignificant cost and much money saved.

OLD CLOTHES MADE NEW

By Our Faultless Dry Cleaning Process

This is the wonderful French method of dry cleaning and restoring clothing. Without injury to the most delicate of fabrics or shades of coloring, it cleans and renews clothing of every description, restoring the original new "hang" of the garment and making it good for another season of usefulness. Ours is the most modern establishment in the South, being equipped with the latest improved machinery and modern devices. Our work people are the most skilled possible to obtain.

Our Dyeing Department

In this department we dye garments to any darker shade desired. By availing yourself of this service you can change the appearance of any garment which has become old and tiresome, converting your old suit, coat, waist, or drapery, etc., into as good as new articles at a trifling cost. Laces and dress trimmings dyed to match samples. We make a specialty of mourning goods dyed on short notice.

MONEY SAVING FOR YOU

We realize the necessity for many people in this section to practice the most strict economy for the next year or so. Hence we have made very attractive prices on ***Dry Cleaning and Dyeing.***

DRY CLEANING		DYEING	
Ladies' Suits	$2.00 up	Ladies' Suits	$3.00
Ladies' Skirts	1.00 "	Ladies' Skirts	1.50
Ladies' Dresses	1.50 "	Ladies' Dresses	2.50
Waists	.50 "	Waists	1.00
Coats	1.00 "	Coats	1.00
Plumes	.75 "	Plumes	1.00
Tips	.50 "	Tips	.75
Men's Coats	.75 "	Men's Coats	1.00
Men's Pants	.50 "	Men's Pants	1.00
Men's Vests	.25 "	Men's Vests	.50
Overcoats	1.50 "	Overcoats	2.00 up
Fancy Dresses	2.50 "		
Opera Coats	2.00 "		
Gloves, Short	.10		
Gloves, Long	.20		

Laces and Dress Trimmings dyed to match samples. Mourning orders dyed on short notice.

OUR IRON CLAD GUARANTEE

We guarantee all dry cleaning and dyeing work absolutely. Any unsatisfactory work will be done over FREE OF CHARGE. If we then cannot delight you with the results, say so and without a word of discussion, **Back Goes Your Money to You.** We know we can please you and hence are not afraid to guarantee absolute satisfaction.

Read our IRON CLAD GUARANTEE, then look through your old clothing and send us a trial order at once. Parcel post gives prompt and inexpensive delivery. We pay RETURN CHARGES ON ORDERS OF 50c AND OVER. We advise customers in case an order can not be executed exactly as desired and suggest best method of treatment.

Act at once and learn the economy of FAULTLESS DRY CLEANING AND DYEING.

Correspondence Solicited.

THE CHARLOTTE LAUNDRY,

Main Office and Works: Nos. 8-16 East Second Street,

OLDEST - LARGEST - BEST

CHARLOTTE, N. C.

JACOBS & CO.

LOOK UP the insurance and write us. Glad to furnish information. Glad to assist you in any way.

THE NATIONAL MUTUAL CHURCH INSURANCE CO. CHICAGO

Serves and **saves Methodism,** and is now rendering a greater service than ever. Insures against fire, lightning and tornado on easy terms of payment.

Is your church participating in these benefits? If not, why not? Pastors protect your property on advantageous terms with us. Write for our calendar and pamphlet.

HENRY P. MAGILL, Sec. & Mgr.,
Insurance Exchange Bldg., Chicago.
MRS. ALICE HARGROVE BARCLAY,
Agent, M. E. Church, South,
314 Norton Building
Fourth and Jefferson Louisville, Ky.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Reading Room Trinity College

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, March 4, 1915 | Number 9

Three Songs

"Sing me, thou singer, a song of gold!"
Said a care-worn man to me:
So I sang of the golden summer days,
And the sad sweet autumn's yellow haze,
Till his heart grew soft, and his mellowed gaze
Was a kindly sight to see.

"Sing me, dear singer, a song of love!"
A fair girl asked of me:
Then I sang of a love that clasps the race,
Gives all, asks naught—till her kindled face
Was radiant with the starry grace
Of blessed charity.

"Sing me, O singer, a song of life!
Cried an eager youth to me:
And I sang of the life without alloy,
Beyond our years till the heart of the boy
Caught the golden beauty and love and joy
Of the great eternity.—*Edgar Rowland Sill.*

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS

It is not our custom to discontinue subscriptions when the time paid for expires, without notice. Subscribers who do not wish the paper continued should send notice to discontinue direct to the office. Otherwise they will be expected to pay for the paper

LOOK UP THE ORDER BLANK

On page 11 the subscriber will find a renewal order blank. We are compelled to urge every one in arrears to clip out the blank, fill it out and pin check or money order to it. The matter is urgent and we beg subscribers to heed our call. Do not wait to see your pastor but mail direct to the office.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME

Rev. J. H. West, Field Agent of our Children's Home, is still working the city of Greensboro in the interest of the Home. The movement which was started in the West Market Sunday school has been taken up also by the Sunday school of Spring Garden Street church, and indications at present justify the belief that a good sum will be realized. Dr. Byrd and Rev. W. O. Goode, the pastors, are working in hearty sympathy with Brother West. Much work has been done by the Field Agent on the old subscription list, and more than $500. has been resurrected on this score, some of it having already been realized in cash. It is hard sledding now for all our church enterprises, but we are glad to see the loyalty of our people to the Children's Home.

STAND BY THE SHIP

We are very grateful to those who have so kindly responded to our appeals from time to time to send in their renewals to the Advocate. We have regretted, and still regret, the necessity of having to make these calls. But we would be recreant to the charge and unfaithful to the duty devolving upon us if we failed to do so. The only way our Advocate can be tided over safely in this trying season is for our people to rally, continuing to take the paper and pay for it. This is no time to forsake the ship. We have little advertising income and can get none of any consequence.

This is not peculiar to the North Carolina Christian Advocate. All the church papers are affected alike. Some have reduced their size and evidently will go out of business before the year ends, unless the people make extraordinary effort to give them support. We are hoping to continue to give our Conference the full service and can do so if the present list of subscribers is maintained and paid for. Let it be understood, however, that we can not carry the burden of 4,000 to 5,000 unrenewed subscriptions, nor can we cut these off and continue to meet the demands from week to week unless the pastors find other paid subscribers to take their places.

Let our people understand that this is no calamity howl but the candid statement of the Business Manager who has nothing at stake save the interest of our Conference in one of its most important enterprises.

THE REIGN OF INTEMPERATE SPEECH

It has been upon us for many years and the fury of the storm has by no means subsided. Good men are amazed and staggared at the violence of the storm of vituperation. Efforts to evangelize were apparently never more earnest, yet the sons of Belial continue to blaspheme, and, as prophesied by Daniel, "The abomination of desolation standeth where it ought not." Wickedness is more aggressive than heretofore, and crimes are more appalling.

Many reasons may be assigned for this state of things; but it seems clear to us that much of it is the result of the unbridled indulgence of hot speech in the form of blame and censure. "A soft answer turneth away wrath, but grievous (bitter—denunciatory) words stir up anger." There has been a period of fiery denunciation—a license of bitter speech and abuse which has borne its fruit of violence and crime. The harvest is ripening and lives and homes are blighted and desolated as a result.

Every writer and public speaker should be admonished not to offend in utterance. There is a method of speech which, whether written or oral, even though it may not err in the matter of truth, still errs in the manner of expressing it; and one should be held responsible for kindling the fires of passion and precipitating trouble by words as well as by his acts. The man who speaks first and speaks bitterly is as really the aggressor as the man who strikes first. St. James understood the crime of vituperation or bitter speech, for he said: "If any man offend not in word, the same is a perfect man, and able also to bridle the whole body. * * * The tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity; so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell.. * * * The tongue can no man tame; it is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison."

There is a glamour of deceit in the sounding of the tocsin of free speech which should be exposed. By free speech men too often mean license to assassinate character, and they go up and down the country scattering the firebrands of perdition and stirring up all the malignity of corrupt human nature, ready to vent itself upon every real or imaginary oppressor.

Bitter and acrimonious speech can be indulged until the speaker himself is surcharged with the spirit of crime and only wants the favorable opportunity to be precipitated into the overt act of crime. The harangues of such men, together with inflamatory utterances in newspapers and magazines furnish the conditions in society that are a constant menace to the stability of our institutions. It is thus that we sow to the wind and reap the whirlwind.

EDITORIAL BRIEFS

You can not separate righteousness and holiness, though many people seem to think so.

* * * *

Secret prayer keeps the altar fires burning. There is no danger of falling from grace while you continue to pray in secret.

* * * *

Your morbid feelings will all vanish when you come in contact with the word of God. The entrance of the word of God giveth light and light dispels gloom and depression.

* * * *

It is much easier to give some one a piece of your mind than it is to repair a broken friendship. Better not speak so hastily.

* * * *

It is the kind and helpful spirit that is counted,—"A cup of cold water in the name of a disciple." Any one can do that. But do not offer a cup of water when a loaf of bread is needed.

* * * *

God says, "Give, and it shall be given unto you;" but you say that you will wait till you see how the crop is going to come out before you pledge anything. That is a poor exhibition of faith.

* * * *

The pastor should have faith in his people. Without faith it is impossible to please God or the people either.

* * * *

Demas departed from the service of God because he loved the world. "If any man love the world the love of the Father is not in him."

* * * *

Join hands with every good cause in your community. Withdraw from everything that tends to promote evil. Thus you will be sure to find your place among the good citizens of your community.

SOUTHERN METHODIST HANDBOOK FOR 1915

This is tardy courtesy in acknowledging the receipt of this valuable and indispensible tool-chest some three weeks or more after receiving the same. Dr. Ivey knows, however, how we are beset by many duties which can only be half performed. But our apology should be to our readers rather than to the author, for the Handbook is something that every Methodist must have if he expects to keep at hand the information which he will be sure to need from time to time. The book this year contains some new features which make it even more desirable to have it on hand, yet it costs just the same—only 25 cents. Send the price to the publishers, Smith & Lamar, Nashville or Richmond, and receive a copy post paid.

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe will assist Rev. Geo. D. Herman in revival services at Wadesboro, beginning March 15th.

—The Baraca class of Brevard Street church, Charlotte, held the fourth annual banquet last week and had quite an enjoyable time.

—Rev. Dr. S. B. Turrentine, president of Greensboro College for Women, is announced as commencement speaker for the Mebane Graded school the last of April.

—Rev. R. H. Bennett, Superintendent of the Correspondence School of Emory University, Atlanta, has recently made a visit to Trinity College and addressed the student body on the subject of the call to the ministry.

—North Carolina is to be honored March 17, 18 and 19, by a visit from ex-President William Howard Taft, who will on these dates deliver a series of lectures on the subject of "The Presidency, its Powers, Duties, Limitations and Responsibilities," at Chapel Hill.

—Rev. T. A. Groce requests that we acknowledge with thanks the contribution of $1.00 by Mills River Sunday school through Mr. Floyd E. Osborne, Tr. Also Oak Hill S. S., $1.00, and Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Daniel, $1.50. Brother Groce says if 75 Sunday schools will respond with $1.00 the work can be finished.

—The Charlotte Observer on Thursday of last week had the following interesting item: "In celebration of their eleventh wedding anniversary Rev. Dr. E. K. McLarty, pastor of Tryon Street Methodist church, and Mrs. McLarty entertained the 36 stewards, at their home on North Church Street, Tuesday evening at an elaborate six-course dinner. The custom of celebrating their wedding anniversary by entertaining the stewards was inaugurated by Doctor McLarty and Mrs. McLarty several years ago. The dinner Tuesday evening was thoroughly informal and one of the most delightful social events in the history of the church. Mrs. J. D. McCall was toastmaster of the evening and a number of short talks were made. Dr. and Mrs. McLarty also entertained the presiding elder and pastors of Charlotte and their wives on Thursday evening. Including Dr. Bays, Superannuate, there are eleven members of the Conference in the city. Truly Charlotte Methodism is a power.

—Mr. John W. Cook, a prominent citizen of Pomona, and a leading member of our church at Muir's Chapel, on the West Greensboro charge, passed away suddenly at his home on last Saturday night. Mr. Cook was an ex-sheriff of Guilford county and a man of large influence and popularity in the community. The circumstances of his death were peculiarly sad. He had been apparently in his usual health and his wife had gone to a neighbor's for the night to assist in watching at the bedside of one who had been very ill. Mr. Cook and his ten-year-old daughter were at home alone. The little girl awoke early Sunday morning and finding the lights still burning went in search and found the dead body of her father in the lavatory where he had been stricken suddenly with heart failure the night before. The deceased was a good man and will be greatly missed. The funeral was conducted on Monday at the residence and the body laid to rest at Guilford College. May God greatly comfort the stricken family.

NOTE AND COMMENT

Trying to Make Divorce easier seems to be the perpetual study of some men in every General Assembly. A few days ago the House passed a bill allowing divorce after five years' separation. The Senate did the right thing in killing it and we hope that the matter will not be allowed to sneak through during the last days of the session. Let good men be on the watch.

* * * *

The Anti-Jug Bill which passed the House promptly by a vote almost unanimous some two weeks ago has been hanging fire in the Senate, and is still pending. The question of constitutionality has been raised as a scarecrow by the enemies of the bill. We have never allowed ourselves to believe that the Senate would finally back down on this measure, but it does seem that they are subjecting the matter to an inexplicable delay. As to the question of constitutionality Hon. E. Y. Webb is quoted as saying that there is no reason to fear that the bill will not stand the test. Let our senators strengthen their backbones and pass the bill. Many good lawyers have been consulted and agree that the bill is constitutional. Besides, if the bill should be branded as unconstitutional it will not in any sense discredit those who have passed it.

* * * *

The Nations at War in Europe are bringing the issue to a death grip since Germany has proclaimed a submarine war on commerce. France, Russia, England, Servia and Belgium are said by English officials to be in absolute accord as to reprisals to be made on Germany, Austria and Turkey in retaliation for the German submarine campaign. England was in conference with her allies concerning reprisals before the receipt of the last American note making informal representations looking to the discontinuance of submarine activities and to the admission of food to Germany for her civil population.

There is every reason to believe that England fully intends to make all foodstuffs for Germany absolute contraband, thus cutting off the movement of ships to German ports and making export trade by sea impossible.

Great interest is being shown by the British press and the public in the probable treatment of cotton under the new system of reprisals. The belief seems to be general that both cotton and food will become absolute contraband. If now the United States should place an embargo on the shipment of food stuffs to belligerants it would make an interesting if not a desperate situation.

* * * *

The English and French Fleets, the most powerful array of naval vessels ever engaged in a similar contest before it is said, began an attack on the forts at the entrance of the Dardanellas late last week and it is reported that up to Saturday the outer forts had been completely silenced and the fleet was proceeding against the inner forts. It is evident that the allied nations are determined to take possession of this outlet for Russia. A dispatch from London dated February 25th, says:—"Foreign Secretary Grey announced in the House of Commons today that Great Britain was in entire accord with Russia's desire for access to the sea." The Foreign Secretary's statement was in response to a question from Frederick W. Jowett, whether England knew of and approved, the statement of the Russian Foreign Minister, M. Sazanoff in the Duma that "Russia intended permanently to occupy Constantinople." The Foreign Secretary said he was unaware that M. Sazanoff had made any such statement, but he added, "the statement I have seen was that M. Sazanoff had said that the events on the Russo-Turkish frontier would bring Russia nearer realization of the political-economic problem bound up with Russia's access to the sea. "With these aspirations," he continued, "England is in sympathy. What form the realization will take will no doubt be settled in the terms of peace."

* * * *

The Political Demagogue will not scruple to make use of any economic disturbance to make political capital. As long as the rank and file of the people are ignorant he can easily turn anything of the sort to good account. The idea that the present low price of cotton and high price of food stuffs are to be attributed to Mr. Wilson's administration is about as far-fetched as anything that was ever passed along in this country. That our readers may have an intelligent view of the causes which have operated to bring about the present situation we are giving a portion of the very able lecture delivered by Dr. William H. Glasson, head of the department of economics, before the student body of Trinity College. Doctor Glasson spoke in part as follows:

"One of the principal effects the war has caused upon this country has been the blow dealt the cotton industry of the South. In 1913 the Southern States produced about 61 per cent. of all the cotton grown in the world.

"By far the larger part of the cotton grown in the United States is not manufactured in this country, but is exported to Europe. In the year ending August 31, 1914, Europe consumed 54 per cent. of the cotton used in the world. In that year we exported about 9,500,000 bales and received for this cotton over $6,000,000,000. Most of our cotton goes to the six European countries which went to war last August. These countries took of our 1913 crop over $500,000,000 worth, and this money was distributed all over the South to enter and quicken all the channels of trade and industry. This year the South had the largest cotton crop in her history, and prospects were rosy for great returns even at moderate prices; but the war cut off our foreign markets. From September till the end of December we lost about $1,000,000 worth of cotton trade with Germany alone; the trade with Belgium was entirely destroyed; France took only a small portion of the cotton she required last year; Great Britain took only about half as much as usual during the fall months.

"This situation, combined with a falling off in domestic consumption, made the South's principal crop a drug on the market. The planters could not realize on it to pay their debts and spend money in the ordinary channels of business. Cotton growers had no money to buy new goods from the merchants; the merchants had to reduce their orders to wholesalers and manufacturers; the railroads lost their freight business, both on the cotton going out and on supplies coming in.

"Southern railroads had to suspend or reduce their dividends; fertilizer companies could not collect the debts owed them; and financial distress visited many a Southern home.

"In the last two months conditions have been noticeably better, owing to the fact that arrangements have been made to send American cotton abroad, some of it even reaching German ports. In January more cotton was actually exported than in January, 1914. This has produced greater confidence and lead to an advance in prices; but the trade with Europe is so hazardous that there is a great chance of future interference.

"Contrasted with the depression in the South has been the great prosperity brought to the wheat-growing sections of the West and Middle West. The officials of the Department of Agriculture have estimated that the wheat farmers have realized $268,000,000 more on their 1914 crop than they realized on the crop of 1913. The rise in the price of wheat has increased the high cost of living all over the country, and every home has thus felt the effects of the European war. Sugar producers have also felt the increased demands of Europe, and here again the high cost of living in American homes has been greatly increased."

Doctor Glasson also discussed the effects of the war upon other American industries and pointed out that over $300,000,000 worth of orders for war materials had been placed in the United States.

In the latter part of his lecture the speaker discussed the effect of the war upon the stock market, in causing a higher rate of interest through the tremendous destruction of capital, in making new taxation necessary, and in giving the United States new openings for American trade.

A PRECIOUS GIFT TO EMORY UNIVERSITY

Bishop W. A. Candler

Our new university is receiving constantly valuable contributions to its historical collection. Already the collection is one of the most valuable of its kind in America, containing as it does many rare autograph letters, of the Wesleys, Whitefield, Fletcher, Benson, Adam Clark and the historic men of American Methodism.

Recently Rev. H. W. Bowman, of the Louisiana Conference, sent to Bishop Candler, the Chancellor of the University, a precious miniature of Bishop Bascom, taken in the early life of the illustrious man. The gift was accompanied by the following interesting letter:

Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Feb. 23, 1915.
Bishop W. A. Candler, D. D.,
Atlanta, Georgia,
Dear Bishop:

I will now fulfill my promise to you at Conference as to the sending the picture of Bishop Bascom.

I will give you a brief history of the donor of the same to me. R. R. Morgan, a man of wide reading, fine early training, and who was converted to God when he was past seventy-two years of age and to whom I had preached regularly every Sunday for three years, gave it to me. He told me as follows: "Brother Bowman, that picture has been in my possession ever since I was a young man. In my youth I have seen that man in my home, and heard him preach many times. I remember him now as well as though it was a few days ago."

Brother Morgan was a noted gambler on the river in his early life, and being a great reader of Paine, Voltaire, Hume, and later of Spencer, Darwin and Ingersoll, he became a pronounced infidel. Indeed, he might have been designated as a confirmed atheist.

A meeting was being held in the courthouse at Homer, La., in 1906, conducted by Charles Dunaway. It was at the close of the morning service on Wednesday, and the preacher had announced the services for the rest of the day, and had called the congregation to rise for the benediction, when a voice from the audience was heard saying: "Do not close the services yet, as I have something to say." We looked and saw this white-haired man coming feebly down the aisle, and facing the packed house he said: "You all know me. You know what position I have always taken on religious things. I want to tell you now, I was in error. I have accepted Jesus Christ as my Saviour, and he has accepted me, and from now till he shall call me home, I shall serve him the best I can." Of course you can easily imagine the glorious hour that followed. My wife happened to be the first one to get to the white-haired man, and as I looked, I saw him as he not only reached out the hand, but embraced her in his arms, patted her on the head and said, words I shall never forget, and which help me to this day: "O, Sister Bowman, I am so happy in my Saviour, and your husband is the one who has led me to Christ. Where is he that I may embrace him?" Nine years have passed since then, and now he is totally blind, and sits alone with only one comforting thought, that he has found his Saviour, and awaits the summons with patience.

Who knows but some of those gracious truths he heard from the man whose likeness he kept through these many years, may not have ripened at last into this glorious fruition? Eternity alone will reveal.

This picture I love because of Captain Morgan, and I turn it over to the safe keeping of our new University, praying God that this University shall ever be dominated by that Spirit who can bring men into a conscious knowledge of their Saviour.

Should there ever be a move to decorate those walls with the likeness of some of our great men in the past, and should this picture become one to be so placed, it will be a pleasure to me to contribute my mite towards that end.

I am yours cordially,
H. W. Bowman.

CONTRIBUTIONS

REV. ALPHEUS E. WILEY

Rev. H. L. Powell

Rev. Alpheus Eli Wiley was born in Guilford county, near Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 26, 1848, and died at Cliffside, Rutherford county, N. C., Jan. 31, 1915. During his last sickness he was in the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ella Hames.

In 1872 Brother Wiley was happily married to Miss Mary Claudia Kirkman, also of Guilford county. In the home, in the church and in the social service of the community Mrs. Wiley measured up to the high standard of a Christian woman and an itinerant's wife. She preceded him to the celestial city a little more than two years. To them were born eleven children, nine of whom are still living, as follows: T. Marvin Wiley, Ella J. Hames, Mary Claudia Tucker, Nancy Elizabeth Sellers, Maggie Mae Wall, Gussie F. Niven, Ida E. Niven, L. Raymon Wiley, W. Herbert Wiley.

Brother Wiley felt the call to preach in very early life, even prior to his conversion. At about twelve years of age he was converted. Not uniting himself with the church immediately he soon found himself in a backslidden state. Three or four years later he attended a service in a series of meetings conducted by one of our local preachers. As he listened to the sermon from the text, "How long halt ye between two opinions?" 1 Kings 18:21, he felt that it applied directly to him. He decided the matter once for all, renewed his covenant with God and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. In 1872 he was granted license to preach. In the local ranks until 1883 he was a true and faithful preacher of the gospel. In this relation he served as supply on Columbus Mission, now Green River charge, in 1878 and 1879.

In 1883 he was admitted into the North Carolina Conference on trial at Statesville, N. C. He was received into the Conference at Reidsville, N. C., in 1886. He was ordained Elder by Bishop Hargrove at Greensboro in 1889.

The following are the appointments served by Brother Wiley: 1884-86, Clayton circuit; 1887-90, Pleasant Grove circuit; 1891-93, Wilkes circuit; 1894-96, Iredell circuit; 1897-98, Mt. Pleasant circuit; 1899-1900, Lincolnton circuit; 1901, Table Rock circuit. He was appointed to Table Rock circuit again for 1902, but was removed in the interval of the Conference to fill a vacancy that had occurred on the Connelly Springs circuit. He served this circuit again in 1903. In 1904-07 he was on the Lilesville circuit; 1908-09 Caldwell circuit; 1910-11, Gold Hill circuit. While on this charge he suffered a stroke of paralysis on the 9th of April and was never able for the work of the pastorate again. He took the superannuate relation and remained in this relation until the time of his death.

"He was a true man; we all loved him; we love him still." These words in a letter from one of our veteran preachers express the Conference's estimate of Brother Wiley and the attitude of the Conference toward him.

Brother Wiley was altruistic to the heart's centre. He was always interested in the needs of others and spared no effort to do for them what the true Christian spirit prompted. Along with this characteristic was the happy gift of tactfulness. He would help you in such a way as to make you feel that you were not a beneficiary. The writer will always remember with gratitude how, when he was a young local preacher at Rutherford College, Brother Wiley used to take him into council about the problems that presented themselves on the work. He then felt that he was called into these councils to help Brother Wiley decide some difficult problem. He now feels that Brother Wiley was trying to train him for the work of the pastorate. This spirit of helping without appearing to help was characteristic of the true man he was.

In his preaching he was not the meteoric phenomenon that for an instant paints a rod of light across the heavens and then dissolves into dust so minute that it is borne unconsciously on the most of gentle zephyr, but he was the beacon light that, getting down among the shoals, warns the bark of destiny from the fatal rock and into the channel that leads to the harbor of eternal life.

He never filled the great appointments of the Conference. I mean "great" to be understood in the sense of paying the larger salaries. But he did where he was needed a work that has told in the conversion of precious souls.

On his knees beside the penitent soul, helping him; with prophetic fearlessness, warning the guilty soul; with the person of flickering faith, giving encouragement; at the bedside of the sick and dying, bringing the consolations of the gospel, you could have found him ready like his Lord to lend a helping hand. Indeed, "he was a true man."

Brother Wiley was a good citizen. His interest in civic righteousness was intense. He stood fearlessly by the right and fought the wrong. He could hate, with tremendous hatred, wrong and at the same time love the wrong doer . While he sought to drive out evil he strove with all his might to save the one who was the perpetrator of the wrong.

He was a staunch advocate for the very best educational advantages for our young people. It was nothing short of the heroic that enabled him on a meagre salary and with a large family to give his children the splendid intellectual training they have.

During the latter part of Brother Wiley's life the writer was with him frequently. He always found him sweet and cheeful. When he spoke of himself he would say, "I am in the Lord's hands and am only waiting His will to be done." More perfect resignation or sweeter confidence would be hard to find anywhere than was shown by him. "In the evening time it was light."

On Sunday morning at about six he took his departure so quietly that loved ones thought he had fallen asleep. In truth he had fallen

"Asleep in Jesus! blessed sleep,
From which none ever wakes to weep!"

So long deprived of the privilege of public worship in the sanctuary his disembodied spirit went to join the celestial choir around the throne on high on that Sunday morning.

SUPERANNUATION AND OUR SUPERANNUATES

R. M. Taylor

Every traveling preacher in our church is facing one of three possible terminations of his ministry—retirement, superannuation, or death. We presume it is the wish and purpose of a large majority to continue in the work till the end. To all who have this purpose there remain only two possibilities, superannuation or death in the ranks. As no one knows what a day may bring forth we should all be getting ready, yea we should be always ready for either of these events. Much as we may wish to "cease at once to work and to live," we may not be permitted to realize this. Disease may seize upon our mortal frame, and lay us aside and keep us there for months or years. Such is the common lot of man. We are all subject to disease.

As old age approaches superannuation looms up as a great and much-to-be-dreaded possibility. The call to preach never ceases to the man genuinely called. He is still called. He is as sensitive to the divine call at sixty as at twenty. He cannot relish the thought of retirement. He dreads it. It is a state of loneliness and comparative helplessness. He cannot feel reconciled to it.

But there are other reasons why the old preacher dreads superannuation. He has no means of support. The pittance doled out to our superannuates is the burning shame of our Methodism. Having spent his whole life in trying to save others, he is often left to suffer in silence for even the plainest comforts of life. He has helped to make the church rich, and then left in poverty himself. It might be truly said of him, as it was of the Master, "He saved others, himself he cannot save."

Added to the very thought of this lonel and neglect, the old preacher knows the sta feeling in the church on the subject of the port of the ministry in general, and the su annuate in particular. He knows that m perhaps a majority of our people have no p er conception of the principle of minist support, and that out of their wrong no comes the whole trouble of an adequate li while active, or any living at all after be ing inactive. He knows he has been consid a sort of pauper pensioner to be supporte charity, at the will of the average church m ber. He knows that the real sense of oblig to support the superannuate is a negli quantity with most of our church members. has been requested time and again to see certain claimants in charges that he has se be disallowed anything, or they would re to contribute to the fund. He knows that preacher happened to inherit anything his father's estate, and was able to save it the hungry mouths of his children till su annuation, or if, by prudence, economy, hard stinting he could save enough to buy a small place on which to die, that woul be counted, and his claim discounted in portion.

All this may sound hard, but it is just truth of the matter, and we might as face it now. Our church which is rich an creased with goods, is shamefully negligen the old men who have made it what it is. man who has spent the strength of his hood in building up an institution, and thereby been prevented from building u competency for his old age, has a right to a sion from that institution, be it sacred or lar. All human governments worthy of name recognize this, and ample pensions provided for disabled soldiers, and sai Great business enterprises are now reco ing the same principle, and are providing sort of income for all operatives who spend strength of their manhood in their servi

Shall the church allow the children of world to continue to be "wiser in their eration than the children of light?" Th what we are now doing. It would be a thing if we could have a symposium on subject in the Advocate. We are too silen the subject. We are thinking of the ac and forgetting the past active of our preac

For one, I invite discussion. What the ject needs is agitation and ventilation. S out, brethren, and let us try to fire the ch with a new purpose to support the old gua a more honorable manner. Let us not be of the subject, either by false modesty, of of offending the rich.

Once this subject is properly aired our of means will see to it that this shan wiped out. No honest man can look at thing as it is and be satisfied with i have given no figures, and marshalled no s tics here. It could be done, and it woul all too plain that we are doing next to not in view of the need in the premises.

Norwood.

FORTHCOMING VOLUMES FROM FEDERAL COUNCIL

The Publication Department of the Fe Council of the Churches of Christ in Am announces three forthcoming volumes u the imprint of the Council: "A Report o Investigation of the Japanese Situation in ifornia," prepared by Prof. H. A. Milli the University of Kansas, for the Commi on Relations with Japan; a volume ent "The Fight for Peace," setting forth a v organization of the churches in this caus Sidney L. Gulick, Associate Secretary o Federal Council Commission on Peace and bitration; and a Hand Book describing distinctive characteristics, in historic for the thirty denominations in the Federal C cil, setting forth their mutual relation edited by the General Secretary of the C cil.

Hospital statistics of the Methodist Epis Church, South, in foreign lands for the 1913-14:—Number of patients treated in C 34,480; in Korea, 30,399; in Africa, months, 920, making a total of 65,799.

EEK OF PRAYER AND SELF DENIAL

W. W. Pinson

The visible results of the Week of Prayer d Self Denial have shared in the general pression in missionary finances. First of l, they have been slow coming in, and what of more concern, they are disappointingly all. Last year, by the 15th of February, e had received $9,392.00; this year at the me date, we have received only $2,670.00. his is not due to lack of preparation and cul- vation. The care and thoroughness with hich the church was prepared and furnished ith suitable helps was far beyond that of st year. We refuse to believe that the above owing gives the whole story, even in dollars d cents. If so, the financial conditions pre- nted the pastors from giving to the church fair opportunity to respond, or the offer- gs of the people would have gone far be- nd that sum. We think the explanation s in three directions:

1. The pressure had been so unusual in the fort to pay out all the assessments in the ll that it was not thought wise to urge this ffering.

2. The general financial depression lay too eavy on the minds of men for any extra or, them, unnecessary appeal to take effect.

3. In some instances the occasion was used raise money on the regular missionary assess- ent or to provide for specials already assumed. We are led to this last supposition by some orrespondence we have had on the subject, rowing out of the financial uncertainty of he future.

However, it came about, it is a distinct dis- ppointment. The more so at this time when ve shall have to cut out appropriations to the ields to a point where it will hurt the mis- ionaries and the cause. This Self Denial in- ome will go to the special cause for which t was given, but it is easy to be seen that it vill not go very far.

It is no time to fold our hands or to grieve ver the past. We face a condition and not a heory and we must not falter. We rely on he loyal and self-denying spirit of our pas- ors and people for early and liberal collec- ions and prompt remittances to save us from further embarrassment. We can refuse to ap- propriate and so keep from going further into debt, but what is to become of our great mis- sion work and its future? Furthermore, what is to become of the appropriations already made for 1915? The answer is with the church. We await it with concern but not with dismay, for we believe in the church we serve.

DEATH OF REV. GEO. C. RANKIN, D. D.

Editor of Texas Christian Advocate

George Clark Rankin, son of Col. Creed W. Rankin and Martha Jane Clark, was born in Dandridge, Tennessee, November 19, 1849. He was converted in Center Valley, Georgia, under the ministry of Rev. Mr. Heath, September, 1867, and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, immediately thereafter. Licensed to preach at the old Murry Camp Ground, Georgia, August, 1870, Rev. Harbersham Adams, presiding elder. In October, 1870, he joined the North Georgia Conference, which met in Athens, Bishop Wightman presiding. In October, 1874, he was ordained deacon by Bishop Doggett, in Asheville, North Carolina. In October, 1876, he was ordained elder by Bishop Kavanaugh, in Knoxville, Tennessee.

Doctor Rankin served the following charges: Tilton and Resaca Circuit, Georgia, 1870-71; Junior preacher Marian Circuit, Virginia, 1874-75; Wytheville Circuit, Virginia, 1875-76; Athens Station, Tennessee, 1876-77; Abingdon Station, Virginia; 1877-78; Church Street, Knoxville, Tennessee, 1878-82; Asheville Station, North Carolina, 1882-83; Market Street Station, Chattanooga, Tennessee, 1883-87; Asheville Station, North Carolina, 1887-90; Central Church, Kansas City, Missouri, 1890-92; Shearn Church, Houston, Texas, 1892-96; First Church, Dallas, Texas, 1896-98. In October, 1898, he was elected editor of the Texas Christian Advocate, which position he held with conspicuous ability until the day of his death.

Among his many manuscripts we find the following, which he wrote some five years ago. To the man who knew Doctor Rankin, as many of us do, these words come with special emphasis: "I was always religious; my mother reared me that way. Never swore an oath in my life; never was intoxicated; never gambled; never was socially unclean. My boyhood was in the country and my habits were those of the wellraised moral home. My mother was a Methodist. My father was a Presbyterian, though he died when I was eleven years old. He was a strictly temperate man and stood well in his community. I have held a great many meetings and had scores of conversions. In early life I had to assume grave responsibilities and join forces for the support of mother and a younger brother and sister. I felt my call to the ministry when I was sixteen years of age, but had no way of educating myself. When I was past seventeen, an old gentleman from Bradley County, Tennessee, came into our neighborhood. He was a school teacher, and taught a high school in connection with a farm near Cleveland, Tennessee. He remarked in the presence of my mother that if there was an honest boy in that community who wanted an education and was willing to work, it would not take money to get the opportunity. I caught on to the remark. In a few months I was at his place without a penny. I went to work on his farm and paid for three years' board and tuition. Then I taught school. After that I went to Hiwassee College, and later on studied at the University of Tennessee. That institution—University—gave me the degree of Doctor of Divinity at the age of 28 years. For nearly forty years I have given the Church the best services possible. It has not been much, but it has been the limit of my ability. If I had a thousand years to live I would put them all into the service of Christ. I have led a strenuous life. My ministry has been an aggressive ministry. Whatever I have done, I have done it with all my might. As a result I have been often misunderstood and have made enemies; but I entertain no ill will toward any man living or dead. I have simply done my best and am willing to leave the result in the hand of God."

Doctor Rankin was strong and evangelical in the pulpit. In his personal contact he was sympathetic to the last degree. In his antagonism of wrong he was a foeman to be feared. In his literary life he was typed by his own genius and wrote in the tongue of the common people. There are those who know just how deep he would enter into the tragedies of another heart. Doctor Rankin was a man into whose very soul you could pour your sorrows, and in return expect the largest measure of comfort and heslp.

Above all else he was a home-loving man. His good wife, whom he married in Dalton, Georgia, in 1875, never ceased to be his queen. His five girls and his son were as dear to him as life. Mrs. Stevens, Misses Hattie, Louie Boyd, Snow and Ruth will not forget the heart whose every throb was for them. Nor will George C., Jr., fail to bear the mantle that fell from his ascended father. Around these hearts centered all that was noble in the husband and the father.

And Texas Methodism has lost a giant. Her moral, intellectual and spiritual life needed and did have his supreme devotion. Let us in this hour trust Him who has always stood behind every shadow, keeping watch above his own.

Thank God for his life! Thank God for the impress Doctor Rankin made upon the life of this great State! He is gone from us only for awhile. The clouds will some day rift. When the morning breaks again we'll see the dear old Doctor near Him, the light of whose face is above the brightness of the sun. There'll be no night beyond the valley where the clouds swing low.—Texas Christian Advocate.

Among non-Christians there is an unusual interest being manifested in Christianity and its teachings. It seems they are realizing as never before that Christianity is the only true religion. During the past year we have distributed throughout the Choon Chun District more than 8,000 volumes of the Bible.—L. C. Brannan, Choon Chun, Korea.

TIDINGS FROM MISSION FIELD

Christianity in Japan

The growth of the Christian Church in Japan has been marked. The number of missionaries has increased during the past fifty years from 10 to 900; the Christians, from noone to 189,000, including 66,689 Roman Catholic and 32,246 Greek Catholic Christians; while the Christian community of adherents is two or three times as large as this. The Sunday schools grew from none to 1,600 with 100,000 children under instruction. A leading Japanese estimates "That there are in Japan 1,000,000 persons who are fashioning their conduct according to the principles of Jesus Christ." Fifty years ago there was no Bible in public circulation; today its circulation is numbered by millions. There was then hardly a hospital or asylum in the land. Christianity has been the pioneer in establishing homes, hospitals, and refuges for the poor, the blind, the fatherless, the insane, the leper, the outcast, and the criminal. Such institutions were practically unknown in old Japan. Revenge was one of the cardinal virtues of Bushido, the moral code of the upper classes; but new Japan praises Christianity for its philanthropic fruits, and the adherents of the old faiths pay to it the tribute of imitation.—Sherwood Eddy.

* * * *

A Call to the Home Church

We confess that anxieties trouble us. Just at this time when the call is for a great advance in the Christian evangelization of Japan, the clouds have thickened and overcast the sky in the home lands. Our prayer to God is that the great struggle in Europe may not distract the attention of the Church or interfere with its unalterable purpose to present Christ to those who need Him; but on the contrary that it will inspire to greater sacrifice and incite to a more relentless warfare against the powers of darkness and sin. After a careful survey of our field we find that in order to strengthen the position of our Mission in response to immediate demands, the following reinforcements should be sent to us: 1. We desire to open twenty new stations for which resident missionaries are required. 2. We need twenty single ladies to be sent for direct evangelistic work. 3. Thirty new church buildings are needed and a still greater number of Sunday school chapels. 4. Large endowments for our schools are needed, especially for the Kwansei Gakuin and the Hiroshima Girls' School.—Southern Methodist Missionaries in Japan.

If the Protestant church members of America gave an average of only four cents a week to foreign missions it would mean an income of nearly $50,000,000 a year for the work.

* * * *

Work and Opportunities

The latest quarterly report of the Seamen's Mission, People's Central Institute, gives the following statistics:

Employment found for 777 men; pieces of baggage deposited, 130; total attendance at the Mission, 2,610; free meals, 2,859; total number of meals served at the Mission, 6,344; free beds, 418; packages of literature sent on board, 418; packages of literature received as contributions, 17; religious services held, 10; attendance on religious services, 122; visits to ships, 53; visits to sick seamen in hospitals, 28; letters mailed for seamen, 53; money deposited for safe keeping, $941.66.

This nation is ripe for a spiritual harvest. How sorely we need a large tent in which we could speak to several hundreds at a time! May God open the heart of some good child of His to send us the comparatively small sum of money needed for this tent.—J. L. Hendry, Huchow, China.

* * * *

Consecrate the Commonplace

We think that conspicuous events, striking experiences, exalted moments have most to do with our character and capacity. We are wrong. Common days, monotonous hours, wearisome paths, plain old tools, and every-day clothes tell the real story. Good habits are not made on birthdays, nor Christian character at the New Year. The workshop of character is every-day life. The uneventful and commonplace hour is where the battle is won or lost.—Maltbie D. Babcock.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM FIELD

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—We regret to learn that Rev. J. R. Scroggs, presiding elder of the Shelby District, has been seriously sick at his home in Shelby for several days. We have no particulars, but hope to hear of Brother Scroggs' complete recovery soon.

—The program of exercises at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, for 1915, is one of unusual interest. On Sunday, May 30th, Bishop J. H. McCoy, of Alabama, will deliver the baccalaurate sermon. On Wednesday, June 2nd, Hon. William J. McAdoo, Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, will deliver the address before the graduating class.

—A good layman of the Watauga circuit, sending in his renewal says: "We enjoy the Advocate's visits very much. No Methodist family can afford to be without it. The Watauga circuit has been wonderfully blessed this year. We have the best preacher we think in the Conference and the best presiding elder. Now, if the people will do their part I see no reason why we should not make progress."

—Rev. Dwight W. Brown, pastor of McAdenville charge, sends check for $23.50 with list of new subscribers and renewals amounting in all to $28.50. He sends $10 in payment of McAdenville's portion of the Advocate Building pledge by the Shelby District. This is fine work. Brother Brown is in his third year in the Conference and has never failed to bring up the full amount for his charge on the Advocate apportionment. He also brings up his renewals. Similar work all round would put the church paper on easy street.

—In our reference to the death of Rev. A. E. Wiley and the class of 1883, some time ago, we were in error in stating that there were fourteen in the class. There were fifteen. In giving the names we inadvertently overlooked that of Rev. B. C. Allred. We are indebted to Rev. J. E. Underwood for calling our attention to this and insisting that we keep history straight. The names of the class are correctly given as follows: Allred, Ashby, Bowles, Brothers, Blair, Daily, Hurley, John, Shamburger, Smith, Tuttle, Troy, Underwood, Wiley and Woosley.

—Rev. W. H. Willis, pastor of Central church, Mount Airy, is preparing his people by organization of prayer circles, for the evangelistic services which are to begin in that church next Sunday. The meeting is to be conducted by Rev. T. P. Jimison, who has been doing evangelistic work in the Holston Conference. He has just closed a meeting of great interest at Bluefield, West Virginia. The people of Mount Airy are looking forward to this meeting with great interest.

—The churches in Charlotte are beginning a system of cottage prayer meetings looking to the Chapman meeting which is to begin on April 4th, Easter Sunday. Mr. Evarts, one of Mr. Alexander's helpers, has already arrived and will spend the entire month of March in preliminary work. The Observer says: "So great is the interest that doubt is expressed whether the tabernacle that is now building will prove adequate to the needs, although it will seat 6,000 people, and it is suggested that provision should be made for a number of overflow meetings. The tabernacle will be completed in ample time. Much of the success of the meeting is considered to be contingent on the preliminary cottage prayer meetings. Rev. Dr. E. K. McLarty is chairman of the committee on these.

—A press special from Asheville, dated Feb. 24th, says:—Alumni of Trinity College last night made preparations for holding an alumni dinner here some time during the month of April. A committee composed of Donald Elias, Rev. E. M. Hoyle and Jacob Londow was named to make preparations for the spread. The Trinity alumni of Buncombe county met last night to hear an address by Prof. Robert L. Flowers, at the head of the department of mathematics at Trinity. Professor Flowers told of the plans of the alumni to issue a quarterly and received promises of the support of the Asheville Alumni for the magazine. Professor Flowers left this morning for Durham. He came to Asheville to attend the annual senior class banquet at Weaver College, at Weaverville, Monday night.

Rock Springs—We have just closed a meeting with fine results at Webbs. Ten professions the first service. In five days we closed with about 76 professions, the most of them grown men. Forty-one joined our church. In all these meetings there have been about 350 professions and reclamations and 129 accessions to our church and several others to join.

Sincerely, Jim Green.

Laurel Springs—The first quarterly meeting for the Laurel Springs circuit was held Feb. 20-21. The presiding elder, Rev. J. H. Bennett, was on hand and did superior preaching. He preached eleven times and made a lasting impression upon the large audience that heard him at each appointment. The financial report was above the average by double. The preacher's salary was increased $100 over last year. I secured a deed the 21st for a lot for a church building at a new point, I have taken in. I am now preaching in a private room and have an interesting Sunday school that has not missed a Sunday this year. We hope to have a house on it this year. My work is moving on nicely. S. W. Brown.

Pleasant Hill—There is more meaning attached to the names of the churches of the historic Randolph circuit than one would imagine at first glance. Trinity has made her name known and felt in true Christian style, and a few days ago it was pleasant indeed to be among the Pleasant Hill congregation and have them give evidence of the greatness of their name. No, this is not a nick-name. The way they heard the gospel, the hearty handshake, followed by the cold cash gave evidence of their loyalty to the church. Then they gave further evidence of the pleasantness of their community by the big pounding which they so bountifully lavished on the preacher. Many things are added to the pantry. The preacher and family know how to appreciate the foregoing. So you can see that Pleasant Hill has a meaning. I am still learning.

E. N. Crowder, P. C.

From McAdenville—The work here is moving along nicely and we are very much encouraged over the outlook. Our congregations are good, and have been all the while, notwithstanding the very bad weather of the past months. The prayer meetings are well attended; practically all the board of stewards attend regularly. Our Sunday school is growing, and when spring comes we expect to do great things in the Sunday school. We have made some improvements on the interior of our church in the way of class rooms, etc. We have recently placed almost one hundred Methodist Hymnals in our church, thereby using our books and encouraging congregational singing. With the exception of our afternoon appointment at Mayworth, our full time is given to McAdenville. The people have been very kind to me since I have been here. We are expecting a good year. Very affectionately,

Dwight W. Brown.

Methodist Church, Salisbury—The Salisbury Post tells of the growing work at Main Street Methodist Church: "The morning and evening services held at South Main Street M. E. church were largely attended. The pastor, Rev. C. F. Sherrill, being absent at the morning service to conduct a funeral, Mr. E. G. Wilson, International Secretary of the Y. M. C. A., delivered a strong, instructive lecture on the boy problem. Rev. C. F. Sherrill was present at the evening service and preached from t sacred desk the profound truths taken fr the Holy Bible. All enjoyed these services a many strangers and visitors were present a received a warm and hearty welcome.

The South Main Street M. E. Sunday scho which has been working for the three hundr notch, almost gained it last Sunday morni when 294 were present. Looking for the oth six next Sunday morning."

East Spencer—The East Spencer cor spondent of the Salisbury Post says:

Monday night, February 8th, the members the Methodist church of East Spencer s prised their pastor, Rev. Richardson, in such way that he was well pleased. They came the parsonage about 7:30 and the go brother wondered what was up. But soon learned that they had brought gifts and p visions for the table. The writer knows R Richardson well enough to know that he lo his people and can highly appreciate th tokens of love. During these times of hi prices this will help him in a financial w I have heard him say many things concerni his people and work here. He always h them in mind and talks of the workers in t church as well as those who are kept at ho by sickness. May he continue to be a go shepherd and call the sheep to the green p tures, and may he be made happy by seei the sheep follow, taking part in the good wo I think there is a great work to do.

Dilworth, Charlotte—We are glad to info any who may be concerned about us and t part of God's moral vinyard, that Dilwo is still on the map and is endeavoring to large her borders. On December 27th we pu ed down the old chapel erected about ninet years ago by Brother Butt. We are now ere ing on the same site what we think will one of the most adequate and attractive urban Methodist churches in the Queen Ci They say it takes a good deal of nerve a grace to attempt such things in these "v times," but Dilworth Methodists are not wa ing on that score; so in the month of M when the birds sing and the flowers bloom the full, we expect to come into our Cana to our promised land, our new church. We waiting not in passivity, but waiting in act ity, doing what we can to drve out the C aanites or powers of Satan, and to get glory our Lord. Our Sunday school is growing b in numbers and usefulness. Our prayer-me ings are good. We have a Junior Epwo League of more than 100 members, and m than 40 catechumens. Of course as to preaching—well, I think it is as good as c be expected considering. J. O. Ervin

---

Pleasant Garden—It has been our good f tune to have with us at Pleasant Gard Brother D. H. Comann, who was appoint at our last Annual Conference as gene evangelist. He preached for us nearly t weeks. Congregations were good from beg ning to the end, and by his strong presen tion of gospel truths, he held his grip up them from first to last. We believe mu good was accomplished; Christians w strengthened in faith; quite a number profe ed faith in Christ, and some who had ba slidden expressed a desire to renew their al gience to the Master's cause and live a bet life. On last Sunday we received seven i our church on profession of faith, and have the names of others who will join lat A special service was held during the me ing for the children, resulting in about fo children expressing a desire to become me bers of the church. Brother Comann c tainly preaches strong gospel sermons stick close to the Bible and drawing most of his lustrations from that source. Any broth needing help would do well to get him. A m so apt in teaching Bible truths should be k at it. We enjoyed very much having him our home during his stay with us, and t people would be glad for him to come aga Brethren, we ought to give him, as gene evangelist, and also Brother Dawson, our C ference evangelist, plenty of work to do.

Pleasant Garden circuit we believe is

the up-grade. We expect some time this spring to begin a new church building at Pleasant Garden, and we feel sure if we will all pull together we can build a church in keeping with our beautiful growing village.

I wish to express thanks to the good people for the kindness shown to me and my family while we have been among them and also for a nice pounding brought to us some weeks ago. P. L. Terrell.

A Caroleen Call

Brother Blair:—The Sunday school lesson for tomorrow reminds me that Samuel, like myself, was a circuit rider, and in that feature of his great life he was a Methodist preacher. In only one particular I surpass the distinguished itinerant. While Samuel had three appointments I had fifteen the first three years of my ministry: Darlington, Kingstree and Wadesboro—1868-70. S. M. Davis.

Report of Conference Evangelist

We have just closed a glorious meeting at Bakersville, resulting in nearly fifty professions of conversion and restoration, with several accessions. The Lord seemed present in every service, and the interest increased from the beginning to the close. There are some fine people over here at Bakersville, and there are great possibilities for the church. We go from here to Micaville to assist Brother R. F. Mock. Yours fraternally,

W. L. Dawson.

Meeting of General Conference Board of Education

The General Conference Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is called to meet for its regular annual session at 9 o'clock on the morning of April 15, 1915, in the offices of the Board.

The committees of the Board will meet Wednesday, April 14, as follows:

9 a. m.—Classification Committee and Committee on Religious Training in both Church and State schools.

2 p. m.—Committee on White and Colored Schools, and Committee on Publication, Plans and Policies.

E. E. Hoss, Pres.,
Stonewall Anderson, Cor. Sec.

Report of Treasurer of Board of Missions for February, 1915

RECEIVED ON ASSESSMENTS

	Foreign	H. & C.
Cooleemee, C. M. Short	$ 20.00	
N. Lenoir, H. D. D. Hoover	.58	
Linwood, J. W. Ingle	56.60	
Asheville, North, B. L. Ownby	38.82	
Pilot Mtn., R. L. Doggett	5.50	
Walnut Cove, E. J. Poe	6.01	
Total on assessment, for Feb	$127.51	

RECEIVED ON SPECIAL

N. Wilkesboro, W. P. Kelly, Tr.		$ 5.25
Advance, Frank Siler		74.50
Charlotte, Tryon St., Frank Siler		245.00
Alexander, R. L. Snow, Tr.		5.00
Hendersonville, H. F. Stewart, Tr.	50.00	
Shelby Station, Frank Siler		36.50
Elkin, J. P. Hipps		50.00
Winston-Salem, West End, N. V. Stockton, Tr.		16.67
Salisbury District, J. F. Shinn, Tr.	200.00	
W. Greensboro, P. E. Parker		25.00
Greensboro, West Market, Frank Siler		98.00
Reidsville, Frank Siler		14.50
Asheville, Haywood Street, H. A. Dunham	5.22	
Total specials for Feb.	$255.22	$ 570.42
Total receipts for Feb.		$ 950.15
Previously reported on—		
Foreign assessment		90.38
Home and Conference assessment		20.00
Foreign specials		463.75
Home and Conference specials		324.38
Total receipts to March 1, 1915		$1848.66

R. M. Courtney, Treasurer.
Winston-Salem, N. C.

Winston District Conference

The Winston District Conference will be held in Love's church, Walkertown, April 20-22, 1915. The conference will meet Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The opening service will be the administration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Representatives of the different causes and institutions of our church are invited to attend, and will be cheerfully accorded the privilege of the floor and time to represent their interests.

H. K. Boyer, P. E.

From San Francisco

The M. E. Church, South, Exposition Headquarters, in San Francisco, provided by the Pacific Conference, are now open. They consist of a suite of three rooms on the ninth floor of the Pacific Building, corner Fourth and Market streets, in the center of the hotel and shopping district. All Market street cars, save the Sutter and Geary street cars, pass the building. The rooms are furnished with a view to the greatest comfort of our guests. There are facilities for writing, telephoning, reading, etc. All our church papers are on file. Some one will be constantly in charge, prepared to give information as to hotels, fair grounds, the city, etc. All Southern Methodists and their friends will find it to their interest, on arriving in the city, to report first to our headquarters and get up-to-date information as to hotels, etc. Once located, they can come and go at pleasure, making themselves at home with us, meeting their friends and making new ones of their own people. The Exposition opened February 20, and will continue open till December 4th.

W. E. Vaughan, Ch.,
J. J. N. Kenney,
W. R. Thornton,
C. P. Moore,
J. A. Batchelor, Sec.
Committee.

958 Pacific Building, San Francisco.

Pentecostial Wave

I have been with Jim Green in four revival meetings on the Rock Springs circuit, and words are inadequate to describe the marvelous outpourings and manifestations of the Holy Spirit. Truly heaven came down our souls to greet, while glory crowned the mercy seat. About 360 have either been saved or reclaimed and perhaps 100 or more have been filled with the Holy Ghost. Brother Green has received into the different churches about 130 new members with more to follow. The gospel tide is rolling high. At times wave after wave of glory would sweep over the congregation, some would weep, while others would laugh and shout. Wicked men were made to cry out as did the jailer of old, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" Men more than 60 years of age tell me they have never witnessed anything to compare with this before. Brother Green is an humble servant of God and earnestly contends for the faith once delivered to the saints.

Yours in the Master's service,

Rudd Newsom.

Guilford College, N. C.

Salisbury District Efficiency Institutes

There will be two Efficiency Institutes held in the Salisbury District this month. The first one at Albemarle Central church, Monday and Tuesday, March 22nd and 23rd; the second one at China Grove, Wednesday and Thursday, March 24th and 25th. The Institute at Albemarle will be attended by the pastors, Sunday school superintendents, charge lay leaders and church lay leaders from the following pastoral charges: Gold Hill, New London, Albemarle circuit, Albemarle Central, Albemarle First St., Salem, Norwood, Cottonville and Oakboro, Bethel and Love's Chapel. The other pastoral charges of the district will meet at China Grove with similar representation from each charge.

We expect Brothers Siler and McLarty and other strong men from without the district. These efficient brethren, with strong laymen and preachers in the district, each having parts on the program, will make these institutes fully worth while for you to attend them from first to last. Let no church be without a representative. If those herein designated cannot go, see to it that the best possible substitute be there. Entertainment will be furnished you. Let each pastor take up this matter at once and notify Bros. R. G. Tuttle, Albemarle, and H. H. Robbins, China Grove, that your charge will have full delegation. Will begin at 2:30 p. m. at each place on the days designated. Visitors will be cordially welcomed who wish to come and go at their pleasure, and we hope quite a number of our people will attend. Will publish program soon. Let all pray for these meetings.

Sincerely yours, W. R. Ware.

Missionary Notes from Field Secretary

Feb. 23-24, Reidsville, W. A. Lambeth, P. C.—$118.65, Conference Mission Special.

Wentworth Ct., T. C. Jordan, P. C.—$10.00, Conference Mission Special.

The church at Reidsville has been overhauled, the auditorium enlarged, with new lights, new carpet and new pipe organ. A new Sunday school building in rear of auditorium has been built. The congregation will re-enter the main auditorium the second Sunday in March. Rev. W. F. Womble, of Hendersonville, a former pastor, will be present and preach.

Feb. 26-28, Concord—Central church, M. F. Moores, P. C.—$282.20, Conference Mission Special. Of the above D. B. Coltrane and family gave $100.00; Mrs. W. B. Johnson, 50.00; A. F. Hartsell, $40.00; J. L. Crowell and wife, $25.00; M. F. Moores, $20.00. Brother Hartsell, church leader and mayor of Concord, is going to canvass the men for at least $300.00 additional. The women of the church support Miss Tuttle in Shanghai. Brother Crowell, with a heavy law practice, faithfully superintends the Sunday School. Brother Coltrane loves the Advocate and helps with the abeve subscription the preachers who are its agents. Brother Moores is happy in his new field. His congregations are growing. I found Brother Smathers at Forest Hill organizing his men to pay off a small debt on church, make some needed repairs and, as early as possible erect a new Sunday school building. His is an important field and he has it well in hand. He teaches in an adult night school of two hundred and superintends the Boy Scouts.

* * * *

I heard glowing reports of a new $8,000.00 brick church being completed by Brother Albright's people at Olivet.

* * * *

I met, while in Concord, Mr. Cannon, the stalwart Presbyterian, who contributed a lot and $1,000.00 for our church at Kannapolis. He looks and talks like a Methodist and asked interestedly of our work at Epworth and else.

* * * *

The church some day will hear of some magnificent gifts to certain enterprises of our church from at least two of our loyal Concord laymen.

* * * *

I give an extract from a private letter just received from Brother Gay:

"I have just returned from Yancey and Mitchell after a stay of nearly four weeks. We are having some great meetings up there. Bald Creek, 80 professions; Beaver's Creek (new place), 100 or more, and at Spruce Pine, 45, and a letter from Morris today says they are having a great meeting at Bakersville and a meeting at Boring's Chapel going on that is doing much good. Dawson is doing good and pastors are hard at it."

* * * *

Dr. Boyer has called his District Conference for the Winston District to meet at Walkertown April 20-22. In one of his characteristic, cordial notes he adds: "We want to have a great District Conference and do the Lord's business in a way that will count. I am going to ask Brother Crawford to communicate with the Sunday school superintendents and stir them up on the Special for Frank." Brother Crawford is Winston District Lay Leader. Rev. J. W. Frank, in evangelistic work in Japan, is the Sunday school district missionary, supported by the Sunday schools of Winston District.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, Asheville, N. C.

CONFERENCE OFFICERS

President—Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, Greensboro, N. C.
First Vice-President—Mrs. H. K. Boyer, Winston-Salem, N. C., Box 339.
Second Vice-President—Mrs. Mattie H. Stewart, Charlotte, N. C.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. E. L. Bain, Winston-Salem, N. C.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. H. A. Dunham, Asheville, N. C.
Treasurer—Mrs. P. N. Peacock, Salisbury, N. C.
Superintendent Mission Study and Publicity—Mrs. W. R. Harris, Asheville, N. C.
Superintendent Social Service—Mrs. T. F. Marr, Charlotte, N. C.
Superintendent Supplies—Mrs. J. N. Hauss, Thomasville, N. C.
Distributor of Literature—Mrs. W. C. Houston, Concord, N. C.

DISTRICT SECRETARIES

Asheville—Mrs. V. L. Stone, Asheville, N. C.
Charlotte—Miss Daisy Cuthbertson, Charlotte, N. C.
Greensboro—Mrs. A. E. Fordham, Greensboro, N. C.
Morganton—Mrs. M. B. Goodwin, Morganton, N. C.
Mount Airy—Mrs. J. L. Woltz, Mount Airy, N. C.
North Wilkesboro—Mrs. W. F. Trogdon, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Salisbury—Mrs. C. M. Bobbitt, Spencer, N. C.
Shelby—Mrs. B. T. Morris, Gastonia, N. C.
Statesville—Mrs. M. M. Courtney, Lenoir, N. C.
Waynesville—Mrs. M. D. Cowan, Sylva, N. C.
Winston—Mrs. R. M. Courtney, Winston-Salem, N. C.

BREVARD AUXILIARY

The following letter from Mrs. Julie Trowbridge, Superintendent of Mission Study and Publicity of the Brevard auxiliary, bringing us good news from her society rejoices our hearts. We are only too glad to publish letters like this showing the advancement of our work and we urge others to emulate Mrs. Trowbridge's example and let us know what they are doing.

Dear Mrs. Harris:—

It gives me great pleasure to be able to tell you that Brevard auxiliary is starting out bravely in the work for another year. The changes made necessary by the changes in the Constitution have been cheerfully met and I believe there is a general inclination to make this the best year of the society in every respect.

The January and February meetings have been well attended, the heads of departments have appointed their committees and have their work well under way. Mrs. Edgerton, our new president, is full of energy and plans nicely. The children and young people under the leadership of Mrs. Hume Harris and Mrs. Verdery are thoroughly organized and quite enthusiastic. Each of these two societies hold their meetings weekly.

Among the adult members a circle for daily prayer is observing the outline laid out for February in February Voice.

A union Bible class meets every Friday afternoon and is composed of members from the four denominations of the town: Presbyterians, Baptists, Episcopalians and Methodists. The meetings are held at the homes with an average attendance of about twenty. The lessons are now taken from the Gospel of John. A new leader is appointed each week. This interchange of Christian thought and feeling is proving most instructive and very delightful.

The pledge secretary of our society, Mrs. Fitch Taylor, has distributed the pledge cards and has met with a favorable response thus far. I think the first quarter's report will show quite a substantial cash payment.

The superintendent of Mission Study and Publicity has obtained permission from the county newspaper (which is published in Brevard) to use space each month for missionary information. She will endeavor to continue through this year and hopes in this way to enlist more friends for the cause.

Our usual Spring Mission Study class will begin work in March using as a text book, "In Red Man's Land." Fourteen copies of the book have already been ordered and it is expected that others will fall in line. We anticipate the same degree of pleasure and profit we have derived from the study of the previous seasons

Following is the list of our officers: President, Mrs. B. T. Edgerton; First Vice-President, Mrs. A. M. Verdery; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Hume Harris; Recording Secretary, Mrs. O. T. Crary; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Ralph Zachary; Treasurer, Mrs. W. M. Robbins; Superintendent Mission Study and Publicity, Mrs. Julia Trowbridge; Superintendent Social Service, Mrs. W. J. Puette; Agent of Voice, Miss Delia Gash; Pledge Secretary, Mrs. Fitch Taylor.

Yours in the Master's service,
Mrs. Julia Trowbridge.

OFFICERS OF SYLVA AUXILIARY

Asheville District

President, Mrs. M. D. Cowan; First Vice-President, Mrs. W. H. Rhodes; Second Vice-President, Mrs. J. W. Keener; Secretary, Miss Helen Cathey; Treasurer, Mrs. A. A. Nichols; Superintendent Mission Study and Publicity, Mrs. E. L. McKee; Superintendent of Social Service, Mrs. A. S. Nichols; Superintendent of Supplies, Mrs. J. H. Wilson; Voice Agent, Miss Irene Abernathy.

IMPORTANT TO AUXILIARIES

At the recent Annual Meeting at Charlotte, it was recommended and decided by the Conference that because of the fact that the minutes of our last Annual Meeting had been so recently printed, because of the depleted condition of our treasury, that the minutes of this meeting would not come out in the usual form but instead a pamphlet would be issued which would carry the most important facts that might be needed as history and that the other matter would be given out through the columns of the Advocate.

A special edition of the Advocate was also recommended verrying such procedings of the Conference as will not be included in the pamphlet, so as we present from week to week the reports of the different officers and committees we would urge our readers to take care of them for reference. We can not impress too much the importance of these reports of the different departments of our work. They are carefully made out and are oftentimes the "thermometers" which show to us the real "pulse" of our work.

Let us read carefully each one of these reports and plan our auxiliary work in keeping with the plans suggested by them. This week we are giving the annual message of the Conference First Vice-President and the report of the Children's Committee, as well as the message of Mrs. Plato Durham, who so efficiently during the past two years led the Young People of our Conference. We are sure that each 2nd Vice-President in our Conference needs to know what is contained in this message from Mrs. Stewart, who is doing so splendid a work with our children and from the report of the Committee on this branch of our work many valuable suggestions may be obtained. Do not neglect to read this page each week carefully.

REPORT OF CONFERENCE FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

"A little child shall lead them." "Child welfare is at the foundation of world welfare, child nurture is the greatest science of the age. To arouse the whole world to a realization of its duty to the children is the propaganda in which all should unite."

In dealing with the children we are dealing with the foundations and constructive department of all the church and missionary activities. As goes the children's work in all its lines of development, so goes the woman's work—indeed the whole work of missions. It is a great responsibility, also a great joy, as children more than any other class of people respond to the efforts made in their behalf.

It is with feelings of mingled joy and regret the report of our children's department is presented to you. We rejoice in the fact that there was gratifying advancement made during the last quarter, so much so that in a recent letter from our Council Superior, Mrs. Albright, we won the following commendation, "I notice quite an improvement in your last quarter's report, you made decided gains in several lines and I am no less rejoiced than yourself."

Though our regrets far outnumber our joys, there is compensation in knowing that even with all the ignorance, mistakes and blunders of your vice-president a very strong sympathetic comradeship has existed between her and the leaders of the children's societies. My heart was gladdened beyond measure recently in receiving letters from some for the first time, some to whom I had written regularly for three quarters. I am grateful to each one for the sincere helpfulness accorded me in every effort. The measure of success achieved is due to the untiring zeal of the faithful leaders and district secretaries.

Probably the most difficult and unsatisfactory feature in our work is securing correct reports. With the simplified forms of the new constitution, splendid helps, and excellent standard set before us, I predict greater enthusiasm and larger results the coming year. The outlook is indeed hopeful.

The most discouraging note sounded is the lack of sympathy and co-operation from the mothers. Will not our women pledge their prayerful support to the faithful, consecrated women who have assumed charge of the children? If the children of our Conference have, during the past three years, given into our treasury the goodly sum of $5,854.17 is it not worth while that they be given our best thought, energy and uplift, and thus build up strong future leaders. The beauty of the united work is the correlation of all the interests and development of the adults, young people and children. I should like to place that splendid book, "The Child in the Midst," into the hands of every woman.

The Young Christian Worker is absolutely indispensable. It excels among children's papers and no other can take its place. I believe that if the mothers could be induced to subscribe to this paper for their children, the seeds of truth and missionary information implanted in their hearts will bring forth abundant fruit.

Only seven scholarships were taken by the Juniors, while ten were reported the previous year. Waynesville District stands ahead in number of new organizations (Sylva, Whittier and Cullowhee). Two were organized in the Salisbury District (East Spencer and Westford). In the Greensboro District one was organized (Trinity) and one in the Asheville (Mills River). Some others were organized but failed to report.

Greensboro District has the largest number of societies, 14, and largest membership in Baby Division. Charlotte District is ahead in number of Baby Divisions, baby contributions, number of Junior members, number of scholarships, number of subscribers to Young Christian Worker and in total funds.

West Market, Greensboro, leads in number of members in Baby Division and Baby Division money.

Mount Airy District leads in the amount per capita, $2.00, and Asheville District leads in the Week of Prayer offerings, and Salisbury District in the amount of pledge. Trinity society of Charlotte raised the largest amount, $105.72, and Lexington follows close with $105.60. Wadesboro reported the largest list of subscriptions to Y. C. Worker, 32, and Concord Central stands second with 30.

There was a notable increase in members and offerings in the Baby Division, also in Conference Expense Fund. A circular letter was sent quarterly to every society, also items for the Advocate column. Efforts have been made through letters and literature to re-organize and to organize in a number of places. I have received from the two Conference Treasurers $22.00; paid $4.70 railroad fare to Greensboro to Executive Meeting, leaving $17.30 for office expenses.

Statistical and Financial Report

Number of Baby Divisions, 31; number of baby members, 574; number of Junior Divisions, 70; number of Junior members, 1,954; total membership, 2,528 subscribers to Y. C. Worker, 333; mission study classes reported, 15; number observing Week of Prayer, 7; number presenting Christian stewardship, 17; number presenting social service, 16; leaflets distributed, 4,050; dues $696.76; pledge, $765.45; Conference Expense Fund, $23.36; Retirement Fund, $6.88; Baby Division, $93.99; scholarships, $298.00; Brevard School, $5.00; Scarritt Bible and Training School, $4.00; Week of prayer, $13.20; total, $1,906.64.

Mrs. Mattie H. Stewart.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN'S WORK

Realizing that the children are very necessary in this work of hastening the coming of the kingdom of God and that it is the object of this department to give them a missionary education training them for Christian service and cultivation in them habits of liberal and systematic giving and of daily Bible study and prayer, we would recommend:

1. That we strive to make our watchword in each Junior society "Grow," and to adopt as our motto, Purity, Fidelity and Service.

2. Since spring is the time to push the children's work, we urge that March be set apart for an intensive campaign for members and that an increase of 500 be the goal for membership.

3. That the auxiliary second vice-president use every effort to create a missionary interest and enthusiasm among the children by securing the name of every child possible under the age of six years for the Baby Division, by organizing everywhere possible in connection with the Junior League, a Junior Division, and supplying each Junior League with mite boxes.

4. That a determined effort be made to treble the subscription of the Young Christian Worker and that the educational work be further carried on through the use of the Year Book, leaflets and such other helps as may be provided by the Council.

5. Noting the gratifying increase in the number of mission study classes, we urge that each auxiliary organize

(Continued on Page 11)

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

Two months of our New Year have passed. What have you done? If we expect to do great things for our League, our church and our Christ this year we must begin now.

MORGANTON LEAGUE RE-ORGANIZED

The Morganton Epworth League, in existence for more than five years, has recently been chartered. The election of officers and their installation will take place soon.

While we already have a large number of active members and interest in the work seems to be on the increase, we are hoping that a re-organization will have a good effect and that the future League will see much greater things accomplished than the old one.

Our weekly devotional meetings are held every Monday night and, notwithstanding the fearful weather we have had this winter, not a single meeting has been called off on account of it, but all have been well attended.

We would like to see the League column of the Advocate full of news and suggestions every week, especially as to the best methods of conducting the weekly devotional meetings.

Let's hear from other Leagues.

A member.

We are glad to hear of this re-organization and that they have a charter. If there are other Leagues in the Conference that do not have a charter, get one at once.

We are giving below a letter from Mrs. Stewart, which fully explains itself. We want to ask that every Junior League superintendent comply with her request at once. The missionary department is one of our most important departments and we should develop it, especially in the Junior Leagues.

TO THE SUPERINTENDENTS OF THE JUNIOR LEAGUES

According to the action of the last General Conference, as brought out in our new Discipline, the Junior Leagues are affiliated with the Children's Dept. of the Woman's Missionary Society. The Second Vice-President of the Conference Society is supposed to supply each Junior League with the necessary monthly leaflets, programs, report blanks, etc., for its missionary department, just the same literature as is furnished to the Children's Missionary Societies. Each superintendent in charge of a Junior League corresponds to the Second Vice-President in each adult Woman's Missionary Society of the Conference. As yet I have not been able to ascertain the number of Junior Leagues in our Conference, nor the names of the women in charge. It will soon be time to send out leaflets, and I earnestly desire to get in touch with the Junior Leagues and get a mailing list in order that a hearty co-operation may be brought about. Will every superintendent of a Junior League please promptly send me her address, and the number of members in her League? Please do it now. By so doing you will confer a great favor upon me, and you will receive literature that will be helpful to you, and also to the children. And besides we will be starting out in the New Year 1915 for the full four quarter reports, and we will also be following the policy set for us by our church.

May I beg the assistance of the pastors who have Junior Leagues or Children's Missionary Societies in their charges. We all want to do the very best thing for the development of the children, and the correlation of these departments will facilitate work, and abolish the overlapping of reports, multiplied organizations, etc., and with the more simplified and business-like form of work greater results can be accomplished.

Yours for the advancement of Christ's Kingdom in the hearts of the children. Mrs. Mattie H. Stewart,
Second Vice-President Woman's Missionary Society.

The March Era is Junior League Number and is especially good. All the Junior superintendents should read it.

THE JUNIOR LEAGUE IN RELATION TO THE CHURCH

By Rev. John Sholars, in Epworth Era

The secret of the Junior League is with the pastor, the superintendent, the written constitution, and the local organization. Given a pastor and superintendent who have a thorough experience of personal religion, who are intelligent and consistent enough to see that the Junior League is the Methodist Church working with and among its children, and success is assured. The fruit of this success is in young lives who love and know Jesus Christ and that branch of his church known as Methodism. This theory competently pushed among the children exposes every subterfuge and dispels every false notion of those who would hinder the church and the child in their mutual approach. It hardly needs to be said that every minister of Christ who is a working pastor should be enamored of child life.

Assuming that every church has such a pastor, the next need for the success of the Junior League is a consecrated woman who understands and loves the numerous engagements and raptures of child life as John Burroughs understands and loves the romances and joys of the denizens of the woods. Such a woman and such a pastor should have this fundamental, rapturous knowledge of children; but there should be a higher plane in their experience and knowledge, that of Him who said: "In heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father who is in heaven."

Such a pastor and such a woman will see and understand that heaven belongs to the child, "heaven lies about us in our infancy," and that the child belongs to God. Hence the child is rightfully the property of the church. Stating the case obversely and consistently with the thought of Jesus, the church belongs to the child. It is in pursuit of the theory that the church and the child are interdependent that the constitution of the Epworth League is framed. In their search for the model church there are some modern apostles of reformed methods who would do well to study the Junior League in Methodism, with its cultivation among our little children of the ideas and practices of church administration, personal regeneration, social renovation, missionary expansion, and mental stimulus. These are big words to apply to the work of children; but as there are some who will not grasp a big idea unless it is incased and wrapped about by a big word, it is right to employ them as signifying that in the Junior Epworth League all the potencies that save men, women, and children, conserve the home, purify and domesticate the church, and preserve the priceless elements of a Christian society are at work, not in germ merely, but often in a fullness and variety that are very pleasing. The church belongs to the child because the future of the church belongs to the child. The child can not be heavily responsible when that future supervenes unless a certain and positive measure of responsibility is entailed in the present—a weight resting today both upon the children and the mature membership of the church.

The existence of the Junior League is a recognition of this weight and a joint assumption of this present responsibility by the mature membership represented by the pastor and the superintendent and by the children. Here let us emphasize a prime essential to the success of the League—the impressing of this present responsibility upon the children, accompanied with the notice that they are the future church, with an added similar profound impression upon the whole church membership. That such a notion of responsibility should prevail is obvious to all who love and assign to the children of the church their proper place and value. The Junior League furnishes a sphere where intensive cultivation may be done among the children of those sentiments of love for Christ and loyalty to his church with a proper resolution to win the home, the community, and the world for Christ and his church, which spring from authentic knowledge acquired in the years of early life—years which are truly authoritative and properly belong to those teachers who know and love the truth as it is in Jesus and are versed in varied romantic arts of childhood. tion and propaganda will, conjointly greatly aid in assuring the future power and integrity of the church.

The welding of the Junior League with the Juvenile Missionary Society and the consequent placing of the children of our church under the joint superintendence of the pastor, the League Board, and the working women of our church could be only an omen of great good. The solution of the problem of the pastor's care of the children the indoctrination of our child life in the missionary propaganda, and the employment of the gracious influence of our women in this personal care and instruction are the advantages obtained. The whole arrangement works toward the development of personal Christianity and missionary intelligence and zeal among our children The inspiration of the Junior League is the unity and consecration of the whole of Christ's church in all the ages and in all the world. By this sign and spirit every insinuation of objectors who propose the pre-eminence of the personal Christian life over the personal church life is exposed for a sham; and the fact emerges that "Epworth League" stands for a world enshrined in the suffering love of the Reedeemer and his faithful followers. Moreover, it is manifestly vain to organize a church if it is not rooted in the affections of our children. The final overflow of the world with God's love and the emergence of the new heavens and the new earth are in the future. Methodists must either consent to have no adequate part in that ultimate reconstruction or they must forever be committing the church to the tender regard and notice of their child population.

Any notion that the whole of the spiritual role herein committed to the Junior League is sustained by the Sunday school is exploded by the fact that the government and administration of the Sunday school are beyond and above the hands and the minds of the children; whereas the government and administration of the Epworth League, both Junior and Senior, are in the hands of youth itself and within the grasp of their minds and hearts competent, inspiring, and instructive superintendents.

"Behold the child. . . .
See where 'mid work of his own hand he lies;
See at his feet some little plan or chart,
Some fragment from his dream of human life,
Shaped by himself with newly learned art;
. . . And this hath now his heart,
And unto this he frames his song."

Hence it is easy to sustain a fundamental distinction between the Epworth League and the Sunday school upon grounds that are psychological.

It is a happy commentary upon the astuteness and foresight of the men and women of Methodism that they conceived and projected the Junior League and now sustain it among our children. This new development in our church and throughout Protestant Christianity is a new glory shed by Christ upon his church.

Finally, the personal effect of the Junior League upon the child is to teach him Christian self-control, obedience in the home, loyalty to the Church of Christ, and devotion to the arts, recreations, and charities of the Christian community. Arrived at what we call the age of discretion, The Junior Epworthian should possess every art, grace, and constituent of the man or woman who will stand in the future as a component factor in the Christian home, a pillar in the church, and a light in the world. And it would be manifestly unjust to fail to notice that at such an age he is the best material for the Intermediate and Senior Leagues or to deny to those societies their part in the completion of his character.

There is no defense of democracy comparable to the fact that the love of liberty and self-government belongs to the race in its tender years. The Junior League is the one Methodist organization which recognizes and honors this valorous instinct of childhood. In work and play in the League the largest liberty is allowed consistent with the idea of the unity, holiness, and power of the church. Equitably distributed between the two, the weight of personal responsibility elicits the devotion of the child. Where the League enjoys its rightful place in the church, many of the devious influences of the mature mind are overthrown by the nobler spirit and example of the child. Thus is demonstrated the wisdom of Jesus, who gave the little child to his disciples for a standard of Christian quality and excellence.

Kentwood, La.

PLANT TREES NOW

April will be too late. Some things you can put off, but not this. You gain a whole year in ripening time by planting NOW rather than fall.

Tell us what you want and we will ship promptly. Prices always reasonable. If we weren't reliable this paper would not print this.

Plenty Apples, Peaches, in large or small quantities. Some low prices for large quantities for spring shipment if ordered at once. Pears, Plums, Grapes, Berries, also Evergreens, Flowering Shrubs, Roses, Shade Trees, etc., to make the home attractive.

HOWARD NURSERY CO.,
Box L210 Stovall, N. C.

Paint Without Oil

Remarkable Discovery That Cuts Down the Cost of Paint Seventy-Five Per Cent.

A Free Trial Package Is Mailed to Everyone Who Writes

A. L. Rice, a prominent manufacturer of Adams, N. Y., has discovered a process of making a new kind of paint without the use of oil. He calls it Powdrpaint. It comes in the form of a dry powder and all that is required is cold water to make a paint weather proof, fire proof and as durable as oil paint. It adheres to any surface, wood, stone or brick, spreads and looks like oil paint and costs about one-fourth as much.

Write to Mr. A. L. Rice, Manuf'r, 144 North St., Adams, N. Y., and he will send you a free trial package, also color card and full information showing you how you can save a good many dollars. Write today.

BILLY SUNDAY'S MESSAGE

AUTHORIZED. Great Opportunity for man or woman to make $6.00 to $15.00 a day. Unusually liberal terms. Spare time may be used. Particulars and samples free. Universal Bible House, 518 Winston Bldg., Philadelphia.

Our Children's Home

Conducted by Walter Thompson, Supt.

FIFTH SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

St. Peter's S. S., Henry, Edny Willis, $2.00; Loves Chapel S. S., Sylva, J. W. Bumgarner, $1.45; Black Mountain S. S., Black Mountain, Marvin Woodard, $2.02; Cora Mill Union S. S., Kings Mountain, J. R. Roberts, $1.50; Central M. E. Church S. S., Concord, K. L. Craven, $10.00; Mt. Vernon S. S., Kernersville, Rev. C. P. Goode, $1.57; St. Paul S. S., Randleman, S. E. Kirkman, $12.01; Morganton Station, Morganton, E. B. Claywell, $7.82; Taylorsville S. S., Taylorsville, R. L. Snow, $6.25; Madison M. E. Church S. S., Madison, G. W. Martin, $2.00; Moris Grove S. S., Hendersonville, Miss Jennie D. Love, 62c; Fairview Methodist S. S., Fairview, T. W. Shuford, $1.00; Advance S. S., Advance, T. M. Markland, $3.30; Hickory Station, Hickory, G. F. Ivey, $15.66; Prospect S. S., Thomasville, M. G. Maner, $1.22; New Mt. Tabor, Salem Ct., New London, D. A. Rogers, $1.06; Macedonia Church, Southmont, S. M. Peacock, $4.00. Total, $73.48.

AMOUNT RECEIVED ON GENERAL, SPECIAL AND TEN PER CENT. ASSESSMENT

Siloam Church, Dobson, Rev. J. G. W. Holloway, $5.00; Mrs. Etta Parlier, Winston, $5.00; A Friend, $5.00; Concord Ct., Concord, W. T. Albright, $12.25; Holmes Bryson, Dillsboro, $10.00; Bethlehem S. S., Pleasant Garden, P. L. Terrell, $2.28; Pleasant Garden S. S., Pleasant Garden, P. L. Terrell, $2.78; Centenary Baraca Class, Winston, P. A. Burton, $25.00; Clyde Church, Clyde, Miss Madge Robinson, $3.50; Centenary Church, Winston, Z. T. Bynum, $50.00; Central M. E. Church, Mt. Airy, R. H. Leonard, $15.00; Main St. M. E. Church Baraca Class, Thomasville, M. N. Hoyle, $50.00; Laurel Springs Ct., Sparta, S. W. Brown, $2.00. Total, $187.81.

BUILDING FUND

J. E. Carter, Polkton, $5.00; T. H. Redding, Ashboro, $25.00; Vernon Hawkins, Asheville, $10.00; Ed. W. Whitesides, Asheville, $10.00; Prof. C. H. Trowbridge, Brevard, $12.50; N. E. Boggs, Bellwood, $2.50; Mrs. T. H. Galloway, Brevard, $5.00; Dr. Dred Peacock, High Point, $5.00; W. J. Armfield, Ashboro, $10.00; R. C. Johnson, Ashboro, $2.50; A. G. Higgins, Belwood, $6.00; E. J. Liddy, Asheville, $2.00; Dr. J. F. Miller, Ashboro, $2.00; Mrs. C. G. Beal Ashboro, $2.00; Mrs. Fannie Carter, Biltmore, $5.00. Total, $104.50.

DONATIONS IN KIND

Mrs. C. F. Morrison, Wilkesboro, 1 box of clothing and materials; W. M. Knight, Stokesdale, 1 barrel of flour; J. C. Streater, 2 quilts, no name except the one on express ticket; Mrs. C. C. Martin, East Bend, 1 dozen canned fruit.

TRINITY COLLEGE NOTES

The February number of the Trinity Archive has just come from the press and contains the following contributions: Two Ages (Poem, John O. Durham; College Ideals (essay), N'Importe; Peggie (Story), Sadie McCauley; The Song of the Carrion Crow (Poem), Jove; O. Henry (sketch), G. M. Carver; A Grafter's Luck (Story), L. W, Powell; Sunset (Poem). B. D. McCubbins; The Eyes of the World (Book Review), B. W. Barnard; The New Year (Sonnet), Mary Westcott; Sunset as Seen from the Slums of a City (Poem), M. B. Andrews; The Dream-Week (Poem), H. '13; Seventeen (Poem), Banks Arendell; Fashion's Decree (Verse), E. L. Culbreth.

* * * *

The 1915 Chanticleer, the Trinity Annual, will soon be in press, all the copy for that publication now being in the hands of the board of editors. It is expected that this publication will be on sale here the early part of April. The book will be somewhat larger this year than it has been in former years and will be divided into six parts: the college, the classes, literary activities, organization, athletics, and humor. The publication is to be dedicated this year to Senator Simmons, a distinguished son of the college.

* * * *

Te preliminary for the debate with Swarthmore College at Swarthmore March 12, was held in the hall of the Columbian Literary Society last Friday evening, when the question, "Resolved, That the United States should abandon the Monroe Doctrine," was contested by eight students. This is the question which will be used in the final contest with Swarthmore. The decision of the judges, consisting of Professor R. L. Flowers, Dr. W. H. Glasson, and Dr. C. A. Moore, resulted in the selection of Mr. B. W. Barnard, of Asheville, Mr. G. S. Sexton, of Dallas, Texas, and Mr. A. B. Farmer, of Bailey, with Mr. H. E. Meyers, of Biscoe, as alternate as the representatives of Trinity. All of these men have had more or less experience in debating and form a strong team. Debating interests at the college continue as a very live activity and are participated in by a large number of the students.

* * * *

The various Greek letter societies have recently held their annual initiation ceremonies and a number of students were received into these organizations.

* * * *

The tennis courts are being put into repair for the spring practice, and plans are being made for the spring touraments as soon as the weather permits.

* * * *

The regular monthly meeting of the Trinity College Historical Society was held in East Duke building last Tuesday evening. Dr. W. K. Boyd, president of the organization, announced a large accession of very valuable historical papers and documents to the society, the gift of Dr. James J. Wolfe, professor of Biology, and his family The material is largely Southern ante-bellum history, and consists of newspapers, pamphlets, books, etc. After the announcement of these additions to the historical museum, Dr. Edgar W. Knight, of the department of education, gave a paper on "The Development of Public Education in Virginia before 1860."

* * * *

The last local game of basket ball for this season was played here last Monday evening, when Trinity defeated Wake Forest by one point, the score being 28 to 27.

WINTER SPRAYING OF FRUIT TREES

Late February and early March is the season for winter spraying of fruit trees, and Mr. F. Sherman, Entomoligist of the State Department of Agriculture, is sending circulars on the subject to all who apply. Over 500 copies have been sent out since January 1st, indicating a credible interest.

The winter spraying is done to control San Jose Scale or other scale-insects to clean off rough bark, and mossy growths, to kill spores of tree diseases, and to encourage a clean healthy growth when the buds open. It should be given while the trees are yet in dormant winter condition, but it is better to make it as late in winter as convenient, just so it is surely complete before the buds open.

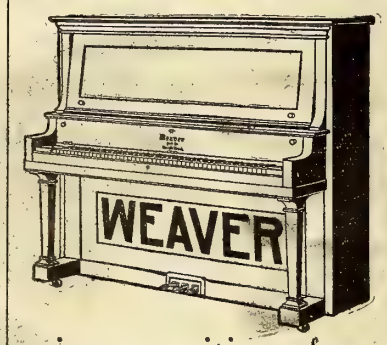
For this spraying use the ready-made lime-sulphur solution, one gallon mixed with eight gallons of water —no other ingredients needed for this winter treatment. The solution can be bought from Thomson Chemical Company, Baltimort, Md., or the Grasselli Chemical Company, Birmingham, Ala., or from several other firms listed in the circular mentioned. It costs from 10 to 15 cents per gallon if bought by the barrel, up to about 60 cents per single gallon. Several hardware or wholesale drug firms in the state sell it at retail.

A few growers still prefer to make their own solution by boiling 15 lbs. lime and 15lbs. sulphur together and then add water to make 50 gallons, but this is very troublesome and is no longer considered best.

The circular mentioned also gives a complete schedule for spraying fo the whole year, gives all needed direc tions for preparing mixtures, ad dresses of firms which manufactur spraying outfits, etc.

Mr. Sherman makes the estimat that about 250,000 fruit trees, or more in this state, will be given this win ter treatment by the middle of March These growers are keen men, an would not go to this expense unles convinced that it pays.

A Piano Aristocrat.



THE WEAVER PIANO

is too expensively made to appeal to the bargain seekers. You never find the Weaver Piano on any bargain counter, or advertised in any club or special bargain proposition of any kind.

It is in a class of its own and is made for the occasional discriminating buyer who wants the finest piano that it is possible to produce and is able and willing to pay the price for it. It is the Piano that has set a new high standard of quality for the 20th century. The published opinions of many of the world's leading musicians confirm this. And yet the price is not excessive. You get more real value for every dollar in the price of the Weaver Piano than in any other. Write for catalogue, price, and full particulars. Easy time payments when desired by responsible purchasers.

WEAVER ORGAN & PIANO COMPANY, MANUFACTURERS, YORK, PA.

THE COLLAR YOUR HORSE
HUMANE NEEDS EFFICIENT



The LANKFORD COTTON DUCK HORSE COLLAR that's FIT for Mules and Horses—the triumph of the past—the work collar of the future. Thousands are adopting it. Three million mules and horses last year enjoyed the comfort-giving, pain-sparing virtues of the Lankford. A sore shoulder from a Lankford is absolutely impossible, but thousands inflicted by other collars are cured while the animal works. It enables the animal to throw his whole "heft" and pull without feeling pain or discomfort. A sore shoulder preventative. Has created a new use for COTTON which helps the whole country. If your dealer can't supply you write us. COUCH BROS. MFG. CO.

$1.00 Delivered

Box 974 U Atlanta, Ga. Box 19 U Memphis, Tenn.

TRADE MARK



15 ROSES postpaid anywhere in the U. S. for $1.00

This grand collection consists of 15 nice, healthy plants the cream of Tea, H. T. and H Pol, roses in existence. It contains varieties such as: Bele Gould, Papa Goutier, Soframe W. Maman Cochet, Francise Kruger, Dutches de Brabant, Mar Guillot, Catherine Mermet, Conquette d Lyon, Meteor, Abel Chatney, Clotilde Soupert, Pink Cochet, and Bessie Brown. Tr some—you will want more. SATISFAC TION GUARANTEED or your money back

Singer THE FLORIST

Address: Dept. 15 Harrodsburg, Ky.

POTATO PLANTS

Genuine Nancy Hall and Porto Rico from prize winning stock, also Triumph and Red Providence. Price 500 for $1.35 1,000 at $2.45, postpaid. By express, no postpaid, 500 for $1.00; 1,000 to 4,000 a $1.75 per 1,000; 5,000 to 10,000 at $1.60 pe 1,000. Special prices on large lots.

Tomato Plants ready March 15th. Va rieties: Earliana, Globe, Truckers' Fa vorite and Stone. Price, 500 for $1.75 postpaid. By express, 500 for $1.25; 1,00 at $2.00.

Write for a descriptive price list.

PIEDMONT PLANT CO., Albany, Ga., and Greenville, S. C.

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER AND PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glass ware and Ornaments. We are the oldes leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS

WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT

(Continued from Page 8)

a study class, believing it to be one of the greatest helps in the furtherance of the work.

6. That the simplified Standard of Excellence as provided by the Council be adopted for the use of the Junior auxiliaries.

7. That one day of the Week of Prayer be given to the work of the children and that all offerings collected on that day be credited to the children's work, the amounts being sent to the Conference Treasurer as Week of Prayer collections.

8. That at each district meeting, the work of the children be emphasized, by giving them a prominent place on the program.

9. That we stress the importance of accurate and prompt quarterly reports and would emphasize the fact that it is the prime duty of the auxiliary second vice-president to send all reports of all work done by Baby and Junior Divisions to the Conference second vice-president, at the same time sending their remittances to the Conference treasurer and a report of their work to the district secretary.

10. As the district secretaries make the apportionment of pledge to each society, we would ask that this apportionment be made as early as possible following the annual meeting, so that this pledge may be raised before the close of the year.

Mrs. Mattie H. Stewart,
Chairman,
Mrs. W. R. Harris,
Secretary.

REPORT OF SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT

If your second vice-president should plead hard times as an excuse for the financial short-comings of her department this year she might find herself not alone in her humiliation. But somehow I don't feel like making excuses. Beau in mind the fact that the young people's organizations are in a constantly changing, a fluid condition. Whole auxiliaries have been known to "get married," and thereby remove themselves from our territory forever. On the other hand, if the Juniors are properly trained, we should have them to draw on constantly for filling in the depleted ranks.

Last year I made a plea for the establishment of a closer contact between auxiliaries, leaders and their Conference officers. Instead of being able to live up to this recommendation it has been my misfortune to have lived outside my own territory for nine months out of every twelve.

The literature and report blanks have gone out regularly and I am glad to say the system of reporting has worked more successfully though far from perfectly.

Thanks are due our efficient conference treasurers for their co-operation throughout the year. To the auxiliary presidents for their usually prompt replies to my letters, to our Conference editor for valuable space in her columns, to those in the ranks who have rendered the smallest service, I give my thanks also. To you all good courage, "the best is yet to be."

Statistical Report

Auxiliaries (active)), 47; auriliaries, new or re-organized, 9; members (31 auxiliaries reporting), 847; dues—foreign department, $419.36; dues—home department, $244.96; pledge—foreign department, $1,715.28; pledge—home department, $344.79; mission study classes, 16; amount spent locally, $625.46.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Plato T. Durham.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL

The Woman's Missionary Council, Metodist Episcopal Church, South, will hold its fifth annual meeting in First Church, Little Rock, Arkansas, April 14-22, 1915

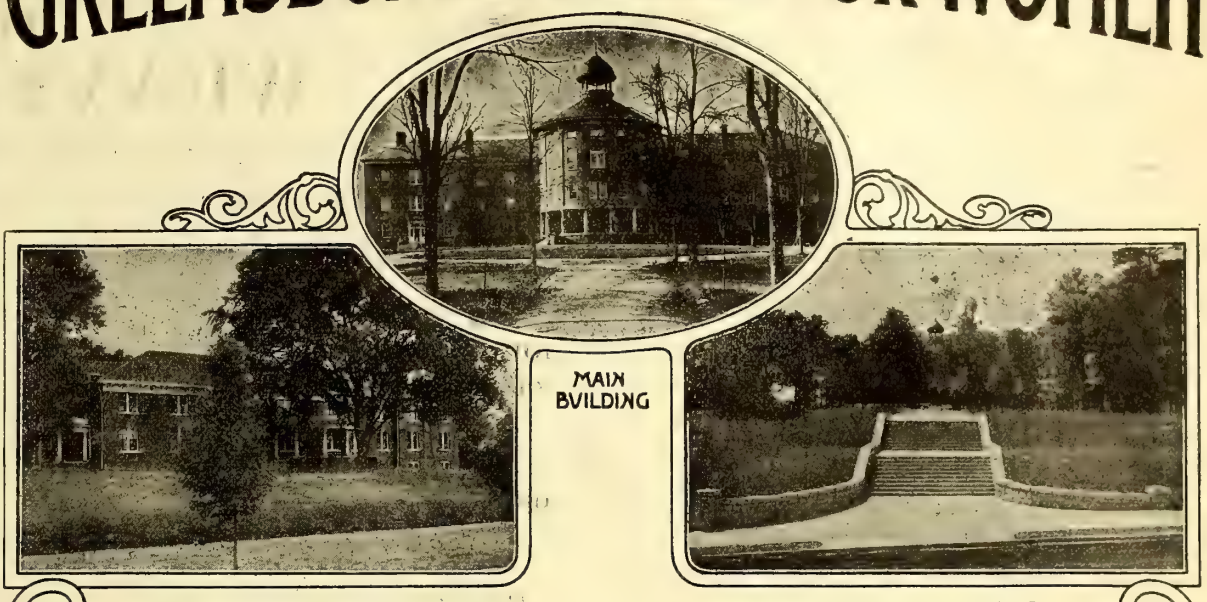
A Workers' Conference will be held Wednesday, April 14th, at 2 o'clock, in the afternoon, and the first public session at 8 o'clock in the evening of the same day.

Delegates and visitors should correspond with Mrs. F. V. Holmes, 621 Third St., Little Rock, Ark., Chairman of the Committee on Homes, who will furnish lists of hotels and boarding houses.

Reduced railroad rates can not be obtained. The Southeastern and Southwestern Passenger Associations advise that delegates from points in Arkansas use the regular one-way fares in effect in that state, which are on a basis of two cents per mile, and from points outside of Arkansas, delegates can take advantage of the all-year tourist fares in effect to Hot Springs. These all-year tourist tickets are on sale daily from the principal stations in the southeastern territory, to Hot Springs, with liberal arrangements in the way of stopover privileges, limit, etc., but this ticket must be validated at Hot Springs before it can be used on the return trip.

Miss Belle H. Bennett,
President.
Mrs. Fitzgerald Sale Parker,
Secretary.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY—FITZGERALD HALL

ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

A Big ? You Decide: The School: The Methods: The Results:

A Few Reasons Why You Should Enroll With Us

We teach Stenotypy, the fastest method of writing. Our *courses* teach you to *know*. We *train* you to *grasp* your *opportunity*. Latest improved methods. Your choice of nine different systems of *shorthand, two of them hold world's record* for *speed* and *accuracy*.

Rates and terms most reasonable. *Real business courses* as taught at a *real commercial college*. Results unequalled. Twenty-five students recently placed in positions.

Write for further information and terms. Do not put off this important step.

CENTRAL BUSINESS COLLEGE, ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

T S. SPRADLIN, President

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

The Sunday School Lesson

FIRST QUARTER — LESSON X
March 7, 1915

SAUL ANOINTED KING
1 Sam. 8 to 10

Golden Text—Fear God. Honor the king. 1 Pet. 2. 17.

Summary of the Lesson

"It takes more than a throne to make a king." "A real king will always make a throne." Such sentences as these remind us of the importance of personal qualities if great positions are to be filled worthily. The people of Israel had come to the place where they wanted a king. They desired that national unity and solidity which would be expressed in a monarchy, with a strong, brave and efficient ruler on the throne. Samuel did not regard the change with favor, but he fell in with the wishes of the people. A young man of unusual physical and personal qualities was chosen. While he was seeking lost donkeys he found that a throne was seeking him. With profound emotion and with impressive words Samuel anointed him and sent him forth to be ready for the day when he should enter into his kingdom.

The People Without a King

Tennyson's "Idyls of the King" is well named. Arthur is the central figure in the picture. Lancelot is more dramatic and at times he seems to usurp the king's place in the thought of the reader as well as in the regard of Guinevere, but at last the reader comes to see, as did the beautiful queen, that Arthur can be put in no place but the throne of the king. His will, his purpose, his ideals dominate the whole series of poems. You can imagine a series of idyls with Lancelot left out. You can not imagine them without Arthur to command them all into unity of meaning and beauty of aspiration and achievement.

The people of Israel had no King Arthur at the time of which we write. They had no king of any sort, and they had begun to feel that a nation without a king is like a body without a head. They wanted to join the company of the monarchies of the world. They wanted to lift their face among the kingdoms round about, and so the kingless nation cried out for a king.

In the passages which we are studying we come across an interpretation of this desire for a centralized, solidified government, with a king at its head, as a species of disloyalty to Jehovah. From a theocracy to a monarchy is felt to be a downward step. "We have no king but Caesar" does not strike so high a note as "We have no king but Jehovah." The religious interpretation of history seems to clash with the political interpretation, which would probably count a monarchy an inevitable stage in the evolution of a great people. It is easy to see, however, that large losses came with the actual gains which the monarchy offered. A kingdom with Arthur on the throne is a great thing, but Arthur is not always on the throne. As a matter of fact he was all too rarely on the throne of Israel. The people were to pay a high price for their king.

The King Without a Kingdom

J. M. Barrie's books Sentimental Tommy and Tommy and Grizel tell the story of a man who never emerged from adolescent uncertainty and restlessness. He was always a creature of mood and never became a man of character. This period when a hundred varied emotions play intermittently in a man's soul; when untried powers call for exercise; when defeat seems to yawn at one's feet and victory wings its flight above one's head; this period of stress and strain a man must pass through. It is the experience of the man who has not yet found himself. It is the life of the king who has not yet come into his kingdom.

Saul felt the seething restlessness of a man's untried powers. Tall of stature, with the comeliness and strength of a man of kingly energies, he went through the round of ordinary duties, waiting for his hour to come, perhaps wondering if his hour would ever come. There is a revealing suggestiveness in the words which Samuel spoke to Saul at their first meeting: "I will tell thee all that is in thy heart." The first piercing gaze of Samuel recognized in Saul a dreamer of dreams which had not yet come true. The hours of lonely thought and brooding and aspiration after a future which had not as yet come to light had left their mark upon the face of Saul. He felt the stirrings of great powers in his soul. He did not know how to express them. He did not know they ought to be expressed.

But if Saul was a dreamer he was no shirker. His destiny found him busy about the tasks to which his father had assigned him. The king without a kingdom employed himself at the work which lay at his hand. The man who works while he waits is best preparing for the strike of the clock which will call him to higher duties.

What the Seer Saw

In the memorable passage in Paradise Lost Milton describes Adam's vision of the future of the race. The old man Samuel had a vision of the future of his people, which sight and insight combined to make significant. He saw the perils of the monarchy. He saw the social and economic dangers involved in the maintenance of a king and a court and all the regalia of royalty. He had a deep desire that progress for his people might come in another way. The unity coming from a new loyalty to Jehovah, the solidarity coming from a common consecration to the will of the righteous God, the development of a people working out their own destiny with a noble daring and not consumed by a desire to be like the other nations; the strength of a government made strong by the character of the people and not by dependence upon a powerful king—such thoughts as these were in the mind and heart of Samuel at this important moment.

Could the theocracy have been welded into a strong and stable and adequately centralized government? Could it have developed into a sturdy form of self-government without an intermediate experience of monarchy? Did the people miss a supreme political and moral and spiritual opportunity when they insisted on having a king?

However these things may be, Samuel saw that the perpetuity of the theocracy was not practicable with the people all clamorous for a king. He was a man of practical astuteness as well as of lofty vision. He knew that the ideal is not always the possible. Because the people would not have the best he prepared to give them the second best. He frankly analyzed the situation, but all his warnings fell on deaf ears. So he prepared to guide the people in their search for a king.

What the Seer Did

Occasionally there appear in politics a man whose slogan seems to be, "The ideal or nothing." Too often the latter alternative is the one which they are forced to accept. There is another type, whose watchword seems to be, "The ideal, or at least as near an approach to it as possible." These men are the practical reformers and their achievements are great enough to gladden the heart. The man who enters with enthusiasm into doing the best he can do when the thing which he would like to do is impossible is a strong man and a dependable leader. When Samuel found that he could not have what he believed to be the best thing he set about making the second best just as good as possible. With an enthusiasm remarkable under the circumstances he entered into the activities which were to provide Israel with a king. Saul's hour of anointing was filled with all the solemn, splendid significance which a seer of impressive personality who was also an Oriental could put into it. You would not think that a precious impossible dream was hidden away in the prophet's heart, as you watch the heartiness and enthusiasm with which he greets that comely and powerful youth named Saul. Samuel possessed too robust and virile a nature for moral or spiritual sulks. He was not soured by disappointment, but continued his work, a wholesome, sturdy man, in whom sanity and high ideals, practical sagacity and noble vision dwelt together. —Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in New York Christian Advocate.

LETTERS FROM RHEUMATICS

Possibly you have imagined that you could never get your own consent to write a testimonial letter, but if you have ever experienced the excrutiating pains of Rheumatism you can at least appreciate the feelings of those who have been relieved of this terrible disease by drinking the Mineral Water from the justly celebrated Shivar Spring at Shelton, S. C. This water overcomes many diseases, including Indigestion, Gout, Uric Acid Poisoning and Liver and Kidney diseases, but no patrons of the Spring are more enthusiastic in their praise of the water than those who have been relieved of their Rheumatism. Hundreds of letters like the following have been received by the Management:

Dr. Crosby, a South Carolina physician, writes:—"I have tested your Spring Water in several cases of Rheumatism, Chronic Indigestion, Kidney and Bladder troubles and in Nervous and Sick Headaches and find that it has acted nicely in each case, and I believe that, if used continuously for a reasonable time, will produce a permanent cure. It will purify the blood, relieve debiity, stimulate the action of the Liver, Kidneys and Bladder, aiding them in throwing off all poisonous matter."

Dr. Avant of Savannah wrtes:—"I suffered for years with a most aggravating form of stomach disorder and consulted a number of our best local physicians, went to Baltimore and consulted specialists there and still I was not benefited. I had about despaired of living when I began to use Shivar Spring Water and in a short time was cured."

Mr. Rhodes of Virfiinia writes:—"Please send me ten gallons of Shivar Spring Water quickly. I want it for Rheumatism. I know of several who were cured of Rheumatism with this water."

Editor Cunningham writes:"The water has done more good than any medicine I have ever taken for Rheumatism. Am entirely free from pain."

Mr. McClam of South Carolina writes:—"My wife has been a sufferer from Rheumatism and after drinking twenty gallons of your Mineral Water was entirely cured of the horrible disease."

Mr. Carter of Virginia writes:—"Mrs. Carter has had enlarged joints upon her hands, caused by Rheumatism. Shivar Spring Water removed every trace of the enlargement. The water is simply excellent."

If you suffer with Rheumatism, or with any chronic disease, accept the guarantee offer below by signing your name. Clip and mail to the

Shivar Spring,
Box 5R, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen:

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)

Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You run no risk whatever in accepting his offer. I have personally witnessed the remarkable curative effects of this water in a very serious case.



PAINT STRENGTH

Strength is what paint is for. The stronger it is, the less gallons and money it takes, and the longer it wears. The strongest paint-word is DEVOE.

ODELL
Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice



Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER
Proprietor
GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF
STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO

ROBT. W. MURRAY
GENERAL INSURANCE
Greensboro, North Carolina
308½ South Elm St.
Phone 163

Our Little Folks' Department

AN OLD FABLE

Once a poor crane was caught in a net and could not get out. She fluttered and flapped her wings, but it was of no use; she was held fast.

"Oh!" she cried. "What will become of me if I can not break this net? The hunter will come and kill me, or else I shall die of hunger, and if I die who will care for my little ones in the nest? They must perish also if I do not come back to feed them."

Now Trusty, the sheep-dog, was in the next field and heard the poor crane's cries. He jumped over the fence, and, seizing the net in his teeth, quickly tore it to pieces. "There," he said. "Now fly back to your young ones, ma'am, and good luck to you all."

The crane thanked him a thousand times. "I wish all dogs were like you," she said. "And I wish I could do something to help you as you have helped me."

"Who knows?" said Trusty. "Some day I may need help in turn, and then you may remember me. My poor mother used to say to me,—

" 'To do a kind deed wherever we can
Is good for bird and beast and man.' "

Then Trusty went back to mind his master's sheep and Mrs. Crane flew to her nest, and fed and tended her crane babies.

Some time after this she was flying homeward and stopped at a clear pool to drink. As she did so she heard a sad, moaning sound, and, looking about, whom should she see but Trusty, lying on the ground, almost at the point of death. She flew to him. "Oh, my good, kind friend," she cried, "what has happened to you?"

"A bone has stuck in my throat," said the dog, "and I am choking."

"Now, how thankful I am for my long bill!" said Mrs. Crane. "Open your mouth, good friend, and let me see what I can do."

Trusty opened his mouth wide; the crane darted in her long, slender bill, and with a few good tugs loosened the bone and finally got it out.

"Oh, you kind, friendly bird!" cried the dog as he sprang to his feet and capered joyfully about. "How shall I ever reward you for saving my life?"

"Did you not save mine first?" said Mrs. Crane. "Friend Trusty, I have only learned your mother's lesson, which you taught me, that

" 'To do a kind deed wherever we can
Is good for bird and beast and man.' "

—Messenger for the Children.

AN UNTRAINED DOG

I threw down my axe, stooped over, braced my inclined body by resting hands on my knees, and gazed steadfastly into old Pointer's face. Pointer had carried, stick by stick, the wood which I had cut in the barn lot and placed it in the wood-box by the stove in the kitchen.

My host, an old farmer acquaintance, had left me a few minutes; and, while alone, I indulged in a bygone duty as a boy, chopping wood. As I threw it out stick by stick, Pointer, a bird-dog belonging to a relative of my host who lived upon a near-by hill, was standing near, and he carried in the wood until the box was completely filled. I threw out a large unsplit stick to test his sincerity, and with much difficulty he finally dragged it to the house.

With this experiment, I was determined to learn something of my new four-footed friend, whom I had learned to admire in such a short time.

When my host returned I informed him what had happened. "Oh, yes," he said with a solemn smile, "Pointer is our greatest helper," and then he continued, as he looked down at the dog, "He is truly a friend in need, and one of the most accommodating neighbors we have out here."

Pointer was just common-looking white bird-dog, with eyes which bore an uncommonly intelligent expression.

After this experience, when I looked into his eyes and talked to him, somehow I felt that he certainly understood some of the things which I said to him.

After Pointer had carried in the wood and done a few other chores about the house, he went home. The next day I was anxious to find out something about the dog's training.

Fortunately, the dog's master was an old friend of mine, and, the following day, when I asked about his tutoring, I was rather perplexed when he promptly stated that the dog had never had any training, but that it was a natural ability.

His discovery of the dog's rare intelligence was purely accidental. While putting on his shoes one morning, one shoe was missing. Pointer was standing by, watching him as he drew on the shoe, and, as he finished, he laughingly said:—

"Pointer, I believe you know something about my other shoe. If you know where it is, please get it."

The dog immediately walked out of the door and soon came back with the shoe in his mouth. This was a complete though pleasant surprise to him, and from that moment on the dog was dealt with much the same as if he had been a boy. He was sent daily to the rural mail-box for the mail. He was despatched a number of times daily a half-mile away for butter, sweet milk, and other articles. He was the man's servant, who never failed him and never refused to obey.—Robert Sparks Walker, in Our Dumb Animals.

COMRADES

"Shall we ask him to play ball with us?" asked John Keyes, motioning toward a strange boy who was eagerly watching their games.

The other boys shook their heads decidedly.

"He's too good to go to school with us," Joe Dalton declared. "Most likely he'd be too stuck-up to play ball, even if he knew how, which he probably doesn't."

The boy in question was Maurice Miller, son of a well-to-do widow who had recently purchased the finest house in the village. Maurice had had a serious illness the year before, from which he had not yet fully recovered, and his mother wanted him to have the benefit of the country air. Consequently he did not go to school. He was thirteen years old, but so small for his age that he was seldom thought to be more than eleven.

There was no game during the noon-hour that day. Boys and girls alike were talking excitedly about something that had happened that morning.

"It'll be weeks anyway, maybe months before he can walk again, father says."

Marion Martin, the doctor's blue-eyed daughter, was speaking in the authoritative tone of one who knew all about the case.

"Father is going to take care of him for nothing," she went on, "because it it was in getting Baby Brown's kitten out of a tree that he fell and hurt his back."

"That'll help some," Joe Dalton remarked.

They all shuddered at the thought of Tom Edson lying helpless—lively, merry Tom, with the laughing brown eyes, and the hair that would curl in spite of all his efforts to make it straight.

"Standing here talking won't help matters," John Keyes reminded them. "It's a case where we ought to do something. I'm going to take the washings back and forth for his mother until Tom's well."

Handsome, well-dressed John Keyes, acting as Widow Edson's laundry carrier! The other boys tried to gulp down their surprise.

"I'll take him my desert once a week," said Nora Walker. "His mother doesn't have much time for fancy cooking."

"So'll I! So'll I!" chorused so many voices that Tom's supply of dainties was promptly assured.

"There are games that a fellow can play even if he's in bed," said Joe thoughtfully, his mind on the winter when he had had scarlet fever. "I'll hunt some of mine and go over and play with Tom."

This evoked another chorus of "So'll I!"

"Why not draw lots and have certain days?" Marion proposed. "If we go just as it happens, there might be a lot of us one day and none at all the next."

So lots were drawn and each boy and girl had a regular time for their visits.

Joe and John were still discussing the matter when they walked home from school that afternoon. Their way led past Maurice Miller's new home.

To the boys' surprise he hailed them.

"I've been thinking about that boy who hurt his back this morning," Maurice began a little shyly. "It's going to be pretty lonesome for him."

"We've all agreed to go to see him and take him things," Joe replied, rather stiffly.

He felt that this was a matter that concerned the boys of the school, and not one for a stranger to mix in. Shy though he was, Maurice was too much in earnest to be so easily rebuffed.

"I thought you boys might like to get out a paper for him," he began again, one that would give him all the school news. I have a printing-press that is large enough to print a small paper."

"A little press of your own?" Joe interposed eagerly.

"Sure," Maurice nodded. "Come on in and I'll show you how it works."

"You'll have no trouble about getting help to print that paper," said John, their inspection ended. "All the boys'll be crazy to run this thing. I'd like to have a try at it myself."

"Why not get out a paper right now?" proposed Maurice, plainly delighted at their interest. "Tell me what happened at school today and I'll show you how to set the type."

At first the boys could think of no news.

"He'd like to know what the lessons were about,' Maurice suggested. "Maybe he'll try to keep up with his school work. Who was absent besides him? What did you play at recess? Did you have any visitors?"

News items now came faster than type could be set. Soon the little paper was printed.

"I'm going to Tom's on my way home, so I'll take it right along," said John, after they had carefully inspected the finished sheet.

When John and Joe came to help print the paper next day, half a dozen boys accompanied them. They brought more than enough news to fill such an edition as had been printed the day before.

"My, but Tom was pleased!" John reported. "He wanted to come and see the press right away."

"I'll take it over tomorrow and show it to him," Maurice promised.

"Teacher wanted to know if it would be too much trouble to print an extra copy or two every day," said Joe. "She thought it would be a good plan to send one to any other pupil who was sick."

"It's no trouble to print a dozen copies," said Maurice, "once we get the type set."

"How about Saturdays?" asked Joe.

"There won't be any school news Saturday," Maurice answered, "but we can get out a story and sporting paper."

"Who'd write the stories?" demanded Joe, who hated the very thought of composing anything.

"I will," answered Maurice, flushing a bit, "unless some of you fellows want to."

"Not so's you'd notice it!" laughed John. "I'd rather do things than write 'em any day."

"So would I if I could," was Maurice's sober response.

"What is there that you can't do?" Joe questioned wonderingly. "You've got more things than all of us boys put together, and nothing to do but use 'em."

"I'd give every last one of 'em," Maurice answered earestly, "just to be big and strong like you, and play and go to school with other boys."

There was a moment's silence, then Joe burst out,—

"And we thought you were proud!"

"Why?"

Maurice asked the question in such simple wonderment that Joe answered promptly, "Because you never went to school or anything."

"That's the doctor's fault," Maurice explained. "He says I'm not strong enough yet. But I tell you what, it's lonesome business to study and play alone all day.'

"So that's why you though Tom would be lonesome!" John exclaimed.

"I'd been there myself," Maurice assented. "And there's another thing that I ought to tell you boys. Of course I thought that Tom would like the paper but that wasn't the only reason I proposed to print it. You fellows never paid any attention to me and I wanted to have some of you stop here and get acquainted."

Maurice's mother thought that it was his interest in his new printing-press; the doctor credited it to the out door life that he had prescribed for his young patient. Maurice knew that it was his joy in the companionship of other boys that made him well enough to start to school the next term, when Tom Edson, too, came back.—Mary Gilbert, in Northern Christian Advocate.

One day the primary teacher had been talking about Jack and Jill, and asked the little people to draw a picture showing what she had told them. When the pictures were gathered, it was noticed that one little boy had drawn several stars about Jack's head.

The teacher said: "Why, Freddie, why do you have those stars in the picture? It was in the day-time when Jack and Jill went for the water."

Freddie looked up, as if surprised at the dullness of the teacher, and said, "Why, Miss ——, they are the stars that Jack saw when he fell down."—Little Chronicle.

Harry, five years old, was sent by his mother to bring her shoes. There were two pairs of shoes there. Harry took the first two he got hold of, which happened to be one lace and one button shoe, and brought them to his mother. His mother called his attention to the fact that the shoes did not match, and asked him why he did not bring a pair. He replied: "There was no pair there. The ones I left don't match neither."—Chicago Tribune.

DAINTY COOK BOOK FREE

We are mailing free our book, "Dainty Desserts for Dainty People," to anyone mentioning the name of their grocer. This book is beautifully illustrated in colors and gives over 100 recipes for the daintiest Desserts, Jellies, Puddings, Salad, Candies, Ices, Ice Creams, etc. If you will send a 2c stamp, we will also send you a full pint sample of KNOX GELATINE, or for 15c a two quart package, if your grocer does not sell it.

KNOX GELATINE
201 Knox Avenue Johnstown, N. Y.

Our Dead

MILLER—Death has claimed one of our most saintly women. Mrs. Claude Y. Miller lay down in death a week ago while the whole town wept. In the church she was consecrated and efficient; her hands were always willing and she was quick to see what needed to be done. She was loved with rare devotion by her children, upon whom she had made the imprint of her saintly life. No one in our town was held in higher esteem. She was but 55 years old and her friends were expecting a score more of years in which to enjoy her Christian fellowship. But it has been ordered otherwise, and they must wait her meeting till the dawning of the new day. May God comfort those who mourn.

Otho J. Jones.

Wilkesboro, N. C.

TROY—On last Sunday, after having preached at Pleasant Garden and having received a call to go to Liberty to attend the funeral of Mrs. Troy near that place, Brother H. M. Blair was kind enough to come to my assistance and filled my appointmemnt at Bethlehem in the evening.

Mrs. Nancy M. Troy was one of the oldest members of our church at Bethany and on the 19th of February, 1915, she passed peacefully away. She was born September 3rd, 1828, and had therefore lived to be 86 years, five months and 16 days old. She had been in feeble health for a long time when she had an attack of pneumonia which ended her earthly existence. She had been for a long time an acceptable member of the M. E. Church, South, having united with the church in her youth. She was a good woman and her end was peace. She expressed herself as ready to go and a little while before the end came she said, "All is bright and beautiful." On the 21st of February, a dear and peaceful Sabbath evening, in the presence of a large congregation her remains were laid to rest in the Bethany cemetery.

P. L. Terrell.

Feb. 24th, 1915.

JOHN ALEXANDER YOAKLEY

son of Amos and Elizabeth Yoakley, was born in Davidson County, N. C., January 4, 1859, and died at his home in Mt. Airy February 12, 1915; his life covering a period of a little more than 56 years. At the age of 21 he was married to Miss Flora Siceloff, of his native county, to which union six children were born; three daughters, Sardie, Mattie and Alma; three sons, James, Oscar and Bruce, all of whom, with their mother, survive him. He came to Mt. Airy about 30 years ago, and engaged in the lumber business. He was a pioneer here in furniture manufacturing. In this, and other lines, he proved himself a successful business man.

Being a man of energy and public spirit, his fellow citizens, two years ago, elected him a city alderman. In this position he gave a good account of himself.

His life as a Christian and church man began with his conversion at the age of 18 at Bethany in Daivdson county. He joined the church at Midway. Ever afterwards he was a loyal useful Methodist. He has been a member of Central's official board for many years. Due largely to him and one other the charge has its present parsonage. Along with the late J. H. Prother. He was active in securing our present organ. He was a friend to the district and the district parsonage. His church appreciated him and honored him by sending him to district and annual conferences. At the time of his death he was a member of the Conference board of church extension. The writer as well as all our ministers who became associated with him, valued his friendship and counsel.

A successful business man, a progressive citizen, a loyal church man, and a devoted husband and father; he will be greatly missed.

The funeral was conducted by his pastor from his late residence, in the midst of a large company, and his body was laid, with masonic honors, to rest in the city cemetery.

W. H. Willis.

THE VALUE OF FRESH AIR

The oxygen of the air is the world's great scavenger.

Drawn into the lungs it oxidizes the refuse in the blood through the lungs.

But when the lungs are engorged by croup, catarrh or colds the oxygen can not penetrate the phlegm and therefore can not reach the membranes through which it purifies the blood.

Apply Mentholatum in the nostrils and upon the throat and chest.

The body heat releases the aromatic volatile oils contained in the Mentholatum. These oils are pungent and penetrating.

When inhaled they eccelerate the flow of the secretions, loosening the hardened phlegm and encouraging its expectoration.

Then comes the life-giving, refreshing air—nature's restorative.

Mentholatum is also a germicide and an antiseptic.

It also has a rapid healing effect upon all inflamed surfaces, such as chapped skin, burns and bruises.

CABBAGE PLANTS FREE

Send $1.75 for One Thousand Frost Proof Cabbage Plants and receive an extra Thousand Free. Make large heads. Potato Plants, special price.

ATLANTIC COAST PLANT CO.,
Youngs Island, S. C.

---

27 BIG RE-ROOTED TOMATO PLANTS the kind that bears the First-Early, Red-Meat Beauties (3 weeks ahead of the season), delivered to you by Post, our risk, for 50 cents. Larger lots cheaper. The big bunches of roots are packed in damp moss, then wrapped in wax paper and will carry a thousand miles. Ask for our New Booklet that tells of vegetable and flowering plants that we grow by the millions.
Wakefield Plant Farm, Charlotte, N. C.

YOUR FRECKLES

Need Attention in February and March or Face Will Stay Covered.

Now is the time to take special care of the complexion if you wish it to look well the rest of the year. The February and March winds have a strong tendency to bring out freckles that may stay all Summer unless removed. Now is the time to use othine—double strength.

This prescription for the removal of freckles was written by a prominent physician and is usually so successful that it is sold by your druggist under guarantee to refund the money if it fails. Get an ounce of othine—double strength, and even a few applications should show a wonderful improvement, some of the smaller freckles even vanishing entirely.



THE CELEBRATED
Throneburg Nursery
solicits your trade on apple, peach, pear, shade and ornamental trees. Prices reasonable. Agents wanted everywhere. Liberal commissions.
THE THRONEBURG NURSERY, NEWTON, N. C.

"THE SANITARY" Individual Communion CUPS
List of thousands of churches using our cups and FREE CATALOG with quotations sent upon request.
Sanitary Communion Outfit Co., 71st St., Rochester, N. Y.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland
109 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

EASTER GIFTS
FOR CHILDREN
COLORED PICTURE BIBLES & TESTAMENTS
HOLMAN EDITIONS IN PURPLE BINDINGS

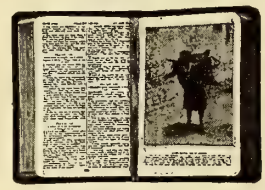
FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHOLARS AND LITTLE CHILDREN

These special editions have been prepared to appeal to the child's own interest.

All efforts of the imagination and all descriptions in words cannot make the Land of the Bible as real and vivid as a walk through it by means of Pictures. There has been so little change in that part of the Orient that pictures of its scenes as they now are show the very places as they actually existed in the time of Jesus and the Apostles.

These Pictures illuminate in natural colors scenes and places taken from nature; and life in the Holy Land in manners, customs, dress and homes as they now exist, but so like olden times that one may imagine themselves going about with Jesus as He healed, taught and walked through the streets of Jerusalem. Each picture is accompanied by a complete description of the scene portrayed.

ALL OF THE FOLLOWING STYLES are bound in PURPLE SILK CLOTH, with PURPLE EDGES on book



GOLD TITLES and GOLD FLORAL DESIGN



on cover, also containing Sixteen beautiful Colored Pictures.

COLORED PICTURE BIBLES, PURPLE SILK CLOTH BINDINGS.

	PUBLISHERS' PRICES	OUR PRICES	
No. 5404. Large Minion Type Self-Pronouncing. Size 5⅞ x 4¼ inches	1.00	.80	Post Paid
No. 5004. Clear Black Pearl Type Size 5⅛ x 3¼ inches	.70	.55	Post Paid

COLORED PICTURE NEW TESTAMENT, PURPLE SILK CLOTH BINDING.

No. 2404. Large Minion Type Self-Pronouncing. Size 5⅞ x 4¼ inches	.60	.40	Post Paid

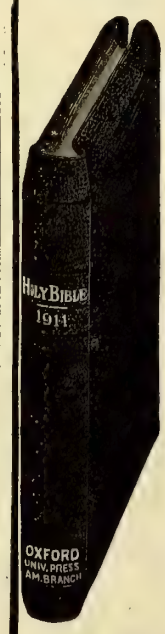
NEW TESTAMENT VEST POCKET SIZE, PURPLE SILK CLOTH BINDING Colored Frontispiece Only.

No. 2104. Clear Agate Type Self-Pronouncing. Size 4½ x 2⅞ inches	.32	.25	Post Paid

CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

An Exceptional Bible Offer

Endorsed by Representatives of all Denominations



THE 1911 BIBLE

Being the old familiar Authorized Version, carefully amended by American scholars in the light of the latest modern scholarship.

Not a Revision

Only such passages as are recognized by all scholars as needlessly obscure have been altered in any way.

Special Features

A New System of Chain References.
A New System of Collected References.
A New System of Paragraphs.

"We believe, unqualifiedly, that the 1911 Bible is far the best translation ever given the English-speaking people, and the worthiest of their confidence and affection."—*Herald and Presbyter.*

Printed in large black-faced type, very easy to read

Special Offer:

For $2.00 we will send you, postpaid, a copy of this superb Bible, beautifully printed in large black-face type, and bound in the best French morocco, with overlapping edges, round corners, red under gold edges, headband, and fine silk marker. This Bible contains 12 beautifully colored Maps, and Index to Maps.
Size, 8x5½ inches.

For $5.00 we will send you, postpaid, ***the exquisite Oxford India Paper edition*** of this Bible, which measures only ⅞ of an inch in thickness. It is bound in the finest Alaska seal, with overlapping edges, full leather lined to edge, silk sewed, round corners, red under gold edges, and has silk headband and marker.
Size, 8x5½ inches, ⅞ of an inch thick.

Remember!! These Bibles are published by the Oxford University Press, American Branch—in itself a sufficient guarantee of their excellence.

Send for one of these Bibles to-day

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

Methodist Benevolent Association

A Mutual Benefit Brotherhood for Southern Methodists. Issues Whole Life 20-Premium Life, Term to 60, and Disability-Old Age Certificates. **Benefits, death, disability, or old age. $150,000 paid widows, orphans, disabled. Reserve $30,000.** For terms, etc., write ***J. H. SHUMAKER, Sec'y, Nashville, Tenn.***

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.
Second Round

March
Leicester, Little Sandy 6-7
Elk Mountain, night 7
Brevard Circuit, East Fork 13-14
Brevard 14
Missionary and Sunday School Institute 14-16
Hendersonville—Missionary and Sunday School Institute 16-17
Henderson Circuit, Fruitland 20
Central, Asheville, 11 a. m. 21
North Asheville, night 21
Missionary and Sunday School Institute 21-22
Marshall Missionary and Sunday School Institute 23-24
Mills River, Horseshoe 27-28
Hendersonville, night 28

April
Tryon and Saluda, Saluda 3-4
Flat Rock, Tuxedo, 3 p. m. 4
Spring Creek, Ottingers 10-11
Hot Springs and M., Hot Springs, night 11
Fairview, Bethany 17-18
Haywood St., Asheville, night 18
Sulphur Springs, Oak Hill 24-25
Biltmore and Mt. Pl., Biltmore, night, 25

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, 508 N. Tryon St., Charlotte, N. C.
Second Round

March
Seversville, Pleasant Grove 6-7
Brevard, night 7
Pineville, Harrison 13-14
Calvary, night 14
Thrift, Moore's Chapel 20-21
Trinity, night 21
Belmont 28
Tryon, night 28

April
Weddington, Union 3-4
Matthews, Indian Trail, 3 p. m. 4
Marshville, Smyrna 10
Prospect, Midway 11
Unionville 17-18
North Monroe, Icemorlee, night 18
Waxhaw 24-25
Monroe, Central, night 25

May
Ansonville, Cedar Hill 1-2
Wadesboro, night 2
Lilesville, Shiloh 8-9
Morven, Morven 15-16
Dilworth 23
Spencer Memorial and Derita, night....23
Polkton, Mount Moriah 29-30

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.
Second Round

March
Pleasant Garden, Liberty 6-7
Greensboro Circuit, Rehobeth 13-14
Centenary, ...14-15
Wentworth, Lowes 20-21
West Greensboro, Friendship 27-28

April
Coleridge, Mt. Olivet 3-4
Ramseur & Franklinville, Franklinville, 4-5
Randolph, Hopewell 10-11
Wesley Memorial 17-18
Main St. 18-19
East & West 18-19
Deep River, West Bend 24-25
Asheboro 25-26
Randleman, Naomi 25-26

May
Uwharrie, Union 1-2
Denton, Clarkesbury 8-9
West Market 15-16

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Second Round

March
Stokesdale, Mount Carmel 5
Summerfield, Pisgah 6-7
Walnut Cove, Palmyra 13-14
Madison & Stoneville, Stoneville, night 17-18
Draper, night 18-21
Spray, night 19-21
Leaksville, night 20-21
Danbury, Delta 27-28

April
Dobson, Pleasant Ridge 3-4
Elkin, night 7
Jonesville, Maple Springs 9
Yadkinville, Booneville 10-11
Rural Hall, Mt. Pleasant, night....11-12
Pilot Mountain 18-19
Ararat 24-25
Mount Airy Circuit 25-26

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Second Round

March
McDowell, Pleasant Hill 5
Thermal City, Centennial 6-7
Old Fort, Bethlehem 13-14
Marion Station 14-15
Rutherfordton, Gilboa 19
Green River, Mann's Chapel 20-21
Table Rock, Oboth 27-28
Morganton Station 28-29

April
Forest City, Salem 3-4
Cliffside, Hopewell 3-4
Broad River, Kistlers 10-11
Henrietta and Caroleen, Caroleen....11-12
Morganton Circuit, Glen Alpine 17-18
Connelly Springs, Harmony 24-25

May
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Oak Grove 1-2
Micaville, South Toe 8-9
Bald Creek, Hortons 15-16
Burnsville 16-17
Marion Circuit, North Catawba 22-23

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C.
Second Round

March
King's Mountain, ElBethel 6-7
Polkville, Polkville 13-14
Rock Springs, Mt. Pleasant 20-21
Belwood, Kadish 27-28

April
Shelby Circuit, Sulphur Springs 3-4
Lincolnton Circuit, Marvin 10-11
Lincolnton, Lincolnton 11
Crouse, Pleasant Grove 17-18
Stanly, Iron 18-19
South Fork, Plateau 24-25

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.
Second Round

March
Concord Circuit, Mt. Carmel 6-7
Concord, Forest Hill, night, ...7-8
Woodleaf Circuit, Gay's Chapel 13-14
West Concord, Kerr St., night 14-15
Cottonville & Oakboro Ct. Mt. Zion 20-21
Norwood 20-21
Concord, Central, 11 a. m. 28
Concord, Epworth & C., Epworth, night 28

April
Albemarle, Central, night 2-4
Albemarle Circuit, Stony Hill 3-4
Mount Pleasant Circuit, Saint Paul, 10-11
Concord, Westford, night 11
Salem Circuit, New Mount Tabor....17-18
Albemarle, First Street, night 18
Kannapolis Station, 11 a. m. 23-25
Kannapolis Circuit, Bethpage....24-25
China Grove & Landis, China Grove, night 25

May
New London Circuit 1-2
Gold Hill Circuit 2-3
Bethel & Love's Chapel, Love's Chapel 8-9

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston-Salem, N. C.
Second Round

March
Thomasville, South Thomasville....6-7
Thomasville, Main Street, ...5-7
Advance, Advance 13-14
Burkhead, night....14
Davidson, Midway 20-21
Forsythe, Mineral Spring 27-28
West End, night 28

April
Jackson Hill, Jackson Hill 3-4
Salem, night 4
Farmington, Bethlehem 10-11
Mocksville 9-11
Lewisville, Concord 17-18
Davie, Liberty 24-25
Cooleemee, night 25

May
Kernersville 1-2

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Second Round

March
Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro 7-8
North Wilkesboro 14-15
Wilkes, Union 20-21
Helton, Asheley 27-28

April
Jefferson, Jefferson 3-4
Creston, Big Laurel 18
Watauga, Valle Crucis 24-25

May
Elk Park, Montezuma 1-2
Avery, Jonas Ridge 8-9
Boone, Fairview 15-16
Sparta 22-23
Laurel Springs 29-30

Revival Meetings
Wilkes, Union....March 14-21
Helton, Asheley....March 24-April 1
Elk Park, Montezuma....April 26-May 6

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Lee T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Second Round

March
Iredell, Mt. Bethel, 11 a. m. 6
Broad Street, Broad Street, 11 a. m. ..7-8
Race Street, Race Street, 7:30 p. m. 7-9
Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 11 a. m. 13-14
West Hickory, West Hickory, 7:30 p. m. 14-15
Lenoir Circuit, Littlejohn's, 11 a. m. 20
Lenoir Station, Lenoir, 11 a. m. 21-22
South Lenoir and Valmead, Valmead, 3:30 p. m. 21-23
North Lenoir Circuit, Ebenezer, 11 a. m. 27
Granite Falls and Hudson, Hudson, 11 a. m. 28-29
Hickory—First Church, Hickory, 7:30 p. m. 28-29

April
Alexander, Liberty, 11 a. m. 3-4
Stoney Point, Pisgah, 3:30 p. m. 4-5
Hickory Circuit, Grace Chapel, 11 a. m. 10
Newton, Newton, 11 a. m. 11-12
Maiden, Pisgah, 11 a. m. 17
Catawba, Hopewell, 11 a. m. 18-19
Statesville Circuit, Trinity, 11 a. m. 24
Cool Spring, New Salem, 11 a. m. 25-26

May
Troutman, 11 a. m. 1
Davidson, Davidson, 11 a. m. 2-3
Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 7:30 p. m. 2-3
Mooresville Circuit, 11 a. m. 8
Mooresville Station, Mooresville, 11 a. m. 9-10

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, R. 2, Asheville, N. C.
Second Round

March
Bethel Circuit, Harmony Grove 6-7
Canton Station 7
Clyde Circuit, Long's Chapel 13-14
Fines Creek Circuit, Fines Creek....20-21
Haywood Circuit, Fincher 27-28
Bryson and Whittier, Olivet 30-31

April
Glenville Circuit, Speedwell 3-4
Webster Circuit, Love's Chapel 4-5
Waynesville Station 11
Sylva Station, night 11
Hayesville, Ledford 17-18
Murphy Circuit, Brasstown 20-21
Ranger Circuit, Bellview 24-25

May
Murphy Station 1
Andrews Station 1

Patience and strength are what we need; an earnest use of what we have now; and all the time an earnest discontent until we come to what we ought to be.—Phillips Brooks.

It is a great deal better to live a holy life than to talk about it. We are told to let our light shine, and if it does we won't need to tell anybody it does. The light will be its own witness. Lighthouses don't ring bells and fire cannon to call attention to their shining—they just shine.—D. L. Moody.

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of
Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,
SOLICITING OFFICES:
New York—118 E. 28th St.----E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg.--W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller----C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg., M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.----J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg.--J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—21 S. Main St.----G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.----A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel--J. W. Ligon

TRINITY COLLEGE
FOUNDED 1838 : : : : CHARTERED 1859
A Southern institution of established national reputation. Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.

Large endowment fund makes possible complete, first-class equipment; full faculty of able, well-chosen instructors; beautiful campus, new buildings, modern laboratories, splendid library. Comfortable, inexpensive dormitories. For catalogue and illustrated booklet, address
R. L. Flowers, Sec. to the Corporation, Durham, N. C.

GREENSBORO NURSERIES
AGENTS WANTED
For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.
JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

POCKET BIBLES

For those who object to carrying large Bibles these Editions are Thin, Light and very Compact.
AUTHORIZED VERSION, Clear Black Print, on the finest Thin Paper made.
All with the BUTTON FLAP BINDING which gives an added advantage for slipping in and out of the pocket.
The leather cover extends completely over the front edge and is fastened on top with a button clasp as shown on illustration.
Each containing a complete series of Colored Maps.

Size, 5½ x 3½ in. Self-Pronouncing Agate 32mo
Specimen of Type.
NOW when Je'sus was born in Beth'le-hem of Ju-dæ'a in the
No. 1115F. French Seal, divinity circuit overlapping covers, gold titles, silk head bands and silk marker, round corners, red gold edges. Publishers Price, $1.50. Our Price, *Postpaid,* **$1.20**
Holman India Paper Pocket Text Bibles.
Size, 3½ x 5½ inches. ¾ of an inch in thickness. Weighs 7½ ounces. Same Type as 1115F above.
No. 1115XF. French Seal, divinity circuit overlapping covers, gold titles, silk head bands and silk marker, round corners, red gold edges. Publishers Price, $2.40. Our Price, *Postpaid,* **$1.80**
No. 1130XF. Same as No. 1115X with Extra Leather Linings. Publishers Price, $2.80. Our Price, *Postpaid,* **$2.15**

POCKET REFERENCE BIBLES PRONOUNCING
Old and New Testaments. Marginal References and Maps. Chapter headings on outside corner of each page making the Bible Self-Indexed.
Specimen of Type
19 ¶ And the border of the Ca-nā'an-ites was from Si'dŏn, as thou
Size, 4¾ x 6⅞ inches. Minion 16mo.
No. 1410F. French Seal, divinity circuit overlapping covers, round corners, red gold edges. Publishers Price, $2.00. Our Price, *Postpaid,* **$1.65**
Holman India Paper Pocket Reference Bibles.
Pronouncing, References, &c., same type as 1410F.
Size, 4¾ x 6⅞ inches. Minion 16mo. ⅞ of an inch in thickness. Weighs 12½ ounces.
No. 1412XF. French Seal, divinity circuit overlapping covers, head bands and marker, round corners, red gold edges. Publishers Price, $2.50. Our Price, *Postpaid,* **$2.10**
No. 1430XF. Same as No. 1412XF with Extra Leather Linings. Publishers Price, $3.00 Our Price, *Postpaid,* **$2.50**
N. C. CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE
Greensboro, N. C.

Let my soul roll itself on Him, and adventure there all its weight. He bears greater matters, upholding the frame of heaven and earth, and is not troubled or burdened with it.—Robert Leighton.

THE GREATEST BIBLE BARGAIN
A GENUINE 7.50 { HOLMAN India Paper Self-Pronouncing BIBLE } FOR ONLY 4.25 Carefully Wrapped and sent Postpaid in a box
Authorized version, printed from the clearest type ever used in a Bible, large bold face open print with liberal spacing between the words and lines
PRINTED ON THE FINEST INDIA PAPER MADE
The Text is Self-Pronouncing with references. It has a new Concordance, alphabetically arranged and with analytical and comparative features and 50,000 References also New Biblical Atlas with Fifteen Colored Maps and Complete Index to Same.
BOUND IN GENUINE PERSIAN MOROCCO, divinity circuit, full leather linings, silk sewed, silk head bands and marker, special flat opening reinforced binding that will not break in the back.
The size is 5½ x 8 inches--only one inch thick.


This India Paper Bible Compared with one of ordinary paper, containing the same number of pages and same size type.
Easy to Read Type
Specimen of Type.
17 ¶ m From that time Je'sus began to preach, and to say, n Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at
No. 700X Publisher's Price 7.50 Sent postpaid for 4.25
Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

BARGAINS IN GOOD BOOKS

VALUABLE BOOKS FOR $1 PER VOLUME

The books selected for inclusion in this DOLLAR LIBRARY have stood all tests and have been acclaimed standard if not classic.

They are the necessary books in every well-balanced Ministerial Library.

The books are large octavo in size, each containing from 400 to 550 pages, printed on excellent paper and tastefully and substantially bound in dark green cloth with gold stamping.

The former selling price of these books ranges from $2.50 to $3.50 and these editions are complete and are printed from the plates of the original high-priced editions.

Price now $1.00 per volume by mail. Add ten cents for postage.

By Prin. A. M. Fairbairn, D. D., LL. D.

THE PHILOSOPHY OF THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION

This is one of the most scholarly and successful defenses and examinations of the Christian belief and its basis. Principal Fairbairn's fame is justly founded upon the profundity of his thought, the wide range of his erudition and the bell-like clarity of his style. This is a book which should be in every ministerial library.

By Charles Loring Brace

GESTA CHRISTI: A History of Humane Progress Under Christianity

A book which has no equal in its discussion of the teaching of Jesus or the character and personnel of the members of the Apostolic group. While on many other subjects connected with the life of Christ new books have become standards, this book remains the authority in its own field.

Rev. John Ker, D. D.

LECTURES ON THE HISTORY OF PREACHING: With Introduction by Rev. Wm. M. Taylor

While not in the strictest sense of the word a volume on homiletics, this is nevertheless one of the greatest and best recognized books in this realm. It has long served as a guide to all who wished to make any acquaintance with the theory or the history of the practice of preaching. In every sense of the word classic, not alone for the student, but for the seasoned preacher himself.

By Canon F. W. Farrar

THE LIFE OF CHRIST AS REPRESENTED IN ART

This may fairly be called a by-product of the author's monumental Life of Christ. It is a complete survey in his matchless prose of the whole subject of art in its relation to Christianity.

By Alexander Maclaren, D. D.

PULPIT PRAYERS

One of Dr. Maclaren's secrets of success was in the pains and reverent care he took to prepare his people for the message of his sermon—a care extending to hymns, the Scripture and the minor parts of the service, and especially to the prayer which preceded the sermon. They are alike inspirational in contents and models in manner.

By Prin. George Adam Smith, D. D.

THE LIFE OF HENRY DRUMMOND

This is one of the greatest of religious biographies, for it is not only the story of a career alike distinguished for deep piety and a singular brilliance of achievement, but it is written by one himself a considerable figure in the movements associated with Drummond's name, and a close and lifelong friend. It touches with deep insight the movements with which Drummond's name will ever be associated.

By J. deQuincey Donehoo

THE APOCRYPHAL AND LEGENDARY LIFE OF CHRIST

Mr. Donehoo has gathered together with incredibly painstaking care all the legendary and apocryphal material concerning the life of Christ, scattered as it is through a countless number of volumes, most of which are rare and inaccessible to the average reader or student. While of course apocryphal, this collection is of immense aid to the student of doctrine as showing the place Christ came to hold in the early belief and worship of the Church.

By John P. Jones

INDIA: ITS LIFE AND THOUGHT

Mr. Jones, through many years' residence in India, has come to a knowledge of India which, coupled with his sympathetic insight into the native character, has enabled him to write what is perhaps the most comprehensive single sketch of India yet written.

By Prof. A. B. Bruce, D. D.

THE TRAINING OF THE TWELVE

An apologetic for the Christian faith which now as in the day it was written remains unanswerable. What Buckle did in his "History of Civilization" from the standpoint of materialism, has been done in this book from the standpoint of belief. It is in every way a notable book, alike from the standpoint of Christian apologetics and from the standpoint of history. It is the kind of book which belongs in every library, and because written always with a human interest, it is in the best sense popular.

THE MIRACULOUS ELEMENT IN THE GOSPELS

Professor Bruce was one of the most literal-minded of the evangelical school to which he belonged. It is a tribute to the scholar's profundity of thought and his grip of the heart of his subject that he was able to anticipate the line of attack on the supernatural so that his book still remains the ablest defense of the miracles extant. He has been followed but never supplanted.

THE PARABOLIC TEACHING OF CHRIST

The parables, admittedly one of the most important and one of the most difficult aspects of Christ's teaching, have here been treated in a manner characterized by sanity and scholarly insight. From the first this book took rank as among the ablest expositions of the parables, as well as one of the best books in English on the teaching of Jesus.

THE HUMILIATION OF CHRIST
In Its Physical, Ethical and Official Aspects

The whole theme of Dr. Bruce's work is to show that the cross is as completely the central point in the life of Christ in the light of which the whole incarnation must be understood as is the atonement in the doctrine of Christianity. It remains in a place alone as a statement of the doctrines of the incarnation and the atonement.

SEND YOUR ORDERS TO

Board of Publication

Greensboro, N. C.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, March 11, 1915 | Number 10

Reading Room Trinity College

THE WASHINGTON CITY CHURCH

SUNDAY, MARCH 21st, IN ALL THE CHURCHES

REASONS WHY WE SHOULD BUILD

WE SHOULD ERECT A REPRESENTATIVE CHURCH BUILDING IN WASHINGTON CITY—

BECAUSE IT IS OUR CAPITAL, "THE CLEARING HOUSE OF THE NATION."

IT IS TO BE THE CHURCH HOME OF MANY CONGRESSMEN AND SENATORS AND THEIR FAMILIES, WHO SUPPORT THEIR OWN CHURCHES ELSEWHERE. WE ARE HONORED BY HAVING SOUTHERN METHODISTS AMONG THE NATION'S LAW MAKERS AND SHOULD HOUSE THEM.

SUCH A CHURCH PROPERLY INTERPRETS OUR WHOLE CHURCH TO THE NATION AS ONE OF THE GREAT CHURCHES, THE SECOND LARGEST PROTESTANT CHURCH OF AMERICA.

THE LOYAL AND FAITHFUL FLOCK IN WASHINGTON ARE WORTHY OF SUCH RECOGNITION AND HELP.

IN GREAT NATIONAL FUNCTIONS OUR CHURCH IS ENTITLED TO A PROPER SHARE AS WELL AS IN IMPORTANT NATIONAL POSITIONS.

WASHINGTON IS OUR NATIONAL METROPOLIS, WHERE EVERY GREAT CHURCH SHOULD BE REPRESENTED BY A REPRESENTATIVE BUILDING.

OUR PRESENT CHURCH BUILDING IN WASHINGTON IS NOT REPRESENTATIVE OF OUR WHOLE CHURCH.

WE SHOULD MAKE COMMON CAUSE OF THIS NOBLE ENTERPRISE FOR IT TO BE REPRESENTATIVE, AND WE STAND COMMITTED TO IT BY GENERAL CONFERENCE ACTION.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

LOOK UP THE ORDER BLANK

On page 11 the subscriber will find a renewal order blank. We are compelled to urge every one in arrears to clip out the blank, fill it out and pin check or money order to it. The matter is urgent and we beg subscribers to heed our call. Do not wait to see your pastor but mail direct to the office.

..The Article on our first page was written by Bishop E. R. Hendrix. By some means the credit was omitted.

* * * *

We are Yielding most of our editorial space this week to the Washington City Church and to the Mount Airy District. All this will be found more interesting than our own editorial or even the "war news."

* * * *

Many Who Do Not Take the Advocate will receive this issue. We hope many of these will be so pleased as to send in their subscriptions. Only $1.50 per year, or 75 cents for six months.

* * * *

The Bill Providing For the purchase by the state of the top of Mount Mitchell and preserving this original forest and most valuable watershed as a public park for the people of the state, passed the General Assembly last week. The only regret we have is that the whole of the Black Mountain area could not be included. If the reservation is not extended either by the state or United States we fear that this comparatively small area at the top of Mount Mitchell may be of very little value. It is high time North Carolina should take steps to protect herself in the secure possession and perpetuation of the great water sheds and almost limitless forest producing possibilities of her great mountains. Let us by all means have a campaign of education on the subject.

* * * *

The Problem Solved. There is one solution of the Conference paper problem, and it seems strange that our pastors and church leaders do not see it and fall in. Rev. J. A. Bowles, of Forest City, outlines the plan in the following, which we take the liberty of quoting from a letter in which he enclosed a check with a batch of renewals and new subscribers. He says: "I am going to get my alotment of subscribers and keep up old list. You can count on me." The allotments have been made with the view of a conservative, normal increase in the circulation of the paper, giving sufficient income to meet all demands. Now all that is required is that each pastor and charge co-operate and do the task assigned. No use to think about the 2,000 or 3,000 increase contemplated, and worry about the magnitude of the task, but address yourself to the task given you and say, like Brother Bowles, "It shall be done." Thus the whole problem is reduced to the matter of doing your task.

The weather is opening up and business improving, so the Manager of the Advocate will watch the mails with no little interest in expectation that this year the Conference pledge shall be made good.

THE ANTI-JUG BILL

The anti-jug bill which has been pending for some weeks was finally passed since our last issue with amendments which provide that a little liquor may yet trickle through to quench the thirst of those who just could not get on without it. This, of course, allowing individuals to receive as much as two quarts per month, will give the tiger a sort of lease of life; but, as Mr. Davis says, it is a great step forward. We will finish the job next time if Uncle Sam does not get ahead of us and fix it so the states need not worry over it.

THE MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT REPORT

The reader will find pages 4 and 5 of this issue of particular interest. Even those of our readers who are remote from the section included in the Mt. Airy District, will find every bit of it interesting and suggestive. Brother Sprinkle is one of the latest accessions to our board of superintendents, but he sets a good example by using the Advocate as a medium of publicity. Moreover, the very exhaustive report which he makes must have a very salutary effect upon the work in the district.

When all our people learn what the Advocate exists for and begin to use it, we will have a paper that will not only serve the church to much greater advantage, but will make much stronger appeal for patronage and support.

THE WASHINGTON CITY CHURCH

Sunday, March 21st, was set apart by the action of our last Conference for presenting the claims of this enterprise in all our churches. Our Conference some years ago agreed to raise $5,000.00. Of this $1,200. has been secured, leaving $3,800. yet to be raised. If every church in the Conference would make an offering on the day set apart, we believe the amount would be secured without burden upon any one.

The pastor should fully explain the movement and ask for a free-will offering. Our people are not likely to turn a deaf ear to a meritorious cause. The reasons given by various persons, leaders of the church, as printed in this issue, will appeal if they are set before our people by a man who has the conviction that the work should be done.

This enterprise has halted too long already and we sincerely hope that this year will witness its completion.

HOW THE ENTERPRISE STANDS

Rev. Dr. Geo. S. Sexton, who, for several years, has served as Secretary for the Washington City Church Commission, and who has raised the bulk of the fund so far secured, gives the following figures showing how the enterprise stands at present:

In subscription notes and Conference pledges, including the gift of the Mt. Vernon Place Church, Washington City, we have $316,975.89 pledged for the enterprise. This sum must be increased to at least $400,000.00. Nineteen annual conferences have agreed to raise definite sums ranging from $1,250.00 to $10,000.00 each. Individual subscriptions ranging from $3.00 to $10,000.00 each have been made by loyal Methodists. On June 30, 1913, $84,735.07 had been collected from all sources. The above statement shows that the success of the enterprise is assured.

SOME FRUITS OF RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

It is amazing to what lengths we go in our attempts to promote the cause of religious liberty. Lest we offend the Jew or the Catholic we seem willing to give up all religious teaching in our system of education and even banish the Bible from the schools. The reprehensible neutrality of the state on the matter of religion, as characterized by one of our exchanges, puts us in the attitude of accepting practical heathenism rather than interfere in any sense with the religious views of Jews and Catholics.

This state of things in our system of education is the devil's own opportunity to destroy vital religious faith and promote a generation of atheists. If neutrality in the matter of religious faith means the banishment of all religious teaching, religious freedom comes entirely too high. We do not believe that the right of every individual to his own choice in the matter of religious belief, demands or justifies the exclusion of the Bible, or even religious teaching, from the schools. The whole trouble originates in our failure to discriminate in the matter of religious and sectarian teaching. We must learn to distinguish between religious and sectarian teaching. Mr. Carnegie, in his attitude toward denominational schools, is a conspicuous example of the ignorance which confounds all religious with sectarian teaching. He seems incapable of getting it into his head that all schools having a curriculum including religious teaching are not necessarily sectarian.

What the state should do is to proceed upon the theory that the general principles of religion and morals the same for all, require tha these principles be inculcated without sectaria bias and include the Bible as a regular tex book. Then, Jew, Catholic and Protestant woul be benefited alike and no one's peculiar view would be interfered with. This is what ou system of public education must be brought u to, if we are to have peace, harmony and su cess in the matter of public education.

In this connection we give our readers th following significant editorial from a recer number of the Northwestern Christian Adv cate:

"A remarkable neutrality, remarked a scho teacher of Cincinnati as she pointed to a cale dar well marked with special days: "Thos specials are Jewish holidays when I must di miss the greater part of my pupils. Thes days are so numerous that it seriouly inte feres wih the instruction not only of the Jew ish children, but those who remain, since the are necessarily held in check that the cla may be kept fairly intact." We are reliabl informed that the superintedent of the Cincin nati schools issued orders this year that nothin that savored of Christ either in song or wor should be permitted during the Christmas fe tivities. More or less was this true in oth cities. Between the Roman Catholics, wh strenuously oppose religious instruction in ou public schools (and at the same time denoun them as Godless), and the Jews who prote against the very mention of the name of th Savior, the great body of Christian patron of our schools are sufficiently cowed to effec ually exclude the faintest reference to th world's greatest and most inspiring characte We have known of one Jewish parent muzzlin an entire school, and he none too devout. W are a Christian nation if we are anything; an to acquiesce in such refusal to acknowledg him who has given our country and the Wes ern world its distinctively noble conception contains elements of a betrayal not unlike th of old.

The other day we were at a large gatherin of ministers—leaders of religious thought, the number of about a hundred. Among the was one Rabbi who, in his public remarks, di not hesitate to exalt Hebraism above Christia ity. At the close of the formal exercises kindly disposed woman present arose to expla a plan of making presents at the "glad holida time." But with the Rabbi's words still rin ing in her ears, she so delivered her mind an message as to render impossible any referen to the spirit of Christ in the beneficence pr posed. Peter of old resorted to violent spee in his effort to avoid trouble. Such length not considered necessary by some modern fo lowers—they stand pat on a neutral platfor

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. Walter Holcomb, whose work as eva gelist in Spartanburg was mentioned in a r cent issue of the Advocate, received $889.41 f his six weeks work in that city.

—Auburn H. Setzer, who recently returne to Hickory from Congo, Africa, has purchas a job printing outfit and will open up a j printing plant in Hickory in the near future.

—Rev. Dr. S. A. Steele, of Columbia, S. C will deliver his lecture on "Home Life Dixie During the War," at the First Methodi church in Gastonia, on the night of Apr 2nd.

—The congregation at Centenary church, th city, is much attached to the pastor and h wife, Rev. and Mrs. R. D. Sherrill. On We nesday night of last week they gave them generous pounding, including many usef presents.

—Mr. Samuel L. Rogers, of Franklin, h been appointed director of the Census by Pre ident Wilson. This is quite a lucrative offic and we are glad to see it filled by a worth North Carolinian and prominent layman of th Western North Carolina Conference.

—The Midland Methodist says:—The gre revival at East Radford, Va., has entered the second month, with six hundred conve sions to date. People are turned away at eve night service. Rev. Thomas Priddy, the pasto is doing the preaching. The music is co ducted by Miss Maude Priddy, a daughter the pastor.

OUR WASHINGTON CITY CHURCH

A Representative Church at Our National Capital

SOUTHERN METHODISTS AMONG THE NATION'S LAW MAKERS

THE WASHINGTON CHURCH COLLECTION

The Conference at Statesville in 1911, by a unanimous vote, pledged five thousand dollars ($5,000.00) to the Washington church enterprise and the money was to be raised by the preachers through public collections. Of this amount only $1,200.00 has been secured to this date, leaving $3,800.00 yet to be raised before the obligation is fully met.

At the last Conference a committee consisting of F. M. Weaver, E. A. Cole, J. W. Harris, D. F. Giles, J. F. Hendren, R. W. Gwyn, W. R. Odell, C. R. Hoey, Dr. W. H. Nicholson, James Atins, Jr., and F. S. Lambeth were appointed a committee with myself as chairman and treasurer to co-operate with the pastors in raising this $3,800.00, and Sunday, March 21, was set apart as Washington Representative Church Day and the pastors urged on that day to lay clearly before the people this cause and take collections for the same. Now, our great Conference is in honor bound to pay this pledge and it will be a very easy task if each pastor will earnestly set the matter before the people and take the collections. On circuits, of course, the collections cannot all be taken on the same day, but where such is the case they can be taken at the other churches on the following Sundays. Of course the cash is always to be preferred but where a congregation will pledge an amount payable in one or two years it will be accepted provided the pledge card for same is signed by the treasurer of the church. Let all collections and notes be sent to me as treasurer and due acknowledgement will be made in the Advocate.

Charlotte, N. C. Wm. L. Sherrill.

A DUTY TO OURSELVES AND TO THE NATION

Bishop W. A. Candler

Let not our people forget the building of our Representative Church at Washington, D. C., our national capital.

There is not a capital in Christendom in which the churches are as poor when compared with the other public buildings.

The splendid structure in which our Congress assembles is one of the finest of all the parliament houses in the world. The new library is without a superior of its kind anywhere. But there is not at Washington, a real, first-class church building, comparable to the public buildings of the city. The blemish upon our national capital discredits us as a people and damages the cause of Christianity among us. It impresses visitors to the city, both foreigners and our own people, that religion holds a secondary place in the thought of the nation. It may account in part for the failure of many of our public men to attend public worship and live godly lives during their stay at the capital. The constant impression of great buildings for political uses and poor edifices for religious purposes is not calculated to stimulate piety and stir religious zeal.

In Edinburgh is St. Giles; in London, St. Paul's and Westminster Abbey; in Paris, Notre Dame; in Mexico City, the great cathedral near the palace—but in Washington City there is not to be found a church that approaches the buildings of the Federal Government in impressiveness. This fact is partly explained by the separation of Church and State under our system of government. It is also in part attributable to the fact that our national capital is not a wealthy commercial metropolis like London and Paris. The people of Washington are people of small means, many of them engaged in the service of the government on small and uncertain salaries; and hence they are unable to build there such churches as befit the place. This means that if ever such houses of worship adorn the national capital, they must be erected largely by the liberality of Christian people throughout the republic. Every great denomination in the land owes it to itself and to the nation to build at least one Representative Church in Washington.

This duty has been recognized by thoughtful people in most of the great churches. The Episcopalians have begun a movement in this direction, and recently a large bequest was made for the building of their Washington cathedral. The Presbyterians are moving for such a house of worship there, as the Northern Methodists and Lutherans and Baptists did years ago. Of course the Roman Catholics are alive to the needs and opportunities of the situation.

The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, rests under a similar obligation to the nation. The second largest Methodist body in the United States and in the world, our church must do its part at the national capital of our country. Our duty and our interest coincide in this great matter.

Accordingly, our General Conference, which met in Birmingham, Ala., in 1906, took steps for the erection of a representative church at Washington, and our General Conference, which met in Asheville, N. C., in May, 1910, took still more advanced action on the subject. We can not turn back from the task—a task which is not a heavy one for so strong a church as ours. To delay the work will discredit us; to fail in it would disgrace us. But we will not, we must not fail.

Let all our people respond liberally to the appeals of the agent appointed to prosecute this important work. Under the plans of the national building committee subscriptions may be made payable in annual installments running through as much as five years. In this way most any member of the church who cares for this work may have a part in it; and every one among us should wish to have a part in it.

This church will in time become one of the historic structures at the national capital. Let us make it worthy of our great church. Its foundations ought to be laid at an early day, and then the work should go on without interruption until the capstone is brought forth amid the rejoicing of all our people.

As chairman of the committee appointed by the General Conference to direct the canvass for funds, I ask all our members and friends to give prompt and generous assistance to this important enterprise.

REASONS WHY WE SHOULD BUILD

Governor G. W. Donaghey

Our church should erect a great house of worship in Washington, D. C.—

Because the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is one of the leading denominations in America, and should be worthily represented in its building at the Nation's Capital.

Because many of our own people are in Government service and deserve the best church opportunities at the Capital.

Because our people, who are well served there, will return to their respective homes with greater love and respect for our Church, and better able to render valuable service on their return.

Because as patriots we should seek to make the Nation's Capital spiritually strong, that the highest and best ideals may prevail in our civic life.

Because the representatives of foreign nations, where our missionaries labor, will be more likely to secure the respect and co-operation of their own Governments for our missionaries.

And finally, but first in real importance, because we should honor our Christ with the best that we have, in the best way, before our own people and the world.

Bishop James Atkins, D. D.

Washington is the National Capital, and we are a large and influential part of the Nation, so that both religiously and politically, or civically, we are under strong obligations to build and ably maintain a representative church there.

We are the dominant religious influence in that region, which is destined to re-Americanize America, and save it from foreign influences. We need, on this account, a truly great church in the National Capital.

When the game of political finance, now for some forty years on the stage, has been played out to the ruin and disgust of the common people, they will turn to the South again for leadership, and will get it.

The first work under this order will be to call the people back to religion, as the source of all civic honesty and national welfare. When that time comes it would not look well if, in the interim, we had not shown faith in our gospel and destiny by rightly founding our church in the Capital.

Rev. T. E. Sharpe, D. D.

The connection should build in Washington, because it is the Capital City; to it visitors and officials from all parts of our own and all other nations come. They will get an impression of the denomination from the building, preacher and congregation that represent us. It is, therefore, very important that we be adequately represented.

Rev. F. J. Prettyman, D. D.

Our Church has a right in Washington City; we have been there through all our history.

Our Church ought to be in Washington City; here is the center of Government, and we must help shape public opinion, and meet our obligation to our national life.

Roman Catholicism is established on every hill-top. Her mark is everywhere. We must share the battle with all other branches of the Protestant Church at the seat of our Government.

Bishop O. P. Fitzgerald, D. D.

With such an organization and such an equipment as are proposed, we might hope that a gracious influence would go forth from it that would be felt all over our beloved land. From Washington City, as from the Nation's heart, would issue an influence that would be felt in its farthest extremities, more or less.

That such a church as we propose to build, conducted as it ought to be conducted, would please God and be a blessing to all concerned, is a gracious certainty. Then my exhortation is: Build, and be glad; build, and be blessed.

Our Plain Duty

It is hardly necessary to call attention to the time when in 1858 good men, moved by the Spirit, first resolved to plant our church strongly in the National Capital. That they were unable to accomplish it is no reflection on their faithfulness. The civil strife, the consequent poverty of the South hindered them. When a worthy work is begun, though the time seem long, it will be carried to success.

It is more clearly our duty now than ever before to help make the Capital City a place where purest Christian ideals prevail. A nation which is to be Christian in the real sense must be made so by Protestant Christianity. No other system of religious teaching has ever made a Capital City or a Nation Christian.—Rev. Geo. S. Sexton, D. D.

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT REPORT, 1st QUARTER

By REV. H. C. SPRINKLE, Presiding Elder

A WORD TO THE BRETHREN

It is our purpose to give to Methodist people of the Mount Airy District, once a quarter, through our Advocate, a comprehensive report of the work of the church in the district. The two pages here allotted to us contain our first effort at such report. We are sending this special issue into every Methodist home in the district whose post office address we have been able to secure. We hope you will read, not only these pages that refer to our own district work, locally, but that you will read carefully the entire paper, so that those who do not get the Advocate regularly may see how valuable a paper we have. There are perhaps, in round numbers, a thousand Methodist families in the Mt. Airy District who do not take the Christian Advocate. We send into these homes these extra copies at considerable expense, but we believe the reading of the paper will bring ample returns. Read this issue, and then see your pastor next week and give him your subscription for the Advocate at the price of $1.50 per year.

OBSERVATIONS OF THE PRESIDING ELDER—FIRST ROUND

Mt. Airy Station, Nov. 29.—Touching this charge, in our initiation, we found the work thoroughly organized, the every-member-canvass already made, and plans well laid for a most successful year's work. Brother Willis is thorough-going, of untiring energy, and looks after every detail of his work, and a loyal crowd of Methodists back him, to the finish. This, his fourth year, bids fair to be his best. Efforts are centering around the revival campaign to be made the first part of March, under the leadership of the Rev. T. P. Jimison.

Summerfield Ct., Dec. 5-6.—Rev. T. B. Johnson enters upon his third year on this charge and is in great favor with his people. This charge, with the more systematic methods it is to institute this year, hopes to break the record and show a clean sheet.

Stokesdale Ct., Dec. 12-13.—Rev. T. J. Folger starts off well. This charge has gone off of the Missionary Board, has given one church to another charge, and still proposes to pay its pastor more than was realized from all these sources last year.

Madison and Stoneville, Dec. 19-20.—The loyalty of the Methodists of this section is already known far and wide, and Brother Surratt, the genial pastor, in high favor with his people, leads the forces out to unmistakable victory for this his fourth year.

Walnut Cove Ct., Dec. 26-27.—Brother Poe travels over a large and prosperous farming community, meeting many obstacles in the winter season and expending much energy, but all this with cheerfulness and hopefulness, both upon his own part and that of his cultured wife, and with the following of his good people, will win out this year.

Leaksville, Jan. 1-3.—Leaksville, a gem among the pastoral charges of our Conference, rallying about her successful pastor, Rev. A. L. Aycock, who enters his third year of harmonious service there, increases his salary to $1,000, and starts in to do her work in the same systematic way she has been doing it for years past.

Spray Station, Jan. 2-3.—This charge stands alone, for the first time, in the midst of a large and important field, and demands the trained and efficient service it is to receive at the hand of its effective pastor, Rev. J. A. J. Farrington. The work is being carefully organized. The every-member-canvass has already been made. Mr. W. R. Lynch, our District Lay Leader, resides here, and will, with the other laymen of the charge, follow their pastor to great victory this year.

Draper Station, Jan. 3-4.—This is our newest work on the District. We have here a small, but faithful and courageous body of men, who take hold of the new enterprise with a determination that is a forerunner of success. Rev. G. W. Williams, the pastor, is full of zeal, energy and faith, and never even dreams of defeat. You will hear from Draper in time to come.

Danbury Ct., Jan. 9-10.—This charge covers large territory in a rather sparcely settled country, but it has in it some of the "salt of the earth," and, with its determined and faithful new pastor, Rev. O. P. Routh, bids fair to take on new life this year. A splendid parsonage at Danbury, but not quite paid for yet, shelters the pastor's good family.



Central Church, Mt. Airy

Rural Hall Ct., Jan. 16-17.—This is a charge with fine possibilities. The new pastor, Rev. C. R. Allison, is in favor with his people. The Quarterly Conference was well attended, reports were good, and the charge starts off favorably for a successful year's work.

Yadkinville Ct., Jan. 23-24.—Rev. W. M. Boring, the pastor, of ripe experience, lovable temperament, and full of the Spirit, already has his grip on the work. The laymen are going to handle the finances of the charge and leave their pastor to the ministry of the word. While the mud and bad weather prevented any representation from most of the churches, Prospect, the church where the Quarterly Conference was held, gave a good congregation both Saturday and Sunday, and all hearts are happy in hopefulness for the work this year.

Elkin, Jan. 29-31.—'Twas a joy for the writer to touch again, after seven years of absence, the field where four of the most delightful years of his ministry had been spent. Methodism, in Elkin, has had a growth commensurate with the large and substantial development of the material interests of the town. Her splendid church auditorium is still beautiful and adequate, but the Sunday school has outgrown its quarters, and doubtless before a great while there will be ample enlargement projected. The church has made an advance of $250.00 on the pastor's salary, and the Rev. J. P. Hipps, who is in charge, has made a very fine beginning.

Jonesville, Jan. 30-31.—This charge has limited resources, but some of our very best people are within its bounds. The Jonesville congregation is handicapped in that it is without any place to worship. The old building, which had done glorious service as academy and preaching place in anti-bellum days, weakened under the decay of time and had to be torn down. The frame work of a new building is practically up, and under the leadership of the earnest, industrious pastor, Rev. D. A. Oakly, when the sun begins to shine and the mud dries up, the building will soon be completed.

Rockford Ct., Feb. 6-7.—The Quarterly Conference met at Stony Knoll and was pretty well attended. The pastor, Rev. J. G. W. Holloway, showed enterprise by presenting each member with a neatly printed directory of the charge An intelligent and attentive congregation lis tened to us in a service at Rockford Sunday night. Our Methodist people at Rockford hav done themselves great credit in the erection o their neat and substantial church building which will soon be completed.

Pilot Mountain, Feb. 13-14.—The busines session of the Quarterly Conference was wel attended, with splendid congregations on Sun day. Brother Doggett, in his second year, ha won a strong hold on his people. Methodism which had its beginning in Pilot Mountain no many years ago, has grown with the thrift o the town, and we now have there an organiza tion with great promise.

Ararat, Feb. 20-21.—This is a new charge including the territory recently transferred t us from the Virginia Conference. Brother J W. Combs, the supply, is in great favor wit his people and the outlook is hopeful. Two new church buildings are on the way.

Mt. Airy Ct., Feb. 27-28.—Last call. Quar terly Conference met at Zion, was well attend ed, and the session was an interesting one. Th new pastor, Rev. J. M. Folger, quiet and mod est, is winning his way into the hearts of th people. The laymen of the charge are show ing great interest in the work, and this will b a successful year with them.

AN OPEN LETTER TO THE LAY LEADERS OF THE MT. AIRY DISTRICT

Spray, N. C., Feb. 23, 1915.

Dear Brethren:

Never before in the history of the church ha so much definite responsibility been placed up on the laymen as the present. A question is be ing asked throughout the entire connection "Will the laymen measure up to their responsi bilities?" For one, I am glad to say that I be lieve they will.

Many of the laymen of the Mt. Airy District have fearlessly assumed the obligations placed upon them and encouraging reports show tha definite progress has been made. Every church and charge leader in the entire district ha been asked to co-operate in the organization o the Every Member Canvass and the Duplex En velope System. Reports have come from a number of points to the effect that the canvass has been made. It is earnestly desired tha every charge shall be able to report in the affirmative to the District Conference.

The Mt. Airy District has adopted a plan fo a systematic distribution of educational and missionary literature. Samples have been sen to all the lay leaders, with the request tha the district leader be furnished with a list of a number of families in each church, in orde that the literature may be sent direct from Dr Reid's office in Nashville, to each charge. The Ley Leaders have been asked to give the matte of the distribution of this literature their per sonal attention and to see that each family i his charge receives one of the pamphlets each month. Several are already doing this; a few have not been heard from. If the matter ha been overlooked by them, we feel sure that upo being reminded of it, they will immediately re spond. There's a wealth of valuable materia in these pamphlets, also a sermon on "How Much Owest Thou?" "His Plan," "The An nual Tug," and several others of the selection

Every charge will be anxious to make a good report at the Quarterly Conference. This wil only be possible by an early beginning and by hearty co-operation on the part of all the lay men of the district. A number of meetings o the laymen have been held, and it is hoped tha the district leader may be able to meet with the other charge leaders in their respective charges during the year.

We would much appreciate any suggestions and gladly answer any questions that we can bearing on the lay activities.

We presume that every charge leader has re

ceived the pamphlet: "The Plan of Organization of Lay Activities," and that the three major committees have been appointed as suggested in the "Plan."

We should be glad to be of any assistance in the organization of this work, if possible.

Very cordially, W. R. Lynch,
Lay Leader Mt. Airy District.

PASTORS' SALARIES

Amount Paid by Each Church, and Balance

First Quarter

Ararat—Chestnut Grove, paid, $6.50; due, $7.50; Mt. Herman, paid, $15.00; due, $10.00 Hunter's, paid, $15.50; due, $5.75. Carter's Chapel, paid, nothing; due, $11.25. McBride's, paid, nothing; due, $6.25. Hatcher's, paid, $8.50; over paid, $1.00. Greenwood, paid, nothing; due, $5.00.

Danbury.—Danbury, paid, $46.25; overpaid, $2.50. Delta, paid, $12.00; due, $6.75. Davis Chapel, paid, $12.25; due, $5.80. Sandy Ridge, paid, $12.00; due, 75c. Smith's Chapel, paid, nothing; due, $2.50. Snow Hill, paid, $2.50; due, $7.75. Vade Mecum, paid, 40c.; due, $7.35. Union Hill, paid, nothing; due, $2.50. Mt. Carmel, paid, 35c; due, $30.65.

Dobson.—Dobson, paid, nothing; due, $42.25. Old Siloam, paid, $3.05; due, $9.45. Pleasant Ridge, paid, $3.00; due, $27.81. Rockford, paid, $16.70; due, $14.80; Siloam, paid, $35.00; due, $18.00. Stony Knoll, paid, $5.00; due, $7.68.

Elkin Station.—Paid $433.00; overpaid, $87.50.

Draper Station.—Paid, $16.50; due, $46.00.

Jonesville.—Ebenezer, paid, $1.50; due, $9.50. Grassy Creek, paid, 50c; due, $10.50. Jonesville, paid, $9.10; due, $31.90. Maple Springs, paid, $18.85; due,$4.65.

Leaksville.—Paid, $285.00; overpaid, $5.25.

Madison and Stoneville.—Madison, paid, $106.00; due, $44.00. Mayodan, paid, $7.40; due, $36.35. Stoneville, paid, $3.81; due, $58.79. Price, paid, $20.75; due, $13.00. Mount Hermon, paid, nothing; due, $60.00.

Mt. Airy Station.—Paid, $466.73; overpaid, $42.23.

Mount Airy Ct.—Salem, paid, $50.25; due, $8.25. Green Hill, paid, nothing; due, $14.00. Oak Grove, paid, $1.50; due, $36.00. Laurel Bluff, paid, nothing; due, $9.50. Zion, paid, $20.25; due, $21.25. Epworth, paid, $6.00; due, $15.00. Beulah, paid, $18.00; overpaid, $1.25. New Hebron, paid, $4.00; due, $6.50.

Pilot Mountain—Chestnut Grove, paid, $14.50; due, $18.00. Fairview, paid, $5.00; due, $5.00. Little Yadkin, paid ,$3.00; due, $4.50. New Hope, paid, $4.00; due, $6.00. Pilot Mountain, paid, $52.50; overpaid, $2.50. Pinnacle, paid, $13.35; due, $12.90. Trinity, paid, $9.50; due, $13.00. Whitakers, paid, $2.00; due, $1.75.

Rural Hall.—Rural Hall, paid, $14.00. Bethel, paid, $1.00. Germanton, paid, $20.00. St. Mark, paid, $3.00. Antioch, paid, $35.25. Mount Pleasant, paid, $13.00. Macedonia, paid, $15.00. East Bend, paid, $25.00. Balance due on whole charge, $42.50.

Spray Station.—Paid, $150.00; due, $44.50.

Stokesdale.—Goshen, paid, $80.10; overpaid, $23.85. Mount Carmel, paid, $13.00; due, $13.25. Tabor, paid, $7.50; due, $6.25. Mt. Zion, paid, $2.85; due, $13.40. Eden, paid, $7.55; due, $28.70. Glencoe, paid, $13.78; due, $6.22.

Summerfield.—Summerfield, paid, $18.57; due, $45.65. Center, paid, $11.40; due, $40.10. Pisgah, paid, $4.50; due, $21.75. Lee's Chapel, $21.25; due, $21.00. Battle Ground, paid, nothing; due, $21.25. Gethsemane, paid, nothing; due, $25.00. Moreheads, paid, $1.50; due, $14.75. Hopewell, paid, nothing; due, $3.75.

Walnut Cove.—Stokesburg, paid, $31.63; due, $27.12. Pine Hall, paid, $28.35; due, $6.65. Bethesda, paid, $24.00; due, $21.50. Palmyra, paid, $38.65; due, $5.10. Mount Pisgah, paid, $11.00; overpaid, 50c. Bethlehem, paid, $18.00; due, $3.25. Forest's Chapel, paid, nothing; due, $25.00.

Yadkinville.—Boonville, paid, $13.40; due, $9.10. Center, paid, $49.09; due, $3.41. Longtown, paid, $3.45; due, $9.05. Mount Pleasant, paid, $9.75; due, $2.75. Prospect, paid, $31.60; overpaid, $6.60. Yadkinville, paid, $2.00; due, $16.75.

Honor Roll

Churches Having Paid Salaries in Full or Over for First Quarter

Hatchers, Ararat Circuit; Elkin; Leaksville; Central, Mt. Airy; Beulah, Mt. Airy Circuit; Pilot Mountain; East Bend; Goshen, Stokesdale Circuit; Mt. Pisgah, Walnut Cove Circuit; Prospect, Yadkinville Circuit; and Danbury.

Let's see how many can get on the Honor Roll for next quarter.

Conference Collections

To date, $1,825.65, or about 32 per cent. of the assessment, has been secured in cash and pledges on the district. Shall we press these claims during March and April and secure the whole amount by the District Conference?

Children's Home

The district has raised, during the quarter, for the support fund, $232.16, and by Fifth Sunday collections, $123.85. The Danbury Circuit leads in that it has raised its entire ten per cent.

The Every-Member-Canvass

has been made in the following churches: Elkin, Leaksville, Mount Airy Station, and Spray.

Sum Total

Total raised in district during the first quarter for all purposes, $4,106.35.

Personal

I wish to acknowledge my obligation to Brother Willis for valuable suggestions in getting up this exhibit of the quarter's work, and to every preacher in the district for his promptness and cordiality in furnishing the matter, without which the work could not have been done. I also ask that the mistakes which have doubtless occurred in the hasty throwing together of all this matter may be overlooked.

Here and There

The presiding elder, the pastors and the active laymen of the Mount Airy District are working and praying that this may be a record-breaking year in soul winning, and in the advancement of all the interests of the church. Will you help?

* * * *

If each individual in the church does his part there will be nothing lacking. Shall I be the cause of a failure?

* * * *

Almost twice as many persons made contributions to church support, at Central, Mt. Airy, for the first quarter this year, as did for the same period last year. The every-member-canvass helps.

* * * *

Five Woman's Missionary Societies reported in the bounds of the district. Can't we double the number this year? The District Secretary, Mrs. J. L. Woltz, of Mount Airy, will be glad to help you organize if you will drop her a card.

* * * *

The presiding elder and his family, in particular, and the people of the district in general, are greatly indebted to the women of Central church, Mount Airy, for substantial work in touching up and re-furnishing the district parsonage. A most cordial reception has been given its incumbants.

* * * *

It's an inspiration to come in touch frequently with the tried "war horse," D. Vance Price, our honored superannuate at Mount Airy. He wrestles hard with his physical ailments, but wrestles in faith, and makes a joke of his suffering.

* * * *

Twenty-five prayer meetings were held in a single day in the Mount Airy congregation preparatory to the Jimison-Fisher meetings, which are now in progress.

Rev. R. L. Doggett has organized a Senior Epworth League at Pilot Mountain with sixteen members, and these young people are liking the work.

* * * *

A feature of success on the Pilot Mountain Circuit is the operation of eight regularly organized Wesley Bible classes.

* * * *

Mrs. J. A. J. Farrington, of Spray, has organized a Ladies' Aid Society, which has raised $15.00 during the quarter. She has also organized a very fine Mission Study Circle.

* * * *

Seventy men present at one time in Baraca class at Spray, and a Philathea class that has raised $80.00 this quarter. Can you beat that?

* * * *

Stokesdale looks forward with pleasure to entertaining the District Conference in the latter part of April.

* * * *

Rev. E. J. Poe has spent some time this winter wrestling with la grippe, but has managed to have all appointments but one filled.

* * * *

Rev. W. M. Boring reports for the Yadkinville circuit "good congregations and good general interest manifested."

* * * *

We had seventy-two Sunday schools in the district last year. Only thirty-eight of these are reported as now being active—nearly half of the best machinery of the church standing idle through the winter.

* * * *

Twenty-one prayer meetings in the district. That means sixty-three churches without any regular prayer meeting. Fine field for "lay activities."

* * * *

The three committees on lay activities (missionary, evangelistic and social service) are all actively engaged in their respective fields, in Central church, Mount Airy.

Revivals

The meeting at Central church, Mount Airy, under the leadership of evangelist, Rev. Tom P. Jimison, with Mr. A. N. Fisher in charge of the singing, bids fair to be a great success.

On the second Sunday in March Rev. W. L. Dawson, our Conference Evangelist, will begin a meeting at Dobson.

Hunter's Chapel, Ararat charge, is to be favored with the services of Brother Dawson for a meeting beginning the fourth Sunday in March.

Rev. J. G. W. Holloway is planning for a second revival campaign to begin the second Sunday in April.

Rev. A. L. Aycock has set apart the month of May for his revival.

Rev. C. R. Allison began a revival at East Bend the first of March. Results will be reported later.

Rev. J. A. J. Farrington looks forward to March 20th as the time for a revival at Spray.

Dates fixed for revivals on Stokesdale charge are third Sunday in June and third Sunday in July.

Busy Men

Routh—Has preached 19 sermons and made 26 visits.
Combs—18 sermons, 50 visits.
Holloway—20 sermons, 50 visits.
Hipps—20 sermons, 135 visits.
Oakly—20 sermons, 19 visits.
Aycock—27 sermons, visits not reported.
Surratt—20 sermons, 60 visits.
Willis—25 sermons, 294 visits.
Folger (J. M.)—17 sermons, 45 visits.
Doggett—24 sermons, 56 visits.
Williams—21 sermons, 150 visits.
Allison—32 sermons, 136 visits.
Farrington—23 sermons, 160 visits.
Folger (T. J.)—23 sermons, 53 visits.
Johnson—20 sermons, 90 visits.
Poe—17 sermons, 56 visits.
Boring—22 sermons, 54 visits.
Sprinkle—41 sermons, 85 visits and traveled 1,625 miles.

(Mount Airy District, Continued

New Members Received

The following persons have been received on profession of faith: John Thomas at Draper, Rolin Lewis, Rural Hall; William Davis, Spray, and Ethel Norman, Miss Hattie Stimpson ano Miss Matthews, Yadkin.

Forty-eight members have been received in the bounds of the district, by certificate.

Deaths

Mrs. Lamyra Gordon, of Elkin, Dec. 25, 1914.

Mrs. J. W. Earp, of Mt. Airy, Dec. 27, 1914.

Jno. A. Yokely, Feb. 12, 1915.

Jane Simmons, New Hope church.

Mrs. Amanda Cromer, Antioch church, Nov. 27, 1914.

N. J. Carter, Nov. 27, 1914, Lee's Chapel.

Mrs. Sizmore, Dec. 1, 1914, Moreheads.

Mrs. Jennie Blackburn, Dec. 11, 1914, Center.

Chester Schoolfield, Jan. 1, 1915, Lee's Chapel.

Thorny Johnson, Jan. 22, 1915, Center.

Mrs. E. Price, Jan. 30, 1915, Lee's Chapel.

Mrs. Martha F. Anderson, Jan. 9, 1915, Pine Hall.

Mrs. Virginia E. Matthews and Mrs. E. S. Blakely, Prospect.

Mrs. Annie P. Holcomb, Center.

Bettie Duncan, Dec. 11, 1914, and Dora Ward, Dec. 17, 1914, both of Delta.

Specials

Elkin has raised for evangelistic reinforcement, $15.40; Conference emergency fund, by Rev. F. Siler, $112.50; and for Bible woman, by Sunday school, $15.00.

Mount Airy Station has secured $600.00 for continuing the support of Rev. M. M. Marshall, missionary to the Isle of Pines.

The visit to Mt. Airy of Rev. J. H. West, financial agent, yielded about $300.00 in cash and pledges to the building fund of the Children's Home.

Ten Years Ago

The following charges in the present Mount Airy District were "white" on the map. That is, they paid all Conference collections in full: Elkin, Mt. Airy Station, Pilot Mountain, Dobson (Rockford), Walnut Cove (Stokes) Yadkinville, Danbury, Leaksville, Spray, Madison, Stokesdale. The following paid a larger total in 1904 than in 1914: Jonesville, Pilot Mountain, Dobson, Yadkinville, Danbury and Stokesdale.

Excepting Mt. Airy Station, Elkin and Leaksville and Spray, the district paid $51.00 less in 1914 than 1904. You cannot account for this falling off in the country districts by a loss of members. For the same territory shows a gain in membership of 827. The writer confesses that he does not understand it.

W. H. Willis.

New Buildings and Improvements

The new church at Chestnut Grove, Ararat charge, is well under way and will be a credit to the community when it is completed.

Hatcher's Chapel, under J. W. Combs' administration, is getting lumber on the ground for a new church.

The building at Rockford is soon to be completed, and the order has already been placed for a new organ to go into it.

The women of Central church have made some improvements recently on the station parsonage at Mount Airy.

Brother Oakly hopes to have the new church at Jonesville ready to preach in by the next Quarterly Conference.

Lumber is being gotten out to seat Whitaker's new church, Pilot Mountain, Ct., and the building is to be ceiled soon.

Rev. J. M. Folger, assisted by Rev. W. H. Willis and the presiding elder, in a recent canvass secured sufficient amount, in cash and pledges, to pay balance due on church lot in North Mount Airy. It is expected some time in the future to build a church on this lot

The Mount Airy circuit is paying off the debt on its cozy new parsonage.

Walnut Cove has spent $20.00 on improvements for the parsonage.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM FIELD

Our Work for the Advocate

Ararat, apportioned 10, secured 2; Danbury, apportioned 10, secured 2½; Dobson, apportioned 10, secured 1; Draper, apportioned 12, secured —; Elkin, apportioned 12, secured —; Jonesville, apportioned 10, secured —; Leaksville, apportioned 10, secured —; Madison and Stoneville, apportioned 15, secured —; Central, Mt. Airy, apportioned 15, secured 4; Mt. Airy circuit, apportioned 12, secured —; Pilot Mountain, apportioned 10, secured 3; Rural Hall, apportioned 15, secured —; Spray, apportioned 12, secured —; Stokesdale, apportioned 10, secured —; Summerfield, apportioned 12, secured 4; Walnut Cove, apportioned 15, secured 2; Yadkinville, apportioned 10, secured —.

Let all the pastors and charges rally for the Advocate next quarter and bring up the full apportionment.

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. C. M. Campbell has been holding revival services with his congregation at Race St., Statesville, during the past week.

—The District Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Greensboro District will be held in Reidsville March 11 and 12. A goodly number of delegates will be on hand and interesting speakers will be there for the occasion.

Rev. W. L. Dawson returned to Greensboro last Friday from a campaign in Mitchell and Yancy counties of several weeks. He goes this week to Dobson where he will begin a meeting next Sunday with Rev. J. G. W. Holloway, the pastor.

—Mr. Nixon S. Plummer, who for several years, has been city editor of the Greensboro Daily News, has retired from the editorial staff. Mr. Plummer is a bright young man and we hope to see him back upon the tripod at an early day.

—The approaching marriage of Miss Eva Bowles, of Forest City, to Mr. Cameron L. Jenkins, of Greensboro, was announced last week. Miss Bowles is the oldest daughter of Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Bowles, and Mr. Jenkins is a young business man of this city. The marriage will take place early in May.

—Many Advocate readers will sympathize with Rev. and Mrs. R. D. Sherrill in the death of Mrs. Sherrill's father, Mr. D. M. Howard, which occurred at his home in Statesville on last Friday morning. The deceased was about 73 years of age and had been in poor health for several years.

—We have learned with deep regret of the sudden and unexpected death of Mr. E. H. Farris, a young attorney of High Point, and brother of Mr. J. J. Farris, editor of the Enterprise, which occurred in Washington, N. C., on last Sunday morning. Mr. Farris was a young man of very attractive qualities and had many friends.

—Announcement is made from Rutherford College of the marriage on February 2, of Mr. Harley Goode and Mrs. Roberta Abernethy Faw. The bride is a daughter of the late Dr. R. L. Abernethy, who founded Rutherford College. The groom is a son of the late Rev. D. P. Goode, and is a railway mail clerk between Salisbury and Knoxville.

—We are indebted to the author, Rev. Dr. L. L. Nash, of Hamlet, for a copy of a neat pamphlet just issued from the press on The Christian Family. It deals with the question of Woman's Suffrage and is a fine contribution to that class of literature which exalts the home as the bulwark of Christian Society. The reader can get a copy by sending ten cents to the author, Rev. L. L. Nash, D. D., Hamlet, N. C. It is well worth the price.

—The death of Rev. Dr. A. L. Phillips, Superintendent of the Sunday School Department of the Presbyterian church, which occurred at his home in Richmond, Va., last week, is deeply regretted by the people of North Carolina, irrespective of denomination. Dr. Phillips was reared at Chapel Hill, being the son of the late Dr. Charles Phillips, who spent his life in the work of education, most of it in the faculty the State University.

—Rev. W. H. Willis, pastor of Centr church, Mount Airy, says that their missionar Rev. M. W. Marshall, whom they are suppor ing in the Isle of Pines, has three congreg tions with 81 members, one church and one pa sonage valued at $2,500 and 1,250 respectivel His Sunday school of 48 pupils, has a norm class of twelve and raised $90.00. His Leagu of fifteen members raised $56.60. His eight one members paid $158 on salary and $1,692 f all purposes, an average of more than $20.0 per member. He has baptized one infant an married two couples which is a good showin for a man who has not yet mastered the nativ language.

Weaverville Ct.—We have been kindly r ceived by the good people of this charge an are expecting great things before the year sha have closed. There has been a great deal o sickness among the membership. Four of ou oldest and most consecrated members, Mr Mary Gettis, Mrs. Ruth D. Wilson, Mrs. Po ly Hunter and Mrs. Lydia Brittain, hav passed into the eternal world since the begi ning of the Conference year. They have left b hind a mighty influence for good and we fe encouraged and inspired by their godly lives.

T. J. Huggins, P. C.

Avery Circuit.—Another great revival jus closed at Pisgah. We continued ten days. C how the presence of the Lord was with us fro the beginning until we closed. People wh never made any start for heaven before wer converted. Old and young were saved. W had thirty-nine professions and eleven adde to our church; six to the M. E. church and si to the Baptist church. Others to come into ou church later. Praise the Lord for the old tim religion. Brethren, pray for us. We are ex pecting greater things for the Lord yet on th Avery circuit. Sincerely,

John Green.

More Loan Funds

We are in receipt of a draft for $1000.0 from a worthy layman in California, whic is to be added to the Loan Fund Capital of th Board of Church Extension. This donatio together with other small items received sinc our last report which was made on Februar 22nd, brings the total increase of the Loa Fund Capital for the present fiscal year t $98,312.00. It will require contributio amounting to $1,688.00 to make the $100,000.0 for the fiscal year which closes March 31st.

Send on the stuff!

W. F. McMurry,
Corresponding Secretary

Tents at Lake Junaluska

My dear Brother Blair:—

I will appreciate it if you will make an ex planation for me in the Advocate.

We are trying to plan for tents at Lake Juna luska this summer at cost, so that any of ou Conference can take advantage of the progra with as little expense as possible. The Commi sioners of the Assembly grant us free use of th grounds above the lake, and just as soon as w can get prices on tents, we will gladly orde them for all who apply in time.

It will be possible for any who have tents t bring them and place them on the campin grounds. But we will be compelled to have i formation of their coming early to arrang space.

Any of the brethren of our Conference ca arrange to build wooden tents and have use them for five years by applying to the commi tee for ground. This is done for the one reaso alone, that we want all that wish to get the be efits of the programs at Lake Junaluska to b able to do so at the least cost.

Yours sincerely,

L. B. Abernethy,

Sparta Circuit—I suppose a few words from Sparta would not be amiss. We have been here a little more than three months and begin to feel much at home. The people have shown many tokens of good will to us. There have been very few days but some one has shown us some special kindness in a material way; in fact, I think there are some of our members who study to do something to make the home life of the preacher and his family happy and necessities of life plentiful.

There are great possibilities for development in this section, and we are praying that the Lord may guide us aright and use us in this capacity. The first quarterly conference for this work was held Saturday, Feb. 27th, with the Potato Creek congregation. Our presiding elder, Brother J. H. Bennett, was with us and captivated the people by his business ability, his strong sermons, and his genial, amiable disposition. He preached at three of our churches, four sermons, while he was with us. The people in these parts will look forward to the coming of the quarterly meetings. The pastor's salary was raised, thus making Sparta circuit fit in with the resolutions of the Annual Conference. We are endeavoring to place the Advocate in the homes of all who do not take it.

Very sincerely, J. W. Hoyle.

Death of Mrs. W. T. R. Bell

A death that brought sadness and gloom to all our town occurred at Spartanburg, S. C., Monday night, when in the home of her son Charles, Mrs. W. T. R. Bell passed away.

Mrs. Bell was born March the 18th, 1848, at Newport, N. C., in Carteret county. She died March 1, 1915, being nearly 66 years of age. The remains were brought here yesterday and services were conducted from the Methodist church, of which she had been a consistant member for the greater part of her life, by her pastor, Rev. Albert Sherrill, in the presence of a great concourse of sympathizing friends.

On January 1, 1868, she was married to Capt. W. T. R. Bell, a native of Ocomac county, Va. She lived to make him a happy home for 47 years.

She leaves to mourn for her the husband, who, as a life-long teacher of large experience, has charge of Boiling Springs High School. A son, Charley, clerk in the post office at Spartanburg, S. C.; another son, James, Superintendent of the Graded Schools of Rockingham, N. C.; one daughter, who is the wife of Mr. T. P. Reynolds, of Asheville. These relatives were all present at the funeral services. The floral tributes were large and beautiful.

Mrs. Bell was one of the sweetest spirits that ever graced a home or blessed a community.

Albert Sherrill.

Waynesville District

Waynesville district, at the close of the first round, appears to be in fine condition. The prospect encourages the belief that we shall be able to make considerable advancement over last year. The people are generally pleased with the pastors. Some good revivals have been held in spite of unfavorable weather. Rev. L. H. Griffith on Jonathan circuit, has been holding meetings all winter. All his churches are revived and a good number have been added to the church.

Rev. D. R. Proffitt has had two good revivals. Marked improvement is noticed in Waynesville, Clyde, Highlands and Franklin charges. Murphy is in much better condition than last year. Robbinsville has made astonishing progress. Two years ago they paid only $100.00 for the year on salary. Last year they paid $250.00. At the first quarterly meeting this year they paid $91.00 and had raised over $100.00 for parsonage and church improvement. The Sunday school had nearly doubled and is organized up to date. The pastor, Rev. H. C. Otte, has a fine start for a great year's work.

Our District Conference will be held in Franklin May 25. Some special interests should claim our attention this quarter: First, we should secure our share of subscribers to the Advocate; second, every church should be organized for lay activities; third, the Conference collections should be raised by every member canvass; fourth, some evangelistic work should be done in all the circuits at least. We hope to have all the benevolences pledged by District Conference. This is our goal. We hope to have Bishop Waterhouse to hold our Conference.

Sincerely,

L. T. Cordell.

A Signal Victory

The Anti-Saloon League has just scored a signal victory in the passage of the anti-delivery law, which restricts the delivery and receipt of liquor in this state to one quart for fifteen days. The law also forbids any drug store from handling liquor or any person from bringing liquor into the state for any other person. It will do an untold amount of good. At one time it looked as if the Senate would not give us any legislation to prohibit the delivery of liquor, but the temperance forces throughout the state so thoroughly rallied to the Anti-Saloon League call that the Senate on second thought, granted our request.

Our State Convention, held on the thirteenth and fourteenth of January, our publicity campaign, and our legislative campaign have been rather expensive and, at the close of the Legislature, we find our organization owing $935.83, which deficit we hope to wipe out before the first day of April.

I am sure that you rejoice with us at the victory we have gained and when you think of the fact that no longer liquor in gallon and two-gallon lots can come to our state, thus converting our express offices into liquor dispensaries, you will feel inclined to help in this work and will be glad to make us a contribution. Your check for any amount from one dollar to one hundred dollars will be appreciated.

The Anti-Saloon League did not get all that it asked for and will continue to fight until no liquor can be shipped into this state, until every distillery is destroyed and until national prohibition is written in the Constitution of this nation. Please send us your check to help wipe out this deficit and keep the work going.

Yours for the extermination of the beverage liquor trafic, R. L. Davis, Supt.

Report of Lay Leader, Franklin Station

In answer to question Number 2, I respectfully offer the following report:

There are no complaints.

Conditions at this, the beginning of the new year, are propitious for good results. The preacher in charge, Rev. R. H. Doherty, although a son of old Holston, came to us a stranger, unknown to our Conference and even without an acquaintance with any member of it. After four years of experience in the "new-ground" of the West, he was transferred to the Western North Carolina Conference at its recent session from Butte, Montana, and commissioned by Bishop Waterhouse to take charge of the station at Franklin. Therefore he is one, seemingly sent. He was cordially received on his arrival here by a committee representing the stewards and membership of the church the evening before the day proclaimed as Thanksgiving. On the morning of the day he preached a Thanksgiving sermon at a union service in the Baptist church. But three months have since passed. All the regular services, without an exception, have been held, and the church, Sunday school and Epworth League carefully organized. The various committees have been appointed and the roll of the church membership revised. All assessments for the support of the church have been made. The young people, in an unusual way, are being drawn under the influence of our pastor, and ways and means for their physical, educational and moral development being made matters of deep concern. Our pastor has personal acquaintance with every member of the church, has visited every home and in almost every one has humbly made earnest prayer. He has answered the call of affliction and sorrow and given freely of his time in the burying of the dead and ministering to the distressed, both in his own congregation and the surrounding country. He is preaching the gospel in demonstration of the Spirit and with power. The spirit of Militant Methodism is apparent, and this report is made with the hope of giving encouragement to its kind, and that permanent good may crown its labors.

Sam. L. Rogers, Lay Leader.

CAMPAIGN FOR NEW SUBSCRIBERS

Report to March 9, 1915

Asheville District

Brevard Ct., C. M. Carpenter	2	
Hendersonville Sta., W. F. Womble	7⅓	
Swannanoa, J. F. Starnes	11	
Sulphur Springs, T. A. Groce	9	
Spring Creek, J. R. Warren	2	
Bethel, J. C. Harmon	6	
Mills River, R. F. Honeycutt	6	
Weaverville Sta., E. W. Fox	1	
Total		44⅓

Charlotte District

Hickory Grove, M. T. Steele	4	
Spencer Mem. and Derita, W. B. West	11⅔	
Thrift, B. F. Fincher	½	
Matthews, M. H. Vestal	1	
Marshville, J. W. Williams	2	
Total		19⅙

Greensboro District

W. Memorial, High Point, G. T. Rowe	1	
Pleasant Garden, P. L. Terrell	3½	
Greensboro, Centenary	1⅔	
So. Main St., High Point, H. C. Byrum	9	
Randolph Ct., E. N. Crowder	3	
Reidsville, W. A. Lambeth	5	
Ramseur and F., T. J. Rogers	7	
Total		30⅙

Morganton District

McDowell Ct., M. W. Mann	6	
Broad River, H. H. Mitchell	2	
Bald Creek, Joseph Fry	1	
Old Fort, J. L. Smith	1	
Forest City, J. A. Bowles	1⅓	
Marion Ct., J. M. Ridenhour	3	
Marion Sta., L. D. Thompson	1	
Henrietta and Car., M. B. Clegg	26½	
Micaville, R. F. Mock	1	
Total		40⅚

Mt. Airy District

Dobson Ct., J. G. W. Holloway	1	
Walnut Cove, E. J. Poe	2	
Pilot Mountain, R. L. Doggett	3	
Central, Mt. Airy, W. H. Willis	4	
Summerfield, T. B. Johnson	4	
Arrarat, J. W. Combs	2	
Danbury, O. P. Routh	2½	
Total		18½

North Wilkesboro District

Avery Ct., John H. Green	15½	
Jefferson, E. P. Stabler	3	
Creston, J. I. Hickman	3	
Helton Ct., E. E. Yates	½	
Total		22

Statesville District

West Hickory, E. O. Smithdeal	3	
So. Lenoir and V'Mead, R. F. Wellons	7	
Catawba, A. G. Loftin	6	
Mt. Zion, T. J. Ogburn	2	
Lenoir Ct., T. S. Coble	3	
Mooresville Sta., C. S. Kirkpatrick	9½	
Alexander, R. E. Hunt	6	
Total		36½

Shelby District

McAdenville, D. W. Brown	8	
Belwood, J. F. Moser	2½	
Mount Holly, N. R. Richardson	2	
Crouse Ct., J. T. Stover	2	
Total		14½

Salisbury District

Norwood, R. M. Taylor	1	
Epworth, Concord, A. S. Raper	½	
Woodleaf Ct., J. W. Kennedy	4	
Concord, Central, M. F. Moores	3	
Albemarle Ct., J. W. Strider	2	
Total		10½

Waynesville District

Haywood Ct., R. C. Kirk	1	
Fines Creek, E. M. Avett	11	
Hayesville, Z. V. Johnson	1	
Waynesville Sta., O. P. Ader	8	
Macon, J. L. Teague	3	
Webster Ct., D. R. Proffitt	1	
Total		25

Winston District

Burkhead, W. L. Hutchins	3	
Davidson Ct., T. J. Houck	13	
Farmington Ct., D. C. Ballard	14	
Jackson Hill, C. C. Williams	5	
Advance, E. Myers	2½	
Forsyth, J. W. Vestal	1	
Thomasville Ct., J. B. Tabor	1	
Kernersville, C. P. Goode	½	
Thomasville, D. M. Litaker	1	
Lexington, A. W. Plyler	1	
Total		42
Miscellaneous		33½
Grand Total		325½

Roll of Honor

M. B. Clegg,
John H. Green,
D. C. Ballard.

Will publish report again April 1st. We hope every charge will be represented. Roll of honor includes those who have secured full allotment.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, Asheville, N. C.

PRAYER HYMN

Thy way, not mine, O Lord,
However dark it be!
Lead me by thine own hand;
Choose thou the path for me.
I dare not choose my lot;
I would not if I might;
Choose thou for me, my God,
So shall I walk aright.

Thy kingdom that I seek
Is thine; so let the way
That leads to it be thine,
Else I must surely stray.
Take thou my cup, and it
With joy and sorrow fill,
As best to thee may seem,
Choose thou my good and ill.

Choose thou for me my friends,
My sickness or my health;
Choose thou my cares for me,
My poverty or wealth
Not mine, not mine the choice,
In things great or small;
Be thou my guide, my strength,
My wisdom and my all.

—Horatius Bonar.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Societies of the Greensboro District will be held at Reidsville Thursday and Friday, March 11th and 12th. The District Secretary, Mrs. A. E. Fordham, is very anxious that each auxiliary on the district—Adult, Young People and Juniors—be represented at this meeting. A program of interest has been arranged and the occasion promises to be both interesting and profitable.

NEW ORGANIZATIONS

Greensboro District

Junior Society at Carraway Memorial, Greensboro, N. C., under the leadership of Miss Lillie Vaughn, with the following officers: President, Ethel Stafford; 1st Vice-President, Beulah Hilton; 2nd Vice-President, Ella Bumgarner; Corresponding Secretary Sulah Barrier; Recording Secretary, Ethel Wren; Treasurer, Eula Beal.

A Junior Division at Spring Garden under the leadership of Mrs. F. E. Ralls, Greensboro, N. C. Names of officers will be furnished later.

Young People, Spring Garden, Greensboro, N. C.; Mrs. W. O. Goode in charge. President, Mr. Lee Ralls; 1st Vice-President, Miss Martha Ralls; 2nd Vice-President, Miss Ethel Sadler; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Kate Hunt; Recording Secretary, Miss Ethel Baxter; Treasurer, Mr. Thomas Matlock; Superintendent Study and Publicity, Mr. Bernard Kirkman; Superintendent Social Service, Miss Lula Sadler; Superintendent of Supplies, Miss Lalah Lambert.

Salisbury District

Young Woman's Missionary Society, First Church, Salisbury, N. C. President, Miss Addie Rickert; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. H. T. Simpson; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. E. W. Cole; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. G. W. Zimmerman; Treasurer, Miss Nita Sides; Superintendent Study and Publicity, Mrs. Will Weant; Superintendent Social Service, Mrs. R. B. Wright; Superintendent Supplies, Mrs. John Webb; Agent Missionary Voice, Mrs. W. E. Huff.

COUNCIL MEETING

The fifth annual session of the Woman's Missionary Council will be held in First Church, Little Rock, Arkansas, April 14-22. The official announcement of this meeting was made in our issue of last week and we would ask the prayers of the women throughout our Conference for God's blessing upon those representatives of the various Conferences who shall assemble there during those days to plan for the advancement of His cause.

Among the speakers who will be in attendance on that accasion we find the name of Bishop James Atkins, of our Conference, who has just returned from an episcopal visit to the Orient; Dr. Ed. F. Cook, Missionary Secretary of the Foreign Department of the Board of Missions, who has spent seven months recently in China, Korea and Japan, and Dr. Josiah Strong, of New York, President of the American Institute of Social Service and Editor of the Gospel of the Kingdom.

COUNCIL DAILY

Miss Estelle Haskin has been selected as Editor-in-chief of the Council Daily, which will be issued during the meeting of the Council, and Mr. George Thornburg, 1624 Spring Street, Little Rock, Ark., is to be Business Manager. The subscription price is 25 cents for the seven issues, and these subscriptions should be sent in promptly to Mr. Thornburg, so that an accurate mailing list may be made.

It is the desire of those in charge of the paper to make it the very best that has ever been published, and we want to urge the women of the W. N. C. Conference to send in their subscriptions to it at once, so that they may keep in touch each day with what this great body of workers is doing.

May we not have several hundred subscriptions from this Conference?

WOMAN'S CONGRESS OF MISSIONS

San Francisco—June 6th-13th, 1915

The Woman's Congress of Missions will be held June 6-13, 1915, in the Exposition Auditorium at the Civic Center, Larkin and Hayes Streets, San Francisco, California. This Congress composed of women of all denominations, is to present Missions in all its aspects, and will be held under the joint auspices of the Council of Women for Home Missions and the Federation of Woman's Foreign Missionary Boards in the United States.

A large committee of California women are working enthusiastically on all local arrangements and they will present two missionary pageants. There will be an exhibit of literature, a series of Study classes and Conferences, large inspirational gatherings and addresses by experts in the field of women's missionary enterprises.

TAYLORSVILLE AUXILIARY

From Miss Esther Bolick, the 2nd Vice-President and Corresponding Secretary of the Taylorsville auxiliary, one of the most faithful workers in our Conference, we have had an interesting account of a Valentine Tea, which proved a most delightful affair—just one of these pleasant occasions which brings together the women of the church and society and where delightful intercourse of friends is enjoyed. We are sure our friends of the Taylorsville auxiliary found it both pleasant and enjoyable.

We are glad to give to our readers this week the Report of the Committee on Social Service. We had hoped to have also for this issue the annual report of the Fourth Vice-President to present in connection with this report, but have been unable yet to secure it, but as soon as we can do so, we want our workers to have the advantage of this splendid message which was delivered at our meeting in Charlotte by Mrs. H. A. Dunham. We also have for a future issue a copy of the splendid address by Mr. W. R. Lynch of Spray right along this line of our work. Mr. Lynch is a welfare worker and his heart is full of the work.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICE

Realizing the importance of Social Service work your committee would recommend the following:

1st. That each missionary society make a survey of the conditions under which the people of its locality are living.

2nd. That each society have a subcommittee on Legislation, who shall study municipal, county and state laws and through co-operation with town and state agencies endeavor to bring about needed reforms, especially in regard to child labor and temperance.

3rd. That each society have a committee on negro work, who shall investigate negro schools and shall help to establish better Sunday schools and secure for the negroes talks on prevention of disease, better home-making and social purity.

4th. That we seek to become acquainted with the immigrant in our community, invite them to our churches, and strive in every way to give them the help that shall fit them for Christian citizenship.

5th. That we strive to better the social and moral conditions of our manufacturing districts by means of Mothers' Clubs and kindred agencies for the uplift of the homes.

6th. That we try to arouse an interest among our people in securing better housing conditions for the poor.

7th. That we lend our influence in securing and equipping a playground in any community where one is needed.

8th. That we make the church or school house a community center, where the people may gather for lectures and debates and the wholesome recreation so necessary to the development and happiness of old and young.

Mrs. H. A. Dunham, Chairman.
Mrs. Aycock, Secretary.

SOCIAL SERVICE

What, Why and How

(From a Leaflet of Board of Missions)

Social Service is that form of effort for man's betterment which seeks to uplift and transform his associated and community life. As such it is the application of Christian principles and is a new name for that spirit of philantropy and service which is as old as Christianity. Jesus said: "The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because he anointed me to preach good tidings to the poor; he hath sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord."

Above all is the example of Jesus himself who went about doing good, helping the needy, adjusting the relations of men and seeking to establish justice among men.

The idea of the kingdom of God which is the Christian conception of things may mean much more than a human society on earth, but can never mean anything less. In the complete program of the kingdom there are four chief items. Evangelism, winning men unto Christ; Missions, making the good news known to the nations; Education, training lives for the kingdom and building them up in Christ's likeness, and Social Service, serving the whole life of man and building a Christian social order. Social salvation is a deliverance of human society from disease, poverty, crime and misery, the development and perfection of the institution of man's associated life, and the construction of a social order that is the city of God on earth.

The chief items in the Social Service program are the relief of need and distress, the prevention of poverty and crime, the provisions for all the conditions of a clean, healthy, moral and spiritual life, the creation of a social atmosphere which shall indu a right course of conduct, the adju ment of man's relations in justice a brotherhood.

Christians should be most active Social Service for the reason that works in line with the Lord's pray in that it seeks to create such con tions that every life can earn daily bread, that needless temptati may be removed from men, and th boys and girls may be delivered fr evil. It seeks to relieve distress a need in such ways as to help m most effectually; it also seeks to d cover the causes and conditions poverty, sickness, crime and mise and then remove bad causes a conditions and create good causes a conidtions; it believes that the chur the family, the school and the st are all means and agencies throu which these ends may be sought.

A person interested in social con tions can help others to see thin as he sees them himself, unite men behalf of practical measures, join w those who are engaged in some fo of helpful service and be an acti and intelligent citizen in his own co munity. To promote social serv among his people, a pastor can be careful student of social questio in the light of the scriptures; he c teach and illustrate the doctrine a example of the Master; can arou and organize his people in behalf social service and can take a sym thetic interest in the various unli ing agencies of the community.

The church may assist in this wo by having one or more classes eng ed in the social service study, co mittees working for the uplift of t community. A federation of church with a committee on conciliation a arbitration for industrial disputes, s porting all righteous and faithful ficials; voicing the conviction of t men of good will in the commun would be a great asset in this wo

Practical things that can be do in the development of this work a Secure for every worker one da rest in seven; have a comittee censor all moving picture and oth shows; equip a playground within h a mile of every home in the cit make efficient the agencies seeking suppress gambling, the social e alcohol, and all habit forming drug see that these is a good child lab law; that it is enforced; have regu inspection of tenement and roomi houses, support the Juvenile Cour conduct a systematic canvass of t community.

The ultimate purpose of social se ice is to create such a social order the world as shall realize the Christi ideal of human society, give to ea soul a true inheritance in life, to velop a perfect life in a perfect soc ty and to make Jesus Christ a f in the universal life of the world.

FROM NEWTON

The Woman's Missionary Society the First Methodist Church was ent tained at a reception on the afterno of February 26th by Mrs. George Warlick, president of the society. was unique in its character, being progressive information affair whe in facts and figures about missio and foreign countries as well as ho missions, were given in progressi fashion as the guests moved fr table to table until the missiona journey was completed, whereup they were served with coffee, wafe and sandwiches. The hours were 3 7 o'clock.

Miss Matt Cochran presided at t first table, where China was the su ject. Miss Cochran was appropriate dressed in Chinese costume of si There was a display of pictures of m sion schools in China, teachers, e Mrs. R. P .Caldwell at the next tab told of Korea; Mrs. F. T. Cox, of Me co and Brazil; Mrs. G. C. Little of t young people's part in home and f

(Continued on page 9)

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

THE WHY OF JUNIOR EPWORTH LEAGUE

A generation ago the Churches responded to the marvelous awakening of the young people by prvidiong societies for their religious development and activity. The immediate and widespread popularity and continued usefulness of these societies—the young people's society of Christian Endeavor, the Epworth League, the Baptist Young People's Union, the Luther League, and others—leaves no room to doubt that they answered a real need.

But similar societies for boys and girls were not originally included in the movement; the junior societies came several years later. When our Church borrowed and refashioned the plans of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor in order to make a denominational young people's society under the name and symbols of the Epworth League, the junior society was not included; four years of Epworth League life passed before boys and girls, as well as young people, were specifically provided for by the Junior Epworth League.

In view of the special emphasis that is now being placed upon the Junior League, it is pertinent to ask, What considerations led to the inclusion of boys and girls in the plans of an organization that arose in answer to the needs of young Christians of a more advanced stage of development? It is also pertinent to ask whether reasons at that time sufficient are still valid.

At the beginning of the Young People's movement the Sunday school had not the graded lessons that are now largely superseding the old, ill-adapted uniform lessons; hence the need of the supplemental Bible instruction in systematic and well-adapted Bible courses given in the Junior League is now obvious, and the suplemental study of Church history, missions, and the doctrines of the Church as set forth in the catechisms was all the more needed, as these were not then given at all by the Sunday school.

Present developments in Sunday school teaching and courses have enabled the Junior League to shift its emphasis, so that it is now giving to its members rich and inspiring Bible topics treated from the standpoint of worship and practice and used for the staple of a meeting in which spontaneity is encouraged and the younger Christians are aided in the expression through worship and fellowship of the right attitude toward God and toward one another.

The need of what the Junior devotional meeting seeks is proved by the many varied efforts that are being made by earnest pastors and educators to accomplish these same ends. The children's Church, the introduction into the public services of unrelated features appropriate to children, the formation of children's choirs, the leveling down of the Church service to the needs of children indicate some lines of experimenting in what the Junior League has been for some time demonstrating.

In training of boys and girls expression is most important. The Junior League devotional meeting is the opportunity for expressing and intensifying the worship life of boys and girls. If habits of expression are not formed in adolescence, sometimes the springs of devotion are permanently dried up. But, as important as is training in worship, this does not surpass the value of the direction of activities. In its provision for many-sided activity the Junior League is most needed as an agency supplemental to the Sunday school. How many and varied these activities are, it would take a chapter to tell, and the literature provided by the department is available upon application.

In connection with the direction of activities, the most insistent impulse of the adolescent for expression, the Junior League should be highly appreciated as a solution of the gravest and most baffling of Sunday school problems—how to hold boys and girls in the teen age, when the things and methods of the Sunday school cease to interest them. It is a fact of grave and tremendous portent that anywhere from seventy-five per cent. to ninety percent. of the adolescents leave the Sunday school and are, at least for some years, often permanently, borne away from the influence of the Church. The Junior League has made a great contribution to the solution of this problem by the formation of separate societies for adolescent boys and girls, by which the gang instinct, that tremendous moral potency of adolescent life, may be captured and harnessed for service in the Christian life at a time when the least effort produces the greatest result, when the streams of life are affected so near the fountain that they will run pure and strong for time and eternity. This, if nothing else, is the justification of the Junior League; and until the appalling waste that now goes on is arrested, the Junior League offers to earnest Christian workers a field of immense influence and power.

In this our Junior League number the Era is but reechoing the voice of the Church, sounded through action of its recent General Conference, by which the Junior League was granted the dignity of a Departmental Secretary and the boys and girls were given their own organizations with Church-wide fellowship, names, symbols, and a status all their own. Success attend them in the work of the kingdom of Christ, and out of this fellowship of joyous, buoyant, growing, true-hearted boys and girls may the swelling ranks of Christian workers, ministers, deaconesses, and missionaries be recruited as before!—Epworth Era.

DEPARTMENT OF WOMAN'S WORK

(Continued from Page 8)

eign missions, and Mrs. A. C. Sherrill's table was devoted to the children's part. Mrs. W. E. Bacon gave information as to immigration and Mrs. C. H. Mebane about the women's share of the mission work. Rescue work and orphanage homes were described at the table of Mrs. C. W. Thurmond. Mrs. C. L. Everhart discussed social service facts. Mrs. W. M. Biles, wife of Pastor Biles of the church, had a fine display of sewing and other handiwork from the Wesley home in Winston-Salem, showing marvelous things that children from the first grade up have made. The president, Mrs. Warlick, told how mission money was gathered and spent, and discussed the work among colored people in the South.

It was thoroughly interesting and thoroughly enjoyable throughout, and of lasting practical good in the campaign for mission purposes carried on by the society here.

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER AND PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the eldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.

LEADING JEWELERS

EASTER GIFTS

FOR CHILDREN

COLORED PICTURE BIBLES & TESTAMENTS

HOLMAN EDITIONS IN PURPLE BINDINGS

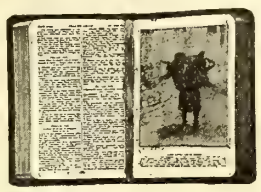
FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHOLARS AND LITTLE CHILDREN

These special editions have been prepared to appeal to the child's own interest.

All efforts of the imagination and all descriptions in words cannot make the Land of the Bible as real and vivid as a walk through it by means of Pictures. There has been so little change in that part of the Orient that pictures of its scenes as they now are show the very places as they actually existed in the time of Jesus and the Apostles.

These Pictures illuminate in natural colors scenes and places taken from nature; and life in the Holy Land in manners, customs, dress and homes as they now exist, but so like olden times that one may imagine themselves going about with Jesus as He healed, taught and walked through the streets of Jerusalem. Each picture is accompanied by a complete description of the scene portrayed.

ALL OF THE FOLLOWING STYLES are bound in PURPLE SILK CLOTH, with PURPLE EDGES on book



GOLD TITLES and GOLD FLORAL DESIGN



on cover, also containing Sixteen beautiful Colored Pictures.

COLORED PICTURE BIBLES, PURPLE SILK CLOTH BINDINGS.

	PUBLISHERS' PRICES	OUR PRICES	
No. 5404. Large Minion Type Self-Pronouncing. Size 5⅞ x 4¼ inches	1.00	.80	Post Paid
No. 5004. Clear Black Pearl Type Size 5⅛ x 3¼ inches	.70	.55	Post Paid

COLORED PICTURE NEW TESTAMENT, PURPLE SILK CLOTH BINDING.

No. 2404. Large Minion Type Self-Pronouncing. Size 5⅞ x 4¼ inches	.60	.40	Post Paid

NEW TESTAMENT VEST POCKET SIZE, PURPLE SILK CLOTH BINDING
Colored Frontispiece Only.

No. 2104. Clear Agate Type Self-Pronouncing. Size 4½ x 2⅞ inches	.32	.25	Post Paid

CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

An Exceptional Bible Offer

Endorsed by Representatives of all Denominations



THE 1911 BIBLE

Being the old familiar Authorized Version, carefully amended by American scholars in the light of the latest modern scholarship.

Not a Revision

Only such passages as are recognized by all scholars as needlessly obscure have been altered in any way.

Special Features

A New System of Chain References.
A New System of Collected References.
A New System of Paragraphs.

"We believe, unqualifiedly, that the 1911 Bible is far the best translation ever given the English-speaking people, and the worthiest of their confidence and affection."—*Herald and Presbyter.*

Printed in large black-faced type, very easy to read

Special Offer:

For $2.00 we will send you, postpaid, a copy of this superb Bible, beautifully printed in large black-face type, and bound in the best French morocco, with overlapping edges, round corners, red under gold edges, headband, and fine silk marker. This Bible contains 12 beautifully colored Maps, and Index to Maps.
Size, 8x5½ inches.

For $5.00 we will send you, postpaid, ***the exquisite Oxford India Paper edition*** of this Bible, which measures only ⅞ of an inch in thickness. It is bound in the finest Alaska seal, with overlapping edges, full leather lined to edge, silk sewed, round corners, red under gold edges, and has silk headband and marker.
Size, 8x5½ inches, ⅞ of an inch thick.

Remember!! These Bibles are published by the Oxford University Press, American Branch—in itself a sufficient guarantee of their excellence.

Send for one of these Bibles to-day

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

If great moments come, great crises in our individual lives, their significance for us will depend in no small degree upon the way in which we have received that divine opportunity which has come to us wearing the threadbare raiment of our every-day affairs, sceptred with broom or pen, as unimpressive as anything imaginable could be.—John White Chadwick.

Our Children's Home

Conducted by Walter Thompson, Supt.

FIFTH SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Trinity S. S., Monroe, J. C. Laney, $1.25; Salem S. S., Winston-Salem, H. C. Jones, $2.50; Shiloh S. S., Salisbury, D. A. Hodge, $2.00; Centenary S. S., Winston, E. S. Gray, $22.88. Total, $28.63.

SPECIAL SUPPORT, GENERAL SUPPORT AND TEN PER CENT. ASSESSMENT FUND

East Waynesville church, Clyde, Rev. G. A. B. Holderby, $2.18; Turnersburg church, Iredell Ct., Turnersburg, L. C. Steele, $7.45; Fair View church, Mooresville, Rev. J. T. Ratledge, $5.15; Triplett church, Mooresville, Rev. J. T. Ratledge, $5.10; Centenary church, Mooresville, Rev. J. T. Ratledge, $6.30; McKendree church, Mooresville, Rev. J. T. Ratledge, $1.00; Chadwick church, Charlotte, J. D. Buice, $3.61, Biltmore church, Biltmore, Miss Julia Brookshire, $2.15; C. M. Edwards, High Point, $15.00; West Market St. church, Greensboro, E. Poole, $17.00. Total, $64.94.

BUILDING FUND

A friend from Salisbury, $1.00; a friend from Salisbury, $1.00; L. C. Sloop, Mt. Ulla, $1.00; W. A. Boyle, Hiddenite, $4.00; Mrs. J. H. Sullivan, Asheville, $5.00; R. L. Best, Ashboro, $1.00; John Myers, Thomasville, $15.00; D. W. Bagley and Son, Greensboro, $17.00; J. W. Mills, Proximity, Greensboro, $5.00; S. E. Mays, Proximity, Greensboro, $1.00; Mrs. T. O. Rawls, Greensboro, $2.50; R. E. Sims, Proximity, Greensboro, $3.00; W. I. Underwood, Greensboro, $10.00; E. L. Sides, Greensboro, $1.00; F. C. Boyles, Treas. West Market St. S. S., Greensboro, $62.90; E. A. Woodell, Greensboro, $5.00; M. W. Stern, Greensboro, $6.50; J. F. Thompson, Greensboro, $2.50; Miss Pattie Roberts, Shelby, $2.50. Total, $146.90.

DONATIONS IN KIND

Mrs. L. L. Johnson, Fletcher, one suit of clothes and household linen; Mrs. J. W. Hall, Osceola, S. C., one quilt; Ladies of Central church, Miss Ida May King, Concord, two boxes of canned fruit; Rocky Ridge church, Concord, three coops chickens.

MISSIONARY NOTES FROM FIELD SECRETARY

March 5-7, Bryson City and Whittiers, D. H. Rhinehart, P. C.—$707.70, Conference Mission Special. The following are some of the subscriptions: John R. Green, $5.00; Dr. J. L. Reeves, $20.00; Wm. Quiett, $40.00; W. A. Gibson, $20.00; Dr. J. H. Teague, $40.00; Mrs. Estelle R. Wiggins, $20.00; Miss Jessie Teague, $20.00; Mrs. R. M. Waldroup, $5.00; S. W. Marr, $10.00; R. N. Gant, $20.00; J. E. Coburn, $500.00. Brother Coburn is the son-in-law of the late Rev. Joseph Wiggins and is deeply interested in the work of our church in this section. His generous offering is a benediction.

I visited the Indian Reservation and Government School at Cherokee. I found the superintendent, Mr. J. E. Henderson, a Presbyterian, cordial in insisting that our church station a missionary at Cherokee with free use of the chapel. He promised to send me data upon which the Board of Missions could base a reasonable or unreasonable excuse for abandoning the mission so long maintained among these Indians. They are without any regular pastoral leadership excepting such as is furnished them from their own number, who are of the Baptist faith and for the most part inefficient.

I was impressed with the look of intelligence in the faces of the students of the school—especially the girls—and wonder at the report of the comparatively few cultured homes in the reservation made by these pupils.

Carried here to the seventh grade with privilege of further study at Carlisle, one would look for a large and influential class among them of intelligent Christian men and women.

I had not the time for more than a hurried visit, and know little of the real needs and of the work being done for them. The superintendent conducts a Sunday school each Sunday morning and a religious service every Sunday night at the school.

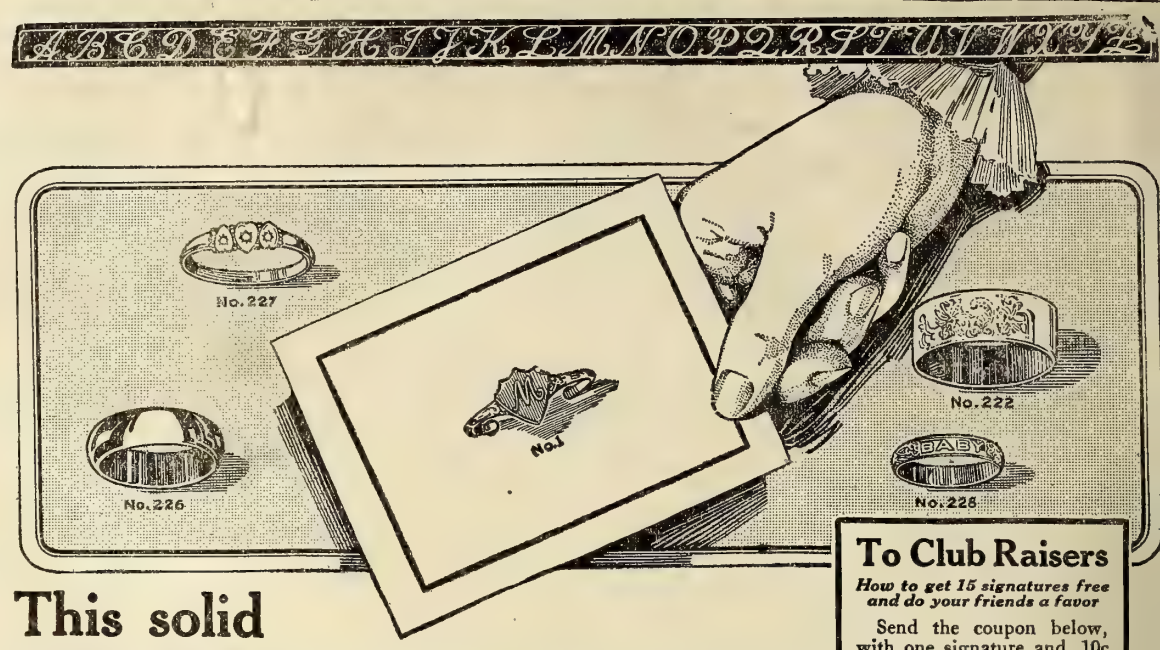
Let the builder of the church of the future first begin at home. Let him begin to sympathize more cordially than he has in the past with those brethren whose work lies close to his, who march with him step for step, whose shoulders touch his own, whose defeat or victory he too must share.—Samuel R. Calthrop.

The crown of patience cannot be received where there has been no suffering. If thou refusest to suffer, thou refusest to be crowned; but, if thou wishest to be crowned, thou must fight manfully and suffer patiently. Without labor none can obtain rest, and without contending there can be no conquest.—Thomas a Kempis.

Do not dare to live without some clear intention toward which your living shall be bent. Mean to be something with all your might. Do not dare to think that a child of God can worthily work out his career, or worthily serve God's other children, unless he does both in the love and fear of God their Father.—Phillips Brooks.

The faith born of ethics is that man can do the right. The imperative itself brings the power to meet it. There is no duty if I cannot perform it; and as duty exists and charms and binds me I know I can do it.—William M. Salter.

Certain thoughts are prayers. There are moments when, whatever be the attitude of the body, the soul is on its knees.—Victor Hugo.



This solid gold-shell initial ring given to you

Cut out the coupon now and mail today

This wonderful introductory offer closes April 15 1915. Send the coupon below today with a signature from a one-pound package of Arbuckles' Ariosa or Arbuckles' Ground Coffee, and 10 cents in stamps or coin.

Get one of these beautiful initial rings, with any letter that you may desire placed on the heart. Its value is remarkable. It is an absolutely solid gold-shell ring (not a washed or electro-plated ring) and we guarantee it to give excellent wear. If it does not, it will be cheerfully exchanged at once, without a question. You could not get a better guarantee if you paid many times the price!

How to determine the size you want

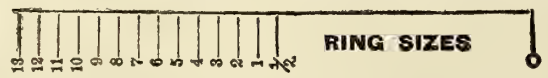
This ring is offered in sizes from 1 to 10. Be sure to give the ring size, and initial desired. (Only one letter on each ring.)

To determine the size you need, cut a strip of thick paper so that the ends will exactly meet when drawn tightly around the second joint of the finger. Then lay one end of the strip at 0 on the diagram (shown below) and order the size the other end indicates.

We make this astounding offer to induce you to try one pound of Arbuckles' Ariosa or Arbuckles' Ground Coffee *now*—to have you *compare* it, in flavor and aroma, with the coffee you now serve. Learn why more Arbuckles' Ariosa and Arbuckles' Ground Coffee is sold *than any other packaged coffee.*

In over a million American homes, every morning, a piping hot cup of Arbuckles' starts the day. Its tempting *coffee* aroma makes keen the appetite. It is *good* coffee—so good that it could never be offered at the price, were it not for its tremendous sales.

Try it today, and get one of these valuable initial rings for yourself or for some one in your family. Cut out the coupon now. Then buy one pound of Arbuckles' Ariosa (whole bean) or Arbuckles' Ground Coffee, cut the signature from the package, and send it today with the coupon and 10c in stamps or coin.



Mail the coupon with the signature and 10 cents to Arbuckle Bros., 71-75 Water Street, New York City

Other wonderful rings you can get

No. 226, Wedding Ring. Mail the coupon below with nine Arbuckle signatures and a 2-cent stamp. This solid gold-filled ring is for men or women; it is of good weight, and wears well. It is one of our most popular presents. Tens of thousands of men and women every year earn it. Give size.

No. 228, Baby Ring. Mail the coupon below, with seven Arbuckle signatures and a 2-cent stamp. This solid gold-shell ring is a lovely new pattern; word "Baby" embossed, and dainty flower design. Sizes ½ to 4. Give size.

No. 222, Fancy Band Ring. Mail the coupon below, with eight Arbuckle signatures and a 2-cent stamp. This ring is for men or women. Solid gold-shell; exceptionally beautiful pattern. Give size.

No. 227, Heart Ring. Mail the coupon below, with twelve Arbuckle signatures and a 2-cent stamp. This solid gold-shell ring is for ladies or misses; the design is three hearts, each set with imitation turquoise. Give size.

To Club Raisers

How to get 15 signatures free and do your friends a favor

Send the coupon below, with one signature and 10c in stamps or coin, and we will send you at once one of these beautiful initial solid gold-shell rings. This will be *your* ring. Use it to show your friends what a remarkable offer this is. Get five of them (not already using Arbuckles' Coffee) to take advantage of this offer, just as you have. We will mail each of your friends direct the beautiful ring, when you send us the money and signatures for the five rings.

For doing this *you* will earn 15 signatures free.

When we send you *your* ring, we will send a special blank, giving full and clear instructions as to what you have to do to get these 15 signatures free. At the same time, we will send you our beautiful new catalog, showing the wide choice of wonderful gifts you can get for 15 signatures.

Then you can advise us what you want for the 15 Arbuckle signatures that you get free; or, if you so desire, we will mail you a credit for the 15 signatures, which you can count with signatures cut from our coffee packages for articles which require a greater quantity.

Mail the coupon now, with one Arbuckle signature and 10c

Better than ever

This is the signature you save



This coupon with 10 cents and one signature is good for the initial ring shown above, or, with the proper number of signatures, for any of the other presents shown. This offer does not hold good after April 15, 1915. Only one coupon accepted from any one person or family.

ARBUCKLE BROS.,
71-75 Water St., New York

With this coupon I enclose ..... signatures from Arbuckles' Coffee and ..... cents for which please send me the above.

NORTH CAROLINA ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE

Office of the Superintendent
R. L. Davis

Dear Subscriber:

Greetings! The Anti-Saloon League has just come through a stormy legislative fight and won a signal victory. After much delay and every possible movement to defeat our anti-shipping law and an earnest effort to defeat our malt bill, both have been passed.

Under the anti-shipping law, which goes into effect April first, 1915, no more than a quart of liquor can be received by any one in fifteen days and the person or corporation receiving more than the quart in fifteen days is guilty of a misdemeanor. It is unlawful for any person to allow the use of his name in ordering liquor or for any person to bring more than one quart of liquor into the state from another, also unlawful for drug stores to sell liquor.

The other law makes it unlawful to manufacture or sell malt, which is used only in the manufacture of liquor, and provides that railroads must keep, subject to inspection, a record of all shipments of malt received.

Under these laws I verily believe the blind tigers and jug trade will be driven from North Carolina and we will begin to experience real prohibition.

With a Senate adverse to this legislation, this victory would have been impossible but for the splendid support given the Anti-Saloon League by the pulpit, the people and the press throughout the state, to whom we feel grateful.

On the close of this campaign we find our organization in debt to the amount of $955.83 and we ask you to remit us check for the amount you are due as per enclosed statement, so that we can wipe out this deficit. Of this amount, $312.50 is due Brother O. L. Stringfield, who, as our efficient assistant superintendent, campaigned the state for the last two years and helped to line it up for this victory; and $391.81 is due your superintendent. If your pledge is past due I especially urge you to remit. The organization will now turn its energies towards the breaking up of blockade stills and to the securing of national prohibition, but, first, we want to wipe out this debt. We are depending on you for your part. On receipt of your check, if you desire it, we will send you copies of both the laws just passed.

Yours for the extermination of the beverage liquor traffic,

R. L. Davis, Supt.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER

After almost two years of continuous session the 63rd Congress came to a close at noon yesterday by limitation. This was not only the longest but most expensive session in the history of our country—the total appropriation being $1,120,000,000. Much of the amount, however, was due, directly or indirectly, to the European war. The ship purchase and several other administration measures failed to reach a vote and will come up again in the 64th Congress, which meets in December. Already the greater part of the National Solons have returned to the states to set themselves right with their constiuents and to get in readiness for the 1916 compaign which promises to be a lively one.

The state's contingency at the National Capital, composing the North Carolina Society here, recently held its annual banquet which was enjoyed by a hundred or so of "tar heelers" in a manner seldom equaled. The Secretary of the Navy and Mrs. Josephus Daniels were the honor guests of the evening. Addresses and toasts were made by Mr. Daniels, Major Chas. M. Stedman, Congressman Robt. N. Page, Prof. P. P. Claxton, Rev. Dr. Thos. Dixon, P. D. Gold, Jr., and Thomas M. Robertson, all being highly appropriate and interesting throughout. Perhaps the "Old North State's" praise was never sung on so high a key, nor did it ever so delight those who are so wedded to their native state. It would seem from the many jesting utterances during the evening that our state was practically running the National Government, and it is a fact that no other state is so highly favored with so many positions of honor and trust as ours. The decorations consisted of boughs of the long-leaf pine and music—the state and southern airs.

The many friends of Mr. Samuel L. Rogers, of Macon county, will learn with delight that he has just been appointed by President Wilson as director of the census at a salary of $6,000 per annum.

The 131st session of the Baltimore Conference of the Southern Methodist Church will be held at Mt. Vernon Place Church, of this city, beginning on Tuesday, March 23rd. Bishop W. A. Candler will preside. Bishops A. W. Wilson and Collins Denny will attend and preach during the Conference. Our six city churches will come up with splendid reports both spirituality and financially.

Mr. Josephus Daniels, Secretary of the Navy, was the principal speaker at the recent annual union meeting of all the Methodist Church leagues of this city and vicinity at which some 1,500 young people were present.

At the time of this writing the snow is falling thick and fast, but the temperature is too high for it to remain long.

W. F. Tomlinson.

The Hillside, March 5, 1915.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Nashville, Tenn.

The time of holding the annual meeting of the Board of Education has been changed from April 15th to April 22nd. The meetings of the committees will be held April 21st, as follows:

9 a. m.—Classification Committee, Committee on Religious Training in both Church and State Schools, and Committee on Ministerial Supply and Training

2 p. m.—Committee on White and Colored Schools, and Committee on Publications, Plans, and Policies.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY—FITZGERALD HALL

ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

The Sunday School Lesson

FIRST QUARTER — LESSON XI
March 14, 1915

SAUL GAINS HIS KINGDOM
1 Sam. 11

Golden Text—He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; And he that ruleth his spirit, than he that taketh a city. Prov. 16. 32.

Summary of the Lesson

"There is a tide in the affairs of men"—so run the familiar lines—"which taken at the flood leads on to fortune." Such a tide met the eyes of the powerful young man Saul when the men of Jabesh-gilead sent out an appealing message for help. Nahash the Ammonite had come up against them. When they sued for peace he sneeringly offered to be their ruler if every man would surrender his right eye. The men of Jabesh-gilead knew that Nahash was quite capable of carrying out his cruel suggestion. Their cry went out all over Israel. It found Saul just returned from the plow. In a fury of patriotism he slew his oxen, and rending them in pieces, sent the fragments over Israel with his summons to arms. The people responded. Saul led them against Nahash. The Ammonite was conquered. Not only Jabesh-gilead but Israel felt the thrill of the great deliverance. Saul the deliverer soon became Saul the king. His hour of victory was marked by fine and generous clemency, for in that hour he refused to shed the blood of his foes.

The Price of Peace

"It takes two to make a quarrel" is one of those splendid half truths which need to be scrutinized occasionally in order that we may remember their limitations. "It takes two to keep the peace" is the other half of the truth.

A pioneer home was in flames. Frenzied savages were cruelly killing its inmates. No one in that home had attacked the Indians. It was a case of wanton, unprovoked violence. The pioneer and his family were absolutely peaceable and inoffensive. They made the mistake of supposing that it always takes two to make a quarrel. They did not adequately prepare to defend themselves and their lives were paid as the price of their illusion. When Nahash the Ammonite came against the men of Jabesh-gilead these men were all for peace. They could not have been more subservient in their way of greeting Nahash if they had believed that all wars are bad wars and that the evil which comes out of a conflict is always greater than any possible good. They offered, without a stroke of resistance, to become subjects to Nahash the Ammonite. The eyes of that fierce warrior gleamed with cruel triumph. He was quite ready to accept their proposal, he declared, but one feature must be added to the agreement. The right eyes of the men of Jabesh-gilead must be put out, then would Nahash accept their docile service.

That day a certain group of men learned the limitations of a peace movement. If you are dealing with a relentless and implacable foe, who returns brutality for courtesy, and cruelty for gentleness, and ferocity for submission, you must rise and fight and win, or else lose what is more valuable than life itself. There is no such thing as a righteous peace with Nahash the Ammonite until he is conquered.

Civilization can make many justsifiable adjustments and concessions to avoid the horrors of war, but it can not suffer its own right eye to be put out for the sake of peace.

Fresh From the Plow

When messengers from Rome came to tell Cincinnatus that he had been made consul in the hour of his country's need they found him plowing on his little farm. When the news of the dire plight of the men of Jabesh-gilead reached Saul he had just come from the plow. The man of strategy in the hour of crisis is not an idler. He may rise from very ordinary tasks to very extraordinary tasks, but he does not rise to extraordinary tasks from no task at all. The hand which held the plow is sometimes summoned to hold the nation's destiny, but the hand which has held nothing at all is allowed to hold just nothing. It has been disciplined to no strong and powerful grasp. It can not be trusted. Then there is a sense in which the hand of toil is connected with the understanding brain. The man who has been busy about the tasks of everyday life understands everyday life. The man who has shared in the toil of the people understands the heart of the people. His leadership is powerful and persuasive because he understands the joys and the sorrows, the hopes and the fears and whole range of the experience of those whom he is to lead. In the deepest and truest sense he speaks to the people in their own tongue.

There is something about partnership with the soil in producing harvests which develops very important human qualities. In a very real fashion the farm is a training school and the man who follows the plow is doing laboratory work in an efficient university. The artificialities and unrealities of a conventional type of civilization are not learned when following the plow. A direct and candid quality of thought, a sincerity like the sincerity of nature itself, a sense of the simple and fundamental things which really determine the meaining of life comes easily to the man who follows the plow.

The Making of a Fighting Man

It is easy to wear the uniform of a soldier, but it is the heart of a soldier which wins the battles. However muscular a man may be his arm is no stronger than his heart. The making of a soldier lies in the making of a dauntless heart.

What was it which changed Saul the farmer into Saul the fighting man? What was it which made a man at the very thought of whose leadership some men had scoffed into an invincible leader? It was an experience which gave to a man who had the muscles of a hero the mind of a hero. It was something which enabled Saul's heart besides pumping blood through his own body to pump a passion of patriotism through the body of Israel.

When Saul heard of the cruel and humiliating demands made of the men of Jabesh-gilead by Nahash the Ammonite the news seemed to set free a thousand unexpected powers of fierce and terrible wrath in his own soul. His heart became a great furnace, glazing with the heat of determined, passionate hostility to this foe of his people. In this furnace all fear and hesitation was burned up. Only the pure gold of courage and patriotism came out of that testing fire.

It was a new Saul who slew the oxen with face white with wrath, and scattered the fragments among the people as a great call to arms. His spirit had a compelling contagion. It moved through Israel as something too vital and commanding to be resisted. An army gathered to his standard. Saul led it forth against Nahash. The men of Jabesh-gilead were delivered. The Ammonites were defeated. Saul stood forth clearly and distinctly the one outstanding man of accredited leadership among his people.

Self-Control in the Hour of Victory

A man's hour of victory is his hour of supreme temptation. Many a man who is strong in defeat is weak in victory. Many a man who would meet failure like a hero meets success like a weakling. In the hour of great achievement a goblet is lifted to a man's lips whose intoxicating effects he may well dread.

Saul's first decision in the hour when all Israel turned toward him with acclaim is one which should be remembered in his honor. There were those who had sneeringly said, "Shall Saul reign over us?" and their sneers had been an influence which worked to turn the hearts of people from Saul. Now it was suggested that these men be brought forth and put to death. The best way to deal with traitors was to slay them before their treasonable schemes had been put into effect. Let the hour of Saul's triumph be the hour of the death of his foes.

There was a kind of plausibility to such reasoning, but Saul was not misled by it. This was his noble reply, "There shall not a man be put to death this day, for today Jehovah hath wrought deliverance for Israel." This day, which was to be a day of splendid memories, Saul would not tarnish by sheding the blood of his countrymen, even though they were disloyal to him.

The people joyously made Saul king in Gilgal, and with full hearts they offered sacrifices to Jehovah, who had given them a leader, a victor and a king. So auspiciously did the reign of Saul begin.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in New York Christian Advocate.

BACK TO HEALTH BY NATURE'S ROUTE

This is the title of a most interesting booklet issued by the Celebrated Shivar Mineral Spring. The booklet ontains the strongest letters of testimonial from men eminent in the professions of medicine, law and theology, from bankers, merchants, manufacturers and others, telling how this remarkable water has relieved them of dyspepsia and indigestion, nervous headache, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney and liver diseases, uric acid poisoning and other ailments due to impure blood. Sign and mail the following letter and you will have no cause to regret it.

Shivar Spring,
Box 5D, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen:

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)

Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You run no risk whatever in accepting his offer. I have personally witnessed the remarkable curative effects of this water in a very serious case.

Our Strains of Wakefield's Improved Sweet Potato Plants, improved by Seed Selection in the fields during 10 years, have attained such a degree of popularity that for three years we have been unable to fill over 60 per cent of the orders sent us. We double our capacity this year. Nancy Hall and ten other kinds. Tomato plants also. Free plant booklet.
Wakefield Plant Farm, Charlotte, N. C.

STOPS TOBACCO HABIT

Elders Sanitarium, located at 513 Main St., St. Joseph, Mo., has published a book showing the deadly effect of the tobacco habit, and how it can be stopped in three to five days.

As they are distributing this book free, anyone wanting a copy should send their name and address at once.



PAINT STRENGTH

Strength is what paint is for. The stronger it is, the less gallons and money it takes, and the longer it wears. The strongest paint-word is DEVOE.

ODELL
Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL
FLORAL
DESIGNS
Furnished on short notice



Summit Avenue Greenhouses
HOWARD GARDNER
Proprietor
GREENSBORO, N. C

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 134

DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF
STOMACH AND INTESTINES
121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO
ROBT. W. MURRAY
GENERAL
INSURANCE
Greensboro, North Carolina
308½ South Elm St.
Phone 163

Our Little Folks' Department

SIGNS OF SPRING

I wonder what the people think
  Who make us study so;
I wonder if they understand
  The tattling winds that blow,
And feel that Spring is stirring 'neath
  Her coverlet of snow?

I wonder if they hear the rush
  Of sap inside a tree?
I wonder if they hear the stir
  Of buds they cannot see—
Those folks who make us stay in schoo.
  From nine o'clock till three?

I wonder if they know the smell
  Of buds beneath the mould?
I wonder if they've ever watched
  The tiny leaves unfold,
Or Spring go dancing through the woods
  To keep from getting cold?

I don't believe they understand
  The songs the breezes sing!
I don't believe they understand
  One single magic thing;
Or else they'd let us out at noon
  To go and play with Spring!

THEY CAME BACK HOME

When the war took from Balkan farmers nearly everything thew owned, many could never get pay for their losses, and could not find their property after the army had no more use for it.

Two young oxen, Sharon and Jero, were taken from their home farm near Topola in Servia. They were used for pulling cannon to the place of battle. They were strong and did good work in the muddy roads and fields of Thrace. But at the close of the war the cattle were mixed and this pair was given to a peasant whose farm was far from Topola.

One morning the new owner missed them. He followed, inquiring and hearing of them for miles and miles. At last he came up with them at the door of their old home. They had found their way back, but they were so poor and changed that their master did not know them as his oxen. They bellowed at the gate and licked the children who came out to look at the strange animals.

But when the gate was opened they went straight to their own stalls, and none could doubt that they were really Sharon and Jero. They had come home from the war and were petted and fed as heroes. The peasant gave up his claim when he heard the story, and they were left at their own home.—The Boy's World.

GEORGIANA'S SURPRISES

In less than twelve hours Georgiana Green would be seven years old. Her mother had said that she might have a party, and Georgiana herself had written the invitations to her four little chums. They read: "Please come Saturday afternoon at two o'clock and help eat my birthday cake."

The cake was already baked. It was covered with such a beautiful thick white frosting, dotted with tiny round pink candies and a circle of seven pink candles on the top. There was going to be pink-and-white taffy too, and strawberry ice cream, and big round yellow oranges, besides just common everyday things like sandwiches.

Georgiana knew that she was going to have a most lovely time, though, to be sure, when she went to bed the night before the party she felt queer and sort of headachey. Her mother said that perhaps she had scraped the frosting and cake bowls too clean, then kissed her good night, and bade her try to go to sleep.

Georgiana did try, but for a long time she rolled and tossed. She even asked for two drinks of water, which was very unusual. At last the sandman carried her off to the Land of Nod, where she had some very dreadful dreams.

When she opened her eyes the next morning the sun was making a golden pathway across the blue-and-white rug in front of her bed, and her father was saying: "Happy birthday, little daughter!"

Georgiana tried to say: "Thank you." It hurt her very much. Then she tried to smile, but her face was so stiff that she couldn't even crinkle it a little bit.

"O-ow!" she cried, and clapped both small hands to her head.

"What's the matter?" asked her father. Her mother came running to her bed. She lifted her little daughter into her lap and looked at her very hard. "Why—why, Georgiana Green," she exclaimed, "I declare if you haven't got the mumps!"

"Well, well," laughed Mr. Green. "Whoever heard of mumps for a birthday gift? It's a sure-enough surprise."

Georgiana said that she didn't like surprises—at least not that kind. What was the use of a birthday cake, oranges, and pink-and-white taffy if your jaws snapped when you nibbled even a crumb and the tiniest sip of anything sour set your teeth on edge?

I'm afraid the pain and disappointment made Georgiana selfish as well as cross. She asked her mother not to make the ice cream and to put all the other goodies away until she was well enough to eat them.

Mrs. Green looked very sober. It hurt her to have her little daughter so greedy.

"Have Mary, Jane, Katherine, and Susan all had the mumps?" she inquired after a minute.

Georgiana did not know, so Mrs. Green went to the telephone and called up all of the little girls' mothers. Not one of the four had had the mumps, which meant that Georgiana could not even have a party on her birthday. O dear! Such a calamity! She couldn't yes, I'll have to confess, she had the dumps as well as the mumps, and cried and whined a very great deal. At last Mrs. Green took her in her lap and began telling her a story.

"Ting-a-ling-a-ling!" jangled the doorbell. But when the door was opened there wasn't anybody there, just four white boxes tied with pink ribbons. Each bore a card with Georgiana's name and birthday greetings.

"It's a surprise! It's a surprise!" shouted four little voices.

Georgiana could scarcely believe her ears, or her eyes either, for when she looked there were her four chums hanging over the gate.

Before she untied the gifts Georgiana whispered something in her mother's ear. It made Mrs. Green look very happy, and she kissed her daughter and hurried into the house. A few minutes later Mary, Jane, Katherine, and Susan were eating pink-and-white taffy and generous slices of Georgiana's birthday cake; while the little girl herself looked in the four surprise boxes and was happy as a little girl with the mumps could be.—M. Pelton White.

A BLOW FOR A BLOW

Bobbie and Billy lived next door to each other, and next door was so close that there wasn't even any fence between their yards, and they could play together under the hackberry tree whenever they liked. It was almost the same as living together. Sometimes Bobbie's mother sat with Billy's mother on her front porch, while they sewed long seams and talked about sewing and cooking and little boys and other kinds of housekeeping things.

At other times Billy's mother ran over and sat with Bobbie's mother, and still other times both mothers were very busy inside of the house. Anyway, it was always friendly in the big yard that held the two houses until one dreadful morning when Bobbie and Billy had a quarrel, and then the quarrel was so ugly that it grew to be a fight. That's the way quarrels do if you don't snip their heads off when they are little.

Bobbie's mother heard the first of it when Billy marched straight and stiff over to his own house, crying as he went.

Bobbie was standing under the hackberry tree, and he was crying too, but he was throwing stones at Billy. Billy was also throwing stones as he went home. It looked very squally and ugly, and each mother came out expecting to find that her little son had been hurt. But no; they were not very much hurt, only very angry. As soon as the mothers came in sight both boys ran to tell them about it.

Bobbie said that Billy wanted to be the captain all the time when they played soldiers, and Billy said that Bobbie wanted to be captain all of the time. Of course it is very bad when two people want exactly the same thing and want it all the time. There isn't but one way out of a thing like that, and neither Bobbie nor Billy thought about the right way at the right time.

"Billy pushed me," said Bobbie angrily to his mother.

"And Bobbie hit me," said Billy to his mother.

"And Billy said he hated me, and I don't want to be hated," said Bobbie to his mother.

"And he said he hated me," said Billy, "and I don't want to be hated either."

"Of course you don't" said Billy's mother.

"Of course you don't," said Bobbie's mother; "no boy wants to be hated. Why, even I don't want to be hated. As big as I am, I should feel very bad indeed if some one said he hated me."

"What would you do to 'em?" asked Billy, forgetting to cry, he was so interested in how a grown lady would do.

"Well, I wouldn't hit him, for one thing," said Bobbie's mother; "but I would be sorry, and I would try to think what I had done to make any one hate me, and then I would say I was sorry and wouldn't do it any more if he would forgive me."

"But we both did things," said Bobbie.

"Nearly always it's both," said Billy's mother; "but if I were you I would see which could be the first to say, 'I am sorry.'"

Then the strangest thing happened. Both boys said, "I am sorry," at exactly the very same minute and the very same second of the minute.

"And you may be captain first," said Bobbie, "because my birthday comes first, and that makes me the oldest, and I ought to be able to wait."

"And I'll just be captain a little while, so you won't have to wait long," answered Billy.

Then they went off to play under the hackberry tree again and forgot about the fight. No, they didn't forget all about it, either, for another time when they felt like fighting they remembered that "It is manly to keep your own temper." Mother said so and father said so and Uncle Jack said so and all the big people they knew said so, and of course they believed it. Wouldn't you believe it if all the big people you knew and loved said it was so? Besides, they found that the Bible said so too, for Billy's father taught them this verse: "He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city."—Francis M'Kinnon Morton.

WE WILL PAY YOU $120.00

to distribute religious literature in your community. Sixty days' work. Experience not required. Man or woman. Spare time may be used.

ZEIGLER CO., Dept. 35, Philadelphia.

WHEN IT COMES, BE PREPARED.



The SAFE and SAVING WAY of Insuring Church and Pastor's property is with
The National Mutual Church Insurance Co., of Chicago, Ill.
THE METHODIST MUTUAL.
Now in successful operation for years. Business at highest point ever attained, and constantly increasing. Protects against FIRE, LIGHTNING and TORNADO. No assessments. For particulars address
HENRY P. MAGILL, Secretary and Manager,
Insurance Exchange, Chicago, Ill.
Mrs. Alice Hargrove Barclay, Agent M. E. Church South,
314 Norton Building, Fourth and Jefferson, Louisville, Ky.

FRECKLES

February and March Bring Out Unsightly Spots. How to Remove Easily.

The woman with tender skin dreads February and March because they are likely to cover her face with ugly freckles. No matter how thick her veil, the sun and winds have a strong tendency to make her freckle.

Fortunately for her peace of mind the recent discovery of a new prescription, othine—double strength, makes it possible for even those most susceptible to freckles to keep their skin clear and white. No matter how stubborn a case of freckles you have, the double strength othine should remove them.

Get an ounce from your druggist and banish the freckles. Money back if it fails.



Standard
Memorial Windows
Made in High Point

Beautiful in design—strong in construction. Largest and oldest glass plant in the South. Capacity for any and all orders and prompt delivery. Satisfaction guaranteed. References—any of our old customers or any bank or banker in High Point. Write for catalog.

Standard Mirror Co.
High Point, N. C.



15 ROSES postpaid anywhere in the U. S. for **$1.00**

This grand collection consists of 15 nice, healthy plants, the cream of Tea, H. T. and H. Pol. roses in existence. It contains varieties such as: Helen Gould, Papa Gontier, Sofrano, W. Maman Cochet, Francisca Kruger, Dutches de Brabant, Marie Guillot, Catherine Mermet, Conquete de Lyon, Meteor, Abel Chatney, Clotilde Soupert, Pink Cochet, and Bessie Brown. Try some—you will want more. SATISFACTION GUARANTEED or your money back.

Address: *Singer* THE FLORIST
Dept. 19 Harrodsburg, Ky.



THE CELEBRATED
Throneburg Nursery
solicits your trade on apple, peach, pear, shade and ornamental trees. Prices reasonable. Agents wanted everywhere. Liberal commissions.
THE THRONEBURG NURSERY, NEWTON, N. C.

BLYMYER CHURCH BELLS.
UNLIKE OTHER BELLS SWEETER, MORE DURABLE, LOWER PRICE. OUR FREE CATALOGUE TELLS WHY.
Write to Cincinnati Bell Foundry Co., Cincinnati, O.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland
108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

Our Dead

HELMS—Robert A. Helms was born near Monroe in Union county, N. C., March 9th, 1848, and died at his home in McAdenville, N. C., Feb. 27, 1915, having almost completed his 66th year. He was married in 1868 to Nancy D. Riley, of Gaston, who survives him. To this union six children were born, three of whom, Joseph, John and Lizzie, are living. Brother Helms was converted when a young man, and joined the Baptist church. Later he united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and lived a devoted member of the same until his death. I talked with Brother Helms quite frequently during his last days, and he asked me many questions about "the heavenly home." He suffered intensely in his last days, but I never heard him murmur nor complain. Several times he would almost shout and say he was just waiting to go.

A good friend, an esteemed neighbor, a devoted father, and a thoughtful and loyal husband has fallen. The funeral was conducted by the writer on Sunday afternoon of the 28th, and he was laid to rest in Ebenezer cemetery. May great grace abide with the bereaved ones. Dwight W. Brown.

McAdenville, N. C.

HANES—John Henry Hanes was born in Davie County, January 21, 1838, and died Feb. 18, 1915, at the age of 77 years and 28 days. He was a son of Joseph and Mary Hanes, there being four sons and three daughters, and he was the last of these to pass away.

He was married to Louiza Clouse in November, 1865, and to this union were born three sons, Joseph, George and Lewis, and one daughter Lula. Joseph died in infancy; all the rest survive their father and also their mother who died in September, 1902.

Brother Hanes made a profession of religion in early life and joined the M. E. Church, South, at Fulton, where his membership remained till his death. He never moved from the house in which he was born, but in the old home in which he was born he lived and died, in a few hundred yards of the old church, a beautiful little brick church, which begins to show age, and which stands as a monument to the faith and loyalty of the subject of this sketch, as well as to the other members of the Hanes family who resided here or who were interested here.

Brother Hanes has been an office bearer in his church nearly all his life, serving as Sunday school superintendent, steward and trustee. Some member of the Hanes family has been superintendent of this Sunday school for about 75 years, and Brother J. H. has been most of this time.

He was a man who could be depende on in the battle of right against wrong. He took his stand, and was always found on the right side of every moral question. He would vote for prohibition if his were the only vote. His faith in God was simple, childlike and firm, and his devotion to the cause of the Master was constant and true.

Brother Hanes was so kind to every one with whom he came into contact that he can be appropriately called the friend of all men. It would be hard to over estimate the value of such a life as his has been.

In the death of J. H. Hanes Fulton church sustains a very great loss, all the other Hanes' had left Fulton community and all the older Hanes' are dead except P. H. Hanes, of Winston-Salem, who is a nephew of his.

Davie county has lost one of her truest and most patriotic sons, and the community has lost one of its best citizens and most valuable men.

On Saturday, February 20, at 11 a. m., a large number of mourning relatives while his body waited at the altar and accompanied his remains to the church where a large company were waiting. The house was well filled, conducted the funeral service, and he where he had conducted the Sunday school so often, the writer, his pastor, assisted by Rev. W. S. Hall, the pastor of Fork and Advance Baptist churches, conducted the funeral service, and he was laid to rest near the church.

There was a beautiful floral offering which has a language all its own.

We feel sure we know where to find him, and trust all the relatives and friends will prepare to meet him in the house of many mansions in the home that shall never be broken up, and where they never say goodby.

"How blest the righteous when he dies!
When sinks a weary soul to rest,
How mildly beams the closing eyes,
How gently heaves th' expiring breast!

So fades a summer cloud away;
So sinks the gale when storms are o'er;
So gently shuts the eye of day;
So dies a wave along the shore."

His pastor, E. Myers.

Advance, N. C.

IN MEMORIAM

We, the members of Oak Hill Sunday school of Oak Hill Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Table Rock Circuit, herein express our great sorrow caused by the death of a dear little thirteen-year-old girl, Otie Whisenant, daughter of Mr. Enoch Whisenant. Her faithfulness to Sunday school in attendance and interest was remarkable. Her pretty, bright face was an inspiration. She was beloved, and she will be sadly missed.

Therefore, be it resolved:

First, That we reverently submit to the will of our Heavenly Father.

Second, That we extend sympathy that is heartfelt to the bereaved loved ones.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, to each of the Morganton papers, and to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

(Signed) Mrs. Elmer Simpson.
Mrs. James Wall.
Miss Cleo Wall.

TODD—Mrs. Carrie Asbury Todd, wife of Mr. Floyd Todd and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Asbury, passed peacefully to eternal rest in the early morning hours of February 8th, being a little less than eighteen years of age. She had been ill but a few days and therefore her death came as a great surprise and shock to her many friends and acquaintances. This was a sad death indeed because a young life was so suddenly cut short and because she was a bride of only six months. Her nearest relatives are a young husband, her father and mother, three brothers and two sisters. But they sorrow not as those who have no hope; for their loved one surely rests from the labors of a brief life well spent in the Master's service. N community could ever boast of a mo beautiful, self-sacrificing and loy spirit than that of Sister Todd. A the early age of ten years she joine the Methodist Church in Seversvil where she lived and died. And fro her entrance into the church she w either a teacher or an assistant teac er in the Sunday school, and holdi also other offices from time to tim in the Sunday school and Epwor League. When the summons can she was choir leader and teacher of class in Sunday school.

Her saintly soul is with God but t world is the richer for the privile of having had so pure a life within We cherish her memory as one of t most precious of our heritages. S acted well her part and lived up the full measure of duty and when t sun went down there were no cloud Her pure soul has winged its way the supernal glory of another wor and all we can do is to mourn her a place on her grave our tribute affection and esteem. No; one thi more we can do. And that is to f low Christ as she followed him t we see her and till we "see him as is." W. F. Elliott, Pastor.

Johnny, aged four, went into a nei by grocery and asked for a box canary-seed. "Is it for your mother asked the grocer. "No, of course no replied the little fellow. "It's for t bird."—Exchange.

HOLMAN BIBLES

Durable Flexible Bindings — THE BEST EDITIONS OF THE WORLD'S BEST BOOK — Will not Break in the Back

HOLMAN BIBLES

FOR CHILDREN
PICTORIAL BIBLES WITH HELPS



Size 5⅝ x 3½ inches.

The text is self-pronouncing, by the aid of which children can learn to pronounce the difficult Scripture proper names.

Specimen of Type.

WHOSOEVER believeth that Je'sus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him

With beautiful photo views of scenes in Bible lands distributed throughout the text. Also maps of Bible lands in colors. Also new Practical Helps to Bible Study, especially designed for instructing children in scriptural information.

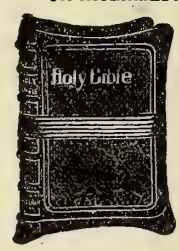
No. 91. French Seal Leather, overlapping covers, round corners, gold edges, gold titles
Publishers Price $1.30 Our Price--Post Paid, **$1.00**

COLORED PICTURE EDITION

Portraying in natural colors, scenes and places taken from nature and life in the Holy Land.

No. 92. Same as No. 91, but with Beautifully Colored Pictures
Publishers' Price $1.50 Our Price--Post Paid, **$1.20**

FOR INTERMEDIATE S. S. SCHOLARS



Large Clear Black Type, Self-Pronouncing, containing Helps to Bible Study, 4000 Questions and Answers, Maps in Colors, and Presentation Page. A Beautiful Gift Bible.

Specimen of Type.

22 And the prophet Is'ra-el, and said unto thyself, and mark, and for at the return of t

Size 7 x 5 inches.

No. 21. Divinity Circuit Style, Bound in French Seal Leather, round corners, red under gold edges, with silk head bands and purple silk marker, gold titles, etc.
Publishers' Price $1.60 Our Price--Post Paid, **$1.35**

No. 22. RL. Red Letter Scholars' Bible, same Bible as No. 215, with all the Sayings of Christ printed in Red, and with Red and gold INLAID PANEL SIDE TITLES, also Beautifully Colored Pictures,
Publishers' Price $2.10 Our Price--Post Paid, **$1.75**

FOR ADULTS, TEACHERS AND PREACHERS



and all who would study the Word of God intelligently this edition is unsurpassed. The type is large, clear Bourgeois, Self-Pronouncing, with liberal space between the words and lines, which makes it easy to read.

Size 8 x 5½ inches.

Specimen of Type.

¶ "From that time Je'sus to preach, and to say, "Repe the kingdom of heaven is

Containing New Copyrighted Helps by Rev. F. N. PELOUBET, D.D., a Treasury of Biblical Information, practical comparative concordance, Oriental Light on the Bible, Four Thousand Questions and Answers, New Colored Maps.

No. 47. Divinity Circuit Teachers' Bible, French Seal Leather, red under gold edges, Silk Head bands and Silk Marker,
Publishers' Price $2.70
Our Price--Post Paid, **$2.25**

No. 81. RL. Red Letter Teachers' Bible. The Words of Christ in the New Testament, Old Testament Passages Alluded to by Christ, Various Prophecies Relating to Christ in the Old Testament, etc., all PRINTED IN RED. Binding same as described above and same large Self-Pronouncing type.
Publishers' Price $3.20 Our Price--Post Paid, **$2.70**

No. 73X. Holman India Paper, Genuine Morocco, Leather Lined, Silk Sewed, Divinity Circuit, round corners, carmine under gold edges, silk head bands and silk marker, same type and Helps as above.
Publishers' Price $7.75 Our Price--Post Paid, **$5.00**

FOR OLD FOLKS and THE HOME



Printed from large Clear Pica Type, with Marginal References, Family Record and Maps. This **HOME BIBLE** is new and very desirable for every day use, containing all the advantages of a Family Bible in a conpact size that can be easily handled, with Record for Births, Marriages and Deaths. The best Bible obtainable for old folks who need extra large clear print and a light-weight book.

No. 2014. Durably Bound in French Seal Leather, full flexible covers, round corners, red under gold edges, silk head bands and silk marker, gold titles.
Publishers' Price $3.00 Our Price--Post Paid, **$2.35**

SEND ALL ORDERS TO
CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.
Second Round

March
Brevard Circuit, East Fork 13-14
Brevard 14
Missionary and Sunday School Institute 14-16
Hendersonville—Missionary and Sunday School Institute 16-17
Henderson Circuit, Fruitland 20
Central, Asheville, 11 a. m. 21
North Asheville, night 21
Missionary and Sunday School Institute 21-22
Marshall Missionary and Sunday School Institute 23-24
Mills River, Horseshoe 27-28
Hendersonville, night 28

April
Tryon and Saluda, Saluda 3-4
Flat Rock, Tuxedo, 3 p. m. 4
Spring Creek, Ottingers 10-11
Hot Springs and M., Hot Springs, night 11
Fairview, Bethany 17-18
Haywood St., Asheville, night 18
Sulphur Springs, Oak Hill 24-25
Biltmore and Mt. Pl., Biltmore, night, 25

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, 508 N. Tryon St., Charlotte, N. C.
Second Round

March
Pineville, Harrison 13-14
Calvary, night 14
Thrift, Moore's Chapel 20-21
Trinity, night 21
Belmont 28
Tryon, night 28

April
Weddington, Union 3-4
Matthews, Indian Trail, 3 p. m. 4
Marshville, Smyrna 10
Prospect, Midway 11
Unionville 17-18
North Monroe, Icemorlee, night 18
Waxhaw 24-25
Monroe, Central, night 25

May
Ansonville, Cedar Hill 1-2
Wadesboro, night 2
Lilesville, Shiloh 8-9
Morven, Morven 15-16
Dilworth 23
Spencer Memorial and Derita, night.....23
Polkton, Mount Moriah 29-30

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.
Second Round

March
Greensboro Circuit, Rehobeth 13-14
Centenary, ...14-15
Wentworth, Lowes 20-21
West Greensboro, Friendship 27-28

April
Coleridge, Mt. Olivet 3-4
Ramseur & Franklinville, Franklinville, 4-5
Randolph, Hopewell 10-11
Wesley Memorial 17-18
Main St. 18-19
East & West 18-19
Deep River, West Bend 24-25
Asheboro 25-26
Randleman, Naomi 25-26

May
Uwharrie, Union 1-2
Denton, Clarkesbury 8-9
West Market 15-16

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Second Round

March
Walnut Cove, Palmyra 13-14
Madison & Stoneville, Stoneville, night 17-18
Draper, night 18-21
Spray, night 19-21
Leaksville, night 20-21
Danbury, Delta 27-28

April
Dobson, Pleasant Ridge 3-4
Elkin, night 7
Jonesville, Maple Springs 9
Yadkinville, Booneville 10-11
Rural Hall, Mt. Pleasant, night.....11-12
Pilot Mountain 18-19
Ararat 24-25
Mount Airy Circuit 25-26

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Second Round

March
Old Fort, Bethlehem 13-14
Marion Station 14-15
Rutherfordton, Gilboa 19
Green River, Mann's Chapel 20-21
Table Rock, Oboth 27-28
Morganton Station 28-29

April
Forest City, Salem 3-4
Cliffside, Hopewell 3-4
Broad River, Kistlers 10-11
Henrietta and Caroleen, Caroleen....11-12
Morganton Circuit, Glen Alpine 17-18
Connelly Springs, Harmony 24-25

May
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Oak Grove 1-2
Micaville, South Toe 8-9
Bald Creek, Hortons 15-16
Burnsville 16-17
Marion Circuit, North Catawba 22-23

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C.
Second Round

March
Polkville, Polkville 13-14
Rock Springs, Mt. Pleasant 20-21
Belwood, Kadish 27-28

April
Shelby Circuit, Sulphur Springs 3-4
Lincolnton Circuit, Marvin 10-11
Lincolnton, Lincolnton 11
Crouse, Pleasant Grove 17-18
Stanly, Iron 18-19
South Fork, Plateau 24-25

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.
Second Round

March
Woodleaf Circuit, Gay's Chapel 13-14
West Concord, Kerr St., night 14-15
Cottonville & Oakboro Ct. Mt. Zion 20-21
Norwood 20-21
Concord, Central, 11 a. m. 28
Concord, Epworth & C., Epworth, night 28

April
Albemarle, Central, night 2-4
Albemarle Circuit, Stony Hill 3-4
Mount Pleasant Circuit, Saint Paul, 10-11
Concord, Westford, night 11
Salem Circuit, New Mount Tabor....17-18
Albemarle, First Street, night 18
Kannapolis Station, 11 a. m. 23-25
Kannapolis Circuit, Bethpage.....24-25
China Grove & Landis, China Grove, night 25

May
New London Circuit 1-2
Gold Hill Circuit 2-3
Bethel & Love's Chapel, Love's Chapel 8-9

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston-Salem, N. C.
Second Round

March
Advance, Advance 13-14
Burkhead, night 14
Davidson, Midway 20-21
Forsythe, Mineral Spring 27-28
West End, night 28

April
Jackson Hill, Jackson Hill 3-4
Salem, night 4
Farmington, Bethlehem 10-11
Mocksville 9-11
Lewisville, Concord 17-18
Davie, Liberty 24-25
Cooleemee, night 25

May
Kernersville 1-2

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Second Round

March
North Wilkesboro 14-15
Wilkes, Union 20-21
Helton, Asheley 27-28

April
Jefferson, Jefferson 3-4
Creston, Big Laurel 18
Watauga, Valle Crucis 24-25

May
Elk Park, Montezuma 1-2
Avery, Jonas Ridge 8-9
Boone, Fairview 15-16
Sparta Circuit, Piney Creek 22-23
Laurel Springs, Mt. Zion 29-30

Revival Meetings
Wilkes, Union.....March 14-21
Helton, Asheley.....March 24-April 1
Elk Park, Montezuma.....April 26-May 6
Laurel Springs, Mt. Zion.....May 24-30

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Lee T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Second Round

March
Rhodhiss, Rhodhiss, 11 a. m. 13-14
West Hickory, West Hickory, 7:30 p. m. 14-15
Lenoir Circuit, Littlejohn's, 11 a. m. 20
Lenoir Station, Lenoir, 11 a. m. 21-22
South Lenoir and Valmead, Valmead, 3:30 p. m. 21-23
North Lenoir Circuit, Ebenezer, 11 a. m. 27
Granite Falls and Hudson, Hudson, 11 a. m. 28-29
Hickory—First Church, Hickory, 7:30 p. m. 28-29

April
Alexander, Liberty, 11 a. m. 3-4
Stoney Point, Pisgah, 3:30 p. m. 4-5
Hickory Circuit, Grace Chapel, 11 a. m. 10
Newton, Newton, 11 a. m. 11-12
Maiden, Pisgah, 11 a. m. 17
Catawba, Hopewell, 11 a. m. 18-19
Statesville Circuit, Trinity, 11 a. m. ...24
Cool Spring, New Salem, 11 a. m. 25-26

May
Troutman, 11 a. m. 1
Davidson, Davidson, 11 a. m. 2-3
Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 7:30 p. m. 2-3
Mooresville Circuit, 11 a. m. 8
Mooresville Station, Mooresville, 11 a. m. 9-10

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, R. 2, Asheville, N. C.
Second Round

March
Clyde Circuit, Long's Chapel 13-14
Fines Creek Circuit, Fines Creek....20-21
Haywood Circuit, Fincher 27-28
Bryson and Whittier, Olivet 30-31

April
Glenville Circuit, Speedwell 3-4
Webster Circuit, Love's Chapel 4-5
Waynesville Station 11
Sylva Station, night 11
Hayesville, Ledford 17-18
Murphy Circuit, Brasstown 20-21
Ranger Circuit, Bellview 24-25

May
Murphy Station 1
Andrews Station 1

In the economy of God, no effort, however small, put forth for the right cause, fails of its effect. No voice, however feeble, lifted up for truth, ever dies amidst the confused noises of time. Through discords of sin and sorrow, pain and wrong, it rises in deathless melody, whose notes of wailing are hereafter to be changed to those of triumph, as they blend with the great harmony of a reconciled universe.—John G. Whittier.

Get at the root of things. The gold-mines of Scripture are not the top soil; you must open a shaft. The precious diamonds of experience are not picked up in the roadway; their secret places are far down. Get down into the vitality, the solidity, the veracity, the divinity of the Word of God.—Dean Stanley.

TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 : : : : CHARTERED 1859

A Southern institution of established national reputation. Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.



Large endowment fund makes possible complete, first-class equipment; full faculty of able, well-chosen instructors; beautiful campus, new buildings, modern laboratories, splendid library. Comfortable, inexpensive dormitories. For catalogue and illustrated booklet, address

R. L. Flowers, Sec. to the Corporation, Durham, N. C.

GREENSBORO NURSERIES
AGENTS WANTED
For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.
JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

Show Cases Direct From Factory

The Famous Gurley Show Cases cannot be had from any other manufacturer in America. Our goods received double award at the Jamestown Exposition. A jobber who has been selling Gurley Show Cases for nine years, says that only one customer has made any complaint of our goods, and only one small case was involved in his complaint. This is a wonderful record. We sell direct to the merchant. Drug store outfits a specialty. For drug store outfits ask for catalogue "V"; for wall or street cases ask for catalogue "W"; for general line ask for catalogue "Y."



HIGH POINT SHOW CASE WORKS HighPoint, North Carolina

A Big Question: You Decide: The School: The Methods: The Results:

A Few Reasons Why You Should Enroll With Us

We teach Stenotypy, the fastest method of writing. Our *courses* teach you to *know*. We *train* you to *grasp* your *opportunity*. Latest improved methods. Your choice of *nine* different systems of *shorthand, two of them hold world's record* for *speed* and *accuracy*.

Rates and terms most reasonable. *Real business courses* as taught at a *real commercial college*. Results unequalled. Twenty-five students recently placed in positions.

Write for further information and terms. Do not put off this important step.

CENTRAL BUSINESS COLLEGE, ROANOKE, VIRGINIA
T. S. SPRADLIN, President

THE BEST OF ALL SEEDS

offered in any catalog in 1915 are 15 NEW and extra select varieties of the finest quality and unusual value for farm forage and garden food crops. You will be interested in and find them the most profitable you can grow, both as MONEY SAVING and MONEY MAKING CROPS.

ALEXANDER'S SEEDS are known and valued for their quality and reliability. THEY ARE THE BEST THAT GROW, SELECTED FOR THE SOUTH. This space or the entire page is not large enough to contain the splendid undisputed evidence of this, but our catalog will be sent free on request. Just send your name on a postal today.

Send for free sample Hog Goobers.

ALEXANDER SEED COMPANY, AUGUSTA, GEORGIA.

THE GREATEST BIBLE BARGAIN

A GENUINE 7.50 { HOLMAN India Paper Self-Pronouncing BIBLE } FOR ONLY 4.25 Carefully Wrapped and sent Postpaid in a box

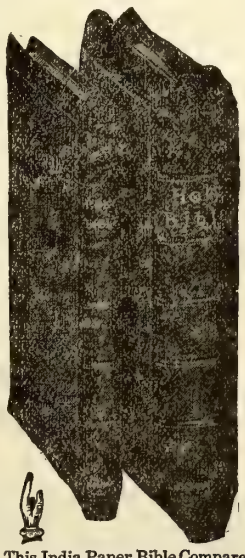
Authorized version, printed from the clearest type ever used in a Bible, large bold face open print with liberal spacing between the words and lines

PRINTED ON THE FINEST INDIA PAPER MADE

The Text is Self-Pronouncing with references. It has a new Concord ance, alphabetically arranged and with analytical and comparative features and 50,000 References also New Biblical Atlas with Fifteen Colored Maps and Complete Index to Same.

BOUND IN GENUINE PERSIAN MOROCCO, divinity circuit, full leather linings, silk sewed, silk head bands and marker, special flat opening reinforced binding that will not break in the back.

The size is 5½ x 8 inches--only one inch thick.



This India Paper Bible Compared with one of ordinary paper, containing the same number of pages and same size type.

Easy to Read Type

Specimen of Type.

17 ¶ m From that time Je'sus began to preach, and to say, n Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at

No. 700X Publisher's Price 7.50 Sent postpaid for 4.25

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

BARGAINS IN GOOD BOOKS

VALUABLE BOOKS FOR $1 PER VOLUME

The books selected for inclusion in this DOLLAR LIBRARY have stood all tests and have been acclaimed standard if not classic.

They are the necessary books in every well-balanced Ministerial Library.

The books are large octavo in size, each containing from 400 to 550 pages, printed on excellent paper and tastefully and substantially bound in dark green cloth with gold stamping.

The former selling price of these books ranges from $2.50 to $3.50 and these editions are complete and are printed from the plates of the original high-priced editions.

Price now $1.00 per volume by mail. Add ten cents for postage.

By Prin. A. M. Fairbairn, D. D., LL. D.

THE PHILOSOPHY OF THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION

This is one of the most scholarly and successful defenses and examinations of the Christian belief and its basis. Principal Fairbairn's fame is justly founded upon the profundity of his thought, the wide range of his erudition and the bell-like clarity of his style. This is a book which should be in every ministerial library.

By Charles Loring Brace

GESTA CHRISTI: A History of Humane Progress Under Christianity

A book which has no equal in its discussion of the teaching of Jesus or the character and personnel of the members of the Apostolic group. While on many other subjects connected with the life of Christ new books have become standards, this book remains the authority in its own field.

Rev. John Ker, D. D.

LECTURES ON THE HISTORY OF PREACHING:
With Introduction by Rev. Wm. M. Taylor

While not in the strictest sense of the word a volume on homiletics, this is nevertheless one of the greatest and best recognized books in this realm. It has long served as a guide to all who wished to make any acquaintance with the theory or the history of the practice of preaching. In every sense of the word classic, not alone for the student, but for the seasoned preacher himself.

By Canon F. W. Farrar

THE LIFE OF CHRIST AS REPRESENTED IN ART

This may fairly be called a by-product of the author's monumental Life of Christ. It is a complete survey in his matchless prose of the whole subject of art in its relation to Christianity.

By Alexander Maclaren, D. D.

PULPIT PRAYERS

One of Dr. Maclaren's secrets of success was in the pains and reverent care he took to prepare his people for the message of his sermon—a care extending to hymns, the Scripture and the minor parts of the service, and especially to the prayer which preceded the sermon. They are alike inspirational in contents and models in manner.

By Prin. George Adam Smith, D. D.

THE LIFE OF HENRY DRUMMOND

This is one of the greatest of religious biographies, for it is not only the story of a career alike distinguished for deep piety and a singular brilliance of achievement, but it is written by one himself a considerable figure in the movements associated with Drummond's name, and a close and lifelong friend. It touches with deep insight the movements with which Drummond's name will ever be associated.

By J. deQuincey Donehoo

THE APOCRYPHAL AND LEGENDARY LIFE OF CHRIST

Mr. Donehoo has gathered together with incredibly painstaking care all the legendary and apocryphal material concerning the life of Christ, scattered as it is through a countless number of volumes, most of which are rare and inaccessible to the average reader or student. While of course apocryphal, this collection is of immense aid to the student of doctrine as showing the place Christ came to hold in the early belief and worship of the Church.

By John P. Jones

INDIA: ITS LIFE AND THOUGHT

Mr. Jones, through many years' residence in India, has come to a knowledge of India which, coupled with his sympathetic insight into the native character, has enabled him to write what is perhaps the most comprehensive single sketch of India yet written.

By Prof. A. B. Bruce, D. D.

THE TRAINING OF THE TWELVE

An apologetic for the Christian faith which now as in the day it was written remains unanswerable. What Buckle did in his "History of Civilization" from the standpoint of materialism, has been done in this book from the standpoint of belief. It is in every way a notable book, alike from the standpoint of Christian apologetics and from the standpoint of history. It is the kind of book which belongs in every library, and because written always with a human interest, it is in the best sense popular.

THE MIRACULOUS ELEMENT IN THE GOSPELS

Professor Bruce was one of the most literal-minded of the evangelical school to which he belonged. It is a tribute to the scholar's profundity of thought and his grip of the heart of his subject that he was able to anticipate the line of attack on the supernatural so that his book still remains the ablest defense of the miracles extant. He has been followed but never supplanted.

THE PARABOLIC TEACHING OF CHRIST

The parables, admittedly one of the most important and one of the most difficult aspects of Christ's teaching, have here been treated in a manner characterized by sanity and scholarly insight. From the first this book took rank as among the ablest expositions of the parables, as well as one of the best books in English on the teaching of Jesus.

THE HUMILIATION OF CHRIST
In Its Physical, Ethical and Official Aspects

The whole theme of Dr. Bruce's work is to show that the cross is as completely the central point in the life of Christ in the light of which the whole incarnation must be understood as is the atonement in the doctrine of Christianity. It remains in a place alone as a statement of the doctrines of the incarnation and the atonement.

SEND YOUR ORDERS TO

Board of Publication

Greensboro, N. C.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Reading Room
Trinity College

Volume LX Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, March 18, 19 Number 11

LIVE THE LIFE

A great minister in London had a Church which was very rich; the social standing was high, the society was in it. He preached philosophy, he was a literary genius, he was a poet, he wrote books; but, as he went on, the pews of that Church became less and less occupied.

At last he went on his knees before God and asked for the reason. He wanted a change in his life, and pleaded with God to show him what was the great necessity, and on his knees, alone, he tells us that he heard a voice as distinctly as any human voice: "Live the life, live the life."

He went right out of that prayer moment at the bidding of God to live the life. He immediately gathered some of his best people alongside of him, went out into the community and to the dens of vice and misery, seeking the degraded and wandering. They sent for Gypsy Smith, and they completely transformed that whole part of London's religious life; and at last that man himself became an evangelist. It was the supreme necessity for him to live the life and then to save the world.—*Rev. Cortland Myers, D.D.*

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

LOOK UP THE ORDER BLANK

On page 11 the subscriber will find a renewal order blank. We are compelled to urge every one in arrears to clip out the blank, fill it out and pin check or money order to it. The matter is urgent and we beg subscribers to heed our call. Do not wait to see your pastor but mail direct to the office.

TO THE PASTORS

We are sending out new mailing lists to all the pastors. If any fail to receive same we beg that the office be notified at once. We urge that the renewals be looked after immediately and that the pastors co-operate with us in purging our lists of all who should be discontinued. Moreover, we are expecting each pastor to see that his charge brings up the allotted number of new subscribers.

EDITORIAL BRIEFS

He who nibbles at sin will likely be caught on the devil's hook.

* * * *

You cannot separate religion and emotion. If your emotions are never stirred your religion must be very superficial.

* * * *

Do not be afraid to be a doctrinal preacher. Remember that Phillips Brooks, the prince of preachers, said: "No preaching ever had any strong power that was not the preaching of doctrine."

* * * *

When we speak of doctrinal preaching we do not mean controversial preaching. Some people, unfortunately, do not seem to know how to distinguish between the two.

* * * *

Be reverent in God's house. This may seem a trivial matter, but your attitude toward the place of worship will tell upon character. Irreverence is next to blasphemy.

* * * *

Better spend your time some other way than in trying to defend the Bible by scientific argument. In fact, the Old Book would have been better off if it had not been defended so much.

* * * *

Watch that brother who told you all the faults and weaknesses of your predecessor. He will very likely be pointing out your failures and weaknesses to members of the congregation before the year ends.

* * * *

"Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy" is no less a duty today than when promulgated from Mount Sinai. The Sabbath, properly observed, is the only bulwark of defense against the things that would destroy us physically and morally.

THE CHURCH CONFERENCE

This is the people's conference in the Methodist church. By neglect of this conference we have given occasion for the charge of being an oligarchy. Our system, like all others, is capable of abuse, and nowhere more than in the facility with which we may substitute the official for the people's conference.

In most cases the church conference fails for the reason that the majority of the members manifest no interest. For lack of interest on the part of the membership generally, it is difficult to hold the conference and transact the business of the church. Thus it is easy and natural to substitute a sort of one-man-power and leave the congregation in utter ignorance of the church and its work.

The church conference affords the best opportunity for promoting intelligence among the members of the church, and bringing them to feel the responsibility of holy living and faithfull co-operation. The pastor can have a heart-to-heart talk with the members of his flock and the officers of the church can show the members the exact status of things which relate to the work in their own congregation.

Most pastors become discouraged about holding the church conference because few will attend and the few who do attend are so timid as to make the transaction of business embarrassing. The only hope in the face of such conditions is to persevere and patiently train the congregation to see and do its duty. Nothing will pay larger dividends in the future life of the church than the investment of patient and persevering effort to train the congregation to co-operative effort, and the church conference affords the opportunity for this.

Discussing this subject Rev. Dr. Burrow, editor of the Midland Methodist, says:—

Church members are stockholders in the greatest enterprise on this earth—the redemption, not of sea trade or commerce or national honor, but of the race of men. They must help to direct. They will, if the matter is put squarely up to them. Timid silence does not always mean what it seems to mean. And if it did, more's the reason for dynamiting this timidity. Brother preacher, get your people hold of your church plans. Persist in the polity of your great church. See how warring nations persist in the work of dreadful destruction. Surely a peace-loving church can be just as steadfast in carrying out a general plan of campaign which means putting church members into the work which a church is divinely appointed to do.

IS GOD'S HAND IN THE WAR?

Not in the sense that he is responsible for it. Jesus is the Prince of Peace, and he came to reveal God as the Father and, therefore to promote the brotherhood of man. In his life Jesus gave to the world the sublime example of one who could live without hate or resentment, and save others, even his enemies, rather than himself. The world comes slowly to see the beauty and power of such a personality. Accustomed to give an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth they can not quite appreciate the voice which says, "Resist not evil."

Nevertheless, under the teaching of Christ, the world is beginning to come to a better conception of the brotherhood of the race, and millions are at this moment longing for the implements of husbandry—the ploughshare and pruninghook—to be substituted for the cruel implements of warfare and strife. To this all the influences of Christ and his teaching tend, and even the war and all of its cruelties may be overruled as the agency which shall finally destroy the things which stand in the way of universal peace. Wickedness has been deified by some systems of government, and the ultimate destruction of such systems is inevitable. The fact is that wickedness in both the individual and the nation, carries with it the elements of destruction. Sooner or later, therefore, it is inevitable that the explosion come.

* * * *

The following editorial from the Methodist Recorder puts into very strong and clear expression some of the thoughts we have wanted to express as to how the hand of God may be in the present war. He says:

But the hand of God comes into every war through an overruling providence, which at the last, though ages may intervene, causes the wrath of man to praise him. And already we can foresee in this war the probable outcome of righteousness along many paths of providence.

"For nothing walks with aimless feet;
And no one life shall be destroyed,
Or cast as rubbish to the void,
When God hath made the pile complete!"

In the first place, this great war will, in all probability, end forever the European influence and power of the criminal Turkish empire. At first by the power of the sword, and later by means of the easy diplomacy which hinges upon that political heresy called the "balance of power," the Ottoman has ruled and ruined through the ages. There on the beautiful waters of the Golden Horn, and in the very center of history's favored clime, a power which is alien not only to Christianity, but to civilization itself, has been permitted to grow and flourish, in all the vanity of unhindered despotism. And there, in the eye of every nation, the "Sublime Porte" has become the spoiled child of diplomacy, the derision and yet the despair of Christian statesmen, while the harem of the sultan, with its environment of corruption, has shamed and insulted the womanhood of the whole world, and mocked even the ideals of pagan philosophy. Since first the shadow of Mohammed fell upon Europe, the influence of his followers has been a baleful and decivilizing influence. When the followers of the "prophet" defiled the Holy Sepulcher, the whole Christian world went forth to the war of the Crusades. But the defilement of the Holy Sepulcher has been the least of the sins of Mohammedanism. That indeed was a fancied evil, a mirage of the Dark Ages. But Mohammedanism, in its later development, has defiled the primal virtues of manhood and of civilization. And therefore to the ears of the whole world, however weary they are with the noise of war, the guns of the Allies that thunder today in the Dardanelles are the sweetest of music, because they prophesy the final overthrow of this pest among the nations. God will overrule the great war to this one great end. And even as our Civil War brought about the overthrow of slavery in America; as the Wars of the Crusaders, as a final result, wrought the overthrow of Feudalism; as the American Revolution was the deathknell of political tyranny, so shall this cruel war of the nations forever destroy the empire of the false prophet.

We can also forsee, as an overruling providence, the sure development of certain fundamental human virtues, to the exclusion of certain national vices, as a result of this war. Once again, behold the temperance miracle in Russia! And what Russia has done for her people, by one supreme and glorious act, the other warring nations are doing in their own way, looking toward the same glorious result of national redemption from the world-wide curse of drink. How natural and inevitable the simple logic by which the nations will soon come to themselves on this question so vital to civilization! The nation reasons that, because the war is so gigantic, with onsweeping consequences so decisive of the destiny of nations, we must require of our soldiers the best possible service of the most enduring manhood. Therefore, since strong drink reduces the vitality and the fighting strength and the fighting judgment of officers and men, away with it! Then follows the people's sure conclusion: "If sobriety is essential to the soldier, it is also essential to the citizen; if sobriety helps me to shoot straight in times of war, it will help me to think straight in times of peace; if courage and honor,, which wait upon temperance, are so important to the warrior, are they not equally important to the lawyer, the physician, the minister, the merchant or the craftsman?"

By such logic as this, ordained and commissioned by the grace of God, the whole world is being leavened today; and the latest news from Europe and America; the temperance mandates that go forth from kings and counselors to soldiers in the field; the march of the several states of the American Union into the prohibition ranks—all these things are tokens of an approaching world-wide victory for the cause of temperance and righteousness, which victory is being hastened, through the providence of God, overruling all things to his glory and to the final uplift of humanity, by this cruel and devastating war.

But the hand of God in this war, as a final and overruling good, may be foreseen especially in its moulding and fashioning of the universal brotherhood of the race. There is one golden dream that haunts the sleep of the soldier, there is one fixed and glorious star that lights the midnight of the Christian statesman in these trying days, and that is the hope that, somehow out of this great and awful crucible shall come forth to civilization which is truly Christian having the golden rule as its industrial creed and the gospel of peace as its guiding principle alike in church and state, and recognizing, in every relationship of human life, the common fatherhood of God and the universal brotherhood of man.

NOTE AND COMMENT

Dr. Edward K. Graham will be formally inaugurated as president of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill on Wednesday, April 21st. The occasion will be marked by a few notable addresses, Presidents Finley, Goodnow, Alderman and Lowell being on the list. Great things are expected of Dr. Graham's presidency as he is a man just coming into his best and also well equipped for the great work into which he has been called.

* * * *

A Large German Submarine operating along the pathway of the great ocean liners is reported to have sunk five vessels, four British and one French, on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of last week. A London dispatch dated March 14th, says: With a German submarine in the waters around the Scilly Islands which the big liners pass on their way across the Atlantic, much uneasiness is felt in shipping circles and during the day a report, which also reached the American liner New York by wireless was circulated that one had been torpedoed. This report, it is believed arose from the sinking of the Andulusian, which belonged to the Ellerman Line.

* * * *

The Conditions in Mexico during the last week have been such as to give President Wilson and his advisers much concern. In Mexico City a state of anarchy has been almost precipitated on account of a shortage of food and the reported assassination of several foreigners, one of them said to be a citizen of this country. Under diplomatic pressure which has been brought to bear and the suggestion of intervention of foreign powers, Villa is reported as saying that all factions in Mexico would unite in fighting a common foe. There is no doubt that the various so-called armies of Mexico are nothing more than dissatisfied factions, led about by men who can sway them in the interest of public plunder. These leaders and their followers live by plunder and they would no doubt be greatly disappointed, if, in some way, peace could be restored.

* * * *

The Task Before the Germans in their determination to destroy British merchant ships is a very large one as pointed out by a writer in the Outlook. He says: If the Germans are to wipe out British shipping with their submarines and mines they will have to be lively about it. The number of British vessels in 1912 was 39,345. Consequently, the Germans would have to sink them at the average rate of 100 for every workday in order to complete the job within a year. What's more, the United Kingdom is accustomed to build more ships than all the rest of the world together and in some years twice as many, so that there's no knowing how many they are turning out in the present emergency. It must look discouraging to the Germans. Hadn't they better give it up as a bad job?

* * * *

While the Anti-Jug Bill did not get through as we at first expected, the position taken by our legislatoure is a distinct advance on the road which leads to final prohibition. We quite agree with Mr. Bruce Craven as expressed in his communication printed elsewhere this week, that there are but two positions with regard to the lisuor traffic, namely, regulation and prohibition, history shows that prohibition can only be attained by a long process of education which is sure to be marked by a period of attempted regulation. Readjustments must take place also. All this requires time; but if the process of education is continued with perseverance the next step in this state will be absolute prohibition. We are still of the opinion that the legislature just adjourned would have been safe in giving us absolute prohibition this year.

* * * *

A Russian Military Expert, Col. Shumsky, is quoted as expressing the belief that the European war will end in six months. Col. Roustam Bek endorses this optimistic view. The continuance of the war, in their method of reasoning, is simply measured by the probable endurance of Germany, and they declare that Germany, having already lost 2,000,000 of men, will be completely exhausted at the end of the first year of the great struggle. Of course the German outlook and the German prediction would reverse the method of reasoning, and would measure the probable continuance of the conflict by the possible endurance of the Allies. But there is an apparent agreement among the military students of the day in every land, in the conviction that the war must end at an early date, even if for no other reason than the sheer exhaustion of the warring nations.

* * * *

The Women of Europe are against the war, according to the opinion expressed by the Crown Princess Cecilie, the future empress of Germany. She has done much for the alleviation of the suffering of sick and wounded soldiers, and to aid the women and children made destitute by the war. The Cecilian House, a building which cost four hundred thousand dollars, and is occupied by the Women's Association in Charlottensburg, is named in her honor. Her womanly declaration as to the sentiment of the wives and mothers of Europe may be taken as the prophecy of a new and determining influence in the counsels of the world. "After all," says the princess, "is it not the women and children who are the real sufferers in war? Theirs is the suspense; theirs the doubt of the casualty list; theirs the alternating hope and distress if father, husband or brother is among the missing. The future of them may hold gloom and poverty; theirs may never be the glory."

* * * *

The Increase of Crime. There never has been a year in the last fifty, writes Judge William N. Gemmill, of Chicago, in the March Case and Comment, the Lawyers' Magazine, when our social standards were not raised a little, and whenever they have been raised and enacted into law, the number of our social delinquents have increased, not because these delinquents had become worse than they were before, but because they did not instantly respond to the new demands made upon them by legislative enactment. The law is made to fit the average member of society, and its greatest value is its constant insistence that the men and women whose morals are below the average shall raise their standards.

An examination of the records of our criminal courts today will disclose that more than 50 per cent. of all the people who pass through them do so because they have not responded readily enough to the new demands which society is constantly making upon them.

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. B. F. Hargett, pastor of Pineville charge, sends a good list of renewals and says: "Our people are loyal and are standing by us nobly." This is what we always expect to hear from the Pineville circuit.

—We are glad to learn that Rev. J. R. Scroggs is reported as much improved since our last issue. We trust he may soon be entirely recovered.

—At the commencement of Trinity College, Durham, N. C., the baccalaurate sermon will be preached by Dr. James W. Lee, presiding elder of the St. Louis District.

—Rev. W. O. Goode will spend next week at Morehead City assisting Rev. D. N. Caviness in revival services. Brother Caviness and his congregation have been making great preparation for more than a month for this meeting.

—The Woman's Missionary Society of our Newton congregation has decided to start a night school in the basement of the church for the benefit of boys and girls who have to work and are therefore deprived of the opportunity of school in day time.

—A marriage of interest to many Advocate readers took place in Monroe on Tuesday evening, March 9th, when Miss Alice Stack became the bride of Mr. Gilmer Joyce. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's father by Rev. J. E. Abernethy.

—Rev. T. A. Groce requests that the Advocate give thanks to the following for donations on the Pisgah church fund: E. H. Howell, Superintendent Shady Grove S. S., Jonathan Creek circuit, $1.20; J. C. Curtis, Supt. Pleasant Hill S. S., $1.00.

—Mr. H. S. Blair, of Drumright, Oklahoma, brother of the editor of the Advocate, was an unexpected visitor over Sunday. Mr. Blair is now postmaster at Drumright, a new Oklahoma oil town, and had been to Washington on official business. Drumright is a town about four years old, yet has a population of some 12,000 or more. It very naturally makes emergency problems for the post master as well as the department. It is in the midst of one of the richest, if not the richest, oil fields in the world.

—Rev. Dr. C. W. Byrd recently spent a week conducting special evangelistic services with the students of Davenport College. The services were held in the college chapel. Dr. Byrd reports a meeting of great power and usefulness in which almost every student in the college was reached, spiritually refreshed and uplifted. His report of the regular work of the college is most gratifying. Every particle of space in the dormitories is occupied by boarding pupils and the work done in all the departments is apparently of the highest order. President Craven has gathered about him a faculty devoted to the work of Christian education and there seems to be a spirit of co-operation among them which insures success.

A BRIEF STATEMENT FROM PRESIDENT FEW

I have had it on my mind for some time to send you a statement concerning a speech made by Bishop Kilgo last December in Craven Memorial Hall. I have delayed because I have not been convinced until now that silence on my part might be liable to be misunderstood. I am today sending you a brief statement covering the essential facts, which I am sure you will be glad to publish in the columns of the Advocate.

On the night of Thanksgiving Day, two students hoisted and nailed a sophomore class-pennant on the college flagpole where the United States flag is accustomed to float, and the Dean of the College at the time the speech was made was having some difficulty in discovering the two men. These circumstances were the occasion of Bishop Kilgo's speech.

In the first place, it ought to be remembered that the speech was made at chapel where the students come together every morning in a sort of family gathering and where the President of the College or any one else who is asked to conduct the service feels at liberty to speak with the same sort of intimacy that the head of any household would use in talking to his own sons. A man who goes to chapel in the capacity of a student and at the same time feels the obligations of a newspaper reporter is mistaken as to his duties. No reference to this speech ought to have appeared in any newspaper correspondence.

In the second place, Bishop Kilgo did not call, as he was reported to have called, all sophomores by hard names. He did speak with great emphasis because he felt that men in the class had desecrated the American flag and especially because he believed that they and others were concealing the facts instead of coming forward with the truth as Trinity students in all generations have done when confronted with similar circumstances.

I am particularly anxious to correct the impression that Bishop Kilgo was usurping the functions of a college officer. He was merely seeking to put his influence behind the administration. During these four and a half years I have found in him no disposition to meddle with other men's business. Quite on the contrary it must be said that he has been slow to undertake for me many things that I have wished him to undertake. Having said this I ought to add that, excepting my own father, Bishop Kilgo has exerted over all my life and work a helping and inspiring influence beyond that of any other man. Like every son and servant of Trinity who knows the facts and has an understanding heart, I feel for him enduring gratitude and affection. And I feel all this more keenly today than ever before.

With every good wish for you and your paper, I am Cordially yours,

W. P. Few.

Trinity College.

CONTRIBUTIONS

EVANGELISTS OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZED

John M. Moore

The General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in 1914 gave evangelists a legal place in the regular ministry of the denomination by providing for their official indorsement, appointment, oversight, and direction. Official recognition and indorsement by the General Committee on Evangelism are not only possible but are required by paragraph 412 of the Discipline of all preachers of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, who engage in evangelistic work as a calling. All the evangelists may now be members of some Annual Conference since the appointment of the members of an Annual Conference as General or Conference, or missionary evangelists is possible upon the recommendation of the General or Conference Committee on Evangelism respectively. All evangelists authorized by the General and Conference Committees shall make reports of their work, the results of their labor, and their financial receipts to their respective committees as often as may be required.

Paragraph 411 of the Discipline says: "The Board of Missions shall appoint a Committee on Evangelism, which, under the direction of the Department of Home Missions, shall promote revival work throughout the church. In accordance with the policies of the Board, this Committee, in co-operation with the Annual Conference Boards of Missions and in harmony with the presiding elders and preachers in charge, shall be authorized to indorse, recommend, and employ evangelists, and direct their efforts." The Board appointed the following as members of that Committee: Rev. J. J. Stowe, D. D., Rev. U. V. W. Darlington, D. D., Rev. J. W. Perry, D. D., Rev. E. B. Chappell, D. D., President Bruce R. Payne, Ph. D., with the Secretary of Home Missions ex-officio and administrative secretary. The Committee had its first meeting at Lake Junaluska August 12, 1914. They then voted to assure the church that they will endorse that evangelism only, whoever leads it, which rings true in methods and ends. They would lay special emphasis on pastoral and personal evangelism. But the Committee recognizes the fact that there is a demand for evangelistic assistance by many pastors and believe that the Methodist Church should supply this demand with its own men who have passed something of the same scrutiny as is given the pastors. The Committee voted that before an evangelist is recognized and indorsed by them that he be requested to present satisfactory testimonials as to his work and that he be a man of deep spiritual life, sound discretion and unquestionable reputation. Before the Committee will endorse a local preacher for General Evangelist he must secure the indorsement of the Committee of Evangelism of the Conference within whose territory he resides. Every precaution will be taken by the Committee to see that the men who are presented to the Church as General Evangelists are clean, capable, devout and worthy of the confidence and support of the church. Mistakes may occur but the church is asked to give prompt and sympathetic assistance in removing them and preventing them as quickly as possible.

The Committee will require of the General Evangelists quarterly reports, and recommend that the Conference Committees make similar requirements. The points covered in the reports will be: The pastors assisted, the places, the dates of the meetings, the number of days in each meeting, whether the meeting is a union or an individual church meeting, the number of conversions in each, the accessions to the Methodist church and to other churches, the money collected for incidentals, for the singer, and for himself in each meeting, and the weather and other conditions.

The Committee have been greatly pleased to find that the evangelists have not only not rebelled but that they are in hearty accord with the requirements and ready to co-operate with the Committee in putting into effect the new system, and to be used by the church as it may direct. This attitude of the evangelists and the readiness with which they have responded to all inquiries have produced the conviction that the church has acted with great wisdom in providing for their recognition as a part of its regular authorized ministry.

The Committee gave four sessions of the meeting last December to the consideration of the men who should be selected for the General Evangelists of the church. The ideal evangelist is as rare as the ideal pastor, the ideal presiding elder, the ideal connectional officer or the ideal general superintendent. The Committee finally came to the conclusion that they would select men to serve as General Evangelists on probation for a year without the absolute indorsement of the Committee but with their approval, their sympathy, their co-operation, and their commendation. The men chosen are not novices in evangelistic work. They have achieved such success as to make them the leading evangelists of the church. In their independent work they may have developed certain individualistic features in methods and speech that should in the new relation be left off. They are admitted on trial into the evangelistic connection of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and are so presented to the church.

The fifteen men selected and presented to the church as General Evangelists under the above conditions are: Rev. John B. Andrews, Siloam Springs, Ark.; Rev. J. M. Bass of South Georgia Conference, Macon, Ga.; Rev. L. B. Bridgers, Gainesville, Ga.; Rev. John E. Brown, Siloam Springs, Ark.; Rev. D. H. Comann, Lincolnton, N. C.; Rev. D. L. Coale, San Antonio, Texas; Rev. Burke Culpepper, Memphis, Tenn.; Rev. John E. Green of Texas Conference, Houston, Texas; Rev. J. O. Hanes, of North Alabama Conference, Birmingham, Ala.; Rev. Walt Holcomb, Nashville, Tenn.; Rev. Bob Jones, Montgomery, Ala.; Rev. G. A. Klein, Nashville, Tenn.; Rev. H. C. Morrison, D. D., of Kentucky Conference, Wilmore, Ky.; Rev. Thurston B. Price, St. Louis, Mo.; Rev. W. C. Swope, Charleston, Mo.

Paragraph 412 says: Pastors who require the assistance of evangelists in their revival work shall, as far as possible, use these evangelists who are indorsed by the General or Conference Commissions on Evangelism." Who would not say that this is just and right? Why use men of other denominations when in this list are as capable evangelists as can be found in any denomination? Some of the men have all their time already engaged for this entire year, but the church should look to the future. These men are as successful in great union efforts as any to be found in the United States. Why not have them invited to our large Southern towns and cities? They will give such time to our pastors as may be required of them.

There are four local preacher evangelists who have been indorsed by Annual Conferences and by them recommended to the church. Two of them are well known because of their many years of successful evangelistic work and are still capable of much valuable service. They are Rev. W. M. McIntosh, Iuka, Miss., and Rev. John B. Culpepper, New Smyrna, Florida. The two younger men are Rev. Thos. J. Norsworthy, Yazoo City, Miss., and Rev. Arch C. Holder, Shreveport, La. They are indorsed and recommended to the church by the Conference in whose territory they live.

The Annual Conferences have appointed the following men to the work of Conference Evangelist, many of whom have been given the privilege of accepting engagements beyond their Conference territory and should be used to the limit of their time and ability: Rev. J. A. Bowen, Birmingham, Ala., of the North Alabama Conference; Rev. H. M. Whaling, D. D., Austin, Texas, of the West Texas Conference; Rev. D. H. Comann, Lincolnton, N. C., of the Western North Carolina Conference; Rev. D. E. Kelly, Hattiesburg, Miss., of Mississippi Conference; Rev. J. C. Jeter, Muskogee, Okla., and Rev. M. A. Cassidy, Ada., Okla., of East Oklahoma Conference; Rev. W. H. Keener and Rev. J. S. Huckabee, of Hillsboro, Texas, of the Central Texas Conference; Rev. W. F. Allen, Titusville, Fla., of Florida Conference; Rev. Bascom Waters, Knoxville; Rev. T. P. Jimison, Jefferson, and Rev. R. T. McDowell, Bristol, Tenn., of the Holston Conference; Rev. L. B. Thurman Keysport, Ill., of the Illinois Conference Rev. R. B. Freeman, Martin, Tenn., of the Memphis Conference; Rev. A. E. Goode, Conway, Ark., of North Arkansas Conference; Rev. L. L. Nash, D. D., Hamlet, N. C., and Rev. E. C. Glenn, Greensboro, N. C., of the North Carolina Conference; Rev. W. H. Brown, Sulphur Springs, Texas, and Rev. T. G. Whitten Dallas, Texas, of North Texas Conference Rev. F. M. Neal, Amorillo, Texas, of Northwest Texas Conference; Rev. Arthur J. Moore St. George, Georgia, of South Georgia Conference; Rev. W. H. Hesler, Slater, Mo., of Southwest Missouri Conference; Rev. Walter G. Harbin, Houston, Texas, and Rev. C. E. Mock, Lufkin, Texas, of Texas Conference Rev. W. H. Dunkley, Richmond, Va., of the Virginia Conference; Rev. J. C. Wilson, Alpine, Texas, of the West Texas Conference Rev. D. V. York, El Dorado, Oklahoma, of the West Oklahoma Conference; Rev. W. L. Dawson, Greensboro, N. C., of Western North Carolina Conference.

The Kentucky Conference has reported to the Department of Home Missions that the following evangelists live at Wilmore, Ky. Rev. W. J. Harney, Rev. H. W. Browley, Rev. A. Johnson, Rev. J. B. Kendall, Rev. J. B. Kenyon, Rev. O. R. Henderson, Rev. C. M. Crutchfield, Rev. R. S. Asbury, Rev. T. P. Roberts, Rev. E. F. Franklin, Rev. B. T. Franklin, Rev. Albert Reed, Rev. Samuel Lunges Rev. Allie Iuska. The Mississippi Conference has reported Rev. W. D. Bass and Rev. S. I. Bass at Corinth, Miss. The St. Louis Conference reported Rev. W. A. Tetley at Fredericktion, Mo.; Rev. J. C. McPheeters, Poplar Bluff., Mo.; Rev. B. Carradine, D. D., St. Louis. So as the secretary is informed no other evangelist has been indorsed or recognized by any Committee on Evangelism of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

LETTER FROM JAPAN

Zensky Hinohara

Oita, Japan, Jan. 20th, 1915

My dear Christian Friends:—At the beginning of this new year I, your fellow servant of our common Master, shall write you about my work to ask you to pray for it. For Japan is at the dawn of spiritual awakening now, and she is ready to grasp the genuine spirit of Christ Jesus. We are so glad to be able to say so since we have been so patiently praying for this change. In spite of the war-thoughts that are beclouding the souls of our people today the general tone of their spiritual life seems to be growing very hopeful. This new situation is very noticeable all over the land.

I have been here for nearly two years. This city of Oita is the seat of the capital of the Oita Province which population is over 900,000. On this account this city having but 30,000 inhabitants is the center of both influence and activity. The great Church of Southern Methodism opened up its mission work here some twenty-five years ago. It is one of the oldest stations in Japan, and many brave missionaries, both Americans and Japanese, have fought here, being rewarded with hard-won victories. During this quarter of a century 28 adults have been baptized here in this very church. Had they all been living and staying here, this would have grown up to be a great church. But some have moved, away, some have died, and a number of them lost their faith because they could not find places to go for worship, or Christians to pray with, when they were moved to the country district. At present there are 51 residential members and 5 "traveling" ones. The church is financially supported solely by the former, by the way. We have much better congregation now than two years ago; in average, 45 for the morning service and 35 the evening, on Sunday. Such is considered a quite good congregation in our country yet. I am so thankful to the good Lord that He has so helped me in my work, for doors have been opened up in many directions and the attitude of the citizens toward our

church and Christianity in general have favorably changed.

In my first year there were only 5 baptisms, while this year I have already baptized 9, and there will be 5 more to be offered to the Throne of the Grace very soon. Lord may give us still ten or eleven more before the end of this Conference year, for we have 25 men and 30 women who are registered as probationers and "Inquirers" and to whom the Word of the Lord is specially administered. These seekers after the truth keep me exceedingly busy.

Perhaps you have heard about the Interdenominational Evangelistic Campaign which is to be carried on for three years since last year in this country. I participated in it at O-zu and Wuwazima, about a day's trip on boat from this city. An Episcopal minister from Kobe and I were the gospel messengers for the town of O-zu (10,000). In two days we held meetings at the church, schools and town hall there, through which 2,300 people heard the Truth of God, mostly for the first time in their lives. At Wuwazima a Congregational minister from Hikone, a layman of the same denomination from Kyoto and I were sent to run three days' campaign. The place is much larger than O-zu, and there are two pretty well organized churches. There eight meetings were held at the churches and the city hall, and 1,300 people heard us. Thus we secured at these two country cities an undreamed success through the help of the Spirit.

I trust you will be interested to know what kind of Christmas we had in this part of the globe. Like in your land, the Prince of Peace was to visit us here. So we had our little church fully decorated to welcome Him. An ever-green cider-leif arch over the pulpit; a big Christmas bell made of the same material, hanging over at a corner; two big green columns connecting themselves to the bell with several cider-lief ropes; then a large Christmas tree of pine glitteringly decorated. The church has never looked more cheerful and attractive before. On the very morning of the Christmas day promptly at 10 o'clock 131 German prisoners, including officers, sailors and privates of different ranks, made their way into the house of God, where they had been specially invited. We meant to give these unfortunate brethren a chance to realize a sense of God's unchanging care of them and a feeling of Christmas joy and its seriousness. Our authority showed their utmost generosity to allow them to accept our brotherly invitation. The service was very impressive. Three languages were used for the occasion. I presiding in English, as a majority of the congregation could understand it, two other ministers and our mayor addressing in Japanese (a sermon and two welcome addresses which were translated into German) and a Presbyterian missionary reading the Bible. There were three hymns used. They were printed and given to all the attendants. Oh, how they sing! They are masters in singing. I have never listened to such a grand congregational singing in my life. While singing I noticed quite a number of those in the gathering of three nationalities seeming so affected and in tears. After a main service we had children's exercises for the guests, which pleased them immensely. With the distribution of the packages of apples and oranges by our ladies and a few touching words of application from Major Wender the blessed service was closed.

At night we had our own Christmas entertainment. Church was overflowed with crowd although every available spot was used, and many were turned back. It was said 430 children and 180 grown folks were present that night; the biggest gathering we have ever had in our church. The program was of interesting character; nearly 40 different performances were given therein, which were all gotten through in two hours. By the way, my own three children (Tosiaki, 6 years old; Amy, 4; Sigeaki, 3) took part in the exercises for the first time in their lives giving a joint recitation of the first Psalm. During the service we took up a voluntary contribution for the relief of the Belgian children, and the congregation responded liberally, though it was an entirely new experience for them. I am so glad that the Christmas is growing to be a public affair and not to be enjoyed by church people alone.

A week before Christmas we held a special evangelistic service, running for three nights. I did the preaching by myself this time. Meetings were very good, and to our great delight, twenty-one persons registered their names, four of whom for baptism, the best fruitage we ever had out of this sort of meetings during last two years. Oita seems to be at the dawn of spiritual awakening like the other places, I believe. I hope you will all pray for this place and for my efforts.

At our prayer meeting last Wednesday 25 persons were present and we heard interesting and some thrilling testimonies from eight of them. We felt the Spirit hovering over the little band of praying people.

Now, I must close. I wish I could have time to write you more frequently, for I know you are always glad, and even anxious, to know about my work on this side of the earth. But my time is always so fully occupied, and writing in English is no easy task now. Please remember that my long silence does not mean that I have forgotten you or all that you have done for me while in your state. Day never passes without reminding me of something about my life in your state, at your churches, your school and your homes. The more I think of these, the more I feel inspiration and impulse to work harder and more courageously. Also remember that I am praying for your great work. Every morning we say this in our family worship, in which my wife, her 80 year old grandmother, our four children, maid and I participate: "Lord, bless our Christian friends in America; make their every effort in thy name fruitful." I hope you will do the same for us.

Your faithful brother in Christ,
Zensky Hinohara.

P. S. I shall be so happy if any friend of mine send me his Advocate after he is through so that I can enjoy reading it and be benefited by it. Besides, I can keep up with the good work of North Carolina Methodism. Z. H.

EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY'S CONFERENCE

The Annual Conference Secretaries of Education of the entire church will meet for an Educational Conference March 31 and April 1, at Atlanta, Ga. This Conference, as the program given below will show, is intended for Conference Secretaries of Education. However, the sessions will be open to all others interested in our educational work.

Outline of the Explained Program

I. How Can the Conference Secretary of Edution be of Service:

(1) In giving publicity in his Conference to the educational standards, plans and policies of the church?

(2) In securing the educational assessments?

(3) In assisting campaigns for endowment and equipment?

(4) In assisting in classifying the institutions in his Conference?

(5) In promoting the discussion of educational subjects at preachers' institutes, district conferences and annual conferences?

(6) In influencing young men to consider the call to preach, and in assisting them to secure means for adequate educational equipment?

II. What Aid can be Given Toward the Religious Development of Methodist Students in State Schools:

(1) In the elementary and high schools? (a) Secure the reading of selected Bible passages by all teachers during school hours; (b) provide for the religious instruction of the pupils at school buildings outside of school hours; (c) provide for the religious instruction of the pupils at the churches, or at hours agreed upon by the public school teachers; (d) secure the co-operation of Sunday schools and high schools, whereby credit may be given by the high school for Bible study done in the Sunday school.

(2) In Normal Schools, Colleges and Universities? (a) Establishing Bible chairs; (b) providing for student pastors; (c) the erection and maintenance of dormitories, or club houses for Methodist students; (d) assisting the local churches in caring for these students; (e) inducing the institutions to introduce elective courses in he Bible as literature, and in religious education.

III. The Co-operation of Our Schools and Colleges with the Sunday School in Religious Education:

(1) What points of contact between the schools and the Sunday schools can be established?

(2) What means of approach by the colleges to the children and members of the church can the Sunday school provide?

(3) How may a more efficient service to the Sunday school by the colleges be secured?

IV. Financial Aid to Students:

(1) The administration of loan funds by annual conferences.

(2) The administration of loan funds by colleges.

(3) How may the church provide for a large general fund for the aid of students?

(4) Should financial assistance to ministerial students be given as gifts or as loans?

V. Questions for the Round Table:

(1) Should college presidents be members of our Secretaries of Conference Boards of Education?

(2) What should be the attitude of our church toward the General Board of Education (New York), and its gifts to our colleges and universities?

(3) What can the Conference Secretary of Education do toward promoting educational harmony in his Conference?

(5) What can the Conference Secretary of Education do towards promoting the summer schools of theology?

(6) Can the Conference Secretaries of Education agree upon a plan for securing a connectional ministerial loan fund?

(7) What can the Conference Secretary of Education do to increase attendance upon our schools and colleges?

(8) What special reading will help the Secretaries to render more efficient service?

(9) How can a closer co-operation in the work of religious education be secured between the colleges and the Epworth Leagues and Missionary Societies?

Bishop E. E. Hoss will deliver an address to the Conference on the evening of March 31.

NORTH CAROLINA AND THE TRAFFIC IN LIQUOR

Bruce Craven

There is no honest compromise on the liquor question. A law that is satisfactory to liquor dealers and real prohibitionists is not within the realm of possibility. There are two positions open and only two. One believes in regulating the traffic in liquor and the other believes in prohibiting the traffic in liquor. The Webb-Kenyon bill allowing states to handle the question for themselves, made actual prohibition possible for the first time, though the people of North Carolina thought they were voting for prohibition in 1908. The latest attempt at regulation, even with that opportunity and the plain desire of the people before us, allows the express companies to deliver a quart of liquor and five gallons of beer, and allows people to make and sell wine in North Carolina. To call that prohibition is an utter absurdity and yet there are so-called prohibitionists who express satisfaction with it. The breweries are enthusiastic about it and if they could have written the law themselves, they doubtless would have written just what we now have. If the traffic in liquor is right, it ought to be legalized and licensed. If it is wrong, it ought to be prohibited. There is but one real prohibition law and it will come sooner or later, and it will say in a few words that the manufacture, sale or delivery of intoxicating beverages shall be prohibited. That is the ultimate goal and the liquor dealers know it and are fighting to delay it as long as possible. All "prohibitionists" and compromisers who stand in the way of it, may know that the liquor dealers are approving their course.

In the end thought rules the world. There are times when impulses and passions are more powerful, but they soon expend themselves, while mind, acting constantly, is ever ready to drive them back and to work when their energies are exhausted.—President M'Cosh.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM FIELD

District Conference Directory

Winston, at Walkertown .....April 20-22
Mt. Airy, at Stokesdale .....April 29-May 2
Waynesville, at Franklin .....May 25

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—We are glad to note that the people of Alexander county have voted $150,000. for building good roads.

—Rev. R. G. Tuttle is planning to begin a meeting on May 3rd. Rev. J. E. Abernethy, of Monroe, will do the preaching.

—A friend writing from Asheville says that Rev. J. H. Barnhardt is getting right hold of the hearts of the people of Central church.

—Rev. E. C. Glenn, evangelist of the North Carolina Conference, has recently closed a great meeting at Warsaw. There were 43 accessions to the church.

—Rev. J. J. Gray, a superannuate member of the Western North Carolina Conference, has been recommended by Senator Lee S. Overman for the post mastership at Sylva.

—Rev. L. S. Massey, editor of the Raleigh Christian Advocate, was a visitor in the city on Thursday of last week and made the Advocate office a pleasant call.

—Rev. Dr. A. D. Betts and wife returned to the city last Friday after several months absence visiting relatives and friends in the eastern part of the state. Everybody is glad to see "Father Betts" on our streets again.

—Rev. A. W. Plyler, pastor of our church in Lexington, preached to the young ladies of Greensboro College for Women on Sunday evening, March 7th. He was a welcome visitor at the Advocate office on Monday morning.

—Mrs. Stamey, wife of Dr. E. L. Stamey, who was for a number of years a member of our Conference, left last week with several of their children for New Mexico, where they will reside temporarily in the interest of the health of the children.

—Rev. Dr. C. W. Byrd will hold special revival services with the Greensboro College for Women next week and expects to hold some special meetings following this with the congregation at West Market Street church, closing with the Easter services.

—Rev. W. R. Shelton, one of the Juniors at Trinity College, was in the city on Wednesday returning from Washington and Lee, where he was one of the Trinity representatives in the debate with representatives of that institution. Washington and Lee won the decision two to one.

—Rev. W. R. Ware, presiding elder of the Salisbury District, was a pleasant caller at the Advocate office on Tuesday. He was stopping over on his return from Reidsville where he had been to take part in the opening services in Main Street church, Sunday night. He reports a great day for Reidsville Methodists.

—Our first District Conference for the year will be held for the Winston District at Walkertown on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, April 20-22. We publish elsewhere the dates of Conferences which have been announced, and shall be glad to give a complete directory as early as possible.

—Mr. Robert Holloway, of Lenoir, died on Thursday night, March 4th, after a few days' illness, of pneumonia. Mr. Holloway was a brother of Rev. J. G. W. Holloway, of the Western North Carolina Conference. The Advocate joins in expressions of sympathy for the bereaved.

—Rev. W. R. Ware, presiding elder of the Salisbury District, is arranging for two efficiency institutes on his district the latter part of this month, one at Albemarle March 22-23, and the other at China Grove March 24-25. Besides preachers and laymen of the district, other leaders of the church are expected to be present in these meetings.

—Rev. H. C. Sprinkle, presiding elder of the Mount Airy District, was in the city on Monday morning of last week and called at the Advocate office. He came in from his quarterly meeting for Summerfield circuit, which was held at Pisgah church near the Battle Ground.

—It is with deep regret that we have learned of the death of Mr. Joseph G. Hoyle, son of Rev. R. M. Hoyle, which occurred at his home at Fallston on Wednesday of last week. He was the youngest son of Rev. R. M. Hoyle, of Mocksville, and leaves a wife and several children. He died of pneumonia. May God greatly comfort the bereaved parents and other loved ones.

—Reporting his work at Bryson City, Rev. Frank Siler, referring to the generous donation of Mr. J. E. Coburn, says: "Mr. Coburn is not a member of any church. What effect will his contribution to the better support of our preachers have on the rich, stingy stewards and laymen who persist in holding down their pastors' salaries to a scant living?"

—The Kings Mountain Herald says:—Special evangelistic meetings will begin at the Kings Mountain Methodist church next Sunday. There will be preaching on Sunday at eleven o'clock and seven thirty. Dr. T. F. Marr, pastor of Trinity church, Charlotte, will arrive on Monday and preach during the series. Rev. J. O. Ervin, pastor of Dilworth Methodist church, will conduct the music and assist in the services. He is a successful and popular pastor serving his third year in Dilworth and is now engaged in building a new church.

Spring Garden St. Church—Two weeks ago at the 11 o'clock hour, Dr. J. H. Weaver preached a great gospel sermon that moved a number in the congregation to ask for prayer. This was followed up the succeeding Sabbath by an earnest appeal by the pastor at both morning and evening services, which resulted in several conversions. Last Sunday two of these were baptized and received into the church. At Spring Garden Street the revival fires are already burning upon the altar.

Rock Springs Circuit—Last Monday we closed a good meeting at Bethany—40 professions; 11 joined our church. We are now closing a fine meeting at Lebanon. This has been a hart fight, but oh, what a victory. Last night can never be forgotten. Oh, how the power did visit us. To hear those glorious praises and behold those shining faces were really transfiguring. We have now had about 440 professions. Later I hope to write more about it. Truly, Jim Green.

Greensboro Circuit—March 9th was a great day at our parsonage. The material for building having been provided, a delegation from Holt's and Mt. Pleasant churches met bright and early in the morning and by sunset a nice new barn showed the results of a happy day's work. The ladies also were represented and set an excellent dinner for the visitors as well as for the preacher and all his family. Besides a lot of good things ready prepared for the table, a splendid pounding was left on the table to tell of the generosity of a most excellent people. Thanks to everybody concerned. F. L. Townsend.

Spruce Pine—These few notes from this part of the field may be of interest to Advocate readers. We have held three meetings this year on Spruce Pine and Bakersville charge. Had 200 or more professions and restorations during these meetings. Some very old people professed religion, one lady 79 years old, one man 84 years old. Brothers Gay and Dawson have done some splendid work this year on this side of the ridge. We are going to try to build two new churches this year on this work, one at Altapass, and one on Beaver Creek. The Methodists, Baptists and Presbyterians gave us a nice pounding on last Saturday. It was of the sort that did not make us sore, but made our souls soar.

Jas. P. Morris.

Main St. Methodist Church—The Salisbur Post speaks thus of our work at Main Stree Salisbury: "The Main Street Methodis church is growing under the ministry of th pastor, Rev. C. F. Sherrill. He has receive some members into the church every Sunda some on profession of faith and by lette The congregation is growing. Last Sunday th church was filled and chairs had to be use Rev. Mr. Sherrill was heard attentively at bot services and preached in the morning on th Sunday school from the text Mal. 4:6. In th evening he preached on the Burning Bush. Rev. C. F. Sherrill stated Sunday morning tha the new Sunday school building at Main Stree Methodist church was the most complete an best arranged of any denomination in Sali bury. The Sunday school grows every Sunda Last Sunday 299 were present and we ex pect the 300 next Sunday morning at 9:45.

Central Church, Asheville—The followin item was clipped from the Asheville Citize of March 8th: Yesterday was observed as mem bership day at Central Methodist church, class of thirteen persons being admitted t membership with the impressive service of th Methodist church at the morning service. O the class five members were received by lette and the remaining eight joined on professio of faith. Those who were received on profes sion of faith were Eugene C. Ward, Joseph W Nichols, Collie L. Payne, Albert J. Webb, Jo seph R. Rice, Frank Rice, Canie N. Brow and William B. Williamson, Jr. The servic was an unusually impressive one and a larg congregation attended the ceremonies inciden to the reception of the new members. The were conducted by Rev. J. H. Barnhardt, th pastor of Central. Following the reception o members, the sacrament of the Lord's Suppe was administered by Mr. Barnhardt. Specia music was rendered during the time of the ser vice, 'cello selections being given by R. E Yarndley, while the Central church choir ren dered several selections. The choir is com posed of Mrs. J. E. Meares, Mrs. Nora Burns James G. Stickeleather and Judge Thomas A Jones.

Salisbury Circuit—As the news from othe charges makes good reading to me, I thought a little report from this charge would be in teresting to some reader, at least, of our excel lent paper. I landed here Thanksgiving Da and found the ladies at Granite Quarry, wher the preacher lives, and where a few years ag our church burned down, holding a service an trying to collect something on the church deb We owed $1,000. and interest for one yea There was no insurance; congregation weak Things looked gloomy. I am glad to say th sky is clearing up some. The stewards me after so long a time and increased pastor' salary $50.00 over that of last year. W have raised $533.00 on church and parsonag debts at Granite Quarry and hope to ded cate the church this year. The other thre churches are looking up. Just closed a goo meeting at Bethel. Have received twent into the church since Conference; baptized te children.

The people have been very kind to us. The have given us a donation for the pantry, etc and last, but not least, a suit of clothes to th preacher. I am sorry to report that my faith ful old horse, after hauling his master ove mountain, hill and plane for ten years, ha to be retired because of lameness in both for feet.

It was a little strange to me that at Con ference I was sent to the same charge to whic I was assigned three years ago and could no come because of sickness in my family. I tak it for granted that the Lord has some specia work for me on this particular circuit. Pra for us that the Lord may not be disappointe

Your brother in Christ,
J. H. Brendall, P. C.

Mooresville—The churches of Mooresvil have recently completed a church census of th town. Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, writing repo for the Enterprise, says: In spite of ba weather and smallpox, the religious census wa taken according to previous announcemen

Our caps are off to forty or more faithful men who made the canvass. Like Banquo's ghost, they refused to down before some pretty formidable obstacles. For instance, at some homes infected with smallpox, alias chicken pox, an inmate would be called to the door, and the information gathered from a distance. Here are the results: Methodist church members, 696; Sunday school members, 605. Presbyterian church members, 445; Sunday school members, 421. Baptist church members, 306; Sunday school members, 337. A. R. P. church members, 98; Sunday school members, 97. Lutheran church members, 75; Sunday school members, 74. Episcopal church members, 9.

In addition to these there were found 9 Catholics, 2 Primitive Baptists, 2 Christian Scientists, 2 Mormons, 2 German Ieformed and 1 Moravian. The total population is found to be 3131 people, total church memberships, 1647, and total Sunday school membership, 1534. Our Sunday school membership falls 113 below our church membership. A reasonable standard is that Sunday school membership shall equal church membership. The Baptists deserve special mention in this connection, in that their Sunday school membership exceeds their church membership by 31. Lutherans and A. R. P. have practically the same number in church and Sunday school. The Methodists, while leading in members, fall farthest behind in Sunday school membership. Now, this enterprise was not undertaken as a means of pastime. It was "begun, continued and ended" by busy people. Our concern now is whether it shall accomplish that for which it was undertaken. Of the white population of our town, less than half attend Sunday school. What about those 1597 people who attend no Sunday school? By staying away we encourage unintentionally others also to stay away. By attending we encourage others also to attend and receive a blessing ourselves. May we not hope that many who do not now attend any of the various schools will as a result of this canvass join the forces and help along the good work?

Conference Brotherhood

Assessment No. 13.—This assessment is due to be paid on or before the 4th of April. The following named brethren have paid it since my last report: J. G. W. Holloway, J. F. Usry, W. I. Hughes, D. Atkins. T. S. Ellington, J. H. Barnhardt, C. H. Caviness, C. A. Wood, J. T. Stover, Z. Paris, W. A. Lambeth, J. W. Williams, Z. E. Barnhardt, A. S. Raper, O. J. Jones, J. C. Troy, James Willson, S. S. Higgins, J. H. Robertson, N. M. Modlin, W. E. Abernethy, J. O. Ervin, J. W. Jones, J. C. Richardson, W. S. Cherry, M. B. Stokes.

C. M. Pickens, Sec.-Treas.

Spencer, N. C.

Victory

"O sing unto the Lord a new song; for he hath done marvelous things; his right hand and his holy arm hath gotten him the victory.—Psalms 98:1. After having spent nearly eight weeks with Rev. James H. Green on the Rock Springs circuit and seeing about 425 people wonderfully saved by the power of God, and some of the worst old sinners in the country redeemed. I must confess that my faith has been strengthened in God and His power to save men from sin. I left Brother Green March 11th in a good meeting at Lebanon. Much interest was being manifested. People were coming for more than 10 miles away. The power of God is being manifested in an unusual way. Many of the new converts are reading their Bibles around the fireside and having family worship. I shall never forget the happy days I spent on the Rock Springs circuit. I am now in a revival meeting at Union on the Wilkes circuit with Brother Cherry, the pastor, and Brother Bennett, the presiding elder. Good indications for a splendid meeting.

Yours fraternally, Rudd Newsom.

Guilford College, N. C.

More Loan Funds

The office of the Board of Church Extension is in receipt of title to a section of Jefferson County, Montana, land. Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Stanley, of Whitehall, Montana, are the generous donors. The value of this land is conservatively estimated at $7,000.00. Brother Stanley's interest in Church Extension is well known throughout all our borders. He had perhaps more to do with creating the sentiment out of which our organized Church Extension work came than any other, and has never failed in his interest from the beginning. He is greatly rejoiced over the good providence of God that makes it possible for him to give to the Board this $7,000.00 Loan Fund.

This contribution of Brother and Sister Stanley brings the total contribution to our Loan Fund Capital from the little Montana Conference to $43,020.81. Only three Conferences have gone beyond this figure, the Baltimore, the Louisville and the Missouri, and the Montana Conference is crowding the Missouri and the Louisville.

We are also in receipt of a check for $250.00 from the wife of a Methodist preacher, with the instruction that the amount is "to be appropriated where you think most needed," and with the request that the name be not published. We have added it to the Loan Fund Capital, and are most grateful to the modest saint.

The total contributions to the Loan Fund Capital for the present fiscal year amount at this writing to $97,278.99. There is urgent need for $2,721.01 additional to make the $100,000.00 for the fiscal year. Send in your contribution! W. F. McMurry, Cor Sec.

SALISBURY DISTRICT EFFICIENCY INSTITUTES

Albemarle, March 22 and 23

An efficiency institute will be conducted at Albemarle, in Central Methodist church on Monday and Tuesday, March 22nd and 23rd, and will be presided over by Rev. W. R. Ware, presiding elder of the Salisbury district.

Monday, 22nd

2:30 p. m. Opening Exercises, "Why We are Here, etc.," Rev. W. R. Ware.

3 p. m. "Greater Efficiency in the Sunday Schools With Adults," Rev. Jno. W. Moore.

3:30 p. m. "How to Save the Young People in their Adolescent State to the Sunday School and to the Church," Dr. T. A. Hathcock.

4 p. m. "How to Make the Sunday School Helpful to Others—How to Get the Best out of it for Myself," Mr. C. V. Richie, Rev. J. M. Price.

7:30 p. m. "Our District Sunday School Special—It's Objective Value and Subjective Benefits," Mr. J. F. Shinn.

8:15 p. m. "Missions—Some Fresh Data—What Should be our Minimum Aim," Rev. C. M. Pickens.

Tuesday, 23rd

9 a. m. "Efficiency of Charge Leaders and of Church Leaders—Why Have Them," Rev. Frank Siler.

9:30 a. m. "Benefit of Decision Day," Rev. C. W. Byrd, D. D.

10 a. m. "The Country Church—Its Importance, Its Efficiency, Its Problems," Mr. J. F. Lilly, Rev. W. I. Hughes.

11 a. m. "How to Secure Financial Co-operation from Delinquent Church Members," Rev. Frank Siler.

2:30 p. m. "Children's Day—Its Meaning and Value," Rev. M. F. Moores.

3 p. m. "Better Results in the Regular and Special Church Services—Reaching the Non-Churched at Our Doors," Revs. R. M. Hoyle and R. M. Taylor.

4 p. m. "The Purpose of All Our Church, Sunday School and Financial Plans and Efforts," Messrs. W. A. Kirk and C. D. Robbins and Rev. A. L. Coburn.

General Discussion.

7:30 p. m. "Evangelism," Rev. E. K. McLarty, D. D.

Music by Central church and open discussion will come in at intervals throughout the program.

The following pastoral charges are expected to be represented at this institute by the pastors, Sunday school superintendents, charge leaders and church leaders: Gold Hill, New London, Albemarle-Central, Albemarle, First Street, Albemarle Circuit, Salem, Norwood, Cottonville and Oakboro, Bethel and Love's Chapel.

The public is cordially invited and earnestly desired to attend all these services.

China Grove, March 24-25

A similar institute will be held at China Grove March 24 and 25, with practically the same program, but with different speakers on most of the subjects.

Rev. M. T. Smathers, A. S. Raper, J. W. Kennedy, C. F. Sherrill, R. G. Tuttle, G. A. Stamper and Messrs. J. L. Crowell, J. A. Scott, A. H. Sides, P. N. Peacock and A. T. Allen will have parts in program at China Grove in the place of certain ministers and laymen who are on the program for Albemarle. The other speakers are the same at both places.

This program will be interspersed with good music and voluntary discussion. The pastor, Sunday school superintendents, charge leaders and church leaders from all the pastoral charges in Cabarrus and from the following charges in Rowan county are expected to attend this Institute: Salisbury, First church, Holmes Memorial, South Main Street, Circuit, Spencer, East Spencer and North Main Street, Woodleaf, China Grove and Landis, Kannapolis circuit. The public is cordially invited and earnestly desired to be present at all these services.

If any of those designated cannot attend be sure a good substitute is in his place. This should be a great and profitable meeting.

Notify Rev. H. H. Robbins of your purpose to attend and entertainment will be provided.

Rev. W. R. Ware, P. E.

A Call to Southern Methodists for a Social Service Conference

Most of the leading religious communions of this country have created agencies for the expression of their social convictions, for directing social work within the denomination, and for co-operating with other agencies outside. But as yet the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has taken no such step. The need for providing such an agency has been felt among us for some time. The coming meeting of the Southern Sociological Congress in Houston, Texas, May 8-11, offers an opportunity for launching the movement and consummating an organization. The Social Service Commission of Texas Methodism, representing five English speaking Annual Conferences within the State of Texas, the German Mission Conference and the Mexican Mission, is convinced that the initiative must be taken by some organization or individuals and that the Texas Commission is probably the logical body to issue the call. We have, therefore, resolved upon this course. We invite other such commissions within the M. E. Church, South, and all Southern Methodists who believe in the church's social mission, to meet in a conference for the consideration of the social interests of our whole connection in Houston, Texas, Monday afternoon, May 10th. This meeting will be a part of the regular program of the Southern Sociological Congress.

Social Service Commission of Texas Methodism, John C. Granbery, chairman; Frank Seay, secretary.

I wish you could see our market. It is held every Saturday just outside of the concession. The natives with food to sell bring it there and the workmen buy with salt. Money is never used in such cases. We have quite a time keeping the people who are not working from buying all the stuff offered for sale before our men get off. So we have to appoint sentries who let only those inside who have food to sell until the horn is blown for quitting, then you should see the rush. Everyone yells and makes a break for the circle; they sit down with the food in front of them. The ants, caterpillars and other delicacies are all bought in a few minutes. Our having something like a hundred men added to the population has placed a premium on all food stuffs, and although there is plenty of food for all it takes some scrapping around to find it sometimes. Crops will begin to come again soon, and I hope the market will be much larger then.—J. A. Stockwell, Wembo-Niama, Africa.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, Asheville, N. C.

A MORNING THOUGHT

Let me today do something that shall take
A little sadness from the world's vast store,
And may I be so favored as to make
Of joy's too scanty sum a little more.

Let me not hurt, by any selfish deed,
Or thoughtless word, the heart of foe or friend;
Nor would I pass, unseeing, worthy need,
Or sin by silence when I should defend.

However meager be my worldly wealth,
Let me give something that shall aid my kind,
A word of courage or a thought of health,
Dropped as I pass for troubled hearts to find.

Let me tonight look back across the span
'Twixt dawn and dark and to my conscience say—
Because of some good act to beast or man—
The world is better that I lived today.

—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

THE COUNCIL DAILY

Have you sent your subscription for the Council Daily? It is earnestly desired that there be a large circulation of this paper among the various Conferences and the request is made that the subscriptions be sent in early so that an accurate mailing list may be made.

To keep in touch with the daily happenings of the great gathering of our missionary representatives at Little Rock April 14th-22nd, it will be very necessary to have this paper come to you every day. Only 25 cents for the seven issues. Send you subscription at once to Mr. George Thornburg, 1624 Spring Street, Little Rock, Ark.

AN ACROSTIC

From the Biblical Recorder of February 11th we "borrow" the following acrostic as it is so appropriate just at this time, when our first quarter is nearing a close, and when it is very necessary that our auxiliary officers make their reports promptly and accurately:

Remember to report this quarter.
Each auxiliary should contribute.
Much depends upon you.
Every society must have a part.
Much depends upon the officers.
Be sure not to fail.
Everybody get to work.
Remember to report this quarter.

MISS BLANCHE HOWELL

The many friends of Miss Blanche Howell, one of our missionaries in Mexico will be interested to know that she sailed on Wednesday, March 10th, for Brazil, after several months in the homeland. Miss Howell had planned to return several weeks ago, but on account of the dangers incident to travel at this time, she was compelled to wait for a while. Many prayers will ascend for her safe journey.

YOUNG WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

First Church, Salisbury, N. C.

The first regular meeting of the auxiliary was held March 2nd and proved to be very enthusiastic and inspiring. Twenty-three names were enrolled as charter members and the officers were duly installed by the pastor, Rev. John W. Moore.

Mrs. Weant, the president, was chosen as a delegate to the district meeting to be held in Concord, March 26th.

A Mission Study Class will be organized at the next meeting, and as the majority of our members are young in mission work, it was thought best to make a study of the mission fields, beginning with China. As soon as this work is completed, we will take up the study of "Western Women in Eastern Lands."

The members of this auxiliary are very enthusiastic and it is our desire to make the work so interesting that the enthusiasm will increase. It is likewise the purpose of the auxiliary to have every young woman who is not already enlisted to help us in this great work.

Several changes have been made in the list of officers and they are now:

President, Mrs. W. W. Weant; First Vice-President, Mrs. T. C. Fisher, Second Vice-President, Mrs. Clarence Summers; Treasurer, Miss Addie Rickert; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. J. W. Zimmerman; Recording Secretary, Mrs. E. W. Dunham; Superintendent Mission Study, Mrs. E. W. Cole; Superintendent Social Service, Mrs. R. B. Wright; Superintendent of Supplies, Mrs. J. W. Webb; Agent for Missionary Voice, Mrs. W. E. Huff.

TO AUXILIARY SECOND VICE-PRESIDENTS

The following letter has been issued by the Conference Second Vice-President and for fear there is some second vice-president who has not sent her name, Mrs. Stewart asks that we insert in this issue. Read and heed her message:

My dear sister:—

I am sending you an important package of literature. It contains the leaflets pertaining to the direction of the children's pledge money, two leaflets each for the Junior and Baby Divisions. Study these and explain them fully to the children at each meeting, so they will be informed about their money. If you have not the mite boxes order them at once from Mrs. B. W. Lipscombe, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

I also enclose three blanks necessary for the quarterly reports which must be sent April 1st. Please read them carefully and make no mistake in sending them to the proper officers. Your blank comes to me, the corresponding secretary reports to your district secretary and the treasurer to the Conference Treasurer, Mrs. P. N. Peacock, Salisbury, N. C.

It is your duty to see that these blanks are carefully and neatly filled out and sent off in due time. I am sure you will be pleased as much as I am with these simple forms, and especially because they are arranged so as to make two similar reports, one to be sent, the other to be kept in loose-leaf form in the society. With these new blanks there is every reason to believe that the making out of quarterly reports hereafter will be a joy to all of us. Never before have the children had their work outlined with such well-defined plans and splendid helps. The machinery is all right, and it is up to us to show ourselves as workmen approved of God.

Set your goal for 1915 high. Make each quarter count for points in the "Standard of Excelence," so that you may get on the Honor Roll at the end of the year. Remember March is the month to begin an intensive membership campaign. Enlist the babies in the Baby Roll Division. Aim to place the Young Christian Worker in every home in you church. A missionary society cannot thrive and grow without missionary food, so organize a mission study class. If your district secretary has not conferred with you about your pledge for 1915, get in touch with her about it at once, and make it a rule to pay some on the pledge each quarter. Let us endeavor to be more prompt, systematic and efficient. Prayer and service must go hand in hand. Remember that each child is to pay ten cents a year toward the Conference Expense Fund, and we are asked to pay this during the first and second quarters.

I will send you leaflets each quarter. If you fail to receive literature, write me.

The advantages of the Annual Meeting held early in the year are very apparent, and already its good results are being manifested. My heart is rejoicing daily as I hear of the many second vice-presidents pushing forward in the work set before us.

Let me impress upon you the importance and the high calling of your office. Yours is a three-fold work—saving souls for Christ, developing the children into the Christ life, and preparing future leaders for our church Take courage and thank God for your blessed opportunity to work with and for little children for they are nearest the heart of the Master.

Yours for service,

Mrs. Mattie H. Stewart,
Conf. Second Vice-President.

OFF TO CALIFORNIA

Our Conference Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. H. A. Dunham, accompanied by her husband, left on Monday for an extended trip to California, Colorado and other points of interest in the great West. In addition to seeing the Panama-Pacific Exposition she plans visits to many of our schools and institutions and as she returns will attend the Council meeting in Little Rock, Ark.

We shall anticipate her return with great pleasure, with interesting news fresh from the field.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SPECIALS

The Young People's Specials for 1915 are the schools in Songdo and Seoul, Korea, and the Sue Bennett Memorial School in London, Kentucky. We feel sure that the articles from the teachers in the schools, showing something of the nature of the work that is being accomplished in these institutions will be full of interest to our young people. The first from Miss Florence M. Campbell of the Sue Bennett School gives us an insight into the character of some of the pupils in this school that has meant so much to the mountain boys and girls of Kentucky.

"Can you imagine how it would be to live where there are no modern inventions or improvements, where "styles" seldom change, where no train had ever passed through, where education was exceedingly limited, and where there was no outlook in life?

Picture, if possible, a place back in the mountains of Kentucky thus secluded: a family of sturdy boys and girls in a home of meager surroundings; the oldest boy aroused by hearing of the Sue Bennett Memorial School down in the foothills, where boys like himself could go and find out many wonderful things; then the desire changed to a purpose to go and find out for himself. Think of the long and rugged journey in the old wagon or on mule-back to the place that has been a veritable "mecca" to hundreds of mountain boys and girls.

He came, he saw, he found it all true! He plunged into the work, and no one can ever know what great revelations were made to that hungry soul and mind during that term's work. He went home with new ideals and thoughts and the determination to return and learn more and not come alone.

He felt sure that his beloved little sister back home could be just as bright, sweet and pretty and just as polite as any of the S. B. M. S. girls if she but had a chance.

He could not afford to bring Polly for a five months' term, but even three months would be some help. So next year, after Christmas, his fourteen year-old sister came with him. But she was not like your little sister of fourteen. She looked like a diminutive "grown up" with a child's face. Her golden hair was put up in very old style, and her long dresses were clumsy and unbecoming and very old-fashioned. The dormitory girls loved Polly, she was so anxious to please and eager to learn. It was pathetic to see the care of the brother for his little sister; and though she knew little or nothing of table manners, her would give her quiet hints, and she learned to watch how others did things, and one could hardly have time to find out that Polly did not know she was so quick in observing those around her. The girls wished to help her about her dress, and in one way and another it was brought about that Polly's hair was becomingly arranged and her clothing made over and cut shorter, until she was rejuvenated and became a remarkably pretty and sweet-looking little girl.

But it did not end here. The heart and mind of the girl were reached and touched by the Holy Spirit, and in three weeks after coming to the S. B. M. S. she gave her heart to God and was genuinely saved. Having a very receptive mind, she grasped all she saw; and when she returned to her home, she began a gentle reformation both in home and community, and when a few years had passed and she was married to a prosperous man, she had grace and wit to make a truly comfortable home for him, and today the light of that three months' stay at the S. B. M. S. is shining steadily in a whole community, and it has paid a hundredfold that this child should have been at our school.

Is it worth while? Yes, far beyond all power to tell it. Eternity can never reveal all that the dear S. B. M. S. has meant to the people of the Kentucky mountains.

This is merely a slight sketch of one life that came to this school for one of our shortest terms (only three months, and yet she was blessed of God and sent out to be a blessing to others. How many more hundreds could be spoken of along this line But space forbids.

God bless you in your efforts for the spread of His kingdom in all the dark places!

From Miss Lillian Nichols we have the interesting sketch of Won Jung one of the many pupils that are in attendance at Carolina Institute, Seoul Korea. This article with the one from Miss Campbell was written for the young people of Southern Methodism and we ask the young people of the W. N. C. Conference to read these messages:

"I understand that the young people are to have the privilege of supporting the work in Songdo and Seoul, and I want to tell you a little about the kind of pupils we meet in our schools We are delighted that, to you, has been given this work as your special for we feel sure that this will mean that in a very special manner we shall have the support of your interest and your prayers as well as your gifts.

If you were permitted to ask me one question in regard to our work I wonder if your question would not be "Does it count, is it worth while?" Our work is a glorious one that does pay and is in every particular worth while; and if I only had the power to paint for you the life of but one of the girls so that she might live before you I am sure you would agree with me I shall try.

Won Jung found her way into Carolina Institute when she was about eleven years old. Her mother was a widow and putting the child in school she herself became a Bible woman and rendered faithful service for many years. The little girl had been well taught in her home and at once made

(Continued on Page 13)

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

OUR 1915 CONVENTION

At the last cabinet meeting it was decided that our 1915 Epworth League Convention should go to Lake Junaluska. This is an ideal place for a convention and we hope that every League will have at least one representative there. While it is not in the central part of the state the railroads give special rates for the conventions there.

The exact time has not been decided but we hope to have it at the time of the General Epworth League Conference, which will give us the advantage of the other conference.

Begin now to make your plans to send delegates to this conference.

OUT OF THE NEWSPAPER

By Russell Sewall

III. Shoes and Success

I was much interested in a shoemakers' contest which the government has been conducting as described in a newspaper which lies before me. The government wished to find the best-fitting shoe for the army. If an army cannot march, it makes no difference how many soldiers it has or how able are its generals or how perfect its guns; it is beaten before the war begins. And the army marches best, other things being equal, that wears the best shoes.

So the experts went to work to find the ideal shoe. That wonderful agent, the x-ray, was called in. Scores and hundreds of x-ray photographs were made, showing the position of the bones of the foot in all attitudes and under all circumstances—before a march, while marching, and after the march was over. At the same time models of shoes were made, scores of them, and compared with these photographs. From these studies the experts made up their minds what the shape of the shoe should be. It must be straight on the inside; it must have a closely fitting instep. The toes must be left at liberty to move as freely as if the wearer were bare-footed. These requirements were determined upon by the most thoroughgoing scientific investigation.

Then the manufacturers were called in. One hundred and twenty firms took part in the competition. Each received a copy of the specifications, stating the government's requirements, and each submitted two pairs of shoes as samples of what it could do to meet those requirements. These samples were considered most carefully, and two fat contracts for the supply of all the shoes used by the army went to the two firms whose shoes were judged to be the best.

A Persian proverb says: "To him who wears a shoe, the world is covered with leather." After this careful process the world should be covered with velvet to our gallant soldiers. No more corns or bunions or callouses for them, no more broken arches, no more blisters, no more limping. They should run on their marches and leap at their foe.

Now let the church militant take a lesson from the United States army. Too often we plan our campaigns without planning our shoes. Our forces should be here today, there tomorrow, over yonder next day; but when those days come we are far behind the schedule and are sitting by the roadside nursing our feet. Far ahead of us the enemy has thrown up entrenchments.

We have neglected to ease the contact between the ideal and the actual. We have not fitted shoes to the feet of our good intentions. They may have needed shoes made of greenbacks, or the necessary shoes may have been constructed out of hours and minutes and seconds, or they may have been cooperation shoes or friendship shoes. We may have been trying to carry out our plans by ourselves or with poor equipment. No wonder we have stumbled. No wonder our fine anticipations have failed of realization. We have been trying to march with wooden shoes.

The adaptation of means to an end is a large part of living. There are many who feel that a house is built as soon as they have sketched the ground plan. Foundations, frame, floors, walls, roof, windows, doors—these do not enter into their calculations. They rub the lamp of their fancy, and the achievement stands before them, fully formed and complete. Their castles are all in Cloudland. Others haul great carts full of stone and wood, collect their tools, hire their laborers, and then discover, standing in the confusion of material, that they have no plan for the house. Each is foolish. We need a plan for our material, and we need material for our plan. The wise man will provide both.

Therefore, the next time you are moved by some noble purpose, set yourself at once to imitate our War Department. Put shoes upon it and aim to make these shoes as nearly perfect as possible, worthy of the wise intention they are to carry to its goal. Get the help of others. Read books of instruction. Put upon the problem your own sturdy thinking. And then, having evolved the best method shoes you can, lace them on the feet of your purpose and trot off up the hill of success. For "to him who wears a shoe, the world is covered with leather.—Adult Student.

GEMS FROM LITERATURE

John Wesley's Rule

Do all the good you can,
By all the means you can,
In all the ways you can,
In all the places you can,
At all the times you can,
To all the people you can,
As long as you can.

The Simple Faith

Before me, even as behind,
God is, and all is well.
—John Greenleaf Whittier.

Thank God Every Morning

Thank God every morning when you get up that you have something to do that day which must be done, whether you like it or not. Being forced to work, and forced to do your best, well bred in your temperance and self-control, diligence and strength of will, cheerfulness and content, and a hundred virtues which the idle never know.—Charles Kingsley.

What Have We Done Today?

We shall do so much in the years to come,
But what have we done today?
We shall give our gold in princely sum,
But what did we give today?
We shall lift the heart and dry the tear;
We shall plant a hope in the place of fear,
We shall speak the words of love and cheer,
But what did we speak today?

We shall be so kind in the afterwhile,
But what have we been today?
We shall bring each lonely life a smile,
But what have we brought today?
We shall give to truth a grander berth,
And to steadfast faith a deeper worth,
We shall feed the hungering souls of earth,
But whom have we fed today?

We shall reap such joys in the by and by,
But what have we sown today?
We shall build us mansions in the sky,
But what have we built today?
'Tis sweet in idle dreams to bask,
But here and now do we do our task?
Yes, this is the thing our souls must ask,
"What have we done today?"
—Nixon Waterman in "In Merry Mood."

A Big ? You Decide: The School: The Methods: The Results:

A Few Reasons Why You Should Enroll With Us

We teach Stenotypy, the fastest method of writing. Our *courses* teach you to *know*. We *train* you to *grasp* your *opportunity*. Latest improved methods. Your choice of *nine* different systems of *shorthand, two of them hold world's record* for *speed* and *accuracy*.

Rates and terms most reasonable. *Real business courses* as taught at a *real commercial college*. Results unequalled. Twenty-five students recently placed in positions.

Write for further information and terms. Do not put off this important step.

CENTRAL BUSINESS COLLEGE, ROANOKE, VIRGINIA

T. S. SPRADLIN, President

GREENSBORO NURSERIES

AGENTS WANTED

For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.

JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

EASTER GIFTS

FOR CHILDREN

COLORED PICTURE BIBLES & TESTAMENTS

HOLMAN EDITIONS IN PURPLE BINDINGS

FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHOLARS AND LITTLE CHILDREN

These special editions have been prepared to appeal to the child's own interest.

All efforts of the imagination and all descriptions in words cannot make the Land of the Bible as real and vivid as a walk through it by means of Pictures. There has been so little change in that part of the Orient that pictures of its scenes as they now are show the very places as they actually existed in the time of Jesus and the Apostles.

These Pictures illuminate in natural colors scenes and places taken from nature; and life in the Holy Land in manners, customs, dress and homes as they now exist, but so like olden times that one may imagine themselves going about with Jesus as He healed, taught and walked through the streets of Jerusalem. Each picture is accompanied by a complete description of the scene portrayed.

ALL OF THE FOLLOWING STYLES are bound in PURPLE SILK CLOTH, with PURPLE EDGES on book



GOLD TITLES and GOLD FLORAL DESIGN



on cover, also containing Sixteen beautiful Colored Pictures.

COLORED PICTURE BIBLES, PURPLE SILK CLOTH BINDINGS.

	PUBLISHERS' PRICES	OUR PRICES	
No. 5404. Large Minion Type Self-Pronouncing. Size 5⅞ x 4¼ inches	1.00	.80	Post Paid
No. 5004. Clear Black Pearl Type Size 5⅛ x 3¼ inches	.70	.55	Post Paid

COLORED PICTURE NEW TESTAMENT, PURPLE SILK CLOTH BINDING.

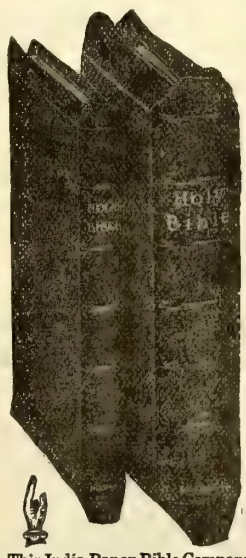
No. 2404. Large Minion Type Self-Pronouncing. Size 5⅞ x 4¼ inches	.60	.40	Post Paid

NEW TESTAMENT VEST POCKET SIZE, PURPLE SILK CLOTH BINDING
Colored Frontispiece Only.

No. 2104. Clear Agate Type Self-Pronouncing. Size 4½ x 2⅞ inches	.32	.25	Post Paid

CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

THE GREATEST BIBLE BARGAIN



This India Paper Bible Compared with one of ordinary paper, containing the same number of pages and same size type.

A GENUINE 7.50 { HOLMAN India Paper Self-Pronouncing BIBLE } FOR ONLY 4.25 Carefully Wrapped and sent Postpaid in a box

Authorized version, printed from the clearest type ever used in a Bible, large bold face open print with liberal spacing between the words and lines

PRINTED ON THE FINEST INDIA PAPER MADE

The Text is Self-Pronouncing with references. It has a new Concordance, alphabetically arranged and with analytical and comparative features and 50,000 References also New Biblical Atlas with Fifteen Colored Maps and Complete Index to Same.

BOUND IN GENUINE PERSIAN MOROCCO, divinity circuit, full leather linings, silk sewed, silk head bands and marker, special flat opening reinforced binding that will not break in the back.

The size is 5½ x 8 inches--only one inch thick.

Easy to Read Type

Specimen of Type.

17 ¶ m From that time Jē'sus began to preach, and to say, n Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at

No. 700X Publisher's Price 7.50 Sent postpaid for 4.25

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

If You Value Your Health

Read Every Word of This Remarkable Story

It is told by one who has himself experienced the regeneration in health which he encourages you to seek by the self-same means.



THE STORY OF A GREAT DISCOVERY.

The hardships of a traveling salesman's life had wrecked my health. My family physician diagnosed my case as chronic gastritis, brought on by disease of the liver and complicated by kidney trouble. I consulted specialists who confirmed his diagnosis. Months passed, I grew worse and was finally compelled to give up my work.

By chance I heard of some wonderful cures which had resulted from drinking the water of a little spring in the Mineral Belt of South Carolina, a picture of which spring appears on this page. In desperation I tried it. On the second day I thought that I could notice some improvement; at the end of the first week my appetite and digestion had returned and I was much stronger; at the end of the third week I felt that I was completely cured. That was six years ago and I still enjoy perfect health.

Knowing that it had restored my health and believing that it had saved my life, I bought the Spring.

I then determined to see whether the water would cure others as it had cured me. I shipped ten gallons absolutely free of charge to each of one thousand sufferers from chronic diseases. Only four reported no benefit from the use of the ten gallons. The other nine hundred and ninety-six reported decided benefit or complete cures. Many claimed that the water had saved their lives.

I realized that I had discovered one of the world's greatest mineral springs, and I decided to devote my life to it. But how could I make the world listen; how could I make them believe my story? The precious water was running to waste while thousands were suffering. I said, I will ***make them believe*** me by showing ***my*** faith in ***them*** and in the ***curative power*** of the Spring. I will tell them that the water shall cost them ***nothing*** if it fails to benefit.

The world listened!

Some wrote for proof and I sent them the letters which I had received from ***their*** fellowmen. Others accepted my offer without question. Thousands have written me reporting relief and permanent cure of a great variety of chronic diseases.

But some of the water still ran to waste for lack of belief. I determined that every drop should be used to relieve the sufferings of humanity. To this end I requested the advertising manager of the N. C. Chris. Advocate to come to see me. At my desk I opened my mail and showed him the letters from men and women from all parts of the country who had suffered and who had found relief. I gave him my letter files and induced him to spend several hours reading my past correspondence with those who were using the water. I showed him the chemical analysis and letters from physicians explaining the curative properties of the water.

He believed, and as a result he has written this announcement for me.

WILL YOU BELIEVE?

I do not ask your implicit faith; only enough to try the water for three weeks as I did. I estimate that I drank about ten gallons and I, therefore, offer gladly to ship you two five gallon demijohns on my guarantee that if you find that it does not benefit you I will promptly refund the price, which is only $2.00. You must promise to drink the water in accordance with the instructions which I will send you and return the empty demijohns. I make ***you*** the sole judge as to whether the water has benefitted you, and as the Advertising Manager of this paper has kindly consented to ***guarantee my guarantee*** to refund your money, if you are not benefitted, I hope you will feel perfectly free to accept my offer.

This offer is extended to all who suffer with ***any chronic disease,*** except cancer and consumption, but I especially recommend the water for the treatment of stomach, liver, kidney and bladder diseases and for rheumatism, gout, uric acid poisoning, gall stones, diabetes, nervous headache and general debility resulting from impure or impoverished blood. These are the diseases most frequently mentioned in the letters which I have received, but my offer is open to anyone who suffers from any chronic ailment.

Yours sincerely,
N. F. SHIVAR, Proprietor.

Fill Out This Coupon and Mail It Today.

Shivar Spring

Box 5 P, Shelton, S. C.

Gentlemen:—

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars ($2.00) for ten gallons (two five gallon demijohns) of Shivar Spring water. I agree to give the water a fair trial in accordance with the instructions which you will send, and if I derive no benefit therefrom you are to refund the price in full, upon demand and upon receipt of the two empty demijohns, which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....

Address .....

Shipping Point .....

EVERY MAIL BRINGS LETTERS LIKE THESE.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 28, 1910.
Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C.: Dear Sir—As you are well aware, in 1909 I was suffering with indigestion, stomach and liver disorders and all its train of horrifying phenomena for several months. I had lived on milk, soft eggs, shredded wheat, a very insufficient diet for an active working man, and of course, from disease and starvation was in a very low state of nervous vitality and general debility. I ordered 10 gallons of your Mineral Water, which I used continuously, reordering when necessary, and in four months from date I began drinking it gained 29 lbs., was strong and perfectly well and have worked practically every day since. It acts as a general renovator of the system. I prescribe it in my practice, and it has in every instance had the desired effects. It is essential to use this water in as large quantities as possible, for its properties are so happily blended and in such proportions that they will not disturb the most delicate system. It is purely nature's remedy. A. L. R. AVANT, M. D.

DuPont, Ga., Nov. 25, 1911.
Shivar Spring, Shelton, S. C.: Gentlemen—I have suffered for years with nervous indigestion and kidney troubles. Derived more benefit from the Shivar Spring Water than from months at Hot Springs, Ark., and numerous other springs. I consider it the very best water extant. AGUSTUS DUPONT.

Scranton, S. C., Nov. 21, 1911.
Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C.: Dear Sir—My wife has been a sufferer of rheumatism, and after drinking twenty gallons of your mineral water was entirely cured of the horrible disease
Yours respectfully, J. D. McCLAM.

Lexington, Va., Nov. 24, 1911.
Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C.: Dear Sir—
suffered with intestinal indigestion and the Sh
var Spring Water has cured me. I would gladl
recommend it to all suffering with indigestion
kidney and liver trouble. My father had kid
ney trouble last fall and he thought Shiva
Spring Water saved his life. Respectfully,
MRS. HARVEY DIXON.

Atlanta, Ga., July, 27, 1911.
Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C.: Dear Sir—
ordered 10 gallons Shivar Spring Water espec
ally for my teething baby who was suffering wit
its stomach and bowels. This water cured he
disorders entirely and she is herself again.
stopped all medicine and gave her only th
water. I was also run down from the heat an
fatigue, and the water has restored me also
Thanking you, Very respectfully,
MRS. W. C. McGILL.

Columbia, S. C., Aug. 11, 1912.
Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C.: Dear Sir-
Until a few weeks ago my wife was a chroni
sufferer from gall stones. She was stricken crit
cally ill and nothing but morphine seemed t
relieve her pain by rendering her unconsciou
Rev. A. J. Foster, pastor of Shandon Bapti
Church of Columbia, S. C., advised me to tak
her immediately to Shivar Spring. On consul
ing my physician he agreed that it would b
best to do so without delay. In about thre
days after arriving at the Spring, she was appa
ently relieved and had regained her appetit
She has suffered no ill effect of the troubl
since. Please publish this for the benefit
sufferers. J. P. DRAFFIN.

P. S.—I suffered for 8 years with kidney troub
and inflammation of the bladder. After usin
this water only a few days, I am entirely relieve
and suffer no more effect of the trouble wha
ever.

Newberry, S. C., Nov. 28, 191
Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C.: Dear Sir—
suffered with indigestion, but after using Shiv
Spring Water I can enjoy eating the food I wa
without any unpleasant feeling afterwards.
take great pleasure in recommending thisspl
did water to all sufferers of indigestion.
Very truly, L. B. WHITE,
Pastor West End Baptist Church.

Guyton, Ga., Feb. 11, 1911.
Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C.: Dear Sir
Water came and I went right to drinking it, w
in bed with indigestion, heart cutting up a
kinds of pranks, was under the doctor's trea
ment. The first case of your water relieved m
I thought I had drank the water of all th
springs in South Carolina, Georgia, Florid
Alabama and Tennessee, but this beats them al
I don't drink any other water. Am eating an
thing I want, even sweet potatoes, something
have not eaten before in twenty years.
Yours very truly
H. W. ORVIN,
Manager, Effingham Mer. Co., Guyton, Ga.

Blaney, S. C., Oct. 31, 1910.
Shivar Spring, Shelton, S. C.: Gentlemen
I suffered for many years from gastric trouble
stomach puffed and food sour. I have trie
many remedies and a good many waters. Som
have helped, but none have given me such r
lief as your Spring Water. I use it and recom
mend it to my patients, because its virtures ar
good. W. D. GRIGGSBY, M. D.

Chancellor, Ala., Oct. 21-09.
Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C.: Dear Sir
I have been for many years affected with ur
acid and kidney trouble, and the mineral wate
has helped me more than anything I hav
ever done for them, and therefore heartil
recommend same to all who need a speedy r
lief and cure. Very truly,
W. F. MATHENY, M. D.

Clear, O Lord, our inner vision, that we may see through the false shows of life, and be kept calm and true by thy great realities. Waken us from the dreams of the earthly mind in its forgetfulness of thee. Reveal to the young what it is to live this great life of opportunity; and fill them with the pure and undefiled religion which will keep them unspotted from the world. In the hearts of elders let not the fires die nor their work linger, till they are overtaken by the lengthening shadows of their appointed time. Though we know nothing of the morrow, may we be faithful today; gladly accepting the humblest task that waits for us by thy will and shines with the holy light of thine approval. Amen.

Every day is a little life, and our whole life is but a day repeated. Those, therefore, that dare lose a day are dangerously prodigal; those that dare misspend it, desperate.—Bishop Hall.

SUMMER SCHOOL OF THE SOUT
University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Fourteenth Session. Largest, best a
cheapest Summer School for Teachers
the South. Former features retaine
New Courses in Country Life Problem
Latin-American History and Trade Co
dition. Preparation for College. Cre
toward Degrees. Reduced Railroad Rat
June 22 to July 30.
FINE MUSIC, LECTURES, VISATURE
EXCURSIONS
Write for Announcement

Our Children's Home

Conducted by Walter Thompson, Supt.

SPECIAL SUPPORT, GENERAL SUPPORT AND TEN PER CENT. ASSESSMENT FUND

Capt. T. L. Rawley's Bible Class, Winston, W. T. Penry, $41.67; C. M. Grier, Macon, Ga., $15.00; Concord Church, Bessemer City Charge, Bessemer City, T. M. Hovis, $5.00; J. S. L. Orr, North Charlotte, $10.00; Long Pine Church, Morven, J. E. Woosley, $2.56; Danbury Circuit, Danbury, O. P. Routh, $42.58. Total, $116.73.

FIFTH SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

William's Chapel, Mooresville Circuit, Davidson, A. M. Howard, 58c.

DONATIONS IN KIND

Circles of Methodist Church, Waynesville, Mrs. H. N. Morris, three quilts; Oak Hill Woman's Missionary Auxiliary, Morganton, R. A. Walters, one bag of potatoes and fruit; Class No. 3, Mares Grove S. S., Hendersonville, Mrs. J. F. Garren, two pairs of shoes and two pairs hose.

EASY BREATHING A LUXURY

To persons afflicted with catarrh or severe head colds the difficulty of breathing is a great burden.

The defective aeration of the blood, through lack of contact between the air inhaled and the mucous membrane of the lungs, produces headaches, depression and lower health conditions, because the blood is not properly purified.

Under such conditions Mentholatum should be applied within the nostrils. Its aromatic oils penetrate to the membranes and tickle them to great activity.

The secretions become more active, loosening the coagulations which cover the membranes, encouraging the clearing of the air passages.

Then comes the good fresh air in satisfying volume, direct to the membranes, purifying the blood.

Mentholatum is antiseptic and germicidal, encouraging the restoration of inflamed parts, and has proven very useful as well in relieving croup, sore throat and chapped skin.

Yes, tell them, for possibly they need it; and it may do them good, and at any rate it will make you feel a little better. And tel them the whole truth.

Don't tone it down or hide the ugly facts in order to spare their feelings; but give it to them in full measure, remembering that probably you are the only one brave enough to give them the whole truth. But before you do it you had better (1) be sure of your facts, for things are not always what they seem, and men have been hanged for crimes they did not commit; (2) be sure you are the man for the job (Satan's proof of sin is not apt to be well taken); (3) be sure you are Christlike enough in spirit to do the work (if you want to do it, you had better not); (4) when you have done it, quit.—Christian Guardian.

Let those who think Christianity is a spent force ponder the following: When Cary, the first Protestant missionary of the world, went to India, the whole number of nominal Christians in the world was about 200,000,000. Now there are 500,000,000. When he in the eighteenth century went out from Christendom as a missionary to the dark world of heathendom, the population of the world was about 1,000,000,000. It is now supposed to be about 1,500,000,000, which is only another way of saying that, while the population of the world has increased during this period fifty per cent., Christianity has increased 150 per cent., and the ratio shows that the cause of Christ advanced more within the past twenty-five years than it did in the seventy-five years preceding. Our God is marching on.

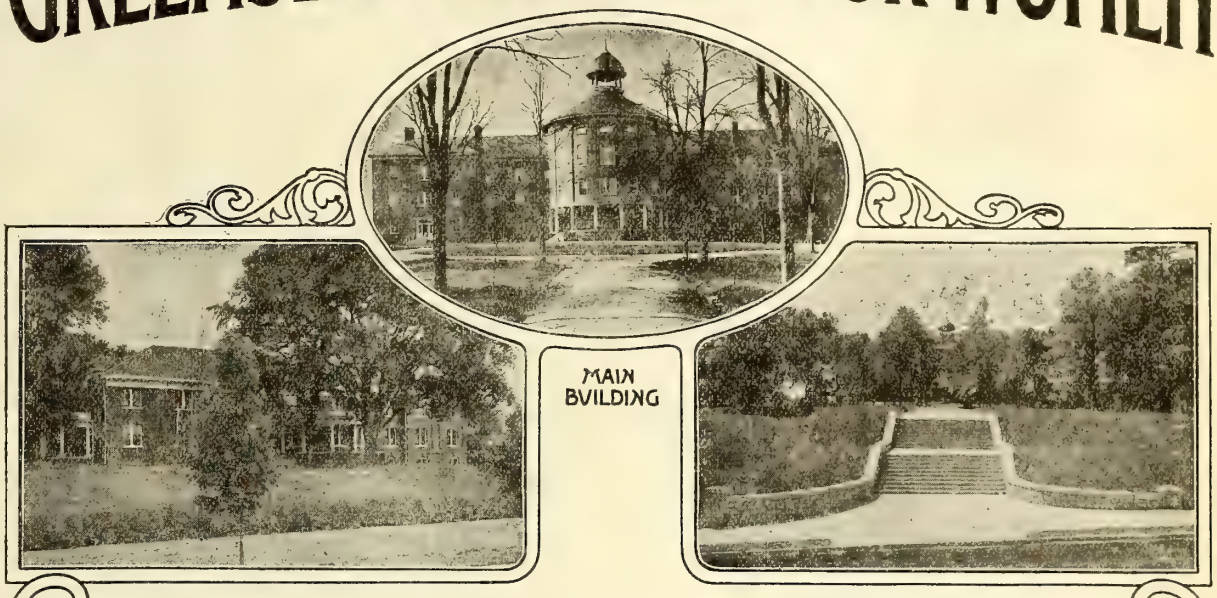
—Missionary Review of the World.

PANAMA EXPOSITION

If you want to see the great Exposition, and have an ideal thirty days' tour of the west, write J. C. Mimms,
Pastor Methodist Church,
Beltton, Texas.
Fifteen years' experience in conducting private parties in this country and abroad.

No man can be said to live to any high and holy purpose, to appreciate what life in its fulness actually means, until he has experienced religion, until he has found the living God for himself.—W. M. Brundage.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

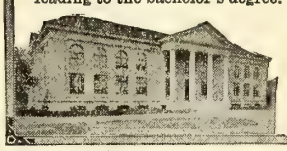
Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 : : : : *CHARTERED 1859*

A Southern institution of established national reputation. Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.



Large endowment fund makes possible complete, first-class equipment; full faculty of able, well-chosen instructors; beautiful campus, new buildings, modern laboratories, splendid library. Comfortable, inexpensive dormitories. For catalogue and illustrated booklet, address

R. L. Flowers, Sec. to the Corporation, Durham, N. C.

Methodist Benevolent Association

A Mutual Benefit Brotherhood for Southern Methodists. Issues Whole Life, 20-Premium Life, Term to 60, and Disability Certificates. **Benefits** payable at **death, old age, or disability.** Over $152,000.00 paid to **widows, orphans,** and **disabled.** Over $40,000.00 reserve fund. Write for rates, blanks, etc. ***J. H. Shumaker, Secretary, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.***

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

.....

.....

The Sunday School Lesson

FIRST QUARTER—LESSON XII—MARCH 21, 1915

JONATHAN AND HIS ARMOR BEARER

1 Sam. 14:1-46

Golden Text—Let us put on the armor of light. Rom. 13:12.

Summary of the Lesson

The gods on Olympus were debating what gifts they would bestow upon a favorite king who had come on troublous times. "Let us raise up a great army of fighting men," said one. "Let us put fear in the hearts of his foes," said another. "No," said the wisest of them all, "let us give him a captain with a dauntless heart. He will raise the army and he will put terror into the hearts of the king's enemies." Our duty today has to do with a young captain with a dauntless heart. Saul is not manifesting the highest qualities of leadership. The Philistines are infesting the land and the people are held in cowardly fear. A sudden action of Jonathan brings on the conflict; Israel is afraid to fight and Saul's leadership is sluggish. One daring deed of Jonathan changes the whole complexion of affairs and leads to the defeat of the Philistines. The young prince with the dauntless heart has proved the best possession of the king and people.

The Heroic Prince

At the battle of Crecy word was brought to Edward III that his young son Edward was in a position of critical difficulty, hard pressed by the foe. "Is my son killed?" the king inquired. "No, sire, please God." "Is he wounded?" "No, sire." "Is he thrown to the ground?" "No, sire, but he is in great danger." "Then," said the royal father, "I shall send no aid. Let the boy win his spurs; for I wish if God so order it, that the honor of the victory shall be his." Right nobly did the son rise to the occasion, and from that day the Black Prince, as he came to be called, grew in fame as a fighter until he came to be known as one of the dauntless soldiers of the world.

The son of Saul was not spurred on by his father to deeds of daring. It was his own strong heart and his own brave spirit which dictated the achievement which we are to study today. His own people were discouraged. The foe was strong and the light of victory was already in their eyes. Some deed of dauntless courage was needed to rouse the people of Israel from lethargy and fear. Jonathan and his armor bearer went forth and attacked the foe. Clambering up the height, they fell upon a group of Philistine soldiers with a ferocity and confidence which suggested that they were the first arrivals of an invincible army. In a few moments dead men lay all about and terror spread through the garrison of the Philistines. The young prince came through it all unscathed. The very audacity of this attempt had brought about its success. It was unthinkable that one man and a servant should attack a garrison. The startled Philistines peopled the heights with foes they felt sure were coming. They fell into confusion, and so the brave deed of one man grew into the defeat of an army.

Very often the darkest hour is an hour when one dauntless spirit may usher in a new day. The world has a priceless possession in the men who do not know the meaning of the word defeat and are willing to undertake any enterprise requiring a daring spirit. In our own day such men are conquering the realms of the air. If Jonathan were alive today you may be sure he would be an aviator. To such spirits the difficult is the alluring and what seems impossible calls with an irresistible call.

The Faithful Armor Bearer

In that volume of charming and suggestive essays Along the Road Arthur C. Benson gives one study to "The Old Family Nurse." It is a beautiful tribute, containing these words: "She was the first human being of whose love I was directly conscious and her tender care has enveloped my whole life as boy and man; the beloved nurse, the dearest friend I have ever known or shall know." The thought of the worn-out body sleeping in a little Sussex churchyard evidently brings up a flood of grateful memories. The whole essay is an illustration of the transfiguration of a servant's work through noble devotion.

The armor bearer of Jonathan is not a person famous in history. His humble service did not lead to personal distinction, but he did rise to great heights of devotion and bravery. When Jonathan was ready to go forth on the wild and rash enterprise of attacking a garrison the armor bearer did not hesitate or hold back. He spoke hearty and encouraging words and eagerly entered into the spirit of the enterprise. Jonathan was thrice armed in the confidence and enthusiasm of his armor bearer.

It is very much better to fill a secondary position in life with conspicuous fidelity and success than to hold a loftier station and fail to measure up to its requirements.

The kind of work a man does is more important than the shoulder straps he wears. The true-hearted, faithful servant is greater than the paltry-minded, narrow-natured master.

There have been multitudes of noble servants in the older days of the world. There have been thousands of men and women who have added to the fineness and goodness of life by the quality which they put into their labor in inconspicuous and often unattractive positions. In these days, when the assertion of rights is so characteristic of men and women everywhere, is there danger that men may be more concerned about rights than duties, about opportunities than responsibilities, about conspicuous position than about conspicuous faithfulness?

The Impact of Courage

Sir F. H. Doyle, in that stirring poem "The Red Thread of Honor," tells of an episode of extraordinary courage:

"Eleven men of England
A breastwork charged in vain.
Eleven men of England
Lie stripp'd and gash'd and slain—
Slain, but of foes that guarded
Their rock-built fortress well,
Some twenty had been mastered,
When the last soldier fell."

Jonathan and his servant were more successful. They cut their way through their foes and soon such a havoc was wrought among them that the hour had evidently come for a general attack by the forces of Saul. Meantime the attention of Saul's army had been drawn to the commotion among their foes, and at just the right time they appeared in force. The attack by two then turned into a general battle.

The whole story strikingly illustrates the difference between quantity and quality. You cannot count the men on each side and then decide where the advantage lay. Jonathan was worth more than a hundred Philistines. Indeed his dauntless spirit was the equivalent of a whole army with banners and fighting men engaged in an impetuous charge.

When a man thinks of what he is giving to the world he often quite leaves out of account the most important matter of all. What kind of a spirit is he giving the world? What kind of an atmosphere goes out from his life? Does a contagion of hope go out from his personality or does a contagion of doubt spread from his own doubting heart?

Battles are won or lost in men's souls before they are won or lost on the field where the armies meet. The invisible matters of courage and deathless devotion have been the deciding factors again and again in the great wars of the world.

The Rout of the Foe

Soon the Philistines were in headlong flight and Israel was in hot pursuit. Faint-hearted men of Israel, who had feared to join in battle against the Philistines, were willing enough to join in pursuing them. If all the men who joined in seeking the spoils of victory had been ready to endure the brunt of battle Saul might have had an imposing army in days which he actually found full of discouragement. The work of following up the foe was effectively done. Victory was overwhelming. The defeat became a rout. The strategy of Jonathan had brought about the triumph of Israel.

There are always hosts of men who are ready to join the army when the time has come to pursue a flying foe. Orators are very plentiful when the time for memorial tables and monuments is ripe. It is easy to be courageous after the battle has been won. Reform measures cease to be unpopular after they become successful, but the real heroes are not the crowds of pursuing soldiers we see following a panic-stricken foe in the afternoon. The real heroes are Jonathan and his armor bearer striking a blow in the morning, when the foe is complacent and secure, and when the brave adventure seems a courting of certain death.

The man who declares a truth before it is obvious to all the multitude, the man who calls for a needed reform while it is unpopular, the man who takes risks in the name of his ideals, the soldier who takes risks in the name of his cause—these deserve a place among the true heroes of the world. It is more inspiring to watch the brave attack of the morning than to watch the hot pursuit of the afternoon.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in N. Y. Christian Advocate.

Freckle-Face

Now Is the Time to Get Rid of These Ugly Spots.

Do you know how easy it is to remove those ugly spots so that no one will call you freckle-face?

Simply get an ounce of othine, double strength, from your druggist, and a few applications should show you how easy it is to rid yourself of freckles and get a beautiful complexion. The sun and winds of February and March have a strong tendency to bring out freckles, and as a result more othine is sold in these months. Be sure to ask for the double strength othine, as this is sold under guarantee of money back if it fails to remove the freckles.



THE CELEBRATED
Throneburg Nursery
solicits your trade on apple, peach, pear, shade and ornamental trees. Prices reasonable. Agents wanted everywhere. Liberal commissions.
THE THRONEBURG NURSERY, NEWTON, N. C.

The Newest Styles of Jewelry
WATCHES, STERLING SILVER AND PLATE WARE
Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the eldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.
SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS



BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS
Furnished on short notice



Summit Avenue Greenhouses
HOWARD GARDNER
Proprietor
GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345
DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF STOMACH AND INTESTINES
121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO
ROBT. W. MURRAY
GENERAL INSURANCE
Greensboro, North Carolina
308½ South Elm St.
Phone 163

Our Little Folks' Department

"I'M NOT A SUNBEAM"

No, sir; I'm not a sunbeam;
Boys ain't sunbeams any day;
Boys are made for cloudy weather,
When the skies are dull and gray.
Tell me why they call us sunbeams—
Just because we shine, you say?
I know other things that's shiny;
Don't call them a sunbeam gay.
Just as well call me a moonbeam,
'Cause I sometimes smile at night.
Just you call a boy a sunbeam,
If you want to see a fight.
Boys don't like to be called sunbeams
Any more than they like curls.
If you'd do the boys a favor,
Hand the sunbeam talk to girls.
—H. M. Klinger, in "Watchword."

"SOMETHING ELSE BEAUTIFUL"

A little girl named Hilda and her mother stood one cold winter morning looking out upon the landscape, in which everything was covered with an icy armor that sparkled with glittering beauty in the sunshine.

"Oh, how beautiful!" exclaimed Hilda.

"Yes," answered her mother, "but it will be all gone before noon-time."

The little girl was quiet for a moment as she gazed upon the fairylike scene that lay stretched out before her. Then she looked up and said brightly, "Never mind, mother; there'll be something else beautifeul tomorrow."

What a charming thought was uttered by that little girl in those words. What a comfort it is to know that though some beautiful things may pass away, God will send others just as beautiful to take their place.

DAVE'S AWAKENING

Some years ago, in a poor schoolhouse in a back district, a boy at the foot of the class unexpectedly spelled a word which had passed down the entire class.

"Go to the head of the class," said the master, "and see that you stay there. You can if you work hard."

The boy hung his head. But the next day he did not miss a word in spelling. The brighter scholars knew every word in the lesson, hoping there might be a chance to get ahead, but there was not a single one; Dave stayed at the head. He had been an indifferent speller before, but now he knew every word.

"Dave, how do you get your lessons so well now?" said the master.

"I learn every word in the lesson, and get my mother to hear me at night; then I go over them in the morning before I come to school. And I go over them at my seat before the class is called up."

"Good boy, Dave," said the master. "That's the way to have success; always work that way, and you'll do."

Dave is today the manager of a large company, and he attributes his strt to the words, "Go up to the head, and see that you stay there; you can if you work hard."—Selected.

A DOG THAT CARRIED THE MAIL

One of the newspapers has told the following story of a shaggy-coated letter-carrier that deserves a medal for his attention to business:

When the sharp whistle of the mail train is heard, "Nep," a big St. Bernard dog, gives an excited bark and hurries to the crossing. The mail clerk kicks the leather bag out of the car door, and it falls somewhere in the road. Nep at once goes to the sack, and carefully taking it by the middle, so that neither end will drag on the ground, walks to the store, where he lays the sack down behind the counter by the side of the wooden letter case, into which the mail is soon distributed.

Day after day he performs this task, rain or shine. The mail clerk watches for him, and the people of the community are as proud of him as they would be of a bright child.

Nep is four years old, but is two feet, seven inches in height, and weighs two hundred and fifty pounds. He has no difficulty in carrying the sack, though the mail is often very heavy, for his teeth are strong, and he carried over ne hundred pounds as a test of his strength.—Exchange.

THE BOY THAT HUNGERED FOR KNOWLEDGE

In his eagerness to acquire knowledge, young Lincoln had borrowed of Mr. Crawford, a neighboring farmer, a copy of Weems' "Life of Washington"—the only one known to be in existence in that section of the country. Before he had finished reading the book it had been left, by a not unnatural oversight, in a window. Meantime, a rain storm came on, and the book was so thoroughly wet as to make it nearly worthless. This mishap caused him much pain; but he went, in all honesty, to Mr. Crawford with the ruined book, explained the calamity that had happened, through his neglect, and offered, not having sufficient money, to "work out" the value of the book.

"Well, Abe," said Mr. Crawford, after due deliberation, "as it's you, I won't be hard on you. Just come over and pull fodder for me for two days, and we will call our accounts even."

The offer was readily accepted, and the engagement literally fulfilled. As a boy, no less than since, Abraham Lincoln had an honorable conscientiousness, integrity, industry and an ardent love of knowledge.—From "Anecdotes of Abraham Lincoln and Lincoln's Stories."

THE WISHING GIRL

She wishes she were a princess—
Or, better still, a queen;
She wishes to see strange countries
That she had never seen.

She saw the wealthy ladies
And wished to take their place;
She wished for their fine jewels,
Their satins and their lace.

She wished that all her duties
Were changed to play and fun,
Or that, by merely wishing,
Her duties could be done.

But strange, with all her wishing,
She never wished to be
The helpful and unselfish child
That others wished to see.
—Morning Star.

THE RIGHT KIND OF A BOY

A boy who had thoughtlessly hurt the feelings of a friend, called in the evening and said: "Is Theodore in? I want to see him."

The two had a few moments' earnest talk, after which Theodore came back to the living room with a very bright face.

"Kenneth is a good fellow," he said as his mother looked up inquiringly. "He was rather horrid to me today when I made an error on third base, and he came around tonight to apologize. He said he was sorry that he had been rude, and he thought he had been unfair. There are not many fellows who take the trouble to ask your pardon when they have been in the wrong."

"Kenneth is a manly boy," said Theodore's father.

"Yes, and a generous one," the mother added. "We are glad to have you cultivate the friendship of a boy such as Kenneth. You won't go far astray when in his company."—Comrade.

Dorothy was taking her first ride in the country, when suddenly the carriage wheels began to squeak. After a few moments, she exclaimed in apparent distress: "I—I think I'd better get out, the wagon's groaning so!"—Ex.

A little slum child was enjoying his first glimpse of pastoral life. The setting sun was gilding the grass and roses of the old fashioned garden, and he sat on a little stool beside the farmer's wife, who was plucking a chicken. He watched the operation gravely for some time. Then he spoke.

"Do you take off their clothes every night, lady?"—Harper's Magazine.

A LITTLE GIRL'S VICTORY

Tillie was a very obedient little girl of six summers and because of the large family and younger children in that parsonage home, while the burden of care rested upon the head and heart of that sainted mother, the dish washing by common consent was set apart as Tillie's line of work.

One morning, with the large table full of dishes waiting to be washed, while the busy minister's wife was bathing and dressing the three-month-old baby and caring for another little blessed immortal, Tillie came in, saying, "Oh, mamma, I do not like to wash dishes; there are so many of them." Her gentle, busy mother replied, "Darling, run into the bed room and tell Jesus about it; He will surely help you."

Soon she was overheard singing "Shall We Gather at the River?" the dishes keeping time with the sweet, childlike voice. Before Baby Alice was asleep, she came running in with shining face and said: "Oh, mamma, it is true; Jesus does help when we ask Him, for my dishes are all done, and I did not know it, and I believe I will never dread dish washing again."

How wonderful the power manifest in the gentle training of that Christ-like mother, who, instead of scolding, gave her darling the sweet influence of love.—M. H. T. Jordan.

27 BIG RE-ROOTED TOMATO PLANTS
the kind that bears the First-Early, Red-Meat Beauties (3 weeks ahead of the season), delivered to you by Post, our risk, for 50 cents. Larger lots cheaper. The big bunches of roots are packed in damp moss, then wrapped in wax paper and will carry a thousand miles. Ask for our New Booklet that tells of vegetable and flowering plants that we grow by the millions.
Wakefield Plant Farm, Charlotte, N. C.

WHIT-LEATHER GUARANTEED HOSIERY 10¢
For Men, Women & Children

DID you ever know a dime to go *so far* and bring back *so much* as this:
(1) A guarantee "no-hole" hose (6 pairs guaranteed not to show holes in four months, or we replace them free).
(2) An elastic-top hose.
(3) A snug ankle-fitting hose.
(4) A pure dye, fast-color hose.
(5) A soft, fine-knit hose.
2 grades only—10c and 12½c

SOLD by most good retailers everywhere. If your dealer hasn't them, we will send hose postpaid on receipt of price and his name. Give size, color, (all solid colors), also whether men's, women's or children's hose are wanted.



WHIT-LEATHER HOSIERY MILLS
Selling Agents:
M Gilmer Bros. Company, Inc.
Winston-Salem, N. C.
Tough as Whit-Leather

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland
108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

DEPARTMENT OF WOMAN'S WORK

(Continued from Page 8)

a way for herself in the hearts of students and teachers. As she grew older she easily took first place in her classes. While she was still a student our greatest delight in her was in the fact that she was absolutely dependable, cool, calm, quiet and always ready to lend a helping hand.

In 1910 she graduated and was given a position as teacher in the school. Though she was only eighteen years old, she freely commanded the respect of the girls and they yielded to her as quick obedience as to me.

In our revival the next year when God richly poured out His spirit upon us, she received a great blessing and became more than ever a leader among the girls. Temptation always speedily follows spiritual exaltation and hers came. It came in the nature of a call to leave the school that had befriended her and go away to Hawaii there to marry a Korean and become a teacher of Korean children. She had a distant kinsman living there who was exceedingly anxious for her to come. It appealed to her love of romance and there was also the opportunity to befriend little children. But there was also grave danger connected with the going. We could not be sure what kind of a man would be selected for her and then, too, the school which she loved needed her now more than it could at any time in the future, it seemed. Her brother and mother were anxious for her to go and urged her to accept the offer.

In talking to her about it I told her to find out God's will and to follow that. She assured me that she wanted to stay with us but that they were begging so hard that she go. God gave her strength to do his will, she remained and then followed two years more of beautiful service.

Not long after my return she announced to me her intention of being married, taking this step in order that she might make a home for her mother who had grown too old for services as Bible woman. So it happened that on the 21st of July, at five o'clock in the afternoon, she was married to a Korean preacher.

The ceremony took place in the church, and as the beautiful words that made them man and wife were spoken my heart was full of gratitude as I thought of the kind of wedding this might have been had not his love surrounded his children.

The groom has been appointed to one of the country districts, and the bride is to teach the school there.

Do you think it is a privilege to work for such girls? And there are so many others just as fine. Won't you help us to reach them? And won't you join us in earnest, constant prayer that God will not only open the way for us to take all the girls he would bring to us, but that he may have first place in the lives of every one of our girls? They are so dear, so lovable, so teachable. How I wish every one of you could just come right in now and see us in the midst of our girls, who are our joy and our pride!

We dig and toil, we worry and fret; and all the while close over us bends the infinite wonder and beauty of Nature, saying, "Look up, my child! Feel my smile, and be glad!"—George S. Merrimam.



15 ROSES postpaid anywhere in the U. S. **for $1.00**
This grand collection consists of 15 nice, healthy plants, the cream of Tea, H. T. and H. Pol. roses in existence. It contains varieties such as: Helen Gould, Papa Gontier, Sofrano, W. Maman Cochet, Francisca Kruger, Dutches de Brabant, Marie Guillot, Catherine Mermet, Conquette de Lyon, Meteor, Abel Chatney, Clotilde Soupert, Pink Cochet, and Bessie Brown. Try some—you will want more. SATISFACTION GUARANTEED or your money back.

Address: **Singer THE FLORIST**
Dept. 19 Harrodsburg, Ky.

Our Dead

CUTHBERTSON—Elizabeth London Cuthbertson, daughter of Harvey and Martha London, was born August 30, 1875, and died at her home near West Asheville, N. C., February 4th, 1915. She was married to D. F. Cuthbertson March 7, 1895. Six children were born unto them, of whom five survive. When approaching young womanhood she was happily converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, of which church she remained a consistent, devoted member to the day of her death. For five years she had been a great sufferer but she was also great in the manner in which she bore this suffering. When told at last that her case was hopeless and that she might slip away some day without being permitted to say a farewell word to her family, she remained the same quiet, resigned, happy soul. But, as God preferred it, on the day of her death when she knew she was "brushing the dews on Jordan's banks," she called her only son, a boy of 18 years, to her bedside, and after a long, earnest conversation with him, bade him and the other loved ones an affectionate farewell till by God's grace she should see them again in the city of the Great King.

A former neighbor now living in another state wrote upon hearing of her death, "I loved her as a sister and no sister could have been better to me than she was. Whether in sickness or health; whether the sun shone brightly or the clouds hung threateningly I always found her the same quiet little friend."

The funeral services were held in the church here and were conducted by the writer, assisted by Rev. S. H. Hilliard. J. Frank Armstrong.

WHISNANT—Mrs. Lula Lyle Whisnant, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lyle, was born in Worth County, Ga., January 17, 1895. She was married to Mr. Marvin A. Whisnant in the city of Asheville September 30, 1913, and died in West Asheville Feb. 9, 1915. Mrs. Whisnant was a young woman of many charms and but for her untimely death so soon after marriage, she would have made herself powerfully felt in the home, in the social life of the community and in the church which she joined at the age of ten years in the city of Jacksonville, Fla. Her resignation was beautiful, her faith unshrinking, her hope radiant, her passing through the gates of death peaceful and triumphant.

J. Frank Armstrong.

SMITH—Herbert Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Smith, met a tragic death on the night of Dec. 23, in the Asheville City Hall, when a pistol accidentally dropped from the pocket of a companion, drove a ball through his heart killing him instantly. Herbert was 20 years of age and had been a member of our West Asheville Methodist church for several years. He had developed some strong traits of character. Thoughtful and kind in the home, diligent in business, exemplary in habit, he drew to him a large circle of staunch friends who sincerely regret his sudden and untimely death.

J. Frank Armstrong.

DEATON—Annie Proctor was born in Rockingham county, August 11th, 1881. She joined the church at an early age and was a pious Christian to the last. She was married to James Deaton and to the union were born five children, all of whom died in infancy except one. On the 17th day of February, 1915, she died, a victim of the dreadful disease tuberculosis. A host of friends, four sisters, two brothers, a husband and one son are left to sorrow for her here and to rejoice in that she has gone to the Saviour in whom she trusted so beautifully and sweetly.

HOLMAN BIBLES

Durable Flexible Bindings — THE BEST EDITIONS OF THE WORLD'S BEST BOOK — Will not Break in the Back

HOLMAN BIBLES

FOR CHILDREN

PICTORIAL BIBLES WITH HELPS



Size 5⅝ x 3½ inches.

The text is self-pronouncing, by the aid of which children can learn to pronounce the difficult Scripture proper names.

Specimen of Type.

WHOSOEVER believeth that Jē'sus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him

With beautiful photo views of scenes in Bible lands distributed throughout the text. Also maps of Bible lands in colors. Also new Practical Helps to Bible Study, especially designed for instructing children in scriptural information.

No. 91. French Seal Leather, overlapping covers, round corners, gold edges, gold titles.
Publishers Price $1.30 Our Price--Post Paid, **$1.00**

COLORED PICTURE EDITION

Portraying in natural colors, scenes and places taken from nature and life in the Holy Land.

No. 92. Same as **No. 91.** but with **Beautifully Colored Pictures**
Publishers' Price $1.50 Our Price--Post Paid, **$1.20**

FOR ADULTS, TEACHERS AND PREACHERS



and all who would study the Word of God intelligently this edition is unsurpassed. The type is large, clear Bourgeois, Self-Pronouncing, with liberal space between the words and lines, which makes it easy to read.

Size 8 x 5½ inches.

Specimen of Type.

¶ "From that time Jē'sus to preach, and to say, "Repe the kingdom of heaven is

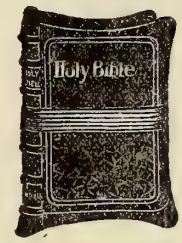
Containing **New Copyrighted Helps** by Rev. F. N. PELOUBET, D. D. a Treasury of Biblical Information, practical comparative concordance, Oriental Light on the Bible, Four Thousand Questions and Answers, New Colored Maps.

No. 47. Divinity Circuit Teachers' Bible, French Seal Leather, red under gold edges, Silk Head bands and Silk Marker,
Publishers' Price $2,70 Our Price--Post Paid, **$2.25**

No. 81. RL. Red Letter Teachers'Bible. The Words of Christ in the New Testament, Old Testament Passages Alluded to by Christ, Various Prophecies Relating to Christ in the Old Testament, etc., all **PRINTED IN RED.** Binding same as described above and same large Self-Pronouncing type.
Publishers' Price $3.20 Our Price--Post Paid, **$2.70**

No. 73X. Holman India Paper, Genuine Morocco, Leather Lined, Silk Sewed, Divinity Circuit, round corners, carmine under gold edges, silk head bands and silk marker, same type and Helps as above.
Publishers' Price $7.75 Our Price--Post Paid, **$5.00**

FOR INTERMEDIATE S. S. SCHOLARS



Large Clear Black Type, Self-Pronouncing, containing Helps to Bible Study, 4000 Questions and Answers, Maps in Colors, and Presentation Page. A Beautiful Gift Bible.

Specimen of Type.

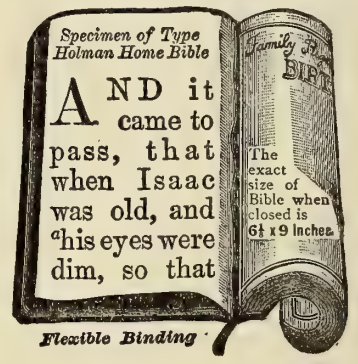
22 And the prophet Is'ra-el, and said unto thyself, and mark, and for at the return of t

Size 7 x 5 inches.

No. 21. Divinity Circuit Style, Bound in French Seal Leather, round corners, red under gold edges, with silk head bands and purple silk marker, gold titles, etc.
Publishers' Price $1.60 Our Price--Post Paid, **$1.35**

No. 22. RL. Red Letter Scholars' Bible, same Bible as **No. 215.** with all the Sayings of Christ printed in Red, and with Red and gold INLAID PANEL SIDE TITLES, also **Beautifully Colored Pictures,**
Publishers' Price $2.10 Our Price--Post Paid, **$1.75**

FOR OLD FOLKS and THE HOME



Printed from large Clear Pica Type, with Marginal References, Family Record and Maps. This **HOME BIBLE** is new and very desirable for every day use, containing all the advantages of a Family Bible in a conpact size that can be easily handled, with Record for Births, Marriages and Deaths. The best Bible obtainable for old folks who need extra large clear print and a light-weight book.

No. 2014. Durably Bound in French Seal Leather, full flexible covers, round corners, red under gold edges, silk head bands and silk marker, gold titles.
Publishers' Price $3.00 Our Price--Post Paid, **$2.35**

SEND ALL ORDERS TO

CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

It may truly be said of her: "She did all she could." Her husband was not a Christian when she married him, but her faith and great strength of character led him to Christ. She told the writer, a few days before her death, that she loved the church, the cause of Christ and all His people, and expressed a desire to attend services at her church once more, but she was never able to attend. The morning before her death she asked her friends to sing:

"I am coming to the cross;
I am poor and weak and blind;
I am counting all but dross,
I shall full salvation find."

and

"On Jordan's stormy banks I stand,
And cast a wistful eye
To Canaan's fair and happy land,
Where my possessions lie."

We laid her body to rest in Concord cemetery and it gave us joy to know that her spirit was at rest in the arms of a loving Saviour. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Scotton and the writer.

May the God who tempers the wind to the shorn lamb be good to the little motherless five-year-old boy left behind, and may the husband whom she taught to follow Christ find comfort for his sorrow in the service of that God! Her pastor,

Jos. E. Womack.

STANFORD—Mrs. Mamie Lyle Stanford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lyle and wife of Mr. Thomas Stanford, after intense suffering, died in great peace at the home of her parents in West Asheville Jan. 23, 1915. Mrs. Stanford was a victim of the great white plague and came from her former home in Jacksonville, Fla., in the hope that the higher altitude would aid nature in throwing off the disease. No woman ever made a braver, more determined fight for life, but the odds were overwhelmingly against her. Hers was a beautiful Christian life and in death she was absolutely unafraid. While unable to attend the services of thet church, she took a lively interest in everything that pertained to the work of the church. Her frail little body will sleep well and rise some sweet day in the vigor of eternal youth.

J. Frank Armstrong.

OBITUARY

Miss Martha Anne Ellis was born July 3, 1832, and died February 24, 1915. She lived 82 years, seven months and 21 days. By reason of strength she lived a little more than the longest allotment of four score years.

She was reserved in temperament, and lived a quiet life. She lived for twenty-five years with Mr. C. A. Long and wife, her brother-in-law and sister. Her last years were spent with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. A. W. Ellis and wife. She never had family of her own, was never married. Yet in these two families she had happy homes. This writer remarked to Mr. A. W. Ellis that it was fortunate for his sister to be in such good hand and receive such tender care that sh seemed to be getting. The reply wa "I do not deserve any credit. B Mrs. Ellis, though no blood kin, d serves much for her tireless and d voted attention with which she care for sister Martha." This beautif service of a Christian woman remin us of Ruth, the Moabitess, of Jewis history. By her devotion to a wido ed mother-in-law she was placed the maternal ancestral line of the Sc of God.

Miss Ellis lived in the day of t old fashioned camp meeting. Sin she had a phenominal memory s never ceased to tell the good thin that happened at Smith Grove can meetings. She lived her whole lo life free from doing those things th would be called the actual breaki the moral law. She told the prese pastor of the Methodist Church th she felt satisfied about her spiritu condition. She made like confessi of her faith to others. From the fai that she has expressed, and the li that she has lived, those who kn her best are confident that she is n at rest, her soul having entered in the joy of her Lord, and been crown an heir of eternal life.

D. C. Ballard.

BILLY SUNDAY'S MESSAG

AUTHORIZED. We will pay you $120.00 to distrib it in your neighborhood. 60 days' work. Great opp tunity for man or woman. Spare time may be us Particulars and sample free.
Universal Bible House, 702 Winston Bldg., Philadelp

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.
Second Round

March
Henderson Circuit, Fruitland 20
Central, Asheville, 11 a. m. 21
North Asheville, night 21
Missionary and Sunday School Institute 21-22
Marshall Missionary and Sunday School Institute 23-24
Mills River, Horseshoe 27-28
Hendersonville, night 28

April
Tryon and Saluda, Saluda 3-4
Flat Rock, Tuxedo, 3 p. m. 4
Spring Creek, Ottingers 10-11
Hot Springs and M., Hot Springs, night 11
Fairview, Bethany 17-18
Haywood St., Asheville, night 18
Sulphur Springs, Oak Hill 24-25
Biltmore and Mt. Pl., Biltmore, night, 25

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, 508 N. Tryon St., Charlotte, N. C.
Second Round

March
Thrift, Moore's Chapel 20-21
Trinity, night 21
Belmont 28
Tryon, night 28

April
Weddington, Union 3-4
Matthews, Indian Trail, 3 p. m. 4
Marshville, Smyrna 10
Prospect, Midway 11
Unionville 17-18
North Monroe, Icemorlee, night 18
Waxhaw 24-25
Monroe, Central, night 25

May
Ansonville, Cedar Hill 1-2
Wadesboro, night 2
Lilesville, Shiloh 8-9
Morven, Morven 15-16
Dilworth 23
Spencer Memorial and Derita, night.....23
Polkton, Mount Moriah 29-30

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.
Second Round

March
Wentworth, Lowes 20-21
West Greensboro, Friendship 27-28

April
Coleridge, Mt. Olivet 3-4
Ramseur & Franklinville, Franklinville, 4-5
Randolph, Hopewell 10-11
Wesley Memorial 17-18
Main St. 18-19
East & West 18-19
Deep River, West Bend 24-25
Asheboro 25-26
Randleman, Naomi 25-26

May
Uwharrie, Union 1-2
Denton, Clarkesbury 8-9
West Market 15-16

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Second Round

March
Draper, night 18-21
Spray, night 19-21
Leaksville, night 20-21
Danbury, Delta 27-28

April
Dobson, Pleasant Ridge 3-4
Elkin, night 7
Jonesville, Maple Springs 9
Pilot Mountain, Trinity 10-11
Rural Hall, Mt. Pleasant, night.....11-12
Yadkinville, Booneville 17-18
Ararat 24-25
Mount Airy Circuit 25-26

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Second Round

March
Rutherfordton, Gilboa 19
Green River, Mann's Chapel 20-21
Table Rock, Oboth 27-28
Morganton Station 28-29

April
Forest City, Salem 3-4
Cliffside, Hopewell 3-4
Broad River, Kistlers 10-11
Henrietta and Caroleen, Caroleen....11-12
Morganton Circuit, Glen Alpine 17-18
Connelly Springs, Harmony 24-25

May
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Oak Grove 1-2
Micaville, South Toe 8-9
Bald Creek, Hortons 15-16
Burnsville 16-17
Marion Circuit, North Catawba 22-23

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C.
Second Round

March
Rock Springs, Mt. Pleasant 20-21
Belwood, Kadish 27-28

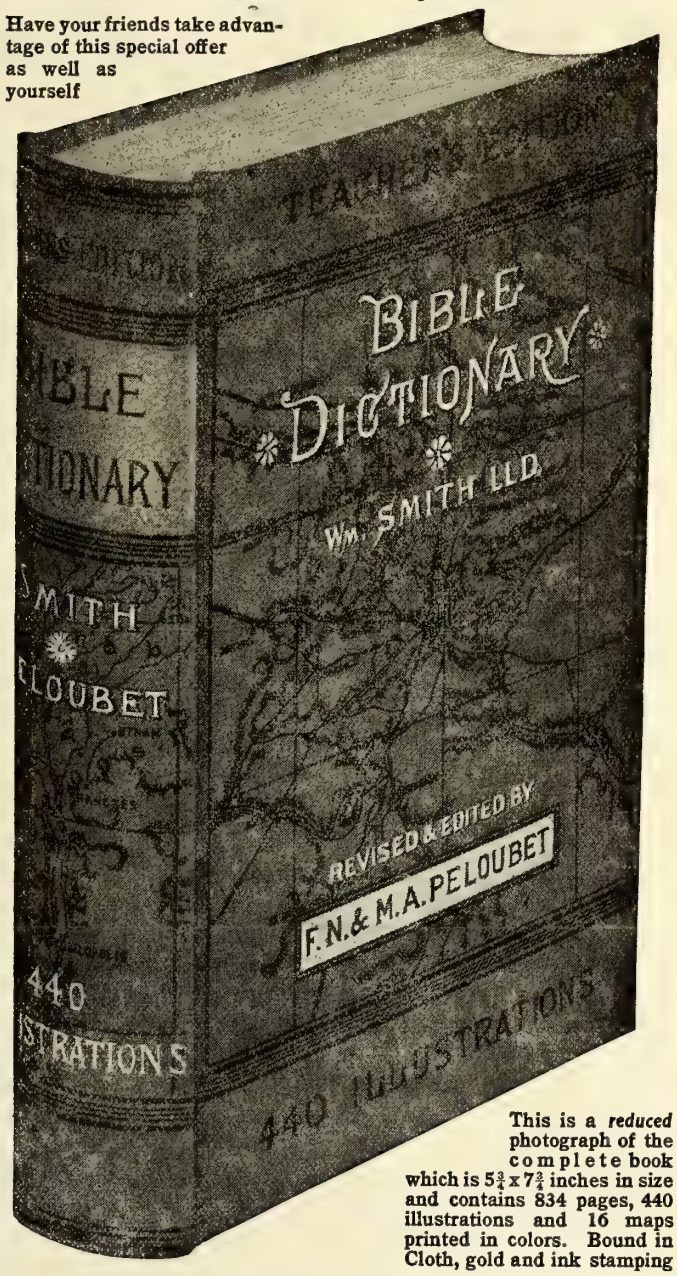
April
Shelby Circuit, Sulphur Springs 3-4
Lincolnton Circuit, Marvin 10-11
Lincolnton, Lincolnton 11
Crouse, Pleasant Grove 17-18
Stanly, Iron 18-19
South Fork, Plateau 24-25

The Christian Advocate Offers You This Well Known Bible Dictionary

SEE SPECIAL OFFER BELOW

Realizing the wide demand that exists among our constituents for this Bible Dictionary, we have made a special arrangement with the publishers of the work by which they agreed to supply it to us on exceptional terms, provided we would widely advertise it, and this enables us to offer this **well-known Bible Dictionary in its original form** and with all its important features, including over 400 illustrations and maps in colors, at **less than half the regular price.**

Have your friends take advantage of this special offer as well as yourself



This is a *reduced* photograph of the complete book which is 5¾ x 7¾ inches in size and contains 834 pages, 440 illustrations and 16 maps printed in colors. Bound in Cloth, gold and ink stamping

THE FATHER OF ALL BIBLE DICTIONARIES

Everyone acknowledges the superior value of Dr. William Smith's Bible Dictionary, as containing the fruit of the ripest Biblical scholarship. It is practically the foundation, or father, of all other Bible Dictionaries. This late edition is brought down to the twentieth century and thoroughly revised to incorporate modern research and discoveries in Bible lands. It has been adapted in its present form to the convenience of teachers and scholars.

MAKES BIBLE STUDY EASY. MAKES THE BIBLE PLAIN TO EVERY READER

This Bible Dictionary is a veritable treasure to Christian Workers. It contains in the simplest language a full explanation of all topics mentioned in the Bible—every place, nation, tribe, person, and historical event; every custom and rite; every instrument and implement; every animal, plant, flower, mineral, metal, etc. It is a systematic collation of all the facts recorded in the Bible, supplemented and explained by materials supplied from authentic records of Biblical times. It gives in compact and lucid form the substance of the result of profound Biblical scholarship and research. IT OPENS A NEW UNDERSTANDING AND APPRECIATION OF THE BIBLE IN A WAY THAT NO OTHER BOOK DOES.

Our Special Offer

From this till April first we offer the Advocate one year and this dictionary for

$2.50

This applies to new subscribers and renewals.

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, GREENSBORO, N. C.

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.
Second Round

March
Cottonville & Oakboro Ct. Mt. Zion 20-21
Norwood 20-21
Concord, Central, 11 a. m. 28
Concord, Epworth & C., Epworth, night 28

April
Albemarle, Central, night 2-4
Albemarle Circuit, Stony Hill 3-4
Mount Pleasant Circuit, Saint Paul, 10-11
Concord, Westford, night 11
Salem Circuit, New Mount Tabor....17-18
Albemarle, First Street, night 18
Kannapolis Station, 11 a. m. 23-25
Kannapolis Circuit, Bethpage.....24-25
China Grove & Landis, China Grove, night 25

May
New London Circuit 1-2
Gold Hill Circuit 2-3
Bethel & Love's Chapel, Love's Chapel 8-9

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston-Salem, N. C.
Second Round

March
Davidson, Midway 20-21
Forsythe, Mineral Spring 27-28
West End, night 28

April
Jackson Hill, Jackson Hill 3-4
Salem, night 4
Farmington, Bethlehem 10-11
Mocksville 9-11
Lewisville, Concord 17-18
Davie, Liberty 24-25
Cooleemee, night 25

May
Kernersville 1-2

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Second Round

March
Wilkes, Union 20-21
Helton, Asheley 27-28

April
Jefferson, Jefferson 3-4
Creston, Big Laurel 18
Watauga, Valle Crucis 24-25

May
Elk Park, Montezuma 1-2
Avery, Jonas Ridge 8-9
Boone, Fairview 15-16
Sparta Circuit, Piney Creek 22-23
Laurel Springs, Mt. Zion 29-30

Revival Meetings

Wilkes, Union.....March 14-21
Helton, Asheley.....March 24-April 1
Elk Park, Montezuma.....April 26-May 6
Laurel Springs, Mt. Zion.....May 24-30

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Lee T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Second Round

March
Lenoir Circuit, Littlejohn's, 11 a. m. 20
Lenoir Station, Lenoir, 11 a. m. 21-22
South Lenoir and Valmead, Valmead, 3:30 p. m. 21-23
North Lenoir Circuit, Ebenezer, 11 a. m. 27
Granite Falls and Hudson, Hudson, 11 a. m. 28-29
Hickory—First Church, Hickory, 7:30 p. m. 28-29

April
Alexander, Liberty, 11 a. m. 3-4
Stoney Point, Pisgah, 3:30 p. m. 4-5
Hickory Circuit, Grace Chapel, 11 a. m. 10
Newton, Newton, 11 a. m. 11-12
Maiden, Pisgah, 11 a. m. 17
Catawba, Hopewell, 11 a. m. 18-19
Statesville Circuit, Trinity, 11 a. m. ...24
Cool Spring, New Salem, 11 a. m. 25-26

May
Troutman, 11 a. m. 1
Davidson, Davidson, 11 a. m. 2-3
Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 7:30 p. m. 2-3
Mooresville Circuit, 11 a. m. 8
Mooresville Station, Mooresville, 11 a. m. 9-10

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, R. 2, Asheville, N. C.
Second Round

March
Fines Creek Circuit, Fines Creek....20-21
Haywood Circuit, Fincher 27-28
Bryson and Whittier, Olivet 30-31

April
Glenville Circuit, Speedwell 3-4
Webster Circuit, Love's Chapel 4-5
Waynesville Station 11
Sylva Station, night 11
Hayesville, Ledford 17-18
Murphy Circuit, Brasstown 20-21
Ranger Circuit, Bellview 24-25

May
Murphy Station 1
Andrews Station 1

CABBAGE PLANTS FREE

Send $1.60 for One Thousand Frost Proof Cabbage Plants and receive an extra Thousand Free. Make large heads. Potato Plants, special price.

Atlantic Coast Plant Co., Youngs Island, S. C.

BARGAINS IN GOOD BOOKS

VALUABLE BOOKS FOR $1 PER VOLUME

The books selected for inclusion in this DOLLAR LIBRARY have stood all tests and have been acclaimed standard if not classic.

They are the necessary books in every well-balanced Ministerial Library.

The books are large octavo in size, each containing from 400 to 550 pages, printed on excellent paper and tastefully and substantially bound in dark green cloth with gold stamping.

The former selling price of these books ranges from $2.50 to $3.50 and these editions are complete and are printed from the plates of the original high-priced editions.

Price now $1.00 per volume by mail. Add ten cents for postage.

By Prin. A. M. Fairbairn, D. D., LL. D.

THE PHILOSOPHY OF THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION

This is one of the most scholarly and successful defenses and examinations of the Christian belief and its basis. Principal Fairbairn's fame is justly founded upon the profundity of his thought, the wide range of his erudition and the bell-like clarity of his style. This is a book which should be in every ministerial library.

By Charles Loring Brace

GESTA CHRISTI: A History of Humane Progress Under Christianity

A book which has no equal in its discussion of the teaching of Jesus or the character and personnel of the members of the Apostolic group. While on many other subjects connected with the life of Christ new books have become standards, this book remains the authority in its own field.

Rev. John Ker, D. D.

LECTURES ON THE HISTORY OF PREACHING:
With Introduction by Rev. Wm. M. Taylor

While not in the strictest sense of the word a volume on homiletics, this is nevertheless one of the greatest and best recognized books in this realm. It has long served as a guide to all who wished to make any acquaintance with the theory or the history of the practice of preaching. In every sense of the word classic, not alone for the student, but for the seasoned preacher himself.

By Canon F. W. Farrar

THE LIFE OF CHRIST AS REPRESENTED IN ART

This may fairly be called a by-product of the author's monumental Life of Christ. It is a complete survey in his matchless prose of the whole subject of art in its relation to Christianity.

By Alexander Maclaren, D. D.

PULPIT PRAYERS

One of Dr. Maclaren's secrets of success was in the pains and reverent care he took to prepare his people for the message of his sermon—a care extending to hymns, the Scripture and the minor parts of the service, and especially to the prayer which preceded the sermon. They are alike inspirational in contents and models in manner.

By Prin. George Adam Smith, D. D.

THE LIFE OF HENRY DRUMMOND

This is one of the greatest of religious biographies, for it is not only the story of a career alike distinguished for deep piety and a singular brilliance of achievement, but it is written by one himself a considerable figure in the movements associated with Drummond's name, and a close and lifelong friend. It touches with deep insight the movements with which Drummond's name will ever be associated.

By J. deQuincey Donehoo

THE APOCRYPHAL AND LEGENDARY LIFE OF CHRIST

Mr. Donehoo has gathered together with incredibly painstaking care all the legendary and apocryphal material concerning the life of Christ, scattered as it is through a countless number of volumes, most of which are rare and inaccessible to the average reader or student. While of course apocryphal, this collection is of immense aid to the student of doctrine as showing the place Christ came to hold in the early belief and worship of the Church.

By John P. Jones

INDIA: ITS LIFE AND THOUGHT

Mr. Jones, through many years' residence in India, has come to a knowledge of India which, coupled with his sympathetic insight into the native character, has enabled him to write what is perhaps the most comprehensive single sketch of India yet written.

By Prof. A. B. Bruce, D. D.

THE TRAINING OF THE TWELVE

An apologetic for the Christian faith which now as in the day it was written remains unanswerable. What Buckle did in his "History of Civilization" from the standpoint of materialism, has been done in this book from the standpoint of belief. It is in every way a notable book, alike from the standpoint of Christian apologetics and from the standpoint of history. It is the kind of book which belongs in every library, and because written always with a human interest, it is in the best sense popular.

THE MIRACULOUS ELEMENT IN THE GOSPELS

Professor Bruce was one of the most literal-minded of the evangelical school to which he belonged. It is a tribute to the scholar's profundity of thought and his grip of the heart of his subject that he was able to anticipate the line of attack on the supernatural so that his book still remains the ablest defense of the miracles extant. He has been followed but never supplanted.

THE PARABOLIC TEACHING OF CHRIST

The parables, admittedly one of the most important and one of the most difficult aspects of Christ's teaching, have here been treated in a manner characterized by sanity and scholarly insight. From the first this book took rank as among the ablest expositions of the parables, as well as one of the best books in English on the teaching of Jesus.

THE HUMILIATION OF CHRIST
In Its Physical, Ethical and Official Aspects

The whole theme of Dr. Bruce's work is to show that the cross is as completely the central point in the life of Christ in the light of which the whole incarnation must be understood as is the atonement in the doctrine of Christianity. It remains in a place alone as a statement of the doctrines of the incarnation and the atonement.

SEND YOUR ORDERS TO

Board of Publication

Greensboro, N. C.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, March 25 | Number 12

Reading Room Trinity College



GROUP OF

MINISTERIAL STUDENTS

RUTHERFORD COLLEGE

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

LOOK UP THE ORDER BLANK

On page 11 the subscriber will find a renewal order blank. We are compelled to urge every one in arrears to clip out the blank, fill it out and pin check or money order to it. The matter is urgent and we beg subscribers to heed our call. Do not wait to see your pastor but mail direct to the office.

RUTHERFORD COLLEGE MINISTERIAL CLASS

We take great pleasure in giving our readers this week a look into the faces of a large number of bright young men who are now at Rutherford College preparing to take their places in the ranks of those who proclaim glad tidings. This group does not include all. There are more than thirty young men in the class.

Rutherford College has always been pre-eminently a school of the prophets. Perhaps more than any of our schools it has given inspiration and encouragement to that class of young men whom God calls into the work of preaching the gospel. For this reason every Methodist in Western North Carolina should feel peculiar interest in the movement now under way to house the school in a new and commodious, modern building. It is hoped that next year the school will be able to open in its new quarters.

Prof. Hinshaw deserves great credit and the hearty co-operation of the Conference in the noble work he is doing.

EDITORIAL BRIEFS

What are you going to do with the Easter service? This glorious day calls us to think of the greatest event in human history. It comes in a glorious season and we ought to make it a great day in all the churches.

* * * *

The birds sing as the expression of the freedom they enjoy—freedom from care and anxiety. If they had store-house or barn it is likely much of their merry chirping would cease. The anxiety of taking care of such things would take the songs out of their mouths. Men would be happier if they took less thought for their life.

* * * *

A French infidel, of whom there have been many, is reported as making the remarkable confession of his past folly in opposing God and his cause, and exhorting his people now to turn to God. We also note that a prominent German says that there has been among the evangelical Christians of Germany since the war began a marvelous turning on the part of the people to prayer and supplication. If these things be true, who can say that the war may not prove a blessing to the world? Truly, it is purchased at a great price, but the laying of the world in humility at the feet of Jesus would be worth all the cost.

A HOME FOR OLD LADIES

A movement on foot now for the establishment of an Old Ladies' Home in the city of Greensboro suggests a word on the importance of such an institution in every city or town of considerable size. Where there are no large towns over a considerable area such a home might be maintained by the co-operation of several smaller towns and the country generally.

We have observed that, for several years, the ladies of West Market Street Church, Greensboro, have maintained a sort of improvised home for aged and helpless women. Of course this has been on a very limited scale and has been wholly inadequate for the needs of even one congregation. At the same time the expense of maintenance has evidently been all out of proportion to the amount of relief and help afforded. The experience of these women has been such as to give emphasis to the importance of a co-operative movement on the part of all the churches and people of the various communities, so that the very best service might be rendered for the amount expended.

Every community has its unfortunate ones, left alone and helpless, many of them even destitute of means to make life comfortable, to say nothing of the loneliness enforced upon them by the untimely death of relatives and loved ones. Many of these are of the best families, brought up in good and comfortable surroundings. In the order of providence they find themselves all alone in the world. What are they to do in such condition if society has not been thoughtful enough to provide a place where they may find shelter and companionship?

It seems to us that it ought to be the pride of every community to have at least an interest in a home for such unfortunate ones, where they can turn away from a dreary and solitary life, many times a life of physical suffering, and find a haven of protection and, when necessary, the balm of healing.

We wish well this movement of the good women of Greensboro, and commend a similar movement to all other communities, where no such provision has yet been made for the lonely and suffering ones. May the time soon come when we can, in every community, point with pride to a real home for mothers and duaghters who have been left alone in the world. Such work will bring the blessing of our Master upon us and enable us to look with confidence to the glory of the crowning day when it shall be said: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

CONSPICUOUS FOLLY

All folly is conspicuous to those having the power to discriminate as to things wise or foolish. But some things are so conspicuously foolish as to command the attention of even the shallow-minded. Of such we denominate that spirit of the average Methodist, Baptist, or Presbyterian, or other evangelical church member, who gives right of way to Russellism and all forms of literature calculated to undermine our faith, while at the same time claiming that he cannot afford to keep his church paper in the hands of his children.

The average citizen has from one to three secular papers coming to his home—some of them simply for the reason that they cost next to nothing. They bring all sorts of heterodox teaching into his home. Some of them tell his children where they may buy drink, or how they may take the first lessons in a course leading to infamy and shame. To the pastor or friend who urges that they lay out something for the purchase of religious literature they make weak excuses, even down to that of not being able to give the price of a half plug of sorry tobacco a week for the religious paper.

On the other hand there is conspicuous folly on the part of those whose duty it is to see that our literature is circulated and read. They allow the worldly wise to go on with their propaganda of evil about them day by day, while they open not their mouths to make any plea against it; or, what is better still, to counteract by introducing something better.

In this connection we quote the following very pointed and appropriate editorial from a recent number of the Christian Advocate (Nashville). Dr. Ivey hits the sore spot thus:

"'Of the two hundred thousand professed ministers of Christ, probably one hundred and eighty thousand declare they have rejected the Bible (nine-tenths of the whole) have privately, if not publicly, that they have no faith in the already fallen most abjectly, while the tenth that are still standing are so shaken, confused, unreliable as to be able to do little for themselves or for their flocks.'

"We find the foregoing in a sermon (?) which occupies two long columns of the New York Evening Post. The subject of the sermon is, "Falling into Infidelity in the Evil Day." Preceding the sermon is a note stating in effect that the space occupied is paid for at the usual advertising rates. It is also stat that the syndicated sermons, of which the se mon in question is one, appear weekly in a proximately fifteen hundred newspapers in t United States, Great Britain, South Afric Australia, and Scandanavia.

"Now, you are doubtless curious to kn who it is that is spending such sums of mon so widely in propagating such a slander the ministry as is quoted. Why it is none oth than your old friend, "Pastor Russell."

" 'Where does he get his money to carry such a fearfully expensive propaganda?' y ask. We are glad you have asked the questi for it gives us an opportunity to tell you th he gets it largely by magnifying the pr and using it for all it is worth. By sendi his literature free of cost into hundreds thousands of Christian homes, he not only u dermines the faith of many, but gets ba thank offerings in the shape of money wi which to carry on his scheme. It is a big mon making scheme all through, a worldly-wise s tem of getting his stuff to the people. have no doubt that this special sermon been read in the homes of thousands of peo whose pastors have never mentioned the Chur paper or any other religious paper to them. Southern Methodism the tract has become u popular. Even the circulaiton of the Bible no longer a function of the preacher. T Church paper question is a secondary thi You rarely hear an address on the subject any of our Conferences, General, Annual, District. We have known a preacher to ap ogize for being compelled through a sense official duty to call the attention of one his cultured Church members to the duty taking the Church paper. And all this wh the "Pastor," the Socialist, and the repres tative of all kinds of ecclesiastical excrescen are flooding with their free literature the hon of our people. Can we stand it as a Churc Suppose we address ourselves to answeri this question instead of talking so much ab the pastor and his ilk and of congratulati ourselves that we are 'increased with goo and have need of nothing.' "

NOTE AND COMMENT

Bombardment of the Forts of the Dardanel continues, and it is reported that the Russi fleet is co-operating by an attack upon Bosphorus. The Turks express confidence the impregnability of their fortresses, but Allies seem confident that it is only a quest of a few days till Constantinople will f The allied fleet is having great difficulty on count of floating mines and are much hinde by unfavorable weather.

* * * *

Two Acts of Lawlessness occurring recen in the state in which negroes were killed their homes suggests a state of things those communities greatly to be deplored. occurred near Henderson, the other n Hickory. In both cases it seems that the f ilies, apparently without provocation, were upon by rowdies, and in each case one or m members of the family were shot to death. has been suggested that these cases are result of agitation on account of the segrega movement. We doubt this. Eeach case l to one, not on the ground, as only the break of the spirit of rowdyism which, w once excited, is always ready to make any h less person or family its victim. We have doubt that, in both cases, liquor was the citing cause. However, we are not incli to minify the immense possibilities of evi the segregation movement. We have regar this movement all the while as one which work great harm and those who urge it playing with fire. As long as the races tinue to live in the same country they learn to dwell together in peace, and w not disturbed and irritated by agitators believe the negro race is doing quite as as we have any reason to expect a to do under the circumstances. Such att as the ones referred to above are a disg to any community and a shame to the s and we trust the grand juries in each case see that the guilty parties are brought to swer for their conduct. It is only a step f raiding a negro home to that of despoi any white man's residence, and if we a

these cases to go unpunished we need not complain if our homes meet a like fate.

* * * *

Speaking of Forgotten Heroes, the editor of the New York Christian Advocate gives incidentally a luminous prophecy of what is to be as the result of this terrible European war. He says:

Who shall bear away the palms of victory when the European contest is ended? Will the world commend Hohenzollerns, Hapsburgs, Romanovs, royalty and nobility of any country? Nay, the hour is past for that. Those millions who died in the trenches, or sank beneath the waves, or fell in horrid open butcheries, shall have the praise of mankind. The things they fought for will be the inheritance of their fellows. Monarchs will reap no benefit from this terrible war.

The nameless people will come to their own. That is perhaps the only reason which can even remotely justify the frightful orgy of blood. It is absurd to speak of any great national issue being involved in this struggle. The cheap and wicked ambitions of men mad with thirst for power sufficiently account for the whole terrible business. The real issue is international. Universal humanity is involved. The rights of man as man are under test. Man will win. God will not permit anything but the progress of the race toward brotherhood. Whatever opposes this will be dashed to ruin —in His own time.

Let the soldiers of Europe go on dreaming of conquest. Let Americans steadfastly look to the end of this conflict with hopefulness. The world will be better for this drastic cleansing of modern civilization from iniquities that could not be put aside until the world realized their enormty. Forgotten heroes will rise to their exceeding great reward. Individual names will be lost, save in the memory of God and the angels. But the people who have long groaned under neglect and abuse will henceforth rule their own world, and thrones and sceptres will be but symbols. Museums will preserve the trappings of royalty to remind mankind what follies were once tolerated, and to warn society that there must be no relapse into that ignominious condition. This will not come today; but tomorrow the forgotten heroes will be heard from out of their very graves, and the living will praise the dead for a world illumined by peace and fraternity.

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. E. C. Glenn went to Pungoteague, Va., last week to conduct evangelistic services.

—Rev. W. E. Abernethy, pastor of Central Church, Shelby, preached at Chapel Hill last Sunday.

—Rev. Dr. F. N. Parker greatly pleased the people by his preaching on his recent visit to Guilford College.

—Rev. N. R. Richardson is holding revival services with his Mount Holly congregation this week. Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, of Mooresville, is doing the preaching.

—Large results are reported in the meeting at Mount Airy, conducted by Rev. T. P. Jimison, and the meeting continues with growing interest. Professor A. N. Fisher is conducting the singing.

—Rev. J. J. Eads, pastor of the Troutman Circuit, wishes to get in communication with some one possessing a magic lantern. Any reader of the Advocate who may be interested should write to Rev. J. J. Eads, Troutman, N. C.

—Rev. L. S. Massey, editor of the Raleigh Christian Advocate, preached for the congregation at Central Church, Monroe, last Sunday. Rev. J. E. Abernethy, the pastor, was in Raleigh assisting the pastor, Rev. J. C. Wooten, in revival services.

—We regret to learn that Mrs. W. M. Sherrill, mother of Prof. A. C. Sherrill, of Catawba College, fell a few days ago at her home at Sherrill's Ford, and broke her arm. Three years ago this lady, who is 71 years of age, fell and fractured her hip.

—We acknowledge receipt of an invitation to attend the twentieth anniversary of the marriage of Rev. and Mrs. E. N. Crowder, which is to take place at their home at Trinity, N. C., on Saturday, March 27th, from 4 to 6:30 P. M. Many congratulations to Brother and Sister Crowder.

—A marriage of interest to many in Western North Carolina took place at Candler, N. C., on Monday evening, March 15th, when Miss Maye Rice became the bride of Mr. James C. L. Gudger. The ceremony was performed at the home of the bride's father by Rev. T. A. Groce.

—Rev. T. A. Groce writes that Pisgah church is now ready for seating and that he is making his last call for contributions. He requests us to acknowledge with thanks the following contributions: W. G. Fortner, Asheville, $1.00; Snow Hill Sunday School, $1.00.

—Mr. Ellis White, an aged and highly respected citizen of the Battle Ground community, passed away at his home near the Guilford Battle Ground, on last Sunday morning. He was a member of the Friends' Church. He reared a large family, nearly all of whom have been identified with the Methodist hurch.

—The annual State Convention of the Baraca-Philathea Union of Northr Carolina will be held in the city of Raleigh, N. C., embracing the 22-25 of April. It is expected that there will be about 1000 delegates in attendance. The expense of entertainment, including board and lodging, will be $1.00 per day.

—Rev. Dr. Franklin N. Parker, of the Biblical Department of Trinity College, spent Sunday, March 14th, at Guilford College, preaching morning and night in the Friends' Yearly Meeting House. Dr. Parker is a great expounder of the Bible and his sermons made a profound impression.

—Rev. Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe, pastor of Wesley Memorial, High Point, preached in the Southern Railway Y. M. C. A. at Spencer on last Sunday afternoon. This was a preparatory service for the protracted meeting to be conducted by "Big Masons," the well-known railroad evangelist.

—Rev. J. H. Wannamacher, pastor of Holy Trinity Lutheran hurch, Hickory, passed away at his home in that city on Thursday night, March 18th. Mr. Wannamacher was only 48 years old and apparently in robust health till a short while ago when he was stricken with paralysis.

—Mrs. Julia Blackwell Anderson, widow of the late Dr. John Anderson, of Calahan, Davie County, passed away at her home in Statesville on Thursday night of last week. Mrs. Anderson was a member of the Methodist Church, and her funeral was conducted by Rev. John F. Kirk, pastor of Broad Street Church.

—A very distressing accident occurred near Hickory on Friday, March 12th, when Mrs. Chick Alexander was so badly burned that she died on Saturday night following. Mrs. Alexander was the daughter of the late Gabriel Marshall, of Hickory, and was a member of the Methodist Church at Pisgah on the Hickory Circuit. The funeral was conducted by the pastor, Rev. B. A. York, on Monday following her death.

—"The Social Service Committee" is the name of an interesting pamphlet just issued by Smith & Lamar. This Pamphlet was prepared by Rev. John C. Granbery, of Georgetown, Texas, and adopted by the Social Service Commission of Texas Methodism. The object of the pamphlet is to fully explain the purposes of this new department of church work. Those interested should send 10 cents to Smith & Lamar, and get a copy. In lots of 25 or more it sells for $5.00 per hundred.

—We regret to learn that Prof. M. A. Yost, of Weaver College, has been quite sick at his home in Weaverville for some two weeks or more. Prof. Yost has been a faithful member of the faculty of Weaver College for nearly thirty years, and no minister in our Conference deserves more credit for unselfish devotion to the Master's work than he. His work as a teacher of our young men has been a great blessing to the church. We sincerely hope to hear of his speedy recovery.

—The Commencement Sermon of the Methodist Training School will be delivered at McKendree on May 16th, by Dr. W. N. Ainsworth, pastor of Mulberry Street Methodist Church, Macon, Ga. The service of consecration in the afternoon will be led by Rev. C. T. Ragsdale, pastor of McKendree Church, Nashville, Tenn. The annual commencement address will be delivered by Dr. T. N. Ivey, editor of the Christian Advocate, on the morning of Wednesday, May 19th.

—At the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of Greensboro College for Women, held at the College on Tuesday of last week, Rev. Dr. S. B. Turrentine and nearly all the present faculty were re-elected. The board expressed great appreciation of the splendid work which has been accomplished under the management of Dr. Turrentine and his faculty. The college is crowded with students and plans for enlargement to meet increasing demands for room were considered.

—A special from Asheville, dated March 18, says:—Malcolm R. Patterson, former governor of Tennessee, whose conversion to the cause of prohibition was received with wide interest, will deliver a prohibition lecture here on the 31st of March, accordng to an announcement made here today. He has been booked for an appearance by the Asheville Ministers' Association, whose members are bringing him here with a view to arousing more interest in the cause of prohibition.

—The Advocate joins with a host of friends in expressions of sympathy for ex-sheriff B. E. Jones and wife, of this city, in the great sorrow which has come to them in the death of their daughter, Pearl, which occurred at their home on Asheboro Street, this city, on Sunday morning. Deceased had been in declining health for several months. All that loving hands and hearts could do had been done for her, but no skill of physician or change of climate could avail. The end came peacefully and she is at rest. With a bright, sunny disposition, she had made friends of all who knew her, and she will be greatly missed. The funeral was conducted from Centenary church, of which she was a member, on Monday afternoon, by the pastor, Rev. R. D. Sherrill. May God greatly comfort the sorrowing hearts.

Greensboro College for Women

Following the regular meeting of the board of trustees of Greensboro College for Women on Tuesday, March 16th, the faculty that night had the members of the board to dinner in the college dining room with the student body. A number of short talks were made. Mr. J. B. Blades, of New Bern, presided as toastmaster, and Messrs. C. H. Ireland, M. T. Plyler, G. T. Adams, W. M. Curtis and G. F. Smith made addresses. Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, president emerita of the college, also made a short talk.

Rev. E. L. Bain read a report from the trustees commending the student body and faculty for the spirit of work and co-operation which has enabled the institution to have the best year of its life. Miss Laura Clement, of the senior class, vice-president of the students' association, spoke in behalf of the student body. The meeting emphasized the co-operative spirit which exists between all elements which go to make up the college.

The trustees re-elected the faculty and officers of the college, including President S. B. Turrentine. The vacancy caused in the executive committee by the death of Mr. J. P. Redding was filled by the appointment of Mr. J. W. Harris, of High Point.

Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Board of Church Extension of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will be held in St. Louis, Missouri, May 6th-9th, 1915. The programme will be announced later. T. L. Jefferson, Pres.
W. F. McMurry, Cor. Secy.

Dictionary at a Bargain

We have a copy of the very latest edition of Webster's Unabridged—the genuine G. & C. Merriam edition—which retails for $12.50. We offer this for immediate acceptance for $10.00. If you ever intend to supply yourself with this indispensable requisite of the study, now is the time. Send $10.00 to
Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

CONTRIBUTIONS

AMONG THE TURKS

J. M. Rowland

The sun was rising from over the cliffs of Asiatic Turkey and flooding the blue waters of the Bosporus with a bright and welcome light as our train came into the station of Constantinople. A strange feeling came to us as we realized where we were. This great old city, capital of the Ottoman Empire and one time capital of the world lay about us, teeming with its more than a million souls. The uncanny and treacherous looking Turks moving in every direction about us, strange, varied and hideous costumes, seas of bobbing red fezs (all the Turks wear the little rimless red cap with the black tassel in the blazing sun), atmosphere heavy with history and many odors. These and other feelings came to us when we entered this land of prejudice, passion and darkness. If you were to travel the world over you would not feel just like you do in Turkey.

We had often heard Constantinople was the most charming city of the earth from a distance but the dirtiest and most repulsive when you were within its gates. We were not there long when we found it even so. As we beheld the city that morning in the golden light of the southern sun, with its houses stretching for a great distance along the front of the beautiful Bosporus whose waves lapped the steps, it looked like a necklace of pearls about a fair lady's neck, but once beyond the border and into the city of the Turks, we felt we were in the garbage can of creation with somebody sitting on the lid.

The Bosporus is a wonderful body of water, very narrow, separating the continents of Europe and Asia, connecting the Black Sea up near Russia with the Sea of Momosa. It is twenty miles long. Along its European shore almost to the Black Sea are rows of beautiful houses intermixed with luxuriant gardens and old towers from the time of Constantine, within whose walls men, women and little children have so often paid the price of being Christian with the warm blood of their loyal hearts. On this shore is the palace of the old Sultan where, with his many wives (though it is said the new one has only one) he lives in splendor and shame, drawing a salary of sixty million dollars a year from the brawn and the blood of his ignorant, suffering subjects. Out there in the Bosporus old Abdul Hamid used to sink a wife now and then with a rock tied to her neck like an undesirable cat because he tired of her. He would watch from the porch of his mansion while the boatman took the unfortunate woman out upon the moonlit water. When the old fiend was ready he would raise a light and at that signal the boatman would drop his charge into the water, while the Sultan in his palace, with a smile, would go on his Satanic way. The rising of the young Turks banished old Abdul a few years ago. When he left he sold some of his wives to settle a few debts; others he gave as presents to his friends, while to his island he carried the four that remained after he had in a fit of jealous rage murdered the youngest and fairest of them all. Sixty million dollars a year this old fiend received for the place he held among the rulers of the earth so long. The highest paid sovereign of the world. Twelve million dollars a month. Four hundred thousand dollars a day! Nearly three hundred dollars a minute! When the President of the United States received one dollar old Abdul Hamid got six hundred, and then had to give some of his wives to pay his debts. He must not have been wise in his expenditures. But his day is done. On his little island he is waiting the time when his blackened soul will be consigned to the lowest depths of an orthodox hell. The above facts were told us and vouched for by prominent Turkish officials on our Mediterranean boat.

The Bosporus has made much history along its shores. Many Christian martyrs were faithful unto death beside its waters. Here Xerxes undertook to build a bridge and cross from Asia into Europe on a mission of conquest. The sea became rough and tore his bridge away, whereupon he had the builders killed and ordered the waters lashed for their bad behavior, showing what a food he was. Here Xenophon crossed on a pontoon bridge with ten thousand men, as many youngsters have tried to translate from that Greek book he wrote, as in sweat and toil they expended more strength than did old Xenophon in doing the deeds they tried to read about. Here Jason came in 1400 B. C., rejoicing with the Golden Fleece.

The Golden Horn is the bay running from the Bosporus and the Sea of Momosa where they meet back into the city. It gets its name because of its horn shape, being large at its mouth and curving to a point like a horn back into the heart of the city. The sun shining upon its waters gives it the name "Golden Horn." Also its name comes because it is the meeting place of the nations on the highway of the seas and into its horn-shaped mouth the nations of the earth pour their golden treasures. When the power of the Turk is broken and civilized nations get this country it will indeed be the Golden Horn and the greatest harbor of the earth. A bridge crosses the Golden Horn connecting Stamboul, the old section of the city, with the new city. Over this bridge daily moves the greatest mixture of mortality the world can show you. Every class and clan, creed and crowd, color and costume pass before you. It is interesting to watch as far as your eyes can see the stream of red fezs with black tassels mixed in the mass of other things. This is a toll bridge and yields a tremendous revenue to the government.

It is impossible to realize the living conditions of Constantinople. It must be seen to be understood. The poverty, filth and degredation is beyond the telling of tongues. The streets are full of filth. Thousands of dirty dogs are sleeping on the sidewalks or lazily pursuing their canine way as though they owned the town. In returning to our hotel one day we counted ninety-nine dogs in a few blocks, and as we started in the door the hundredth one trotted by. These dogs are full of fleas and are very generous in distributing them. A Turkish official informed us that when the young Turks came into power, among other reforms they had a dog killing and dispatched thirty thousand canines to the "happy prowling ground" in one day. He also added with a smile that sausage was cheap the next week. All we said was there certainly must have been a few dogs in town before the killing time. These dogs belong to nobody. They are looked upon as sacred animals and are reverenced and protected. They are called the Sultan's street cleaners and perhaps is due to them some credit for keeping down some of the filth that might otherwise entirely destroy the people. The town is full of beggars, dirty and ragged to a degree beyond description. Donkeys, camels and goats are everywhere in sight. The streets are full of venders of every class and kind, calling, crying, moaning out their wares. All these strange weird sounds pouring into your ears in the early morning when you awake make you feel you are surely in a strange land.

One very noticeable thing through all the Turkish realm is the burdens the people bear. Instead of having drays for hauling, the people become the beasts of burden. Men, women and children are seen carrying loads on their heads and backs that it seems impossible to carry, and it seems only exaggeration to tell it. When we landed men carried our suit cases to the hotels. They were big double suit cases and certainly some of the women had theirs full. I could carry mine but a little way. These men strapped seven and eight of these heavy cases on their backs and went several blocks to the hotel with them. Constantly this stream of burden bearers goes by you, men with loads of lumber, rocks, trunks, barrels of vegetables and every conceivable kind of commerce; women with loads little lighter; children heavy laden, the great stream of burden bearers goes on. Often did we think of that beautiful verse of the Master's we had told to many troubled hearts, "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest." But Jesus has not yet had the chance to lift the burdens from the bodies or the souls of Turkey's millions. It seems strange it has never occurred to them to harness their donkeys and haul these burdens instead of carrying them. As they have done through centuries they go on with pack saddles on their backs and heavier loads on their souls.

One of the most interesting objects to the tourist is the mosque of St. Sophia. It is imposing and beautiful, but its interior decorations are rather gaudy. This building, now the most noted Turkish temple of the city, was a Christian church built by Emperor —Justian who cried when it was complete, "O Solomon, I have surpassed thee." In the fifteenth century it was captured by the Turks and turned into a Mohammedan Mosque. The Christians, a hundred thousand of them, fled to this their place of worship for refuge when Mohammed rode triumphant into the city. He charged upon them and many thousand of them were killed. Over their dead bodies he rode his horse into the building and striking his hand dripping red with the blood of the Christians he had murdered, upon the side of the wall, he cried, "There is no God but Allah and Mohammed is his prophet." For five hundred years millions of deluded mortals have sent on that cry echoing over their deeds of blood and shame. We were shown the bloody print of Mohammed's hand upon the wall. We were not supposed to notice the print was so high on the wall that a man would have to sit on the head of a giraffe to reach it and that the hand was no larger than that of a very small child. We were also shown the holy carpet and the prayer rugs which are carried on long and arduous pilgrimages to Mecca where by touching the grave of Mohammed they received the magic power to heal and save all who kneel upon them for months following. We also looked upon the precious Mecca stone which fell down from heaven to Mohammed. To touch this stone and rub your finger on any diseased part of your body will surely work a cure. The constant rubbing of a ceaseless stream of supperstitious fingers for five hundred years has worn great grooves in the stone.

Many pigeons—sacred birds—were roosting and nesting in the temple. Many of them were very busy tearing up the sacred carpets to get material for their nests. A number of boys sat on the floor crooning out their lessons from the Koran in weird sounds that made a cold shiver steal up your back. Numbers of dirty, ragged Turks moved carpets to different places, unrolled them and fixed them for services we could not understand. In the midst of their work they wrestled, played leap frog and rode about on one another's backs, notwithstanding the place was very sacred and we poor Christian dogs had to wear their holy duty slippers about the temple while they followed to see that our unhallowed heels touched not the sacred carpets. Just to see what would happen I quietly slipped my foot from the slipper and went on without it, soon to be followed post haste by several outraged keepers of the temple who jabbered, sputtered, harangued and spit at me in great excitement, punctuating their deliverances with a multitude of gymnastic exercises as they told me how I had insulted the holy name of Mohammed. I quietly raised my foot for them to tie on another slipper and went on my way, through the midst of temple beggars and men prostrate in prayers, who, with one eye on Allah, kept the other treacherous, gleaming orb fixed on us in a way to make us feel how readily the Turks can mix religion and other things. Thus passed our first visit to a pagan house of worship. The feeling that sweeps down on your soul on such a visit your tongue can't tell. How far away from God religion so often is!

In the Royal Museum we saw many things of interest recently brought to light by British and German excavators. Among them was the skeleton of the king of Tyre(?) with a hole in his head made by the work of the murderous axe; bracelets, breast pins and many other articles of dress and ornament said to be 3,000 years B. C.; a beautiful sculptured sarcophagus with many figures of weeping women, no two of them in the same position; an elegant sarcophagus of Alexander the Great; but the most interesting thing was a gold spoon the Sultan always takes with him on his annual pilgrimage to Mecca. As he comes in contact with the masses he is liable to find upon his body some of the multiplied millions of vermin that go up with the worshippers. These insects being sacred animals even the Sultan is not allowed to

remove them with his hands but must use this gold spoon for the purpose. What the common folks who cannot afford gold spoons for such work do we were not told. Perhaps the Sultan passes the spoon around or more likely the masses consider it a great honor to furnish hospitality to these sacred animals and go their way rejoicing with them. We were not so pious on this score nor did we confine ourselves to gold spoons in seeking relief.

Constantinople has thirty times been destroyed by fire and now it seems to be a perfect fire trap. There she sits full of the heathanism, ignorance, filth and shame—the nations of the earth, all the odors of the world meeting in her streets. She occupies the greatest seat on the highway of nations waiting for civilized nations to redeem her people and give them a chance. Who can tell what the future of Constantinople will be when these war clouds roll away?

In another article I will discuss the religious situation in the Turkish Empire.

A GLIMPSE AT THE SEAMY SIDE OF A PRESIDING ELDER'S SECOND ROUND

J. Robert Moose

It was January the fourteenth, the thermometer registered fourteen below zero but the appointments had been sent out and the presiding elder must meet his appointments; or at least so thought this presiding elder. The train was due to leave the South Gate Station at nine twenty in the morning and the ride was only about two hours, but it means something to have a two hour train ride where only a short while ago it would have required an all day ride on a pony to make the trip to the first appointment.

The time set apart for this second round of conferences was nineteen days, the time between conferences to be taken up with visiting and preaching at several other churches. My boxes packed with food for the trip and bedding for zero weather had been packed on a pony and sent off for the first point the day before. The conference met in the village of In-Kwen which is about five miles from the railroad and so this must be walked. This circuit is under the care of Rev. J. L. Gerdine and so I had the pleasure of his company on the trip. The church in this village has been established several years but has not grown very much. The leading man in the church is a butcher and the butcher is among the very lowest class of people in this country. However as a class they are no worse than their fellow men in other callings. This particular butcher is a very good man and has done far more for the church in his village than any other member.

There was a very good attendance of the official members and reports were about as usual except the financial report was not up to the standard, and so I found it at all my other conferences on this round. You would hardly expect that the affect of the great war now raging would have reached this little corner of the world and caused a drop in the preacher's salary. But such is the case, the world is so small these days that what effects one part very much effects all. As a result of the war prices of nearly all farm products have fallen very low and the farmers are hard pushed to realize sufficient cash to pay taxes and other necessary expenses. We held our conference in the evening and had service the following morning at which Brother Gerdine and I both preached. After the morning service I bade farewell to Brother Gerdine and the other brethren and started for my next appointment. It was about six miles away but with the pony to ride part of the way I did not mind the trip. I wonder if you know what riding a "pack" means. That is what I did on all this trip after I left the railroad—that is I rode when I could and when I could not ride I did the other thing—that is I walked; there was much of the time that I could not ride because of the mountain passes that we must cross and the ice that covered the ground so that it was not safe to be occupying so exalted position as one must take when he rides the "pack." To start with, the Korean pony is small. A heavy wooden packsaddle is placed on his back on which the load is packed—hence the name "pack" which is applied to this sort of a load. My boxes are neither light nor small. You can imagine how large they must be when I tell you that in them must go food for a month with all the dishes, pans and kettles that will be needed for preparing and serving the food; besides clothes for the trip, books and such other things as must be carried. Then on the top of the two boxes must go my cot and all my bedding, remember it is zero weather, and then on the top of the bedding the rider takes his place; I sit about a foot above the pony's back with my legs crossed over his neck. From what I have said you can imagine that one might have a sort of uneasy feeling when he is passing over a rough place in the road or travelling over a road covered with ice and snow.

The first night after leaving In-Kwen I spent with the little church Whang-Mai-Tong; we had service night and morning and then went on to Kyng-Mai where the conference for the East Seoul circuit was to meet. I was told that five or six days before that time in the mountains near Whang-Mai-Tong two Japanese hunters met a tiger, one of them fired at the tiger with a shot gun whereupon the "royal animal" sprang upon the poor hunter and carried him away and no trace of him had been found up to that time, though parties had been searching the mountains ever since.

The conference for the East Circuit was well attended and the reports were about as usual with the fact that money was scarce and very hard to collect for church purposes. At this place we have a nice little church building which has recently been built by the Koreans without the help of mission funds. Here I met with one of the things that makes the missionary's heart ache. The class leader here is of the higher class and his father is one of the old time gentlemen who will have nothing to do with the Christian religion and such other new things as are coming into this ancient country. The mother however has heard the good news and wanted to be baptized and join the church before she passes on to the great eternity. In company with the son and the one other Korean brother we called at the house of the old gentleman and went into the woman's department where we found the old mother; but we had hardly begun our conversation with her when the old gentleman appeared on the scene and told us that we were not to have any of this new fangled business going on there. The son, the preacher and I all tried to reason with him but all to no effect. He had followed the old way too long and would consent to nothing we had to say. I had never been placed in just such a position before and so I hardly knew what was the wise thing to do but what I did was to talk to the old lady trying to help her to see what it means to trust in Jesus and told her that if she really and truly trusted Him even though she was not baptized that He would not cast her away. May the Lord touch the heart of the old gentleman and lead him to see his need!

My next stop was at Im-Pyeng Opnai where I spent the night holding services both evening and morning with the few believers that we have in this place. It is still cold and the next stopping place ten miles away over roads that could not be called first class, even in this country. However, in the afternoon we reached the village we were looking for, Sa-Qui-Mak by name and were warmly welcomed by the Christians who were not expecting us as we had not announced our coming, this not being the place of the meeting of the conference. This was third time I had visited this village having gone there once about ten years ago when the first believers in that village began to "do the doctrine" and once last year I held a quarterly conference there.

My next point was Sam-Kak-Kol, which means the Three Peak Village. The direct way was about fifteen miles but owing to the ice and snow on the high mountain pass we could not go that road but were compelled to take another one that led us by a way, the distance of which was about twice that of the direct road. Oh, well, what difference did it make? The trip could be made in a day and the fact that I must walk part of the way was nothing new; the fact that it was cold was not as bad as it might have been for it might have been colder still. So off we went after an early morning service in the church where there was no fire and when the people sang the breath from their mouths appeared like steam leaking from so many valves in a steam pipe. All day without a stop for dinner over uncertain roads we made our way and arrived in the three peak village just before sun down. The brethren for the conference were soon on hand and the business was soon transacted ,not however till after I tad taken time to preach to them. I recall that my room at this place was not as warm as I have seen at other times and other places. It was only about eight feet square to start with and as usual had a stone floor under which the fire was supposed to be built but this room was not in regular use by the family and so the little bit of fire that was lighted under that floor that evening did little more than to remove the chill from the stones. The next morning there was none lighted at all as it was known that I would be leaving soon after breakfast and no one would think of building a fire for so short a time as I would be in the room that morning; so it goes that I was somewhat cold during the breakfast hour. But never mind it is only a part of the life of the man or woman who is devoted to preaching the gospel to the village people of Korea!

The next day called for a long walk over three mountain passes and then a ride on the "pack" of several hours and we arrived in Chul-Won-Oupnai, the largest town in this part of the country. Here we have had a church and a day school for girls for several years but the church has not prospered and apart from what one hopes to do there is little pleasure in visiting this place. The weather was very cold and we did not meet in the church for services but with the preacher's family we had a service that night and again the following morning before I started for the next place. Another twenty mile ride on the "pack" brought us to the village of Chang-Nim, which might be translated the Blind-Man Village; here they were not expecting a visit at this time and so they were surprised to see me. However, they soon had a hot fire going under the stone floor of the church and I was invited to make the church my home, or stopping place, while there, which I did, and when the stone floor had gotten so hot that I could hardly sit on it I managed to keep warm for the rest of the night. We had a good congregation for the evening service and I trust the preaching was worth listening to. Another service next morning and then off for the next place. During the night more snow had fallen which did not add any pleasure to the trip of the day only to make the landscape more beautiful.

The ride today was only about six miles and over good road so that I arrived in Kim-Wha-Oupnai in good time. I found that I was to stop in the new school house while there. This is a house with board floors and every one of the floor boards have shrunk till a great open crack lies between every two boards so that I could see the ground any time I looked downward. There was a little stove and the good people furnished plenty of wood so I did not freeze but to say that I was not cold while stopping there would not be the whole truth. We had the conference on Saturday night, preaching Sunday morning and night so that the time was well taken up with the regular services and on the whole it was a good meeting. It was snowing Sunday morning when I woke and continued most of the time till noon Monday. So the trip on Monday afternoon of about fourteen miles was made over snow covered roads; however, it happened to be market day and so many people traveling to market packed the snow before we started and so we found the traveling better than we expected it would be. The night was spent in the village of Sam-Nam-kol where we have one of the best country churches in the district. However, I must say that it was rather hard to preach both night and morning in a church without a spark of fire, though from the amount of smoke that poured forth from the mouths of the congregation one might have thought they all had fire on the inside.

Three mile ride brought me to my next stop in the town of Kim-Syeng where we have a few poor believers with no church building. Here I spent the day and night, holding a service with the few who gathered in the house of

the circuit preacher at night. The house is one of two rooms eight by eight feet so you can imagine that we did not have a very large congregation.

It turned warm and next morning the rain began to come gently at first, but the longer it continued the harder it poured till it was what the old farmer wanted when he prayed the Lord to "Send a regular gully washer." My next appointment was about three miles, the place where the conference was to meet that night, so notwithstanding the rain which was coming on the ice and snow which lay thick over the road, and notwithstanding the drop in the thermometer, we started on the journey. We arrived in good order though somewhat damper than one likes to be on such a day. The rain continued all day and the greater part of the night, with one result that the members of the quarterly conference from the other churches in the circuit did not come to the meeting. We had preaching in the evening and as I was not compelled to leave the next day I remained there and we had services morning, afternoon and night, the people of the village attending well notwithstanding the bad weather. After the rain stopped it turned cold again and the whole face of the earth in these parts was covered with ice wherever water could stay long enough to freeze. In the meantime the great rain fall had swollen the streams which had been frozen over with ice a foot thick in many places. This ice was broken up and floated down the streams carrying the bridges before it and thus adding more difficulties to the traveler who must go. Well we went and it was one of the hardest day's work I ever did I think. The distance was about twenty miles and about half of this was across mountain passes where I could not ride the "pack;" there was nothing for it but to walk and with the felt shoes and the heavy "arctics" which I wore I found it hard work indeed to climb the ice-covered passes. It was with much difficulty that we crossed the swollen streams. Often the ice was piled up on the bank so that it was difficult to get the pony down to the water's edge. Just before dark we arrived in the village and soon had a service under way with the few Christians who live in this out of the way place. It was the first time that I have visited this place, it having been transferred to us from the Wonsan District after last Annual Meeting.

The day following was cold and over the ice-covered road we walked and rode the "pack" when it was possible till after about five hours of this strenuous exercise we arrived in the village of Kal-Kyung-Chen where the conference for that circuit was to meet. This was Saturday and I was glad that the greater part of the travel was over, or at least the harder part of it was past. That night we held the conference which was very well attended. The following day we had preaching in the morning, with a baptismal and communion service in the afternoon and preaching again at night. We had been away from home eighteen days, the bread in the food box was just a little stale and the tinned goods were beginning to run low so we were not sorry that this the nineteenth day was the home going day. But the train was due to leave the station at eight-thirty and we were five miles away. The road we had never seen before and the ground was covered with ice and the snow was falling in good fashion when we sat down to breakfast that morning before five o'clock. With a good guide we ventured into the moon-lit morning with the falling snow covering the ice-covered road from our sight. I would not like to confess that I "back-slid" in the usual sense of that term but to say that I did not fall that morning would not be the sort of speech that is becoming a missionary. Praise the Lord, the fall or rather falls, were not from grace but only falls from which I was able to rise without repentance or confession.

Well, the train was on time and I was there and with my third class ticket I was soon seated with my face toward HOME.

Well, maybe you think I am sorry that I am a missionary in Korea and have to meet a few difficulties in my work—if you do you are wrong. I am just as glad as ever Pollyanna was when she was playing the "Glad Game" at her best.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM FIELD

District Conference Directory

Winston, at Walkertown .....April 20-22
Mt. Airy, at Stokesdale .....April 29-May 2
Waynesville, at Franklin .....May 25

Great Revival at Newton. A special correspondent of the daily press, writing from Newton Sunday night says: The meeting at the Methodist church which has been in progress for the past week continues to grow in interest. This morning at the 11 o'clock service about 100 persons were converted. These were grown people, not children, and many of them had not made a profession before. Every member of the Baraca class went to the altar for prayer and many were converted. The attendance this morning was the largest ever seen in a church in Newton, the Sunday school room, class rooms, and many chairs being used, and yet a goodly number were turned away for want of room. Mr. Barnhardt is an earnest, forceful speaker, and his sermons are greatly enjoyed by the large audiences that greet him every night.

Burkhead, Winston-Salem. The following from the Journal, on Monday of last week, reached us too late for last week:

At the meeting of Burkhead Methodist Sunday school on Sunday, it was decided to build six additional class rooms for the use of the Sunday school at once, and work will probably be started on the new rooms this morning. They will be added at the rear of the church, making that part of the building two stories in height also.

The amount of money necessary for making the addition to the building was raised Sunday morning, The addition was made imperative by the rapid growth of the Sunday school.

Few Sunday schools in the city have experienced a more rapid growth in membership in recent years than the Burkhead Sunday school, and the enrollment now passes the 500 mark.

The success of the school is thought to be due to the short, interesting services that are held.

The addition to be made to the already spacious building will accommodate the rapidly growing school.

Troutman Circuit. We have recently closed a very fine revival meeting at Wesley's Chapel. More than fifty persons found peace with God, and twenty-four were added to the church at this place. Some of these were already members of some church; some will join other churches; while some will remain without any communion.

Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, the pastor of the Methodist church of Mooresville, was present and did most of the preaching. He did good work, both in the pulpit and in the altar, as well as in private. He is one of the very, very fine spirits.

We have revived the Sunday school and also organized a young people's prayer meeting. Finding in our homes some stringed musical instruments, and finding some skill in the use of these, I have installed them in each of these services, as well as in the sanctuary. These consist of two violins and two guitars.

Since the adjournment of our Annual Conference, I have held two meetings, with about one hundred professions of faith, and sixty-six persons received into the church, with more than two hundred visits. I expect a victorious year. Very truly,

Troutman, N. C. Joseph J. Eads, P. C.

Burkhead Institutional Church. The Winston Sentinel of recent date had the following interesting note:

The clinic established at the Wesley House under the auspices of Burkhead Institutional Church has proved to be both a success and a blessing. At first the clinics were held only four days in the week, but the work soon grew to such proportions as to make it necessary to hold them every afternoon in the week, except Sunday, The average number of cases examined has been five per day, the largest number in any one day being twenty-one.

A majority of the cases are men and women of middle age and past. But children with adenoids, defective eyes and other infirmities have been among the patients. Operations to remove adenoids have been, in most cases, performed at the clinic. Some have been so serious as to make it advisable to send them to the hospital.

Many of the people who have received treatment are now attending church services who never attended before. But since they have found that the church really feels interested in them and wants them to do good, they are taking more interest in the church and attending its services.

Perhaps this demonstrates that the church as an organization will have to take an active interest in the temporal welfare of the people before it can minister to the spiritual needs of many of them.

Micaville Circuit. We have spent almost four months of our second year on the Micavile charge and at three of the churches we are serving our third year. The winter has been very bad—rain, snow and sleet almost continually for three months. Our people attended church well during this bad weather and financially we almost doubled the report of the first quarter over that of last year. Our Sunday schools suffered owing to the bad weather, but we are glad to see the signs of spring coming and our Sunday school's renewing. We think from now on we can increase our attendance both at Sunday school and preaching services.

We have held three meetings this year on the work—at Petersons chapel, Shoal Creek, and Mortons chapel. We had very good meetings at all these places. Brother Dawson did the preaching for us at Mortons chapel and delivered some strong messages and was enjoyed by all who heard him.

We have added twenty to the churches during this year by letter and on profession of faith—most on profession of faith. A number of these were grown people and some who are the heads of families and men who we believe will be useful in the church.

We have a good people to serve, and we believe the interest of the church and Methodism is growing in the hearts of our people. We are expecting the best year this year in the history of this work. Pray that we may have it. R. F. Mock, Pastor.

Cliffside. The rough weather has interfered some with the work on the Cliffside charge but there seems to be a general spirit of "do better" all over the work. Last year we were hit hard by the financial depression that the cotton belt suffered. The lack of rain caused low water and that in turn caused the mill to run on short time so that the cotton farmer and the mill man suffered. Our charge that had assumed a heavier financial obligation than usual fell below the mark it had placed and yet it measured up to what it had done formerly. There is now the note of confidence that we will meet our full financial obligation this year.

We are directing our efforts toward the field of soul winning this year. There were about eighty-five professions of conversion and reclamation on the charge last year. We are hoping to see a much larger number this year.

Some weeks ago I told you of a generous pounding the people of Cliffside church had given us. A short time ago the buggies and a wagon from Oak Grove church drove to the parsonage. As the crowd augmented and it was near the middle of the day the pastor's wife wore a look of increasing anxiety. Yet the visitors objected every time she tried to start some preparation to meet the wants of so many mouths. At last the good women of the company took possession of the kitche

and dining room and soon had the table spread with a feast to tempt an epicurean. We then gathered about the board and while we tested the pleasing effects on our animal organism of devouring the products of the culinary art, we enjoyed a feast of friendly intercourse. After the company was gone we found the pantry and larder supplied with many useful articles; and even Charlie, the horse, had not been forgotten.

Last fall at Hopewell church some of the people organized a canning club and as a result of this cans of nice fruit keep coming to the parsonage.

I want to thank all these good people for their many kindnesses.

Very sincerely.

H. L. Powell.

Reidsville. The Reidsville correspondent of the daily press gave out the following on Tuesday, March 16th:

For the first time the main auditorium of the remodeled church was opened for the reception of members of the Main Street M. E. Church and the public in general Sunday. At both morning and evening services the commodious building was crowded; indeed many were unable to gain admittance.

At the morning service Rev. W. F. Womble, a former pastor of Main Street church, now of Hendersonville, preached. In presenting the former pastor, Rev. W. A. Lambeth spoke of him as having started the work in making it possible for worship in the present handsome church building.

A full choir under the direction of Mr. E. H. Matthewson rendered a fine musical program, the handsome new pipe organ, Miss Mary Womack organist, having been brought into use for the first time. The music was the best ever heard in the church.

The night service was one of praise and reminiscence. Short and interesting talks were made by the ministers of this immediate community and Presiding Elder J. H. Weaver and Presiding Elder W. R. Ware. Mr. Ware has served both as pastor and presiding elder of this church. Mr. T. L. Rawley, now of Winston-Salem, read an extract from a paper written by the late John G. Staples 21 years ago. This paper was a history of Methodism in Reidsville up until 1894. He was followed by Mr. P. H. Williamson, who gave a very comprehensive and interesting history of Methodism in Reidsville since 1894. Mr. C. J. Matthews, now of Greensboro, was present and made a few happy remarks.

Standing out conspicuously in the making of present history of Methodism in Reidsville is Rev. W A Lambeth, pastor of the Main Street church. Since this work of remodeling was started he has been fired with enthusiasm.

The entire membership, it may be added, has put forth a special effort to strengthen the hands of the pastor.

Rev. Roy B. Guild, D. D.

Rev. Roy B. Guild, D. D., Pastor of the Central Church, Topeka, Kansas, has been elected Associate Secretary of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America. His headquarters will be at the national offices in New York, and his main work will be the organization of local federations of churches in cities and towns throughout the country.

Dr. Guild was the executive secretary of the Men and Religion Forward Movement, and previous to that was field secretary of the Congregational Church Building Society. He is now President of the Topeka Federation of Churches, and was responsible for a recent survey of the entire city. He is also a member of the Kansas Public Health Commission and holds other large positions of public trust.

In announcing Dr. Guild's election, the general secretary of the Federal Council, Dr. Chas. S. Macfarland, said that it indicated larger plans, especially for uniting the work of the churches in local communities. The Federal Council believes that Dr. Guild is so distinctively qualified by experience and temperament that his services should be rendered, not to one church or denomination, but in the interest of all the churches. He will begin service May first.

A Great Religious Awakening

This pastor has a song of praise, and wishes to use a little space in your columns in which to sing it. Brevard Street church, Charlotte, has just closed one of the most wonderful revivals in its history. The services were led by Miss Daisy Davies, of Atlanta, Ga. For two weeks twice each day she conducted Bible readings with telling effect. The gospel-filled messages, backed up by a deeply consecrated soul, brought conviction and resulted in genuine conversions. The church has never been so stirred and community so aroused as now. Miss Davies methods are so sane and sensible, and her life so surcharged with the dynamic of God's love that old hardened sinners were reached and saved. Her mental and moral equipment, together with her large experience, render her eminently fitted for the kind of work in which she is now engaged. Last year she stopped to rest, after a strenuous eight years' labor as field secretary for the Woman's Board of Missions, but the calls from pastors come so insistent that she is kept constantly in evangelistic work. And how wonderfully God is using her!

Our meeting came to a close Sunday, March 14th, and surely that was a memorable day. Charlotte showed her appreciation of this great gospel teacher, but it remained for Sunday to be a record breaker. Every inch of space was utilized at the three services, and at the evening service, numbers were turned away for lack of room. The special address of Miss Davies, at 3 P. M., on the subject, "The Home the Center of Civilization," was great beyond description. For more than an hour she carried her audience with her, and the rapid fire of facts, figures and eloquence had a telling effect. Some 75 or more fathers and mothers vowed their willingness to dedicate their children for missionary work, and more than 25 strong young men and young ladies offered themselves to do this kind of service if God should call them.

I rarely ever saw an audience so moved as was this one: strong men and women wept like children. The delicate features of her subject were presented so plainly that the simplest could understand and yet in a way that the most fastidious could take no exception. If this address could be sounded in every ear there would be a revolution in places so much needed. In this address she is rendering the missionary operations of the church great service, and at the same time reaching and saving lives.

We believe that this meeting is going to prove an epoch in the history of Brevard Street Church. Not the great numbers that we will add to the church roll—and yet we will get a large number—but the quickened life of the church is where the wonderful victory has been won. Glad to hear that Greensboro is to have this great teacher soon. Other North Carolina towns are calling for her, but don't know whether or not she is going to be able to reach them. I hope so, however.

If a list of new subscribers to the Advocate does not soon follow, this scribe will be badly disappointed.

Very fraternally,

Lee A. Falls.

Trinity College Notes

Commencement exercises will be held this year from Sunday, June 6, to Wednesday, June 9, and from the program which is announced today the exercises promise to be of especial interest. The sermon will be preached by the Reverend James Wideman Lee, D. D., of St. Louis. The address will be deilvered by Owen Wister, LL. D., of Philadelphia, and the alumni address will be given by Mr. Bunyan S. Womble, of Winston-Salem. The baccalaureate address will be delivered by President William Preston Few.

The Rev. James Wideman Lee, of St. Louis, is one of the most distinguished ministers in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. He has occupied some of the most important pastorates in the whole connection, the greater part of his ministerial work having been done in Atlanta and Saint Louis. He has the unusual record of being twice pastor of Trinity Church, Atlanta, twice pastor of Park Street Church, Atlanta, and three times pastor of St. John's Church, St. Louis. He has only recently completed his third pastorate at St. John's and is now for the second time presiding elder of the St. Louis District. In 1894 he was in charge of an expedition sent to Palestine to secure material for an illustrated book, "Earthly Footsteps of Christ and His Apostles." He is the author of "The Making of a Man," which has been translated into Japanese, Chinese and Korean languages; "Christ, the Reason of the Universe;" "The Earthly Footsteps of the Man of Galilee;" "Henry W. Grady, Editor, Orator, and Man." He edited the Self-Interpreting Bible; Illustrated History of Methodism; History of Jerusalem; The Real Uncle Remus; Abraham Lincoln; The Religion of Science.

Owen Wister, well-known novelist and man of letters, will make the commencement address. Mr. Wister is the author of many novels as well as contributor of much prose and verse to current magazines. Perhaps his best known writings are "The Virginian," published in 1902; and "Lady Baltimore," a story of Charleston, South Carolina, published in 1906. Mr. Wister graduated in 1882 at Harvard College, where he also studied law. He was later admitted to practice in the city of Philadelphia, but since 1891 he has been largely engaged in literary work. He is a member of the Board of Overseers of Harvard College, and has kept in pretty close touch with American academic life. On at least three occasions he has made addresses at foremost American universities that have attracted nation-wide attention.

Mr. Wister is a famous author, but those who know him esteem him most for his fine and winning personality. He has not before spoken in the Southern States, and his coming to North Carolina will be a literary event of the year.

He is the author of: The Dragon of Wantley —His Tail; Red Men and White; the Jimmy John Boss; U. S. Grant, a Biography; The Virginian; Philosophy 4; Journey in Search of Christmas; Lady Baltimore; The Seven Ages of Washington; Members of the Family.

Rev. Harry M. North, of the class of 1899, will read a poem at the alumni dinner. During his undergraduate days and since, Mr. North has shown himself to be a man of distinct literary genius.

OUR CHILDREN'S HOME REPORT

By Walter Thompson, Supt.

Special, General and Ten Per Cent Assessment Fund

A friend, High Point	$ 5.00
Waynesville Station, Waynesville, Rev. Olin P. Ader	14.48
Burnsville, Rev. H. M. Wellman	2.10
West Concord Charge, R. K. Brady	7.80
Reidsville Station, A. W. Wilkinson	150.00
A friend, High Point	5.00
Summerfield, Charge, Summerfield, Rev. T. B. Johnson	5.60
Summerfield Charge, Summerfield, Rev. T. B. Johnson	10.00
Total	$199.98

Fifth Sunday Collections

Methodist S. S., First Church, Lenoir, J. G. Abernethy	$ 5.23
Weaverville S. S., Weaverville, Ernest Weaver	3.85
Total	$ 9.08

Building Fund

J. W. Harris, High Point	$ 50.00
E. M. Smith, Asheville	10.00
M. J. Byrely, Mt. Airy	10.00
Capt. U. L. Robinson, Mt. Airy	10.00
J. A. Atkins, Mt. Airy	12.50
W. B. Partridge, Mt. Airy	5.00
V. A. J. Idol, High Point	5.00
Rev. Seymour Taylor, Matthews	5.00
Miss Mary N. Grist, Matthews	2.60
Total	$110.10

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, Asheville, N. C.

WHEN LOVE IS DONE

"Tho' Night has a thousand eyes,
The Day but one,
Yet light of a whole world dies
When Day is done."

Though Hate has a thousand eyes,
And Love but one,
Yet light of a whole life dies
When Love is done.

—Duval Porter.

Cascade, Va., March 15, 1915.

CHEERING NEWS

In a personal letter from one of our most faithful District Secretaries, we quote the following: "I have never been so busy—more people are ready for me, calling for me than at any time since I have had the work."

A busy District Secretary and a willing people working together will bring things to pass. We are not surprised that several new organizations have already been reported from this district during the first quarter. We predict a year of wonderful success for this secretary in 1915.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND MISSIONARY INSTITUTES

Rev. C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder of the Asheville District, has recently held successful Institutes at Brevard, Hendersonville and Chestnut Street Church, Asheville, N. C. Every phase of the Sunday school and missionary work was presented in helpful and inspiring talks. We hope that this may be a means of increasing interest in these two branches of our work. Prominent among the speakers on these occasions were: Mr. J. M. Way and Dr. W. S. Martin of Spartanburg, Dr. and Mrs. Taft of New York, missionaries of the M. E. Church, who spent a number of years in China.

NEW ORGANIZATIONS

Greensboro District

Young People—Main Street Church, Reidsville, N. C.

President, Miss Susie Stokes; First Vice-President, Miss Ruth Chance; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Firesheets; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Katleen Terry; Recording Secretary, Miss Mary Preddy; Superintendent Study and Publicity, Miss Katie Ware; Superintendent Social Service, Miss Bessie Hightower; Superintendent Supplies, Miss Janie Rawley; Treasurer, Miss Ruth Rawley.

Statesville District

Young People—Stony Point

President, Miss Bessie Bailey; First Vice-President, Mr. Ralph Murdock; Second Vice-President, Miss Flossie Watt; Superintendent Mission Study, Mr. Clay Watt; Superintendent of Social Service, Miss Edna Harris; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Annie Watt; Treasurer, Miss Elizabeth Wagg.

Adult—Granite

President, Mrs. E. W. Yount; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Lawrence Payne; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. C. R. Russell; Treasurer, Mrs. W. M. Nelson; Recording Secretary, Mrs. C. R. Payne.

Junior Division—Granite

President, Mary Deal; Secretary, Sadie Yount; Treasurer, Carson Payne.

DISTRICT MEETINGS

The annual meeting of the Morganton District will be held at Marion April 8 and 9 Miss Lelia Tuttle will be present. A full representation of the adult, young people and junior societies is desired. Miss Tuttle will also be at Morganton April 6, and Rutherfordton College April 7. She is from McTyeire School Shanghai, China, and the district is to be congratulated upon securing her services.

* * * *

The Woman's Missionary Societies of the Statesville District will met at Hickory April 3 and 4. Please send names of delegates to Mr. J. W. Shuford. Two delegates each are allowed from adult, young people and junior societies. We will be fortunate in having with us Mrs. T. F. Marr and Miss Lelia Tuttle Let us have a full and enthusiastic representation.

Mrs. M. M. Courtney,
District Secretary.

* * * *

The annual mmeeting of the Woman's Missionary Societies of the Salisbury District will be held at Forest Hill Church, Concord, N. C., March 26 and 27. The first service will be on Friday evening, March 26, at 7:30 o'clock. A full representation from each society in the district is earnestly desired. Send names of delegates to Mrs. J. C. Fink, Concord, N. C.

MORGANTON YOUNG PEOPLE

From Miss Flora Kibler, superintendent of publicity of the Morganton Young People, we have most gratifying news of the growth of this society since its organization in December, 1914. It meets twice a month and has a circulating library which proves very helpful. To the wide-awake president, Miss Rose Davis, who is constantly planning great things for the society, is credited a great deal of the success. The society hopes to double its membership before many months.

A social meeting held recently at which members of the Epworth League were invited guests was a most pleasant affair. Similar meetings are planned for each quarter.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT MEETING

On Thursday, March 11, the doors of the Main Street Methodist Church were opened wide to receive the women of the Greensboro District Woman's Missionary Society, who assembled there to transact the business of the district meeting.

The delegates were met at the station and carried immediately to the church where at 10:15 o'clock the meeting was opened with devotional exercises by the Rev. W. A. Lambeth, who also extended to the ladies a most cordial welcome in the name of the people of Reidsville and the W. M. Society

Mrs. Blanche Carr, who has charge of the city welfare work in Greensboro, responded in a beautiful way.

Miss Ruby Allen was appointed secretary of the conference.

Mrs. Fordham, district secretary, made her report, which indicated growth along all lines.

Mrs. Richard Wills, of Greensboro, made a most impressive and interesting talk on "The Young People's Work." Mrs. Wills is president of The Margaret Foster Society of West Market Street Church, and is saturated with the missionary spirit.

Following her talk the meeting adjourned to assemble again at 2 p. m.

The afternoon session was opened with prayer by Mrs. Lucy Robertson, president of the annual conference. She then gave an interesting talk on the Children's Work, in which she made very plain the ways of arousing the child's interest.

Rev. W. A. Lambeth made a splendid talk on Stewardship. In his usual attractive way he made all feel that their possessions are simply a trust from God, and to be used for His Glory.

Young people's reports were called for and they were gratifying and satisafctory.

A talk on Social Service by Mrs. Blanche Carr, telling of some of her personal experiences, was next on the program.

Mrs. Arch Wilkinson presented the Publicity Work report, and urged every auxiliary to appoint a press superintendent to carry out this work.

Reports from Junior Societies came next.

Evening Session

The evening session of the District Conference was of special interest to the children.

Devotional service was led by Mrs. Carr. Hymn, "Publish Glad Tidings," was sung, and the first nine verses of the 197th Psalm read.

Mrs. Eugene Watt and Miss Florence had charge of the program, as follows:

Recitation—Miss Gladys Burton.

Seven Little Girls, their Gifts to God for Gratitude.

Song—Six girls dressed in Japanese costume, sung in Japanese and English.

Mrs. Lytt Gardner told what was done with missionary funds.

Prayer—Mrs. Fordham.

Miss Zung, from China, was introduced to the Conference and made a fine talk on the modes of education in her country. Miss Zung is a graduate of McTyere School, and has been a pupil in the Greensboro College for two years. She plays beautifully on the piano, and is truly a trophy from that foreign field.

Friday Morning

Dr. Weaver was expected to open the meeting on Friday morning, but was unavoidably prevented, and Mrs. Fordham read Acts 1:8. A season of prayer was held and many petitions were offered for the advancement of the missionary work.

Adult Societies made their reports.

Mrs. Robertson then held an institute, explaining the new plans and methods of work, heartily advising organic union under the direction of the Council.

Reports of Annual Conference by Mrs. John Huffines brought the morning session to an end.

Friday Afternoon

Friday afternoon Mrs. Robertson led the devotional services, reading the second Psalm, and asking her audience to take two special subjects for prayer—Miss Blanche Howell, who on last Wednesday sailed for her work in Brazil, and for the Council meeting April 14th in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Report of Committee on Courtesies was read by Mrs. Scarborough, of High Point.

Mr. Jordan, pastor of Wentworth circuit, made a most helpful talk on Mission Study, taking as his text Hosea 4:6, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge."

Mrs. Wilson, of High Point, made a telling talk on the Literature of the Church and solicited subscriptions to The Missionary Voice, the Christian Advocate and The Young Christian Worker.

Mrs. Scarborough, of High Point, ably presented the temperance cause.

Mrs. James Norfleet, of Winston-Salem, made a talk on City Mission Work. She said they had recently added to their other equipments a clinic, and two of the city physicians had volunteered their services twice a week for an hour; that they averaged from fifteen to eighteen patients a week. Miss Florence Miller is the deaconess, lives in the Wesley House, and is supported by Centenary, West End and Burkhead churches.

Pledges were made and it was gratifying to know that these pledges lacked only a small amount of covering the amount assessed the district, and there are new societies to be heard from.

Mrs. J. F. Watlington delighted t conference with one of her beauti songs.

Motion for adjournment was in der, and the meeting was dismiss with prayer by the Rev. Mr. Jord

After the noon session of conf ence, under the supervision of M Robertson and Mrs. Fordham, assi ed by Mrs. Terry and Mrs. Wilk son, a Young People's Society w organized with nine members and t following were elected officers of t same.

THE AWAKENING OF NORTH CA OLINA'S SOCIAL CONSCIENCE

Address by W. R. Lynch before the W man's Missionary Society of M. E. Church, South, W. N. C. Conference, Charlotte, N. C., Feb. 2, 1915

Members of the Woman's Missiona Society and Friends:

I am honored today in being perm ted to discuss with you "The Awa ening of North Carolina's Social C science and the Church and State operating in this awakening.

It is a great privilege to meet wi the representatives of this grand ganization, an organization that h done much to keep the fires of the m sionary spirit burning through t years. What would have become of t church, the missionary movements the world, the state, the nation, y civilization itself, had it not been f the uplifting, guiding influence of t noblest of God's creation WOMAN?

In the light of the task ahead of briefly let us look at her record in h tory.

Three thousand years ago a wom saw the oppressed, downtrodden con tion of her people, heard their cry distress, with prophetic vision arose the emergency, assumed command the situation, and with the immort words, "Up for this is the day; sure I will go with you," led the hosts Israel on to victory. And Deborah day stands as a deliverer of her pe ple. Was her mission finished the I think not. Rather it stands as a ch lenge to the women of all ages.

When the slums of the world's m tropolis were reeking in their fil and thousands of human beings we suffering and dying without attentio a beautiful talented young wom heard the cry of despair. Casti aside a place at the Royal Court England, Florence Nightengale came the ministering angel to t sick. Today her name stands at t head of that long list of noble w men who have given their lives ministering to suffering humani

When Demon Rum had gotten h clutches about the throats of his v tims and the agonizing cry of t drunkards' wives and starving childr was echoing across the continent, was a woman who heard it and ar to the emergency. Today the inf ence of the Woman's Christian Temp ance Union is being felt around t globe and the name of Francis Willa brings the echo of a thousand tho and prayers from grateful hear thanking God for her life and inf ence, as an indirect influence of whi today we stand in the very shadow national prohibition. The real inf ence and value of that life will realized in its fullness only after yea have passed.

It was a cultured, refined young w man who heard the Macedonian c coming from the slums of our weste metropolis, and giving up the joys home and a life of comfort, cast h lot with the people of the slums of th great city, and as a result of that hea to heart and shoulder to shoulder p sonal touch with struggling humani a new social conscience gripped th great wicked city, yea, even the nati Today some of our writers of author are calling Miss Jane Adams "T greatest living woman." I should tempt no eloquence if I could. I des

(Continued on page 9)

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

NOTES

The bad weather is about over and spring is here. Now is the time to get to work. If you have not done much this winter, get to work now. Everything is taking on new life. Is your League going to keep right on sleeping? Let's not be at the foot of the ladder this year. Let us clumb, but to climb we must each one get to work.

* * * *

District secretaries, now is the time to have your district institutes. If you have not made your plans, get to work on them and have your institute before the weather gets hot.

* * * *

We have had some messages from two of our district secretaries. Won't the others let us know what they have done, are doing or are going to do? We are all interested.

* * * *

We are giving below "Epworth League Statistics for 1914," which are very interesting. If your League is one of the 193 not shown on your Conference Minutes, please report same to our secretary, Mr. A. M. West, Hickory, N. C., for we want to make as good showing as possible at our Conference, which will meet at Lake Junaluska this summer. Let's all get busy and see if we cannot double our membership before then.

EPWORTH LEAGUE STATISTICS FOR 1914

By Rev. J. M. Culbreth

It has been published to the world that the Epworth League lost 9,717 members in 1914. An examination of journals of thirty-six Annual Conferences seems to confirm the figures. Five Conferences in which the League is especially strong have not yet been heard from.

The number of chapters is still undetermined. The count thus far shows a net gain of two. The remaining five Conferences may turn the scales decidedly in either one direction or the other. The chances are in favor of a small net gain.

So much for the records of the Annual Conferences.

How about the records of the Central Office at Nashville?

A thorough examination of the card register reveals some reassuring facts. There were issued during 1914 1,004 Senior charters, 116 Junior charters, 48 Knights of Ezelah charters, 7 for Girls of Epworth, and 6 for Intermediate Leagues, making a total of 1,181 charters for the twelve months.

This means an addition to the membership of the Epworth League of at least 35,000 young people.

How could it be possible, then, to suffer a net loss in members of 9,717, as the Conference Minutes seem to show? The simple truth is that no such loss has been sustained.

Every card in the register at Nashville has been carefully compared with the tables in the Conference Journals. This is the result shown: The Central Office is in actual correspondence with 193 Epworth Leagues which are not reported in the Conference minutes. These Leagues represent a membership of 5,790 by the most conservative estimate.

There is, then, in the light of the statistics in hand, a net gain in chapters for 1914 of 195 societies. The loss in members shrinks from 9,717 to 3,927. And there is a perfectly satisfactory explanation of this decrease.

The Constitution of the Epworth League, as revised by the General Epworth League Board in May, 1914, fixes the age limit of active membership in the League at from fifteen to thirty. No person beyond thirty may hold office in the League Chapter except by special permission of the pastor. This change in the Constitution caused thousands of adults to relinquish their membership in the Epworth Leagues

The Epworth League, therefore, is decidedly encouraged by the statistics of 1914. The net gain of nearly 200 chapters shows that the League is slowly regaining favor with our pastors and leaders. The loss in membership means simply that the Epworth League is being transformed into a young people's organization in fact as well as in theory—"a consummation devoutly to be wished."

Nashville, Tenn.

DEPARTMENT OF WOMAN'S WORK

(Continued from Page 8)

only to get facts before you. Eloquence may be forgotten over night; facts remain.

What is social service? Why should the church undertake it?

Social service concerns itself with human life and the things that affect human life.

The Church Should Undertake it Because Jesus Taught Humanitarian Service First

"Come ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you; for I was hungry and ye gave me to eat, I was thirsty and ye gave me to drink, I was a stranger and ye took me in, naked and ye clothed me. I was sick and ye visited me, I was in prison and ye came unto me." The righteous shall ask, "When saw we thee sick or hungry or in prison?" The King shall answer: "Verily I say: inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

Jesus clearly teaches that our first duty is not to save ourselves. "He that loseth his life for my sake shall find it."

The Church Must Forget Self and Be Buried in the Struggle

for the uplift of others. And in that uplift movement we will see individual wrongs righted. Wrongs of the home, community, town and city corrected.

The struggle of the individual or community is chiefly moral and lies between right and wrong or justice and injustice. Every church must take its place and share in the struggle not for the far off perfection of ideals but for the present, practical better. More preaching, more thought of the conditions about us today, less concern about that city with its streets of gold. Get this right first.

In the light of these great truths let us see how we may make our lives count in service for humanity's needs today.

May I remind you that there are in North Carolina today 5,000 dependent and orphan children who are unprovided for, that of the total 8,000 or more, less than three thousand can be cared for in our present institutions?

Do you know that within this state upon which God has so graciously permitted His sun to shine, there is no state institution to reclaim the "Scarlet Woman?"

Let me appeal to you in behalf of the wives and children of 3,000 prisoners in North Carolina, many of whom are paying a far greater price for the sins of the husband and father than the prisoner himself. A part of the net earnings of every prisoner should go to the support of his family. One state pays 75 per cent. of his earnings to his family.

In case there are none dependent upon him a part should be deposited to his credit that at the expiration of his sentence he may have some encouragement to begin life over anew. Crime is a good investment financially from the standpoint of the state prison It costs 66 2-3 cents per day per prisoner. They earn $1.75.

I want to appeal for a more humane treatment of the poor unfortunate prisoner. The elimination of those relics of barbarism. Corporal punishment, the stripes, the chains, the lock step, shaven heads and the miserable dark cell. What purpose have these relics of barbarism served?

Why should North Carolina be so far behind many of its sister states who are so successfully using "The Probation and Parole System," Minimum and Maximum Indeterminate Sentence, and that splendid plan of commutation for good behavior.

Are our prisons to be institutions of revenge? or are they to be institutions for the reformation and the making into useful citizens of those diseased, unfortunate members of a diseased society of whom our sociologists tell us. North Carolina is not too old or wise to take lessons from Mr. Thomas Mott Osborne and his humane methods of treating prisoners. His system of self government is an eye opener for penologists the world over.

Many of the jails and convict camps within our state are positively filthy. Out of ten camps investigated by State Board of Health, 6 had less than 300 cubic feet of air space per man; the ten averaged 197. It should have been 400 as minimum. Five did not have any towels; eight had no vaccination against typhoid and small pox; three forced men to sleep in working clothes.

The public press of our state always stands ready to declare for right. This method also brings results.

Are the men charged with the administration of our prisons and convict camps men experienced in dealing with these unfortunates of society and are they appointed because of their ability to deal with these men? Or are they in these places because of political prestige irrespective of their knowledge or ability to meet the demands?

Trained men cannot be had for $30 or $40 per month. Papers have had many accounts or complaints of mistreatment and injury. Looks like we need a change in system. State should supervise all prisoners, one Board of Directors. Forty-nine of them have no form of religious service in them. Thirty had only some occasional service. Prisoners suffering from tuberculosis and infectious diseases are reported to have been placed in same cells with other prisoners. Children confined with men.

What of the conditions of the county homes? Are they clean and wholesome? Are the inmates kindly treated? Are not these unfortunates citizens of our state? Are they to be neglected or mistreated because of their misfortune? The report of a recent investigation says that some of the inmates of these houses were taken sick, died and were buried without any form of religious service whatsoever in a Christian land. There were seventy-nine insane persons in these homes last year. Little children have been left in these places for long periods of time.

The awakened social conscience will demand a state-wide juvenile court system with probation officers in every community in the state. It will not permit children to be cast into jail and associated with criminals. It will demand a system of prevention rather than cure of crime. It will go back deal with the condition responsible for the crime and its victim. It will throw an arm of sympathy around the youthful offender and give him a chance that perhaps he has not had. It will refuse to consider children under sixteen years of age criminals. They will be treated as delinquents.

We have thought of conditions pertaining to the entire state and counties. May we briefly look at our home community and see if we may be of service there?

Entertainment

What about the entertainment and recreational centers of your community? Are the picture shows clean, properly ventilated and lighted? What about the moral atmosphere about them? What of the theatre and the vaudeville? Are the dance halls and skating rinks properly conducted? Has your censorship committee visited these places?

Playgrouinds

Has your town and city made provision for equipping and properly supervising public playgrounds for the children? Have you heard that the playground has proven one of the greatest factors in preventing crime among children? That only 15 per cent. of the crime among children in one of the largest cities that is fairly dotted with public playgrounds occurred within the 8-block play zone of all playgrounds of that city, whereas, this eight-block play zone covered over 60 per cent. of the entire area of the city including its slums, i. e., 85 per cent. of broken law by children occurred in 40 per cent. area of city.

Labor

What about the laboring conditions of your city? Are the laws governing labor enforced? Do people live and work under clean sanitary conditions? Do the laboring people get justice in case of injury? or are they victims of some shyster lawyer or unjust employer?

Chief Justice Clark tells of a case where a widow woman with several little children were sueing one of the railroads in the state for the death of her husband. After eight years and though the trial judges had sustained her claims for damages, it was thrown out of court on a technicality that had no bearing whatsoever on the real merits of the claim.

Another case he relates is that a widow woman in very needy circumstances suing railroad company for $10,000 damages because of death of her husband. Every time it came to trial the court sustained her claims but the shrewd lawyers for the company each time succeeded in picking technical error in the trial that allowed new trial. After this had been repeated sixteen years at last just before the last new trial was to be heard one of the poor woman's material witnesses died and without his evidence they were unable to make a case. What kind of justice is this? Surely we need a change that will protect our citizens, especially those of our number who are less able to take care of themselves, and especially during these distressing times when they need immediate relief.

The Workman's Compensation Law eliminates these injustices. It tends to reduce legal fees and is calculated to have opposition from certain members of that profession. An awakened social conscience will demand its enactment and enforcement in our state.

Who is making it a business to keep an eye on the economic conditions of our communities? The high cost of living? Its cause? Is there juggling in prices of the necessities of life?

Health

What about the health of your community? Have your officials employed a whole time health officer to devote his entire time in making your community healthy? Investigating matters of sanitation, drinking water supply, milk, meats and vegetables. Examing school children. Studying to eliminate epidemics of disease that have made such ravages in our communities. The awakened social conscience will demand this.

Do you have an organization of trained nurses to visit your people, help care for the sick babies and one thousand other things? A modified milk station where pasteurized modified milk may be had for the babies?

Is your town linked up with the other towns in the state in the splendid effort to correlate the charity work and systematically administer to the needs of our unfortunate poor? Not merely furnishing temporary relief but striking at the cause, and attempting its cure. They are doing a most commendable work.

Settlement Houses and Y. W. C. A's

Y. W. C. A's and Girls Boarding Homes are institutions that are worthy of the support of every community

in the state, where any number of people are gathered together.

Do you have good schools, properly equipped? The best available teachers? Are they looking out for effective children and getting the parents of such children to have them attended to?

There are 291,497 illiterates in North Carolina today. Of these 132,000 are native born white people, 49,000 are white voters who cannot read the ballot they vote. What a tragedy. Mrs. Cora Wilson Stewart from Kentucky's Mountains has flung to the world a challenge to wipe out illiteracy. This challenge comes to us with awful directness because of the number of illiterates within our state. Dr. Joyner says, "We must answer it with acceptance." We are in the fight to wipe out illiteracy in dead earnest. Illiteracy stands as the blackest blot on our state today.

The District Primary prevents machine men getting into office. The initiative allows the voters to initiate laws that they want. Even if the Legislature refuses to introduce them they become law just the same. The referendum gives the voter the right to reject any law made by the Legislature if they desire. The recall gives the voters the right to remove any official from office they deem unworthy of the office he holds.

Our ideals will be realized when the legislative and administrative forces of our town, city and state, hear the voice of the awakened social conscience of the church and not until then. When we have each contributed our share to the perfection of the ideal we will in them realize something of the blessing of being lost in unselfish service for humanity's sake

EXCHANGE YOUR OLD BODY FOR A NEW ONE

You can do it in three weeks and thereby renew your health. This article is written by a physician who has seen it demonstrated in numerous cases and explains how it is done.

Listen: If your weight is one hundred and thirty-three pounds your body contains eighty pounds of water, for, according to standard medical books, the human body contains sixty-seven and one-half per cent. of water. Now disease is invariably caused by impurities which we call poison, and these are readily dissolved by the right kind of natural mineral water. Drink ten gallons (eighty pounds) of Shivar Mineral Water (use no other water for twenty-one days), and you will have exchanged your old body for a new one, so far as the soluble part of it is concerned. The impurities will be dissolved and pass away. If you suffer with dyspepsia, indigestion, sick headache, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney or liver disease, uric acid poisoning, or other conditions due to impure blood, accept Mr. Shivar's liberal offer which appears below. Read the following letter carefully; then sign and mail it:

Shivar Spring,
Box 5G, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen:

I accept you guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....

(Please write distinctly.)

Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You run no risk whatever in accepting his offer. I have personally witnessed the remarkable curative effects of this water in a very serious case.



THE CELEBRATED
Throneburg Nursery
solicits your trade on apple, peach, pear, shade and ornamental trees. Prices reasonable. Agents wanted everywhere. Liberal commissions.
THE THRONEBURG NURSERY, NEWTON, N. C.

HELP SAVE MILLIONS

The average substantial family spends something over three hundred dollars a year for new clothing. The two Carolinas spend millions. Half of this amount is money thrown away because half the garments discarded each season are simply soiled, stained or out of shape, but may be easily cleaned or renewed.

HALF OF YOUR OLD CLOTHING CAN BE MADE GOOD AS NEW

through modern methods of DRY CLEANING AND DYEING. Look through your closet or clothes chest. Your spring suit. Isn't it merely badly soiled or out of shape? If the spots were removed, a few repairs made and the entire garment restored to shape and "hang," wouldn't it be just as good as a new suit, at least for another season? A new suit will cost you probably twenty-five dollars. To restore your old one to newness will cost two dollars. This represents a most desirable saving, especially during these times of necessitated economy. Your old skirt, fancy gowns, gloves, satin slippers and your husband's suit, gloves, vests, etc., mean proportional savings. With the aid of

FAULTLESS DRY CLEANING AND DYEING

YOU CAN DRESS WELL AT ALMOST NO COST. This famous method of treating clothing restores newness and freshness to almost every article of wear, without injury to the most delicate fabrics. It not only cleans perfectly, but brings back the original new "hang" of the garment, making it in every way, as good as when new.

IN OUR DYEING DEPARTMENT we dye garments to any darker shade desired at very small cost. Any article which has become tiresome or greatly stained can be dyed to a new color so that it can hardly be recognized. Suits, Gowns, Waists, Overcoats, Plumes, Tips, etc. are beautifully and economically dyed. Laces and Dress Trimmings dyed to match samples. MOURNING GOODS DYED ON SHORT NOTICE.

WE HAVE MADE OUR PRICES ATTRACTIVELY LOW

because we know many people will want to take advantage of this opportunity of saving.

DRY CLEANING		DYEING	
Ladies' Suits	$2.00 up	Ladies' Suits	$3.00
Ladies' Skirts	1.00 "	Ladies' Skirts	1.50
Ladies' Dresses	1.50 "	Ladies' Dresses	2.50
Waists	.50 "	Waists	1.00
Coats	1.00 "	Coats	1.00
Plumes	.75 "	Plumes	1.00
Tips	.50 "	Tips	.75
Men's Coats	.75 "	Men's Coats	1.00
Men's Pants	.50 "	Men's Pants	1.00
Men's Vests	.25 "	Men's Vests	.50
Overcoats	1.50 "	Overcoats	2.00 up
Fancy Dresses	2.50 "		
Opera Coats	2.00 "		
Gloves, Short	.10		
Gloves, Long	.20		

Laces and Dress Trimmings dyed to match samples. Mourning orders dyed on short notice.

OUR IRON CLAD GUARANTEE
We guarantee all dry cleaning and dyeing work absolutely. Any unsatisfactory work will be done over FREE OF CHARGE. If we then can not delight you with the results, say so and without a word of discussion, **Back Goes Your Money to You.** We know we can please you and hence are not afraid to guarantee satisfaction.

Read our IRON CLAD GUARANTEE, then look through your old clothing and send us a trial order at once. Parcel post gives prompt and inexpensive delivery. We pay all RETURN CHARGES ON ORDERS OF 50c AND OVER. We advise customers in case an order cannot be executed exactly as desired and suggest best method of treatment.

Act at once and learn the economy of FAULTLESS DRY CLEANING AND DYEING.

Correspondence solicited.

THE CHARLOTTE LAUNDRY
OLDEST - LARGEST - BEST
Main Office and Works:
Nos. 8-16 East Second Street.
Charlotte, N. C.



PANAMA—PACIFIC EXPOSITIONS, SAN FRANCISCO AND SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

SOUTHERN RAILWAY—PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Very Low Round Trip Fares

Dates of sale March 1st to November 30th, 1915. Final return limit three months from date of sale, except that these tickets will not be good to return later than December 31st, 1915.

Low round trip fares from principal points as follows:

Charlotte	$84.15
Salisbury	84.15
High Point	84.15
Greensboro	84.15
Mount Airy	86.25
Gastonia	84.15
North Wilkesboro	87.85
Statesville	84.15
Hickory	83.25
Morganton	82.20
Winston-Salem	84.15
Shelby	82.60

Fares from other points on same basis. Fares to Seattle or via Portland and Seattle at higher rate. These tickets will permit of diverse routing and will allow stop-overs on both going and return trip within limit of ticket.

Southern Railway offers choice of several routes of historic interest from which to select; going one way and returning another. Through connections and good service via Memphis, St. Louis, Chicago or New Orleans. Through cars daily via New Orleans and Sunset Route. Special car parties now being arranged, affording opportunity to make trip without change and with select company on outgoing trip; returning at leisure via any route you may choose, stopping off at your own pleasure, thereby avoiding all the discomforts of going and returning with large tour parties, being compelled to follow the crowd. In going individually or with special Pullman car parties you spend your own money, stop where you please and go and come to suit your own convenience and save money paid tourist agents for escorting you around.

For further information apply to Southern Railway Agents, or

R. H. DeButts, D. P. A.,
Charlotte, N. C.

You can save many Dollars in Clothing Bills

if you will send me your soiled Suits, Skirts, Laces, Gloves, etc., for Dry Cleaning. Suits cleaned, 50c to $1. Skirts cleaned, 25c to 50c. Gloves cleaned, 5c per pair. Best work. Quick service.

CLYDE ENNIS
Dyer and Cleaner
Salisbury, N. C.

BLUE RIDGE INN

Mt. Airy N. C. W. M. Jordan, Prop
MOUNT AIRY'S LEADING HOTEL

Rates $2.00 and $2.50
All meals 50 cts.

Electric Lights, Steam Heat, Electric Bell System, Hot and Cold Baths
American Plan

A clean, up-to-date home for the tourist or traveling man, in a beautiful mountain city

LET US GIVE THANKS

The following letter has just been sent out by Rev. R. L. Davis, Superintendent of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League, and we pass it on to readers of the Advocate with our hearty endorsement:

Raleigh, N. C., March 18, 1915.

Dear Brother:—

Although the General Assembly did not grant the law to prohibit the delivery of liquor for beverage purposes, as asked for by the moral and church forces of the state, we were successful in getting through some very helpful and needful legislation. The battle was a warm one and a victorious one for the temperance forces. I believe all legislation would have been defeated by the Senate but for the active and immediate support given us by the church and pastors throughout the state, for which I desire to thank you. When you read the enclosed laws, I am sure you will agree with me that we have made a long stride forward.

We have already served notice that this battle will continue until we have prohibited the receipt of liquor in this state and the work will go on until the last blockade distillery is destroyed and national prohibition is enacted; and I ask your constant and continued support and the support of your church that the Anti-Saloon League may carry forward this desirable program.

I feel that a day should be set apart to give thanks to God for the victory we have won, and, after advising with our Central Committee, we ask that on Sunday, March 28th, the last Sunday before the law becomes effective, you take a few minutes to tell your congregation something about these three laws and then, in prayer, give thanks to God for the victory.

We also request that you give your people an opportunity of making a cash contribution to help wipe out our indebtedness of $955.83. I am sure that there are some members in every congregation who would like to contribute 25c, 50c, or $1 for this purpose, and we want them to have the opportunity.

Yours for extermination of the beverage liquor traffic,

R. L. Davis, Supt.

SOUTHERN SOCIOLOGICAL CONGRESS

The fourth session of the Southern Sociological Congress will be held in Houston, Texas, May 8-11, 1915. The general theme of the program will be "The Conservation of Health." The six departments will study the following aspects of the general theme:

1. The Prevention of Communicable Disease.
2. Moral Health.
3. The Health of Children.
4. Mental Health.
5. Health and Race Relations.
6. The Church as the Conserver of Social Health.

The aim of the Congress this year is not simply to conduct a scientific study of the question of public health but to launch a crusade against disease and against destroyers of social welfare.

The program promises to be of greater interest and the attendance will probably be larger than at any previous Congress. About 60 speakers will be on the program. Many of these will be men of commanding ability and specialists in public health work.

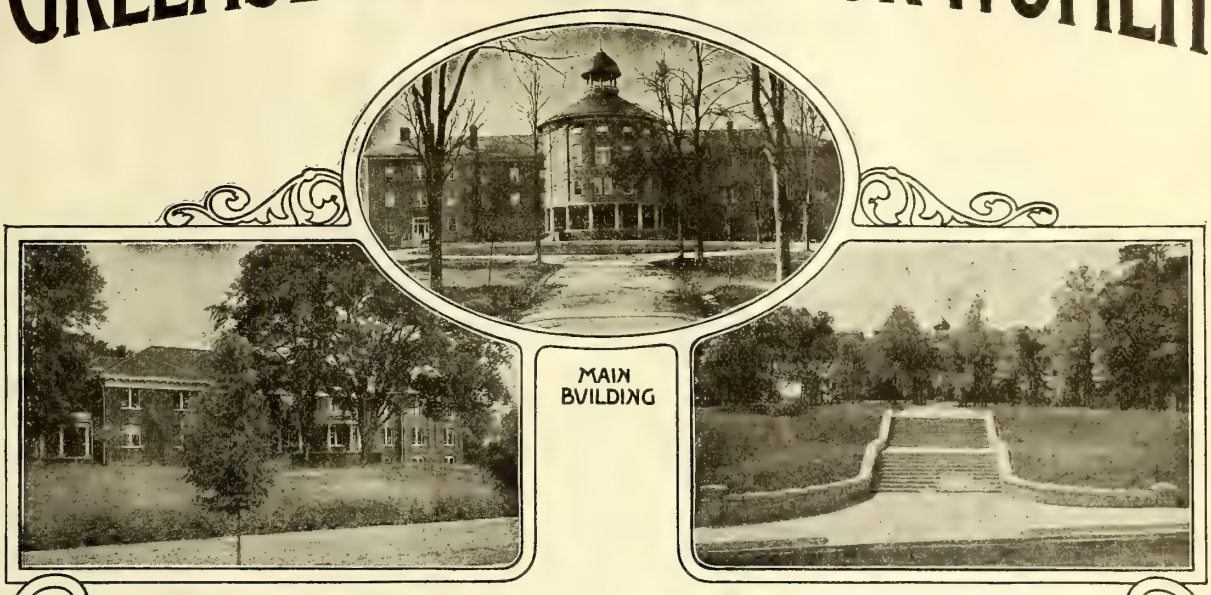


EARN BIG MONEY

Taking orders for our Fruit Trees, Ornamentals, Roses, Etc. Light work. Permanent job. No capital required. Experience not necessary. This is your opportunity. Our business has been established 28 years and stands high with the public. Write today.

SMITH BROS., Dept. 45, Concord, Ga.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

BIBLES FOR DISTRIBUTION

The following letter explains itself:

Moravian Falls, N. C., Mar. 8, 1915.

Rev. H. M. Blair,
Editor The Christian Advocate,
Greensboro, N. C.

Dear Brother Blair:

Will you please say to the brethren in Wilkes county that if there are any white families anywhere within the county whom they know to be without a Bible in the home, I shall be glad to supply that home with a copy of the Bible or, if too many calls are made on me, with at least copies of the New Testament. I want to be able to say that I live in a county where there is not a home without the Bible, and I have been distributing Bibles at my own expense for this purpose where I knew such a condition existed. I was surprised to find one man, a member of a religious denomination, who has been married nine years and never had a copy of the Bible in his home, though he has several growing children. It is needless to say I supplied him with a good Bible at once.

Let the brethren communicate with me, and as long as I am able, I shall gladly supply the Good Books at my own expense for such instances.

Fraternally for God and Christ,

(Rev.) Arthur T. Abernethy.

Scribbler: "I've a poem here advocating peace." Editor: "I suppost that you honestly and sincerely desire peace." Scribbler: "Yes, sir." Editor: "Then burn the poem."

Boston Transcript.

FRECKLES

February and March Worst Months For This Trouble—How to Remove Easily.

There's a reason why nearly everybody freckles in February and March, but happily there is also a remedy for these ugly blemishes, and no one need stay freckled.

Simply get **an ounce** of othine, double strength, from your druggist and apply a little of it night and morning, and in a few days you should see that even the worst freckles have begun to disappear, while the light ones have vanished entirely. Now is the time to rid yourself of freckles, for if **not** removed now they will stay all Summer, and spoil an otherwise beautiful complexion. **Your money back if othine fails.**

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

.....

.....

The Sunday School Lesson

LESSON XIII—MARCH 28

GOD'S MERCIES TO DISOBEDIENT ISRAEL (Review)

Neh. 9. 26-31.

Golden Text—Righteousness exalteth a nation; but sin is a reproach to any people. Prov. 14:34.

Notes by Dr. and Mrs. Camden M. Coburn

I. God's Patience With Israel

Judges 2:7-19

The need of great men as leaders of the masses can be seen from the history of Joshua and the Judges. Again and again idolatry conquered monotheism. This was because the monotheism was often rather poor and rather superstitious. It was for the same reason that Mohammedanism conquered an impure type of Christianity. Each Judge lifted the people in some direction to a higher idea of God and their national destiny. It is interesting to see how Jehovah could use even evil forces in his plans for the uplift of Israel and the race. When it says Israel "played the harlot" after other gods, it shows that even thus early the relation between Jehovah and his people was thought of as being analogous to that between a husband and his wife. The history of humanity has followed this same course—revival, backsliding, failure, punishment, repentance through the influence of some man of God.

II. Deborah and Barak Deliver Israel

Judges 4:4-23; 5:1-22

Here we see woman's prominent part in Hebrew history. A woman judge! Even then there was neither male nor female in God's sight. This was very different from the thought in heathen nations even a thousand years later. In some nations, as in Egypt, a woman could be queen at times, but it took birth and position, something more than innate worth, to bring distinction. Barak is often condemned as weak and cowardly because he refused to go without Deborah, but it at least speaks well for him that notwithstanding the natural Oriental feeling of male superiority he could recognize womanly greatness when he saw it. Yet there was a lack of faith and a dependence on the instrument of God rather than on the divine presence itself (verse 9).

III. The Call of Gideon

Judges 6:11-40

Gideon was engaged in humble and, indeed, humiliating work when "called." And he had fallen into doubt. God was in the mighty past, but he was not doing miracles or working wonders any more, and Gideon could see no modern hero equal to those who delivered Israel in the ancient time. When he gets the call to be himself a hero, he felt as surprised as some of us when we are "called to be saints." But Gideon, when the "Spirit of the Lord" came upon him, rose to the occasion. He unified the tribes, and after testing God in various ways actually trusted him. The tests he applied to God were superstitious, but while God could not honor such superstitious faith now, in 'the times of man's ignorance" he winked at a lack of knowledge which under the circumstances was necessary. A true-hearted man who has too much faith in an immanent God is likely to get more from him than a wise man who is less superstitious, but also less devout.

IV. Gideon and the Three Hundred

Judges 7

Gideon gets a new name (Jerubbaal) for his act of courage and faith. He then takes time for preparation for battle. He gathers the people, but, like the church of Jesus Christ, a good many indolent and cowardly people were in the army. These were all eliminated. After the final test of awareness and eager readiness is made they conquered under the battle-cry, "The sword of the Lord and of Gideon." It is the greatest honor of a man's life to have his name thus tied up with the name of God.

V. The Birth of Samson

Judges 13:8-16, 24, 25

The training of the boy begins before his birth. The temperance and care of food and abstinence from every "unclean thing" on the part of Samson's mother was necessary to the beginning of this boy's life. Samson made many mistakes in life, but he brought prominently to the mind of everybody the truth that physical strength at its best is the product of temperance. The war lords are realizing that now, but it has taken over three thousand years for the scientific fact so picturesquely illustrated here to be fully grasped. "Jehovah blessed him, and the Spirit of God began to move him." That our physical nature is a gift from God, and that its use may be divinely directed is something we all need to remember. But many a man now uses his divine "gifts" as foolishly and wickedly as Samson sometimes did.

VI. Ruth Chooses the True God

Ruth 1

The times of the Judges furnish us perspective for the sweetest story in literature. We see the value of famine and misfortune which sends Naomi into a heathen country as a successful missionary. Former visitors to Moab had attempted to convert the heathen by the club and the sword and the jaw-bone of an ass, but this woman did better. It is the true Christian home in a heathen land that has the most lasting influence for good. Both of these girls and all the neighbors respected the God of Israel better because they had met Naomi. This story also teaches how honorable marriage was in ancient times. Not to be married was to an Oriental the worst of all calamities. Even to this day in the nunneries of Egypt the best blessing one can give to the inmates on leaving is to say, "The Lord send you a husband." Ruth was willing to give up even this highest hope of an Oriental woman for the sake of staying with her motherinlaw!

VII. Samuel Called to Be a Prophet

1 Sam. 1:24, 28; Chap. 3.

A distinguished professor of the Michigan University told the writer that he was converted when four years old. Samuel was religious almost by heredity. Few, if any, boys of this kind live who have not had religious parents. The responsibility of hereditary disposition is not sufficiently realized. It is also interesting to notice that the voice of God sounds to the ear that hears it so natural and homelike that it may almost be mistaken for the voice of one's dearest friend. Many need today to say, "Speak, for thy servant heareth." Yet too many fail even once a week to gather in the place of prayer to seek for God's leading—and who is it who today maintains the family altar as our fathers did?

VIII. The Death of Eli and His Sons

1 Samuel 4:1-18

The house of Eli fell because "he restrained not" his own sons. The tragedy of this lesson is not the death of Eli, but his previous weakness. This weakness of Eli led to his permission that these wicked sons should be with the Ark and direct the religious activities of the people. No wonder the Ark was destroyed and Israel defeated when Hophni and Phineas were nearest the Ark. We also see the terrible superstition of the people, who said: "It will save us." It was not upon God that Israel was relying, but upon this symbol of God's presence which they had practically made into an idol.

X. Samuel, the Victorious Leader

1 Samuel 7:3-17

Samuel was the one great and good Judge during this century and a half. He was strong enough to get the people to put away their idols. He poured out water, indicating by this how his own heart was melting and being poured out in penitence for the people's sins. This great prayer-meeting at Mizpah was so well attended that the Philistines thought it a political meeting, and came up to fight the worshipers. Samuel offered a burnt offering of thanksgiving, as if the victory was already gained, and cried unto the Lord to honor his faith, whereupon a great thunder storm struck the enemy and smote them, and Samuel was able to put up the stone which he called Ebenezer: "Hitherto hath Jehovah helped us." It is the remembrance of past help that leads to present victories.

XI. Saul Anointed King.

1 Samuel 8-10

The "theocracy" without a political human representative who would stand for the Divine Ruler had proved too ideal for these materialistic and "practical" Israelites, therefore as God could not get his first choice—because of the weakness and weak will and weak religious character of the people—he gave them the second choice—a king who should be different from other kings, since he was compelled to govern according to a constitution and to have his selection as king ratified by a public vote. He was to be "prince over Jehovah's inheritance," and was not allowed arbitrary and absolute rule as were other kings. It was a wise act to select a popular hero from the little tribe of Benjamin instead of taking a king from the two or three large tribes. The king was to be honored as he honored God.

XII. Jonathan and His Armor-Bearer

1 Samuel 11

God can make the wrath and even the sin of man to praise him. Nahash the Ammonite seemed to have everything his own way, but the very completeness of his wicked power brought the unexpected reaction and successful resistance. So in the slavery and temperance fights, it was only after Nahash had pushed his enemies to an absurd and brutal extremity that his doom was sealed. It will be so with war.

XII. Jonathan and His Armor-Bearer

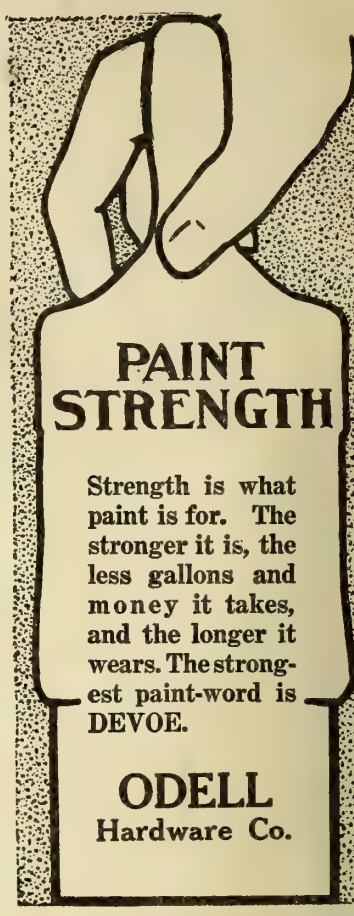
1 Samuel 14:1-46

It is hard to think of the loving and tender Jonathan as a warrior. But if he had not been he could have been no bosom friend of David. At that age of the world no man could be a popular hero without a strong body. At all ages of the world patriotism and courage have been properly counted elements of a true manhood. In this age it sometimes takes more patriotism and courage to stand for peace than for war. It shows the strange and unique democracy of the ancient Hebrew spirit to find this nameless armor-bearer given here such noble praise. Even yet the armor-bearers are as important as the anointed heroes.

"Do noble things, not dream them all day long,
And so make life, death and the vast forever
One grand, sweet song."

—Pittsburg Christian Advocate.

BLYMYER CHURCH BELLS. UNLIKE OTHER BELLS SWEETER, MORE DURABLE, LOWER PRICE. OUR FREE CATALOGUE TELLS WHY. Write to Cincinnati Bell Foundry Co., Cincinnati, O.



PAINT STRENGTH

Strength is what paint is for. The stronger it is, the less gallons and money it takes, and the longer it wears. The strongest paint-word is DEVOE.

ODELL Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER

Proprietor

GREENSBORO, N. C

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 134

DR. C. W. MOSELEY

DISEASES OF STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO

ROBT. W. MURRAY

GENERAL INSURANCE

Greensboro, North Carolina

308½ South Elm St.

Phone 163

Our Little Folks' Department

GRANDMA'S VISIT

When grandma's coming we all wait
To meet and kiss her at the gate.
And Carlo seems to understand;
He jumps and barks and licks her hand.
You can't expect a dog to know
That she is not his grandma too.
She wishes that my hair would curl
Like mamma's when she was a girl.
When brother cannot find his toys,
She only says: "Boys will be boys."
She knows I always wa t more dolls,
That brother loses lots of balls.
Her grip holds cakes and candy rings,
But she's the sweetest thing she brings.
—Mattie Lee Hausgen.

A GOOD BEGINNING

John Roberts was ten years old when he started to the Warwick School for Boys. Because his home was on the edge of the city and far distant from the school, he had been taught at home and knew nothing of school life except as he had read of it in books.

"I suppose all of the fellows will know more than I do," he said to his mother as they drove into the city that morning.

"Of course they will know more about school life," his mother had answered; "but you have had more time to read and to work than the schoolboys have, so there are some things that you will know more about than most boys of your age." And with that assurance John was comforted.

"I wonder if the fellow will like me?" he asked naturally, as he had never lost the happy habit of talking freely with his mother.

"I think they will," she had answered, "because you have a kind heart and you want them to like you, and that's a good beginning. The best way to have a friend, you know, is to be a friend."

Then they came to the school, and John went in with his mother. They spent some hours in the office and talking with the teachers, and at last John was placed in the class where he seemed best fitted to go. He was pleased to see that there were many boys even larger than he in the same class, so he said to himself: "Mother must be a pretty good teacher."

At the noon recess the hired man from his home came in and brought John's lunch and left Dapple for John to ride home after school. Dapple was John's very own little glossy bay pony, and he had been riding him for a good many years; so the two of them knew each other pretty well.

"Look at the toy pony!" said Martin Wright, teasingly. "Can mother's baby ride the little pony?"

"Much better than you can," answered John politely. "Dapple is a little spoiled and don't like to have strangers ride him."

A dozen or more of the boys had gagthered by this time; and when Martin threw back his head and laughed mockingly, there were plenty of boys to join in with him.

"I could ride him without touching the bridle, he laughed boastfully.

"I don't think you could," said John honestly; "and I shouldn't like to have you try him, for you might get hurt."

At that the boys all laughed, for the pony was not very large and looked to be as gentle as a collie puppy, while Martin was much larger than John.

"Let's see you ride him Mart," said Henry Blackman, and the other boys joined in the request.

So Martin jumped on the pony and, loosening the bridle from the hitching post, laid it over the pony's neck and clucked to the gentle creature to start him off. Dapple didn't move a muscle, except to look around quietly to see who was on his back. "Give me a switch, fellows," called Martin indignantly; "I'll make this kitten run."

"You mustn't use a switch on Dapple; he won't stand it," said John Warningly.

But the larger boy paid no heed to him, and, digging his heels into the pony's sides, he struck him sharply with the switch. For a few minutes then no one could tell exactly which was pony and which was boy, for Dapple ran around and around the yard, kicking up his heels as he ran and shaking himself viciously. Martin was leaning over and holding on desperately to the little creature's maine.

But even then John saw that he must soon be thrown off and perhaps have a leg broken. "It would serve him right too, the big bully!" said John, setting his teeth firmly. Then a new and kind thought came into John's heart, and he remembered what mother had said about being a friend and having a friend. He whistled softly, and "Dapple, Dapple," he said kindly, "come here, sir!"

Dapple threw his head down and trotted over to John, as meek as a little lamb.

Then, while John held the bridle and stroked the pony's sides, Martin had a chance to get off without being hurt. "Thank you, old chap; you're a white kid," he said so that all the boys could hear.

And John knew that he had made one friend and a good beginning for more.—Francis McKinnon Morton.

THE STRAY KTTEN

"That looks just like a kitten I lost." Barbara Hill stood looking into Roger Martin's yard.

"It's my kitten. Isn't it cute?" said Roger.

"Mine was just like that," Barbara continued. "I lost it night before last."

Roger did not answer, but softly stroked the kitten's fur. "I suppose that's where you belong," he addressed his pet; "but we won't say anything about it. You're mine now."

Two evenings before, when returning from an errand, the kitten had followed him home.

When he asked permission to keep the kitten his mother had replied: "Yes, if you can't find the owner."

He had not tried. Now, Barbara's words had shown him that without doubt the kitten was hers.

"I won't say anything about it," he repeated. "I'll go to a few houses and ask them if they've lost a kitten, and then I'll tell mother that I can't find its home."

Suddenly from over his head came the shrill "Thief! thief!"

Roger rose hastily. "Don't call me that again; I'm going to take the kitten right home."

Barbara answered his knock at the door.

"I've brought your kitten," Roger announced. "It's yours, after all." Then he told her how and where he found it.

"O, thank you, Roger!" Barbara exclaimed. "Yes, it's mine. It's ever so good of you to bring it back."

Roger went home with a load lifted from his mind. "That's over," he commented, "and I'm glad," he added looking up into the tree where he had heard the blue jay, "that I'm not a thief."—Exchange.

WE WILL PAY YOU $120.00
to distribute religious literature in your community. Sixty days' work. Experience not required. Man or woman. Spare time may be used.
ZEIGLER CO., Dept. 35, Philadelphia.

EASTER GIFTS
FOR CHILDREN
COLORED PICTURE BIBLES
& TESTAMENTS
HOLMAN EDITIONS IN PURPLE BINDINGS
FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHOLARS AND LITTLE CHILDREN
These special editions have been prepared to appeal to the child's own interest.

All efforts of the imagination and all descriptions in words cannot make the Land of the Bible as real and vivid as a walk through it by means of Pictures. There has been so little change in that part of the Orient that pictures of its scenes as they now are show the very places as they actually existed in the time of Jesus and the Apostles.

These Pictures illuminate in natural colors scenes and places taken from nature; and life in the Holy Land in manners, customs, dress and homes as they now exist, but so like olden times that one may imagine themselves going about with Jesus as He healed, taught and walked through the streets of Jerusalem. Each picture is accompanied by a complete description of the scene portrayed.

ALL OF THE FOLLOWING STYLES are bound in PURPLE SILK CLOTH, with PURPLE EDGES on book



GOLD TITLES and GOLD FLORAL DESIGN



on cover, also containing Sixteen beautiful Colored Pictures.

COLORED PICTURE BIBLES, PURPLE SILK CLOTH BINDINGS.

	PUBLISHERS' PRICES	OUR PRICES	
No. 5404. Large Minion Type Self-Pronouncing. Size 5⅞ x 4¼ inches	1.00	.80	Post Paid
No. 5004. Clear Black Pearl Type Size 5⅛ x 3¼ inches	.70	.55	Post Paid

COLORED PICTURE NEW TESTAMENT, PURPLE SILK CLOTH BINDING.

No. 2404. Large Minion Type Self-Pronouncing. Size 5⅞ x 4¼ inches	.60	.40	Post Paid

NEW TESTAMENT VEST POCKET SIZE, PURPLE SILK CLOTH BINDING
Colored Frontispiece Only.

No. 2104. Clear Agate Type Self-Pronouncing. Size 4½ x 2⅛ inches	.32	.25	Post Paid

CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

TRINITY COLLEGE
FOUNDED 1838 : : : : CHARTERED 1859



A Southern institution of established national reputation. Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.

Large endowment fund makes possible complete, first-class equipment; full faculty of able, well-chosen instructors; beautiful campus, new buildings, modern laboratories, splendid library. Comfortable, inexpensive dormitories. For catalogue and illustrated booklet, address

R. L. Flowers, Sec. to the Corporation, Durham, N. C.



Before and After the Fire

Nobody knows when fire or lightning or wind will rage and destroy.

Some church building is being harmed by one of these destroyers somewhere every day. Absolute protection against loss is furnished, and money saved the assured, and Methodism perpetuated, by

The National Mutual Church Insurance Co., of Chicago—The Methodist Mutual

No assessments. All that you have guessed about mutual insurance may be wrong. If you want to KNOW, write for information to

HENRY P. MAGILL, Secretary and Manager, Insurance Exchange, Chicago, Ill.
Mrs. Alice Hargrove Barclay, Agent M. E. Church South, 314 Norton Building, Fourth and Jefferson, Louisville, Ky.



This India Paper Bible Compared with one of ordinary paper, containing the same number of pages and same size type.

THE GREATEST BIBLE BARGAIN

A GENUINE 7.50 { HOLMAN India Paper Self-Pronouncing BIBLE } FOR ONLY 4.25 Carefully Wrapped and sent Postpaid in a box

Authorized version, printed from the clearest type ever used in a Bible, large bold face open print with liberal spacing between the words and lines

PRINTED ON THE FINEST INDIA PAPER MADE

The Text is Self-Pronouncing with references. It has a new Concordance, alphabetically arranged and with analytical and comparative features and 50,000 References also New Biblical Atlas with Fifteen Colored Maps and Complete Index to Same.

BOUND IN GENUINE PERSIAN MOROCCO, divinity circuit, full leather linings, silk sewed, silk head bands and marker, special flat opening reinforced binding that will not break in the back.

The size is 5½ x 8 inches--only one inch thick.

Easy to Read Type

Specimen of Type.

17 ¶ "From that time Jē'sus began to preach, and to say," Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at

No. 700X Publisher's Price 7.50 Sent postpaid for 4.25

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

Our Dead

SPRY—Carrie B. Spry, wife of James Spry, of the vicinity of Advance, was born March 13th, 1883, and died February 13, 1915; aged 31 years and 11 months. She was married to Brother Spry February 22, 1903. To this union were born two children, which died in infancy. She was a daughter of Mr. Barney Caslie, of Caruatzers. She professed religion in 1906, but has not joined any church. She leaves a father, husband, four brothers. Her favorite song was, "Shall we Gather at the River." I trust she has gathered there with her little ones and that all the other dear ones will gather there with her.

Her friend,
E. Myers.

Advance, N. C., March 9, 1915.

HOYLE—Joseph G. Hoyle was born January 16, 1880, and died at his home near Fallston, N. C., March 10, 1915, aged 35 years, 1 month and 22 days. He was the youngest son of Rev. and Mrs. R. M. Hoyle, now of Mocksville, N. C., and leaves a wife and one son, eleven years old. At the age of eleven he was converted under the preaching of the Rev. Mr. Kitrell in Mt. Airy, N. C., and the same year joined the M. E. Church, South, under the pastorate of Rev. J. E. Gay. Brother Hoyle's suffering, while intense, was of short duration. He was confined to his bed only six days. He bore his suffering with great fortitude and courage. He never seemed to have much hope of his recovery. He was lay leader of the Belwood charge and a very loyal and thoughtful member of the board of stewards. A question which he so many times asked his pastor was, Is there bread at the parsonage? He really made his preach'er's interest his own and showed it in substantial ways. He was a man upon whom nature had bestowed coveted gifts—a man who had the ability to think and never at a loss for words to express his thoughts.

Not in the church alone will we miss him, but Cleveland county has lost one of her staunch citizens.

The funeral services were held from Kadesh church on the Belwood charge and the body laid to rest in the cemetery at that place. A multitude of people was present to attest the very high esteem in which he was held. The Masons and Juniors were present and took part in the services.

Hosts of friends share the grief of this stricken family. J. F. Moser.

JOHNSON—Dr. J. T. Johnson was born on March 31st, 1836 and his noble spirit left the frail tenement of clay in which it had tabernacled for nearly four score years, on Dec. 24, 1914, and went to meet Him whom having not seen he loved and served. He leaves a wife, two daughters, a mother and two sisters besides a host of relatives and friends to mourn their loss.

As a soldier he was gallant to a fault and was greatly honored and promoted by his comrades.

As a citizen he stood for the right regardless of what the outcome would be. No one ever doubted for one moment where he stood on any moral question. Eternity alone can reveal how far-reaching his influence as a citizen of the town in putting down the wrong and toning up the life of the people. As a physician he had few superiors. Unlike some he went to the homes of the poor where there was suffering without any hope of earthly reward, looking forward to the time when the King shall say, "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of these ye did it to me."

He was a loving, devoted and tender husband and father, but greater than these he was a genuine Christian. His loyalty to God, his devotion to the church and his liberality can never be emphasized too much. Though a busy physician he arranged his practice so as to be at Sunday school and was its efficient superintendent for 22 years. He was for 49 years a member of the official board and surely no pastor has ever had a more loyal and helpful one. He loved his pastor and always stood by him. His presence in the church was an inspiration to the preacher and a benediction to the audience. Though old and feeble in body he attended services and the official meetings until the very last. He has gone to his reward but his works do follow him. His life adorned the doctrine of Christ in all things. For him to live was Christ and to die was gain. The influence of such a beautiful life can never die. May God comfort and richly bless the bereaved family. We will try to follow him as he followed Christ, including the hope that we shall meet him in that land that knows no earthly day.

A. L. Stanford, Pastor.

BEATY.—Fannie Elizabeth Beaty was born near Belmont in Gaston County, N. C., January 13th, 1837, and died at the home of her son near Mount Holly, N. C, Feb 21st, 1915, age 78 years, 1 month and 8 days. On Feb 21st 1867, she was married to James B. Beaty who died Dec 25th, 1883. To this union seven children were born, six of whom are W. J Beaty of Paw Creek, N. C., T. A. and E. C. Beaty of Mount Holly, N. C. A. H. Beaty of Selma Alabama and Mrs. A. A. Johnson, Mrs. Lundy Neal of Paw Creek, N. C., are living, Lucy W. Beaty having died March 28th, 1887. Sister Beaty is survived by six brothers and three sisters, William and David Smith, of Paw Creek, N. C.; Thomas, Robert and Monroe Smith, of Gaston county, N. C.; E. Horatio Smith, of Birmingham, Ala.; Mrs. Nancy Hoover, Mrs. Maggie Hipp and Miss Mattie Smith, of Paw Creek, N. C. Two sisters and one brother preceded her into the great beyond.

Sister Beaty was converted at Old Ebenezer Methodist church in Gaston county at the age of 19, and joined the same. Later she moved to Mecklenburg county, and thus moved her church letter to Moore's Chapel, the nearest Methodist church, and lived a consistent member of the same until God called her to the Church Triumphant. Sister Beaty was very feeble in her last days, and could only attend church in pretty weather, but she loved tthe church and was anxious to attend public worship when she could. She was so feeble that we always gave her the sacrament sitting in her chair. She said before she died she was ready, and really wanted to meet her Heavenly Father. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord, from henceforth, yea saith the Spirit that they may rest from their labors." It was her request that the writer, her former pastor, assist in the funeral, and the Moore's Chapel choir do the singing. The funeral service was held in Paw Creek Presbyterian church by the writer, assisted by Rev. S. L. Cathy, pastor of Mount Holly Presbyterian church, Rev. B. F. Fincher, pastor Thrift Methodist church, and Rev. Mr. Tyndle, pastor of Paw Creek Presbyterian church in the presence of a large gathering of people, and she was laid to rest by the side of her husband in tthe cemetery just back of the church. May great grace abide with the bereaved ones.

Dwight W. Brown.

McAdenville, N. C.

HOLMAN BIBLES

Durable Flexible Bindings — THE BEST EDITIONS OF THE WORLD'S BEST BOOK — Will not Break in the Back

HOLMAN BIBLES

FOR CHILDREN
PICTORIAL BIBLES WITH HELPS



Size 5⅝ x 3½ inches.

The text is self-pronouncing, by the aid of which children can learn to pronounce the difficult Scripture proper names.

Specimen of Type.

WHOSOEVER believeth that Je'sus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him

With beautiful photo views of scenes in Bible lands distributed throughout the text. Also maps of Bible lands in colors. Also new Practical Helps to Bible Study, especially designed for instructing children in scriptural information.

No. 91. French Seal Leather, overlapping covers, round corners, gold edges, gold titles.
Publishers Price $1.30 Our Price--Post Paid, **$1.00**

COLORED PICTURE EDITION
Portraying in natural colors, scenes and places taken from nature and life in the Holy Land.

No. 92. Same as **No. 91.** but with **Beautifully Colored Pictures**
Publishers' Price $1.50 Our Price--Post Paid, **$1.20**

FOR ADULTS, TEACHERS AND PREACHERS



and all who would study the Word of God intelligently this edition is unsurpassed. The type is large, clear Bourgeois, Self-Pronouncing, with liberal space between the words and lines, which makes it easy to read.

Size 8 x 5½ inches.

Specimen of Type.

¶ m From that time Je'sus to preach, and to say, n Repe the kingdom of heaven is

Containing **New Copyrighted Helps** by Rev. F. N. PELOUBET, D. D. a Treasury of Biblical Information, practical comparative concordance, Oriental Light on the Bible, Four Thousand Questions and Answers, New Colored Maps.

No. 47. Divinity Circuit Teachers' Bible, French Seal Leather, red under gold edges, Silk Head bands and Silk Marker,
Publishers' Price $2.70
Our Price--Post Paid, **$2.25**

No. 81. RL. Red Letter Teachers' Bible. The Words of Christ in the New Testament, Old Testament Passages Alluded to by Christ, Various Prophecies Relating to Christ in the Old Testament, etc., all **PRINTED IN RED.** Binding same as described above and same large Self-Pronouncing type.
Publishers' Price $3.20 Our Price--Post Paid, **$2.70**

No. 73X. Holman India Paper, Genuine Morocco, Leather Lined, Silk Sewed, Divinity Circuit, round corners, carmine under gold edges, silk head bands and silk marker, same type and Helps as above.
Publishers' Price $7.75 Our Price--Post Paid, **$5.00**

FOR INTERMEDIATE S. S. SCHOLARS



Large Clear Black Type, Self-Pronouncing, containing Helps to Bible Study, 1000 Questions and Answers, Maps in Colors, and Presentation Page. A Beautiful Gift Bible.

Specimen of Type.

22 And the prophet Is're-el, and said unto thyself, and mark, and for at the return of t

Size 7 x 5 inches.

No. 21. Divinity Circuit Style, Bound in French Seal Leather, round corners, red under gold edges, with silk head bands and purple silk marker, gold titles, etc.
Publishers' Price $1.60 Our Price--Post Paid, **$1.35**

No. 22. RL. Red Letter Scholars' Bible, same Bible as **No. 215.** with all the Sayings of Christ printed in Red, and with Red and gold INLAID PANEL SIDE TITLES, also **Beautifully Colored Pictures,**
Publishers' Price $2.10 Our Price--Post Paid, **$1.75**

FOR OLD FOLKS and THE HOME



Flexible Binding

Printed from large Clear Pica Type, with Marginal References, Family Record and Maps. This **HOME BIBLE** is new and very desirable for every day use, containing all the advantages of a Family Bible in a conpact size that can be easily handled, with Record for Births, Marriages and Deaths. The best Bible obtainable for old folks who need extra large clear print and a light-weight book.

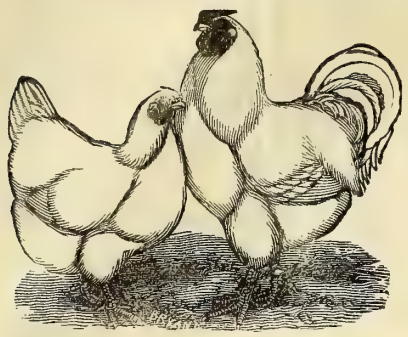
No. 2014. Durably Bound in French Seal Leather, full flexible covers, round corners, red under gold edges, silk head bands and silk marker, gold titles.
Publishers' Price $3.00 Our Price--Post Paid, **$2.35**

SEND ALL ORDERS TO
CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

Our Strains of Wakefield's Improved Sweet Potato Plants, improved by Seed Selection in the fields during 10 years, have attained such a degree of popularity that for three years we have been unable to fill over 60 per cent. of the orders sent us. We double our capacity this year. Nancy Hall and ten other kinds. Tomato plants also. Free plant booklet.
Wakefield Plant Farm, Charlotte, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland
108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

FANCY POULTRY and EGGS



Black and White Langshans, White Orphingtons, Reds, White and Part-Orpingtons, Reds, White and Partridge Wyandottes, Minorcas, Barred and Buff Plymouth Rocks, Houdans, Anconas, White and Brown Leghorns, Black and Partridge Cochin Bantams, White African Guineas, Muscovey and Buff Orpington Ducks. Eggs, $2.00 per 13. Stock for sale. Mammoth Bronze and White Holland Turkey Eggs $5.00 per 9. Toulouse, Emden, African and Chinese Goose eggs, $2.00 for 5.

Prizes won from Roanoke, Va., to Tampa, Fla.

FLYNN ELLIOTT
Route 6, Box C Charlotte, N. C.

GREENSBORO NURSERIES
AGENTS WANTED
For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.
JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.
Schedule Effective October 18th, 1914

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester Lv.	7 50 a m				4 15 p m
Yorkville "	8 36				6 38
Gastonia "	9 21!				8 20
Gastonia "	9 30	4 30 p m			
Lincolnton "	10 23	5 40			
Newton "	11 05	6 44			
Hickory "	12 05 p m	7 30	12 05 p m	6 45 a m	
Lenoir "	1 08	8 50	1 08	8 07	
Lenoir "	2 00x				
Mortimer "	4 09				
Edgemont Ar.	4 35				

Southbound	NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Edgemont Lv.	9 00 a m				
Mortimer "	9 10				
Lenoir "	11 20!				
Lenoir "	1 35 p m	7 00 a m	8 15 a m	1 10 p m	
Hickory "	2 35	8 15	9 12	3 20	
Newton "	3 05	9 00			
Lincolnton "	3 43	9 51			
Gastonia "	4 30	11 28			
Gastonia "	5 05x				11 50 a m
Yorkville "	5 54				1 24
Chester Ar.	6 40				3 10 p m

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. CHESTER, S. C.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Premier Carrier of the South

N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information and are not guaranteed.

12:15 a. m.—No 32 daily Southern's Southeastern Limited. Pullman drawing-room, open section sleeping cars Jacksonville and Augusta to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

12:35 a. m.—No. 112, daily, local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh which is open at 9:30 and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m.

1:42 a. m.—No. 30, daily, Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing-room and observation sleeping cars Birmingham and Columbus to New York, and Birmingham to Richmond. Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29 daily, Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing-room and observation sleeping cars New York and Richmond to Birmingham and Columbus. Daily tourist car Washington to San Francisco via popular Sunset Route. Dining cars. Coaches.

3:15 a. m.—No. 31 daily, The Southern's Southeastern Limited. Pullman drawing-room and open section sleeping cars New York to Jacksonville and Augusta. Dining car service. Day coaches.

3:45 a. m.—No. 45 daily, local for Charlotte, connecting for Atlanta and points south.

7:10 a. m.—No. 8 daily, local for Richmond.

7:15 a. m.—No. 37 daily, New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section sleeping cars New York to New Orleans, and New York to Asheville, and Macon. Pullman parlor car Greensboro to Montgomery. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service.

7:30 a. m.—No. 108 daily, local for Raleigh, Selma, and Goldsboro.

7:40 a. m.—No. 154 daily, except Sunday for Ramseur.

7:25 a. m.—No. 11, daily, local for Atlanta. Pullman sleeping cars Norfolk and Richmond to Charotte. Day coaches.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily, for Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Pullman sleeping car Raleigh to Winston-Salem.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily, local for Mt. Airy.

9:30 a. m.—No. 44, daily, for Washington and points north.

9:40 a. m.—No. 144, daily, Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro Pullman sleeping car Atlanta to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily, for Asheville and Waynesville, connecting at Asheville with Carolina Special for all points west. Chair car Goldsboro to Asheville.

12:55 p. m.—No. 130, daily, local for Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

1:30 p. m.—No. 7, daily, local for Charlotte, connecting for Seneca and Columbia.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily U. S. Fast Mail for Washington, New York and points north. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

2:00 p. m.—No. 207, daily, for Winston-Salem, connecting daily except Sunday for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daily, except Sunday for Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily, except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily, for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Chair car.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily, for Mt. Airy.

6:25 p. m.—No. 35, daily, U. S. Fast Mail, for Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham. Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham. Dining car service. Day ceaches.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily, for Winston-Salem.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily local for Sanford.

7:32 p. m.—No. 43, daily, for Alanta, and points south Sleeping car Raleigh to Atlanta.

10:15 p. m.—No. 12, daily, local, for Richmond. Pullman sleeping cars Charbore, N C.

The Newest Styles of Jewelry
WATCHES, STERLING SILVER AND PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the eldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.
Second Round

March
Mills River, Horseshoe 27-28
Hendersonville, night 28
April
Tryon and Saluda, Saluda 3-4
Flat Rock, Tuxedo, 3 p. m. 4
Spring Creek, Ottingers 10-11
Hot Springs and M., Hot Springs, night 11
Fairview, Bethany 17-18
Haywood St., Asheville, night 18
Sulphur Springs, Oak Hill 24-25
Biltmore and Mt. Pl., Biltmore, night, 25

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, 508 N. Tryon St., Charlotte, N. C.
Second Round

March
Belmont 28
Tryon, night 28
April
Weddington, Union 3-4
Matthews, Indian Trail, 3 p. m. 4
Marshville, Smyrna 10
Prospect, Midway 11
Unionville 17-18
North Monroe, Icemorlee, night 18
Waxhaw 24-25
Monroe, Central, night 25
May
Ansonville, Cedar Hill 1-2
Wadesboro, night 2
Lilesville, Shiloh 8-9
Morven, Morven 15-16
Dilworth 23
Spencer Memorial and Derita, night 23
Polkton, Mount Moriah 29-30

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.
Second Round

March
West Greensboro, Friendship 27-28
April
Coleridge, Mt. Olivet 3-4
Ramseur & Franklinville, Franklinville, 4-5
Randolph, Hopewell 10-11
Wesley Memorial 17-18
Main St. 18-19
East & West 18-19
Deep River, West Bend 24-25
Asheboro 25-26
Randleman, Naomi 25-26
May
Uwharrie, Union 1-2
Denton, Clarkesbury 8-9
West Market 15-16

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Second Round

March
Danbury, Delta 27-28
April
Dobson, Pleasant Ridge 3-4
Elkin, night 7
Jonesville, Maple Springs 9
Pilot Mountain, Trinity 10-11
Rural Hall, Mt. Pleasant, night 11-12
Yadkinville, Booneville 17-18
Ararat 24-25
Mount Airy Circuit 25-26

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Second Round

March
Table Rock, Oboth 27-28
Morganton Station 28-29
April
Forest City, Salem 3-4
Cliffside, Hopewell 3-4
Broad River, Kistlers 10-11
Henrietta and Caroleen, Caroleen 11-12
Morganton Circuit, Glen Alpine 17-18
Connelly Springs, Harmony 24-25
May
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Oak Grove 1-2
Micaville, South Toe 8-9
Bald Creek, Hortons 15-16
Burnsville 16-17
Marion Circuit, North Catawba 22-23

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C.
Second Round

March
Belwood, Kadish 27-28
April
Shelby Circuit, Sulphur Springs 3-4
Lincolnton Circuit, Marvin 10-11
Lincolnton, Lincolnton 11
Crouse, Pleasant Grove 17-18
Stanly, Iron 18-19
South Fork, Plateau 24-25

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.
Second Round

March
Concord, Central, 11 a. m. 28
Concord, Epworth & C., Epworth, night 28
April
Albemarle, Central, night 2-4
Albemarle Circuit, Stony Hill 3-4
Mount Pleasant Circuit, Saint Paul, 10-11
Concord, Westford, night 11
Salem Circuit, New Mount Tabor 17-18
Albemarle, First Street, night 18

We Will Dry Clean One Garment For You FREE

We want to show you the difference between ordinary pressing club work and real, first-class French dry cleaning. To do this, we will dry clean one skirt, or other garment for you free, provided no member of your family has had work done by us previously. Simply wrap the garment up carefully, enclose postage for return, put your name and address on the outside, mark the package "Free Offer" and mail to us by parcel post.

We are now better equipped than ever before for first-class dry cleaning, dyeing and laundering in our

New $25,000 Plant

Our expert dry cleaners and dyers will make your clothes look like new, and at a very low cost. A specialty of fine goods, furs, plumes, gloves and other wearing apparel that requires expert attention—goods too valuable to be risked with irresponsible people. Send us this trial garment today. Send two pieces if you wish, and we will have the postman collect for one only. Agents wanted everywhere, write for terms.

Columbia Laundry Co., 101 Fayetteville St., Greensboro, N. C.
Dry Cleaners, Dyers, Launderers.
References: any bank or business man in Greensboro.

Kannapolis Station, 11 a. m. 23-25
Kannapolis Circuit, Bethpage 24-25
China Grove & Landis, China Grove, night 25
May
New London Circuit 1-2
Gold Hill Circuit 2-3
Bethel & Love's Chapel, Love's Chapel 8-9

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston-Salem, N. C.
Second Round

March
Forsythe, Mineral Spring 27-28
West End, night 28
April
Jackson Hill, Jackson Hill 3-4
Salem, night 4
Farmington, Bethlehem 10-11
Mocksville 9-11
Lewisville, Concord 17-18
Davie, Liberty 24-25
Cooleemee, night 25
May
Kernersville 1-2

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Second Round

March
Helton, Asheley 27-28
April
Jefferson, Jefferson 3-4
Creston, Big Laurel 18
Watauga, Valle Crucis 24-25
May
Elk Park, Montezuma 1-2
Avery, Jonas Ridge 8-9
Boone, Fairview 15-16
Sparta Circuit, Piney Creek 22-23
Laurel Springs, Mt. Zion 29-30

Revival Meetings

Wilkes, Union ..... March 14-21
Helton, Asheley ..... March 24-April 1
Elk Park, Montezuma ..... April 26-May 6
Laurel Springs, Mt. Zion ..... May 24-30

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Lee T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Second Round

March
North Lenoir Circuit, Ebenezer, 11 a. m. 27
Granite Falls and Hudson, Hudson, 11 a. m. 28-29
Hickory—First Church, Hickory, 7:30 p. m. 28-29
April
Alexander, Liberty, 11 a. m. 3-4
Stoney Point, Pisgah, 3:30 p. m. 4-5
Hickory Circuit, Grace Chapel, 11 a. m. 10
Newton, Newton, 11 a. m. 11-12
Maiden, Pisgah, 11 a. m. 17
Catawba, Hopewell, 11 a. m. 18-19
Statesville Circuit, Trinity, 11 a. m. ...24
Cool Spring, New Salem, 11 a. m. 25-26
May
Troutman, 11 a. m. 1
Davidson, Davidson, 11 a. m. 2-3
Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 7:30 p. m. 2-3
Mooresville Circuit, 11 a. m. 8
Mooresville Station, Mooresville, 11 a. m. 9-10

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cor-Dell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C., R. F. D. 2
Second Round

March
Haywood Circuit, Fincher 27-28
Bryson and Whittier, Olivet 30-31
April
Glenville Circuit, Speedwell 3-4
Webster Circuit, Love's Chapel 4-5
Waynesville Station 11
Sylva Station, night 11
Hayesville, Ledford 17-18
Murphy Circuit, Brasstown 20-21
Ranger Circuit, Bellview 24-25
May
Murphy Station 1
Andrews Station 1
May
Murphy Station, night 6
Andrews Station, night 7
Robbinsville, Topton 8-9
Judson, Almond 9-10
Franklin Ct., Snowhill 15-16
Macon Ct., Asbury 19-20
Highlands, Flatts 22-23
Franklin Station 24

BARGAINS IN GOOD BOOKS

VALUABLE BOOKS FOR $1 PER VOLUME

The books selected for inclusion in this DOLLAR LIBRARY have stood all tests and have been acclaimed standard if not classic.

They are the necessary books in every well-balanced Ministerial Library.

The books are large octavo in size, each containing from 400 to 550 pages, printed on excellent paper and tastefully and substantially bound in dark green cloth with gold stamping.

The former selling price of these books ranges from $2.50 to $3.50 and these editions are complete and are printed from the plates of the original high-priced editions.

Price now $1.00 per volume by mail. Add ten cents for postage.

By Prin. A. M. Fairbairn, D. D., LL. D.

THE PHILOSOPHY OF THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION

This is one of the most scholarly and successful defenses and examinations of the Christian belief and its basis. Principal Fairbairn's fame is justly founded upon the profundity of his thought, the wide range of his erudition and the bell-like clarity of his style. This is a book which should be in every ministerial library.

By Charles Loring Brace

GESTA CHRISTI: A History of Humane Progress Under Christianity

A book which has no equal in its discussion of the teaching of Jesus or the character and personnel of the members of the Apostolic group. While on many other subjects connected with the life of Christ new books have become standards, this book remains the authority in its own field.

Rev. John Ker, D. D.

LECTURES ON THE HISTORY OF PREACHING:
With Introduction by Rev. Wm. M. Taylor

While not in the strictest sense of the word a volume on homiletics, this is nevertheless one of the greatest and best recognized books in this realm. It has long served as a guide to all who wished to make any acquaintance with the theory or the history of the practice of preaching. In every sense of the word classic, not alone for the student, but for the seasoned preacher himself.

By Canon F. W. Farrar

THE LIFE OF CHRIST AS REPRESENTED IN ART

This may fairly be called a by-product of the author's monumental Life of Christ. It is a complete survey in his matchless prose of the whole subject of art in its relation to Christianity.

By Alexander Maclaren, D. D.

PULPIT PRAYERS

One of Dr. Maclaren's secrets of success was in the pains and reverent care he took to prepare his people for the message of his sermon—a care extending to hymns, the Scripture and the minor parts of the service, and especially to the prayer which preceded the sermon. They are alike inspirational in contents and models in manner.

By Prin. George Adam Smith, D. D.

THE LIFE OF HENRY DRUMMOND

This is one of the greatest of religious biographies, for it is not only the story of a career alike distinguished for deep piety and a singular brilliance of achievement, but it is written by one himself a considerable figure in the movements associated with Drummond's name, and a close and lifelong friend. It touches with deep insight the movements with which Drummond's name will ever be associated.

By J. deQuincey Donehoo

THE APOCRYPHAL AND LEGENDARY LIFE OF CHRIST

Mr. Donehoo has gathered together with incredibly painstaking care all the legendary and apocryphal material concerning the life of Christ, scattered as it is through a countless number of volumes, most of which are rare and inaccessible to the average reader or student. While of course apocryphal, this collection is of immense aid to the student of doctrine as showing the place Christ came to hold in the early belief and worship of the Church.

By John P. Jones

INDIA: ITS LIFE AND THOUGHT

Mr. Jones, through many years' residence in India, has come to a knowledge of India which, coupled with his sympathetic insight into the native character, has enabled him to write what is perhaps the most comprehensive single sketch of India yet written.

By Prof. A. B. Bruce, D. D.

THE TRAINING OF THE TWELVE

An apologetic for the Christian faith which now as in the day it was written remains unanswerable. What Buckle did in his "History of Civilization" from the standpoint of materialism, has been done in this book from the standpoint of belief. It is in every way a notable book, alike from the standpoint of Christian apologetics and from the standpoint of history. It is the kind of book which belongs in every library, and because written always with a human interest, it is in the best sense popular.

THE MIRACULOUS ELEMENT IN THE GOSPELS

Professor Bruce was one of the most literal-minded of the evangelical school to which he belonged. It is a tribute to the scholar's profundity of thought and his grip of the heart of his subject that he was able to anticipate the line of attack on the supernatural so that his book still remains the ablest defense of the miracles extant. He has been followed but never supplanted.

THE PARABOLIC TEACHING OF CHRIST

The parables, admittedly one of the most important and one of the most difficult aspects of Christ's teaching, have here been treated in a manner characterized by sanity and scholarly insight. From the first this book took rank as among the ablest expositions of the parables, as well as one of the best books in English on the teaching of Jesus.

THE HUMILIATION OF CHRIST
In Its Physical, Ethical and Official Aspects

The whole theme of Dr. Bruce's work is to show that the cross is as completely the central point in the life of Christ in the light of which the whole incarnation must be understood as is the atonement in the doctrine of Christianity. It remains in a place alone as a statement of the doctrines of the incarnation and the atonement.

SEND YOUR ORDERS TO

Board of Publication

Greensboro, N. C.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, April 1, 1915 | Number 13

Reading Room Trinity College

I Will Not Doubt

By Ella Wheeler Wilcox

I will not doubt, though all my ships at sea
Come drifting home with broken masts and sails;
I shall believe the hand which never fails,
From seeming evil worketh good for me;
And though I weep because those sails are battered
Still will I cry, while my best hopes lie shattered,
"I Trust in Thee."

I will not doubt, though all my prayers return
Unanswered from the still, white realm above;
I shall believe in an all-wise love
Which has refused those things for which I yearn;
And though at times I cannot keep from grieving,
Yet the pure ardor of my fixed believing
Undimmed shall burn.

I will not doubt, though sorrows fall like rain,
And troubles swarm like bees above a hive;
I shall believe the heights for which I strive,
Are only reached by anguish and by pain;
And though I groan and tremble with my crosses,
I yet shall see, through my severest losses,
The greater gain.

I will not doubt; well anchored in the faith
Like some stanch ship, my soul braves every gale,
So strong its courage that it will not fail
To breast the mighty unknown sea of Death.
Oh, may I cry when body parts with spirit,
"I do not doubt," so listening world may hear it,
With my last breath.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

LOOK UP THE ORDER BLANK

On page 11 the subscriber will find a renewal order blank. We are compelled to urge every one in arrears to clip out the blank, fill it out and pin check or money order to it. The matter is urgent and we beg subscribers to heed our call. Do not wait to see your pastor but mail direct to the office.

BE SURE TO READ THIS

A great many on our list are running behind. We have tried hard to accommodate them by continuing the paper. We regret to say, however, that we can not carry the burden much farther. Unless we hear from these delinquents soon either with their remittance or some assurance of their intention to remit soon, we shall have to cut them off. A word to the wise is sufficient. The conditions now prevailing demand that we make this announcement.

Those who fail to respond to this notice within a reasonable time will be cut off and the accounts placed in the hands of special collectors. Do not blame us if you find your accounts in the hands of such collectors, for this is the only thing left for us to do with people who will not even write to us and let us know what they want done. Let the pastors call the attention of all our people to this and help us get our lists in shape.

In response to this notice we shall look for some word during the next week from all who are behind. Either send the money, or write stating when you expect to, or request that your paper be discontinued. If your pastor seems indifferent take the matter up with the office direct. Address your letter to

Board of Publication,
Greensboro, N. C.

OUR EASTER MEDITATION

Of all the anniversaries, this one is preeminent. Well did the apostle put it thus, "If Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain." The whole system of religious life and faith centers here. The pall of darkness that settled upon the earth in the hour of His agony and death lies still upon the hearts of men till pierced by the glorious light which broke upon the world in the fact of His resurrection from the dead. Only a living Christ can dispel the shadows of death,—only an ascended Lord can make intercession for us.

A good text for an Easter Meditation is Matthew 28:6-7. The angels sang at the nativity, proclaiming peace on earth and good will to men. In the resurrection the angel comes nearer, and in personal conversation comforts the sorrowing women with the assurance that the tomb is empty—that Christ is risen from the dead. What is the meaning of this empty tomb to the world?

1. It means that Christ is the Son of God as He claimed. Many miracles in life had attested this fact. This miracle of all miracles, however, is the climax of convincing evidence that Jesus was none other than the Son of God. Time and again He had reminded His disciples and those whom He taught that He would lay down His life and that He would be raised again the third day. The empty tomb on this first Easter morning to which the angel directs these holy women, together with all the after events recorded and attested as occuring during the following forty days, are the unanswerable witnesses of the fact that Jesus was the Son of God.

2. It means that His sacrifice was the atonement for our sins. Says the Aopstle, I Cor. 15:3-8, "For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures, etc." See how this blessed truth is attested and how the witnesses were multiplied. We do not hang our destiny nor base our hope upon any vague theory or upon any wild or fanatical vision. "Christ died for our sins." O, glorious truth! O, happy vision of this radiant Easter morning!

3. It means that our mortal bodies shall be raised to life and immortality. "Now is Christ risen from the dead and become the first fruits of them that slept. For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead." I Cor. 15:20-21. The fact so well authenticated that Jesus rose from the dead, is enough. Any reasonable person will accept this as proof that Jesus, in whom we trust, has power over death and that He will not lose sight of even the dust of His saints. "What consolation for us in this assurance, I Thess. 4:13-14, "I would not have you ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him."

When death comes and robs us of the fairest and best of our loved ones, we are assured that the separation is only for a time. Knowing that this mortal shall put on immortality we shall be restored to them again for companionship in the new heaven and the new earth. To appropriate the blessed hope of immortality and reunion we must ourselves be risen with Christ and seek those things which are above where Christ sitteth at the right hand of God. See Col. 3:4-4.

May every reader of the Advocate come by faith into the happy realization of the genuine Easter joy. Standing by faith at the open sepulcher, may each one realize that the Lord is risen indeed, and that when "Christ who is our life shall appear then shall we also appear with Him in glory."

ROMANISM AND RUIN

This is the title of a book which has been on our table for some while awaiting an opportunity to give it notice. This is a time when the people are wanting information on the subject of Romanism and we are glad to commend this book to all such. We can not do better than to quote the following from a contemporary: "The object of the book is to awaken the American people to the menace of Romanism. If facts, examples, and threats from Romanism can awake us, then they are found in this book, not isolated and sporadic facts. The facts are piled up in tiers; the evidence is cumulative, and continuous. Any review of the book would do it an injustice. Get and read it, and learn for yourself what we are forced to face and what daring methods are employed to accomplish the overthrow of Protestantism in America."

The author of this book is the Rev. H. C. Morrison, D. D., editor of the Pentecostal Herald. It is published by the Pentecostal Publishing Company, Louisville, Ky.

PASTOR RUSSELL'S STATEMENT

In our attempt to quote from Pastor Russell last week by some means there was a mixup which destroyed the sense. Here is what he said: "Of the two hundred thousand professed ministers of Christ, probably one hundred and eighty thousand declare privately, if not publicly, that they have no faith in the Bible as God's inspired message to His people. . . Those who have rejected the Bible (nine-tenths of the whole) have already fallen most abjectly, while the tenth that are still standing are so shaken, confused and unreliable as to be able to do little for themselves or for their flocks."

This is the kind of stuff this "pastor" is handing out to our people, at so much per inch. The only effect of such literature is to weaken and enervate—destroy the faith of our people in their church, their pastors, and sweep away their faith in Christ. No form of infidelity is more subtle and ruinous than that which clothes itself in the livery of heaven, as "pastor" Russell does in order to serve the devil. Who will not say when the tares of unbelief begin to grow up in our fields and choke out the faith of the people in the great doctrines of sin, salvation and the future rewards and punishments assured in the word of God, that "an enemy hath done this."

The remedy for Russelism and all other forms of heterodox teaching is a literature scattered wide-spread which holds to the truth as taught in Gods word. Error must be destroyed by the publication of the truth.

THE CHILDREN AND THE CHURCH

Solomon was wise in his discriminating knowledge of human nature. He knew the power of habit and the wise provision of our nature which makes it possible to be drilled into habits of right doing and right thinking, as well as being lured into vice and sin. He said "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it."

The training of the child implies restraint. The first thing to be achieved if we would teach or train one is to secure control. To be sure this must be done kindly, but no less firmly. The point at which most parents break down completely is in the matter of controling their children. Eli was a good man, the priest of God, and was vexed by the follies and sinful excesses of his sons, but he "restrained them not." Here is where, by failure to deal firmly and kindly with his erring boys, he assumed the awful responsibility for their wrongdoing and brought sorrow into his home and upon the nation.

There is an idea, wide-spread among very clever people, that to require children to attend religious services is to make them despise the church. They hold to the theory that in matters of religion the child should not be coerced. Consequently they do not require them to attend, as they say they do not want them to contract a distaste for church and the religious service, not knowing that they are thus paving the way for a life of contempt for the church and of confirmed infidelity.

A strange phase of this matter is the attitude toward the church in its relation to the Sunday school. Such people seem to think of the Sunday school as entirely apart from the regular worship of the congregation, and encourage their children to attend one and despise the other. It is no uncommon thing to find children half grown who have always been told and who thoroughly believe that to attend the preaching service would wear them out physically and be almost or quite as great a punishment as to be pilloried for an hour.

It is just as well for us to be candid and say that such notions are not in fact original with the child, although there is an easy trend in this direction. Such ideas trickle naturally into the minds of little urchins from mistaken, self-indulgent parents who are themselves not attached to the church nor devoted to the house of prayer as they should be. Thus, as we have said, many clever people are storing up trouble for themselves, when, after awhile, these childiren will find the easy pathway leading to vice and infamy.

* * * *

Referring to this plea of some that no coercion should be used with the child—that a strong appeal should be made to the child and the whole matter left to him, the editor of the Baltimore Southern Methodist says:

How many of us have heard such mushy talk from parents who ought to know better? Apply the same principle to the child as to its education and we would soon have a generation of ignoramuses, for going to school is irksome to most children—to some it is drugery of the worst sort—and they would cheerfully dodge school if they could. We cannot understand the frame of mind which, while it insists on drill and disciplinee for mental training in childhood, thinks that drill and discipline are not needed for moral training. The wretch who tries to hold his wise and pious parents responsible for his distaste for religion, instead of his own depraved heart, by saying he had too much in his childhood, knows he is not telling the truth. We might as well talk of having too much of mother's love as of God's love,

truth and righteousness. The fact of the matter is that such a man drifted away from the right path not on account of his having been sent to church in his boyhood, but in spite of it. We do not believe anybody has ever been injured by going to church in youth, even when constrained by parental authority.

Of course the "little dears" would rather play in the nursery, on the lawn or in the street, and enjoy the excitement of pulling each other's hair, than sit quietly for an hour in church, but it is not what they wish, but what is best for them that concerns us, and God holds us responsible for the exercise of our mature judgments in their behalf, in matters pertaining to moral and religious training, as well as in those pertaining to education. We know it may be said that they go to Sunday school and Epworth League, but these institutions cannot substitute the church. Some of the lasting benefits of the attendance of children upon church services may be noted.

1. The forming of a church-going habit in childhood that will be of inestimable value in youth and adult life.

2. The atmosphere of the church and its services will have an unconscious but salutary effect upon the mind and heart of the child, lifting it to higher things.

3. The child will be brought into association with the best people of the community and will be influenced by their lives.

4. The child will apprehend and absorb far more truth that will become the moral bone and sinew of his life and character than many of us dream.

The old country church we attended in childhood once had a pastor who invariably brought one or more of his little boys to church with him. We can yet see the golden-haired little fellows as they went into the pulpit with their father and often knelt with him as he engaged in his private devotions. It was a beautiful sight that has lingered with us through the years. But that is not all—five of those boys have become ministers and are holding responsible positions in the church of Christ. Who can say that those early influences when their minds were most impressionable, did not have a tremendous bearing in shaping their lives?

We are sure as far as our own unworthy life is concerned that we would not have been in the ministry, but for the parental authority that was responsible for our growing up in the church. And we do not look back upon those days as days of gloom and Puritanical restriction. Certain Sundays come back in memory like the delicate scent of faded rose leaves—the old brick church, the earnest minister, the old-fashioned tunes, the faces of saints long since gone, the open window through which came the rustle of the locust trees, the twittering of birds, the "murmur of innumerable bees," the strolls after Sunday school through the fields to "Pencil Hill," and further on to Sulphur Spring hollow with its rocks, ferns, laurel-covered hills and mysterious forest. Those days associated with Sunday and the church have gone, but their influence remains.

SOME BOOZE KNOCKERS

For the benefit of Advocate readers who may need facts to strengthen their faith in the cause of prohibition we have picked up here and there the following facts:

* * * *

The wealth of North Carolina has about doubled in the period during which prohibition has been in force.

* * * *

A Catholic Prohibition League has been organized in Ohio.

* * * *

The Boston Advertiser and the Boston Evening Record have discontinued all liquor advertising.

* * * *

The Saturday Evening Post has refused an offer of $25,000 per year to carry on publicity work for the brewery interests of the country.

* * * *

The Pennsylvania Railroad is now dry from end to end of its vast system. No intoxicating liquors are sold in any of its depots, restaurants, or dining cars.

A recent order of the Burlington Railroad reads: "Regardless of previous records all engineers and firemen caught in a saloon while on duty will be dismissed from the service."

* * * *

The Commission on Temperance of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America held a recent meeting in Washington at which plans were formulated for a nation-wide temperance campaign. Thirty denominations will be represented in this movement.

NOTE AND COMMENT

An Encouraging Sign is the constant and steady advance in the price of cotton. While there has been no large increase, yet there is a persistent tendency upwards, and this is even more pronounced since the blockade of German ports have been declared and since Germany's threat to make a submarine war on all merchant ships.

* * * *

The Fall of Przemysl, the great Austrian stronghold which had held out against the besiegers for more than six months, was the feature of last week's war news. The garrison was finally reduced by starvation, food supplies having been completely cut off for a week or more. The fall of this fortress gives the Russians practically undisputed mastery of all Gallicia except in the region of Cracow, which is a stronghold now occupied by a large Austro-German garrison. The moral effect of this victory is of course greatly to the advantage of the Allies and there is hope that it may hasten some more decisive action giving promise of the end of the great and terrible war.

* * * *

The Secretary of Agriculture recently sent a request to 50,000 wives of farmers for an expression as to what the government might do to aid them. Among the 2,241 replies received the following is, in our judgment, the very essence of wisdom and common sense: "The Government owes me protection of life and property, but my happiness I must work out for myself. Law-making to affect our home and family affairs is not necessary; we make our own laws in these matters."

If our legislators could only get it into their heads that what the country needs is protection to life and property and then a chance to attend to our own business in our own way, there would be an end of many of our most serious social disturbances. If we keep on multiplying statutes we may soon find that the important factor of individual initiative has been destroyed.

* * * *

Our Clever Neighbor, the editor of Charity and Children, is kind enough to say this about Greensboro, and the Advocate, in behalf of a large part of the citizenship for which it has the honor of speaking, makes the bow with a hearty "thank you:"

"Greensboro is in our judgment the most moral city in the State. Public sentiment there, we are persuaded, is more healthful than in any other community of its size. The forces of righteousness are well organized, and the leading business men of the city throw their powerful influence on the side of civic purity. The Sunday schools of Greensboro are tremendous factors in the promotion of public virtue, and the Y. M. C. A., under the direction of a capable manager, Mr. J. M. Stickney, stands behind every uplift movement. Greensboro is a good town and its growth in the moral realm keeps pace with its industrial and commercial progress."

* * * *

The Passing of Mrs. Mary Anna Jackson, which took place on Wednesday of last week at her home in Charlotte, has awakened memories of the stirring days of the 60's when her husband, General Stonewall Jackson, the gallant Confederate, led the victorious armies of the Confederacy on the battle fields of Virginia. Mrs. Jackson was the daughter of Rev. Dr. Robert Hall Morrison, a noted Presbyterian minister of this state, and founder of Davidson College. On her marriage to Major Thomas Jonathan Jackson, on the 16th of July, 1857, they took up their residence in Lexington, Va., where Major Jackson was a professor in the Virginia Military Institute. From his work as an educator here he was called into the service of his country early in the Civil War to end his career in battle in 1862, just at the moment when all eyes were turning to him as the most conspicuous military leader of the Confederacy.

Referring to the death of Mrs. Jackson a correspondent of the daily press says:—In the serenity of a great and holy calm her sweet, gentle spirit heard the "one clear call" and found "rest under the shade of the trees." During her long illness all her thoughts were of preparation for the eternal world. She talked constantly of heaven and she lived in anticipation of blessed reunion with loved ones gone before. Her soul wandered back to the death scene in "that small and humble abode" in the Chandler yard at Guiney's Station in which as she wrote in her Memoirs of Stonewall Jackson, "lay my precious suffering husband;" wandered back to hours which sung the tragedy of her own heart-break, and which were the death knell of the Confederacy for Rev. J. C. Jones, chaplain of the 13th Virginia regiment, Jackson's corps, wrote these words: "I heard General Lee say, 'If I had had Jackson at Gettysburg, I should have won that battle and a complete victory that would have resulted in the establishment of the independence of the South.'"

"I long to be at rest," Mrs. Jackson oft said to the loved ones at her bedside; and again, "God has called me and I must go." Mrs. Jackson's brave spirit looked death in the face with that superb calmness, courage and sublime faith that made glorious the passing of her hero-husband. Her house had been set in order in youth, she having consecrated her life when but a girl at Davidson to the Master's service, under the guiding hand of consecrated parents.

Telling of the Unusual Occurence of a funeral, a marriage ceremony, and the baptism of a child on the same day in a home the editor of the Christian Advocate (New York) says: In a great European museum the traveler is shown the cradle and the death chair of a famous monarch standing side by side. The passage from birth to death is swift. When the occurrences of a life-time are all counted up, they may be crowded into a little space—so very little, in fact, that the biography of even the greatest character may be written on a few pages.

MISSIONARY NOTES FROM FIELD SECRETARY

Conference Mission Emergency Fund

Andrews, $35.00. Mrs. G. W. Cover, $10.00; Mrs. S. E. Cover, $25.00.

Franklin, $28.00. A number gave $5.00; one or two larger amounts.

Webster Circuit—D. M. Hall, $5.00.

Canton,$15.00. J. H. Kirkpatrick, $5.00; T. F. Reynolds, $10.00.

Clyde—G. M. Fish, $12.50.

Hendersonville, $382.80. F. E. Durfee, $40.00; R. T. Wheelright, $5.00; J. F. Garrett, $5.00; M. C. Letson, $5.00; Sam T. Hodges, $100.00; M. D. Coburn, $20.00; F. V. Hunter, $200.00, and others.

Fairview Circuit—Fletcher, $117.50; J. C. Sales, $60.00; W. E. Poteat, $50.00; Sales Bros., $7.50.

* * * *

Some quiet work done during past two weeks will bring forth some gratifying results before Conference.

* * * *

Last Sunday, March 28th, was "Saving the Homeland Day" in the churches. It would have been a good time for pastors to raise the emergency fund special, called for in resolution, page 40, of Conference Minutes, an amount equal to one-third the assessment for Home and Conference missions.

Brother Presiding Elder and Pastor, if this was not presented and you have not provided for this in your annual budget or every-member canvass, will you not, during April, present the need and give the people a chance to provide this fund to make possible the minimum salaries fixed by the Conference for the deserving preachers and their families?

CONTRIBUTIONS

THE ADVOCATE PULPIT

Rev. Loy D. Thompson

Text—"His banner over me is love"—Song of Solomon 2:4.

This little gem is snatched from the heart of the Song of Songs, which is Solomon's. It occurs in a song which for beauty of expression and poetic charm is rarely excelled even in the Book of Books. In its highest interpretation it points to Jesus Christ. It is his love that is over us and over all life. This passage serves the purpose of the sign-post erected along the pathway of life pointing the index finger to Him who loved as never man loved. I heard some one describe his emotions as he stood several years ago in a great missionary conference in the city of Toronto in the midst of a vast concourse of people representing the various nationalities of the world. They reared a great platform on the greensward. It was constructed in the shape of a pyramid. On the first platform stood a bevy of girls waving the flags of a particular country. On a platform a little higher were girls with flags unfurled in honor of another country. The pyramid arose higher and higher. Next to the top the stars and stripes were lifted and this man describing the scene said that his very soul was thrilled as he saw the flag of his own country upraised amid the shouts of the assembled thousands. High over all on the topmost pinnacle was uplifted a beautiful white banner on which were inscribed, as I remember, the words: "The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord." When he read those words and saw that scene his joy was ecstatic. The kingdom of love overtopping all other kingdoms and bringing under its inspirational spell the governments of men and the totality of life. Is it not an entrancing thought? This is looking toward that far-off divine event to which the whole creation moves.

But after all let us find a lesson for the individual. When a man comes into the realization of the fact that Christ's banner of love is over him he lays claim to his celestial birthright and enters upon the royal road to happiness and immortality. If his banner of love is over us then our lives are enwrapped and panoplied over with His abiding presence and perpetual good-will. This love of Christ bids for an entrance into our hearts. It presents its appeals to us in ten thousand ways. It is our high privilege to make a personal appropriation of it. The little flower secreted from the light and warmth of the sun soon droops and dies. The soul shut off from the ineffable light and warmth of God's love grows pale and atrophies. That this love be translated into the warp and woof of our lives it is necessary that we have some elemental experience of it. One afternoon while out walking I saw in the road ahead of me several little girls. They were hopping and skipping along in that gleeful mood which only children know. One of them was singing most spiritedly and heartily that little song: "I am so glad that Jesus loves me." She seemed to be perfectly oblivious of the presence of others so engrossed in the song was she. The air was ringing with her sweet voice and fairly quivering with the charming sentiment, and I thought how sublime is the picture: The little children in the streets made happy in the consciousness of the love of the Child of Bethlehem. Have we had an experience of this love in our hearts? It is the light that has shone into many darkened spirits. It is the balm that has healed many wounded hearts. It is the ballasting of life that has supported many of the toil-worn and travel-weary pilgrims of earth. Have we felt the movings of his eternal love in our souls? Have we experienced the thrill of Christ's strengthening and enheartening compassion?

If this banner over us is love we have freedom from fear. John says there is no fear in love, for perfect love casteth out fear. There are two kinds of fear. There is a reverent fear and there is a fear that enslaves. Love does not cast out reverent fear for fear is the beginning of true wisdom. But love does produce immunity from servile fear. Love is the great force in us that drives away the fear that hath torment as John puts it. If we are truly following Christ we do not feel that we are slaves cringing and cowering under the cruel heels of a tyrannical God. If we serve God from the motive of love which is the highest motive of all we think of him as our Friend and fear no evil at his hands. Servile fear, the fear that hath torment, is born or distrust. The closer our walk with God the farther removed are we from enslaving fear. We try to make ourselves believe sometimes that there is no such thing as fear. We endeavor to push it as an unwelcome thought far away from us. We try to work up an artificial barrier against it. We seek to overcome fear by thinking it down. When I was a boy I often walked along an unfrequented road by the side of which was a cemetery. Somehow as a child there was a little uncomfortable feeling in my mind at the sight of the city of the dead. Many times as I passed I found myself involuntarily taking a quicker step with my eyes rivited in the middle of the road in front of me. At times I whistled or sang as my step grew more elastic. By this artificial method I sought to charm my fears. Some of us grown up folk are resorting to some such method in trying to drive away our fears. We are trying to whistle down our climbing fears. But we are wrong. The fears that annoy us and paralyze our happiness and contentment of life do not go out that way. We may cry in the desperation of a Macbeth: "Avaunt! Let the earth hide thee! Thy bones are marrowless, thy blood is cold. Down! Horrible sight!" but like Banquo's ghost disorganizing fear will not down. It is love that liberates. It is love that is the antidote to fear. If his banner over us is love then are we free and free indeed.

If his banner over us is love we have inviolable blessedness. How do we, as the children of Jehovah, know it? Why should we have that feeling of security in the thought that his banner of love is over us? Listen: "Love covereth all sins." If his banner of love is over us, the jewels of his life, then all our sins are placed under the blood. Hidden from the sight of God (for he tells us he will even forget them) no more to annoy us, no more to humiliate us, no more to break our hearts, buried underneath the everlasting covenant. Just think about the Christian's inviolable blessedness! Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered." He is our refuge and strength. He is our rock of defence and bulwark of hope in a weary world. A few days ago a lady handed me her Bible and asked that I read the quotation in the fly-leaf. It ran thus: "Stretch out thy hand and you will find it touching His, and will feel again his strengthening and cheering hand-clasp. Even if there are great sins to forgive, he will forgive them, quickly, gladly, completely." This old mother in Israel is tying her faith to a God whose property it is to forgive sin, and in the deep consciousness of that truth tranquility and serenity have settled down upon her soul. If his banner of love waves in triumph over our lives we have a blessedness that the world cannot take away from us.

If his banner over us is love then love will be the atmosphere of our lives. This banner is the symbol by which we are distinguished from the world of lost men. It is the Christian's badge of honor. The Christian entertains no hatred in his heart. He lives in an environment of love. Love dictates the impulses of his mind. Love orders every act of his conduct. Love creates all his plans. Love to God and love to man is the outstanding characteristic of his life. That princely Quaker Poet of New England, John G. Whittier, was a true exponent of the Christ love. In dying he looked up into the anxious faces of those who stood about him and said: "Give my love to the world." What a beautiful life that is from which nothingb ut love radiates!

We are not able fully to realize what a great blessing it is to feel that God's banner of love is over us. Men have not always felt that way about it. I cannot picture the ancient Egyptian as bowing before the sacred snake, the beetle, the crocodile, or the beast, and saying: "O, God, whose banner over me is love." But on the other hand I can imagine him as falling upon his knees and crying: "O Great Being, whose banner over me is cruelty." It was not the banner of love that unfurled its folds before the mind of the old Greek, as he thought of his God. I can picture the old Greek as sitting before his god as he sat before his sculpture, his art, his architecture, contemplating, not his love, but his beauty and beginning his prayer: "O God, whose banner over me is beauty." We feel somehow that the old Roman could not say: "His banner over me is love." Three hundred times had the seven-hilled city witnessed the triumphant processions of her victorious legions as they marched through the streets of her proud city, and as the old Roman bowed his knee to his god we fancy that he did homage to a god whose banner over him was material power. The old Jew before Jesus came as he poured over the ancient pages and meditated upon that marvelous system of Mosaic law must have cried out many times: "O God, whose banner over me is law." The people of India as they read the uninspiring pages of their religious literature, the Vedas and the Upanishads, have not the vision splendid in their hearts of a God who loves. Some one has said that the men and women of India, except those taught in Christian lands, are perpetually penerated with the idea that from the cradle to the grave they are being pursued and persecuted by destructive demons. The love of the Father-God is covered up underneath the abominable demonolarty. In China there are more gods and idols than people, but the major portion of the population has no adequate conception of God. Mr. Arnold Foster says: "In Confucianism there is no doctrine of love nor any thought of a God who is love." The Bible of the Mohammedans, the Koran, has ninety-nine names for God but not one tells of his Fatherhood and love. The Moslem's thought of God is not as a God whose banner over him is love. Ours is a rich inheritance. His banner over our life is love.

It is Christ who has introduced the world to this high and supernal conception of God. All along through the strange years of Christ's association with his followers he preached to them about love and summed up all the commandments in that one: "Love God and your neighbor." He taught it in his parables and tried to burn it into their hearts through his miracles. He proclaimed it in loveliness of perfect deeds and uttered it in spoken and inarticulate prayers. As his disciples gathered around the table to partake of the last supper he said to them: "A new commandment I give you, that you love one another." And some time after the resurrection as they stood around the Galilean Lake he drew from Peter the great and memorable confession of love, "Lord, thou knowest that I love thee." Then when the work of love had been accomplished he stood with uplifted hands upon the heights of Olivet and proclaimed in tones of passionate earnestness: "Go preach my gospel of love to the whole creation."

May we hear the voice of God as he speaks to us at this hour: "Yea, I love thee with an everlasting love." Time does not alter it. Age does not weaken it. Nothing can cool the ardor of his matchless devotion. Nothing can stifle that love that loves unto death. I sat not long ago in the presence of an old mother whose favorite son had been long dead. She pointed to his portrait hanging on the wall and wept, saying: "That is a picture of my dear boy. He was a good boy. He was the best boy in the world." The vision of that boy's face can never fade from that mother's mind. The memory of him will always be fresh. The mother's love is a faint picture of God's love. "O, love of God, how strong and true; old and yet ever new, uncomprehended and unbought, beyond all knowledge and all thought. We read thee in the sky above, we read thee in the earth below; In seas that swell and streams that flow. We read thee best of all in him who bore for us the cross of shame, sent from the Father above, our life to live, our death to die."

May we be able to say from the depths of our hearts. "Thy love, O Galilean, has conquered."

ONLY ONE GOSPEL

Bishop John C. Kilgo

In his Epistle to the Galatians St. Paul, in the strongest terms, made it forever clear that there are not two or more gospels of the Lord Jesus Christ, but one gospel, and not even an angel from heaven dared to revise it. As well talk of two multiplication tables, or two straight lines between the same two points, or two different centers for the same circle as to talk of two gospels. Truth is always final. Spoken for one age it is truth for all ages. This is elemental. And in the light of it all attempts to set forth a new gospel is nothing less than a perversion of the one and only true gospel, and of all forms of infidelity or denials of Christ none is so deceptive, so baseless, and so fatal as perversions of the gospel once delivered unto the saints. It is against this type of infidelity the church is called to battle in these times. Infidelity has ceased to blaspheme, to brazenly oppose, and boldly deny Christianity. The former attitude has given place to a patronizing attitude, and with the credentials of human wisdom the doubter proposes amendments which will eliminate all the objectionable features of the gospel, and make it an easy religion for all types of mind and all kinds of consciences. Original Christianity, they affirm with condescending airs, lacks adaptation, though it contains certain elements which may be put in a shape to amply meet the well recognized demands of human nature for some sort of religion. Against all this every true saint must register St. Paul's vigorous protest.

In two widely differing journals, published in different sections of our country recently, appeared these statements. In giving an account of some religious services held in an institution of learning the reporter said:

"There were more than one hundred students who pledged themselves to better living and to definite stands for Christian ideals and conduct."

The second statement appeared in connection with a college program of religious meetings, and the methods of Mr. Sunday in his meetings. The report, speaking of the new way discovered by the leaders of this particular meeting, says:

"They have found that the old system of sensational evangelism, in which the appeal is made to the emotions, is not the proper way to reach the student mind. The new idea in religious meetings has caused the establishment of a new school of religious thought. In conducting campaigns similar to the one which is to be held at ——, the appeal to the sinners is made primarily to the intellect, and may be known as the scholarly method of evangelism."

These instances may be taken as illustrations of a perverted gospel which some are urging today with all the prestige which may be borrowed from pretended learning. They show a a pitiable lack of any serious and deep knowledge of the dreadful issues Jesus came into the world to settle. In the light of these new ways where is the justification of the Word becoming flesh, His outlay of miraculous powers, the pains of an advancing sacrifice, the tragedy of Calvary, the resurrection from the dead, the ascension into heaven, the advent of the Holy Ghost, and all the marvelous manifestations of His presence and power in the history of the church. If these things have no other meaning than "ideals," "better living," and the intellectual approval of college students, the disproportion between Christ's history and His aims is the most startling enigma.

Nor are there any valid grounds for the assumption that human nature in the streets is one thing and human nature on a college campus is quite another thing. Or that the uneducated man has need of one kind of salvation and the educated man another kind of salvation. There is absolutely no evidence that sin among college teachers and college students is an insignificant affair while among laborers it is a most dreadful thing. And certainly some recent scandals within academic circles bear horrible testimony that the carnality of the unconverted professor is entirely similar to the carnality of the unconverted heathen; while no intelligent person can see why a trip on a railroad from the country farm to the college campus marks such a radical change in a youth as to call for a revisal of the plan of salvation. It is no secret among men that the human nature in college faculties is of the common kind, and sometimes of the very common kind, and no men have deeper needs for an atonement for their sins, a repentance toward God and regeneration by the Holy Spirit than college teachers and students.

The dread of emotionalism in religion is an ancient form of disfavor. And assuredly the person who thinks the college community is so very intellectual that it is beyond emotional influences will find abundant grounds to change his views by attendance on a single game of foot ball or baseball. College people are the most emotional people on earth, and are liable to the most fanatical outbursts of emotionalism upon the slightest cause. But be this as it may, the Christian religion is a religion of emotion because it is a religion designed to save sinners, and human nature has its spiritual and moral forces not within the circle of intellectual conclusions, but in the deep moral affections. Faith, hope, love and their opposites are not judgments, but sentiments of the most potent kind. And these are the forces which give direction to life. To love God is the supreme command. Shall it be revised to read, Thou shalt have right notions about God? This dread of religious emotion belongs to the half-hearted who will not consent to yield themselves completely to the demands of the gospel.

Intellectualizing religion is not a new endeavor. Germany has devoted her energies to it. And if she had not so completely intellectualized her religion in the universities perhaps she would not now be reaping such a harvest of emotionalism in the trenches. In this country New England has made large boast of intellectual religion and it has been the center of religious fads and follies for America. Christian Science had its home under the shadow of Harvard University, Emanuelism is a Boston product, and Doctor Eliot is employing his last days in an effort to invent a new religion. And the popular suspicion of the religious leadership of colleges because of their coldness and lack of sympathy with mankind should be sufficient warning to them against putting religion on a purely intellectual basis. It is not unlikely that the most difficult missionary task ahead of the church will be the overthrow of a perverted gospel taught the heathen world, for much of this kind of preaching is going abroad in the name of the Christian religion. The rise of new denominations have generally been the divine protest against perversions of the gospel as preached by the Apostles, and the next world revival may be the birth of a new branch of the church. The history of the church is ample proof that a church unsound in doctrines is apostate in life and fruitless in labors.

SHALL WE HAVE A SALOONLESS NATION?

Allen Sutherland

"I am the sworn, eternal and uncompromising enemy of the liquor traffic," declared Dr. William A. Sunday recently in Philadelphia. His call to the men of that city is the call of temperance workers everywhere to the men and women of our country: "Stand by me," he pleaded, "in my fight for your homes, your families and your decency. The saloon is doomed; the anti-saloon sentiment already holds the balance of power in the United States. In God's good time we are going to sing 'My Country ,'Tis of Thee,' and there won't be a saloon in it. We might as well try to dam Niagara Falls with toothpicks as to try to stem the great tide of temperance reform that is sweeping our country."

The great American Anti-Saloon League Convention, which is to be held in Atlantic City, New Jersey, July 6th to 9th, is arousing much interest throughout our land. The five hundred hotels of that city are preparing for a vast army of not less than twenty-five thousand temperance enthusiasts who are expected to be present. Prof. E. O. Excell, the popular choir leader, will have charge of the music. The Hon. John G. Woolley, Hon. Malcolm R. Patterson, Major Dan Morgan Smith, Sam Small and many other widely known men, will be among the speakers. Encouraging reports are being received almost every day of the progress of prohibition.

The Alabama Prohibition law becomes effective July 1st, 1915; and on January 1st, 1916, Arkansas, Idaho and Iowa will have state-wide prohibition, which will make a total of eighteen prohibition states. On March 1st, Governor Hammond signed the county option bill recently passed by the Minnesota legislature. The law becomes effective immediately.

It is also cause for boundless gratitude that prominent men once committed to the liquor interests, are now seeing their duty with clearer vision and are bravely working for a saloonless nation. Major Dan Morgan Smith, of Chicago, is a notable illustration of this. Although never personally addicted to the use of strong drink, yet he was for several years the able general counsel of the Model License League. He is now a zealous advocate of temperance, and thus writes: "Arguments that once seemed so plausible have failed me; for the foundation of my faith and the corner-stone of my arguments was the failure of regulation and the success of prohibition. My faith is gone, and my corner-stone is displaced; my structure has fallen, and it remains for me to help build another, founded on a new faith, with a corner-stone as enduring as the truth, and that faith shall be called temperance, and the corner-stone shall be annihilation. I shall never make another speech in behalf of the Model License League. I am through with the wet side. My intelligence insists upon it; my conscience demands it." Major Smith is now under contract with the National Anti-Saloon League as one of its regular national campaign speakers. He recently made a great plea for temperance before an audience of not less than seven thousand in Texas. His first address in behalf of temperance was delivered at the Ohio State Convention of the Anti-Saloon League. It will be recalled that five hundred and four thousand votes were cast last fall in Ohio for prohibition after only ninety days work. This was the largest number of prohibition votes ever cast in any one state.

Senator Albert B. Cummins, of Iowa, who is spoken of as a candidate for president on the Republican ticket, has announced his platform, in which the fourth plank is: "The Saloon must go! Sobriety must be the rule of conduct for the future!" He is the first man prominently considered as a presidential possibility in a dominant party, who has declared himself for nation-wide prohibition.

With such leaders, with our hope in God, with a great nation to be saved from the curse of rum, surely we, too, should heed the command given of old to Joshua: "Have I not commanded thee? Be strong and of good courage, be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed; for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest."

All persons shall be recognized as delegates who are appointed by local church, Sunday school, Gideons, Young People's Societies, Temperance organizations, W. C. T. U., Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A., or District or Annual Associations, Synod or Conventions of a religious body, or by any State Board of Trustees or State Headquarters Committee or any other organization co-operative with the State Department. Each local organization as indicated in the above is entitled to one delegate and one alternate.

If pastors, Y. M. C. A. secretaries and others entitled to representation, will forward at once the names and addresses of their delegates and alternates to the Anti-Saloon League of America, Westerville, Ohio, literature and other information will be mailed to them immediately.

The quarter just closed has been the best term's work in the history of the Union Methodist Theological Seminary. For the first time we have had all three of the classes provided for in the Course of Study, in session at once, and the quality of work done by the faculty is much in advance of anything in the past. This is in part due to the fact that we have for the first time had a full faculty. Another reason why the quality of work is better than in the past is that the class of students entering the school is improving. Many of the younger men have had the advantages of modern education as well as training in the Pierson Memorial Bible School.—R. A. Hardie, Seoul, Korea.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM FIELD

District Conference Directory

Winston, at Walkertown .....April 20-22
Mt. Airy, at Stokesdale .....April 29-May 2
Waynesville, at Franklin .....May 25

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. C. F. Sherrill, pastor of Main Street church, Salisbury, is conducting revival services this week.

—Rev. T. C. Jordan, pastor of the Wentworth circuit, held interesting revival services at Wentworth last week.

—Rev. W. O. Goode, pastor of Spring Garden Street church, this city, is in Beaufort, assisting the pastor in revival services.

—Rev. Dr. Charles C. Weaver, president of Emory and Henry College, was in the city this week visiting his father, Rev. Dr. J. H. Weaver.

—Bishop Kilgo has been preaching in revival services at Cumberland Street church, Norfolk, during the past week. Great interest has been manifested. Thank the Lord for a Bishop in revival services!

—A report from Newton gives more than 100 conversions and 25 accessions to the Methodist church as the result of the revival recently held in which the pastor was assisted by Rev. Z. E. Barnhardt, of Lenoir.

—Rev. A. L. Stanford went to Wilmington last week to assist Rev. J. D. Bundy, the pastor, in revival services at Grace church. Brother Stanford is in great demand for revival work and seems to have the seal of divine approval in an unusual degree.

—Rev. R. A. Taylor and his congregation at First Street, Albemarle, have been worshipping in their new church for about six weeks. We hope soon to give the Advocate readers a good view of this splendid new church. Brother Taylor says that the Lord is greatly blessing the work in that charge.

—Rev. J. W. Jones, of Mooresville, General Agent of the Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Company, was in the city on Monday of last week. He came to attend the funeral of his niece, Miss Pearl Jones. We were glad to see Brother Jones looking well and to hear the cheerful and encouraging report he makes of the new insurance organization.

—It will be a great joy to Advocate readers to know that Baron Yun, who has been languishing in a Korean prison under conviction for conspiracy against the life of the Japanese Governor-General, has been fully pardoned. Southern Methodist missionary work in that land will be greatly helped by his liberty to return to his loved employ.

—Rev. C. E. Stedman, pastor of Uwharrie circuit, is leading his people courageously in the work for progress this year. At Farmer, the Concord congregation will soon begin the erection of a splendid new church which, when completed, will be a credit to the community. It will be a modern church with provision for the Sunday school. The cost will be about $4,000.

—Rev. Dr. C. W. Byrd, pastor of West Market Street church, held special services in the chapel of Greensboro College for Women each night during last week. The young ladies of the college took great interest in the services, and six joined the church on profession of faith. Dr. Byrd is holding some special services in behalf of the children this week. The service on Sunday morning was a Decision Day service and the interest was good.

—A marriage of much interest to many Advocate readers took place at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. W. P. Ivey, Lenoir, N. C., on Thursday of last week, when Miss Sallie Ramsey Ivey became the bride of Mr. Buford Franklin Williams. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Thomas N. Ivey, D. D., editor of the Christian Advocate, uncle of the bride. The bride is the daughter of the late Dr. W. P. Ivey, of Lenoir, and the groom is a young attorney, a native of Cleveland county, and at present mayor of the town of Lenoir.

—On Thursday evening of last week the Board of Stewards of Central church, Concord, gave a very enjoyable banquet to the men of the congregation. Mr. D. B. Coltrane acted as toastmaster and three minute talks were made on the following topics: 1, What Should Your Church Mean to Concord?; 2, What Should Your Church Mean to Cabarrus County?; 3 ,What Should Be Central's Power Over the Young Life of Concord?; 4, Our Sunday School As It Is; 5, Our Sunday School As It Should Be; 6, What More Can We, As Men, Do to Build Up Our Church?; 7, Your Chruch's Need of You; 8, Your Need of Your Church; 9, The Value of Church Literature in the Home; 10, The Value of Our Church Societies, Leagues, etc.

—A Thomasville special dated March 28th, says: For the past week four of Thomasville's churches have been preparing for the simultaneous meetings which began this morning. Special services were held in several churches during the week and each program tended to create interest in revival work. At the Main Street Methodist church this morning fully one-half of the congregation pressed forward at the close of the service and pledged themselves to take part in next week's services. Rev. D. M. Litaker preached a touching sermon on the "Preparation for the Real Life." All the churches are looking forward to great meetings. Personal work will be strongly emphasized in the meetings.

Wilkes Charge.—I closed a meeting at Union last Monday, the 22nd of March, that had run nine days. Our presiding elder, Rev. J. H. Bennett, was with me and did the preaching from the 14th to the 21st. Every one was pleased with Brother Bennett's preaching, and we had a good meeting which resulted in eight professions of faith. The church was greatly revived and much good done for the entire community. Mr. R. Newsom, of Guilford College, N. C., conducted the singing during the meeting.

Respectfully, W. S. Cherry, P. C.

Jonathan Circuit.—After a brief stay of only one year among the good people of Bethel circuit, and a people whom we had learned to love, and a people who showed their love and appreciation of their pastor in many ways, we bade them good bye and turned our faces toward Jonathan, our new field of labor, requiring a move of about fourteen miles. We have been very kindly received by the good people of this circuit. We did not more than get things arranged in the parsonage until we were tremendously pounded; but with such good things as make one desirous of another such, and so glad to say, we had our desire, for we had scarcely recovered from the first until it was followed by the second, and so I can say "the lines have fallen to us in pleasant places" indeed. While we have not said anything through our paper so far about this charge, we have not been idle. We have held all of our meetings, five in number, and have preached 116 times, revised all the church registers, buried three members and had about fifty conversions and a goodly number of accessions to the church, and all of our churches greatly revived. The salary has been advanced over one hundred dollars above last year, and prospects at present are very favorable for a great year. We are expecting a full report at Conference this fall. Brother J. F. Shelton rendered able assistance in some of our meetings and has set forth the financial plan for which we expect to have a full report at close of the year. To the good Lord be all the praise. Sincerely, L. H. Griffith.

Conference Brotherhood

Assessment No. 13. This assessment was called for on the 3rd day of February, 1915, and is therefore due to be paid on or before the 4th day of April, 1915. Up to Monday morning, March 29th, 96 clerical members have paid this assessment. The following named members have paid since my last report: W. S. Hales, J. M. Downum, J. R. Scroggs, M. H. Vestal, A. C. Swafford, J. J. Eads, P. C. Battle, F. L. Townsend, H. M. Blair, J. W. Ingle, J. J. Edwards, E. O. Cole, H. H. Jordan, M. C. Field ,B. F. Fincher, J. W. Kennedy, E. M. Hoyle, J. H. Brendall and C. W. Byrd. C. M. Pickens, Sec-Treas.

Spencer, N. C.

Our Handbook

Our people need it. It costs only 25 cents. Almost any man will take it if his pastor will ask him to do so. Let each pastor carry a copy in his hand to show to his people. It contains much valuable information concerning our Southern Methodism.

Greensboro, N. C. A. D. Betts.

Library for Sale

Dear Brother Blair: I have the library of the late Dr. G. H. Detwiler for sale. This is an unusually good collection of standard books. Most of them are practically new and in good condition. Any one wishing to purchase some good books will do well to write for price, as there are some rare bargains to be had in this collection of books. H. H. Jordan.

Gastonia, N. C.

Resolutions Which Were Passed at the Efficiency Institute, Albemarle, N. C.

Resolved, that it is the sense of this Institute that the Salisbury District continue its missionary special, and that the charges here represented will, to the extent of their ability, aid in bringing up the necessary amount in full.

Rev. G. G. Tuttle.

Resolved, that we make April missionary month, and that we, as far as practicable, take our missionary collections in the month of April.

Rev. R. M. Taylor,
Rev. W. I. Hughes.

Commencement Speakers Greensboro College for Women

An excellent bill of fare is in store for all who will have the privilege of attending next commencement of Greensboro College for Women. The following are some of the main speakers for that occasion: The baccalaureate sermon will be preached in West Market Street church on Sunday morning, May 23rd by Bishop James H. McCoy, D. D., Birmingham, Ala. The sermon for the Young Woman's Christian Association will be preached in the college chapel on Sunday evening, May 23rd by Bishop James Atkins, D. D., Waynesville, N. C. On Tuesday morning in connection with the graduating exercises in the college chapel, President Henry Louis Smith, L. L. D., president, of Washington and Lee University, will deliver the literary address.

From Conference Evangelist

We have just closed a great and glorious meeting, with Rev. J. G. W. Holloway, at Dobson, in which the Lord did most wonderfully manifest his power in saving the people, both old and young. The Mayor was saved, and answered the call to the ministry, and is now getting ready to join Conference this fall. Three doctors and one lawyer got right with God, besides a large number of others—about seventy-four in all. There were twenty-five accessions to our church besides some to join other churches. The church was wonderfully and gloriously blessed because of the mighty manifestation of the blessed Holy Spirit. Dobson circuit was our first charge, just twenty-five years ago, and this naturally made us rejoice the more with those dear people in the great victory God gave us. To his holy name be all the praise. We are ow with Brother Combs on the Ararat charge at Hunter's Chapel. Pray for us to have a great meeting here. W. L. Dawson.

Baraca-Philathea Convention in Raleigh

The young people in the Baraca and Philathea classes of the state, of which there are now about 60,000 members, are looking forward with great interest to the Fifth Annual Convention, to be held in Raleigh, April 22-25. There are now more than 1800 Baraca and

Philathea classes in this state, over 1200 of which have been organized since state organizations opened up Headquarters in Greensboro, July 1, 1911, with Miss Flossie A. Byrd, of this city, as General Secretary. The Baraca-Philathea Herald is the official organ, with an average circulation of almost 10,000 for the past fiscal year.

Each chartered Baraca and Philathea class in the state is entitled to two voting delegates in the Convention, with the privilege of sending as many others as care to attend. One thousand or more delegates are expected, and this Convention is on the pay plan. Good homes for a large number are being secured at a dollar each per day, two in a room. Names of delegates should be sent promptly to Miss Flossie A. Byrd, Greensboro, N. C. The Greensboro classes promise to be well represented.

Efficiency Institute, M. E. Church, South, China Grove, N. C.

This Institute was planned and the program prepared by Rev. W. R. Ware, the zealous and alert presiding elder of the Salisbury District, who presided at the sessions of the Institute, which embraced March 24-25. The program as published in the Advocate, with some minor variations, was carried out. The territory covered was the seventeen charges in the western section of the Salisbury District, and there was a good representation present, only one charge not being represented. There was a good interest from start to finish. All the addresses were good, and while we were disappointed in not having Brothers Siler and Hoyle, yet their places were so ably filled by other brethren that no break in the program could be noticed. But I feel sure that all will agree that the address of Rev. C. M. Pickens on "Some Fresh Data from the Mission Field," that of Dr. C. W. Byrd on "The Benefit of Decision Day," and Dr. E. K. McLarty on "Evangelism," deserve special mention as the great addresses of the Institute.

The following resolutions were adopted:

"In view of the unprecedented conditions now confronting the Christian world, brought about by the great war in Europe, and in view of the increased calls thus made upon us from the mission fields,

Resolved, That the Salisbury District continue its mission special in Korea, supported by the Sunday schools of the district.

Resolved, That April be designated as missionary month, and that during this month we do our utmost to secure in pledges and cash all the regular Conference collections, making as a minimum cash collection an amount equal to the foreign mission assessment."

All seemed to feel that the Institute was a success, and that much good will result from it in the quickened enthusiasm and interest awakened in the district.

Rev. H. H. Robbins, the able pastor at our church in China Grove, is doing a fine work and is serving his third year there. He and the good people of the town looked well after the comfort of those attending the Institute and made us all want to meet there again.

W. T. Albright, Sec.

The Jimison-Fisher Revival at Mt. Airy

With 700 or more people crowding all available space in central church last night, the meetings conducted by Evangelist T. P. Jimison and Singer A. N. Fisher for three weeks, came to a close. In these meetings 380 people professed to be converted or reclaimed, most of them while kneeling at the altar. Seventy-five persons have, or will, join the Methodist church, twenty the Presbyterian, probably twenty the Baptist, six or eight the Friends and three the Episcopalians. Family altars have been established, new voices are being heard in prayer and testimony, young people have offered themselves for the ministry and the whole town has been set talking about religion.

Old men say that measured by many standards it was the greatest meeting the town has had in a quarter of a century, not excepting the great Abernethy meeting nine years ago.

Among the many features that contributed to the success were the following: Five or six ladies' prayer meetings held in various parts of the city each day. From 100 to 200 women attended these. Reports from the same were read at the public evening services. A men's prayer meeting held in various business houses for 20 minutes each afternoon. Forty or fifty men would stand in a barber shop, or between the counters of a store and sing and pray and testify. Parties went to adjacent country churches, to factories and shops, the evangelist preaching in each instance. Possibly 1,000 people heard him outside of the church where the meetings were held. In these outside services there were ten conversions.

The preaching? It can not be well described. It was a strong, orthodox gospel message. It had enough wit and irony and sarcasm and burlesque to season it. He was merciless in his continual excoriations of sin and shame and worldliness of all kind. He punctured pretence and blistered the consciences of the religiously slothful and indolent. His words stick and sting. Men winced and squirmed and writhed and got mad and ended up by yielding in unconditional surrender to Jesus Christ.

He is tireless. In twenty-two days he preached fifty-seven times and conducted sixteen prayer services. He knows the human heart. He knows its hding places. Church officials were among those who made public acknowledgement of sin. In it all he magnifies the church and exalts the Christ, and while other churches were not offended, his messages were Methodistic to the core. With a membership now of about 650, Central church it is believed will begin a new era of prosperity.

The singer, Mr. A. N. Fisher, known to many of you readers, did his work well. With a consecrated personality, his sweet songs reach the heart. Mt. Airy folks believe in Jimison and Fisher.

They begin at Princeton, West Virginia, next Sunday.

W. H. Willis.

Conference Brotherhood

At the last annual meeting of the Conference Brotherhood I was directed by that body to have the Constitution and By-laws of the organization printed in the Advocate. They, therefore, appear below.

Spencer, N. C. C. M. Pickens, Sec-Treas.

Constitution

Article 1. This association shall be called the Western North Carolina Conference Brotherhood.

Article 2. The officers of this association shall be a president, a vice-president and a secretary and treasurer, who shall hold their offices until their successors shall be elected, and who together shall constitute a Board of Trustees, for the investment and application of all funds that may come into their hands. The offices of secretary and treasurer shall be held by one person.

Article 3. An annual meeting of the Brotherhood shall be held during the session of the Conference, at such time and place as may be designated by the president, at which meeting the officers of the association shall be elected.

Article 4. Any clerical member of the Western North Carolina Conference, either on trial or in full connection, may become a beneficiary member of the Brotherhood by the payment of an initiation fee of fifty cents and, within sixty days from date of entrance, a mortuary assessment of three dollars. Any person may become a non-beneficiary member upon promise to pay one dollar on the death of each beneficiary member.

Article 5. On the death of a beneficiary member, each surviving beneficiary shall be assessed three dollars, and each non-beneficiary member one dollar, to be paid into the treasury within sixty days from the date of notice of assessment. After deducing the expense of collecting and disbursing the mortuary benefit, the remainder shall be paid to the person or persons designated in the certificate of membership. In case the deceased member did not direct how his mortuary benefi should be applied, it shall be paid to the surviving wife, or as specially directed.

Article 6. Any funds coming into the Brotherhood in any way (mortuary assessments always excepted) shall be invested by the treasurer, and the interest solely used as a supplementary fund to increase the mortuary benefit, or expense of the Association.

Article 7. A member who shall fail to pay any assessment due, as aforesaid within sixty days from date of notice, shall forfeit his membership in the Brotherhood: Provided, that if he should die before the next session of the Conference, and his beneficiaries should at or before said session pay up all arrears, the treasurer shall call an assessment on account of his death: Provided further, that any member forfeiting his membership under this article shall be re-admitted to the Brotherhood upon application and the payment of all his arrears.

Article 8. In the event of the death of the treasurer, the president shall appoint a member to fill his place until the ensuing session of the Conference.

Article 9. Beneficiary membership in the Brotherhood shall not be forfeited by transfer to any other field of labor in the itinerant ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Article 10. This Constitution can be amended at annual sessions: Provided the amendment proposed shall have been published in the Conference paper at least two weeks before said session.

By-Laws

1. The president shall sign all certificates of membership, and perform the duties usually required of a presiding officer; and in his absence, his duties shall be performed by the vice-president.

2. The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Board of Trustees and of the Brotherhood, and perform the duties usually required of a secretary. He shall, upon the notification of the death of a beneficiary member, communicate the fact to the surviving members, notifying them to forward he mortuary fee to the treasurer.

3. The treasurer shall receive and care for all the funds coming to the Brotherhood, and shall disburse and invest the same as directed by the Constitution and By-Laws. The expenses of notification on the part of the secretary and treasurer, and for printing, postage, etc., shall be paid out of the amount collected from initiation fees and dues as may be necessary.

4. In view of the labor imposed upon the secretary and treasurer by the duties of his office, he shall be exempt from the payment of mortuary fees.

5. No certificate of membership in the Brotherhood shall be assigned, transferred, or in any way pledged for debt.

Amendment No. 1 to Constitution

After December first, 1915, no member of the Western North Carolina Conference, who has been a member of said Conference for more than ten years, shall be admitted to beneficiary membership in the Western North Carolina Conference Brotherhood.

OUR CHILDREN'S HOME REPORT

By Walter Thompson, Supt.

Amount Received On Special, General and Ten Per Cent. Assessment

Linwood Charge, Lexington, J. W. Ingle	$ 5.97
Catawba Ct., Catawba, A. C. Loftin	5.63
Mrs. Etta Parlier, Winston	5.00
J. G. W. Holloway, Dobson Ct., Dobson	4.50
Total	$20.10

Fifth Sunday Collections

J. B. Parks, River Hill	.64

Donations in Kind

Ladies' Aid Society of Montmorenci church, Sulphur Springs Ct., Miss Gwendoline Gaston, two quilts, six cans beans, one can peaches and thirty-two yards of cloth; Misses Bradley V. Lambing, Salisbury, one box hats; Ladies' Aid Society of Zion church, Greensboro, Mrs. Geo. Wakefield, one box containing canned goods and fruit.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, Asheville, N. C.

JOY DISPELS OUR SORROW

Morning light was dawning c'er the distant hills,
Banished was the midnight gloom;
Silently the angels clad in bright array
Came to guard the dear Redeemer's tomb.
Soliders were affrighted and in terror fled,
While the angels rolled the stone away,
Then with joy proclaimed, "Christ, the Lord is risen,"
"See the place where once the Saviour lay."

Loving ones who sought Him at the break of day,
Found the angels waiting there;
Joy dispelled their sorrow—fear gave way to faith—
Hope succeeded all their deep despair.
For the angels told them, "Jesus is not here,"
"But had surely risen as He said,"
Then with eager footsteps joyfully they tell
How that Christ had risen from the dead.

Easter tells its gladness all the year around—
Happy birds their tribute bring;
Fragrant flowers blooming after winter days
Speak to us the joys of coming Spring.
Earthly pleasures vanish, flowers soon shall fade,
But the joy of Easter shall endure.
Hope of resurrection never shall grow dim,
While the word of God abideth sure. —Selected.

THE MESSAGE OF EASTER

O. S. Marden

There is a marvel of significance for all humanity in Easter Day. It reminds us that death is not the end, that life has triumphed over death.

Easter tells us to lay aside our clothes of doubt, of despair, of gloom and bids us look up and out. It brings us new promise, new hope, new life, new beauty, new joys to replace our sorrows, our losses.

"Awake thou that sleepest!" The slumbering seeds which have been held in Winter's grip are not the only things that hear this resurrection call. We humans hear it, feel its inspiration. It stirs us to our depths. A new life pulsates in our veins, thrills our very being.

The Easter resurrection, the warming up of all Nature, is a suggestion to us to warm up towards each other. It calls us to open our hearts and let in the new life. It bids us warm up toward every living thing. It is the call to a new life. Its message is that "Men may rise on stepping-stones
Of their dead selves to higher things."

There is a quickening of our vitality, a resurrection of our ideals, a moral re-birth. We feel the warming presence of new life, new cheer, of higher and nobler impulses. The re-birth of Nature, the struggling toward the light, the vigorous effort for self-expression of the myriads of seeds which have been buried in the earth for months, is a symbol of our ascending life.

Everything we bury, whatever of value is taken from us, whether a fond dream of happiness, a hope, a dear relative or a friend, is but a seed buried in the darkness which in time will bring forth something new, something unexpected. Out of that which we apparently lose, over which we grieve with lashes wet, there arises something infinitely more beautiful, something more perfect, immortal, that can never die.

If we look upward like the tree, if we live the life of faith, every Easter will be a re-birth. If we face life in the right attitude with faith, instead of doubt, optimism instead of pessimism, those things which, in our night of sorrow, we thought would shut out the peace and joy forever, will prove precious experiences from which we would not part for any consideration. All of our strength, our stability, our power to overcome in future difficulties, has grown out of our struggles.

Another lesson of Easter is the assurance that we shall triumph over all defeats; that as our brother Christ arose from the dead, so even shall we rise. It is the evidence, the proof of our immortality, of our union with Him, of the brotherhood of man.

As spring awakens the seeds of new promise, new hopes, new expectations, new joys, new strength, new beauty in Nature, so Easter comes to us with the joyful message of a new and fuller life.

PRAY | Council Meeting—April 14-22
| Board of Missions—May 11th
| Our W. N. C Conference
| District Meetings

SHELBY DISTRICT MEETING

The Shelby District Meeting will be held in Lincolnton, April 1st and 2nd. Miss Leila Tuttle, of McTyeire School, Shanghai, China, will be with us for the night service, April 1st. Let every society, Adult, Young People and Children send names of their delegates and visitors early to Mrs. C. A. Jonas, Lincolnton, N. C.

Mrs. B. T. Morris,
District Secretary.

(We are sorry this announcement came too late for insertion in our issue last week.—Editor.)

This is the season of District Meetings and let us remember to pray daily for our district secretaries, upon whom so much of the responsibility of our success in our missionary work rests. May God strengthen them and give them His help in carrying forward this great work to which He has called them.

During this week the Shelby and Statesville meetings will be held, followed closely by the Morganton meeting. Let us carry these to God daily for His blessings.

May we not ask each district secretary to send account of her meeting to us for publication, so that we may know what has been done.

RALLY DAY AT WESLEY MEMORIAL CHURCH, HIGH POINT

It was a red letter day with the Woman's Missionary Society of Wesley Memorial church, High Point, on Sunday, March 14th, when the Rally Day services were held. It was an uplifting, inspiring occasion, one calculated to do great good and to arouse enthusiasm in our work.

At the morning service, a splendid sermon was given by Rev. Gilbert T. Rowe, pastor of the church, and at this time a collection was taken for Miss Harris, a trained nurse who is supported by Wesley Memorial, in Ivey Hospital, Songdo, Korea.

The afternoon session was presided over by Mrs. Vassie Wilson and the devotional service was conducted by Mrs. B. E. Moore, who gave the Scripture lesson from a part of John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that he gave," establishing the principle that love is the ideal motive for giving, something in the heart prompting us to give to all peoples.

This was followed by a review of the work of the children, by Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, President of our Conference after which Mrs. Blanche Carr gave a most interesting talk on "Scarritt Bible and Training School." Mrs. A. E. Fordham, District Secretary of Greensboro District, took this opportunity of stressing the sending of prompt and accurate reports, a most appropriate talk just at this time when our first quarter is nearing a close, and when it is so very important that all reports come in on time.

The address of the evening was by Miss Zung of China, a graduate of McTyeire School in Shanghai, and now a music pupil at Greensboro College for Women. Miss Zung gave a very clear idea of the proud old empire of China. She spoke of the Chinese as narrow in their ideas, because so self-satisfied, being sure that their country was beyond compare, the best in the world.

They always bounded the world of culture by the four Chinese seas, omitting entirely the oceans from their interest considering all outsiders as barbarians, even putting in their treaties the word barbarian to which Europeans and Americans objected and would not sign until it was omitted.

The new China is different, using, instead of the Manchurian Dragon flag, a new one of five colors—representing the five divisions and languages of the empire.

Miss Zung is a most attractive young woman, well informed, with elegant manners and of dignified poise. She said, "No one sends me to America. I come of my own pleasure because I want to see many countries beside my own. Also to attain learning of your ways. I am happy here."

Special music was rendered at each service by a well-trained choir.

WORLD'S TRAGEDIES TODAY

Not upon the bloody battle-fields of Europe are to be found today the darkest tragedies of the world. Rather in this dismal catalogue a missionary statesman discovers the most appalling tragedies of the present time:

(1) Two hundred and seven million bound by caste—Hinduism.

(2) One hundred and forty-seven million permeated with atheism—Buddhism.

(3) Two hundred and fifty-six million chained to a dead past—Confucianism.

(4) One hundred and seventy million under the spell of fatalism—Mohammedanism.

Eight hundred million sitting in darkness—Paganism.

OLD TESTAMENT MISSIONARIES

Authority for missions is not drawn from the New Testament alone. It has been pointed out that Abram was a foreign missionary. Here is the call that carried him to a foreign land, "Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred and from thy father's house, into a land that I will show thee; and in thee shall all the families of the earth be blessed."

Jonah was a missionary to Nineveh sent there by divine direction. Though he went as a slave, Joseph was a missionary to Egypt; and though he went as a captive, Daniel was a missionary to Babylon. David has been described as a great missionary hymnologist and Isaiah as a great missionary prophet. The Old Testament is indeed a missionary book.

REPORT OF TREASURER, FOREIGN DEPARTMENT

Mrs. P. N. Peacock

(Read at last Annual Meeting, Charlotte, N. C.)

This being the twenty-fifth year since our organization—our silver anniversary—it seems fitting to go back and see what has been done in a financial way, see whether the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society can show good reason for its existence.

Our women met in Salisbury in 1890 for organization. In 1891, the first annual meeting was held in Asheville, and the Treasurer's report showed collections to be $5328.38, this large amount being due to a bequest left us by a friend. The next year in Statesville we had $1801.10 raised by the women and children alone. Our yearly collections increased steadily until 1902. The annual meeting was held that year in Salisbury and the collection raised was $4,827.30.

While I had been a member of the missionary society before I had had no official connection with the work and was not very familiar with it. I was elected treasurer that year and have been trying to fill that position faithfully for the past thirteen years.

Our growth continued until we reached the high water mark in our meeting in Concord in 1913. We reported there $16,878.92. You understand, of course, that these figures are for the Foreign Department alone. In this meeting in Concord, the Home and Foreign Societies met together for the first time as one body, but our finances were still kept separate, each department having its own treasurer.

Beginning with this year, we become an organic body with one set of officers, these to be elected during this meeting. We, henceforth, know no home, no foreign, only "Christ and Him crucified." During the reconstruction period of the last two years, our Foreign collections have fallen off somewhat, owing perhaps to the fact that many societies which had not before had a Home Department, divided their funds.

Last year we reported $15,328.95. Our report this year, as shown on chart is $15,289.53, a slight decrease. I feel that we are really doing well to hold our own during the talk of hard times, and also when so much is being given for relief work in Europe. I will say, however, that the slight difference reported has been covered by remittances which were sent in too late to be entered on Fourth Quarterly Report. I have to send this in to Mrs. Ross, our Council Treasurer, at Nashville, Tenn., on the 15th of the month. Some of the late reports did not reach me until the 20th. I have read somewhere: "Time drinketh up the essence of every great and noble work, which should be performed, but which is delayed in the execution." This certainly applies to the sending in of reports. Let me say for the benefit of our missionary delegates here, that three things are needed in every auxiliary—careful planning, systematic praying and prompt reporting.

Now as to the disposal of the funds raised last year, nine scholarships were carried in our schools in foreign countries, at a cost of forty dollars each, two of these by adult auxiliaries, seven by Juniors. A year ago we reported fifteen scholarships. Those in Mexico were not carried the past year on account of unsettled conditions there which made it impossible to keep our schools running.

Eleven Bible women were supported at a cost of $60 each. All of these are in China and Korea. We have six auxiliaries supporting their own missionaries. These are: West Market Adult, and Margaret Foster, Young People, of Greensboro; Tryon Street, Charlotte; Central Church, Asheville; Central church, Concord and Central church, Monroe. One other is supported by the Circle of Thirty in Conference Society, each at a cost of $750.

$294.47 was the collection for our Week of Prayer services. This amount is to be paid to a fund for the building of a Girls' School in Rio, Brazil. $33.60 goes to an Endowment Fund for Scarritt Bible and Training School at Kansas City where our candidates for both Home and Foreign work receive their training.

$96.44 was paid on Retirement Fund, this being a fund to take care of our women, who, after having given the best years of their lives to service in the foreign fields, find themselves physically unable to continue there. $393.29 was raised to defray expenses of extension of work in the bounds of our own conference. The remainder of our dues and pledge goes into the general treasury to be used where the Board of Missions sees the need is greatest.

(Continued on page 9)

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

EASTER! EASTER! EASTER IS HERE!

Oh, what a time of rejoicing it should be! Of all the anniversaries, Easter is the most joyous. Let us forget the failures of the past and with the joyous Easter tide, take on new life and new strength of spirit. What would this world be without an Easter! Easter is the Christian's hope and life.

Let us make each day an Easter to our souls and hearts. Let us take our troubles and sorrows to Christ in prayer each day and if we go to Him believing the spirit will feel the power of His resurrection and we will be regenerated. Our souls need a regeneration more than once a year, so let us go to him daily and hourly for strength.

Easter Meeting

What have you planned for your Easter program? There is so much that we can have for our Easter meeting that it is dicicult to decide just what to have. Let us make it one which will bring peace and comfort to sin-sick and weary souls; one which will cause the followers of Christ to rejoice, and one which will put new life and new purpose into the hearts and lives and works of His servants. Let us make it a turning point in our lives and in our Leagues.

Let us have reports of your Easter meeting. It may help us, and we are sure it will be interesting to all our Leagues.

Don't forget our Conference at Lake Junaluska in August. Plan to spend your vacation there. There are many out door sports which can be enjoyed and the sessions of the Conference will be restful as well as helpful. You could not spend a more beneficial vacation.

We are giving below a story by Margaret E. Sangster, Jr., which is taken from The Christian Herald. Her stories, like those of her mother, are all so sweet and helpful and teach great lessons in such interesting ways. We hope you will all take this lesson to heart.

THE KIND CONDUCTOR

I stepped gratefully on to the trolly car and subsided, near the door, into the only vacant seat. It was a very crowded trolley car; crowded with men and women, half-grown children and little crying babies, and as I looked interestedly down the aisle I saw workingmen in dirt-stained overalls next to women in broadcloth suits, prosperous people in fur-lined overcoats sharing their seats, unwillingly perhaps, with ragged immigrants.

It must have been extremely cold out on that back platform, for the conductor was holding his fingers before his face and blowing on them. He had a blue, pinched look about the mouth. As I smiled quite unconsciously out of the door, he pulled his lips frozenly together and smiled back at me cheerily.

The conductor had a pleasant though rather commonplace face. He had tiny laughter lines around his eyes, deep smile wrinkles at both sides of the mouth. His sandy hair was brushed back from a high forehead, and his eyes, deep-set blue eyes, twinkled at some small joke even as he tried vainly to blow the numbness from his finger tips. I found myself imagining him with a beard and long white hair, and I almost laughed as I realized how much he would look like Santa Claus, or Saint Valentine, or any of the other merry-men of childhood, if he could suddenly become old.

A fat woman with a thin, just-beginning-to-walk baby started to lurch toward the door. The car was going very fast, so fast that she stumbled from side to side, while the frightened child, with a look of vague despair on its poor little face, reached blind, groping hands toward the firmness of the seats. Involuntarily I stretched out an arm to steady the little thing, but as I touched its small coat sleeve the conductor pushed open the door, lifted the child and steadied it until the car stopped. His eyes smiled as he handed it to the fat woman and watched her hurry off down some side street.

A little girl, a rather fluttery, nervous little girl with an old-looking face, stepped on at the next corner. She gazed hopelessly, helplessly at the conductor as she handed him her fare.

"I've got to go to the normal school'" she told him, worriedly, "but I don't know how t' get there! The car doesn't go right past, does it?"

The conductor put the coin into his fares pocket and beat his cold hands against each other.

"I'll let you out, Miss," he told her kindly, "at a corner just two blocks from the school. Walk straight away from the car tracks and the first big building you see will be the one you are looking for. I'll call out when we get to the street." And with the nervousness fading from her face the little girl passed inside.

A faded old woman and a pretty young one were sitting far to the front of the car. They had attracted my attention several times, for the young one had her arm protectingly around the shoulders of the old one, who sat leaning heavily back with closed eyes and pale, nearly gray face. They were both dressed shabbily in very neat clothes, and as I was wondering what their story might be I saw the girl get up and help the old woman to her feet. When I saw them pressing down toward the door, the one tenderly solicitious, the other with tight-drawn lips and halting step, I realized that the older woman was desperately sick. When they reached the platform the child-looking conductor smiled reassuringly at the girl as he stopped the car. While they stood hesitating in the doorway at the top of the cruelly long steps, he jumped to the ground and held up his arms. The old woman was a very little old woman and he was a very big conductor. Gently, tenderly, as a trained nurse might have done, he lifted her from the high place and set her on the ground.

"You're good," I heard her murmur; "she's very sick, my mother is, just out of the hospital—an' she can hardly walk."

The conductor didn't answer. He only grinned—a cheerful, radiant, combination Santa Claus and Saint Valentine grin. Then he climbed back on the platform again and pulled the bell rope.

The car was beginning to thin out, and as I gathered my things together I thought of conductors in general. I thought of the cross ones, who wouldn't wait, and the snappy ones, who wouldn't help and the occasional surly ones who growled. I compared them with this conductor.

While I was doing it the car stopped at the corner and a man got on, a man who looked almost objectionably prosperous from the soles of his patent leather, cloth-top shoes to the tip of his shiny imported hat. He held a bill out and waited importantly for change, while his small eyes looked curiously at the face in front of him."

"I'm glad I haven't your job," he volunteered, not unpleasantly; it must be pretty bad in winter out on the back platform in the cold!" Comfortably he snuggled down into the depths of his fur-collared overcoat.

The conductor switched open the door and held an Italian woman's heavy market basket for her as she clambered stiffly down. He pulled the bell rope before he answered.

"Oh, I don't mind it," he answered cheerfully as he handed out the change —"y' know I like it—rather." It was then that I decided to write this article.

I had arrived at my destination, for the car was slowing down to the right street. I got off slowly, and the conductor smiled at me with his happy smile while I stepped to the ground.

The car swung heavily, clumsily around the corner and I saw him plainly on the back platform—for the last time. He was blowing on his fingers to keep them warm.—Margaret E. Sangster, in Christian Herald.

DEPARTMENT OF WOMAN'S WORK

(Continued from Page 8)

Even our babies have a part in the work, $46.54 being realized from enrollment fees and mite boxes of the Baby Division, which consists of children under six years of age.

From the chart you can see also how the total amounts raised are divided among our eleven districts. In the twenty-five years of our life the total amount we have paid for Foreign Mission Work, including Adult, Young People and Junior reports is $205,862.87.

It is very hard to talk about finances without infringing upon the Department of Christian Stewardship. In that department we are taught that the Christian is a steward of all things of this life. We group them under four heads: Time, Talent, Influence and Money. The last named is perhaps the least important, but owing to the fact that it is the part of the work which I have especially to deal, it has loomed up rather large upon my horizon. That is what I am instructed to talk about anyhow, so I have no apology to offer. The supreme need of this day is a concecrated stewardship empowered by prayer.

Do you know that the people of the United States are now saving about nine million dollars a day? A large part of this wealth is in the possession of the members of the church. In 1909 the money received from farming products alone, would, if put into twenty dollar gold pieces, make a line reaching across Alaska, Canada, the United States and Mexico to the Isthmus of Panama; and then there would be a line of gold from New York to San Francisco and some pieces would fall into the Pacific Ocean before they were all used.

There is no question that the church has the money needed, if it were only consecrated money. The support of the fourteen thousand missionaries needed from America would involve increasing our gifts to forty-eight million dollars a year. That means an average gift from the church members of the United States and Canada of a little less than two dollars a year or four cents per week. We need to face the fact that the church has the money to evangelize the world, and the equally apparent fact that we are unfaithful stewards. We need an unwithholding consecration of life and of money, which is coined life. If we are to escape the curse of money, we must shun covetousness, stinginess and greed. We must honor the Lord with our substance.

Dear Lord, help us to recognize our stewardship. Deliver us from covetousness and selfishness. Teach us the joy of surrender of self and all to Thee. Help us to be rich toward a perishing world, and thereby rich toward Thyself. Eable us day by day to lay up some treasure for the heavenly home, to make some eternal frienship by means of the possessions Thou hast entrusted to us. Freely we have received, freely may we give!

EASTER GIFTS

FOR CHILDREN

COLORED PICTURE BIBLES & TESTAMENTS

HOLMAN EDITIONS IN PURPLE BINDINGS

FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHOLARS AND LITTLE CHILDREN

These special editions have been prepared to appeal to the child's own interest.

All efforts of the imagination and all descriptions in words cannot make the Land of the Bible as real and vivid as a walk through it by means of Pictures. There has been so little change in that part of the Orient that pictures of its scenes as they now are show the very places as they actually existed in the time of Jesus and the Apostles.

These Pictures illuminate in natural colors scenes and places taken from nature; and life in the Holy Land in manners, customs, dress and homes as they now exist, but so like olden times that one may imagine themselves going about with Jesus as He healed, taught and walked through the streets of Jerusalem. Each picture is accompanied by a complete description of the scene portrayed.

ALL OF THE FOLLOWING STYLES are bound in PURPLE SILK CLOTH, with PURPLE EDGES on book



GOLD TITLES and GOLD FLORAL DESIGN



on cover, also containing Sixteen beautiful Colored Pictures.

COLORED PICTURE BIBLES, PURPLE SILK CLOTH BINDINGS.

	PUBLISHERS' PRICES	OUR PRICES	
No. 5404. Large Minion Type Self-Pronouncing. Size 5⅞ x 4¼ inches	1.00	.80	Post Paid
No. 5004. Clear Black Pearl Type Size 5⅛ x 3¼ inches	.70	.55	Post Paid

COLORED PICTURE NEW TESTAMENT, PURPLE SILK CLOTH BINDING.

No. 2404. Large Minion Type Self-Pronouncing. Size 5⅞ x 4¼ inches	.60	.40	Post Paid

NEW TESTAMENT VEST POCKET SIZE, PURPLE SILK CLOTH BINDING
Colored Frontispiece Only.

No. 2104. Clear Agate Type Self-Pronouncing. Size 4½ x 2⅞ inches	.32	.25	Post Paid

CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER

While the National Capital is enjoying fine weather, but little evidence of spring is yet visible.

Since adjournment of Congress the city is quiet—made more so on account of this being Lenten season. President Wilson and his official family are still pursuing the wise "watching and waiting policy" regarding the foreign war situation, which continues practically unchanged.

It is true that the number of saloons here have been gradually curtailed from about six hundred a few years ago to only half that at present, but to have a model city as we should total prohibition should prevail here, which it is thought will be the case within a few short years.

The 131st session of the Baltimore Southern Methodist Conference is now being held in Mt. Vernon Place church, Bishop Warren A. Candler presiding. The attendance is large and reports from all charges are exceedingly satisfactory both from a financial and a spiritual standpoint. Our venerable dean of the College of Bishops is present and taking an active part in all proceedings and will preach on Sunday at Mt. Pleasant church for the chaplain of the Senate, Dr. Prettyman. Revs. Drs. Moore, Parker, Bulla, McMurry, and other connectional officers of Nashville are present and adding greatly to the interest of the Conference. At the missionary meeting Thursday evening President Woodrow Wilson was honor guest, who was introduced by Bishop Candler, made a short but more interesting and helpful address, which in part was as follows:

The President was introduced by Bishop Candler, who said that there were over 2,000,000 Southern Methodists who were praying for the proper guidance of the nation's executive. Turning to President Wilson, he said: "Mr. President, it gives me great pleasure to have you as the honored guest of this Conference, and we would appreciate any word you may have to say to us."

Brotherhood to End War

The President said in part:

"This is a council of peace, not to form plans of peace, for it is not our privilege to form such, but to proclaim the single supreme plan of peace, the revelation of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Because wars will never have any ending until men cease to hate one another, cease to be jealous of one another, get that feeling of reality in the brotherhood of mankind which is the only bond that can make us think justly of one another and act righteously before God Himself.

People Try "to Rock the Boat"

"I value the churches of this country as I would value everything else that makes for the stability of our moral processes. There are a great many people—not so many that they give me any particular concern—but, nevertheless, a great many people who in the language of the day are trying hard 'to rock the boat.' The boat is too big for them to rock.

"They are of such light material that they cannot rock it very much, but they are going through the motion, and it is just as well for them to look around once in a while and see the steadfast body of self-possessed Americans not to be hurried into an unconsidered line of action, sure that when you are right you can be calm; sure that when the quarrel is none of yours you can be impartial; sure that the men who spend their passion most will move the body politic the least, and that the reaction will not be upon the great body of American citizens, but upon themselves.

Stabilizer is Needed

"So that I look upon you in the present circumstances as a great part of the stabilizer of the nation. You know that somebody has just invented a thing called a stabilizer that is used in connection with aeroplanes, and by some process the mechanics of which I have not had explained to me, and, perhaps, could not understand if I had, this corrects the erratic movements of the machine, so that it, when adjusted, determines the plane upon which the machine is to move, and the machine cannot depart from it. Something like that is the function of the great moral forces of the world, to act as stabilizers even when we go up in the air.

Weak if Not Sustained

"I have come to you tonight, therefore, may I say, for reassurance, to look upon an undisturbed body of men who have their compasses and know the moral charting of the world. We know what haven we are bound for. We know the only legitimate processes by which one can work his way against the trade winds of evil in the world to the haven desired. So I am sure that I shall go away from here reinforced.

"I need not tell you that the President by himself is absolutely nothing. The President is what the American nation sustains, and if it does not sustain him, then his power is contemptible and insignificant. If I can speak for you and represent you and in some sense hand on the moral forces that you represent, then I am indeed powerful. If I cannot, then I am indeed weak. I shall hope and believe that I go away from here sustained, as Bishop Candler has so generously said, by your prayers. I hope I shall feel that I am also sustained by your confidence."

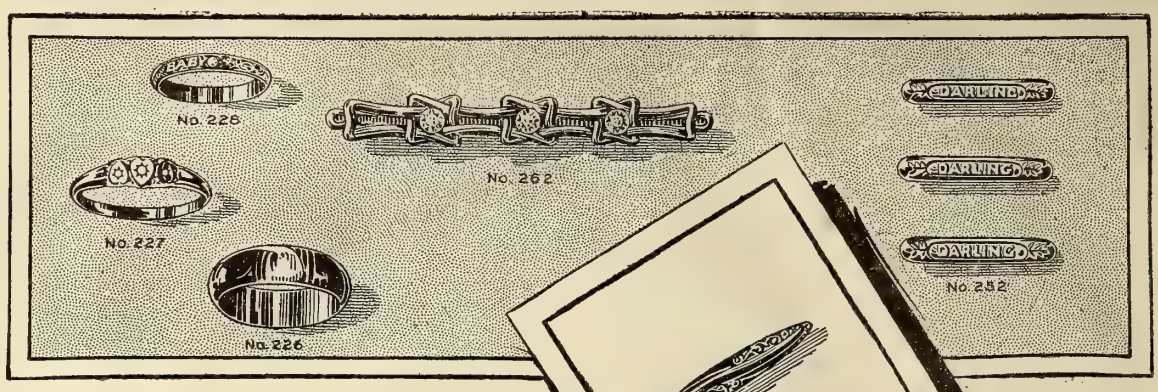
Upon the retirement of the presidential party, Bishop Candler introduced the Secretary of the Navy, who likewise made a most interesting address to the large and appreciative audience present, although many were unable to obtain admittance. Mr. Daniels said in part:

"I was born in a Methodist home, rocked in a Methodist cradle, and if there is anything in me I owe it to my Methodist mother and my Methodist training," the Secretary said. "We may adopt new methods to meet new conditions, but we must not depart from the old creeds and teachings of the good old Methodist faith."

Bishop Candler talked briefly on Cuban missions, and was followed by Dr. John M. Moore, secretary of the home mission board, who made a telling address for his department of the church work.

W. F. Tomlinson.

The Hillside, March 26, 1915.



Two beautiful Collar Pins for you

With a signature from a one-pound package of Arbuckles' Ariosa or Arbuckles' Ground Coffee and eight cents in stamps. Special April introductory offer, ending April 30, 1915.

Cut out the Coupon *now* and mail *it* today

Collar pins will be worn more than ever this season. Fashionable high collars have made them absolutely necessary. These pins have absolutely solid rolled gold tops and will last for years. If they do not give excellent wear, we guarantee to exchange them without question.

This special offer is made to get you to buy your *first* pound of Arbuckles' Coffee *now*. When you use this first pound you will know why more Arbuckles' Coffee is sold than any other packaged coffee, and why its sale is continually increasing.

Get a package today, and earn these two beautiful collar pins for yourself or some one else. Cut out the coupon now; buy one pound of Arbuckles' Ariosa (whole bean) or Arbuckles' Ground Coffee; cut the signature from the package, and mail it with the coupon, and 8 cents in stamps *now*. This offer positively ends April 30, 1915.

COUPON

(This coupon is good for the collar pins shown above with one Arbuckle signature and 8 cents in stamps; or for any of the other presents shown, with the proper number of signatures and stamps.) This offer does not hold good after April 30, 1915. Only one coupon accepted from any one person or family.

ARBUCKLE BROS.,
71T51 Water St., New York

With this coupon, I enclose..... signatures from Arbuckles' Coffee, and

.....two-cent stamps for which please send me:

State here article desired.....

.....

If ring, give size wanted.....

Name.....

No. and Street.....

.....

or R.D.....

City.....

State.....

Other wonderful presents you can get with your first package:

Wedding Ring, No. 226—Mail coupon, with 9 Arbuckle signatures and 2-cent stamp. This solid gold filled ring is for men and women. Good weight, wears well. Give size.

Baby Ring, No. 228—Mail coupon, with 7 Arbuckle signatures and 2-cent stamp. Solid gold-shell ring; word "Baby" embossed. Size ½ to 4. Give size.

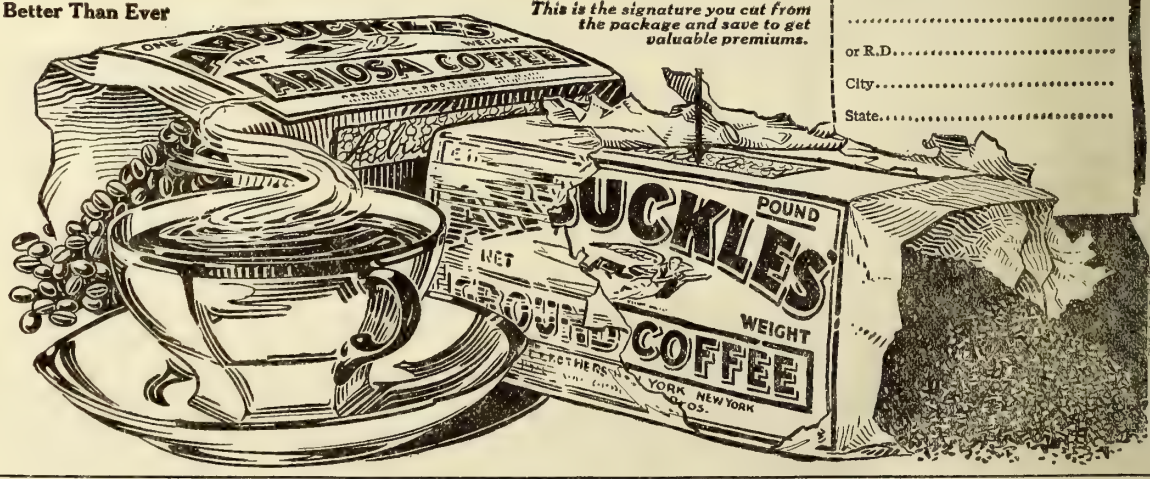
Heart Ring, No. 227—Mail coupon, with 12 Arbuckle signatures and 2-cent stamp. Solid gold-shell ring for ladies or misses. Give size.

Three Baby Pins, No. 252—Send coupon, with 8 Arbuckle signatures and 2c stamp. Solid rolled gold plate tops. Word "Darling" on each pin.

Bar Pin, No. 262—Send coupon, with 10 Arbuckle signatures and 2-cent stamp. Three large, beautiful imitation diamonds set in three-knot design. Length, 2¾ inches.

Better Than Ever

This is the signature you cut from the package and save to get valuable premiums.



TRINITY COLLEGE NOTES

The Avera Bible Lectures at Trinity College, announced to be given this year by Bishop Eugene R. Hendrix, must be deferred on account of Bishop Hendrix's health. They will probably be delivered in the autumn. This is a foundation established by Mrs. E. B. McCullers, and the lectures have been delivered in alternate years since 1897 by Bishop W. W. Duncan, Bishop Chas. B. Galloway, Bishop A. W. Wilson, Bishop W. A. Candler, and other such men. The college looks forward with peculiar pleasure to having Bishop Hendrix for the series of this year.

* * * *

Rev. A. D. Betts, a veteran methodist preacher now living at Greensboro, continues to send, as he has for many years been sending, a yearly contribution to the Loan Fund at Trinity College for the use of worthy and needy students. This fund is very precious to the college, not only because it is much needed, but especially because of the love that prompts the gift.

* * * *

Dr. Charles H. Levermore, of the World Peace Foundation, in an address here last Friday evening on "The War and Afterwards," declared that the principles of ethics should govern the actions of nations as well as of individuals. Dr. Levermore, author and lecturer and former president of Adelphi College, Brooklyn, is now director of the college and university department of the World Peace Foundation. The address was largely attended.

* * * *

President J. J. Lilly, of the local Y. M. C. A., has announced through a committee appointed for the purpose, an excellent program of lectures and addresses to that organization this spring. The list of speakers includes students, members of the faculty and people from a distance.

FOR SALE

Webster's International Dictionary—the latest edition—very cheap.
L. P. Bogle, Ruffin, N. C.

SEND US YOUR FILMS

for prompt, highest grade developing and printing at lowest prices. KODAK WORK A SPECIALITY. Personal attention given to all orders. Results guaranteed. Write
W. I. VAN NESS & CO., Charlotte, N. C.

TO THE GOOD PEOPLE OF GREENSBORO

I will appreciate and thank you for your support in the coming primaries for Commissioner of Public Works. I wish to state to the voters that I am familiar with such work and I know how to care for the city's stock. If elected to this office, both my time and best service will be devoted to the city's interest. Respectfully,
C. A. Hendrix.

FOR EMERGENCY USE

Every well regulated family should keep on hand a jar of Mentholatum.

Its uses are various, because it is an excellent antiseptic and germicide and also a delicate counter irritant—just the thing needed for scalds, burns, bruises, sprains chapped skin, insect bites and stings.

Mentholatum is a combination of volatile aromatic oils with a heavier base.

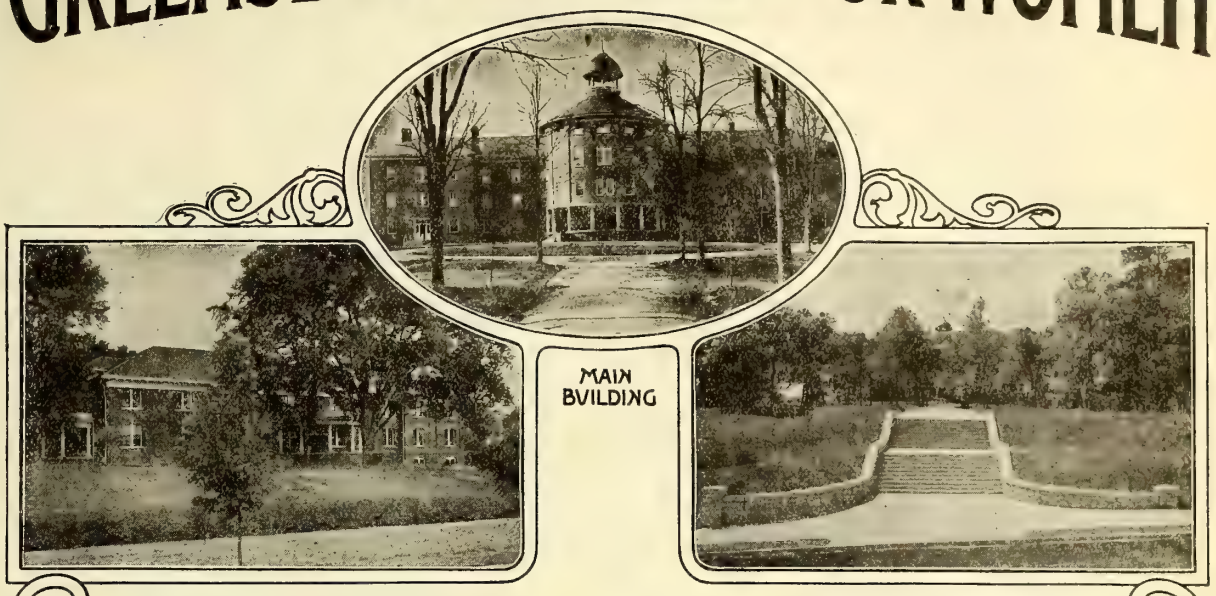
In the case of scalds and burns the heavy base keeps out the air, a very necessary condition.

The lighter aromatic oils disinfect the surface and protect it from infection from without.

The lighter oils also set up a delicate counter irritation which seems to draw the soreness out of the injured part, reducing the inflammation and encouraging rapid recovery.

For this reason it is very much used for colds, sore throat, catarrh, and croup.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY—FITZGERALD HALL

ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to
REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

COAT SUITS---DRESSES!
SPECIAL 30 DAY REDUCTION OFFER!
If you are going to the EXPOSITION, and want stylish coat suit or dress at moderate price—this is your opportunity. High grade coat suits—well tailored—good lines—made to your measures (according to sketches I'll send you)—$20.00 up. Individually designed dresses at most reasonable prices. Write for samples.
MRS. CHARLES ELLISON, Norton Bldg., Louisville, Ky.
1426 North American Bldg., Chicago, Ill.

BLUE RIDGE INN
Mt. Airy N. C. W. M. Jordan, Prop.
MOUNT AIRY'S LEADING HOTEL
Rates $2.00 and $2.50
All meals 50 cts.
Electric Lights, Steam Heat, Electric Bell System, Hot and Cold Baths
American Plan
A clean, up-to-date home for the tourist or traveling man, in a beautiful mountain city

WENEEDU BOOK AGENTS
Both sexes, for best seller published. Particulars and outfit free. GEO. W. SOMERS
1-A, St. Augustine, Fla.

Only this Freezer has the Famous Wheel Dasher LIGHTNING FREEZER
—giving a motion all its own: lifting and aerating the cream to feathery consistency.



Ask your dealer for Lightning Freezer. Write us for Mrs. Rorer's recipes for frozen desserts (free).
NORTH BROS. MFG. CO., Philadelphia

FRECKLES
Now Is the Time to Get Rid of These Ugly Spots
There's no longer the slightest need of feeling ashamed of your freckles, as the prescription othine—double strength—is guaranteed to remove these homely spots.

Simply get an ounce of othine—double strength—from any druggist and apply a little of it night and morning and you should soon see that even the worst freckles have begun to disappear, while the lighter ones have vanished entirely. It is seldom that more than an ounce is needed to completely clear the skin and gain a beautiful clear complexion.

Be sure to ask for the double strength othine as this is sold under guarantee of money back if it fails to remove freckles.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

.....

.....

The Sunday School Lesson

SECOND QUARTER, LESSON 1
APRIL 4, 1915

The Resurrection (Easter Lesson)
Matt. 28: 1-10

Golden Text—Now hath Christ been raised from the dead. 1 Cor. 15:20.

Summary of the Lesson

Frederick Barbarossa became a haunting, glorious memory to the people of Germany. So brilliant, so commanding had been his life that men felt as if he could not be lost to the activities of earth. In a fine passage in The Holy Roman Empire we are told that "in a spot scarcely accessible to human foot the peasants of the valley point out to the traveler the black mouth of a cavern and tell him that within the red-bearded emperor lies amid his knights in an enchanted sleep, waiting the hour when the ravens shall cease to hover round the peak and the pear-tree blossom in the valley, to descend with his crusaders and bring back to Germany the golden age of peace and strength and unity." There have been many men whom the world would fain have drawn back from the silent portals of death. And one man came. The gates swung open and the triumphant Son of God walked again in the very world where He had been crucified. It was the resurrection of a man. It was the resurrection of a religion. It was the moral and spiritual resurrection of the world. That fact transformed the significance of life on this planet.

A Blighting Sorrow

When you come to the end of Mrs. Humphry Ward's vigorous story Sir George Tressady you have mixed feelings. The hero has met a tragic death, but it is a noble death, expressing new and mastering ideals which he has made his own. Somehow with all the sadness the situation is ethically satisfying. On the other hand, when you read that poignantly tragic tale by Thomas Nelson Page, Elsket, the sorrow is of a bitter, disintegrating, disillusioning kind. There are treachery and cruelty and terrible revenge and there is a poor blighted life left after it all. Some sorrows are full of moral promise. The tears which they bring are like spring's refreshing showers. Other sorrows are cold and hard, with a terrible moral despair.

The death of Jesus seemed a blighting sorrow to those who loved Him most. It was not simply that He was dead, though that in itself was the source of profound grief. It was that all for which He stood seemed to have perished, too. He had been the very incarnation of unselfish love. He had seemed the promise of a new day of noble brotherhood, He had been unable to hold His own in this stern, selfish world. Malignant hostility had closed in upon Him. He had been hounded to His death. He had represented too fair and high a dream for this cruel passionate, remorseless human life. His teachings seemed to die with Him. His ideals seemed to have been carried to the tomb where He lay.

So the grief of His friends was a blighting thing. Manhood itself seemed infinitely poorer since Jesus had met His death. Life was an ugly, sordid experience, whose relentless realities were seen all the more sharply against the background of the failure of Jesus to build His teachings into the solid fabric of the world. Ethics had been crucified. Religion itself had been executed. Moral hope and spiritual confidence seemed forever shattered with the collapse of the ministry of Jesus.

A Creative Joy

"If England needs me, dead
Or living, I'll rise that day!
I'll rise from the darkness under the sea,
Ten thousand miles away."

So speaks Drake in Alfred Noyes's stirring poem "The Admiral's Ghost." According to the old seaman death itself could not hold Drake when the call of his country's need came across the far silences. So legend and song have called back from the lone land of the long stillness those who could come only on the wings of imagination.

We are in a different realm when we come to think of the resurrection of Jesus. Summoned by the world's need He did come back from the land of death. The strong Son of God had not been defeated when He was nailed to the cross. The seeming eclipse of His power was on the way to its bursting forth to shine with perennial radiance.

When the friends of Jesus learned that He was alive they were filled with gladness. It was a remarkable kind of gladness, all full of moral and spiritual promise. It was more than that He was restored to them. It was that all the principles and ideals for which He stood were given back to them, just when they seemed to be slipping away forever. Unselfish love rose again in the resurrection of Jesus. His law of life was seen to be the law of the universe. His teachings were authenticated. His program was given a momentum which came from the consciousness of His invincible strength.

The joy of the resurrection contained the promise of a new world, the pledge of a new life, the assurance of a great hope. Doors seemed opening everywhere. Infinite possibilities lived and beckoned. Despair was conquered and hope was placed secure upon the throne of the world.

"All Hail!"

In one of his poems of joyous optimism Whittier cries out:

"Ring bells in unreared steeples,
The joy of unborn peoples."

Longfellow, in a glad vision of the future, sings:

"Out of the darkness of night,
The world rolls into light,
It is daybreak everywhere."

Such emotions of joyous expectation thrill us as we behold Jesus meeting the women and greeting them with two words of triumph and promise, "All hail!"

In truth, a new era in the history of the world was being ushered in. It was time to ring out the old and to ring in the new. The one who cried "All hail" beheld a conquered and transformed world lying at His feet.

Well might these women on the resurrection morning rejoice at the glad words of greeting. Womanhood itself was to have a new life and a new destiny as a result of the transforming influences which were to go forth from that powerful Personality. An ear with the power of hearing might have detected the sound of chains breaking as the risen Christ spoke those words of greeting. Chains of slavery, chains of evil custom, chains of misconception and prejudice, chains of vice and sin—all those fetters which bound humanity to an unworthy past were to be broken by the same mastery which had swept triumphantly past the gates of death.

Ages were to be required for the working out of all that was involved in the resurrection. There were to be great struggles and there were to be great defeats, but after that one event the outcome was sure. The living Christ is the assurance of the final victory of righteousness and love.

To our own day in greeting and in challenge come the ringing words, "All hail." We have a share in the bringing in of the new day. We have a share in that triumphant advance whose first note was sounded so long ago.

"Go Tell My Brethren"

Two boys had grown up together, living on adjoining farms. They had worked and played together. Together they had hunted and fished. Together they had gone to the little white school house. Together they had dreamed of the days to come. Then one of the two went away to a distant city. The other became a quiet, capable farmer in the community where he had grown up. Years passed by. Word came to the old home of the great success which was being achieved by the young man who had gone to the distant town. The time came when he was a national figure. Then it was known that he was to visit his old home. The evening before his expected arrival his boyhood friend sat quietly thinking. He remembered the priceless days of boyish comradeship. He was rather afraid of this distinguished man who was to come tomorrow. Would they be able to find each other? Would they be able to resume the old understanding friendship? Perhaps it was too much to expect. He smiled half sadly as he remembered the signal with which they used to call each other in the days of boyhood—three sharp raps, a pause, then two quick, decisive raps, then in a moment they would be together in all the intimacy of youth. Suddenly there was a sound outside the house. A figure came to the door. Then, with a glad thrill the quiet farmer listened, while on the door he heard three quick, vigorous knocks, a pause, then two raps full of impatient eagerness. Now he knew that they were to be just the same friends as in the days of old.

In all the glory of the resurrection morning Jesus was filled with an eager desire. He did not want the resurrection to separate Him from His disciples. He did not want it to put a wall between them. He did not want the glory of His achievemennt to cloud the old comradeship which was so dear to Him. So He sent a message to His disciples. "Go tell my brethren," he said, "that they depart into Galilee." The importannt thing about the message is in the words, "my brethren." With all the shining glory of the resurrection upon Him, with all the regal consciousness of the new day He was bringing to birth, He still calls the disciples "my brethren." How their hearts must have thrilled when they heard the message!—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in N. Y. Christian Advocate.

BILLY SUNDAY'S MESSAGE
AUTHORIZED. We will pay you $120.00 to distribute it in your neighborhood. 60 days' work. Great opportunity for man or woman. Spare time may be used. Particulars and sample free.
Universal Bible House, 702 Winston Bldg., Philadelphia

DAINTY COOK BOOK FREE
We are mailing free our book, "Dainty Desserts for Dainty People," to anyone mentioning the name of their grocer. This book is beautifully illustrated in colors and gives over 100 recipes for the daintiest Desserts, Jellies, Puddings, Salad, Candies, Ices, Ice Creams, etc. If you will send a 2c stamp, we will also send you a full pint sample of KNOX GELATINE, or for 15c a two quart package, if your grocer does not sell it.
KNOX GELATINE
201 Knox Avenue Johnstown, N. Y


Standard
Memorial Windows
Made in High Point
Beautiful in design—strong in construction. Largest and oldest glass plant in the South. Capacity for any and all orders and prompt delivery. Satisfaction guaranteed. References—any of our old customers or any bank or banker in High Point. Write for catalog.
Standard Mirror Co.
High Point, N. C.


PAINT STRENGTH
Strength is what paint is for. The stronger it is, the less gallons and money it takes, and the longer it wears. The strongest paint-word is DEVOE.
ODELL
Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL
FLORAL
DESIGNS
Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses
HOWARD GARDNER
Proprietor
GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345
DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF
STOMACH AND INTESTINES
121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO
ROBT. W. MURRAY
GENERAL
INSURANCE
Greensboro, North Carolina
308½ South Elm St.
Phone 163

Our Little Folks' Department

EASTER BELLS

Ring, merry bells of Easter,
The winter time is past;
The birds return to build and sing,
The flowers are here at last.
Sweet tokens of our Father,
Whose kindness ne'er forgets
To send us back to snowdrops
And sow the violets.

Ring, solemn bells of Easter,
With many a thrilling chord,
In sign of their triumphant life
Who now are with the Lord,
Forever free from sorrow,
Forever free from sin;
Our dear ones in the blessed home,
Who safe have entered in.

Ring, glorious bells of Easter,
Beyond the farthest star,
Send out your wondrous message,
The jeweled gates unbar!
For lo! the King is coming,
The King of life and love,
And earth is glad in all her coasts,
And heaven is glad above.

—Margaret E. Sangster.

EASTER LILIES

E-aster lilies bloom today
A-t the tomb where Jesus lay.
S-weet and beautiful and bright,
T-hey proclaim, in purest white,
E-vermore the glad refrain,
R-isen Lord—the Lord shall reign.

—John W. Eddy.

Easter lilies, pure and sweet,
Welcome once again;
For ye tell us joy still lives
In this world of pain;
Tell us, too, that Christ the Lord
Risen is today,
And that he the might of death
Vanquished hath for aye;
Tell us that the friends we love
Sleep, to wake once more,
And that we shall find our dead
On the brighter shore.

THE EASTER LIFE

"The light of the sun does us no good unless we are living in it. Yes, that is just what the minister said," mused Tim as he tossed his Sunday school paper upon the table and gave himself us to the flow of his own thoughts. "Yes, he said just that, and more too. He said that the life of Christ will do us little good unless we are living in it—that is, unless we are Christians, it makes little difference to us whether Christ rose from the dead or not."

"What is on your mind now?" It was Tim's sister Ada who asked this question as she came bounding into the room upon her return from school. She had stopped on her way to gather violets, and that, you see, is why she had not reached home as soon as Tim.

"O, I was just thinking about what the minister said last Sunday, that is all," replied the lad in a low voice.

"O, yes; what he said about people being 'born again' if they would live the Easter life, and that reminds me that I must write his text down in my text-book. Let's see; it was last Easter, wasn't it, when Mrs. Martin gave us those little books and told us to write in them the text of every sermon we heard preached. I am glad to say that I have not missed many Sundays since then."

"Neither have I," said Tim. "And do you know, I have been wondering whether Mrs. Martin will give her class any presents this Easter."

"O, I don't know. I should think a teacher did her duty by teaching a Sunday school fifty-two times in a year, without spending her mony on presents for us, even if we are but four. I think it would be more appropriate for us to be giving her a present this year than for us to be expecting one from her."

"And let's get up one for her," proposed Tim.

"And that means that we will," laughed Ada. "When you say 'let's' in that tone, something is always sure to happen."

"But we don't want to have the whole say about the presents ourselves," observed the boy, evidently pleased at his sister's compliment. Mark and Nettie haven't come by from school yet. When they do, we shall call them in and see what can be done."

"All right, and let's watch for them."

The windows facing the road were immediately taken possession of, and it was not long before Ade and Tim were both rapping on the panes of glass,

"What is it?" shouted Mark from the road.

"Come and see," replied Ada.

Mark and Nettie, rosy-cheeked brother and sister, were soon in the little sitting room, and Ada and Tim were laying before them their plans for Easter.

"It is just this," said Ada: "I found Tim dreaming about Easter, and I just suggested that we give Mrs. Martin an Easter present this year. Now, what do you think of it."

"That would be just the thing," said Nettie.

"But what do you think she would want?" queried Mark.

"We can't tell unless we ask her," replied Ada. "But have any of us ever heard her say what she wanted?"

"I have," said Tim. "I have heard her say that what she wanted more than anything was to have her scholars come to Christ."

"But I mean something that we could give her."

"But if we should make up our minds to be Christians, it would make her pleased," said Tim; "and perhaps she'd rather be pleased in this way than to have a present."

"I know that she would," said Nettie; "and I say, let's settle the question once for all."

The others looked at Nettie in amazement. They could scarcely understand what she meant. Her face was flushed and she was trembling with emotion; but one thing was certain, and that was that Nettie was in earnest, also Tim. And whatever Tim wanted the others to do, they would do.

"You may as well tell us what you do mean," said Mark.

"Why, just what I said," replied Tim. "I think it is about time that we began to think some of being Christians—that is, if what the minister says is true; and I suppose that it is, for everybody believes everything else that he says when he has anything to say in our house and in the store."

"I should say as much," asserted Nettie.

"But what can we do about it?" queried Mark.

"We might all sign a paper telling her what we intend to do, and give it to her on Easter," proposed Tim.

"So we can," said Mark; "and let's do it at once."

So Tim went to the desk, and spent a few minutes writing something upon a piece of paper. When he had finished, he turned around and asked: "Want to hear it?"

"Of course," answered Nettie.

So he read: "We four scholars of your class have made up our mind to be Christians, and we give you this information as your Easter remembrance from us."

"Just the thing!" said Ada.

"And I suppose that we must all sign it," suggested Nettie.

"Of course," answered Tim.

"But is this all that we must do to be Christians?" queried Mark.

"I should say not," answered Tim. "But if Mrs. Martin knows that we are in earnest, she will tell us what to do."

So the paper was signed by the four, after which Mark and Nettie continued on their way homeward down the beautiful country road.

On the following Easter, when the Sunday school met at the close of the preaching service in the little church on the hill, Tim passed to Mrs. Martin, the very first thing, an envelope bearing her name. When she opened it and read the note that was within, her eyes filled with tears of joy.

"O, my precious class! My precious class!" This was all she could say as she looked from one to another with face shining like an angel's.

"We thought that you'd tell us just what to do," began Ada. "We felt that we needed help from you."

"And you shall have it this very hour. We will let the lesson go today, and just have a little meeting all to ourselves."

"That will be just beautiful!" exclaimed Nettie.

While the other classes in the church were discussing the lesson for the day, Mrs. Martin's class in the pew in the rear were settling the great question of their lives.

Mrs. Martin began by telling them the story of the Christ—how Christ left his heavenly home and came to earth to die for all men, since all are sinners, and how all my be saved from sin by being sorry for their wrongdoing, deciding to lead a right life, and taking him as their personal, present Saviour. "Is this what you all believe?"

"It is," replied the class softly.

Then all closed their eyes and Mrs. Martin prayed softly for them, after which each prayed for pardon; and by the time that the service was dismissed, all felt that Christ had accepted them as his very own.

"O how I shall prize this little note!" said Mrs. Martin as they were leaving the church for home. "You could not have given me an Easter remembrance which would have meant more to me. And I am sure that I am not the only one you have remembered this day; you have given yourselves to Christ, who died and arose from the grave for you, and he will treasure the Easter gift you have given him more than I can the one you have given me."—Pittsburg Christian Advocate.

SUMMER SCHOOL OF THE SOUTH
University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Fourteenth Session. Largest, best and cheapest Summer School for Teachers in the South. Former features retained. New Courses in Country Life Problems. Latin-American History and Trade Condition. Preparation for College. Credit toward Degrees. Reduced Railroad Rates. June 22 to July 30.
FINE MUSIC, LECTURES, VISATURES, EXCURSIONS
Write for Announcement

27 BIG RE-ROOTED TOMATO PLANTS
the kind that bears the First-Early, Red-Meat Beauties (3 weeks ahead of the season), delivered to you by Post, our risk, for 50 cents. Larger lots cheaper. The big bunches of roots are packed in damp moss, then wrapped in wax paper and will carry a thousand miles. Ask for our New Booklet that tells of vegetable and flowering plants that we grow by the millions.
Wakefield Plant Farm, Charlotte, N. C.

Methodist Benevolent Association
A Mutual Benefit Brotherhood for Southern Methodists. Issues Whole Life, 20-Premium Life, Term to 60, and Disability Certificates. Benefits payable at death, old age, or disability. Over $152,000.00 paid to widows, orphans, and disabled. Over $40,000.00 reserve fund. Write for rates, blanks, etc. *J. H. Shumaker, Secretary, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.*

TRINITY COLLEGE
FOUNDED 1838 : : : : CHARTERED 1859
A Southern institution of established national reputation. Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.
Large endowment fund makes possible complete, first-class equipment; full faculty of able, well-chosen instructors; beautiful campus, new buildings, modern laboratories, splendid library. Comfortable, inexpensive dormitories. For catalogue and illustrated booklet, address

R. L. Flowers, Sec. to the Corporation, Durham, N. C.

LET US CLEAN YOUR GLOVES

Our new processes make them absolutely clean, soft and smooth—fit for the daintiest hand. The parcel post brings our service to your very door. It's easy, convenient and cheap to have your gloves cleaned regularly in one of the most complete dry cleaning plants in the South. To prove the quality of our work, we will clean one pair for you **absolutely free.** Enclose postage for return; put your name and address on the outside of the package, and mark it "Free Offer."
New $26,000 plant. First-class dry cleaning and dyeing. We make a specialty of fine goods, furs, plumes, etc.—articles too valuable to be risked with irresponsible establishments. Let us send you our prices. Agents wanted everywhere, write for terms.
COLUMBIA LAUNDRY CO., 101 Fayetteville St., GREENSBORO, N. C.
Dry Cleaners, Dyers and Launderers
References; Any bank or business man in Greensboro.

THE GREATEST BIBLE BARGAIN

This India Paper Bible Compared with one of ordinary paper, containing the same number of pages and same size type.
A GENUINE 7.50 { HOLMAN India Paper Self-Pronouncing BIBLE } FOR ONLY 4.25 Carefully Wrapped and sent Postpaid in a box
Authorized version, printed from the clearest type ever used in a Bible, large bold face open print with liberal spacing between the words and lines
PRINTED ON THE FINEST INDIA PAPER MADE
The Text is Self-Pronouncing with references. It has a new Concord ance, alphabetically arranged and with analytical and comparative features and 50,000 References also New Biblical Atlas with Fifteen Colored Maps and Complete Index to Same.
BOUND IN GENUINE PERSIAN MOROCCO, divinity circuit, full leather linings, silk sewed, silk head bands and marker, special flat opening reinforced binding that will not break in the back.
The size is 5½ x 8 inches--only one inch thick.
Easy to Read Type
Specimen of Type.
17 ¶ m From that time Je´sus began to preach, and to say, " Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at
No. 700X Publisher's Price 7.50 Sent postpaid for 4.25
Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

THE EASTER INHERITANCE

"I am glad you are a Christian," wrote a man to a friend whose child had died, "for if you were not, I could find no word of comfort to say to you. Now, however, since you sorrow not as those who have no hope, I merely write to express my personal sympathy. I know that you are calm and hopeful in the confidence of a blessed reunion and resurrection."

How black and terrible and hopeless the grave must be to those who share not in the Easter hope! Not to believe in a resurrection, and in the conquering of death by the risen Lord, is to shut one's self out from the only truth that can bring comfort when he stands by the bier of beloved dead.

When, some time ago, a celebrated infidel died, his family unconsciously revealed the barrenness and hopelessness of the principles he had advocated throughout his life. When the time came to consign the body to the cremating flames, they shrank from the ordeal. Again and again the parting was attempted, but the family could not bear to give up for ever that which remained of their dear one. They clung to the body with pitiable sorrow, for beyond the body they had no hope. Unspeakable indeed is the sorrow of those who expect no future for their dead. By glaring contrast it reveals the exceeding preciousness of the Christian's Easter inheritance — because Christ is risen, we shall rise, too. To the Christian alone is this paen of victory possible: "O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?"

WHERE DRUGS FAIL

Many chronic diseases fail to respond to drug treatment, even in the hands of the best physicians, whereas acute diseases usually respond readily. When a disease has become chronic, drugs often seem to do as much harm as they do good, for the system rebels against them. It is just this class of cases which derive the greatest benefit from Shivar Mineral Water. If you suffer with chronic dyspepsia, indigestion, sick headache, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney or liver disease, uric acid poisoning or other conditions due to impure blood, do not hesitate to accept Mr. Shivar's liberal offer as printed below. His records show that only two in a hundred on the average have reported "no beneficial results." This is a wonderful spring. Simply sign the following letter:

Shivar Spring,
Box 5F, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen:

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....

(Please write distinctly.)

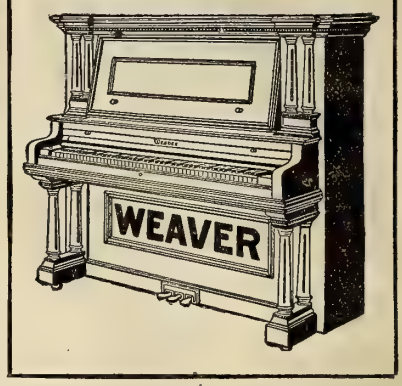
Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You run no risk whatever in accepting his offer. I have personally witnessed the remarkable curative effects of this water in a very serious case.

One evening, at the Eastern Star Fair, one of the fattest members sat down to rest. Every one who passed by seemed amused, and she rose to seek a less conspicuous seat. She glanced round, and saw that sshe had beet sitting in front of the guessing cake table, directly under the placard, "Guess my weight and I am yours."

FRANK CROXTON



The Great American Basso
AND THE
Weaver Piano



THIS great and well known artist has shown his faith in the modern leader among the artistic pianos by purchasing one for his own use. Actions speak louder than words. He says it gives him the greatest pleasure to sing with this magnificent Piano. In some periods one piano was considered the leader at another time another, but the general impression among leading artists is that the Weaver is the leading piano of the present day.

Write direct to the Manufacturers for catalogue and further particulars. We solicit correspondence from teachers and leading musicians of all kinds, and from intending piano purchasers.

Weaver Organ & Piano Co.

MANUFACTURERS **YORK, PENNSYLVANIA**

HOLMAN BIBLES

Durable Flexible Bindings — THE BEST EDITIONS OF THE WORLD'S BEST BOOK — Will not Break in the Back

HOLMAN BIBLES

FOR CHILDREN
PICTORIAL BIBLES WITH HELPS



Size 5⅝ x 3½ inches.

The text is self-pronouncing, by the aid of which children can learn to pronounce the difficult Scripture proper names.

Specimen of Type.

WHOSOEVER believeth that Je'sus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him

With beautiful photo views of scenes in Bible lands distributed throughout the text. Also maps of Bible lands in colors. Also new Practical Helps to Bible Study, especially designed for instructing children in scriptural information.

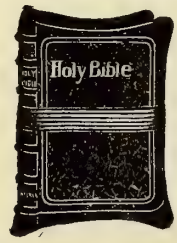
No. 91. French Seal Leather, overlapping covers, round corners, gold edges, gold titles.
Publishers Price $1.30 Our Price--Post Paid, $1.00

COLORED PICTURE EDITION

Portraying in natural colors, scenes and places taken from nature and life in the Holy Land.

No. 92. Same as **No. 91.** but with **Beautifully Colored Pictures**
Publishers' Price $1.50 Our Price--Post Paid, $1.20

FOR INTERMEDIATE S. S. SCHOLARS



Large Clear Black Type, Self-Pronouncing, containing Helps to Bible Study, 4000 Questions and Answers, Maps in Colors, and Presentation Page. A Beautiful Gift Bible.

Specimen of Type.

22 And the prophet Is'ra-el, and said unto thyself, and mark, and for at the return of t

Size 7 x 5 inches.

No. 21. Divinity Circuit Style, Bound in French Seal Leather, round corners, red under gold edges, with silk head bands and purple silk marker, gold titles, etc.
Publishers' Price $1.60 Our Price--Post Paid, $1.35

No. 22. RL. Red Letter Scholars' Bible, same Bible as **No. 215.** with all the Sayings of Christ printed in Red, and with Red and gold INLAID PANEL SIDE TITLES, also **Beautifully Colored Pictures.**
Publishers' Price $2.10 Our Price--Post Paid, $1.75

FOR ADULTS, TEACHERS AND PREACHERS



and all who would study the Word of God intelligently this edition is unsurpassed. The type is large, clear Bourgeois, Self-Pronouncing, with liberal space between the words and lines, which makes it easy to read.

Size 8 x 5½ inches.

Specimen of Type.

¶ "From that time Jē'sus to preach, and to say, "Repe the kingdom of heaven is'

Containing **New Copyrighted Helps** by Rev. F. N. PELOUBET, D.D. a Treasury of Biblical Information, practical comparative concordance, Oriental Light on the Bible, Four Thousand Questions and Answers, New Colored Maps.

No. 47, Divinity Circuit Teachers' Bible, French Seal Leather, red under gold edges, Silk Head bands and Silk Marker,
Publishers' Price $2,70 Our Price--Post Paid, $2.25

No. 81. RL. Red Letter Teachers' Bible. The Words of Christ in the New Testament, Old Testament Passages Alluded to by Christ, Various Prophecies Relating to Christ in the Old Testament, etc., all **PRINTED IN RED.** Binding same as described above and same large Self-Pronouncing type.
Publishers' Price $3.20 Our Price--Post Paid, $2.70

No. 73X. Holman India Paper, Genuine Morocco, Leather Lined, Silk Sewed, Divinity Circuit, round corners, carmine under gold edges, silk head bands and silk marker, same type and Helps as above.
Publishers' Price $7.75 Our Price-.Post Paid, $5.00

FOR OLD FOLKS and THE HOME



Printed from large Clear Pica Type, with Marginal References, Family Record and Maps. This **HOME BIBLE** is new and very desirable for every day use, containing all the advantages of a Family Bible in a conpact size that can be easily handled, with Record for Births, Marriages and Deaths. The best Bible obtainable for old folks who need extra large clear print and a light-weight book.

No. 2014. Durably Bound in French Seal Leather, full flexible covers, round corners, red under gold edges, silk head bands and silk marker, gold titles.
Publishers' Price $3.00 Our Price--Post Paid, $2.35

SEND ALL ORDERS TO
CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland
108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

An English parson was famous as a hunter of foxes. A Quaker friend complimented him on his reputation, and the parson, with pride, said that he could catch a fox, no matter where it would hide. "There is one place," replied the Quaker, "where a fox would be safe from thee." "Where is that?" asked the parson. "In thy study," said the Quaker.—British Weekly.

* * * *

"Did you ever stop to think," said one philosopher to another, "that one half the world doesn't know how the other half gets along?" "It's right you are," was the answer, "and neither does the other half, in these times." Evening Post.

FANCY POULTRY and EGGS



Black and White Langshans, White Orpingtons, Reds, White and Partridge Wyandottes, Minorcas, Barred and Buff Plymouth Rocks, Houdans, Anconas, White and Brown Leghorns, Black and Partridge Cochin Bantams, White African Guineas, Muscovey and Buff Orpington Ducks. Eggs, $2.00 per 13. Stock for sale. Mammoth Bronze and White Holland Turkey Eggs $5.00 per 9. Toulouse, Emden, African and Chinese Goose eggs, $2.00 for 5.

Prizes won from Roanoke, Va., to Tampa, Fla.

FLYNN ELLIOTT
Route 6, Box C Charlotte, N. C.

GREENSBORO NURSERIES
AGENTS WANTED
For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.
JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.
Schedule Effective October 18th, 1914

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester Lv.	7 50 a m				4 15 p m
Yorkville "	8 36				6 38
Gastonia "	9 21!				8 20
Gastonia "	9 30	4 30 p m			
Lincolnton "	10 23	5 40			
Newton "	11 05	6 44			
Hickory "	12 05 p m	7 30	12 05 p m	6 45 a m	
Lenoir "	1 08	8 50	1 08	8 07	
Lenoir "	2 00x				
Mortimer "	4 09				
Edgemont Ar.	4 35				
Southbound	**NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only**	**NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.**
Edgemont Lv.	9 00 a m				
Mortimer "	9 10				
Lenoir "	11 20!				
Lenoir "	1 35 p m	7 00 a m	8 15 a m	1 10 p m	
Hickory "	2 35	8 15	9 12	3 20	
Newton "	3 05	9 00			
Lincolnton "	3 43	9 51			
Gastonia "	4 30	11 23			
Gastonia "	5 05x				11 50 a m
Yorkville "	5 54				1 24
Chester Ar.	6 40				3 10 p m

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. **CHESTER, S. C.**

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Premier Carrier of the South

N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information and are not guaranteed.

12:15 a. m.—No 32 daily Southern's Southeastern Limited. Pullman drawing-room, open section sleeping cars Jacksonville and Augusta to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

12:35 a. m.—No. 112, daily, local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh which is open at 9:30 and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m.

1:42 a. m.—No. 30, daily, Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing-room and observation sleeping cars Birmingham and Columbus to New York, and Birmingham to Richmond. Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29 daily, Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing-room and observation sleeping cars New York and Richmond to Birmingham and Columbus. Daily tourist car Washington to San Francisco via popular Sunset Route. Dining cars. Coaches.

3:15 a. m.—No. 31 daily, The Southern's Southeastern Limited. Pullman drawing-room and open section sleeping cars New York to Jacksonville and Augusta. Dining car service. Day coaches.

3:45 a. m.—No. 45 daily, local for Charlotte, connecting for Atlanta and points south.

7:10 a. m.—No. 8 daily, local for Richmond.

7:15 a. m.—No. 37 daily, New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section sleeping cars New York to New Orleans, and New York to Asheville, and Macon. Pullman parlor car Greensboro to Montgomery. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service.

7:30 a. m.—No. 108 daily, local for Raleigh, Selma, and Goldsboro.

7:40 a. m.—No. 154 daily, except Sunday for Ramseur.

7:25 a. m.—No. 11, daily, local for Atlanta. Pullman sleeping cars Norfolk and Richmond to Charotte. Day coaches.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily, for Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Pullman sleeping car Raleigh to Winston-Salem.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily, local for Mt. Airy.

9:30 a. m.—No. 44, daily, for Washington and points north.

9:40 a. m.—No. 144, daily, Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro Pullman sleeping car Atlanta to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily, for Asheville and Waynesville, connecting at Asheville with Carolina Special for all points west. Chair car Goldsboro to Asheville.

12:55 p. m.—No. 130, daily, local for Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

1:30 p. m.—No. 7, daily, local for Charlotte, connecting for Seneca and Columbia.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily U. S. Fast Mail for Washington, New York and points north. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

2:00 p. m.—No. 207, daily, for Winston-Salem, connecting daily except Sunday for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daily, except Sunday for Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily, except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily, for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Chair car.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily, for Mt. Airy.

6:25 p. m.—No. 35, daily, U. S. Fast Mail, for Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham. Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily, for Winston-Salem.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily local for Sanford.

7:32 p. m.—No. 43, daily, for Alanta, and points south Sleeping car Raleigh to Atlanta.

10:15 p. m.—No. 12, daily, local, for Richmond. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Norfolk.

10:20 p. m.—No. 233, daily, for Winston-Salem.

11:29 p. m.—No. 38, daily, New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section sleeping cars New Orleans, Macon and Asheville to New York. Dining car.

E. H. COAPMAN, Vice-President and General Manager, Washington, D. C.

S. H. HARDWICK, P. T. M., Washington D. C.

H. F. CARY, G. P. A., Washington, D. C.

R. H DeBUTTS, D. P. A., Charlotte, N. C.

C. G. PICKARD, P. and T. A., Greensboro, N. C.

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.
Second Round

April
Tryon and Saluda, Saluda 3-4
Flat Rock, Tuxedo, 3 p. m. 4
Spring Creek, Ottingers 10-11
Hot Springs and M., Hot Springs, night 11
Fairview, Bethany 17-18
Haywood St., Asheville, night 18
Sulphur Springs, Oak Hill 24-25
Biltmore and Mt. Pl., Biltmore, night, 25

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, 508 N. Tryon St., Charlotte, N. C.
Second Round

April
Weddington, Union 3-4
Matthews, Indian Trail, 3 p. m. 4
Marshville, Smyrna 10
Prospect, Midway 11
Unionville 17-18
North Monroe, Icemorlee, night 18
Waxhaw 24-25
Monroe, Central, night 25
May
Ansonville, Cedar Hill 1-2
Wadesboro, night 2
Lilesville, Shiloh 8-9
Morven, Morven 15-16
Dilworth 23
Spencer Memorial and Derita, night.....23
Polkton, Mount Moriah 29-30

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.
Second Round

April
Coleridge, Mt. Olivet 3-4
Ramseur & Franklinville, Franklinville, 4-5
Randolph, Hopewell 10-11
Wesley Memorial 17-18
Main St. 18-19
East & West 18-19
Deep River, West Bend 24-25
Asheboro 25-26
Randleman, Naomi 25-26
May
Uwharrie, Union 1-2
Denton, Clarkesbury 8-9
West Market 15-16

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Second Round

April
Dobson, Pleasant Ridge 3-4
Elkin, night 7
Jonesville, Maple Springs 9
Pilot Mountain, Trinity 10-11
Rural Hall, Mt. Pleasant, night.....11-12
Yadkinville, Booneville 17-18
Ararat 24-25
Mount Airy Circuit 25-26

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Second Round

April
Forest City, Salem 3-4
Cliffside, Hopewell 3-4
Broad River, Kistlers 10-11
Henrietta and Caroleen, Caroleen....11-12
Morganton Circuit, Glen Alpine 17-18
Connelly Springs, Harmony 24-25
May
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Oak Grove 1-2
Micaville, South Toe 8-9
Bald Creek, Hortons 15-16
Burnsville 16-17
Marion Circuit, North Catawba 22-23

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C.
Second Round

April
Shelby Circuit, Sulphur Springs 3-4
Lincolnton Circuit, Marvin 10-11
Lincolnton, Lincolnton 11
Crouse, Pleasant Grove 17-18
Stanly, Iron 18-19
South Fork, Plateau 24-25

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.
Second Round

April
Albemarle, Central, night 2-4
Albemarle Circuit, Stony Hill 3-4
Mount Pleasant Circuit, Saint Paul, 10-11
Concord, Westford, night 11
Salem Circuit, New Mount Tabor....17-18
Albemarle, First Street, night 18
Kannapolis Station, 11 a. m. 23-25
Kannapolis Circuit, Bethpage.....24-25
China Grove & Landis, China Grove, night 25
May
New London Circuit 1-2
Gold Hill Circuit 2-3
Bethel & Love's Chapel, Love's Chapel 8-9

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston-Salem, N. C.
Second Round

April
Jackson Hill, Jackson Hill 3-4
Salem, night 4
Farmington, Bethlehem 10-11
Mocksville 9-11
Lewisville, Concord 17-18
Davie, Liberty 24-25
Cooleemee, night 25
May
Kernersville 1-2

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Second Round

April
Jefferson, Jefferson 3-4
Creston, Big Laurel .....,18
Watauga, Valle Crucis 24-25
May
Elk Park, Montezuma 1-2
Avery, Jonas Ridge 8-9
Boone, Fairview 15-16
Sparta Circuit, Piney Creek 22-23
Laurel Springs, Mt. Zion 29-30
Revival Meetings
Wilkes, Union.....March 14-21
Helton, Asheley.....March 24-April 1
Elk Park, Montezuma.....April 26-May 6
Laurel Springs, Mt. Zion.....May 24-30

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Lee T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Second Round

April
Alexander, Liberty, 11 a. m. 3-4
Stoney Point, Pisgah, 3:30 p. m. 4-5
Hickory Circuit, Grace Chapel, 11 a. m. 10
Newton, Newton, 11 a. m. 11-12
Maiden, Pisgah, 11 a. m. 17
Catawba, Hopewell, 11 a. m. 18-19
Statesville Circuit, Trinity, 11 a. m. ...24
Cool Spring, New Salem, 11 a. m. 25-26
May
Troutman, 11 a. m. 1
Davidson, Davidson, 11 a. m. 2-3
Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 7:30 p. m. 2-3
Mooresville Circuit, 11 a. m. 8
Mooresville Station, Mooresville, 11 a. m. 9-10

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C., R. F. D. 2
Second Round

April
Glenville Circuit, Speedwell 3-4
Webster Circuit, Love's Chapel 4-5
Waynesville Station 11
Sylva Station, night 11
Hayesville, Ledford 17-18
Murphy Circuit, Brasstown 20-21
Ranger Circuit, Bellview 24-25
May
Murphy Station 1
Andrews Station 1
May
Murphy Station, night 6
Andrews Station, night 7
Robbinsville, Topton 8-9
Judson, Almond 9-10
Franklin Ct., Snowhill 15-16
Macon Ct., Asbury 19-20
Highlands, Flatts 22-23
Franklin Station 24

SPRINGTIME ARITHMETIC

The teacher asks for nine times three.
A bird has built in yonder tree;
At recess I will climb my best
To count the wee eggs in her nest.
"Reduce this to its lowest terms—"
This morning brother dug some worms!
If school were over! How I wish
That I could go with him to fish!

A white cloud sails high in the sky;
I see a yellow butterfly;
A lamb across the green grass trips;
A honeybee a jonquil sips.
"How much are twelve times twenty-three?"
Don't know—but th's is plain to me:
Blue skies plus lambs, plus birds that sing,
Plus bees and flowers, do equal spring!

—Mattie Lee Hausgen.

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.....E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg...W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller.....C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg., M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.....J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg...J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.....G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.....A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel...J. W. Ligon

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER AND PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the eldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS

BARGAINS IN GOOD BOOKS

VALUABLE BOOKS FOR $1 PER VOLUME

The books selected for inclusion in this DOLLAR LIBRARY have stood all tests and have been acclaimed standard if not classic.

They are the necessary books in every well-balanced Ministerial Library.

The books are large octavo in size, each containing from 400 to 550 pages, printed on excellent paper and tastefully and substantially bound in dark green cloth with gold stamping.

The former selling price of these books ranges from $2.50 to $3.50 and these editions are complete and are printed from the plates of the original high-priced editions.

Price now $1.00 per volume by mail. Add ten cents for postage.

By Prin. A. M. Fairbairn, D. D., LL. D.
THE PHILOSOPHY OF THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION

This is one of the most scholarly and successful defenses and examinations of the Christian belief and its basis. Principal Fairbairn's fame is justly founded upon the profundity of his thought, the wide range of his erudition and the bell-like clarity of his style. This is a book which should be in every ministerial library.

By Charles Loring Brace
GESTA CHRISTI: A History of Humane Progress Under Christianity

A book which has no equal in its discussion of the teaching of Jesus or the character and personnel of the members of the Apostolic group. While on many other subjects connected with the life of Christ new books have become standards, this book remains the authority in its own field.

Rev. John Ker, D. D.
LECTURES ON THE HISTORY OF PREACHING:
With Introduction by Rev. Wm. M. Taylor

While not in the strictest sense of the word a volume on homiletics, this is nevertheless one of the greatest and best recognized books in this realm. It has long served as a guide to all who wished to make any acquaintance with the theory or the history of the practice of preaching. In every sense of the word classic, not alone for the student, but for the seasoned preacher himself.

By Canon F. W. Farrar
THE LIFE OF CHRIST AS REPRESENTED IN ART

This may fairly be called a by-product of the author's monumental Life of Christ. It is a complete survey in his matchless prose of the whole subject of art in its relation to Christianity.

By Alexander Maclaren, D. D.
PULPIT PRAYERS

One of Dr. Maclaren's secrets of success was in the pains and reverent care he took to prepare his people for the message of his sermon—a care extending to hymns, the Scripture and the minor parts of the service, and especially to the prayer which preceded the sermon. They are alike inspirational in contents and models in manner.

By Prin. George Adam Smith, D. D.
THE LIFE OF HENRY DRUMMOND

This is one of the greatest of religious biographies, for it is not only the story of a career alike distinguished for deep piety and a singular brilliance of achievement, but it is written by one himself a considerable figure in the movements associated with Drummond's name, and a close and lifelong friend. It touches with deep insight the movements with which Drummond's name will ever be associated.

By J. deQuincey Donehoo
THE APOCRYPHAL AND LEGENDARY LIFE OF CHRIST

Mr. Donehoo has gathered together with incredibly painstaking care all the legendary and apocryphal material concerning the life of Christ, scattered as it is through a countless number of volumes, most of which are rare and inaccessible to the average reader or student. While of course apocryphal, this collection is of immense aid to the student of doctrine as showing the place Christ came to hold in the early belief and worship of the Church.

By John P. Jones
INDIA: ITS LIFE AND THOUGHT

Mr. Jones, through many years' residence in India, has come to a knowledge of India which, coupled with his sympathetic insight into the native character, has enabled him to write what is perhaps the most comprehensive single sketch of India yet written.

By Prof. A. B. Bruce, D. D.
THE TRAINING OF THE TWELVE

An apologetic for the Christian faith which now as in the day it was written remains unanswerable. What Buckle did in his "History of Civilization" from the standpoint of materialism, has been done in this book from the standpoint of belief. It is in every way a notable book, alike from the standpoint of Christian apologetics and from the standpoint of history. It is the kind of book which belongs in every library, and because written always with a human interest, it is in the best sense popular.

THE MIRACULOUS ELEMENT IN THE GOSPELS

Professor Bruce was one of the most literal-minded of the evangelical school to which he belonged. It is a tribute to the scholar's profundity of thought and his grip of the heart of his subject that he was able to anticipate the line of attack on the supernatural so that his book still remains the ablest defense of the miracles extant. He has been followed but never supplanted.

THE PARABOLIC TEACHING OF CHRIST

The parables, admittedly one of the most important and one of the most difficult aspects of Christ's teaching, have here been treated in a manner characterized by sanity and scholarly insight. From the first this book took rank as among the ablest expositions of the parables, as well as one of the best books in English on the teaching of Jesus.

THE HUMILIATION OF CHRIST
In Its Physical, Ethical and Official Aspects

The whole theme of Dr. Bruce's work is to show that the cross is as completely the central point in the life of Christ in the light of which the whole incarnation must be understood as is the atonement in the doctrine of Christianity. It remains in a place alone as a statement of the doctrines of the incarnation and the atonement.

SEND YOUR ORDERS TO

Board of Publication

Greensboro, N. C.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, April 8, 1915 | Number 14

Reading Room Trinity College

View of New Building, Henderson-Brown College, Arkadelphia, Arkansas

Rev. Geo. H. Crowell, Ph. D., President



On the morning of February 3, 1914, the main building, the dining room, girls' dormitory and recitation rooms were destroyed by fire. On February 3, 1915, one year from date of the fire, a large number of friends of the college assembled to celebrate the entrance into the new building, complete in every department, as shown in the above view.

The new building, which has a frontage of 166 feet and a depth of 112 feet, is a three-story structure of Grecian style and represents an investment of $90,000. This has all been accomplished with the loss of only one day from school work. The account given in the Western Methodist says: "That this has been accomplished is due in large measure to the untiring energy and consecrated devotion of the president, Dr. George H. Crowell. When many of the friends of the institution felt that the undertaking was an impossible one, his faith never wavered." Dr. Crowell's friends in North Carolina will rejoice to learn of his great success.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

LOOK UP THE ORDER BLANK

On page 11 the subscriber will find a renewal order blank. We are compelled to urge every one in arrears to clip out the blank, fill it out and pin check or money order to it. The matter is urgent and we beg subscribers to heed our call. Do not wait to see your pastor but mail direct to the office.

BE SURE TO READ THIS

We are beginning the work of cutting off delinquent subscribers, beginning with those who are most in arrears. If you do not want your name cut off and the account charged and turned over to special collectors let us hear from you. If you find your account in the hands of collectors do not blame us. We have waited a long time. Send by check or money order to Board of Publication,
Greensboro, N. C.

NOTE AND COMMENT

Our Book Committee will meet in Richmond May 5th. Notwithstanding the adversities in the business world during most of the fiscal year it is said that our Publishing Agents will be able to give an encouraging report. What a mighty power for Southern Methodism is her publicity agencies, yet how little, comparatively, do we make of them. But we are growing in appreciation and the outlook is not discouraging. In North Carolina considerably more than twice as many Advocates go out weekly as were going out twenty years ago.

* * * *

A New Era in North Carolina began with April 1st, when the new anti-jug law went into effect. While some people still say that prohibition does not prohibit, they do say that the express offices in some of our towns already look like deserted halls compared to what they were just before the new law went into effect. The privilege of receiving only one quart every two weeks is something very different from receiving one gallon at will. We did not get what it was hoped we would at the hands of our last legislature, but the strict enforcement of the new law will be worth millions to us.

* * * *

The Easter Snow Storm did great damage in Raleigh and Durham and many other North Carolina towns, especially in the eastern part of the state. In some places snow fell continuously for seventeen hours, dragging telegraph poles and wires into the slush of the streets. But, after all, are not these small matters? It would not be earth had it not its haps and mishaps. GOD IS. What a supremely simple statement! The very easiest thing in the world to comprehend. How can we grieve and be anxious about things which our distorted personal consciousness makes difficult when the truth is so restful and so entirely complete? It is not tangled wires and slush and snow and cold Easters which makes sorrow, but our mental attitude toward these things. When are we going to learn this?

* * * *

Efficient Christianity, Efficient Business, efficient commerce, efficient manhood of any kind abhors drink. Even Villa has it on the King and his "Lord." This rowdy Mexican is a prohibitionist of the rankest sort. His cure is very effectual. When any of his soldiers partake, he has them stood up and shot. To a newspaper correspondent he said, "Mexico will be without liquor when peace comes, if it is within my power." He gave as his reason that whiskey renders troops inefficient, and as a precaution, when his soldiers reach a town, his first orders are to close all saloons. His penalty for disobedience is to shoot drunken soldiers and all saloon-keepers. Certainly, in this respect of will-power, intelligent efficiency and decency, Villa has the King and his "Lord" beaten by miles. It seems that the long-looked-for white hope which is to tackle John Barleycorn has appeared. His name is "War."

* * * *

The Chapman-Alexander Meeting has begun in Charlotte. It was preluded with a remarkable statement by Dr. Chapman himself: "This is the greatest time in twenty-five years to preach the gospel. And this is true in this country as well as abroad. In Europe the great struggle of the nations has turned the minds of men, especially of thinking men, to the deeper spiritual things. I find the same interest in America and I know that this is the golden opportunity for successful evangelism if the church is aroused and the ministers set on fire. Men are now easy to reach. The war conditions and the business depression have made men more serious—and men at heart are really religious, even though they do not show it. These facts conspire to make this a most opportune time for evangelistic effort. I am a conservative evangelist and I believe that evangelism is permanent and lasting in its results which can be carried on by the pastors after the leaders have gone. I would not consider that my work in Charlotte was a success unless the results obtained are of a permanent nature and the work of the pastors made easier by our visit."

* * * *

The Color Famine Is On because of the inability to obtain German dyes. Reports have it that the absolute necessity for immediate action in England has led to an attempt to manufacture the coal-tar dyes on a large scale at home. To this end a great company, backed by the government, has been formed with the avowed object of complete and permanent independence of German dyemaking. Similar action has been taken in France.

Conditions in this country have not heretofore been quite so alarming as in England and France, but recently the seriousness of the situation has been apparent. American dye makers are unable to supply more than a small fraction of the demand.

"What is to be done," askes our Department of Commerce. "Are the men to be limited to Palm Beach suits and white ties and the ladies denied the distracting blue, battleship gray putty, Russian green, sand and canary, or is it possible that American ingenuity and grit will finally discover a way out and establish a domestic industry that will once for all remove the necessity of depending on others for our colors."

The bulletin issued a few days ago by the Department of Commerce on this subject is a very exhaustive and interesting one.

* * * *

Servia Reminds Us of the cigarette stump: good at starting a fire but forgotten in the terrific conflagration following. Russia is at present trying to struggle across the Carpathians. The poor Pole is in a worse condition than the Belgian. The latter at least has a king, despite his threat that his dead body would be walked over. The Pole has only wanted a king. France is slowly bleeding to death, and is "turning toward religion," so they say. If she turned at all it would be in that direction. She has at least said she has stopped her absinthe-drinking. The Bear has some months ago broken his vodka jug. And now comes England wondering if it would not be best to limit the sale of alcohol. Even the King has expressed a willingness to forego his morning dram, and Lord Kitchener—with the accent on the "Lord,"—has expressed his willingness to "cut out" a few of his drinks. And people are saying "How wonderful and brave and sacrificing." The pity of it! We know of splendid men in North Carolina who in this respect are greater than a king, at least, than this King George—men who think too much of this temple which holds the God-Presence and the God-Power to defile it with drink. Surely, King George and Lord Kitchener are bringing up the rear.

The Unitarians seem to be on "Billy" Sunday's trail. In Paterson, where "Billy" has just begun, they have hired the largest hall in town, only four blocks from Sunday's tabernacle, and here they will put up a fight against the evangelist's assaults. It is said they hope that out of the agitation will grow a Unitarian church in Paterson. Anyway, many Unitarian clergymen are traveling thither, and "the bigger the bunch, the better will 'Billy' be pleased." It is not asserted whether Dr. Chas. W. Elliot will again be on hand or not.

It will be recalled that the Doctor's recent assertions concerning religion cover seven points: First, he says the religion of the future will not be based on authority, either spiritual or temporal; second, in the religion of the future there will be no personifications of the primitive forces of nature; third, in future religion there will be no worship of dead ancestors, teachers, or rulers; fourth, in the religion of the future the religious person will not think of his own welfare or security, but of service to others; fifth, future religion will not be propitiatory, sacrificial, or expiatory; sixth, the religion of the future will not perpetuate the Hebrew authropomophic representations of God; and seventh, this future religion will not be gloomy, ascetic, or maledictory.

Some of this is rather startling, but if "Billy" Sunday once gets started on these views there will doubtless be enough said, and it will not require a five-foot book-shelf to hold it.

The Unitarians, however, are unlike the Paterson saloon keepers: fifteen of these shut up shop last week before "Billy" ever got there.

* * * *

Consideration of the Drink Evil has been forced upon national leaders of Great Britain. Events of the war make it apparent in England that the economic waste of the drink evil is appalling and that something must be done if they are to prosecute the war with any hope of success. King George, it is said, blames drink to a very large extent for England's inability to obtain necessary war material. In a letter sent by the King's private secretary to Chancellor of the Exchequer, Lloyd-George, he says:

"We have before us the statements not merely of the employers, but of the admiralty and the war office, which are responsible for munitions of war and for the transport of troops and their food and ammunition. From this evidence it is without doubt largely due to drink that we are unable to secure the output of war material indispensable to meet the requirements of the army in the field and that there has been such serious delay, in consequence, of the necessary reinforcements and supplies to aid our gallant troops at the front. A continuance of such a state of things must inevitably result in the prolongation of the horrors and burdens of this terrible war. I am instructed to add that, if it be deemed advisable, the king will be prepared to set an example by giving up all alcoholic liquor himself and by issuing orders against its consumption in the royal households so that no difference shall be made, so far as his majesty is concerned, between the treatment of the rich and the poor in this question."

Commenting on this the press correspondent says:

"The question of drink and its effect on work, considered necessary for the successful prosecution of the war, overshadows everything else in public interest. The press and the public favor drastic measures, most of the newspapers expressing the belief that total prohibition is necessary. The government, however, has reached no decision, although if Mr. Lloyd-George and Lord Kitchener have their way it is believed there will be total prohibition. To bring this about the government must have an act of parliament passed."

What a blessing in disguise this terrible war may prove if it should terminate with the leading powers freed forever from the yoke of tyranny that the liquor traffic has laid upon the necks of these nations for centuries! It looks now like the whole world is getting ready to sober up. Such a state of things will inspire a reasonable hope of the millennial dawn, for it is sure the Lord will not take the world drunk.

To Gobble Up 400,000,000 people is quite an undertaking. These yellow Celestials, one-fourth of the population of the earth, appear a very appetizing spring meal to Japan. England's interest in China is mostly in the middle and southern portion of the republic, and, properly, the Sunrise Kingdom makes her demands wholly upon the northern territory of the republic. So, after all, it will be a matter of only 200,000,000 people to be gobbled. Quite a different affair, but suggestive of the young student who when told at the lecture that a certain star was seven billion miles distant jumped up excitedly exclaiming: "Surely, Professor, how many miles did you say?" "Seven million." "Oh, all right," replied the young man, quietly and calmly reseating himself, "I thought you said seventeen billion."

One version, which, however, is not date-lined London or Paris, is that the two tight little islands of the East and the West have come to an agreement whereby the Mikado will be given a free hand in northern China and Manchuria in exchange for John Bull's freedom in southern China. In a word, England and Japan have agreed to divide China with all other nations left out.

An intelligent editorial writer says this may or may not be true, but it is true that Japan is determned to wrest from the young republic extraordinary concessions even if she must resort to force. It is equally clear that Great Britain is not raising any objection to this procedure, but, on the contrary, has officially announced that she will not interfere with Japan.

If Japan's demands are granted, certain it is, equal opportunity will be a thing of the past. But the good, genial, and wise John Hay could not live forever. Soon important railroads will be controlled exclusively by Japan; certain territories will be opened solely to Japanese immigration; China will be unable to deal with other nations in important matters without first obtaining the consent of Japan; and great natural resources, such as iron and coal mines, will be turned over to Sunrise capitalists.

So China goes the way of Persia. England and Russia drew a line through this victim and each took a half. And so are nations gobbled up, the peculiar but always certain part of it being that when England does not do all the gobbling she invariably does the better half of it. For this reason we have always contended that John Bull is properly caricatured with a large "bay-window."

* * * *

Desperate Efforts have recently been made to find moral, ethical and religious compensation in the present war. The Churchman, of New York, remarks that "in none of the previous wars between the great powers that have taken place in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries has there been such a conscious effort to reach the moral values involved."

The Rev. W. S. Rainsford, a former rector of Saint George's church, Protestant Episcopal, New York City, predicts that the world which emerges from this awful caldron of fire and blood will be a different world, a far more truly Christian world than the old. "Behind the awful turmoil of struggling, strangling millions," asserts this eminent divine, "the kaisers and the czars, the chancellors and the generals, are calling on God to aid them strangle and kill. What sort of god are they calling on? The merely national god, the tribal god, the god that favors one man as against another, the god that loves his Jacobs and hates his Esaus, a god as unlike the God and Father of all as Juggernaut is unlike Jesus?"

He insists that men are beginning to tire of such a god today, and that in all the men of all nations, whether unorganized Serbs or highly organized Germans, there are unimagined, undreamed-of springs of unselfishness and of valor but waiting the call of a great emotion. This interesting thinker avows that despite the continued iterations of assayists, learned professors, and the clergy that this is a material age, it is above all preceding ages an idealistic age, and because it is mysteriously true that "man can not live by bread alone," the nations are steadily trooping forth, old men and boys, nobles and common born, rich men forsaking their riches, and poor men braving deeper poverty. They are doing this, he declares, in order to give the best they have to the best they know, and "if that is not religion," he says, "then Jesus was deluded, and the wisest and greatest of all races and of all religions were deluded, too. Self-sacrifice may be and sometimes has been misdirected; if so, it will fail of its immediate purpose, but it is the root and source of all lasting religion, and so long as it can control the life of men, even in times of crisis, that life can not fail to be in its essence religious. Today self-sacrifice is the religion of the embattled world."

All of which is very eloquent. Does it not become considerably less a self-sacrifice, however, on the part of the soldier when his enemy is found at the point of his sword? In that sense, it looks more like murder. At its best, the Rev. Rainford's argument is that war is good as long as heroism is displayed or men kill one another. There is one gentleman of considerable fame who has quite a different opinion. This man is well-known in the South, and once gave a short, graphic definition of what war is. And, too, the argument is at variance with that prelude to the Master's birth: "Peace on earth." Certainly, this manner of shooting a hole through a man is a very peculiar way to "Let your light shine that others may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

But while this war is not developing sainthood in the trenches, it is conclusively proving that materialism is a colossal failure. It is not the brave dash at the enemy and the tearing of men to pieces which is the saving, heaven-born self-sacrifice. No. The self-sacrifice which saves is that which is displayed in a determined and unyielding cultivation of the great God Power within our own selfhood. And on this subject libraries might be written. "Kill men if you like," says Romain Rolland to Gerhardt Hauptman, "but respect masterpieces." A very clumsy way of suggesting a wiser truth: "Kill masterpieces if you like, but respect men."

CHILDREN'S DAY

Our pastors and superintendents should perhaps be reminded that the last General Conference changed our date for Children's Day from the third Sunday in May till the last Sunday in April. It is now time that preparations should be well under way. If, for any reason, any of the schools find it inconvenient to observe the day on the fourth Sunday, let some other Sunday be set apart. By all means let the Children's Day services be held and thus the children's hearts be made glad and the collection be taken. See our Book of Discipline, page 105, paragraph 265, as to the disposition of the funds raised. The money raised should be turned over to the pastor and sent immediately to the treasurer of the Conference Sunday School Board. Rev. W. A. Lambeth, Reidsville, N. C., is the treasurer of our Sunday School Board.

There is no service during the year that means more to our children, nor is there a service that will redound in greater good to the church as a whole. This is true especially in our country churches where special occasions of extraordinary interest are all too rare.

Brother Sunday School Superintendents, if you have not already done so write to Rev. W. A. Lambeth, Reidsville, N. C., for programs specially prepared for the day.

THE RIGHT RING

The new editor of the Texas Christian Advocate, Rev. W. D. Bradfield, D. D., took charge last week. Very naturally we read his salutatory with deep interest. No man in the church occupies a more delicate relation, nor one fraught with greater opportunity for good service, than the editor of the church paper. For the reason that he has great opportunity to render a great service for good, he likewise occupies a position which affords opportunity for immeasurable evil. An editor gone wrong in his conception of what his work stands for, or unsound in his views of divine revelation and personal religious experience, is a purveyor of false ideals and doctrines raised to the millionth power compared to such a man in the pulpit. Our people of Texas and the great Southwest, composing the patronizing territory of the Texas Christian Advocate are to be congratulated. In fact, Methodism in the South is to be congratulated that the mantle of Dr. Rankin has fallen upon Dr. Bradfield.

The following utterance from Dr. Bradfield's introductory sounds the key note and settles the question of the soundness of the man. He says:

"In its editorial conduct your great organ shall stand unflinchingly for a positive evangelical theology. Theological liberalism has never yet made a great church nor a great nation. An apologetic gospel never yet has awakened deep convictions. The great theologies are experimental. Paul's experience made his theology. John Wesley's theology was the theology of a great experience. Bishop McKendree's experience, not his learning, made him the great power in our early Methodism. The editor believes with all his soul that the need of today is for the preaching of the great doctrines of Christianity which are verifiable in human experience. The editor is equally convinced that the best expression of Christianity since the days of the Apostles is Methodism."

THE TIDE IS RISING

There are good signs of a general religious awakening. With no desire to make things seem radiant, or to cry "peace, peace, when there is no peace," we note some remarkable indications of a deeper and more genuine interest in religion than we have seen for many years.

One of the signs is a more general and widespread interest in the study of the Bible. Never in the history of this country has there been such a systematic and persistent effort made by all organizations connected with the church to promote Bible study. The Sunday schools, Epworth Leagues, Women's Societies and young people's organizations of every name are giving more emphasis to Bible study. They are going at it with more system and thoroughness and it is bound to have its effect.

Another hopeful sign is the remarkable increase in mission study. The men, women and children of the church are familliarizing themselves with world-wide conditions as never before and are gradually coming, not only to know of the needs of the heathen world, but to feel an abiding sympathy for them. They are thus coming into position to hear and heed the insistent call to come over and help them out of the darkness of ignorance and spiritual death.

The most significant sign just now is the swelling tide of the spirit of evangelism among our minsters. We doubt if the spirit of evangelism has permeated the great body of Methodist preachers in this country more completely than at the present time during the last half a century. And to the observant mind this spirit is just fairly beginning to manifest itself. From every direction comes the report of scores and hundreds confessing their sins and seeking pardon at the altar of prayer.

For the last fifty years materialism has been the deadly foe of evangelical religion. While the church has made great progress materially it is the lament of the spiritually minded that there has been little progress, if there has not been retrogression in the vital matter of personal religious experience. The voice of praise and testimony has been hushed amid the more elaborate forms of conventional worship. Men and women of deep experience and profound spiritual discernment have even been timid amid the glare of a religion which, though rich in its ceremonial proprieties and appointments, has been as a painted flame compared to the real fire. Thank God, there are evidences of a breaking away from the things that do not satisfy and a re-establishment of the simplicity of form and message and word of testimony that appeal to the individual heart and life.

The convincing evidence that we are not mistaken in our diagnosis is the news column of the Advocate which, from week to week, tells the glad story of hundreds of men and women, boys and girls flocking into the open doors of the church. It is truly a time for saints to rejoice and for all God's people to be diligent about the Master's kingdom. We must do the Master's work while it is day. The night cometh when no man can work.

CONTRIBUTIONS

OVERLAND TRANSPORT

D. L. Mumpower

To those interested in the business administration of a mission station in Central Africa, an account of the sending off of a caravan and its return may be attractive, especially as a matter of contrast with the methods of transport in civilized countries. The mission of the Southern Methodist Church is situated at the large village of Wembo-Niama, 225 miles northeast of Lusambo. Lusambo is at the head of navigation of the Sankuru River, a tributary of the Kasai. Merchandise for the mission is brought by steamboat from Stanley Pool and turned over to the Presbyterian mission at Lusambo, one of the members of which is serving as a "free agent" for our mission. Information comes from him as to the number of boxes he has for us and as to the number of men needed to bring them. It remains for us to send the men to him.

This part of the work belongs to the Business Manager. If the work on the mission is slack, he will make use of as many of the workmen as can be spared; otherwise, he will have to send for men from Wembo-Niama or other villages. There is usually no trouble in getting carriers, as the price we pay is somewhat above the average. The usual number of men sent in one caravan is fifty, over whom is placed a "kapita," who does not himself carry a load unless one of his men gets sick on the road. He is paid a little extra for his responsibility. If the news gets well scattered about that we have boxes at Lusambo, the Business Manager is likely to receive several calls a day from chiefs asking that their men be allowed to go after boxes. Some of the chiefs are most insistent in their requests and will hardly take no for an answer, and while they may not call us Cretians (cf. Titus 1:12), they look as if they wanted to.

One chief sent a kapata to us, saying that he would come with some men the next day to go after boxes. He was told emphatically that there were no more boxes to be brought. However, this chief brought fifty of his men the next day, saying that he wanted these men to make some francs for him. The conversation that ensued, leaving out the side talk, ran somewhat as follows: "Why do you bring all these men with you? Didn't your kapita tell you that there were no more boxes at Lusambo?"

"Yes, that's what he said."

"Well, do you think that he is a liar, or that we are liars?" The Batetela have no soothing expressions for the painful truth of being a liar. A spade is a spade, a thief is a theif, and a liar is a liar.

"No, no, never."

"I am sorry, but you will have to return to your village without anything. The sun is hot now, and if you want to you may sit down here until later in the afternoon. Some other day, perhaps we can send your men for boxes."

"No palaver. We don't live far from here. Couldn't you give us a little salt?"

And so on ad infinitum.

Let us presume that a caravan of fifty men has been sent for. We need not go over the process by which the chief gets these men. He will likely have two or three hundred men who want to go, and will have some trouble in cutting the number down to fifty. But that's his palaver, not ours. He selects the kapita and sends them all to the mission. He has been asked to send them late in the afternoon, but as likely as not they come at high noon, the hottest part of the day, the very time that a white man ought to be under cover. But there is nothing to do but to attend to them. By a previous arrangement the remuneration for the round trip to Lusambo has been agreed upon. In addition to a certain number of francs, each man receives a glass of salt here and a glass at Lusambo. This glass is sufficient for a meek's supply of food. It may be remarked in passing that salt has magnified its cost ten times by the time it has reached Wembo-Niama, the initial cost being so low, the bulk so large, and the transport so expensive. This is not true of all merchandise, however, though the transportation charges are very heavy. In rationing the men, the salt is first put into a large box, each man comes up to the box, a glassful is dipped out and poured into his lap. If any is spilled on the ground, the man is likely to raise a great deal of noise, but there are always some goats around to lick up the remains; they at least are happy. The kapita is given a letter from the legal representative of the mission, explaining the purpose of the caravan, its origin, and its destination. This is for the information of any state official who might stop the caravan and want to know what the men are doing so far away from their village.

The trip to Lusambo requires six or seven days, the return eight or ten, depending on the size of the boxes. No stipulation is made as to the size or weight; one hundred pounds, however, is enough for two men, for there are many hills and many marshes to cross. Boxmen prefer to carry in pairs, the loads being tied to poles by means of vines and carried on the shoulders. The rate of travel is about twenty-five miles a day. We allow the caravans ten days to make the return trip; some have required fifteen and some have done it in six. Usually, if a box is large and weighs over 125 pounds, we instruct our agent to give it to four men, who can relieve each other as necessity demands. The heaviest box ever brought weighed 250 pounds; it had four carriers, who kept up with the rest of the caravan and did not seem any worse for wear when they arrived here. More surprising still, they did not sak for anything extra.

It is one of the most pleasant sensations that falls to our lot to see a long line of boxmen winding along the path that approaches the mission. Very likely we do not know what they are bringing, and there is all the anticipation of receiving goods that may have been ordered a year ago, and which we have discussed in and out of season ever since ordering. One of the missionaries ran the gamut of emotions from transcending joy to profound despair every time he saw a caravan approach that might be expected to bring some of his initial order. While in London, he had been entrusted, by his wife, with the buying of the China, the kitchen utensils, and other household supplies, she remaining at the hotel to take care of a six-months-old child. With this fact in mind, you can well imagine the trepidation of spirit into which he was thrown whenever he saw the boxmen arriving, and the still greater agitation of heart as he opened the boxes and displayed to the gaze of an artistic wife (all wives are artistic) the material evidence of his artistic judgment. Perhaps you can appreciate, but it is doubtful, the tenseness of the moment as he waited for her decision; but it is most certain that you cannot appreciate his overwhelming joy when she said, "Well done, good and faithful servant."

The paying-off of a caravan is not a difficult task, unless the men insist on having francs with King Leopold's or King Albert's image. There are in circulation in the Belgian Congo many French francs which are accepted by the colonial authorities as par with the Belgian francs. On one side is represented a woman sowing seed. Some white man has told these people that she is the devil, and it is almost impossible to get them to accept these coins. If they were as much afraid of the real Satan, we could not object to their hatred of his likeness.

Overland transport has been a very heavy expense to our mission its first year, and will continue to be so unless a steamboat is put on the Lubefu river. This would reduce the expense of overland transport seventy-five per cent. The records of the Business Manager show that about 1300 boxmen have been sent off within the year 1914 at an expense of over 8000 francs. The busiest day was March 23, when four caravans totalling 234 men arrived within one hour and a half and over 1400 francs were paid out for their services.

Wembo-Niama, Africa, Jan. 9.

SOME GLIMPSES OF EARLY AMERICAN METHODISM

George C. Wilding

As we look about us and behold the vast domain and wealthy possessions, as well as the powerful influence, of our Methodism of today, it may not be unprofitable to go back a century and a half and note the feeble beginnings of our Church in this great country. I have just been examining some ancient records and feel inclined to turn the light upon them for our instruction and profit.

The first church edifice erected upon Manhattan Island was built by the Reformed Dutch Church in 1633, on what is now called Broad Street. It is likely that about five hundred people lived upon this now famous island at that time. Next came the Quakers or Friends and built their first meetinghouse on Little Green Street, now Rose Street, about 1690. They were followed by the Jews, who erected their first synagogue about the year 1700 on what is now South William Street. A few years later the Lutherans put up a house of worship at the corner of Broadway and Rector Streets. The first Protestant Episcopal Church, Trinity, was built in 1696 on Broadway, where its stately successor stands today. In 1719 on Wall Street was erected the first Presbyterian Church. The Moravian Church came in a little later, and in 1751 they put up their first church on Fair Street, what is now Fulton Street. Next came the Baptists and in 1762 built their first church in Gold Street. And after all these came the Methodists and built the first church on John Street in 1769 and for years called it Wesley Chapel.

Barbara Heck

What a storm of fury and energy Barbara Heck must have seemed to those careless, worldly card players in the far-off primitive period when life was so bare and amusements so scarce as she burst in upon their sport. What a job Barbara would have on her hands were she to return to the Methodist social circles of our day and endeavor to resolutely and indignantly squelch all of the games of cards that are going on within our environment! And what a sacred bonfire all of these stacks of cards would make! Dear Barbara, you would be pronounced "out of date," "behind the times," "a back number," "an old fogy." How these modern Methodists would laugh at you, scorn you, and wound your dear, old-fashioned feelings. Dear Mother Heck! Perhaps it would be just as well not to come.

But she certainly did revive and renew Brother Embury's license to preach, and Methodism soon flamed up in Manhattan. And what an inspiration to this little band was Captain Webb, in his brilliant scarlet coat and his equally lurid red speech—"You must repent or be forever damned!" The little house of Philip Embury evidently stood on what is now Park Place, somewhere near the Post Office or World Building. And that historic rigging loft stood upon the ground that is now 120 William Street, so that Methodist pilgrims can still wend their way to that hallowed spot and meditate about those rude but intense beginnings of our American Methodism. In those early days our little flock had a fondness for these rigging lofts, for they were also used as meetinghouses in Philadelphia and Baltimore as well as in New York. They were doubtless roomy and cheap if not elegant.

The deed for the ground for the old John-street Church contains this clause concerning the preaching of those who are to occupy its pulpit for all time to come: They are to "Preach no other doctrine than is contained in the said John Wesley's notes upon the New Testament and his four volumes of sermons." So, there you have it. There seems to be no room for the new theology there. So let all future appointees to this time-honored pulpit take notice and conduct themselves accordingly.

Building the First Church in America

What a serious time they had in raising that $3,000 with which to build the first Methodist Church in America. In the first canvass they had 250 subscribers, and the largest subscription was that of Captain Webb, $150. Indeed, it is quite doubtful as to their starting at all if that noble little woman, our American Methodist prophetess, the unflinching and dauntless Barbara Heck, had not stirred their wavering hearts and told them of the answer to prayer God had given her; and she even laid before them the plan for the new church that came in her vision. After this they wavered not, and the church was actually built on this plan. Quite

a number of these first subscribers have streets in New York City named for them. Here are some of them: Duane, Disbrosses, Hammersly, Delancy, Laight, Clarkson, Ludlow, Reade, Lispenard, Stuyvesant, and others. When it came to the dedication they could not send for a bishop or a college president or some eloquent doctor of divinity to take charge on that great occasion. They were not available: it was before their time. So it fell to Philip Embury, their carpenter, local preacher, to lead them upon that red-letter day. His text was Hosea 10:12. And they had no Dr. Iver or Dr. Krantz to take charge of the money raising and whoop things up generally.

As we look up those old friends we dig out some interesting and unique items about the chief Methodist laymen of that day. One of the big men in body, brain, and soul of that little church was William Lupton, who was buried under the church. He was in good circumstances, and James Jarvis, one of the trustees of the church, rendered Lupton a bill for a new beaver hat of two pounds, five shillings. Pretty steep for a hat, wasn't that? But we suppose it was a good one. Mr. Harry Newton, a lovable and popular bachelor of the flock, took particular care of the preachers, seeing "that they behaved well and wanted nothing." If preachers varied as much then as they do now that job of Brother Newton's was not a specially light one. Another of the trustees, John Staples, was the first man to introduce the sugar refinery business into this country. It has been kept pretty well in Methodist hands since then, as Brother Stearns can testify. And what a place it has had in history. Staples' sugar house on Liberty Street could tell tales of horror, as it was the place where the British kept their American prisoners during the Revolutionary War.

The Day of Early Preachers

As most of the preachers of that day were unmarried men, the treasurer of the church seemed to pay all of their bills. If they were on the sick list the church paid for the doctor and the nurse; and if the minister died the funeral bills were paid by the church. Even the barber's charges for shaving the minister and dressing his hair were met by the church. One item is like this: "Paid for mending the coffee mill, one shilling." One set of knives and forks, nine shillings." How strange and mysterious is this item: "1790, March 1. Cash paid for a ticket in the lottery, two pounds." What would we think today of an official board taking chances in a lottery? And the preachers were allowed "one quire of foolscap paper per quarter and no more." At that early day paper was costly and a rare luxury. And possibly this was a sly hint that the church did not want written sermons. We remember hearing a wise old German Methodist preacher put it like this: "If you want to make a fire in a stove use lots of paper: but if you want to make a fire in the pulpit use but little paper."

At that period in colonial history religious services could not be performed in churches except such as were established by law. Of course this cut out all dissenters. But our fathers were not embarrassed by this difficulty. They met it by attaching a fireplace and chimney, and thus the building became recognized as a private dwelling; and it was attached by a stairway to the parsonage. There were no elegant pews, downy cushions, or carpeted aisles; but it was plain, clean, and neat, and the floor was sprinkled with sand. A peculiar thing about this building is that the largest amount paid to any one man who did work upon it was to Samuel Edmonds, the grandfather of Judge Edmonds, the noted Spiritualist. He was the mason, and his bill was about $2,500.

The names of Philip Embury and Barbara Heck do not appear among the subscribers to the fund for the new church. Mrs. Heck was doubtless very poor in this world's goods, but she was a spiritual gold mine to that feeble little church. Paul Heck told Dr. Bangs that "when he was quite a little boy his mother used to lead him by the hand to meeting, and that the very first sixpence he ever called his own he put into the plate which was carried around to receive the contributions of the people, and he felt in doing so an inexpressible pleasure." This son lived to a beautiful old age. Embury was a poor mechanic and gave the church his services as a preacher without charge. After the little church was dedicated we find this entry in the books of the treasurer: "1769, Octo. 17. To cash paid Mr. Newton for three pairs of stockings for Mr. Williams and Mr. Embury." Mr. Williams was doubtless the Rev. Robert Williams, a circuit preacher of that time. Under the same date this entry appears: "'To cash gave Mr. Embury to buy clothes, ten pounds." We have here a fine expression of the church's love for Mr. Embury and its appreciation of his faithful services.

Captain Webb

Captain Webb was much more than an ordinary man. He was profoundly concerned about the welfare of American Methodism, and he crossed the ocean several times to labor with John Wesley in regard to sending over more laborers into this needy field. One of the best estimates that we find in regard to the abilities of this noble soldier as a preacher was uttered by John Adams, one of the giants of the Revolution, and himself no mean orator. While attending the Colonial Congress in Philadelphia in 1774, he heard this veteran of the Cross, and thus speaks of it: "In the evening I went to the Methodist meeting and heard Mr. Webb, the old soldier, who first came to America in the character of a quartermaster under General Braddock. He is one of the most fluent, eloquent men I ever heard: he reaches the imagination and touches the passions very well, and expresses himself with great propriety." Such a testimonial from such a source means a great deal. Very sweet is the memory of this old soldier-preacher of our early Methodism.—Northwestern Christian Advocate.

TRIBUTE TO REV. BRAXTON CRAVEN, D. D.

A large number of students and other members of the college community, as well as a number of people from the city, were present last Tuesday night in the auditorium on the second floor of East Duke Building, Trinity College, to hear Professor F. C. Brooks, of the department of education of the college, in a very instructive and interesting lecture on Braxton Craven and the First State Normal School of North Carolina." The character and educational doctrines of the great man, founder and first president of Trinity College, were portrayed with fidelity and care, and Professor Brooks pronounced him the foremost educator and leader and one of the most remarkable men of his generation.

Professor Brooks spoke in part as follows:

"Braxton Craven was one of the most remarkable men of his generation. From the state of an orphan, destitute and homeless, he became a great teacher, preacher, and educational leader. Having received two years of training under Dr. Nereus Mendenhall, of New Garden School, now Guilford College, he began at the age of twenty as Assistant Principal of Union Institute, Randolph County. Rev. Brantley York was principal of that institution. But two years later (1844) Craven became principal. The next six years of his life were spent in increasing his own scholarship, building up Union Institute Academy, and studying the school systems of Europe and the United States. In 1848 he organized his first normal training class in connection with Union Institute, and in the following year the teacher training department was one of the features of his institution.

"At that time there was no head to the public school system. In order, therefore, to give some direction to the system he published an interesting circular on Common Schools, saying at the same time that he had collected all the information he could find on the subject in Europe and America. It was an interesting document that he issued in 1849-50. He gave directions for building school houses, organizing schools, arranging subject matter, training teachers, and managing the internal affairs of the school room.

"In 1850 Craven began publishing a teachers' magazine, called 'The Southern Index,' and almost the entire first volume was devoted to a discussion of the needs of the Common School System. In 1851 Union Institute was converted into a Normal College. In drawing the bill for a new charter Craven asked for state aid, but Calvin H. Wiley and others fought that feature of the bill and it was finally defeated, but the legislature did charter the new institution as "Normal College" and gave it power to grant certificates to teach in the Common Schools of the State. In 1852 President Craven appealed to Governor Swain, the president of the University, to throw his great influence in the favor of establishing 'one or more normal schools.' The legislature in session that year amended the charter of Normal College, gave it the power to grant degrees, loaned it ten thousand dollars, and made the governor chairman of the board of trustees and the superintendent of Public Instruction secretary.

"In the following year the president organized and published his course of study for teacher training, provided a model practice school, and issued his declarations of principles that should be given his institute.

"There were many objections to a normal school. Craven was ridiculed because of his teacher training courses. The old line academic institutions fought the new principles underlying such a school. He was called "humbug," and his institution was referred to as a "trash." However, Calvin H. Wiley, in reporting the work to the General Assembly, gave it high praise. But Wiley was in favor of the institute plan for training teachers, and opposed the normal school idea. Craven was in favor of both plans. Wiley thought it was wrong to put much money in one institution. Craven believed that such an institution should give direction to the whole educational life of the state. After running the institution for nine years, the Methodist Church agreed to take over the property, spend $50,000 in improving it, and the first State Normal College became Trinity College."

WHY SHOULD I ATTEND CHURCH

Rev. Ira Erwin

1. Because if I am a member of the church I have voluntarily assumed obligations "to attend upon its ordinances and support its institutions." Deliberate failure to attend the regular services of my church means that I have become recreant to my sacred vows and treacherous to my Lord and his cause. If I am not a member, I should give the church my sympathy and hearty support, because it appeals to the best that is within me, and through faith in Christ it offers me my only hope from the blight and curse of sin.

2. Because I should cheerfully follow the example of my Lord who attended regularly the services of the synagogue and the temple.

3. Because the preacher, called of God, has a message I ought to hear. If my pastor has a message from God, it is discourteous to him and an insult to God for me to refuse to hear him.

4. Because in the atmosphere of the church service vice and crime in all their hideous forms wither and die.

5. Because it is through the influence of the Christ whom the church worships that man has developed from a state of barbarism to the highest forms of Christian civilization.

6. Because it brings comfort to the sorrowing, courage to the faint, and hope to the despondent.

7. Because of the joy it brings to the Christian heart. All true Christians can say with the Psalmist: "I was glad when they said unto me let us go into the house of the Lord."

8. Because its services do for me what nothing else can do. Nowhere else is God brought so consciously near my spirit. The songs, the prayers, the Scripture reading, the sermon, the Christian fellowship all conspire to meet and satisfy the deep needs of my soul, and I can find no substitute for the regular services of my church.

9. Because "I am far from home" and the church alone points the way from darkness to the broad realms of endless day. The heaven which it offers is all that heart could wish. Nothing can be lacking in that beautiful, immortal life which the church offers all who trust and faithfully serve her Lord.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM FIELD

District Conference Directory

Winston, at Walkertown .....April 20-22
Mt. Airy, at Stokesdale .....April 29-May 2
Waynesville, at Franklin .....May 25

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—The ladies of the First Methodist church, Salisbury, were holding cottage prayer meetings last week.

—Rev. D. H. Comann, General Evangelist, has been holding revival services at Tocoa, Ga., during the past week.

—Rev. W. M. Biles, of Newton, is assisting Rev. Z. E. Barnhardt in revival services at Lenoir this week.

—Prof. W. H. Swift delighted the good people of Alexander in his speech at the county commencement held at Taylorsville recently.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Paddison, of Mount Airy, have returned to their home after spending the winter with their sons in Memphis.

—The Mount Airy city schools have secured the services of Rev. Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe and Dr. J. Y. Joyner as commencement preacher and speaker.

—The Shelby District Woman's Missionary Society was in session in Lincolnton last week. The Methodists of Lincolnton gave hearty and royal entertainment.

—Rev. Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe, pastor of Wesley Memorial, High Point, went to Roxboro on Monday morning where he is engaged in revival services this week. Rev. N. C. Yearby is pastor of our church in Roxboro.

—We were glad to greet in our office Mr. J. Arthur Johnson, of our Publishing House in Nashville, on Thursday of last week. Mr. Johnson is advertising manager for Smith & Lamar, and was calling on some of our business men.

—Rev. Dr. C. W. Byrd, pastor of West Market Street church, received a class of thirty-five into the church on last Sunday morning. This was a glorious Easter service indeed. Dr. Byrd has been very diligent in his work and his labors are being greatly blessed.

—Mr. J. J. White, an aged and faithful member of our church at Trinity, passed away at his home in that place Friday, March 26th. Mr. White was often a delegate to the District Conference, and was always greatly interested in the work of the church.

—A letter received by the editor of the Advocate from Brother J. S. Martin, brings the welcome news that his condition is about normal again, and that he is constantly improving. He is at Sebastian, Fla. We sincerely hope to see this good brother among us again in his wonted health and strength.

—The Spencer Crescent says:—The Young People's Society of the Spencer Methodist church are doing a good work in taking care of all the babies while the mothers attend church. The mothers are asked to bring the babies to the parsonage where they will be taken care of. It is hoped this will give many mothers a better opportunity to attend divine services.

—The North Carolina classes of the Reformed church will meet in special session at Salisbury April 6 to take up the subject of making Claremont College the church's school for girls and Catawba College the school for boys. It is expected that this will be done. The Reformed church is not strong numerically in North Carolina, but they are an intelligent and substantial people and we wish them the highest success in their difficult educational problems.

—Charity and Children, which is the mouthpiece of the Thomasville Orphanage, says that only about one-third of the Baptist Sunday schools of North Carolina are giving regular monthly collections to the orphanage, and this one-third furnish over forty per cent. of the current fund. In our Conference there are many Sunday schools we understand that do not contribute to the support of our Children's Home. What a great opportunity and blessing these schools are missing!

—Rev. C. E. Stedman, pastor of the Uwharrie circuit, has been a frequent caller at the Advocate office during the past week, being engaged in revival services with Rev. F. L. Townsend at Bethel church. Brother Stedman loves his people on the Uwharrie circuit. It is a genuine delight to be thrown with a preacher who has so many good things to say about his people. We are not surprised to learn that his people love him. There is a good suggestion here for all pastors. He who would have friends must show himself friendly.

—The congregation of Central church, Mt. Airy, made a free-will offering on the last Sunday of their great revival meeting for Messrs Jimison and Fisher, the preacher and singer, amounting to $420. This was afterwards increased to $500. According to Brother Fisher's count, there were 380 persons who were converted or reclaimed during the meeting. About 1p5 will join the churches, divided about as follows: Methodist, 75; Presbyterian, 20; First and Second Baptist, 20; Episcopal, 3, and Friends, 7.

—A phone message from Dr. H. K. Boyer, presiding elder of the Winston District, on Monday morning brought to the Advocate the glad news that 322 members were received into the Methodist churches of Winston-Salem on last Sunday morning. The report is as follows: Centenary, 100; West End, 80; Grace, 65; Burkhead, 40; Southside, 25; Salem, 12. There were many more applicants for membership who will be received later. This is the result of two weeks simultaneous revival meetings in the Methodist churches of the city. What a glorious Easter this! The pastors did the preaching.

—Miss Alda Nicholson, daughter of Mr. W. M. Nicholson, of Statesville, was married on Wednesday of last week to Mr. W. V. Ferrell, of Warsaw, N. C. The ceremony was performed by Rev. C. L. McCain. The Landmark says: "Miss Nicholson had the distinction of being one of the few lady mail carriers in the country, having been carrier on rural route No. 2 ever since the route was established about 13 years ago. Few if any carriers gave better satisfaction than did Miss Nicholson and certainly none was more popular with the patrons of a route and were held in higher esteem than Miss Nicholson.

—Rev. W. D. Bradfield, D. D., of San Antonio, Texas, has been elected to succeed the late Rev. G. C. Rankin, D. D., as editor of the Texas Christian Advocate. Dr. Bradfield will be remembered by some of our readers as a pleasant visitor to our Conference at its session in Greensboro in 1900. He was here in the interest of the stricken churches of Galveston, where he was stationed at that time. He has been prominent in our work in Texas for many years and has been a delegate to every General Conference for twelve years. He follows a great editor and we are confident will be no disappointment to Texas Methodists in this new capacity.

—The Raleigh Christian Advocate of last week says:—The series of meetings that has been in progress at Edenton Street Church, Raleigh, came to a close last Friday evening. It was one of the best meetings that we have witnessed in this church during our stay here. Rev. J. E. Abernethy, who did the preaching, is a man of unusual pulpit ability. The fact that he is a man of studious habit flashes out through his sermons. He makes no parade of his scholarship, but the scope and sweep of his sermons reveal the vision of the scholar. And this fact has not chilled his zeal. He clings with proper tenacity to the spiritual, the religious, the pious view of life, if you please. He is often dramatic in thought and to a certain extent in delivery at times; but we saw nothing that bordered upon the sensational. The members resulting from the meeting will be received into the church next Sunday. The number is not yet definitely known, but it is thought there will be thirty or forty.

Marshville.—Rev. J. W. Williams, pastor of Marshville circuit writes under date of April 1st as follows: "We are in the midst of a great meeting at Marshville now. It has been going on for thirteen days and will continue for at least five more days. Brother Jim Green is doing the preaching.

Mount Holly.—Rev. N. R. Richardson, the ppastor, writes under date of March 30th, as follows: We closed last night a good revival meeting in Mount Holly. Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, of Mooresville, did the preaching after the first day. He is a fine gospel preacher. I never had better help in a meeting. A wave of grippe and pneumonia here, touching almost half the homes, kept many away, but there was a genuine revival in the church. Many who had lost spiritual life were restored at the altar of prayer. I have received six on profession of faith and two by certificate, and the Baptist church has received several—still others to join.

Kings Mountain.—Our special evangelistic services were interrupted at the beginning of the second week. Dr. T. F. Marr, who was doing the preaching, was called to Charlotte on account of two deaths in his congregation, and prevented from returning by his own illness. While Dr. Marr was with us there were a number of marked conversions and scores of reconsecrations. The whole church was moved to a distinctly higher plane. One of the gratifying features of the meetings was the presence of the pastors and members of other churches, taking active part. Dr. Marr's preaching was with great clearness and power. The whole city seemed to respond to the appeal of this man of God. His work among us will mark a new era in the churches here.

The evangelistic spirit is well founded and will continue to grow and bear fruit. Rev. J. O. Ervin, of Dilworth M. E. church, Charlotte, was also with us, having charge of the music and greatly assisted in many ways.

E. O. Cole.

Dobson.— Our revival meeting was truly a revival. From the very first of the meeting throughout there was marked interest manifested. The Holy Spirit was in the midst. We had with us Rev. W. L. Dawson, our Conference Evangelist, who seemed to be, and no doubt was, electrified by the Holy Spirit, and preached with great power. The meeting soon became a drawing card. The church was at times filled to its full capacity. Some who had not attended church for a long time were there and became very much interested in their souls' welfare. There was a large number of backsliders reclaimed and some twenty-five or thirty regenerated. There were twenty-four who united with the Methodist church and others gave their names for other churches. The church at Dobson has been greatly revived, and on last Sunday the Sunday school was very much enlarged in attendance.

We can truthfully say the Lord was in this place and was known to be here. Praises be to the good Lord for what he has done for the town of Dobson.

J. G. W. Holloway, P. C.

Mount Airy District Notice

All preachers and delegates who expect to attend the Mount Airy District Conference will please notify the undersigned.

T. J. Folger.
Stokesdale, N. C.

Mount Airy District

The Mount Airy District Conference will be opened with a sermon preached by Rev. W. M. Boring at 2 p. m. on Thursday, April 29th, followed by the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The editor of the Advocate, together with the representatives of the various other interests of the church, are cordially invited to be with us.

The following brethren are asked to act on committees of examination: For license to preach and for admission on trial, E. J. Poe, J. A. J. Farrinton and A. L. Aycock. For recommendation for orders, T. B. Johnson, A. R. Surratt and O. P. Routh.

H. C. Sprinkle, P. E.

A Happy Event

Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Crowder celebrated their China wedding in the parsonage at Trinity, N. C., on Saturday, March 27th, 1915, from three till six-thirty.

Their many friends from the Randolph circuit and the other charges which Mr. Crowder had served, pronounced the hours spent with this very interesting family most delightful. The gifts were varied, beautiful and useful, attesting the esteem of all who know this popular couple.

Miss Nell Parkin received the guests at the entrance door and turned them over to Misses Pearl and Lula Harris, who, after registering them, ushered them into the parlor where they were introduced to the twenty-year bride and groom, surrounded by the numerous guests.

Mesdames Pepper, Brame, Leade and Elder served a delicious course of salad and coffee, cream and cake, while Mesdames Johnson, Hayes and Miss Josephine Mendenhall displayed the gifts in the living room.

May the happy couple celebrate their golden wedding is the sincere wish of their friends. who are numbered by the score.

Statesville District Meeting

The press correspondent writing from Hickory under date of April 4th, says:

The district meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Statesville district of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, convened in the First Methodist church, this city, yesterday morning for a two-days' session. The first session was held yesterday morning, beginning at 9 o'clock and was opened with devotional exercises by the pastor. The body then proceeded to the work of organization, the minutes of last meeting were read and the district secretary's report and the report of auxiliaries were heard.

Mrs. T. F. Marr conducted an institute, "Organic Union," and a noon-tide Bible hour was presided over by Miss Lelia Tuttle. The afternoon session was taken up with institutes by Mrs. Marr and discussions on "Literature —How to Secure Best Results," "Week of Prayer—How to Observe It," and "How to Secure the Pledge." The evening session consisted principally of reports of the young people's work and discussion of the work of the first and second vice-presidents, together with a mission study period.

This morning at the regular preaching service special Easter music was rendered by the choir and after a few remarks on mission work and other matters by Pastor Stanford, Miss Lelia Tuttle, a missionary from Shanghai, China, made an interesting address to the congregation. At the beginning of her talk she pictured the church at Shanghai on this Easter morning, with its beautiful flower decorations to the large audience which filled the large church, people crowding the doorways and windows. She said China was not what it was five years ago. She said that five years ago a woman seen on the streets of Shanghai was a rare sight, these being ladies educated in foreign schools. Now this is all changed, and women are being given much more freedom. The Chinese custom of marriage has been modified and the young people now are being allowed to choose mostly for themselves and many infant engagements made by the parents of the children are being broken.

At the close Rev. A. L. Stanford arose and thanked her for the address, stating that last year he had contributed $60 to the support of the church's missionary, Rev. F. S. Love, in Brazil, but that this year he wanted the mission committee to put him down for $100. An every-member canvass will be made next Sunday afternoon for the purpose of securing pledges to this mission fund. Mr. Stanford has been away assisting in a revival at Wilmington and expects to leave tomorrow for Washington, N. C., to assist in a ten-day meeting at that place. A protracted meeting will begin in the First Methodist church here about April 25.

This afternoon Miss Tuttle made a talk to the young people and the sessions of the meeting will close tonight with addresses by Miss Tuttle and Mrs. Marr.

Report of Treasurer of Board of Missions for March, 1915

Received on Assessments

	Foreign	H. & C.
Ramseur, V. C. Marley	$160.00	
Davidson Ct. T. J. Houck	20.00	23.00
Summerfield, T. B. Johnson	18.00	18.00
Linwood, J. W. Ingle	10.25	
Mt. Zion, T. J. Ogburn	11.00	14.00
Murphy, Ira Erwin		25.00
Waynesville, O. P. Ader	50.00	50.00
Farmington, D. C. Ballard		22.00
Sulphur Springs, T. A. Groce	50.00	
Ramseur, T. J. Rogers	20.00	26.90
Asheville, Haywood St., E. M. Hoyle	62.00	215.00
Highlands, W. C. Bowden	2.00	48.00
S. Lenoir, R. F. Wellons		23.11
Totals on assessment for March	$403.25	$465.01

Received on Specials

Concord, Central, M. F. Moores		$ 18.20
Newton, J. E. Setzer, Treas	100.00	
Shelby Sta., Mrs. J. D. Lineberger		250.00
Winston-Salem, Centenary, Z. T. Bynum, Tr.	150.00	25.00
Charlotte, Tryon St., S. H. Youngblood		10.00
Asheville, Haywood Street, H. A. Dunham	22.57	
Winston-Salem, West End, N. V. Stockton, Treas.	350.00	
Walkertown, D. C. Moir, Tr.	25.00	
Bryson City, Frank Siler		22.70
Andrews, Frank Siler		35.00
Pleasant Garden, P. L. Terrill	5.00	
Shelby Sta. Geo. A. Hoyle, Tr.		10.00
Canton, Frank Siler		15.00
Webster, Frank Siler		5.00
N. Wilkesboro, Dist., J. H. Bennett		11.00
Hendersonville, Frank Siler		12.80
Fairview, Frank Siler		35.00
Totals on Specials for March	$652.57	$449.70

Total receipts for March	$1970.54
Previously reported on—	
Foreign assessment	217.89
Home and Conference assessment	20.00
Foreign specials	718.97
Home and Conference specials	894.80
Total receipts to April 1	$3822.19

R. M. Courtney, Treasurer.

Winston-Salem, N. C.

Missionary Notes from Field Secretary

Spruce Pine-Bakersville, J. P. Morris, P. C., $765.00, Conference Mission Special.

Burnsville, H. M. Wellman, P. C. $200.00, Conference Mission Special. Pretty good showing considering that these sums were pledged in the midst of two snow blizzards—one eight inches deep, the other two.

Mrs. L. P. Bailey, of Bakersville, pledged $400.00 of the Spruce Pine-Bakersville amount. Others subscribed liberally.

John Wesley Higgins, at Burksville, gave his check for $50.00. Numerous others gave and subscribed well.

The work in Mitchell and Yancey has been stimulated by the preaching of Brother Dawson. He will aid Brother Wellman at Burnsville in June. There is talk in that country of new churches at Alta Pass, Beaver's Creek, Penland, Young's Cove and Burnsville. A lot and $1,000.00 are offered at Alta Pass. One man at Beaver's Creek has pledged a goodly sum. Our church is financially strong in the two county seats of Mitchell and Yancey. Men second to none are needed for these important centers. Both pastors doing good work.

Marion, Loy D. Thompson, P. C. $241.55, Conference Mission Special. There are now two big cotton mills near the C. C. and O. crossing. This forward move in Marion is at the instigation of Presiding Elder Gay, who wishes to have a man for this important Marion suburb.

The Sunday school at Marion carried out effectively Easter Sunday the monthly missionary program provided by the Sunday School and Mission Boards. Miss Maud Barnard is the Sunday School Missionary Society Secretary, who had charge of the program.

Brother Thompson holds a firm grip on the situation at Marion. A telephone message at the parsonage early Sunday morning bore the announcement of the arrival at sunrise of a granddaughter at the home of Brother and Sister Gay. The presiding elder, away on his district, will have to welcome this Easter visitor later.

My Father's Watch and Bible

There are two incidents connected with the earlier years of my father's ministry which are in a way remarkable, and which I think would be of interest to many of his friends throughout the Conference.

My father was always very active in promoting the circulation of the church paper and received a number of premiums. The first Unabridged Dictionary I ever remember seeing was one of these. At one time a gold watch worth over a hundred dollars was offered to the one who would obtain the largest number of subscriptions within a given length of time. My father at once entered this contest and was much disappointed when it was announced that a lady had won the prize. That night he dreamed that the lady in question was the editor's wife and as no names had been given up to that time, he immediately wrote to the editor, asking for the name of the lady who had won the first prize. The editor replied that the lady was his wife, but that after considering the matter carefully he had concluded that my father deserved the watch and that he was sending it by registered mail. I now have this watch in my possession and am told by jewelers that it is one of the very best of the period in which it was manufactured.

I also have my father's Bible which has probably been read through twenty-five or thirty times. My father told me once that he read the Bible through once a year and up to the time when his eyes became affected he had probably read it through at least thirty times, although this particular volume was not in use all of that time. On one occasion, while going to his appointment, he was compelled to ford a stream which was swollen by rains. The water was deeper than he expected and came over the saddle, wetting him and ruining his books. The next house, and in fact the only house in sight, was a bar-room and he went into it to dry his clothes and ascertain the damage. When he opened his saddle-bags and found his Bible ruined, the usual crowd of loafers, on learning that he was a minister, took up a collection with which to buy him a new Bible and this is the one I now have.

Hickory, N. C. G. F. Ivey.

CHILDREN'S HOME REPORT
By Walter Thompson, Supt.

Building Fund

Dr. L. W. Elias and wife, Asheville	$25.00
Brevard S. S., S. M. Verdry, Brevard	12.00
Thad S. Ford, Belwood	10.00
Rev. L. D. Thompson, Marion	10.00
Mrs. John H. Cathey, Asheville	12.50
C. E. Lundy, Mt. Airy	7.50
J. N. Dellinger, Shelby	5.00
J. W. Wolfe, Asheville	5.00
D. K. Lipe, Biltmore	2.50
Total	$89.50

Amount Received on Special, General Support and Ten Per Cent. Assessment

James A. Gray, Jr., Winston	$ 60.00
Wachovia Bank & Trust Co., Winston, Phillips heirs	90.00
Wachovia Bank & Trust Co., Winston, Lindsay Livengood	50.00
Greensboro Ct., Greensboro, F. L. Townsend	4.87
Catawba Ct., Catawba, A. G. Loftin	10.00
Biltmore church, Biltmore, Miss Julia Brookshire	2.17
Capt. T. L. Rawley's Bible class of Cetenary church, Winston, W. T. Penry	41.67
A friend	5.00
Friendship church, Thomasville, P. E. Parker	4.00
Muir's church, Thomasville, P. E. Parker	13.25
L. B. Abernethy, Sylva	10.00
Total	$290.96

Donations in Kind

Ladies of Morganton church, Morganton, one crate of eggs.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, Asheville, N. C.

THE TEMPLE OF PRAYER

Three doors there are in the temple,
Where men go to pray,
And they that wait at the outer gate
May enter by either way.

O Father, give each his answer,
Each in his kindred way;
Adapt thy light to his form of night,
And grant him his needed day.

O give to the yearning spirits,
That only thy rest desire,
The power to bask in the peace they ask,
And feel the warmth of thy fire.

Give to the soul that seeketh,
'Mid cloud and doubt and storm,
The glad surprise of the straining eyes
To see on the waves thy form.

Give to the heart that knocketh
At the doors of earthly care,
The strength to tread in the pathway spread,
By the flowers Thou hast planted there.

For the middle wall shall be broken,
And the light expand its ray,
When the burdened of brain and the soother of pain,
Shall be ranked with the men that pray.

—Selected.

COUNCIL DAILY

Don't forget to order the "Council Daily from Mr. George Thornburg, 1624 Spring Street, Little Rock Arkansas, price 25 cents. Miss Estelle Haskins will be editor, assisted by Miss Louise Dunstan and Mrs. J. H. Stewart, with Mr. Thornburg as managing editor, and this corps of editors means that the Council Daily will be exceptionally fine this year. Send your name and proper address to Mr. Thornburg at once, with 25 cents, the subscription price.

Dr. S. D. Gordon, author of "Quiet Talks on Prayer" and other deeply spiritual books, will conduct the devotional hour during the meetings of the Council. Those who have heard Dr. Gordon realize that a season of spiritual quickening will come to the visitors and busy workers of the Council.

MISSIONARIES AT THE COUNCIL

The following missionaries will be in attendance at the coming Council meeting: From China:—Miss Martha E. Pyle, Principal of Laura Haygood School, Soochow; Miss Leila J. Tuttle, McTyeire School, Shanghai; Miss Mary Culler White, in charge of evangelistic work, Soochow; Miss Mary Hood, Principal of Nurse-Training School, Soochow.

From Korea:—Miss Hallie Buie, Principal of Lucy Cunninggim, Wonsan; Miss Laura Edwards, in charge of woman's work, Choon Chun.

From Brazil:—Miss Emma Christine, Principal of Collegio Methodista, Ribeirao Preto; Miss Helen Johnson, Ribeirao Preto.

From Cuba:—Miss Hattie Carson, Cienfugos; Miss Rebecca Toland, Principal of Irene Toland School, Matanzas.

From Mexico:—Miss Esther Case, Principal of Mary Keener Institute, Mexico City.

DEACONESSES TO BE CONSECRATED

The consecration of deaconesses and missionaries is a service about which much interest hovers. At the Council meeting this year the following young women will be set apart for deaconess service: Miss Virginia Maud Fail, Hattiesburg, Miss.; Miss Grace Gatewood, Myers, Texas; Miss Helen Gardiner, St. Louis, Mo.; Miss Mary Kimbrough, Cleburne, Texas; Miss Joanna Lueth, Kansas City, Mo.; Miss Rena Murphy, Fort Worth, Texas; Miss Daisy Ritter, Columbia, S. C.; Miss Florence Whiteside, Pine Bluff, Ark.; Miss Sophia Richardson, Milledgeville, Ga.

MO KA GARDEN EMBROIDERY MISSION, SOOCHOW, CHINA

New catalogues of the Mo Ka Embroidery Mission, Soochow, China, have been received from Miss Frances Burkhead, who says that 175 women are now at work in the mission and that orders are needed so that they may be able to meet the pay rolls. The sales during the fiscal year amounted to more than seven thousand Mexican dollars, and some of the women have gone into direct evangelistic work. The Christians among them have been formed into a normal class to do Sunday school work among the non-Christians. The people there are made to understand that as they receive the gospel into their hearts there must be a giving out. So these women in the Embroidery Mission, the young Christians among the girls, the boys and the outside members, are learning to express themselves in service.

Mrs. R. A. Thompson, Oakman, Ala., is the general agent in this country and will be glad to send catalogues upon application.

WHAT IS YOUR CHILD WORTH?

At a recent meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of Central M. E. Church, South, at Mount Airy, "The Problem of the Adolescent at Home" was the subject of the literary part of the program. We are indebted to Miss Cora Earp, Superintendent of Study and Publicity of this society, for the interesting account which follows:

Quite a number of women brought messages about child life in the foreign lands which were interesting. These glimpses of the conditions of children in heathen homes was followed by a talk by one of the members about the growing boys and girls in our own homes. The writer has not the time and space to report the talk in full but merely mentions a few thoughts for the benefit of those who were not there.

The speaker called attention to the fact that it is only in this generation that people are beginning to realize that the child is the center around which cluster all social and religious questions; she mentioned three rights of every child as follows: the right to be well born, the right to proper nourishment and normal, healthy environment, and the right to have suitable training for physical, mental, moral and spiritual development. Mere good intentions and love for the child will not be sufficient equipment for anyone to undertake the training of the young mind.

Who would undertake to operate a dangerous and delicate piece of machinery without first knowing how to manage it? An enthusiastic gardner or poultry raiser spends time in studying these subjects. How many parents spend as much time trying to understand the nature and view point of their growing children?

The speaker compared the growing child to a tender plant that is most susceptible to harm just at the period of its most rapid growth—so also does the boy or girl need the wisest care, the tenderest sympathy and most intelligent oversight during the period of adolescence. It is not so much one's financial standing that makes the home attractive and a potent factor in the development of the child, but the spirit of the home. If the home is orderly and well kept even though bare of many of the comforts of life, it may be a great blessing to the child in teaching carefulness in speech and action.

If the spirit of the home is that of loving obedience to the Divine will. then the tendency of the child will be to yield to obedience to the parents; in short, the parents must be what they would have their children to be.

The leader of the meeting devoted a few moments to open discussion of community responsibility and some suggestions were made for wholesome recreation and amusement for the adolescent.

We were also glad to hear through Miss Earp of a wonderful revival that was conducted in Mount Airy by Rev. T. P. Jimison, evangelist. Cottage prayer meetings were held by the good women of the town and the attendance was splendid.

Many women who had never spoken in public before testified for Christ, leading in prayer and conducting the devotional services. The whole town was benefited by the visit of this good man, and to every church were added new members.

A MISSIONARY COLLECTION IN AFRICA

The great event of the morning was the offering. It was taken at the close of the service. A platform had been erected near the entrance, and the people were bidden to bring their gifts to the platform, where the native elders stood ready to receive them. With much eagerness the crowd pressed forward. Old women with wrinkled faces brought their "kank" or bundle of peanuts done up in plantain leaves; young women brought wooden bowls, safety pins or spools of thread; young men came with their gifts of fish hooks or sugar canes or cash (German marks); while men, old and young, brought matches, gun flints, baskets, etc. Nearly all the gifts were brought in plantain leaves. It took a good-sized wheel barrow to carry away the plantain leaves after the bundles had been opened. More than five hundred separate offerings were given. A few kanks constitute a fair day's wages for a full-grown African man, and the great majority of these fellow Christians of ours in Bululand are very poor. I have yet to see a Bulu house with either a chair, table or lamp. It means something for these poor people to bring an offering for foreign missions. —The Young Christian Worker.

WILL GIVE BACK

What a promise to civilization was that of Christ, "Give, and it shall be given unto you!" All rich clusters or sheaves that fall into the arms of vine grower or tiller are but the reward of great labor. Because the woodman bent his arm to the ax, the ax yielded the tree. And to the student who gives his mind to the study of God's Word the sacred page will give back wealth of wisdom and truth.

Let the social worker give himself to the immigrant and outcast, and they will give back to him blossoms of virtues. Lend thyself and thy time and thy means to the poor and to those who sit in darkness, and they will enshrine your name forever in the temple of glory.

The very joy of it all is a sublime blessing. God is a great Giver. He finds joy in the good deeds of His children. Christ was constantly giving; and though he was called the Man of Sorrows. He was also the Man of Joys, because of what he gave. One may find joy in receiving but there is far more joy in giving. George Peabody said it was hard for a man who had spent the greater part of his life in accumulating money for himself to spend it on others. But he added: "Practice it and keep on practicing it, and I am sure it will become a pleasure." Mary Lyons used to say: "Give till you feel it, and then give until you don't feel it." Thus it becomes a source of unspeakable joy—Missionary Intelligencer.

THE CITIES OF AMERICA A MISSION FIELD

Mrs. R. W. MacDonald

There are two hundred and twenty-nine cities in the United States having each a population exceeding 25,000. Because in the city center the problems of labor, housing, sanitation, immigration, extreme poverty and abnormal wealth, we have come to regard the city as the great problem of the nation. It was not so thirty years ago. Many of these problems have grown out of sudden industrial development, unattended by a corresponding development of municipal, social and religious correctives.

Christianity the Basis of All Reform

What concerns the church is that the city shall have "foundations whose builder and maker is God." The city needs religion and without religion its salvation is impossible. There are some who accuse the church of being complacently conservative and out of sympathy with the battle for social reform. To be sure, there are certain programs of reform which the church has not embraced. It should be remembered, however, that Christianity is the center and source of the awakening to the social and economic justice and responsibility that is so marked at the present day. Whatever is best in our civilization up to this time has grown out of Christianity, and whatever good is to come out of the social unrest and readjustment will owe its genesis to the principles of brotherhood and justice laid down by our Lord. So, while the church as a whole may not always be in the forefront of social and economic reform, it should never be forgotten that out of the principles for which the church stands is born every movement looking toward the uplift of humanity.

Is the Church Out of Touch With the Masses?

It is charged, too, that the church is out of touch with that large element of the human race called the "masses." This may be true in some degree and in some cases. However, there was never a time when the church has striven more earnestly to bridge whatever real or imaginary gulf may exist between her doors and those who need her ministrations. Great hospitals for the care of the sick, institutional churches ministering to the needs of body and mind as well as those of the spirit, settlement homes, day nurseries, playgrounds, co-operative homes, and even open forums for free discussion of the great questions of the day—all represent channels through which the church is seeking to meet the needs of the people. The fact that these agencies are different from those employed in other days does not mean that the church has abandoned the old-time gospel, but simply that it is earnestly endeavoring to bring to bear upon the needs of humanity today the gospel as Jesus proclaimed it.

Southern Methodist City Missions

Our own church is striving to keep abreast with this movement. In this connection our women, through local City Mission Boards and through the Woman's Department of the Board of Missions, have been particularly active. There are within the bounds of our church forty-one City Mission Boards. Twenty-eight of these maintain Wesley Houses, Bethlehem Houses, and other large centers, such as St. Mark's Hall, Kingdom House, the Woman's Work of the Kansas City Institutional Church and Methodist Institute, Richmond. These settlements are everywhere inspiring and directing the forces working for community improvement along all lines. Through club work with children, young people and adults, through domestic science classes, where educational and vocational instruction is giv-

(Continued on page 9)

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

THE DEVOTIONAL SERVICE

APRIL 11.—"A SINGER WITH A CONSECRATED VOICE"

Exod. 15. 20, 21

Prof. Delo Corydon Grover, Ph.D.

The Bible Reading Assigned

Sometimes the text of the sermon will come at the beginning, sometimes in the middle and again at the end. This incident in the life of a consecrated singer in ancient Israel is a good text for suggestive meditation upon the present topic. An untrained and unorganized multitude of Hebrew serfs, including men, women and children, had just experienced a remarkable deliverance from the master people. A strong east wind blew all night, causing the water of a shallow sea to pile up on one side, thus dividing the waters and making a way through on dry land. Then, when the Egyptian army pursued and were in the way between the divided sea, the wind ceased to blow; the heavy chariot wheels sunk and the horses floundered in the mud; and the waters of the sea returned, catching and drowning soldiers and horses. The Israelites were able to see in this the splendid intervention of Jehovah. "And Israel saw the great work which Jehovah did upon the Egyptians, and the people feared Jehovah: and they believed in Jehovah, and in his servant Moses." (Exod. 14. 31).

Then there was a great rejoicing in Israel. Moses and the people sang in celebration of the victory and deliverance, and some interpreter of Israelitish history has put upon their lips the words of triumph as recorded in Exodus 15. 1-18.

In the Bible reading assigned for this meeting we have further record of what kind of pageant and music and singing entered into that celebration of a very manifsetly providential way of escape from the Egyptians. It is possible that we have in the twenty-first verse a part of a song which Miriam, the talented sister of Moses, composed and sang at that time:

"And Miriam the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took a tibrel in her hand; and all the women went out after her with timbrels and with dances. And Miriam answered them, Sing ye to Jehovah, for he hath triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea." (Exod. 15. 20, 21).

It may be recalled that Moses was brought up as an Egyptian prince, educated and cultured by the best that Egypt afforded. He was always interested however in his own race. Moses and Aaron were the divinely-commissioned leaders of Israel in the great new era of freedom. Miriam was a sister of Moses and Aaron. She had herself suggested to Pharaoh's daughter the plan by which the child Moses was rescued and cared for by his own mother until he became old enogh to live at the Egyptian court. Thus the little Moses was adopted by Pharaoh's daugh ter, and he became a prince. Distinction and privilege undoubtedly extended to the family of Moses. The sister Miriam is spoken of as a prophetess. Miriam was also graceful, an artist and singer. She trained the women for a eurythmic procession in celebration of her people's escape from serfdom. In all this Miriam taught the women to ascribe the glory of the triumph to Jehovah. The world is a better place in which to live when any singer consecrates a voice to the sounding of Jehovah's glory. Credit will be reflected upon any Epworth Leagues who will offer unreservedly this prayer of consecration:

"Take my voice, and let me sing,
Always only, for my King.
Take my lips and let them be
Filled with messages from thee."
(Methodist Hymnal, 348.)

Hymns and Infidelity

Infidelity inspires no hymns of divine praise and prayer. We are not surprised, therefore, when a man like Colonel Ingersoll is buried that no hymn is sung at his funeral. Atheism knows no object of praise. It offers no prayer. It gives birth to no hymn.

Hymns and Faith

Wherever men have believed in God and immortality there voices have been heard in songs of prayer and praise and worship. Hebrew public worship was ever resonant with sacred song. There was music upon every kind of instrument. Psalms were sung as solos, in chorus, responsively and by the congregation. The people of Israel were exhorted to consecrate their voices to the praise of God. We hear the Psalmist say: "Sing aloud unto God our strength: make a joyful noise unto the God of Jacob. Take a psalm and bring hither the timbrel, the pleasant harp with the psaltery. Blow up the trumpet in the new moon, in the time appointed, in our solemn feast-day. For this was a statute for Israel, and a law of the God of Jacob." (Psa. 81. 1-4).

Congregational Singing in Public Worship

Congregation singing was prominent in the public worship of early Christians, and it has also been so among Christians of modern times, especially among Protestants, the Methodists have always been a singing people.

Coleridge said that "Luther did as much for the Reformation by his hymns as by his translation of the Bible." Faith and hope and love will inspire the soul to sing, and the singing of a consecrated voice will inspire faith and hope and love.

Questions and Prompters

If the one who proclaims the gospel in the sermon ought to be Christian, ought not those who proclaim the gospel as chorister and members of the choir also to be Christian? Under what circumstances, if ever, is it justifiable to hire one who is not a Christian as leader of the church choir? Would it ever be proper for a Christian church to call a pastor who made no pertensions of being a Christian?

What is meant by a singer with a consecrated voice? Could one consecrate his voice to God and not consecrate himself to God?

Paul wrote to the Corinthians: "I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also." (1 Cor. 14. 15)—what did he mean?—Pittsburg Christian Advocate.

DEPARTMENT OF WOMAN'S WORK

(Continued from Page 8)

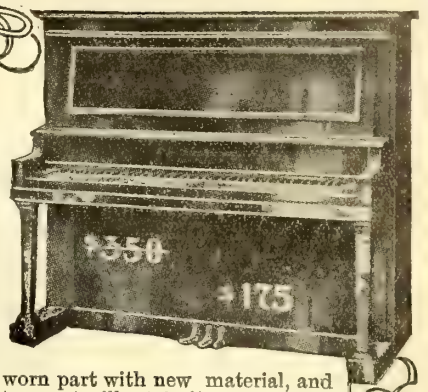
en and through wholesome amusements points of contact are established for the transmission also of religious influences. The workers come into such personal touch with those whom they would help as to be able to interpret to them in terms of service the love Christ and to draw out their love in return.

In twelve foreign communities there are seven Wesley Houses, two large settlements, a clinic and an institutional church. In still another a program of friendly visiting is carried out. Engaged in these activities there are thirty trained workers and two hundred and fifty-seven volunteers. More than five thousand homes are reached. In cotton mill communities there are ten Wesley Houses and two institutional churches employing thirty trained workers and three hundred and thirty-two volunteer helpers. These reach more than four thousand homes.

In other industrial centers there are six Wesley Houses and an Institute, while in still others systematic friendly visiting is done. Bethlehem Houses are in operation in two negro communities encouraging and helping educated and consecrated negroes in the leadership of their people. This branch of work is still practically in its infancy but is reaching four hundred and fifty homes. For the care and protection of working girls who are not in a position to demand a wage sufficient to provide safe and comfortable living conditions, six co-operative homes are maintained where five hundred and eighty-seven girls are cared for. These are located in Jackson, Tenn., Lexington, Ky., Houston, Texas, Richmond, Waco, Los Angeles and San Francisco.

Thus is our church reaching out in many directions in the earnest effort to find the points of greatest human need and apply to them the same spirit of compassion and helpfulness that Jesus manifested in his earthly ministry. —March Missionary Voice.

CHAS. M. STIEFF'S EXCEPTIONAL PIANO BARGAINS



We offer the instruments mentioned below to those whose desire is for something more than a "cheap" instrument, yet who would find it difficult, perhaps, to purchase one of the high priced pianos or player pianos. They are taken from our stock of rebuilt pianos of Standard makes. Stieff experts have given them careful attention, replacing every worn part with new material, and assuring themselves that each instrument will retain its perfect tone quality for years.

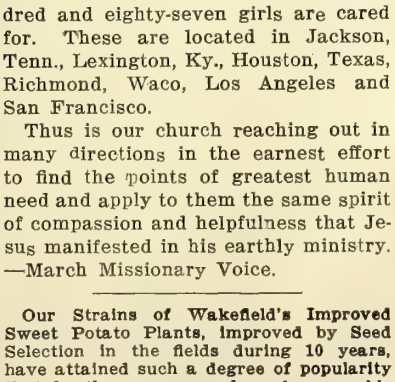
We Offer These Elegant Pianos and Player Pianos at From

1-3 to 1-2 OFF, EASY MONTHLY PAYMENTS

Three Stieff Uprights, Style 106
Two " " " 107
One Stieff Player, 88 note
" Shaw "
Two Bennett & Bretz Players
One Davies & Son Player
" Stieff Grand Piano
" Ivers & Pond, Rosewood Case
" " " Mahogany "
One Ivers & Pond, Mahogany Casee
" " Prince " "
" " Ebony "
" Kingsbury Mahogany "
" Mathushek " "

One Vose & Sons Ebony Case
" Wellington Walnut "
" Campbell Ebony "
" Huntington " "
" Schiller Mahogany "
" Wing & Son Ebony "
" Leslie Mahogany "
" Crown " "
" Walworth " "
" Wheelock " "
Three Stieff Square Pianos
One Ivers & Pond " "
" Guild " "
" Mathushek " "

1-3 to 1-2 Off Regular Price.

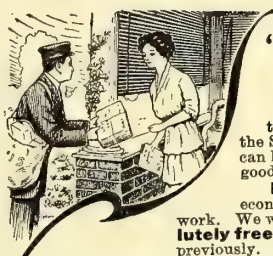


Our terms on some of these instruments are as low as $15 down and $5 per month, making it extremely easy to buy. It never pays to buy a cheap piano. These are not cheap instruments, but rebuilt **"QUALITY PIANOS,"** which we are able to sell at remarkably low prices.

Write today and let us tell you more in detail about our ***Bargain Stock*** and valuable information regarding construction of ***Stieff, Shaw or Bennett & Bretz Pianos.*** Important to every piano purchaser.

SEND YOUR LETTER TODAY

CHAS. M. STIEFF,
421 S. TRYON ST.
Charlotte, N. C.



"DRY CLEANED AND DELIVERED BY PARCEL POST"

The parcel post puts at your very door the facilities of one of the most complete dry cleaning, dyeing and laundering plants in the South. We serve you promptly, no matter where you live. You can have your skirts, coats, gowns, furs, plumes, gloves and other fine goods dry cleaned or dyed by experts—conveniently and at low prices.

Let us show you how much more satisfactory and more economical our French dry cleaning is than ordinary pressing club work. We will dry clean one garment or one pair of gloves for you **absolutely free,** provided no member of your family has had work done by us previously. Simply send us the goods; enclose postage for return; put your name and address on the outside of the package and mark it "Free Offer."

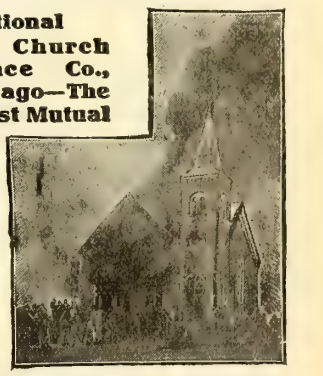
New $25,000 plant; completely equipped with every modern machine for first-class dry cleaning, dyeing and laundering. Your most costly articles are safe with our experts. Let us send you our prices. Agents wanted everywhere, write for terms. References: Any bank or business man in Greensboro.

COLUMBIA LAUNDRY CO., 101 Fayetteville St., GREENSBORO, N. C.
French Dry Cleaners, Dyers, Launderers

It Is a Burning Shame

that so many Churches are without sufficient insurance, and not properly safe-guarded against fire.

The National Mutual Church Insurance Co., of Chicago—The Methodist Mutual



furnishes protection and assists in prevention. Also writes tornado insurance. Take part and you can save money.

Advantageous rates; easy payments; profits to policy holders. And your Church is entitled to share in these benefits. IT IS UP TO YOU.

For applications and particulars address
HENRY P. MAGILL, Sec. and Manager
Insurance Exchange, Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. Alice Hargrove Barclay, Agent M. E. Church South
314 Norton Building, Fourth and Jefferson, Louisville, Ky.

Our Strains of Wakefield's Improved Sweet Potato Plants, improved by Seed Selection in the fields during 10 years, have attained such a degree of popularity that for three years we have been unable to fill over 60 per cent. of the orders sent us. We double our capacity this year. Nancy Hall and ten other kinds. Tomato plants also. Free plant booklet.
Wakefield Plant Farm, Charlotte, N. C.

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO

ROBT. W. MURRAY

GENERAL INSURANCE

Greensboro, North Carolina

308½ South Elm St.

Phone 163

THE ATLANTA MEETING OF THE CONFERENCE SECRETARIES OF EDUCATION

A representative and successful gathering of Conference Secretaries of Education of Southern Methodism was held in the Wesley Memorial Building, Atlanta, Ga., March 31st and April 1st, 1915. Delegates were present from the Alabama, Baltimore, Little Rock, Louisiana, Memphis, Mississippi, Missouri, North Alabama, North Georgia, North Mississippi, South Carolina, South Georgia, Tennessee, Northwest Texas, Upper South Carolina, Virginia and West Oklahoma Conferences, and the body was called to order by Dr. Stonewall Anderson, General Secretary of the Board of Education. Dr. G. W. Reid of the North Alabama Conference led the devotional exercises, after which Rev. O. L. Kelly of the North Georgia Conference was elected president, and Rev. T. H. Lipscomb of the North Mississippi Conference, Secretary.

The meeting of the Educational Commission at the same time in the same building brought many distinguished visitors to the Conference, among whom were Bishops E. E. Hoss, J. H. McCoy; Mr. Asa Candler, who generously provided an automobile trip for the Conference to the site of the new University; Dr. A. J. Lamar; Dr. R. H. Bennett, Secretary of the Department of Ministerial Supply and Training; Dr. W. C. Lovett, Editor of the Wesleyan Christian Advocate; Dr. A. M. Hughlett, Presiding Elder of the Atlanta District; Dr. C. O. Jones of Trinity church, Atlanta, and the members of the Theological faculty of Candler University.

Bishop E. E. Hoss on Wednesday evening delivered in the auditorium of the building a magnificent address on the Call and Training of the Ministry.

The general subject of how Conference Secretaries of Education can be of service was the theme constantly before the Conference throughout all of its two days' sessions, and the program as previously outlined in the church press was thoroughly discussed.

A committee on resolutions, consisting of Dr. James Cannon of Virginia, Rev. W. W. Drake of Louisiana, and Rev. Robert Selby of Mississippi was appointed, and embodied the results of the deliberations of the entire body during its two days' sessions in the following statement, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved 1. The Conference Secretary of Eudcation should be the leader within the bounds of his conference in all matters pertaining to the educatonal work of the church. To this end as Secretary he should thoroughly inform himself concerning the standards, plans and policies of the church in order that he may be qualified to lead; furthermore, he should be supplied by the Conference Board of Education with sufficient funds to enable him to perform efficiently the duties pertaining to his office.

Resolved 2. The Conference Secretary of Education should, so far as his time may permit, aid the pastors in securing the educational assessments in full, the presidents of our schools and colleges in their work for students, endowment and equipment, and should give special attention to the work of influencing young men, both in the church and state institutions to consider the call to preach and of assisting them to secure the means for an adequate training for the work of the ministry. In carrying on his work, he should make free use of the Conference Organ, write personal letters to the pastors, distribute literature, arrange with the presiding elders to visit the district conferences in order to present the general educational work of the conference, visit the schools and colleges within the bounds of the conference and report conditions in the same to the Board of Education, emphasizing in his addresses, both at conferences and at schools, the claims of the Christian ministry.

Resolved 3. That our Annual Conference Boards of Education are requested to confer with the Boards of Education of their several states in order that some basis of agreement may be reached by which there may be genuine co-operation between the work done in the Sunday schools and in the public schools; and furthermore, our annual conferences are urged to make better provision for the religious development of students in state institutions by such means as may be adapted to conditions existing in the various states.

Resolved 4. That the General Board of Education is hereby requested to develop a plan by which the facts concerning our educational work can be effectively presented to the Sunday schools of the church.

Resolved 5. That we recommend the establishment of a connectional ministerial training fund, the plan to be outlined by the General Board of Education and presented by the said Board to the various annual conferences of the church.

The illness of Bishop Warren Candler was greatly deplored by the Conference, and his inability to be present at any of its sessions, though he hospitably provided a generous banquet in the dining hall of the Memorial Building for the Educational Commission, the Conference of the Secretaries assembled, and the faculty and students of the Theological School.

Resolutions of thanks to the people of Atlanta, who hospitably entertained the body; to Mr. Asa Candler; Bishop Warren Candler and to the Presiding Elder of the District and the faculty and student body of the University were unanimously adopted.

Appreciation of the services of Dr. Stonewall Anderson in preparing the program and successfully arranging for the Conference was also expressed.

It was ordered that a report of the Conference should be sent by the Secretary to the Conference and General Organs of Southern Methodism.

(Signed) T. H. Lipscomb, Sec.

HOLMAN BIBLES

Durable Flexible Bindings — THE BEST EDITIONS OF THE WORLD'S BEST BOOK — Will not Break in the Back

HOLMAN BIBLES

FOR CHILDREN
PICTORIAL BIBLES WITH HELPS



Size 5⅜ x 3½ inches.

The text is self-pronouncing, by the aid of which children can learn to pronounce the difficult Scripture proper names.

Specimen of Type.

WHOSOEVER believeth that Jē'sus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him

With beautiful photo views of scenes in Bible lands distributed throughout the text. Also maps of Bible lands in colors. Also new Practical Helps to Bible Study, especially designed for instructing children in scriptural information.

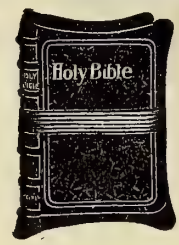
No. 91. French Seal Leather, overlapping covers, round corners, gold edges, gold titles.
Publishers Price $1.30 Our Price--Post Paid, **$1.00**

COLORED PICTURE EDITION

Portraying in natural colors, scenes and places taken from nature and life in the Holy Land.

No. 92. Same as **No. 91,** but with **Beautifully Colored Pictures**
Publishers' Price $1.50 Our Price--Post Paid, **$1.20**

FOR INTERMEDIATE S. S. SCHOLARS



Large Clear Black Type, Self-Pronouncing, containing Helps to Bible Study, 4000 Questions and Answers, Maps in Colors, and Presentation Page. A Beautiful Gift Bible.

Specimen of Type.

22 And the prophet Is'ra-el, and said unto thyself, and mark, and for at the return of t

Size 7 x 5 inches.

No. 21. Divinity Circuit Style, Bound in French Seal Leather, round corners, red under gold edges, with silk head bands and purple silk marker, gold titles, etc.
Publishers' Price $1.60 Our Price--Post Paid, **$1.35**

No. 22. RL. Red Letter Scholars' Bible, same Bible as **No. 215.** with all the Sayings of Christ printed in Red, and with Red and gold INLAID PANEL SIDE TITLES, also **Beautifully Colored Pictures.**
Publishers' Price $2.10 Our Price--Post Paid, **$1.75**

FOR ADULTS, TEACHERS AND PREACHERS



and all who would study the Word of God intelligently this edition is unsurpassed. The type is large, clear Bourgeois, Self-Pronouncing, with liberal space between the words and lines, which makes it easy to read.

Size 8 x 5½ inches.

Specimen of Type.

¶ m From that time Jē'sus to preach, and to say, m Repe the kingdom of heaven is

Containing **New Copyrighted Helps** by Rev. F. N. PELOUBET, D. D. a Treasury of Biblical Information, practical comparative concordance, Oriental Light on the Bible, Four Thousand Questions and Answers, New Colored Maps.

No. 47. Divinity Circuit Teachers' Bible, French Seal Leather, red under gold edges, Silk Head bands and Silk Marker.
Publishers' Price $2.70
Our Price--Post Paid, **$2.25**

No. 81. RL. Red Letter Teachers' Bible. The Words of Christ in the New Testament, Old Testament Passages Alluded to by Christ, Various Prophecies Relating to Christ in the Old Testament, etc., all **PRINTED IN RED.** Binding same as described above and same large Self-Pronouncing type.
Publishers' Price $3.20 Our Price--Post Paid, **$2.70**

No. 73X. Holman India Paper, Genuine Morocco, Leather Lined, Silk Sewed, Divinity Circuit, round corners, carmine under gold edges, silk head bands and silk marker, same type and Helps as above.
Publishers' Price $7.75 Our Price--Post Paid, **$5.00**

FOR OLD FOLKS and THE HOME



Printed from large Clear Pica Type, with Marginal References, Family Record and Maps. This **HOME BIBLE** is new and very desirable for every day use, containing all the advantages of a Family Bible in a conpact size that can be easily handled, with Record for Births, Marriages and Deaths. The best Bible obtainable for old folks who need extra large clear print and a light-weight book.

No. 2014. Durably Bound in French Seal Leather, full flexible covers, round corners, red under gold edges, silk head bands and silk marker, gold titles.
Publishers' Price $3.00 Our Price--Post Paid, **$2.35**

SEND ALL ORDERS TO
CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

DON'T DENY YOUR BOY

THE priceless benefits of a vacation at Camp WONDERLAND in the glorious ozone-laden climate of mountainous Western North Carolina.

Right Now Is the Formative Period when his mind and body demand careful tutoring from those who can direct his work and play with intelligence. Above all he needs the tonic of pure air, sunshine and out-door recreation.

Educational

Individual coaching by competent teachers in any studies desired to prepare your boy for Fall examinations.

Athletics

Under selected instructors who will act as companions in base ball, tennis, basket ball, rowing, swimming, fishing, horseback riding and mountain climbing.

The camp is under the most able management and charges very reasonable. Write quickly to Col. J. C. Horner, No. 10 Myers Park, Charlotte, N. C., for FREE Illustrated prospectus.

TO THE GOOD PEOPLE OF GREENSBORO

I will appreciate and thank you fo your support in the coming primarie for Commissioner of Public Works. wish to state to the voters that I a familiar with such work and I know ho to care for the city's stock. If electe to this office, both my time and be service will be devoted to the city interest.

Respectfully,
C. A. Hendrix.

A LOVE NOT ONLY FOR ME

If facts were made known
Of deeds that have flown
Of promises—broken—
Untrue!
Methinks that today
Men truly would say,
"I'm honest, my neighbor,
With you!"

Ah, easy to see
The good within me
And only the bad
Within thee!
Let's turn things around,
From whence deeds abound,
Be honest with you and
With me!

Oh, then in this world,
(God's beauties unfurled)
A heaven on earth there
Would be!
For men would be true,
With a chance for you
And a love not only
For me!

Concord, N. C. —E. A. P.

GOOD FOR THE SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Atlanta, Ga., April 3.—Unnecessary noises which are likely to disturb passengers in sleeping cars, placed in stations for occupancy during the early hours of the night have been put under the ban by Southern Railway.

Rigid orders have been issued in regard to the ringing of bells by switch engines and loud talking by porters and other employees, a campaign for the suppression of unnecessary noises having been inaugurated by Vice President and General Manager Coapman. At stations where sleeping cars are placed notices were posted as follows:

"Sleeping car berths on this train are prepared for occupancy at (time). Kindly avoid all loud conversations or other noise in or around sleeping cars after that hour."

The results have been so satisfactory as to eliminate almost entirely complaints from passengers arising from annoyances of this character.

A HEALING SPRING AT YOUR DOOR

Here is a very unusual and peculiar offer—one that you rarely meet with. It evidences the greatest faith in the part of its maker and inspires confidence. It is made by an earnest and enthsiastic man who not only thinks but **knows** from personal experience that he is right. He proposes to give you the equivalent of a three weeks' visit to a Mineral Spring of most remarkable restorative powers and make no charge if you are not benefited. His offer has been accepted by several thousands of sufferers in all parts of the United States and his records show that only two in a hundred, on the average, report no benefit.

If you suffer with dyspepsia, indigestion, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney, bladded or liver disease, uric acid poisoning, or other condition caused by impure blood, take Mr. Shivar at his word and sign and mail the following letter:

Shivar Spring,
Box 5H, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen.

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gal lons of Shivar Mineral Spring Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns, which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....

Address .....

Shipping Point .....

(Please write distinctly.)

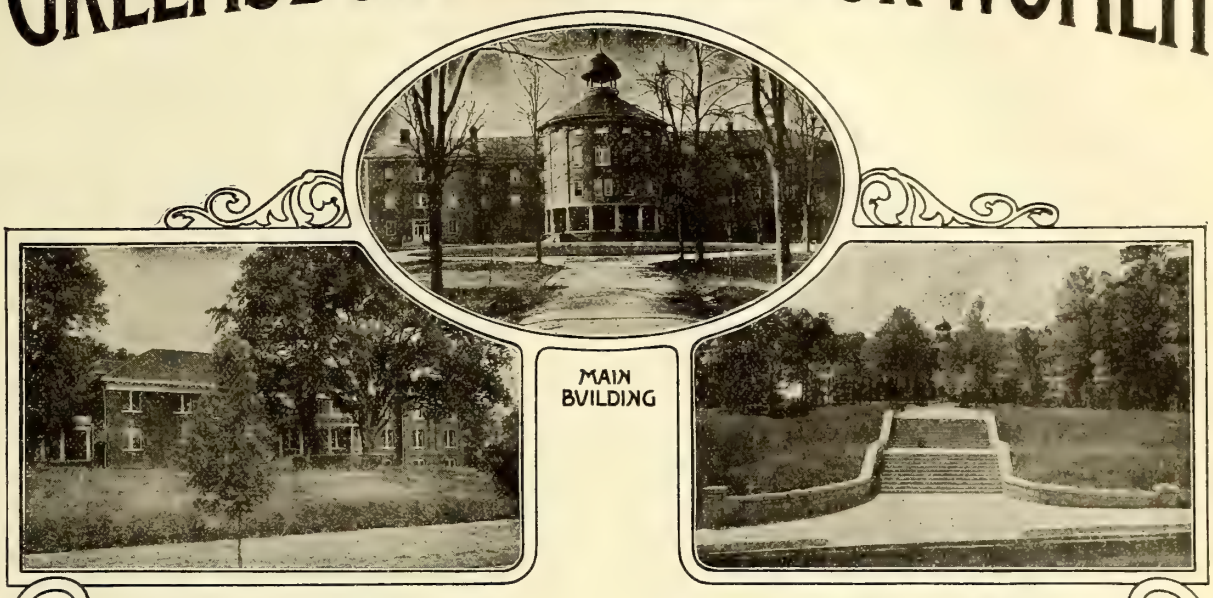
Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You run no risk whatever in accepting his offer. I have personally witnessed the remarkable curative effects of this water in a very serious case.

WANTED—A copy of The Old North State in 1776 by Caruthers; also, a copy of The Old North State in 1776 by Caruthers, Second Edition. Write to Dr. J. W. Long, Box 626, Greensboro, N. C.

"Now children," said the teacher, "who can tell me what the word 'odorless' means?" Willie Jones was sure he knew. "Well, Willie, what does it mean?" "Odorless means without scent," he piped. "Right. Now who can give a sentence using the word correctly?" continued the teacher. "You may answer, Jimmy." "Please ma'am, when you are odorless you cannot ride in the trolley cars."

"Ye telt us to-nicht," said an admirer of Robert Burns to a lecturer on Shakespeare, "that it was Shakespeare who wrote 'Uneasy lies the head that wears a croon.' Now Rabbie would never hae written sic nonsense as that." Nonsense, sir?" cried the indignant doctor. "Aye, just nonsense. Rabbie would hae kent that a king, or a queen, either, disna gang to bed wi' the croon on his head. He wad hang it over th' back o' a chair."

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY—FITZGERALD HALL

ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

COAT SUITS---DRESSES!
SPECIAL 30 DAY REDUCTION OFFER!
If you are going to the EXPOSITION, and want stylish coat suit or dress at moderate price—this is your opportunity. High grade coat suits—well tailored—good lines—made to your measures (according to sketches I'll send you)—$20.00 up. Individually designed dresses at most reasonable prices. Write for samples.
MRS. CHARLES ELLISON, Norton Bldg., Louisville, Ky. 1426 North American Bldg., Chicago, Ill.

BLUE RIDGE INN
Mt. Airy N. C. W. M. Jordan, Prop.
MOUNT AIRY'S LEADING HOTEL
Rates $2.00 and $2.50
All meals 50 cts.
Electric Lights, Steam Heat, Electric Bell System, Hot and Cold Baths
American Plan
A clean, up-to-date home for the tourist or traveling man, in a beautiful mountain city

WENEEDU BOOK AGENTS
Both sexes, for best seller published. Particulars and outfit free. GEO. W. SOMERS 1-A, St. Augustine, Fla.



EARN BIG MONEY
Taking orders for our Fruit Trees, Ornamentals, Roses, Etc. Light work. Permanent job. No capital required. Experience not necessary. This is your opportunity. Our business has been established 28 years and stands high with the public. Write today.
SMITH BROS., Dept. 45, Concord, Ca.

WE WILL PAY YOU $120.00
to distribute religious literature in your community. Sixty days' work. Experience not required. Man or woman. Spare time may be used.
ZEIGLER CO., Dept. 35, Philadelphia.

FRECKLE-FACE
Sun and Wind Bring Out Ugly Spots. How to Remove Easily

Here's a chance, Miss Freckle-face to try a remedy for freckles with the guarantee of a reliable dealer that it will not cost you a penny unless it removes the freckles; while if it does give you a clear complexion the expense is trifling.

Simply get an ounce of othine—double strength from any druggist and a few applications should show you how easy it is to rid yourself of the homely freckles and get a beautiful complexion. Rarely is more than one ounce needed for the worst case.

Be sure to ask the druggist for the double strength othine as this is the prescription sold under guarantee of money back if it fails to remove freckles.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

.....

.....

The Sunday School Lesson

LESSON II—APRIL 11

DAVID ANOINTED KING

1 Sam. 16. (Memorize verses 12, 13)

Golden Text—Man looketh on the outward appearance, but Jehovah looketh on the heart. 1 Sam. 16. 7.

Notes by Dr. and Mrs. Camden M. Cobern

A Change of Dynasty

Few nations ever saw as many changes of dynasty in its rulers as the Hebrews, the reason given in each case being a religious reason. Very often a prophet, as the mouthpiece of Jehovah, either predicted the change or directed it personally. Samuel, although he was prophetically responsible for Saul's accession, now becomes the agent in dethroning him and putting David in his place. It was the sin of Saul and his weakness in failing to kill out idolatry and witchcraft which led to his ruin. Saul had lovable qualities as can be seen from David's eulogy and Samuel's grief. It seemed as if a great tragedy had fallen upon the chosen people. They fell into evil ways, rebelled against God, and finally turned to witches for help. Samuel sorrowed over this with a grief that was unconquerable, a grief so strong and long-continued that it finally seemed like rebellion against God's providence. It was then that Jehovah called him to arise from this state of inordinate depression, and go out to do otherw ork for the nation and its God. Nothing will cure long-continued sorrow better than work, and especially some work of helpfulness for others. It was a task worthy of a strong man he was given to do, for to anoint another king rather than the son of Saul was nothing less than treason according to the international law of that period. The strength of the prophets and the power of religion as a controlling force in the nation may be seen by the fear of the people when they thought Samuel might be coming to them in anger rather than in pease. The way he had treated Agag showed the retribution he was able to bring upon sinners.

The Right Way to Choose a King

Any change in the dynasty or even in the succession had to be accompanied by solemn religious ceremonial, the people dedicating themselves to God and externally purifying themselves. Samuel did not tell his full mission—it is the right of the statesman to keep hos own counsel though not to tell untruths—so he only made public the fact that some important choice in regard to the kingdom was to be made, and therefore sacrifices must be offered and the people must join in national prayer. Jesse, who was an important man in Bethlehem, the grandson of Boaz the husband of Ruth, must have known that some important choice was being made, and that his family was being honored, but it is hardly likely that he knew a crown was being offered to one of his sons. Whatever the honor, he naturally preferred that it should come to the older son istead of the youngest. This was according to every Oriental rule of propriety and right. The younger could be put ahead of the older only by special, divine and prophetic choice. Jesse was a man of wealth and family. Not to have wealth when the laws protected every citizen from the loss of ancestral property and home would have been a proof of incompetency; not to have a family was almost a sure proof of irreligion or lack of God's blessing. Jesse and his whole family must have been most worthy or providence and nature would not have selected this particular family as the one from which to bring the two great personalities, David and Jesus. Eliab with his soldierly bearing and splendid physique seems every inch a king, and altogether worthy to succeed the young giant who had been so popular with the youth of Israel, but the physical measure of man is not the only os the best measure. God looks within and measures men not by their bodies or even by their intellect, so much as by their moral manhood. Some one has said: "The Lord does not look upon one's social rank. the family of Jesse was not conspicuous; Cromwell and Napoleon were of plebian birth. The Lord does not look upon one's family history; the lineage of Jesse, Obed and Ruth was quite humble in its origin. The Lord does not look upon one's fortune; the poverty of Aristides was more noble than the wealth of Midas. Nor does the Lord look upon one's appearance; Paul was diminutive and half-bling, in bodily presence and in speech contemptible, but, says Chrysotom, this 'man of three cubits height' became tall enough to touch the third heaven. The Lord does not look upon one's age; Polycarp was converted at nine years of age, Matthew Henry at eleven, President Edwards at seven, Robert Hall at twelve, and Isaac Watts at nine."

The Boy Who Was Called to Be a King

David was comparatively a poor boy, but he won friends easily, as proved by his power over both women and men, and even over Achish, the Philistine king. He was a man of sentiment, as he showed by the way he loved the old well at Bethlehem, longing for a taste of its water so eagerly that two or three of his great captains risked their lives to bring him a drink of it. He was brave, and observant and strong of body, able even as a youth to kill in fair battle the wild cat or the little lion of Palestine, or even the bear when interfering with the flocks. He was independent and self-confident even to recklessness, as seen in the case of Goliath, and ingenious and inventive in his plan to escape trouble, as may be seen in his success in evading Saul and in playing the idiot before the Philistine king. He was politic and prudent in his large plans for the nation, and in his urgent and successful attempt (after perhaps a dozen years) in uniting the tribes. He was a man of ready utterance, with a remarkable poetic instinct. "The David of Israel is not simply the great king; he is a man great in everything." (Matheson). "The reign of David was beyond question the brightest era in the history of Israel, and David himself was perhaps the most remarkable of the great men of Old Testament times. Like Abraham and Moses he marks a new era." (Blaikie). "We know the darling of Israel as well as we know General Gorden and far better than we know Socrates." (Clifford). David was called because he was fit, or was trying to make himself fit, for some place of honor in the world. Peloubet and Tarbell have several fine illustartoins bearing upon this point: "Men saw in Dwight L. Moody only an awkward country boy learning to sell shoes, men saw in John B. Gough only a hopeless drunkard, men saw in Jerry MacAuley only on abandoned river-theif. But God saw the hidden man, and said: 'I have provided me an apostle.'" "When Lord John Russell was Prime Minister of England he went to a telegraph office to send a message. The clerk saw only a little old man in great coat, and rudely flung his message back to him, saying: "Here, put your own name on it; it is a pity your master does not know how to send a telegram.' The telegraph operator's eye saw only the coat, which he took to be that of a servant. 'God's eye,' says Jean Muckrose, 'sees only the man inside o' the claithes.' We ought to live as those who are expecting messages from the Most High. The Lord is arount thee and at any moment he may charge us with messages and clothe us with his power." (Joseph Parker). "God is always preparing the world's kings. They are with us in our families or looking after our sheep or keeping our books, despised by their brothers or unrecognized; but when the clock of time strikes and their hour comes, they take their place and do their work." (Clifford).

"Pigmies are pigmies still, though perched on Alps;
And pyramids are pyramids in vales;
Each man makes his own stature, builds himself;
Virtue alone outbuilds the pyramids:
Her monuments shall last when Egypt falls—
'Tis moral grandeur makes the mighty man."

Saul's Insanity

The king began well, but he closed his career shamefully. He lost his modesty, and lost his religion, and lost his self-control, and with his sense of failure came nervous irritation and nervous prostration, leading on to melancholia and insanity. David tried the influence of music, playing on the guitar to the sick king, perhaps soothing him with some of the melodies which we now call the Psalms of David. Music is yet used in some of the sanitariums in America, and especially in France, in soothing the insane. It is said that the melancholy of King Philip the Fifth of Spain could only be relieved by singing, and that Charles the Ninth after the massacre of St. Bartholomew could only be put to sleep by a choir of singing boys. It is amazing how modern science leads back so aften to methods used in the Bible.

Browning's Saul

This profoundly religious and deeply philosophical classic pictures Abner leading David in to sing before the sick king:

"God's child with his dew
On thy gracious gold hair, and those lilies still living and blue,
Just broken to twine round thy harp-strings, as if no wild heat
Were now raging to torture the desert!"

First David prays, then enters the tent and calls, "Here is David, thy servant!" No voice replied, and at first he saw only blackness but soon descried "a something more black than the blackness," the gigantic figure of the king standing erect against the main prop of the ten, with both arms stretched out wide on the great cross —support in the center—agonizing in his horrible insanity; "drear and stark and blind and dumb." Then David tuned his harp, taking off the lilies which he had twined around the strings to keep them from snapping, and played to the king. First he played "the tune all our sheep know," and tried to rouse him from his godless stupor through the beauty of nature and the joys of physical life, the reaper's help-tune and the song of the hunt, and the bacchanalian wine-song. Then he tried the solemn chant of sorrow over the dead, and then the marriage hymn, and when the king stirred not he then began the Temple March sung by the Levites as they went up to the altar of sacrifice. Then Saul groaned and shuddered. He still was in darkness, but his dark soul had been reached by the religious anthem as by no appeal of nature. Again David sang, and this time he gave the shout of battle and sang a hymn of triumph and victory:

"High ambition and deeds which suit, fame crowning them—all
Brought to blaze on the head of one creature—King Saul!"

And once more the king shuddered and became conscious of selfhood, but his eyes were vacant. "Death was past, life not come." What shall David try next? He has brought before the king everything in mortal life that the physical and mental man calls beautiful and worthy, and he does not respond. Is there any deeper note he can strike, which may arouse the sleeping, paralyzed soul? Yes, there is something better, and the young Psalmist pours for the monarch a draught of "soul-wine."

Would the Creator ever have constructed such a soul, such a body and so dowered it and then fail to go further?—Pittsburg Christian Advocate.



BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice



Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER

Proprietor

GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY

DISEASES OF STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

Our Little Folks' Department

APRIL

Sing a song of April,
Sun and cloudy sky;
Four weeks and two days
Quicky flitting by.
Thirty days of leisure
To hear the robins sing.
Isn't this a dainty month
To usher in the spring?
—Henriette Arnold.

LOOK UP AT THE STARS

"How dark is this world!"
Cried a wee blade of grass
Its first night on earth,
As a chill wind swept past.

"My nose is quite blue,
When it ought to be green;
I'm sure I shall perish
And never be seen."

Then the mother grass said:
"Don't mind the chill night;
Look aloft at the stars,
And all will be right."
—Ad H. Gibson.

A MISTAKEN JUDGMENT

Janie and Elsie were playing together on the sunny hillside in Father Nelson's pasture. The trees were high and leafy and spread their friendly shade over the grassy spaces under them. They had gathered green boughs and stuck them in the ground to make rooms for a playhouse and had outlined their fences with stones brought from the bed of the brook below. It was a very charming playhouse that they had made, and the green walls of willow branches separated their parlor from their dining room and their kitchen from their bedroom in a most delightful privacy. There was a big box under the tree and standing right at the back door of their kitchen. This box Father Nelson had brought there for them, and in it were cookies and sandwiches and two small bottles of grape juice. These were for their lunch, and mother had packed them nicely with a little cloth around them. When they reached the playhouse they put the basket of lunch in the box, which they called their "kitchen cupboard;" but when they were ready to eat the lunch, they would turn the box down and spread the little cloth on it and call the cupboard a "table."

They were very bright and clever little girls; but as they hadn't any brothers and no boy cousins, they did not know much about little boys, and had an idea that boys were always into mischief and always wanted to tease. When ack and Allan Hart had moved with their parents on the very farm next to their own they had been very sorry. "Now," they said, "all of our good times will be spoiled, for those old boys will just come over and tease. When Jack and Allan Hart had

"O, no, they won't," said their mother, who had brothers of her own; they will be good friends and jolly playmates if you'll only treat them fair and right."

Janie and Elsie didn't think so, though, and they didn't care to be friends; so they never asked Jack and Allan to come over and play, though they often saw them at the pasture gate or climbing on the dividing fence. As they never had asked them to come over, Janie was quite surprised when she looked up that morning and saw Allan tumbling over the fence and Jack close at his heels. They were running toward the play house and were shouting something as they ran. "O, just look at those old boys!" said Janie, looking very cross.

Elsie, looking up, saw that both boys were running toward them as fast as they could. "I guess they want our dinner, the greedy things!" said Elsie, hiding the basket.

"You'd better get away from that tree!" Allan shouted as he came near.

"I guess it's our tree and it's in our father's pasture, and I guess we will play here all we want to," answered Janie quite crossly.

"And you'd better let us alone, too," added Elsie, looking as ugly as her sunny face would let her look.

In spite of all they said, though, Allan came right on toward them, with Jack behind him, as fast as he could. "There's a rattlesnake's den under the brush by that tree!" shouted Allan, still running toward them. "Jack and I found it yesterday afternoon."

"I don't believe it," answered Elsie; "you just want to run us away from our nice playhouse and have it your selves, and"—

But Elsie didn't say anything more, for she heard an ugly rattling behind her and looked around in time to see a big snake dart its ugly head out at her. Of course they ran, while Allan and Jack threw big stones at the rattler and soon killed him. Both little girls were quite ashamed of their rudeness; and when Allan and Jack offered to help them move the playhouse to a new tree where there was no brush, they were very glad indeed to have them.

After that they grew to be good friends and happy playmates, and Janie and Elsie were so ashamed of their own rudeness that they tried harder than ever before to be polite and kind to all.—Francis McKinnon Morton.

JANET'S GOOSE BIRD

"Dwan'mover, ol' Mover Doose is pickin' tiny pinfeavers off'n her chilluns now, isn't she?" inquired little Janet as the feathery flakes fell lazily outside the window.

"Yes, dearie," replied Janet's grandmother, drawing the child nearer to her side; "and judging from the looks of the gray heavens, she'll be picking them good and hard directly."

"Look, look, dwan'mover! A bird is fallin' down in the snow! O, it's hurted, it's hurted!" exclaimed Janet, bursting into tears.

"No, no, Janet; I think it is not hurt. It seems to be a drunken robin."

"Dwunken? W'y dwan'mover, do birdies be bad like that? Where could it get any ol' mean whisky to dwink? I'm 'fwaid it's hurted. P'ease, may I b'ing it in the house?"

"Why, certainly, dearie," replied grandmother, tying a red hood over Janet's sunny curls.

Janet darted down the steps and after the bird, which by that time was able to hop around a little; but it was still too cold and dizzy to fly.

After much dodging around in the snow, Janet finally caught the bird and brought it into the house. Holding it tenderly in her arms, she called. "Dwan'mover, see, it isn't dwunk, it's dess sleepy. But what made you fink it was dwunk?"

"You see, Janet," grandmother replied, "the little bird was very hungry and cold, being out in the snow all day and it could find nothing to eat except those little berries in the laurel hedge. It ate so many that they fermented in the little thing's craw and made it drunk, and it just fell down like naughty men do when they drink whisky."

"Chirp! chirp!" came from the rapidly reviving robin; and before Janet could think to inquire the meaning of fermentation, away it flew through the open door and out into the snowy air again.

"It's gone, it's gone," cried Janet; but immediately smiling through her tears, she added: "Dwan'mover, I 'spec' it was a little young doosey that dot away from ol' Mover Doose while she was pickin' the other chilluns, don't you."—Oliver Keller Melton.

A GENTLE BOY

"Be gentle with little Gracie, Charlie," said his mother as she tucked the little girl in her carriage, all ready for a ride. "Be a gentle boy."

"O mother, boys are never gentle," answered Charlie. "I don't want to be called a gentle boy."

"Yet a few years from this time, if you should not be called a gentleman you would feel very bad," answered his mother. "And you cannot be a gentleman unless you are a gentle boy first—kind and considerate to all around you, gentle to the weak, and courteous to those whom you meet every day. You are forming your character now, my boy, and it will be too late for you to change when you are grown up. You will want to be considered a gentleman then, so try to be a gentle boy now. There is nothing unmanly in being gentle and courteous. Now, remember this while you are giving Gracie her ride and don't think it is not manly to be gentle to you little sister."—Selected.

THE DOVE PLANT

Once upon a time a traveler was making his way across the Isthmus of Panama, where the wonderful canal that connects two mighty oceans now lies. As the lone man traversed the rough, wild country and forced his way through the tropical jungles, he saw many strange plants. One day as he was stopping to examine a new orchid an old Indian woman came by, and, seeing what the traveler was doing, she told him that far off in a dark swamp grew a marvelous flower. She said as the buds of this plant opened the head of a little white bird appeared in each one. As the bud expanded the bird spread its wings, and when the flower was fully opened it rose and sailed toward the sky. The man thought the old woman's tale a pretty legend. A few days later he came across some natives who also spoke of the bird flower and directed him how to find the spot where it grew.

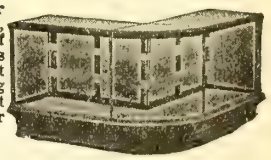
Now the traveler was filled with longing to know if this wonderful plant really existed. Day after day he made his toilsome way through the gloomy swamps filled with dangerous reptiles, poisonous insects, and noxious vapors. He had penetrated to the very heart of the jungle, when all at once it seemed as if a vision opened before him. From a decayed log half sunk in the black ooze tall stems rose six feet into the air. Some bore large, pale green leaves, but upon one were the fairest blossoms the man had ever seen. They looked as though cut from alabaster. When he stepped upon the log and peered into one of the flowers, he knew that the tales he had heard were at least partly true, for in the center of each blossom nestled a little dove with half spread wing, snowy as its flowery nest, save for a golden glow over its hear and a crimson tip to its beak. He half expected to see the little bird rise and sail away. So marvelous did it seem to the traveler to see this strange purity and beauty rising from the black mud that he called the plant "Flower of the Holy Ghost." He drew his case knife and with the greatest care, almost with reverence, loosened the root of the dove plant and bore it away with him.

Today there are five specimens of the Holy Ghost plant in the United States. Two are in the conservatories of the White House at Washington. Once in an administration, usually about Christmas time, the little doves make their appearance in their snowy nests.—Margaret W. Leighton.

BLYMYER CHURCH BELLS. UNLIKE OTHER BELLS SWEETER, MORE DURABLE, LOWER PRICE. OUR FREE CATALOGUE TELLS WHY. Write to Cincinnati Bell Foundry Co., Cincinnati, O.

Show Cases Direct From Factory

The Famous Gurley Show Cases cannot be had from any other manufacturer in America. Our goods received double award at the Jamestown Exposition. A jobber who has been selling Gurley Show Cases for nine years, says that only one customer has made any complaint of our goods, and only one small case was involved in his complaint. This is a wonderful record. We sell direct to the merchant. Drug store outfits a specialty. For drug store outfits ask for catalogue "V"; for wall or street cases ask for catalogue "W"; for general line ask for catalogue "Y."



HIGH POINT SHOW CASE WORKS High Point, North Carolina

TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 : : : : CHARTERED 1859

A Southern institution of established national reputation. Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.

Large endowment fund makes possible complete, first-class equipment; full faculty of able, well-chosen instructors; beautiful campus, new buildings, modern laboratories, splendid library. Comfortable, inexpensive dormitories. For catalogue and illustrated booklet, address



R. L. Flowers, Sec. to the Corporation, Durham, N. C.

THE GREATEST BIBLE BARGAIN

A GENUINE 7.50 { HOLMAN India Paper Self-Pronouncing BIBLE } FOR ONLY 4.25 Carefully Wrapped and sent Postpaid in a box

Authorized version, printed from the clearest type ever used in a Bible, large bold face open print with liberal spacing between the words and lines

PRINTED ON THE FINEST INDIA PAPER MADE

The Text is Self-Pronouncing with references. It has a new Concordance, alphabetically arranged and with analytical and comparative features and 50,000 References also New Biblical Atlas with Fifteen Colored Maps and Complete Index to Same.

BOUND IN GENUINE PERSIAN MOROCCO, divinity circuit, full leather linings, silk sewed, silk head bands and marker, special flat opening reinforced binding that will not break in the back.

The size is 5½ x 8 inches—only one inch thick.



This India Paper Bible Compared with one of ordinary paper, containing the same number of pages and same size type.

Easy to Read Type

Specimen of Type.

17 ¶ m From that time Je´sus began to preach, and to say, n Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at

No. 700X Publisher's Price 7.50 Sent postpaid for 4.25

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

Our Dead

TATE—Olive Rebecca Tate, daughter of the late Capt. and Mrs. John S. Brown, of the North Cove, was born July 26, 1851, and died at her home near Bridgewater March 10, 1915. She was married to Millard F. Tate in the year 1874, and as a result of this union five children were born to them, namely, Mrs. T. W. Wilson, of Glenwood; Mrs. N. H. Hennessee, of Greenlee; Mrs. L. B. Connelly, of Haskins; Mr. J. F. Tate, of Marion, and Miss Carrie Tate, of Bridgewater, all of whom with the husband survive.

In early childhood Mrs. Tate gave her heart to Christ and became a child of the King Eternal, and joined the M. E. Church, South. She had been in declining health for years, but was confined to her bed only a few days. During her brief illness, though racked with pain, she would console her loved ones with these words, "While I know my time is near, I am ready to go." It seemed that she understood herself fully and knew the will of her Heavenly Father.

I knew Mrs. Tate for only a short while but have been in her home more than once and to be in her presence was to me a source of encouragement, of inspiration and blessing. To know her was to love her. She was so cheerful, so loving and so affectionate. All who know her mourn her loss and feel that a Mother in Israel and one who is truly great has fallen. Yes, fallen asleep, and she sleeps in the arms of her Saviour, "That blessed sleep from which none ever wake to weep."

She had a number of grandchildren who seemed to love her with such a vehement love. I wish to make special mention of Mrs. Chas. Dewey (nee Olive Young). Mrs. Tate was a mother indeed to her and the mutual affection existing between them I have never seen surpassed.

Amid an immense concourse of friends and relatives the funeral services were conducted at the late home by her pastor, assisted by Rev. M. L. Kaylor, Friday, March 12th, interment following in the family graveyard.

May the Lord's richest blessings abide with and comfort the bereaved.

M. W. Mann, P. C.

Nebo, N. C.

MILLS—Mrs. L. M. Mills was born Jan. 11th, 1843, and died March 1st, 1915, aged 72 years, 1 month and 20 days. She joined the Methodist church at New Salem when about 18 years old and lived a faithful member of the same until God called her back to Himself. Her husband preceded her several years ago. She leaves three sons and one daughter, and many relatives and friends to mourn their loss. She was a good woman and loved the church.

J. J. Edwards, P. C.

Cool Spring, N. C.

MAYES—R. D. H. Mayes was born Nov. 11th, 1851, and died February 22, 1915, aged 62 years, 3 months and 11 days. He joined the M. E. Church, South, at New Salem in the year 1871, in his 20th year, under the ministry of Rev. J. M. Smoot. He loved the church and lived a faithful member until God in his wise providence called him to come up higher. The church has lost one of her most faithful members, the community a good neighbor. Brother Mayes lived his religion and by his godly life his children follow in his footsteps. He leaves a wife and one daughter and three noble sons to mourn their loss and a host of relatives and friends. He was truly a good man. Brother Mayes had been sick for about two months with heart dropsy. We would commend all the bereaved ones to our Heavenly Father, who doeth all things well.

J. J. Edwards, P. C.

MURDOCK—On February 7th the spirit of Mrs. Daisy Murdock took its flight and went back to God who gave it. She was the wife of Brother Joseph Murdock. She had been sorely afflicted for the past two and a half years. She was 39 years old and her husband and five children are left to mourn their loss. She gave assured evidences that all was well with her. She had been a member of New Salem Methodist church for several years. May the blessings of our kind Heavenly Father be with husband and children, her father, mother, brothers and sisters.

J. J. Edwards, P. C.

HONEYCUTT—John M. Honeycutt was born January 18, 1853, and died March 8, 1915, aged 62 years, 1 month and 18 days. Brother Honeycutt had not been strong for the past two or three years, he having suffered a stroke of paralysis in June, 1913. Since then he had been confined at his home most of the time. Though he died suddenly, his death was not altogether unexpected by own family. He professed faith in Christ and joined the M. E. Church South, at New Salem when about eighteen years old. He loved the church and was loyal and faithful to her till God in His wise providence called him home. Truly another good man has fallen. He leaves a widow, Mrs. Nannie (Webb) Honeycutt, three brothers and four sisters, D. M. Honeycutt, of Elmwood, J. L. Honeycutt, of Amity, N. C.; Rev. W. V. Honeycutt, of of the Western N. C. Conference; Laura and Emma Honeycutt, of Statesville, N. C., R. F. D. 4; Mrs. Horace Hudley, of Charleston, S. C., and Mrs. Alice Henley, of Spartanburg, S. C. We would commend the bereaved family and friends to our Saviour, who truly sympathizes with us in all our sorrows.

J. J. Edwards, P. C.

TOMLINSON—T. M. Tomlinson was born Dec. 17, 1845, and suddenly passed away about 1 o'clock Sunday, March 7th, 1915, aged 69 years, 2 months and 20 days. He joined the M. E Church, South, at Snow Creek when a young man, and lived a faithful member. He was another one of our good men, true and tried. He was married to Miss Ida Reeves, of Surry county, Nov. 8, 1897. To them were born four children, one son and three daughters. He leaves all these to mourn his departure, also a brother and sister. He moved to Cool Spring two years ago for the purpose of educating his children here in the Cool Spring High School. He also moved his church membership to Cool Spring.

J. J. Edwards, P. C.

RAY—James Bowman Ray was born at Mars Hill, N. C., in June, 1880, and died at Marshall, N. C., Jan. 11, 1915. Mr. Ray had lived most of his life in Marshall and was well liked by all who knew him. For a time he sought health in the West, but finally returned to spend his last days at home and to be buried by the grave of his mother.

It is sad to see one go so young—in the very prime of life, but he made no murmur, and passed peacefully away in the hopes of the larger life beyond.

The church was filled by many sorrowing friends who met to pay their tributes of respect to his memory, and with the "Christian Goodnight sweetly sung by the choir, his body was tenderly borne to the grave and laid to rest. May God comfort the loved ones that mourn.

W. L. Rexford.

SORRELS—Sarah Jane Phillips Sorrels was born March 24, 1844. She later on married James N. Sorrels. Their married life consisted of 51 years. Their union was blessed with nine children, six living and three dead. Sister Sorrels was 69 years and a few months old when she died. She joined the M. E. Church, South, at Boring's Chapel at the age of 22 and was a faithful member until the end came. She was sick three weeks and six days, all of which she bore with patience. Medical aid was called and all was done for her that love and skill could do, but all in vain. It seemed that the death seal was upon her and in a few days she fell asleep in Christ Jesus. Death came unexpected to her family and friends, for she seemed to be cheerful and improving, but at a cheerful moment death came unto her, but did not find her unprepared. Her loins were girded and her faith in Christ was burning, and with a Christian smile she met death. I visited her about a week before her death and she said she was ready and waiting to go if it was God's will. Her body was laid to rest in the family graveyard to await the morning of the resurrection of those who have died in the triumph of the faith in Jesus Christ. She leaves a husband and six children to mourn their loss, but while her death was a loss to her family and friends and church, it was heaven's gain. May God comfort those who are left behind and may they so live as to meet her in the land of the blessed. Peace be to her ashes.

Robt. F. Mock, P. C.

HALL—Mrs. Rachael Wilson Hall was born in Missouri, Feb. 28, 1824, and died Sept. 5th, 1914, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Fisher, near Webster, N. C. Her father moved from Missouri to North Carolina when she was two years old. She professed faith in Christ while in her teens and joined the Methodist church. She was married to David Hall July 18, 1844. To this union was born four children, two of whom died in infancy. She is survived by only one child, Mrs. J. W. Fisher. Her son, the late L. C. Hill, died a number of years ago.

Sister Hall lived a consecrated life, never tiring in God's service. She was quick to see what needed to be done, and was always willing to do what she could. She filled her place well in the home and church. She left the imprint of her saintly life upon those with whom she came in contact. She was one of the sweetest spirits I ever knew. It was my privilege to visit her often and it was a benediction to be in her presence and hear her talk religion and often praise the Lord for his goodness to her.

She was indeed a great woman, and the following is very fitting: "She hath done what she could." "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors, and their works do follow them."

D. R. Proffit.

Webster, N. C.

NANNY—After an illness of only a little over a week, Mrs. Lou Emiline Nanny, wife of Mr. G. W. Nanny, died at her home near Gilkey, in Rutherford county, on Thursday, Jan. 21, 1915. Her maiden name was Wood, being a sister of Mr. John Wood and Miss Julia Wood, of Rutherfordton. She was born February 7, 1852. The dates given above show her to be 62 years, 11 months and 14 days old. Mrs. Nanny was of an old Methodist family, and had been a good member of this church from early childhood, her membership being at Gilboa, on the Rutherfordton charge. She was buried in the cemetery at this church on January 22, 1915, by her pastor, Rev. Albert Sherrill, assisted by Rev. F. B. Rankin, of the Presbyterian church at Rutherfordton.

Mrs. Nanny was a good wife, mother and neighbor and lived well her life in her sphere. The worth and esteem in which she was held was indicated by the large number of friends and neighbors, who were in attendance upon the funeral exercises.

Albert Sherrill.

MELTON—On March 20th, 1915, the angelic host visited the home of Brother R. L. Melton, pastor of the New London Circuit, and bore away their little baby daughter, Helen Muriel, aged two years, six months and twenty-four days. Becoming desperately ill with meningitis, the child only lived a short time.

Having been associated with Brother Melton often in the salvation of poor fallen humanity, and having followed him as pastor of a certain charge, and in many ways coming in close contact with him, the personality of the Christ has so knit us together that his great sorrow became mine. On receiving a phone message from Brother Melton asking me to conduct the funeral services, I felt almost as if the death angel had visited my own family. On entering the home and clasping hands with that man of God, whose heart chords were breaking, there was a profoundness which clothed him and reached out and penetrated me, such as I have never witnessed before.

Of course the father and mother had no child to spare, but as God called for his jewel to adorn heaven, they resigned to His will, realizing that these love chords are not broken, but lengthened, and some day when God gathers in all His jewels they can see their little darling again. Upon entering the church for the funeral we found awaiting a large representation from all over the circuit, who were profoundly impressed and in great sympathy with their pastor.

After the funeral services, conducted in the regular order, the remains were laid to rest in the New London cemetery, to await the resurrection morn. May the Lord bless and comfort the bereaved.

R. A. Taylor.

PADGET—Hazel Lee, the bright little son of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Padget, of Caroleen, N. C., died Monday night, March 29, at the age of eight years, three months and nine days. He was seized with meningitis during the day and by eight o'clock the death angel had called him home. Little Hazel was a bright and promising boy. He was a regular attendant at Sunday school, and will be greatly missed by his many little friends and playmates. The heart of the whole community goes out in sympathy for the grief-stricken parents; but there is comfort in the assurance that with the child all is well.

M. B. Clegg, P. C.

LATHAM—Mary E. Latham was born September 22nd, 1873; was married to Jas. T. Driver October 1st, 1893; died in a sanitarium in Winston-Salem April1st, 1915, in the 42nd year of her age. Mrs. Driver was a faithful and devoted member of the M. E. Church, South. Since childhood,.:;34 Church, South, since childhood. She was all that a wife and mother should be. She was buried in the cemetery at Pino by her pastor, Rev. D. C. Ballard, and the writer.

A. K. Murchison.

LEONARD—Cornelia Eugenia Leonard was born in Davie County, near Farmington, April 11, 1852, and died at her home in Advance December 1, 1914, at the age of 62 years, eight months and three days. She was a daughter of Levin and Virginia Ward, was married to W. A. Leonard December 24, 1888, with whom she lived happily for nearly 26 years. They have had no children born to them but have had the partial training of three, and we see in these the splendid work of this good woman and her husband.

Sister Leonard joined the M. E. Church, South, when a child, and has been a devoted member for most of her life. She was a woman of great faith and enduring patience, during her last years suffering very greatly, but bearing it with great patience. She was triumphant in her faith and experience, often rejoicing in the Lord. As I sat by her bedside and talked to her of the things of Christ, and of the future home it seemed that heaven and earth got very close together. At evening time it was light.

She leaves three brothers, one sister,

(Continued on Page 15)

Our Dead

(Continued from Page 14)

her husband and the three children she has partially raised to mourn her loss. Her parents, one brother and one half-sister have gone on before and we trust were in waiting at the beautiful gate for her.

On December 16, at 12 m., the writer, her pastor, conducted the funeral services at the Methodist church in Advance and her remains were laid to rest in the beautiful cemetery at that place. A large congregation assembled at the church, while many were found at the home to pay a last tribute of respect to her. May the dear ones who survive her meet her in the heavenly home! E. Myers.

Advance, N. C., March 9, 1915.

SHOEMAKER—John Pinkney Shoemaker was born in Iredell County, N. C., July 22, 1826. In his 89th year he died at his home near Olin, N. C., January 31, 1915. Early in life he was converted and joined the M. P. church where he remained but a few years and then joined the M. E. church, South, at Hopewell where he remained till death.

Brother Shoemaker was an active worker in the church, superintending Sunday school conducting prayer service and especially song service. Doubtless many are still living who were first led to seek salvation in the singing, "I Will Arise and Go to Jesus," or some other soul-stirring hymn. Though detained at home the last few years of his life the sacred fire still burned and we have had our spiritual sky brightened in the short services in his home.

He was married to Miss Rosanna Padget October 4, 1851, and to this union were born seven children—three sons and two daughters who survive their father and also their mother who died June 4, 1882. May the bereaved children, loved ones and friends who mourn their loss meet where there will be no sad parting, sorrow, pain nor death! His pastor,

P. H. Brittain.

CRAVEN—Keziah J. Craven, nee Mann, was born July 7, 1828, and died March 17, 1915; aged 86 years, eight months and ten days. She was married February 18th, 1851, to Bartlet Craven who preceded her to the better world. To this union were born nine children—six of whom are still living: Mrs. M. A. Vestal, William R. Craven of Ramseur, R. 1, Rev. Wesley F. Craven of the North Carolina Conference, now serving the Pittsboro charge, Martha A. Pope of Ramseur, R. 1, Chas. H. Craven of Coleridge and I. F. Craven of Ramseur, one of our well known Conference laymen. Together with these she leaves 36 grand children and 12 great grandchildren.

Sister Craven, or "Aunt Kezzie" as she was familiarly called, gave her heart to Jesus at the tender age of nine years and joined the Methodist church—nearly 80 years in the service of God! And Oh! how she loved that service! Especially did she love the revival season when new born souls were being garnered for Christ. Hers was a life of the highest and greatest work to which God has called woman—love and service. All loved her for her gentle Christ-like spirit. Her faith was lofty and sublime, yet sweet and simple; her love was as broad as the race of mankind, yet centered upon her church and people. One brother who watched by her bedside the night before her death told the writer that she prayed all night for her children, grandchildren, lost sinners and that peace might be brought about. Ah, brethren, let us have faith, the prayers of one so near the opal gates cannot go unanswered.

We shall miss her. Her place is vacant in the home of her son Charles, with whom she resided, but there is a vacant place in all our hearts that will only be filled in the morning of the great reunion. Thank God for lives like this that light up the narrow path that leads us to the mansions above!

She was laid to rest in the cemetery of Concord church. All the children were present but I. F. Craven, who had been sick for some time and was still unable to be out. Our sympathy goes out to all the bereaved for their loss, but we rejoice that we shall all meet, by the grace of Christ, on the banks of sweet Deliverance.

Safe in the arms of Jesus,
Safe on His loving breast.

J. E. Womack.

JUSTUS—Memry T. Justus was born in Henderson County, October 31, 1829, and died at the residence of his son in Hendersonville, February 26, 1915. On January 10, 1856, he was marrier to Mary Elizabeth Reece. To them were born five children, four of whom still survive, as follows: W. H. Justus, Mrs. C. Few, Mrs. J. P. Rickman and Mrs. S. H. Hilliard. The greatest sorrow of his life was the death of his beloved wife who preceded him to the better land April 12, 1889. For more than half a century he was closely identified with the civil and commercial life of Hendersonville, frequently serving as a member of the Board of Aldermen, and active in promoting every enterprise that tended toward the growth and development of the town. While not a member of the church until late in life, he was always a strong believer in it, attending on its services, and rendering it financial support according to his ability. To an unusual degree he had the respect and confidence of the town and of the entire county, and his name was a synonym for all that is straightforward and honest and rightin the dealings of man with man. About 12 years ago he was soundly converted and joined the M. E. Church, South; and from that time until his death, his life was a most beautiful exemplification of the reality and power of the religion of the Lord Jesus Christ. His end was peaceful. He has passed into the immediate presence of his Lord, and to the companionship of loved ones gone on before. S. H. Hilliard.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, since the last meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist Church, South, Wilkesboro, an all-wise Providence has taken by death one of our most beloved members, Mrs. C. Y. Miller, be it resolved,

1st, That we bow submissively to His will, strive to emulate her virtues and to meet her in the great beyond.

2nd, That in her death we have lost one of our wisest and most useful members, one of our dearest and best friends.

3rd, That she was an ideal Christian, ever ready to serve in the church, the community and the home.

4th, That we tender to the bereaved family our deepest sympathy, praying that God may ever keep and bless them.

5th, That the heritage of such a poured out love and devotion in the home, where she shone as a star, is richer and grander than any titled royalty of earth.

6th, That a copy of these resolutions be spread on our minutes, sent to the family, The Wilkes Patriot, The North Wilkesboro Hustler, and North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

Mrs. Lula Henderson, Pres.,
Mrs. J. W. White, Treas.,
Miss Kiter R. Bower, Sec.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Carrie Asbury Todd was born July 2nd, 1897; died February 8th, 1915.

On the 25th day of last August she was married to Mr. Floyd C. Todd and only six short months were allowed to be spent in this happy union.

Early in life Mrs. Todd—Carrie, as she was better known among us—joined the Seversville Methodist Church, and was always a loyal and faithful worker in all the different departments of the church, willing at all times to respond when called upon.

Therefore, be it resolved:

First, That in behalf of the Sunday school, we with one accord wish to express and mingle our sorrow with yours. Only the Heavenly Father can measure the shock of the sudden death of a loving wife and daughter. There is one thing we may be sure, not a tear is wrung from the sorrowing eye that for the same reason has not been wept over and over again in long successions since the Angel of Death visited the first home in the Universe. There is no life which is all sunshine. Some stay long, some but a short time in this world. The mission of some souls are finished very early in life and then they depart. The flower fadeth but the seed and fruit remain. The noble life of this young woman will never die. The deeds of good she put forth in the different departments of the Sunday school stand out more prominent in death than in life, and we feel that in her death we have sustained an irreparable loss.

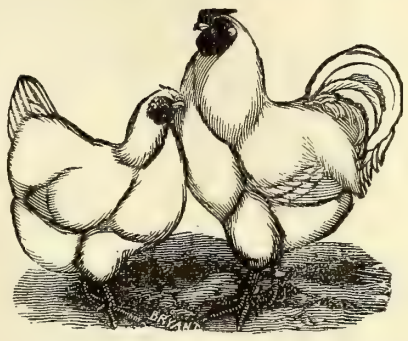
Second, To those who with us mourn her loss we offer our tenderest and deepest sympathy.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the secretary's book, a copy be sent to the bereaved family and husband, and a copy be sent to the Christian Advocate for publication.

Mrs. R. G. Auten.
Miss Ethel Severs.
Miss Beatrice Williams.

Notwithstanding all that I have suffered, notwithstanding all the pain and weariness and anxiety and sorrow that necessarily enter into life, and the inward errings that are more than all, I would end my record with devout thanksgiving to the great Author of my being, profound gratitude for all that belongs to my life and being,—for joy and sorrow, health and sickness, success and disappointment, virtue and temptation, for life and death,—because I believe that all is meant for good.—Orville Dewey.

FANCY POULTRY and EGGS



Black and White Langshans, White Orpingtons, Reds, White and Partridge Wyandottes, Minorcas, Barred and Buff Plymouth Rocks, Houdans, Anconas, White and Brown Leghorns, Black and Partridge Cochin Bantams, White African Guineas, Muscovey and Buff Orpington Ducks. Eggs, $2.00 per 13. Stock for sale. Mammoth Bronze and White Holland Turkey Eggs $5.00 per 9. Toulouse, Emden, African and Chinese Goose eggs, $2.00 for 5.

Prizes won from Roanoke, Va., to Tampa, Fla.

FLYNN ELLIOTT
Route 6, Box C Charlotte, N. C.

GREENSBORO NURSERIES
AGENTS WANTED
For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.
JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.
Schedule Effective October 18th, 1914

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester Lv.	7 50 a m				4 15 p m
Yorkville "	8 36				6 38
Gastonia "	9 21!				8 20
Gastonia "	9 30	4 30 p m			
Lincolnton "	10 23	5 40			
Newton "	11 05	6 44			
Hickory "	12 05 p m	7 30	12 05 p m	6 45 a m	
Lenoir "	1 08	8 50	1 08	8 07	
Lenoir "	2 00x				
Mortimer "	4 09				
Edgemont Ar.	4 35				

Southbound	NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Edgemont Lv.	9 00 a m				
Mortimer "	9 10				
Lenoir "	11 20!				
Lenoir "	1 35 p m	7 00 a m	8 15 a m	1 10 p m	
Hickory "	2 35	8 15	9 12	3 20	
Newton "	3 05	9 00			
Lincolnton "	3 43	9 51			
Gastonia "	4 30	11 23			
Gastonia "	5 05x				11 50 a m
Yorkville "	5 54				1 24
Chester Ar.	6 40				3 10 p m

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. **CHESTER, S. C.**



Here positively is the greatest novelty of the age. Copy of new testament, bound and illustrated, the size of a postage stamp, is enclosed in a simulation watch to protect from damage. Can be carried or worn. Said to be a lucky charm and bring good luck to wearer. Every man, woman or child should carry this smallest bible on earth with them. Send only 10c stamps or silver and it is yours by return mail, also our mammouth offer whereby you can distribute them among your friends and earn valuable prizes or money. 3 for 25c.
W. MAGE CO., 132B 337 W. Madison St., CHICAGO

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Tryon and Saluda, Saluda	3-4
Flat Rock, Tuxedo, 3 p. m.	4
Spring Creek, Ottingers	10-11
Hot Springs and M., Hot Springs, night	11
Fairview, Bethany	17-18
Haywood St., Asheville, night	18
Sulphur Springs, Oak Hill	24-25
Biltmore and Mt. Pl., Biltmore, night,	25

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, 508 N. Tryon St., Charlotte, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Weddington, Union	3-4
Matthews, Indian Trail, 3 p. m.	4
Marshville, Smyrna	10
Prospect, Midway	11
Unionville	17-18
North Monroe, Icemorlee, night	18
Waxhaw	24-25
Monroe, Central, night	25
	May
Ansonville, Cedar Hill	1-2
Wadesboro, night	2
Lilesville, Shiloh	8-9
Morven, Morven	15-16
Dilworth	23
Spencer Memorial and Derita, night	23
Polkton, Mount Moriah	29-30

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Coleridge, Mt. Olivet	3-4
Ramseur & Franklinville, Franklinville,	4-5
Randolph, Hopewell	10-11
Wesley Memorial	17-18
Main St.	18-19
East & West	18-19
Deep River, West Bend	24-25
Asheboro	25-26
Randleman, Naomi	25-26
	May
Uwharrie, Union	1-2
Denton, Clarkesbury	8-9
West Market	15-16

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Jonesville, Maple Springs	9
Pilot Mountain, Trinity	10-11
Rural Hall, Mt. Pleasant, night	11-12
Yadkinville, Booneville	17-18
Ararat	24-25
Mount Airy Circuit	25-26

Third Round

	April
Mount Airy Station, night	25
	May
Summerfield, Center	8-9
Stokesdale, Glenco	15-16
Walnut Cove, Bethesda	22-23
Madison & Stoneville, Price	29-30
	June
Spray	6-7
Leaksville	11-12
Draper	12-13
Dobson	19-20
Danbury, Sandy Ridge	26-27
	July
Jonesville	3-4
Elkin	4-5
Pilot Mountain	10-11
Rural Hall	17-18
Yadkinville	24-25
Ararat	31
	August
Ararat	1
Mount Airy Circuit	7-8

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Forest City, Salem	3-4
Cliffside, Hopewell	3-4
Broad River, Kistlers	10-11
Henrietta and Caroleen, Caroleen	11-12
Morganton Circuit, Glen Alpine	17-18
Connelly Springs, Harmony	24-25
	May
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Oak Grove	1-2
Micaville, South Toe	8-9
Bald Creek, Hortons	15-16
Burnsville	16-17
Marion Circuit, North Catawba	22-23

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Shelby Circuit, Sulphur Springs	3-4
Lincolnton Circuit, Marvin	10-11
Lincolnton, Lincolnton	11
Crouse, Pleasant Grove	17-18
Stanly, Iron	18-19
South Fork, Plateau	24-25

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Albemarle, Central, night	2-4
Albemarle Circuit, Stony Hill	3-4
Mount Pleasant Circuit, Saint Paul,	10-11
Concord, Westford, night	11
Salem Circuit, New Mount Tabor	17-18
Albemarle, First Street, night	18
Kannapolis Station, 11 a. m.	23-25
Kannapolis Circuit, Bethpage	24-25
China Grove & Landis, China Grove, night	25
	May
New London Circuit	1-2
Gold Hill Circuit	2-3
Bethel & Love's Chapel, Love's Chapel	8-9

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston-Salem, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Jackson Hill, Jackson Hill	3-4
Salem, night	4
Farmington, Bethlehem	10-11
Mocksville	9-11
Lewisville, Concord	17-18
Davie, Liberty	24-25
Cooleemee, night	25
	May
Kernersville	1-2

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Jefferson, Jefferson	3-4
Creston, Big Laurel	18
Watauga, Valle Crucis	24-25
	May
Elk Park, Montezuma	1-2
Avery, Jonas Ridge	8-9
Boone, Fairview	15-16
Sparta Circuit, Piney Creek	22-23
Laurel Springs, Mt. Zion	29-30
Revival Meetings	
Wilkes, Union	March 14-21
Helton, Asheley	March 24-April 1
Elk Park, Montezuma	April 26-May 6
Laurel Springs, Mt. Zion	May 24-30

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Lee T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Alexander, Liberty, 11 a. m.	3-4
Stoney Point, Pisgah, 3:30 p. m.	4-5
Hickory Circuit, Grace Chapel, 11 a. m.	10
Newton, Newton, 11 a. m.	11-12
Maiden, Pisgah, 11 a. m.	17
Catawba, Hopewell, 11 a. m.	18-19
Statesville Circuit, Trinity, 11 a. m.	24
Cool Spring, New Salem, 11 a. m.	25-26
	May
Troutman, 11 a. m.	1
Davidson, Davidson, 11 a. m.	2-3
Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 7:30 p. m.	2-3
Mooresville Circuit, 11 a. m.	8
Mooresville Station, Mooresville, 11 a. m.	9-10

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C., R. F. D. 2
Second Round

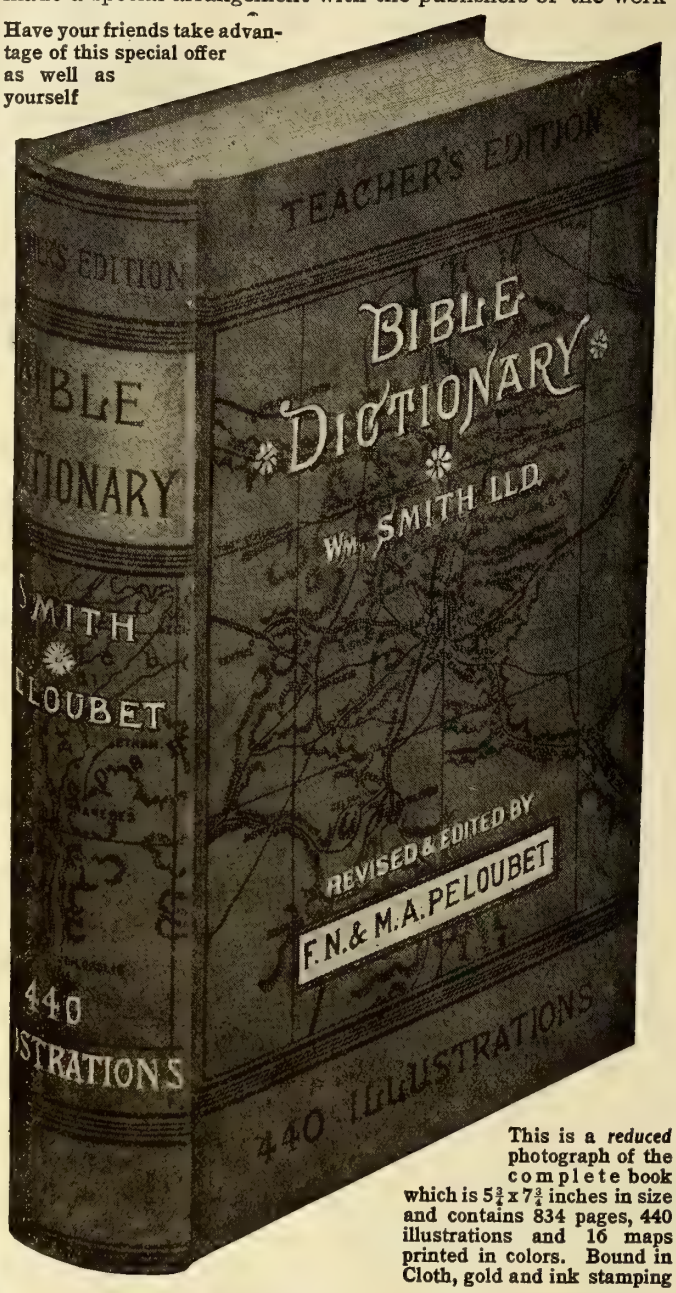
	April
Glenville Circuit, Speedwell	3-4
Webster Circuit, Love's Chapel	4-5
Waynesville Station	11
Sylva Station, night	11
Hayesville, Ledford	17-18
Murphy Circuit, Brasstown	20-21
Ranger Circuit, Bellview	24-25
	May
Murphy Station	1
Andrews Station	1
	May
Murphy Station, night	6
Andrews Station, night	7
Robbinsville, Topton	
Judson, Almond	9
Franklin Ct., Snowhill	15
Macon Ct., Asbury	19
Highlands, Flatts	22
Franklin Station	

The Christian Advocate Offers You This Well Known Bible Dictionary

SEE SPECIAL OFFER BELOW

Realizing the wide demand that exists among our constituents for this Bible Dictionary, we have made a special arrangement with the publishers of the work by which they agreed to supply it to us on exceptional terms, provided we would widely advertise it, and this enables us to offer this **well-known Bible Dictionary in its original form** and with all its important features, including over 400 illustrations and maps in colors, at **less than half the regular price.**

Have your friends take advantage of this special offer as well as yourself



This is a *reduced* photograph of the complete book which is $5\frac{3}{4} \times 7\frac{3}{4}$ inches in size and contains 834 pages, 440 illustrations and 16 maps printed in colors. Bound in Cloth, gold and ink stamping

THE FATHER OF ALL BIBLE DICTIONARIES

Everyone acknowledges the superior value of Dr. William Smith's Bible Dictionary, as containing the fruit of the ripest Biblical scholarship. It is practically the foundation, or father, of all other Bible Dictionaries. This late edition is brought down to the twentieth century and thoroughly revised to incorporate modern research and discoveries in Bible lands. It has been adapted in its present form to the convenience of teachers and scholars.

MAKES BIBLE STUDY EASY. MAKES THE BIBLE PLAIN TO EVERY READER

This Bible Dictionary is a veritable treasure to Christian Workers. It contains in the simplest language a full explanation of all topics mentioned in the Bible—every place, nation, tribe, person, and historical event; every custom and rite; every instrument and implement; every animal, plant, flower, mineral, metal, etc. It is a systematic collation of all the facts recorded in the Bible, supplemented and explained by materials supplied from authentic records of Biblical times. It gives in compact and lucid form the substance of the result of profound Biblical scholarship and research. IT OPENS A NEW UNDERSTANDING AND APPRECIATION OF THE BIBLE IN A WAY THAT NO OTHER BOOK DOES.

Our Special Offer

From this till May first we offer the Advocate one year and this dictionary for

$2.50

This applies to new subscribers and renewals.

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, GREENSBORO, N. C.

DO YOU OWN A KODAK?

If so, I am a film specialist doing develop ing, printing and enlarging and my proposi tion to you is interesting. Send a tria order to

D. AUDLEY GOLD, Box C263, Blacksburg, S. C

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL

General Insurance

General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland
108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

The Newest Styles of Jewel

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER AND PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large asse ment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Gla ware and Ornaments. We are the eld leading firm in the city. Everything gu anteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO
LEADING JEWELERS

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, April 15 [illegible] | Number 15

Reading Room Trinity College

A Prophet of God

Every brave, and hopeful, and courageous man or woman is a prophet of God, and there never was a time in the history of the world when the message of such a spirit was more needed. There are doleful and long-faced people going around with the story that this war is a proof that the world is too bad to be saved, and that the end of all things draws nigh. We ought not to pay more attention to them than we do to any other kind of hysteria or foolishness. This is the time to be sane and strong, and full of faith and courage. This is the time to remember that weakness and doubt and fear are not given a place among the fruits of true religion. This is the time for a healthy, religious faith, that knows this to be God's world, and set redemption and not destruction, to assert itself, to commend itself to a world that needs its impulse so much. This is a time of all times for us to keep on believing God and looking on the bright and glorious side of the great shield of destiny.—*The Christian Guardian.*

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

LOOK UP THE ORDER BLANK

On page 11 the subscriber will find a renewal order blank. We are compelled to urge every one in arrears to clip out the blank, fill it out and pin check or money order to it. The matter is urgent and we beg subscribers to heed our call. Do not wait to see your pastor but mail direct to the office.

TO PASTORS AND FRIENDS

It was our intention to insert our campaign report this week, but at the last moment we find it impossible to get it ready. Many new subscribers have been sent in since our last report and there has been some increase in our roll of honor. We hope to insert the report next week. Meantime we want to thank the many pastors and friends who have responded so graciously to our call for renewals, also for the unusual number of kind and encouraging letters written to the editor personally. Such things make life worth living. The clouds are breaking all along the horizon. Let others from whom we have not yet heard join in the happy circle.

NOTE AND COMMENT

Dr. Lyttleton, headmaster of the famous Eton School, in a recent address in London, declared it was England's duty to extend the principles of Christian charity to Germany, and as a result of such declaration he is being assailed on all sides as an unpatriotic and foolish visionary. At the end of the war, Dr. Lyttleton explained, Germany will be filled with vindictive wrath against England. To avert this England must prove kind and generous. Germans believe that the English preach morals and never act on them, so England must prove her loftiness of view to the Germans. "It may be we are fighting for our existence," he continued, "as an empire, but from whatever point you may view the objective of the war, surely we must, as Christian people, acknowledge that if the effect of it is to make sixty million people hate us, the war will have been an entire failure."

He then said that unless England offers to give up some possession for a reason that she is trying to enforce on others, she would be charged with "consummate hypocrisy." He believes that the Kiel canal should be internationalized, but in making that proposal England should couple it with a promise to internationalize Gibraltar. Expanding this thought, he said: "If we intend to hold fast to everything we have gained in the past—and some of them possessions gained by very questionable means—and not part with a single inch of territory or a single privilege, all I can say is we are abandoning the principle of competition and Christianity."

The Globe, in commenting on the Headmaster's speech, says: "Such dangerous and pernicious stuff as was put forward by Dr. Lyttleton almost induces a desire for a muzzling order. While the newspapers are bidden by the censor to walk with the utmost circumspection, we have the Headmaster of Eton airing his view unchecked both in articles and speeches."

* * * *

Billy Sunday is in Paterson with his "strong doctrine." You remember the old-time minister who journeyed to a neighboring community to preach. On his return he remarked to his friends: "They are fine people over there, but you know I hadn't preached to them an hour and a half before I found out they couldn't stand strong doctrine."

"Billy" is not long-winded, but he certainly has the "strong doctrine." "Why, an angel from heaven," he declared to the Patersonians the other day, "couldn't come down here and associate with some of you people a week and get back into heaven without a carbolic bath and a scrubbing with lye soap. If you are afraid to stand on the firing-line for good, you are a four-flusher—you are excess baggage and a false alarm. You are mean, contemptible, scurrilous, derogatory and underhanded. You are not a child of God unless you are a Christian. And if you are not a child of God you are a child of the devil.

"Miracles are possible. Do you remember what God did for Joshua? Joshua said: 'Lord, I want to be able to lick this crowd today while the sun shines, so the Lord said: "Look here, sun, stay right where you are until Joshua gives you the high sign.' So the sun stood still and Joshua went ahead and licked the enemies of God to a frazzle—and took his time at the job.

"Although you are baptized, sprinkled, or immersed every fifteen minutes, you haven't got a chance if you grieve the spirit.

"Because you rode here this morning in an automobile instead of hoofing it, it does not make you any better. And because you may wear a diamond as big as a hickory nut in your shirt front doesn't make you any better.

"I'll make no apologies for what I say. If you don't want the truth don't stick your head in at that door."

* * * *

Some Few Days Ago Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels went to New York to speak to the New York Methodist Conference, and after his speech the following resolution offered by Rev. Dr. Christian Reisner was adopted by a standing vote:

"Resolved, that we, the members of the New York Conference, send through the heart and lips of our brother Methodist, Secretary Daniels, our love, esteem and high confidence to our honored President, Woodrow Wilson. Knowing the fact that his unusual ability has been sustained and guided by divine influences as evidenced in notable patience, rare tact, and hopeful waiting, we assure him of our continued prayer in his behalf to the Source of all help. Our hearts go out in sincerest sympathy to our heavily burdened President, and we would reassure him anew as together we remember that the Father's face speaks love and care with all grace for daily need."

The action of the New York Methodists, when the resolution was sent him by Secretary Daniels, was much appreciated by the President, who sent the following letter of acknowledgement addressed to the Secretary of the Navy, who forwarded it to Dr. Reisner:

"The resolution passed by the members of th New York Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church at the supper you addressed has touched me more deeply than anything of the kind I have received in a long time. I am deeply thankful to have such support from men whose support I know is disinterested and based upon high principles. Nothing has cheered me more in a long time. Will you not take some early occasion to express to Mr. Reisner and his associates my deep and sincere gratitude?"

* * * *

The County Commencements among the different counties of North Carolina are becoming most enthusiastic affairs. In Raleigh a few days ago 7,000 Wake county children participated in a magnificent parade. "Fifty years ago today our people faced defeat," spoke Miss Edith Royster, under whose guidance the commencement was planned. "It must do the hearts of men good to witness this inspiring scene today." The scene consisted of the 7,000 children marching down Fayetteville Street, accompanied by fifteen hundred teachers, committeemen, and parents, the living glory of a new and grander South, rebuilt and rebuilding. The other part of the scene, says the reporter of this occasion, was spread out before Miss Royster in the great Auditorium of Raleigh, where were gathered the children from Wake County outside of Raleigh, and the moving forces in the great educational march of progress.

And many other counties in our state this spring are looking upon such inspiring scenes. Next year still others will join. God bless old North Carolina and all her growing children!

* * * *

The Fifth Annual Baraca-Philathea State Convention will be held in Raleigh April 22-25. This annual gathering is of unusual interest to all Christian workers, and will certainly yield large returns for the Sunday schools, churches, and for all the institutions fostered by these. There are ten different Protestant denominations represented in this great movement with a membership of approximately 60,000 in North Carolina.

EMORY UNIVERSITY GOING FORWARD

It is cause for deep gratitude to God that the way seems to be opening so auspiciously for our New University at Atlanta, also for the Southern Methodist University at Dallas, Texas. The Educational Commission met in Atlanta a few days ago and the Nashville Christian Advocate gives out the following very encouraging account of their meeting:

The formal transfer of Emory College by the trustees of that institution to the Educational Commission was completed, and the college is now a part of the university. Twelve members of the Educational Commission, together with three alumni members of the Emory Board, constitute the new Board of Trust of Emory College. The sixteen members of the Educational Commission constitute the Board of Trust of Emory University. This is in line with the action of the General Conference, and the present Board of Trust will serve until the General Conference of 1918, when their successors will be elected by the General Conference. Mr. Asa G. Candler, Sr., is President of both Boards of Trust, Bishop J. C. Kilgo is Vice-President of the University Board, and Bishop J. H. McCoy is Vice-President of the Emory College Board. Mr. W. D. Thomson, of Atlanta, is Secretary of both boards. The new Board of Trust voted to appropriate to Emory College for the session of 1915-16 $12,000, this amount to come from endowment income. This will bring the Emory College income to about $42,000 for the year, and it is the purpose of the Board of Trust to make further additions to the annual income until it is brought to $60,000.

At the meeting of last week the offer of the owners and directors of the Atlanta Medical College to give to Emory University the property of this institution was accepted, and it was left to the Executive Committee to arrange the details of this transfer. The Atlanta Medical College was established about seventy years ago and has an honorable record in the field of medical educational work. It has about three thousand alumni, the larger number being in the Southeast. The property is easily worth $250,000, and with this is given over $25,000 which will go into endowment. The Atlanta Medical College has had hospital arrangements with the Grady Memorial Hospital, and this goes to Emory University with the transfer of the Medical College. As will be remembered, the Wesley Memorial Hospital property was given over to the Educational Commission for as long a time as would be needed, and this hospital will also have close relations with the Medical Department of our university. Wesley Memorial Hospital now has sixty beds, and there is on hand cash to the amount of $200,000 for its enlargement at an early day.

The gift of the Atlanta Medical College property makes possible the opening of another department of Emory University this fall. And the Medical Department will open not only with the necessary buildings and equipment, but with a substantial endowment already provided, the larger part of this endowment coming from the funds already held by the Educational Commission. A faculty that will take rank with the best of the South will be secured, and the Medical Department of Emory University will be second to no school of our territory.

Thus the work of building a great university at Atlanta goes forward, and our people have reason to look to the future with faith and with gratitude to God. Let them come to the help of the institution and make the promise of the future even brighter.

SOWING IN SPRING TIME

These first spring days suggest the speedy awakening of all available forces that can be utilized to insure a full harvest. Even in winter, the wise man assures us, we must not fail to plow, else in harvest time we may expect to beg. How much more is this thought emphasized when we see the signs of vegetable life breaking all about us.

Just as the husbandman fails inevitably because of a lack of diligence in the time of preparation and planting, so may those to whom has been committed the husbandry of the kingdom expect nothing but failure if they fail to put forth timely effort.

Let the pastor and the church official whose eyes may chance to scan these lines, not forget that the Conference year is now nearing the meridian—that almost one half the time allotted for the work of this Conference year is already gone. What plans have we matured and carried out that would justify the expectation of a good report when we shall assemble at Reidsville in November? Has the evangelistic campaign been pushed to the utmost? Have the visits been made from house to house, and have the children been instructed? Have diligent efforts been made to circulate our religious literature? Has the obligation to help in giving the gospel to all the world been pressed home upon the consciences of the people, and have they been urged to take intelligent interest in all the benevolent work of the church? Have the collections been taken in such a way as to give each member an opportunity to contribute not only to the support of the ministry, but to the support of he church at home and abroad?

These are questions which must be pressed home upon the conscience now if we are going to face anything but a meagre harvest or utter failure in the end. Let us say no more that there are yet four months and then cometh harvest, as some were saying in the days of our Lord's sojourn in the flesh. Let us apply to ourselves the words of our Lord in rebuke of the spirit that would loiter and idle away the days, "Lift up your eyes and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest."

The vision is what we need—eyes to see the worlds need and ears to hear the cry of the destitute. Eyes to see the open door of opportunity on every hand, and a heart ready to respond to the call of God which always sounds out through the door of opportunity.

Let those to whom God has committed the affairs of His Kingdom in the Western North Carolina Conference take heed to the call of duty as it sounds out now in these beautiful spring days,—these days that are full of opportunity to every one capable of recognizing the day of His glorious visitation. Let us sow in springtime that we may be sure of the fruit of our toil in the time of harvest.

EDITOR'S FIELD NOTES

The law of necessity is inexorable. Yielding to the demands of this law, I left the Advocate office on Wednesday of last week, leaving things in the hands of "Miss Maggie and the boys," and on Monday morning find myself wading into mail and other things that have accumulated in my absence. It may be that some one will wonder why correspondence has not had as prompt attention as usual. If so this is the explanation.

For some while the lists in some of our larger centers of population have needed special attention, and I began on this special work with the Spencer and East Spencer lists on Wednesday. I joined Rev. C. M. Pickens at

Spencer

for a few hours' work on Wednesday morning. We touched only a few of the most accessible on his list and I soon became convinced that the Advocate can rest easy even in war times among a people with the loyal and appreciative spirit manifested during that morning canvass. Nearly every person approached renewed without hesitation and gave the pastor and editor words of cheer and encouragement. This, in spite of the fact that many are now working on short time. But one thing peculiar about these railroad people is that they are always big-hearted and hopeful.

Notwithstanding Brother Pickens is serving his first year he seems as familiar with his charge as a veteran. He knows his people and has his work in hand. The problem in Spencer is the already long-deferred plan of securing an adequate house of worship. This would no doubt have been already well under way but for the depression from which the whole country has suffered. Brother Pickens, however, has these plans all in mind and we shall not be surprised if this congregation has a great church under way at an early day.

East Spencer

is the other half of the city which the Southern Railway has built up about the great shops. Samuel Spencer was president of the Southern when these shops were located and an ideal railroad town laid out on the west side of the railroad. Meantime, however, the east side has developed until there is a population closely following that of the town of Spencer and it is conveniently named East Spencer. Here the Methodists have a growing congregation with a neat but plain house of worship. Brother S. E. Richardson, the pastor, is serving his second year and is now occupying a splendid new parsonage valued at about $1800., which was erected last year on the lot adjoining the church. Brother Richardson also has the North Main Street church with which he divides time. He knows his people, even to the little boys and girls, and is thoroughly interested in his work. Notwithstanding the usual complaints of short hours and reduced wages, these people are standing heroically with their pastor and making improvements on their church.

Brother Richardson put fifty-four new subyearscribers on the Advocate mailing list last year paying the regular rate and he expects to keep his list up this year. A goodly number have already been renewed. It is a great pleasure to fall into the hands of pastors like Pickens and Richardson. Not being able to complete the work in one day I very naturally left the field with the promise to return.

By arrangement with Rev. A. S. Raper, pastor, I spent part of Thursday at

Epworth, Concord

Going into Concord still seems like a homeward journey, though my term as pastor in that town ended far too long ago to justify the expectation of finding many of my former parishioners. Many have gone elsewhere to sojourn while a great company have crossed the river.

Brother Raper has an interesting though a very difficult field at Epworth. Most of the congregation is composed of people who work in the great cotton mills almost surrounding the church. Epworth is the third church organized for Methodism in Concord, and was first known as Cannonville, then Bays Chapel, the first place of worship having been erected under the pastoral oversight of Rev. Dr. H. W. Bays, now of the South Carolina Conference. A few years ago that congregation decided to move out on W. Depot Street, and they now occupy a very eligible site and worship in a beautiful church. The building is not quite complete, but when completed will be one of the best in Concord.

In a few hours we rounded up most of our list for Epworth and in the afternoon I joined Rev. R. K. Brady in the

West Concord Charge

This charge consists of Kerr Street church, near the Gibson Mill, and Harmony church at the Brown Mill. Through much walking and great tribulation, we succeeded in finding quite a number of our subscribers and arranging for getting a rather badly tangled list in good shape. Brother Brady has a neat little church and parsonage in good position for effective work in what appears to be a very important field. Especially is this true of Kerr Street. He is in touch with a great population, and is evidently taking hold of the situation with a determined hand. Among other things he is himself in charge of a great men's class in his Sabbath school. He preaches to large congregations. We found him just ready for revival services which began on Sunday.

In the afternoon we visited the Brown Mill where the Harmony church is situated. This is one of the later additions to Methodist worshiping places in the city, and is the smallest. We wound up the day by a short visit to Rev. R. L. Forbis. I had time only to look in upon Brother Forbis and secure his gracious promise to take care of our lists at the Franklin and Young-Hartsell Mills, the Methodist contingent of which makes up the membership at the beautiful

Westford Church

where Dr. and Mrs. Houston, for several years, have taken great interest in the Sunday school and church work. The congregation is small but the work is important. I hope to be able at a very early day to fulfill the promise made to Brothers Brady and Forbis to spend a Sunday with them.

Friday I joined Rev. M. F. Moores in an effort to complete the canvass for

Central Church

Some weeks ago I spent a part of the day with Brother Moores and what we left after our work on Friday can soon be finished by the pastor. Brother Moores knows his people although this is his first year, and judging from frequent expressions he is fitting in well in this pleasant charge. Central church has not quite maintained its place of distinction for having the Advocate in every home, but no doubt has the largest per cent. of any church in our Conference, and they renew with a spirit of appreciation and loyalty very pleasing indeed to the editor.

After a little work on Saturday morning through the courtesy of friends I fulfilled a long-deferred promise and visited the

Jackson Training School

spending much of the afternoon in looking over the building and grounds. Mr. Boger, the Superintendent, showed us great courtesy and gave us a look into the buildings, fully explaining their methods of work. I feel confident that the day is not far distant when this training school will be the pride of the state. So far as we have gone with this institution everything is all that could be desired. The buildings are attractive, comfortable and well kept. One can see at a glance that there is system and order and everything is apparently calculated to inspire in the boys the brightest and noblest ideals. A glance at the records revealed facts which it would be exceedingly interesting to write about, but which I am compelled to defer till I can make a visit with a little more time at my disposal. Suffice it to say here that only a few of our people have any conception of the vast possibilities of this institution, and only a few realize what a blessing it is already proving to our state. My little visit convinced me of the great importance of speedy enlargement. I was also impressed with the ready response and kindly interest and courtesy manifested by the Superintendent, Mr. Boger, and feel that we have a valuable man in him for this important work.

Sunday in Concord

Preaching for Brother Raper and his congregation at Epworth in the morning was a great delight. The Sunday school was large and many remained for the preaching service. In fact the great majority of the congregation seemed to be members of the Sunday school. I do not recall preaching to a more attentive and appreciative congregation. It was good to be there. Brother and Sister Raper are evidently leading the congregation wisely and we look for an early cancellation of their debt and the completion of the church. Already they have made some very helpful improvements on the parsonage.

In the afternoon I preached for Brother Brady and his congregation at Harmony, near the Brown Mill. A good congregation gathered and we had a good service. This congregation is small but has a goodly number of very loyal members. Among these I noted with pleasure a number of my old Forest Hill parishoners.

I regretted not being abe on this visit to reach Brother Smathers and his people at Forest Hill. Truly Concord Methodism has grown wonderously since I sojourned with them at Forest Hill in the nineties. Then there were three churches. Now there are six. H. M. B.

CONTRIBUTIONS

THE FEAST (Luke 14:17)

Otho J. Jones

It is not at all improbable that our conception of what the future life is like has been colored somewhat by our ideals and habits in this life. Activity seems to hold undisputed ascendency in the common conception of what life in the next world is like. But may it not be that we so think because of the large part labor plays here? We are a strong people, and no undertaking seems too great for our mental and physical strength. We are intoxicated with the "activity" idea and the first characteristic we look for in a candidate for any job is the ability to cover ground. But maybe we do not have unmistakable assurance that activity has the same appraisement "over there."

Labor is a physical and a moral necessity here. "In the sweat of thy brow shalt thou eat bread" leaves no way for us to get out of working. But there on either side of the river is a tree of life bearing twelve manner of fruits and yielding its fruit every month. And if our food comes to hand already prepared we certainly do not have to labor to acquire it. Labor keeps us out of mischief here. "An idle brain is the devil's workshop." But are we therefore to infer that when we stand in bloodwashed robes before the Lamb that redeemed us to look upon his face evermore we will have to work to keep out of meanness?

Is it not true that this idealization of labor is a species of self-glorification? It is magnifying man and not God. It is making man and not God the provider and the preserver. Without sufficient consideration of the grace of Christ it projects the habits of man into heaven, and makes those habits the fashioner of life there. It is a very satisfying gospel to strong men vain over their strength, but it may lack elements of comfort for those who have been "laid on the shelf," and it may omit something that is solacing to us all.

The use of the word feast in describing the Kingdom of Heaven seems to warrant the belief that something besides labor inheres richly in a proper conception of what that kingdom is. Man's enjoyment there is maybe not to be derived so much from man's own efforts as from the provisions God makes. Maybe the character of that life is better described by feast than by labor. Labor is merely a means to enjoyment here, and who is rash enough to say that we may not there have the end without having to employ the means? In this present time we do not get sustained joy out of a life divorced from labor, but are we sure this will be the case when we have "shuffled off this mortal coil?" Are we not warranted in assuming that eternal satisfaction will be found in the table Jesus spreads? Indeed did he not say "Whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst," and "He that cometh to me shall not hunger"? Really, don't you suppose the bill of fare our Lord provided will satisfy, without our having to supplement its satisfaction with our personal exertions? The feast is prepared and we are bidden "Come, for all things are now ready."

O, that feast! Love is in it for "love never faileth." If love, just a little bit of the atmosphere of heaven, mixed in the foul air of this old world transforms it so, won't it be blessed to breathe the unpolluted atmosphere of heavenly love! Joy is in it for it is said "Enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." Our joy here is like a dewdrop on a thorn-bush, but there it will be joy unmixed with sorrow, for "God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes, and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow nor crying."

Peace is in it for Jesus said "My peace I give unto you." And loved ones are there. David said of his dead child, "He shall not come to me but I shall go to him." The author of Hebrews talks about coming to the heavenly Jerusalem, to the general assembly and church of the first born whose names are written in heaven. What a joy to strike hands again some glad morning with our departed friends! What bliss when our dear little ones, whose going left our faces wet with weeping and our hearts crushed reach up their baby hands to us again within the pearly gates! And Jesus is there,—"that where I am there ye may be also. We sing to his praise and we pray in his name here, but there we shall look upon him with the thorn-scarred brow and the nail-pierced hands. O, brethren, you'll excuse me if I say I'm not so enthusiastic about working in the next world. I think I'll be perfectly satisfied just to sit down and enjoy the feast. "Come, for all things are now ready."

EXPERIENCE OF A MINISTER'S WIFE ON THE FRONTIER

I remember a day during one winter that stands out like a boulder in my life. The weather was unusually cold, our salary had not been regularly paid, and it was hardly enough when it was paid. My husband was away traveling from one district to another much of the time. Our boys were well, but Ruth was ailing, and at best none of us were decently clothed. I patched and re-patched, with spirits sinking to their lowest ebb. The water gave out in the well, and the wind blew through the cracks in the floor.

The people in the parish were kind, and generous, too; but the settlement was new, and each family was struggling for itself. Little by little when I needed it most, my faith began to waver. Early in life I was taught to take God at His word, and I thought my lesson was well learned. I had lived upon the promises in dark times, until I knew, as David did, "who was my Fortress and Deliverer." Now a daily prayer for forgiveness was all I could offer. My husband's overcoat was hardly thick enough for October, and he was often obliged to travel miles to attend some meeting or funeral. Many times our breakfast was Indian cake, and tea without sugar. Christmas was coming; the children were expecting presents. I remember the ice was thick and smooth, and the boys were ever craving a pair of skates. Ruth in some way had taken a fancy that the dolls I had made were no longer suitable; she wanted a nice one and insisted on praying for it. I knew it was impossible; but oh! how I wanted to give each child its present. It seemed that God had deserted us, but I did not tell my husband all this. He worked so earnestly and heartily, I supposed him to be as hopeful as ever. I kept the sitting room cheerful with an open fire, and tried to serve our scanty meals as invitingly as I could.

The morning before Christmas James was called to see a sick man. I put up a piece of bread for his lunch—it was the best I could do—I wrapped my plaid shawl around his neck, and then tried to whisper a promise, as I often had, but the words died away upon my lips. I let him go without it. That was a dark, hopeless day. I coaxed the children to bed early, for I could not bear their talk. When Ruth went, I listened to her prayer; she asked for the last time most explicitly for her doll, and for skates for her brothers. Her bright face looked so lovely when she whispered to me: "You know I think they will be here early tomorrow morning, mama," that I thought I could move heaven and earth to save her from disappointment. I sat down alone and gave way to the most bitter tears.

Before long James returned, chilled and exhausted. He drew off his boots; the thin stockings slipped off with them, and his feet were red and cold. "I wouldn't treat a dog that way; let alone a faithful servant," I said. Then, as I looked up and saw the hard lines on his face and the look of despair, it flashed across me, James had let go, too. I brought him a cup of tea, feeling sick and dizzy at the very thought. He took my hand and we sat for an hour, without a word. I wanted to die and meet God and tell Him His promise wasn't true; my soul was so full of despair.

There came the sound of bells, a quick step, and a long knock at the door. James sprang to open it. There stood Deacon White. "A box came for you by express just before dark. I brought it around as soon as I could get away. Reckoned it might be for Christmas; at any rate, they shall have it tonight. Here is a turkey wife asked me to fetch along, and these other things I believe belong to you." There was a basket of potatoes and a bag of flour. Talking all the time, he hurried in the box, and then with a hearty good-night rode away. Still without speaking, James found a chisel and opened the box. He drew out first a thick red blanket, and we saw that beneath was full of clothing. It seemed at that moment as if Christ fastened upon me a look of reproach. James sat down and covered his face with his hands. "I couldn't touch them," he exclaimed; "I haven't been true, just when God was trying me to see if I could hold out. Do you think I could not see how you were suffering? and I had no word of comfort to offer. I know now how to preach the awfulness of turning away from God." "James," I said, clinging to him, "don't take it to heart like this; I am to blame, I ought to have helped you. We will ask him together to forgive us." "Wait a moment, dear, I cannot talk now;" then he went into another room. I knelt down and my heart broke; in an instant all the darkness, all the stubbornness rolled away. Jesus came again and tood before me, but now with the loving word: "Daughter!" Sweet promises of tenderness and joy flooded my soul. I was so lost in love and praise that I forgot everything else. I don't know how long it was before James came back, but I knew he too had found peace. "Now, my dear wife, said he, "let us praise God together;" and then he poured out words of praise; Bible words for nothing else could express our thanksgiving. It was eleven o'clock, the fire was low, and there was the great box, nothing touched but the warm blanket we needed. We piled on some fresh logs, lighted two candles and began to examine our treasures. We drew out an overcoat; I made James try it on; just the right size, and I danced around him for all my lightheartedness had returned. Then there was a cloak and he insisted on seeing me in it. My pirits alway infested him, and we both laughed like foolish children. There wa a warm suit of clothes and three pairs of hose. There was a dress for me and yard of flannel, a pair of arctic overshoes for each of us, and in mine was a slip of paper. I have it now and mean to hand it down to my children. It was Jacob's blessing to Asher: "Thy shoes shall be as iron and brass, and as thy days so shall thy strength be." In the glove, evidently for James, the same hand had written, "I the Lord thy God, will hold thy right hand saying unto thee; fear not, I will help thee." It was a wonderful box, and packed with thoughtful care. There was a suit of clothes for each of the boys, and a little red gown for Ruth. There were mittens, scarfs and hoods, down in the center, a box; we opened it, and there was a great wax doll. I burst into tears again; James wept with me for joy. It was too much; and then we both exclaimed again; for close behind it came two pairs of skates. There were books for us to read; some of them I had wished to see; stories for the children to read, aprons and underclothing, knots of ribbons, a gay little tidy; a lovely photograph, needles, buttons and thread; actually a muff, and an envelope containing a ten-dollar gold piece. At last we cried over everything we took up. It was past midnight, and we were faint and exhausted even with happiness. I made a cup of tea, cut a fresh loaf of bread, and James boiled some eggs. We drew up the table before the fire; and how we enjoyed our supper! And then we sat talking over life, and how sure a help God always proved.

You should have seen the children the next morning; the boys raised a shout at the sight of the skates. Ruth caught up her doll, and hugged it tightly without a word; then she went into her room and knelt by her bed. When she came back she whispered to me: "I knew it would be here, mamma, but I wanted to thank God just the same, you know." "Look here, wife, see the difference." We went to the window, and there were the boys out of the house already, and skating on the crust with all their might. My husband and I both tried to return thanks to the church in the East that sent us the box, and tried to return thanks to God every day since.

Hard times have come again and again, but we have trusted in Him; dreading nothing so

much as doubting His protecting care. Over and over again we have proved that, "They that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing."—Selected, by J. W. W.

A PREACHER'S SONS GONE WRONG

By Byron H. Stauffer

You would have known Eli, first glance, as he walked down the Yonge Street of Shiloh. He looked every inch a clergyman. Slightly aged, he still carried himself well, maintained a quiet dignity, and impresssed everybody with his undoubted piety. He seemed conscious of his responsibility. He was Archbishop of Canterbury, or President of the Conference, or Moderator of the General Assembly, whichever title you prefer. "What a fine old man," said onlookers. And then, under their breath, they added: "Isn't it a pity he has such scoundrels for sons."

He was a pure man, this high priest of Israel, and he had no patience with sin. One day he saw a woman acting strangely in the house of God. Apparently she was intoxicated. He rebuked her there and then. She protested that she was not drunk; she was only praying in great earnestness for a son. Eli at once saw his mistake and became tender as a woman. "Go in peace," he exclaimed, "and may the God of Israel grant thee thy petition." And when, a year later, the same woman holds to his gaze the child which God had meanwhile given her, Eli devoutly worships God.

He is magnanimous, too. He treats young Samuel with a fatherly kindness, even though he knows that the youth is to take his place. There is no hate in his soul. He hears God's message to Samuel with resignation. "It is the Lord; let him do what seemeth to him good."

But he had two terrible sons. Scripture says "they knew not the Lord." Their religion was simply a matter of business. The holiest thing was to them but an empty form. Had they lived in modern times they would have taken communion on Sunday morning, just as they had taken a drink at a bar on Saturday evening. The sanctuary was not holy ground to them. They made it a rendezvous of licentiousness. They did unspeakable things in the tabernacle courts. All Israel whispered about the scandals of Eli's sons. The father's heart was filled with shame.

Then, too, as priests these sons of the parsonage did corruptly. They made what modern politicians call a graft of the meat offerings. They established a custom of casting a three-pronged flesh-hook into the caldron, and taking whatever meat came out upon the hooks as their share. Needless to say, their servants stuck the hook in deep! They took the best of the offerings. It was as though some Toronto church gathered provisions for the poor and the pastor claimed the best dozen apples of each bushel and a porterhouse slice of each basket of steaks for his own kitchen. So the best people left off bringing offerings, and religious observances became neglected.

Now, having spoken of the decent father and the indecent sons, let us notice the sin of Eli. The Lord regarded it with no degree of allowance, for this was His terrible message:

"Behold, I will do a thing in Israel at which both the ears of everyone that heareth it shall tingle. In that day I will perform against Eli all things which I have spoken concerning his house; when I begin I will also make an end. For I have told him that I will judge his house forever for the iniquity of which he knoweth, because his sons made themselves vile and he restrained them not."

Eli's sin was that of excessive mildness in dealing with the transgressions of his sons. An easy-going attitude towards young people's sins is too often regarded as a virtue. There is a modern theory that all discipline is wrong. Teachers must not punish. Sunday school officers must tolerate all kinds of annoyances from the children of weak parents. Matters must be allowed to drift, in the hope that everything by some happy chance will turn out all right.

It is possible that Eli was a religious recluse. I knew a man who professed and, I can almost believe, enjoyed perfect love. The only reason I insert the "almost" is that, even while he was discussing sanctification with me, if his laddie came in to interrupt our conversation the father would petulantly tell him to run away and not bother. His boys turned out wrong.

True, Eli reproved them. "Nay, my sons, it is no good report which I hear. Why do ye such things? I hear of your evil dealings by all people." But he did not remove them from their offices for the good of Israel. The prophet who rebuked him charged that he honored his sons above God. The fortunes of his house outweighed the fortunes of the religious life of the nation. Somebody says that his remonstrance was not made at the right time, nor in the right tone, nor with the proper consequences. The last resort of discipline, whether in family, school, State or Church, is penalty. The action of the Toronto police department in dismissing a veteran official for being too merciful towards an erring policeman seemed harsh, but a measure of that sternness in the fire department would have saved something akin to a scandal.

Are we becoming too lenient in our courts?

The awful doom pronounced on Eli's house makes me tremble for all licentious youths. It holds true today. The sins of every vile Hophni and Phinehas shall be visited upon their progeny. "Wherefore the Lord God of Israel saith, I said indeed that thy house should walk before me forever; but now the Lord saith, Be it far from me; for them that honor me I will honor, and they that despise me shall be lightly esteemed."

The curse of lechery is a weak child. God says to Eli: "There shall not be an old man in thy house." Young man, your sin shall not only wreck your own body, but it shall upset the expectancy tables of the life insurance companies with reference to your children. They shall be degenerates. You will look out of eternity and see your grandchildren diseased and crippled!

Your offspring shall be few and incapacitated. They shall be beggars. "And it shall come to pass," said the prophet to Eli, "that everyone that is left in thine house shall come and crouch to him (the faithful priest which was to be raised up) for a piece of silver and a morsel of bread, and shall say, Put me, I pray thee, into one of the priest's offices, that I may eat a piece of bread." They shall be place-hunters and beggars! You, young man of unclean blood, shall bring forth children who shall be physical wrecks! Your posterity may stand at the corner of King and Yonge Streets, to beg the price of a meal. O parent, beg of your sons to honor you and your God. Tell them that the wages of sin is death! Take them into your confidence. Do it early. Secure their prejudice against sin before some agent of hell wins it against righteousness and purity. With your arms about their necks, say to them, as J. Wilbur Chapman's father said to him: "Son, if you go wrong, it will kill me!"—Christian Guardian.

TIDINGS FROM THE MISSION FIELD

An Increase of Nine Ninety-two

The general state of the church in the Huchow District is encouraging. The preachers in charge are faithfully endeavoring to lead the members into higher and holier living. While patience is shown towards those who violate the church vows, still in necessary cases discipline is enforced and the unrepentant are severed from the church. In the important matter of Scriptural Sabbath observance hopeful progress has been made. One preacher, at his fourth quarterly conference, reported the membership of his local church at 37 and the number who now observe the Sabbath at 44. On inquiry of the presiding elder he explained that not only the members kept the Sabbath, but also a number of probationers. There is a strong sentiment against the use of opium and wines, and the opposition against the use of tobacco is gaining ground, especially the use of cigarettes is strongly opposed. The lines between the Church of God and all idolatry are clearly drawn. No place is given to idolatry nor any compromise made with it. The Chinese church already understands the dreadful effects of idol worship and needs not to study "Comparative Religions." The reports of the year's work show a considerable increase in membership, and in the amount raised on support of the ministry. Number of probationers, 2782; number of members, 2191; total, 4973—an increase of 992.—J. L. Hendry, Huchow, China.

A Great Scheme for Sunday Schools

Memorial church, Lynchburg, Virginia, has a unique plan for the promotion of missionary interest in the Sunday school. The pastor, Dr. Frank Wells, writes about it as follows: "We are having a large lighthouse built of stout cardboard. It will be blocked off into 350 divisions to represent stones. Each stone will represent a contribution of $1.00. In the top of the lighthouse we will have a ten candle-power electric lamp. We will have an understanding with the school that we must raise $29.18 each month to keep the light burning in the Sunday school light-house. When we fall behind, the lantern will be dark. Each month we will paint enough blocks to represent the stones that have been paid for at $1.00 each. We find that some device that will catch the eyes of the children is helpful to keep missions before them, being always careful to give them instruction as to the true motive of giving to this great cause."

Prayer, the Mighty Lever of God

Prayer gives quiet confidence that things really happen when men pray. It is as vital as muscular force, as real as electricity. It wrenches men loose from their limitations and projects personality into distant lands. It is the lever of God to pry continents and dead civilizations up into newness of life. It is the power which helps to lift history out of its bed and puts it down into new channels where it belongs. It is of this force which John R. Mott speaks when he says: "The supreme question of missions is how to multiply the number of Christians who, with truthful lives and with clear unshaken faith in the character and ability of God, will, ndividually or collectively, or co-operatively as a church, wield the force of intercessory prayer for the conversion and transformation of men, for the inauguration and energizing of spiritual movements, and for the breaking down of all that exalts itself against Christ and his purposes." J. Campbell White says: "Prayer is the first and chief method of solving the missionary problem. Among all the methods that have been devised none is more practical, more fruitful than this. If we could get a definite group of people at home into the habit of supporting by prayer each missionary in the thick of the fight, by this simple method alone the efficiency of the present missionary force could probably be doubled without adding a single new missionary."—The Call of the World.

The Day of Opportunity

We are working in a territory with a population of three million people. We have twenty-two fixed chapels and preaching places, twenty-five Sunday schools, thirty-four teachers, more than a thousand scholars, three kindergartens with one hundred and fourteen children in attendance. There are now about one hundred probationers. Sixty adults and sixteen children have been baptized and, including the independent churches, we have now a membership of considerably more than six hundred. The fields were never so white unto the harvest. The people never responded more readily to the gospel message. The Christians never seemed to be so earnest in their work and so true in their faith, testimony and living.—T. W. Demarre, Presiding Elder, Matsuyama District, Japan.

As we remember Jesus Christ, and recall the kind of tasks he has given his men to do, the kind of men he expects us to be, as we lift up our eyes and look into the upturned faces of the thousand millions of people who know not God and remember that we are the men who must bridge the racial gulf and capture the world for Christ, we may well be moved by a solemn sense of our responsibility. It is our duty not simply to nurse the wounded, but to stop the battle. If we are to face our tasks with inflexible courage and a growing devotion, we must cultivate the vital processes and bring to Christ the flawless wholeness of unshared hearts.—The Call of the World.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM FIELD

District Conference Directory

Greensboro, at Ashboro .....May 12-14
Winston, at Walkertown .....April 20-22
Mt. Airy, at Stokesdale .....April 29-May 2
Waynesville, at Franklin .....May 25

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. W. O. Goode is preparing for revival services which will begin at Spring Garden St. on next Sunday.

—Rev. R. K. Brady, pastor of Kerr Street, Concord, is engaged in revival services this week.

—Rev. W. F. Womble is holding revival services with his congregation at Hendersonville this week, assisted by Rev. E. M. Hoyle, of Asheville.

—Revs. P. L. Terrell, of Pleasant Garden, and A. R. Surratt, of Madison, were welcome callers at the Advocate office on Tuesday morning. They were on their way to Charlotte to attend the Chapman-Alexander meeting.

—It has been announced that a revival will begin in Central church, Albemarle, the fourth Sunday in this month. The pastor, Rev. R. G. Tuttle, will be assisted by Rev. J. E. Abernethy, of Monroe.

—Rev. W. T. Albright held a missionary rally service with his congregation at Rocky Ridge on the Concord circuit last Sunday. Rev. M. F. Moores, pastor of Central church, Concord, delivered an address.

—Missionary Rally Day was observed at Muir's Chapel, on the West Greensboro circuit, last Sunday. Rev. Dr. S. B. Turrentine, Mrs. R. R. Alley and Mrs. B. B. Carr, of this city, were on the program which lasted all day.

—A good layman, writing from the North Wilkesboro District, says: "We have a live, energetic presiding elder. He is taking hold of the work and has made a wonderful impression upon the people. I am of the opinion he is going to do a great work."

—It is deeply regretted that Bishop Waterhouse was not able to meet the presiding elders at Thomasville on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week as he had expected. Under the advice of his physician he went to Johns Hopkins Hospital last week. We sincerely hope that he may find relief and have a speedy restoration of his wonted health.

—Rev. J. W. Campbell writes that he has just closed a great meeting at Biltmore in which he was assisted by Rev. E. M. Hoyle, pastor of Haywood Street church, Asheville. There were about forty professions and thirty-four accessions to the church. Ninety-five persons promised to begin tithing.

—Dr. Eckman, editor of The Christian (New York) Advocate, has been asked to become the pastor of one of the greatest churches in Methodism and has accepted the invitation subject to the approval of episcopal authority. His resignation as Editor of The Christian Advocate will be before the Book Committee of the Methodist Episcopal Church, which meets April 21st.

—Rev. C. F. Sherrill closed a revival in Main Street Church, Salisbury, Sunday night, April 4th. Twenty-five joined the church, making fifty-five accessions to the church this Conference year. Rev. T. H. Tubbs assisted the pastor in the meeting. Much activity is shown in the work of the church and the Sunday school has increased about fifty per cent.

—At a special service in the Methodist church at Newton, Sunday evening, April 4th, a number of ladies received diplomas upon the completion of a year's course of study prescribed for Sunday school teachers by the International Sunday School Association. Rev. E. O. Smithdeal, of Hickory, delivered the address. A splendid program was rendered which was enjoyed by a large audience.

—Mrs. Thos. J. Redding died at her home in the Caraway section of Randolph county last Thursday, April 8th, aged about 74 years. The family has been prominent in the financial, political, social and religious life of the community for many years, and Mrs. Redding's friends were as numerous as her acquaintances. The funeral and interment took place at Old Union the following day, Rev. J. Ed. Thompson, of Ashboro, conducting the service.

—A member of Forest Chapel church, on the Walnut Cove circuit, requests that we correct an error in our issue of March 11th. In that issue it was stated that Forest Chapel was still due the full amount it was assessed, $25.00. The member writing does not sign his name but says he is certain his church has paid $10.80, and he thinks possibly $15.80. Very likely the payment was made after the report was sent in to the presiding elder, and this accounts for the mistake. We gladly make the correction if a mistake was made.

—A press special from Rutherfordton dated April 8th, brought the sad intelligence of the death of Mr. H. S. Toms, who passed away at his home in that place on the afternoon of April 7th. He had been ill with pneumonia from the Friday preceding. He was about 62 years of age and is survived by his widow. Mr. Toms was a kind, genial spirit, popular with a host of people whom he numbered among his friends, and he will be greatly missed. He was a member of the Methodist church and his funeral was conducted from the church in Rutherfordton by his pastor, Rev. Albert Sherrill.

—Rev. J. H. Bennett, presiding elder of the North Wilkesboro District, was a welcome caller at the Advocate office on Monday. He makes a fine report for his district in every respect. Particularly gratifying is the fact that more than two hundred have professed conversion and more than one hundred have been received into the church on profession of faith. Every charge in the district has made some increase this year in its estimate for the support of the ministry. Brother Bennett has been diligent in his labors on the district, having preached an average of nearly one sermon a day since he took charge. The preachers are all at their places and doing faithful work.

—Hon. J. A. Long, Roxboro, N. C., died on Monday morning, the 12th inst., after prolonged illness of pneumonia. Mr. Long was an excellent type of Christian gentleman. As a Confederate hero, a wise legislator, successful business leader and generous benefactor, Mr. Long has made a noble record that will be an honor to his commonwealth. Mr. Long was a loyal and influential member of the Methodist church, a trustee of Trinity College and chairman of the Board of Trustees of Greensboro College for Women. His death is greatly lamented both at Roxboro and throughout the state. The funeral took place at Roxboro on Tuesday afternoon. Rev. Dr. S. B. Turrentine, Rev. W. M. Curtis and Mr. C. H. Ireland were in attendance, representing Greensboro College for Women.

—At Central church, Asheville, on Easter Sunday, the pastor, Rev. J. H. Barnhardt, received a class of members on profession of faith to the number of fifty-nine, ranging in age from seven years to the age of fifty. These were carefully prepared for church membership by previous decision and instruction meetings. This brings the number of additions on profession of faith in Central church to sixty-nine since Conference. There have been thirty-four received by certificate, making a total of one hundred and three since the first of December.

Randolph Circuit.—Rev. E. N. Crowder, the pastor, writes: "Our quarterly conference and mass meeting which was held at Hopewell 10th and 11th inst., was an interesting occasion. It was well attended. The speeches made by Rev. H. C. Byrum and the laymen were splendid, There were twenty-five of the official members present. While we did not quite reach the goal in the financial report, we made quite an advance and the outlook is good for a fine year. Dr. Weaver, our faithful and fatherly presiding elder, was with us, filling his place well both in pulpit and in the chair.

Davidson Circuit.—Will you please announce in the Advocate that Dr. Frank Siler, our Conference Missionary Secretary, will preach for us on Davidson charge, at Mt. Olivet, third Sunday in April at 11 o'clock a. m.; at Midway same day at 3 p. m., and at Arcadia that night. I am very anxious for all of our people to hear this great preacher. I feel sure that it will do them good. Also I desire to express my thanks to the kind people of Davidson circuit for the generous pounding they gave us last Monday afternoon. They came, fifty or more strong, and brought so many good things for us. We thank them all and feel greatly encouraged. The more we see and know of the good people the more we love them. I have worked hard to put the Advocate in as many homes as possible, and I can see that it is doing good already. If it could be placed in every Methodist home on this charge I feel sure that it would mean much for our people, and great things could be done then. I am very anxious to do all the good I can here while I stay.

Pray for us. Sincerely,
T. J. Houck.

Spencer Memorial.—Easter Sunday was a great day in North Charlotte Methodism. That "He is risen" was evidenced by the reception of thirty-nine converts into the church. Of this number eighteen were children, sixteen of whom were baptized. The new and beautiful appropriate children's ceremonies were used. Immediately following these solemn rites fifteen adults were baptized, and twenty-one were taken into the communion. In order to make room for these four services the sermon was dispensed with. A class of ten children is ready for reception on next Sunday.

This is the tangible result of our meeting which began on the 14th of March and was concluded on the 28th. A conservative estimate of the number of professions is one hundred. Of this number something like sixty have been received into the Presbyterian, Baptist and Methodist churches.

Brother J. H. Bradley assisted through nine days. He is a man of unusual evangelistic talent. He preached with great power. Many were under deep conviction from the first service. We are fortunate in having in the Presbyterian minister, Brother Frank Wardlaw, a man with whom it is a pleasure and a privilege to work. He gave himself with abandon to the services. His leadership in the singing was an invaluable factor in the success of the meeting. Brother Bradley could not be with us longer than Tuesday of the second week, consequently Brother Wardlaw alternated with the pastor through the remainder of the week.

The revival is generally said to be the greatest in the history of this church. It was needed. Out of a population of at least two thousand, not more than four hundred are members of the three churches of the community.

During the current year twelve have been received by letter, and forty-four on profession of faith. W. B. West.

Hot Springs and Marshall—Dear Advocate: I will thank you for a short space in your paper in which to give the brief of what I would like to say. I have been but a short while in the Western North Carolina Conference, but the while has been a pleasant one, and I begin to feel already that my home is not among strangers. We reached Marshall on December 5th, having journeyed 400 miles, and looked for the first time upon the beautiful mountain village where we were to reside as pastor of the Methodist church. On the following Monday we continued our way to Hot Springs, and there we were charmed again with the place and scenery. Mountains were never more beautiful than these along the French Broad.

A few days later we were invited to Asheville, where we met the presiding elder and preachers of the Asheville District in conference at Haywood Street church. This company of noble men did not look upon us as strangers,

but took us in as one among them; and after a pleasant visit at the home of Brother E. M. Hoyle we returned to our new charge, where we received a hearty welcome by the people.

The pastors of Marshall were soon to see us, and the people began at once to let us know that we were not strangers, but citizens of their town. We have known all the while that the people felt kindly toward us, but we did not know the fullness of their feelings until a few weeks ago when we began to keep house. This gave them a chance to express themselves.On the day we moved into our home we were showered with such good things as jars of preserves, fruits, etc., butter and all such things as make housekeeping easy and a joy. Nothing touches a pastor's heart quicker or deeper than these love tokens from his people. We have received these good things every day almost, until we feel that we have been daily pounded. This however, did not seem to satisfy the people of Marshall and the end was not yet. Last night, not long after dark, we heard the tramping as of many, and the crowd began to pour in, and kept coming until the house would not hold them. Such a pounding we have not had in years—flour, sugar, coffee, eggs. lard, meal, canned fruits, preserves, jellies, jams, cereals. footwear, and many other things too numerous to mention. Best of all the crowd represented the town, Methodists, Presbyterians, Baptists, and everybody were in attendance bearing their burdens of good things and rejoicing together as one great family. I would rather have had that company of people in my home last night than to own the wealth of New York, and I would rather own those packages, coming as they did, than to own the richest empire on earth. I would rather have the love of a people than to have the millions of the world. We feel at home more than ever now, and are praying that we may give the people the gospel, while they are feeding our physical bodies.

May God bless the good people of Marshall, and richly reward them for their kindly deeds! Hot Springs, too, has not been slow in sending us good things, whenever they have had the opportunity. Not living there, we are not convenient to them as we are to the people here.

May God bless the Western North Carolina Conference, people and preachers, and may the people and preachers so love one another, and God too, as that they will labor together for the salvation of the lost! W. L. Rexford.

Preachers Should Visit Schools

Go to the school a little before the hour for their daily worship. The hearts of the teachers will be stirred when they hear you praying for them and their great work. Boys and girls will be impressed for good as they hear you praying for them and their parents. Parents will be made glad when they learn you are so much interested in their children.

Brother preacher, here is a great field for you.
Greensboro, N. C. A. D. Betts.

Missionary Notes from Field Secretary

Forest City, J. A. Bowles, P. C.—$184.00, Conference Mission Special. J. H. Thomas, $20.00; Miss Katherine Young, $40.00; G. C. King, $60.00; Harris Hdw. Co., $6.00; H. B. Doggett, $5.00; J. F. Alexander, $10.50; E. N. Washburn, $10.00, and others.

Cliffside, H. L. Powell, P. C.—$162.00, Conference Mission Special. E. H. Martin, $10.00; J. R. Shull, $100.00; R. R. Haynes, $50.00, and others.

Henrietta and Caroleen, Mark B. Clegg, P. C.—$67.00, Conference Mission Special. A. S. Tanner, $10.00; P. E. Rollins, $10.00; W. E. Owens, $10.00; G. W. Rollins, $5.00; R. D. Hicks, $20.00; J. M. Lumley, $8.00, and others.

Rutherfordton, Albert Sherrill, P. C.—$121.50, Conference Mission Special; $5.00, Foreign Mission Special. C. E. Tanner, $20.00; K. J. Carpenter, $5.00; J. C. Mills, $10.00; J. C. Cowan, $5.00; J. D. Hull, $20.00; D. F. Morrow, $5.00; W. J. Mode, $20.00; C. F. Cline, $20.00, and others.

Old Fort, J. L. Smith, P. C.—$80.00, Conference Mission Special. J. N. Nesbitt, $8.00; C. F. Noblitt, $20.00; S. M. Hoffman, $20.00; W. H. Bergen, $20.00; F. A. Keefe, $10.00, and others.

Glen Alpine, A. C. Swafford, P. C.—$34.00, Conference Mission Special. W. N. Hennessee, $10.00; J. D. Pitts, $20.00, and others.

Morganton, E. E. Williamson, P. C.—$586.00, Conference Mission Special. T. L. Hemphill, $20.00; J. B. Holloway, $25.00; Mrs. J. A. Shuping, $10.00; F. N. Scroggs, $40.00; W. A. Harbison, $20.00; H. F. Payne, $20.00; Mrs. R. F. Goodson, $5.00; Mrs. M. B. Goodwin, $200.00; F. C. Berry, $50.00; J. A. Claywell, $50.00; Mrs. J. T. Perkins, $20.00; J. R. Clodfelter, $40.00; J. F. McGimsey, $10.00; R. M. Kennedy, $5.00; J. M. Mull, $5.00; R. Williams, $20.00; Mrs. S. R. Collett, $10.00; G. Hogan, $10.00; X. H. Cox, $10.00; Mrs. Robert Claywell, $5.00; J. F. Woodward, $5.00, and others.

* * * *

Brother J. A. Claywell, of Morganton, who wrote me a check at his business office for $50.00, is nearing his ninetieth birthday. He is bookkeeper for his business—hardware—and has been for nearly twenty years. A model of neatness these books are. I asked him why he worked. He replied: "I would go down at once if I should cease working." By this he meant physical collapse.

* * * *

Mrs. Goodwin, who subscribed $200.00 and paid her first installment of $50.00. is the wife of a stalwart Baptist who superintends the state's institution at Morganton for the education of the deaf and dumb. She is secretary of the Morganton District Woman's Missionary Society. Her interest in missions. with her liberal contributions. inspired the Morganton church last year to begin the support of a foreign missionary. Her heart is set for the support of a foreign missionary by the Woman's Societies of the Morganton District. I bespeak for her the hearty co-operation of the pastors to whose better support she has made this generous contribution.

Conference Brotherhood

Assessment No. 13.—The following have paid this assessment since my last report: A. W. Plyler, A. L. Latham, E. E. Williamson, J. F. Moser, J. L. Teague, J. C. Mock, N. R. Richardson, J. W. Hoyle, E. B. Troy, J. C. Keever, W. R. Ware, W. V. Honeycutt, G. C. Brinkman, E. W. Fox, C. W. Byrd, R. W. Pickens, J. W. Moore, P. E. Parker, B. M. Jackson, L. D. Thompson, R. M. Taylor, W. B. West, Elmer Simpson, J. B. Tabor, T. C. Jordan, R. G. Tuttle, J. E. Gay, S. E. Richardson, W. M. Boring, P. H. Brittain, D. S. Richardson and W. W. Bays. Total number who have paid this assessment to this date, April 12, is 127.

C. M. Pickens, Sec-Treas.
Spencer, N. C.

Winston District Conference

This is to remind you that the Winston District Conference will meet at Walkertown, eight miles from Winston-Salem, on Tuesday afternoon, April 20, at 2:30 p. m. Trains leave Winston at 6:30 a. m., 2 p. m., 5 p. m.; arrive Walkertown, 6:50 p. m., 2:19 p. m., 5:19 p. m. Trains leave Walkertown at 10:01 a. m., 1:01 p. m. and 9:16 p. m.

In mapping out the business our Presiding Elder, Brother Boyer. has attempted to give the program a tone of spirituality and we hope those attending will be present at the opening service, just after the arrival of the 2:19 p. m. train, at which time the Lord's Supper will be administered, and remain during the whole Conference. Come praying for the Lord's presence and ask your people to pray for the Conference.

Will all the members of the Conference please notify me, not later than Monday, the 19th, on what train they will arrive and in case you find it impossible to attend will you kindly let me know this also? Brother pastor, will you kindly see to this for me?

We would also thank our representative and school men to advise us when they will come and how long they will remain.

We are looking for you and a good spiritual Conference. G. C. Brinkman.
Walkertown, N. C.

OUR CHILDREN'S HOME REPORT

By Walter Thompson, Supt.

Amount Received on Special, General Support and Ten Per Cent. Assessment

C. M. Grier, Macon, Ga.	$ 15.00
Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McCabe, Charlotte	10.00
A friend, Greensboro	5.00
James A. Nading, Winston	10.00
Wilkesboro & Roaring River Church, Wilkesboro, Rev. Otto J. Jones	4.70
Mrs. C. E. Plumly, Winston	2.50
Westford Church, Concord, R. L. Forbis	10.00
Central Church, Albemarle, W. F. Snuggs	20.00
Bald Creek Chg., Bald Creek, Rev Joseph Fry	5.00
Linwood Chg., Lexington, Rev. J. W. Ingle	5.00
Catawba Ct, Catawba, Rev. A. G. Loftin	8.66
C. M. Edwards, High Point	15.00
Alexander Ct., Taylorsville, Robt. L. Snow	53.68
Creston Charge, Creston, Rev. J. I. Hickman	4.71
Ladies' Aid Society of M. E. Church, Henrietta, Mrs. P. E. Rallins	20.00
Micaville, Rev. Robt. F. Mock	8.00
Race St. Church, Statesville, Rev. C. M. Campbell	18.75
Central Church, Concord, Rev. M. F. Moores	70.00
Turnersburg Church, Iredell Circuit, Turnersburg, L. C. Steele	1.00
Statesville Ct., Statesville, C. L. McCain	35.00
S. Main St. Church, Salisbury, S. T. Coburn	20.00
Leaksville, Rev. A. L. Aycock	50.00
W. Hickory & Bethel, Hickory, Rev. E. O. Smithdeal	10.00
Murphy Sta., Murphy, Rev. Ira Erwin	30.25
First Methodist Church, Salisbury, Rev. John W. Moore	70.50
Fairview Ct., Brickton, Miss Junie Lou McDowell	12.20
Belwood Chg., Belwood, Rev. J. F. Moser	6.30
M. E. Church, Black Mountain, Rev. Robt. L. Ferguson	38.00
Main St. M. E. Church, Gastonia, Jno. L. Beal	50.00
Hendersonville Sta., Hendersonville, Rev. W. F. Womble	14.35
Central Church, Shelby, Geo. A. Hoyle	50.00
Centenary Church, Winston, Z. T. Bynum	63.20
Woodleaf Chg., Woodleaf, Rev. J. W. Kennedy	30.00
West Market St. Church, Greensboro, L. M. Johnson	75.23
Pilot Mountain, Rev. R. L. Doggett	2.95
Gibsonville Chg., Gibsonville, Rev. W. S. Hales	9.00
China Grove M. E. Church, China Grove, J. N. Dayvault	8.75
Polkville Ct., Lattimore, Rev. J. P. Davis	3.00
Crabtree, Rev. E. M. Avett	2.00
St. Paul & Naomia, Randleman, Rev. G. H. Christenberry	10.00
Bethel S. S., Franklin Ct., Cullasaja, A. W. Jacobs	3.08
Davidson Chg., Lexington, Rev. T. J. Houck	15.77
Mocksville Chg., Mocksville, Z. N. Anderson	47.02
Trinity M. E. Church, Charlotte, A. G. Craig	38.27
Lenoir Sta., Lenoir, Rev. Z. E. Barnhardt	50.00
Delta Alpha Class, Winston, Miss Mary O. Cooper	50.00
Ansonville, Rev. L. L. Smith	10.21
Morganton Sta., Morganton, E. B. Claywell	40.00
Central S. S., Asheville, Rev. J. H. Barnhardt	75.77
C. B. Brinkley, Winston	5.00
Dobson Ct., Pleasant Ridge church, Dobson, Rev. J. G. W. Holloway	4.50
Total	$1,217.35

Building Fund

A friend	$ 1.00
A friend	1.00
Mrs. Julia A. Suttle, Lincolnton	50.00
Mrs. S. S. Moore, Spencer	10.00
Prof. H. L. King, Asheville	5.00
Dr. F. L. Siler, Franklin	5.00
V. A. J. Idol, High Point	5.00
Mrs. Will P. Kiger, Mount Airy	5.00
Peacock Philathea Class, High Point, Miss Lillian Massey	30.00
Total	$112.75

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

PRAYER

More things are wrought by prayer
Than this world dreams of. Wherefore let thy voice
Rise like a fountain for me night and day.
For what are men better than sheep and goats,
That nourish a blind life within the brain,
If, knowing, they lift not hands at prayer,
Both for themselves and those who call them friend?
For so the whole round earth is every way
Bound by gold chains about the feet of God.

—Alfred Tennyson.

NOTICE OF DISTRICT MEETINGS

Winston District

The Annual Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Societies of the Winston District will be held at West End church, Winston-Salem, N. C., April 30 to May 1, beginning with an afternoon session on April 30th. We are fortunate in being able to have with us Miss Leila Judson Tuttle of McTyeire School, Shanghai, China.

Each auxiliary may appoint two delegates but plans are made to entertain all who may wish to come and we earnestly hope for a full representation from each society, Adult, Young People and Junior Division, on the District.

Asheville District

On Tuesday and Wednesday, May 4-5, the annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Societies of the Asheville District will be held at Haywood St. church, Asheville, N. C. It is earnestly desired that each society on the District, Adult, Young People's and Junior, will send representatives to this meeting and those churches within the bounds of the District that have not yet organized are invited to send representatives.

It is hoped that Miss Leila Tuttle will be with us as well as several of our Conference officers.

Mrs. V. L Stone, Dist. Sec.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Our workers will please note the change in the address of Mrs. W. R. Harris, Supt. of Mission Study and Publicity and Editor of the Woman's Page in this paper, from 48 French Broad Avenue, to 87 Starnes Avenue, Asheville, N. C.

COUNCIL OF WOMEN FOR HOME MISSIONS

600 Lexington Avenue, New York City

A former appeal for information from interdenominational organizations practically interested in work among immigrants, brought nearly one hundred gratifying responses.

Our sub-committee on Teaching English to New Americans is most anxious to come in touch with those who, in all sections of the country, are persuing such lines of service.

Should this notice reach local Federations that have not as yet reported to us, we would greatly appreciate a communication from them.

Mrs. P. M. Rossman,
Chairman Home Mission Interests Among Immigrants, 203 West 85th St., New York City.

MEETING OF DISTRICT SECRETARIES AT CHARLOTTE

January 29th, 1915

At the Annual Meeting of 1914 the District Secretaries resolved to meet each year just before the convening of the Woman's Missionary Society and at the same place to discuss plans for greater efficiency in their department of the work. In accordance with the decision Mrs. V. L. Stone, the chairman, called a meeting in Charlotte, January 29th, 1915, at 3:30 p. m. The interest in the meeting was increased on the receipt of an invitation to hold this at her elegant home from Mrs. W. W. Hagood. All the district secretaries present at the Conference assembled there and met a most gracious welcome. We were grieved to know that our chairman was not present because of bereavement in her family. Mrs. Hagood was chosen chairman. Then followed a cordial interchange of opinions and experiences. Some of the subjects discussed were: "How to Secure Prompt Reports;" "How to Secure Good Attendance at District Meetings;" "How to Make our District Meetings Interesting;" "How to Secure Best Results from Our Literature;" "How to Interest the Disinterested Women;" "A Sure Way to Raise the Pledge." These discussions proved helpful and suggestive and occupied the full afternoon.

At the close Mrs. Hagood invited the whole party, with Mrs. Beaver, former District Secretary, and Mrs. Johnson, house guest of Mrs. Hagood, to an elaborate course dinner elegantly and beautifully served. The whole occasion promoted the spirit of comradeship and more closely welded the "blest tie that binds our hearts in Christian love." It was a historic occasion and the beginning of a new source of strength in our organization.

Mrs. Hagood announced her intention of resigning her office as she had been district secretary eighteen years. Everybody will regret to give her up. Her zeal, efficiency, cheerfulness, kindliness, ability to secure co-operation from others, her loving service and general wholesomeness are known to all. We know, however, that she will only change the kind of service she renders.

Mrs. M. M. Courtney,
Secretary.

From the Pacific Methodist Advocate of April last we quote the following:

"Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Dunham, prominent lay-workers in the Western North Carolina Conference, of Asheville, N. C., were among our visitors during the past week. In fact, they are doing what all good Southern Methodists should do, making themselves at home with us while visiting the Exposition. Mrs. Dunham is Conference Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Society, and is seeking to learn all she can about the work in the West. Of course, they asked how to find our own church and also inquired for and looked over their own Conference organ. We are delighted to have such intelligent and loyal Southern Methodists come in contact with our work in the West."

REPORT OF SALISBURY DISTRICT MEETING

By Mrs. Jas. F. Shinn

The Concord Evening Tribune has the following to say of the recent meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Salisbury District:

"The District Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Societies convened in Forest Hill Methodist church at 9 o'clock, Friday night. After devotional exercises, led by Rev. M. T. Smathers, the pastor, Mrs. C. M. Bobbitt, of Spencer, took charge of the program. The address of welcome in behalf of the local society was delivered by Mrs. James C. Fink, to which Mrs. Bobbitt very fittingly responded. Miss Minnie Utley then welcomed the visitors for the Young People's Society and the response was given by Master Franklin Shinn, of Norwood.

These preliminaries were followed by Rev. E. K. McLarty, D. D., of Charlotte, who delivered a strong and forceful sermon on the appropriate subject of "Who is This Christ? Whose Son is He?" The full missionary spirit was crystallized in this happy effort in portraying the Christ as a man without a country and therefore entitled to a home in the most benighted heathen parish as in our own fair country. The speaker pictured the world rising to greet its human celebrities, were they each to return today, but before the glorious coming of the Son of Man, humanity would fall upon its knees to worship. It is the gospel of this saving power the great missionary movement is striving to send to a lost world."

It naturally follows with such an auspicious opening the District Meeting was a success. The Tribune's modest correspondent omitted a few details however which should be reported. Mention should be made of the flowers which under the skilful direction of Mrs. J. C. Fink, greeted each visitor cheerfully and lent a brightness to the entire occasion. At the close of Dr. McLarty's stirring address all were invited to a delightful reception which the ladies of Forest Hill had arranged in honor of the Conference and in the enjoyment of the delicacies they had prepared and in social converse the evening came to a pleasant close.

The business session of the next day was presided over by Mrs. Bobbitt who grows wonderfully on the district as leader. Her patience and sweetness under trying conditions and her consecrated example makes her indeed an ideal secretary. It was fortunate also that we had with us at this meeting Miss Terrie Buttrick, who gave us such a splendid talk on Social Service and on the Mexican people. The last was intended for the younger people of the audience, but proved a treat for young and old alike. Another factor which contributed to the success of the Conference was the presence of Mrs. P. N. Peacock, our Conference Treasurer, and Mrs. D. B. Coltrane of Central Concord, N. C. These two able and efficient leaders presented the Woman's work in its different phases and succeeded in making plain to the audience the working plans of the Woman's Council. There was a gratifying attendance from auxiliaries and fine reports. Optimism seemed the dominant note and perseverance the watch-word of the Conference. Two helpful institutes were conducted, one for adults by Mrs. D. B. Coltrane and one for children by Mrs. J. E. Smoot.

Several papers had been prepared and deemed by the Conference of sufficient merit to warrant publication. It is a matter of great regret that the papers of Miss Buttrick and Mrs. Coltrane are not available for this purpose but unfortunately we could not get these special papers.

After encouraging reports to the yearly pledges and the tender of a home for the next meeting of the the Conference at Albemarle the District Meeting closed its books and passed into history as one of the most successful conferences held by our district.

We have several of the splendid papers which were read at this meeting, sent to us by Mrs. J. F. Shinn, and we had hoped to give them all in this issue but want of space forbids, but we will present them at our very earliest opportunity for we want our readers to enjoy them as we have done. (Editor.)

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Mrs. P. H. Hanes

Realizing the irreparable loss that we, the members of the Woman's Missionary Society of Centenary church, have sustained in the passing of our friend and co-worker, Mrs. P. H. Hanes, and whereas, she was always ready in promoting every interest of the church; therefore be it resolved:

First, That while we bow in humble submission to God's decree, yet, we feel deeply our loss and sorrowfully mourn her absence from our society in which she labored so faithfully and untiringly for so many years.

Second, That we rejoice in the belief that her life was one of loyal devotion to her Master, that in death God's sustaining grace was sufficient, that we shall strive to emulate her example and hold her name in fond remembrance.

Third, That we tender to the bereaved family our deep and heartfelt sympathy and commend them to our Heavenly Father who alone can give comfort.

Fourth, That these resolutions be recorded on the minutes of the society, a copy be sent to the family, and that they be published on the woman's page in the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Mrs. Frank Martin,
Mrs. W. P. Hill,
Miss Nora Dodson,
Committee.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Mrs. Lina Dillard Thompson

Whereas, it has pleased God, in His wisdom to remove from the Woman's Missionary Society of Centenary church, one of its most faithful and beloved members, Mrs. Lina Dillard Thompson, being also one of the oldest in years and in service, having been a member of the society since its organization in 1879; we therefore resolve:

1st, That we shall miss her presence and her influence among us, and feel that we have lost a strong and devoted spirit, one who never wavered in her interest and love for the missionary work, giving not only her means but her prayers and her thought for the outflow of the gospel.

2nd. That her life will be an inspiration to all who knew her, as an example of Christian courage and cheerfulness. Through a long and painful illness no murmur escaped her, but with steadfast hope she journeyed to the end with no shadow on the way. "The blesssing of her quiet life
Fell on us like the dew,
And good thoughts where her footsteps pressed
Like fairy blossoms grew."

3rd. That we extend our sympathy to her family in their bereavement. While they shall miss her love and tender sympathy in the home, it should comfort them to know that after long weariness under the hand of pain, she so gently fell asleep, to awake "in the clear morning of that other country, not changed—but glorified."

4th. That we spread a copy of these resolutions upon our minutes, that we send a copy to the family and one to the Woman's Page of the North Carolina Christian dvocate for publication.

Miss Nora A. Dodson,
Mrs. H. W. Barrow,
Mrs. J. K. Norfleet,
Committee.

Winston-Salem, N. C.

RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS

1. We desire, as a body, to express to the people of Concord, and especially to the members of Forest Hill church, our appreciation of the generous hospitality extended to us during this District Conference, for the welcome extended to us on our arrival at the station and for all the courtesies shown us in the homes and at the church.

2. We wish to return special thanks to the choir for its music and faithful attendance; to the pastor of the church for his untiring helpfulness; to Miss Buttrick for her instructive addresses; lastly for the splendid address made to us by Dr. E. K. McLarty.

We feel that the inspiration of these things will go with us to our homes and enable us to do better work through the year.

Mrs. P. N. Peacock,
Mrs. Jno. W. Moore,
Miss Estelle Witchie,
Committee.

27 BIG RE-ROOTED TOMATO PLANTS

the kind that bears the First-Early, Red-Meat Beauties (3 weeks ahead of the season), delivered to you by Post, our risk, for 50 cents. Larger lots cheaper. The big bunches of roots are packed in damp moss, then wrapped in wax paper and will carry a thousand miles. Ask for our New Booklet that tells of vegetable and flowering plants that we grow by the millions.

Wakefield Plant Farm, Charlotte, N. C.

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

DISTRICT SECRETARIES

Asheville
H. E. Walter .....Asheville
Charlotte
Miss Leola Hannon, Box 1056, Charlotte
Winston
F. T. Scarborough ....Winston-Salem
Greensboro
Miss Lillian Massey .....High Point
Morganton
Rev. J. F. Armstrong .....Henrietta
North Wilkesboro
Rev. J. M. Downum .....Boone
Salisbury
Miss Estelle Crowell .....Salisbury
Statesville
Herbert H. Lowry .....Newton
Mount Airy
Rev. A. L. Aycock .....Leaksville
Shelby
Miss Della Nolen .....Gastonia
Waynesville
Miss Margaret Rogers .....Franklin
Superintendent Junior Leagues
Mrs. C. M. Pickens .....Cornelius

MAY 9, ANNIVERSARY DAY

When?—

The second Sunday in May, which is May 9.

Why?—

1. To celebrate the beginning of the League, in May, 1890.

2. To make the work of the Epworth League known to the congregation and to the community.

3. To provide funds for the extension of the Epworth League to churches where there are no Leagues and for increasing the output of free literature for campaign purposes. The offering taken on this occasion is divided equally between the Annual Conference Epworth League and the Central Office.

How?—

1. Order at once of Smith & Lamar a supply of the Anniversay Day Programs, which are ready. Price, $1 a hundred.

2. Call the Council together to make careful plans for a successful celebration.

3. Tell all the members of the League about the approaching anniversary and ask them to lay aside as much as they can for the offering. Announce the occasion to the whole congregation frequently enough to make an impression, and ask all the people to come to the service prepared to make a liberal contribution to the cause.

4. Then prepare thoroughly for the service, using the Anniversary Day Program.

Let every League in our Conference have an Anniversary Meeting. It will do your people good. Let the church people find out what you are doing and what you expect to do in the future. We have before us one of the programs, which is especially good. Order programs at once and begin to learn the songs, if you do not already know them.

Don't forget the Conference at Lake Junaluska this summer. We want a representative from every League and every State Officer to be there. You will enjoy the Conference and the outdoor sports too. Go to the mountains for your vacation.

TOPIC FOR APRIL 18

Singing—"One's Chance to Save;" or "Meeting the Crisis in Another Man's Life."

Scripture references—Acts 16:25-34; Luke 23:42-43; Acts 8:26-40; John 4:1-15-39; Acts 24:24-29; Luke 19:1-10; John 18:29-37.

This is a subject that is before the world now as never before. Personal work can save the world; and nothing else can. Let us get to work in real earnest in this business of saving souls. We have been leaving it mostly to the preachers and Sunday school teachers. It is time we all take a hand. You have more influence over some one person or several persons than your pastor or Sunday school teacher has. One word from you may have more influence than a dozen sermons. Are you willing to speak that word? We are often willing to feel that we do not know just what to say. Let us ask God to help us and to teach us what is best to say and He will guide us. It is hard to know just what to say, but let us try to say something and good will bless our effort. If we can't say anything, a hearty handclasp will often help more than we can imagine. Let us not fail in this great privilege. First let us pray, and pray unceasingly. If we learn to know God through prayer, we will be able to help others to know Him. But we must first know Him as our Saviour, Friend and Brother. If we do not know Him ourselves let us seek him in prayer, so that we may be able to bring others to Him. Make your daily work that of bringing souls closer to God, and you will thereby keep your own soul in close communion with Him.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Setzer, who returned from Africa in January, have a son. We are glad to say that Mrs. Setzer, who was suffering with African fever, is very much better. We hope that she will soon be fully recovered.

ODDS AND ENDS

"The right education of American children is to determine the destiny of this great republic For, 'what you sow in the school you reap in the nation.'"—Bishop Galloway.

* * * *

"Nothing will ever reconcile Christion love to a selfish ordering of life. The element of sacrifice is indispensable; nothing can possibly make amends for its absence."—H. Hensley Henson.

* * * *

"Where is the capacity for heaven to come from, if it be not developed on earth? The discipline of life is a preparation for meeting the Father. When we arrive there to behold his beauty, we must have the educated eye; and that must be trained here."
—Drummond.

* * * *

Do what you can, give what you have. Only stop not with feelings: carry your charity into deeds; do and give what costs you something.—J. H. Thom.

* * * *

Let this be thy whole endeavor, this thy prayer, this thy desire,—that thou mayest be stripped of all selfishness, and with entire simplicity follow Jesus only.—Thoma a Kempis.

* * * *

The kingdom of heaven is not come even when God's will is our law. It is come when God's will is our will. When God's will is our law, we are but a kind of noble slaves. When his will is our will, we are free children.—George Macdonald.

* * * *

The path of duty in this world is not all gloom or sadness or darkness. Like the roads of the South, it is hedged with everbloow pure and white as snow. It is only when we turn to the right hand or the left that we are lacerated by piercing thorns and concealed dangers.

—Rev. James Dinsmoro Kerr.



First Pen, headed by IMPERATOR XXXI and including JERSEY QUEEN XIX and 9 other perfect hens—$5.00 per setting of 15 eggs.

GREATEST LAYERS ON EARTH

And greatest money-makers, for they are easiest to hatch and raise, first to broiler size, first to lay, and cost least for up-keep. Our celebrated WHITE OAK STRAIN Single Comb White Leghorns give you squab broilers in 8 to 9 weeks, lay at 5 to 6 months and from 3 to 4 times as many eggs as an ordinary barn-yard fowl. Get this IMPROVED blood into your yard *at once* and double your profit from poultry next season. Large, handsome, snow-white birds of wonderful vigor, always cackling, never ailing. Bred up for generations by expert breeder of 10 years experience and Life Member of American Poultry Association. Bred to heaviest egg production.—200 to 275 a year not uncommon for this strain.

EGGS FOR HATCHING AND 1,200 BREEDERS FOR SALE

Our mammoth plant near Atlanta, is one of the South's most remarkable Institutions. Supplies hotels, restaurants and fancy grocery trade with big white eggs and delicious broilers, at fancy prices for highest quality. Our finest hens and cocks are reserved for our breeding yards, no pullets being used. This blood has won more blue ribbons and egg contest prizes than all others combined and is thoroughly acclimated to Southern conditions.

HATCHED BY MAY 30th, WILL LAY BY THANKSGIVING

And will avoid the Fall moult. Start your next hen on glass eggs and we will forward setting by return mail, charges prepaid, with guarantee of satisfactory hatch, or another setting free. Many patrons getting 15 chicks from 15 eggs. We are averaging 94% fertility, best incubator hatches and strongest chicks we have ever gotten. Eggs from our finest pen, all prize birds, at $5.00 per setting of 15; from second best pen at $3.00; from other splendid matings at $2.00; charges prepaid, satisfaction guaranteed.

In lots of fifty, all pens included, $6.00; one hundred, $10.00 f. o. b. Atlanta. Elegant breeding stock for sale; cocks and cockerels at $2.50 and up; hens and pullets at $2.00 and up, each. Sold ahead on day-old chix but can furnish trios of broiler size, cockerel and two pullets for $3.00, cockerel and 4 pullets for $5.00, f. o. b. Atlanta. We prepay charges on eggs only within a radius of 1,000 miles. Safely packed in pat. cushion cases and give successful hatches anywhere in U. S. Remit by money order, or add 10c to cover exchange on bank checks.

ADDRESS:

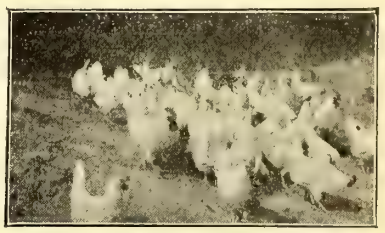
White Oak Poultry Farm, Route 4-F. Atlanta, Ga.



Cockerels like this for $2.50 and up; hens $2.00 and up.



Second Yard, headed by IMPERATOR XXXII and XXXIV, and including hens from JERSEY QUEEN XIX, $3.00 per setting.



Third Yard, headed by SNOW KING I and IV, and including hens from JERSEY QUEEN XXIII, $2.00 per setting of 15 eggs.

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective October 18th, 1914

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester.....Lv.	7 50 a m	----------	----------	----------	4 15 p m
Yorkville.....“	8 36	----------	----------	----------	6 38
Gastonia.....“	9 21!	----------	----------	----------	8 20
Gastonia.....“	9 30	4 30 p m	----------	----------	----------
Lincolnton.....“	10 28	5 40	----------	----------	----------
Newton.....“	11 05	6 44	----------	----------	----------
Hickory.....“	12 05 p m	7 30	12 05 p m	6 45 a m	----------
Lenoir.....“	1 08	8 50	1 08	8 07	----------
Lenoir.....“	2 00x	----------	----------	----------	----------
Mortimer.....“	4 09	----------	----------	----------	----------
Edgemont.....Ar.	4 35	----------	----------	----------	----------
Southbound	**NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only**	**NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.**
Edgemont.....Lv.	9 00 a m	----------	----------	----------	----------
Mortimer.....“	9 10	----------	----------	----------	----------
Lenoir.....“	11 20!	----------	----------	----------	----------
Lenoir.....“	1 35 p m	7 00 a m	8 15 a m	1 10 p m	----------
Hickory.....“	2 35	8 15	9 12	3 20	----------
Newton.....“	3 05	9 00	----------	----------	----------
Lincolnton.....“	3 43	9 51	----------	----------	----------
Gastonia.....“	4 30	11 23	----------	----------	----------
Gastonia.....“	5 05x	----------	----------	----------	11 50 a m
Yorkville.....“	5 54	----------	----------	----------	1 24
Chester.....Ar.	6 40	----------	----------	----------	3 10 p m

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. **CHESTER, S. C.**

GREENSBORO NURSERIES

AGENTS WANTED

For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.

JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.



FURS AND PLUMES

Regain all their beautiful softness and brilliance under our modern dry cleaning processes. These are articles that can be properly dry cleaned or dyed only by experts. You can safely trust them with us. To prove the superior quality of our work, we will dry clean one plume for you **free.** Box it carefully, enclose postage for return, put your name and address on the outside; mark the package "Free Offer." We will return it promptly.

We Clean Your Garments far more thoroughly than any pressing club can, and the work is incomparably more satisfactory. Now $25,000 plant; latest improved machinery; most skilled operators. Prompt parcel post delivery. Ask for our booklet and prices. Agents wanted everywhere, write for terms. References: Any bank or business man in Greensboro.

COLUMBIA LAUNDRY CO., 101 Fayetteville St., GREENSBORO, N. C.

Dry Cleaners, Dyers and Launderers

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.....E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg...W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller.....C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg., M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.....J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg...J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.....G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.....A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel...J. W. Ligon

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER

Since the passing of the Easter season the National Capital has been unusually quiet and the weather has been everything that could be desired, although warm enough to be one month later.

On the 27th ultimo in this city President Wilson laid the cornerstone of the first memorial to the heroism of the American women. It is to face the White House grounds, built of white marble and designed somewhat on the plan of the executive mansion. It will cost $800,000, the amount secured equally from Congress and the National Red Cross Society.

At our recent Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, held in this city, strong resolutions were unanimously passed urging for total prohibition for the District of Columbia and eventually for national prohibition.

The Rev. Dr. W. F. McMurry, of Louisville, was the speaker at last night's session of the Conference, his address dealing with the work of the general board for church extension, of which he is chairman.

The board has been in existence for thirty-two years and during that time it has assisted in the construction of 8,994 churches, an average of five and a half church buildings a week for the entire period. The board has recently created a loan fund to aid in the erection of new churches, and this fund now contains $750,000. Before the meeting of the next Conference Dr. McMurry expects the amount to have passed the million mark.

"The growth of Christianity depends largely on the construction of church buildings," said Dr. McMurry. "The church house is the greatest institution in every community. Court houses, jails and other buildings are more or less necessary, but the money spent in churches goes ten times as far in the way of uplifting the community.

"When I ask a man to contribute to the erection of a church and he accedes, he is also enhancing the value of every piece of property in that community. Values necessarily increase when the church comes, insuring the cessation of lawlessness.

"When you hear a man say that the churches are 'petering out,' tell him that you know of a church that is not—that it is the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and then refer him to our record of church construction. The great victory for prohibition scored in Virginia last fall is largely attributable to our department. How far would that fight have gone without the church house?"

The wife of your correspondent was called to Lake Junaluska, our Western North Carolina Methodist Assembly Grounds, on account of the illness of her mother, who passed away on Wednesday, April 7, within a few minutes after her arrival. She was in the 83rd year of her life and was the widow of the late Rev. James R. Long, who for 51 years was a faithful Methodist preacher, and at one time president and principal owner of the Asheville Female College, and who was a constant reader and subscriber to both the Greensboro and Nashville Advocates as was the widow.

In this city last night occurred the death of another aged and saintly widow of a Methodist preacher, who is also well known to many of your readers, wife of the late Wm. A. Munsey, evangelist of the Holston Conference of many years ago. After a brief funeral service by her pastor, Rev. Dr. Prettyman, Chaplain of the Senate, thi sevening the children left at once with her remains for burial at Jonesboro, Tenn.

W. F. Tomlinson.

The Hillside, April 9.

HOLMAN BIBLES

Durable Flexible Bindings — THE BEST EDITIONS OF THE WORLD'S BEST BOOK — Will not Break in the Back

HOLMAN BIBLES

FOR CHILDREN
PICTORIAL BIBLES WITH HELPS



Size 5⅜ x 3½ inches.

The text is self-pronouncing, by the aid of which children can learn to pronounce the difficult Scripture proper names.

Specimen of Type.

WHOSOEVER believeth that Jē'sus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him

With beautiful photo views of scenes in Bible lands distributed throughout the text. Also maps of Bible lands in colors. Also new Practical Helps to Bible Study, especially designed for instructing children in scriptural information.

No. 91. French Seal Leather, overlapping covers, round corners, gold edges, gold titles.
Publishers Price $1.30 Our Price--Post Paid, $1.00

COLORED PICTURE EDITION
Portraying in natural colors, scenes and places taken from nature and life in the Holy Land.

No. 92. Same as **No. 91,** but with **Beautifully Colored Pictures**
Publishers' Price $1.50 Our Price--Post Paid, $1.20

FOR ADULTS, TEACHERS AND PREACHERS



and all who would study the Word of God intelligently this edition is unsurpassed. The type is large, clear Bourgeois, Self-Pronouncing, with liberal space between the words and lines, which makes it easy to read.

Size 8 x 5½ inches.

Specimen of Type.

¶ m From that time Jē'sus to preach, and to say, n Repe the kingdom of heaven is

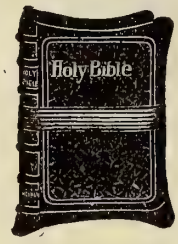
Containing **New Copyrighted Helps** by Rev. F. N. PELOUBET, D. D. a Treasury of Biblical Information, practical comparative concordance, Oriental Light on the Bible, Four Thousand Questions and Answers, New Colored Maps.

No. 47. Divinity Circuit Teachers' Bible, French Seal Leather, red under gold edges, Silk Head bands and Silk Marker,
Publishers' Price $2,70 Our Price--Post Paid, $2.25

No. 81. RL. Red Letter Teachers' Bible. The Words of Christ in the New Testament, Old Testament Passages Alluded to by Christ, Various Prophecies Relating to Christ in the Old Testament, etc., all **PRINTED IN RED.** Binding same as described above and same large Self-Pronouncing type.
Publishers' Price $3.20 Our Price--Post Paid, $2.70

No. 73X. Holman India Paper, Genuine Morocco, Leather Lined, Silk Sewed, Divinity Circuit, round corners, carmine under gold edges, silk head bands and silk marker, same type and Helps as above.
Publishers' Price $7.75 Our Price-.Post Paid, $5.00

FOR INTERMEDIATE S. S. SCHOLARS



Large Clear Black Type, Self-Pronouncing, containing Helps to Bible Study, 4000 Questions and Answers, Maps in Colors, and Presentation Page. A Beautiful Gift Bible.

Specimen of Type.

22 And the prophet Is'ra-el, and said unto thyself, and mark, and for at the return of t

Size 7 x 5 inches.

No. 21. Divinity Circuit Style, Bound in French Seal Leather, round corners, red under gold edges, with silk head bands and purple silk marker, gold titles, etc.
Publishers' Price $1.60 Our Price--Post Paid, $1.35

No. 22. RL. Red Letter Scholars' Bible, same Bible as **No. 215.** with all the Sayings of Christ printed in Red, and with Red and gold INLAID FANEL SIDE TITLES, also **Beautifully Colored Pictures,**
Publishers' Price $2.10 Our Price--Post Paid, $1.75

FOR OLD FOLKS and THE HOME



Printed from large Clear Pica Type, with Marginal References, Family Record and Maps. This **HOME BIBLE** is new and very desirable for every day use, containing all the advantages of a Family Bible in a conpact size that can be easily handled, with Record for Births, Marriages and Deaths. The best Bible obtainable for old folks who need extra large clear print and a light-weight book.

No. 2014. Durably Bound in French Seal Leather, full flexible covers, round corners, red under gold edges, silk head bands and silk marker, gold titles.
Publishers' Price $3.00 Our Price--Post Paid, $2.35

SEND ALL ORDERS TO

CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

TRINITY COLLEGE NOTES

Visitors to Durham always find the Trinity Campus an interesting place. A visitor from a distant city while spending a short time in Durham recently was impressed among other things with the words inscribed on the sun dial in front of Craven Memorial Hall, and later, in writing President Few, asked about the inscription and for permission to use the sentiment in an educational address which he is to deliver at the Panama-Pacific Exposition in May. President Few was glad to furnissh the visitor with the following information:

The Trinity College Library is tne gift of Mr. James B. Duke, of New York. At the dedication of the building, Hon. Walter H. Page, an alumnus of the College and now Ambassador from the United States to the Court of Saint James, made the dedicatory address. Just before leaving New York for Durham, Mr. Page called on Mr. Duke and enquired if he wished to send any message. "Tell them every man to think for himself" was the philantropist's reply, and this was the message which Mr. Page gave to the large audience present when the magnificent library was formally dedicated. Soon afterwards the class of 1894 presented to the college the sun dial and desired to inscribe on this dial the words which Mr. Duke expressed to Mr. Page, when the latter dedicated the library. And it was these words which the visitor here was so much impressed with and which he wished to use in an address on the Pacific coast next month.

* * * *

Invitations to the marriage of Mr. Angier B. Duke to Miss Cordelia Biddle, of Philadelphia, have been received in the college community. Mr. Duke is a loyal alumnus of Trinity College, a member of the class of 1905, and son of Mr. Benjamine N. Duke, one of Trinity's most generous benefactors. He is also a trustee of the college, having been elected in June, 1913, to represent the alumni. While in college Mr. Duke was manager of the baseball team in his senior year and throughout his entire college career closely identified with student activities.

* * * *

The snow and wind storm which visited this community last Friday and Saturday demoralized traffic in the city and left both town and college campus in darkness for a time. Luckily for the college, which maintains its own power plant for just such emergencies, the campus was in the dark for one night only. One of the nearby towers of the Southern Power Company, from which the college receives its electric light, fell under the forc of the snow and wind and the powe for the college community was shut of A similar condition existed in the cit also, where electric light and telephon poles and wires were cut down an out of working order. The fact tha the entire electric wiring for the co lege is underground saved considerabl inconvenience and danger. As soon a the power from the usual source c supply for the campus was cut off, th college shifted to its own plant an light conditions became normal imm diately.

* * * *

The 9019, a local patriotic and scho arship society, is planning a celebra tion of the twenty-fifth anniversary c the founding of the organization, an the meeting is to be held at the con mencement in June, following the ex ercises in Craven Memorial Hall Tue day evening. It is planned that th oldest member of the organization ac as toastmaster on that occasion. Con mittees from the local student mem bership have been appointed to notif the non-resident members of the cel bration and to provide a program fo the occasion which shows promise c being a feature of commencement thi year.

* * * *

At a recent meeting of the goverr ing board of The Chanticleer, the co lege annual, G. W. H. Britt, of th Junior Class, was elected editor-i chief, with J. H. Burrus as associat editor, and R. M. Johnston busines manager of the publication for ne

year. These men have already had considerable experience in assisting with the work of the annual and are qualified to continue its success.

* * * *

Bishop John C. Kilgo returned last week from Atlanta where he had been on business, and left Wednesday for Texas where he has engagements for several weeks.

* * * *

Prof. E. C. Brooks, of the department of education, has an engagement to address the teachers' assembly of Tennessee in Memphis next week.

* * * *

Professor R. L. Flowers, secretary of the corporation and professor of mathematics, addressed the students of Trinity Park School last Friday on "Waste of Time and Efficiency." This was the sixth of a series of Friday morning lectures and addresses which Headmaster Peele has been providing for his students this year.

* * * *

Several former students were visitors on the campus during the Easter Recess.

* * * *

At the annual meeting of the North Carolina Library Association in Raleigh last week, Mr. J. P. Breedlove, college librarian, gave a discussion on "Reference Work," and Miss Eva Malone, assistant librarian, discussed "Some Problems of Cataloguing in College Libraries." Miss Malone was elected second vice president of the association.

THE SWISS BELL RINGERS COMING TO GREENSBORO

The concert given last night by the Swiss Bell Ringers at the Parish hall was conceded by all present to be the best of its kind ever given in this city. From the first number to the wonderful pipe organ imitations, which closed the varied program, the audience was held enraptured by the sweet melodies, both old and new, drawn from a most curious collection of musical instruments, by skilled performers.—North Adams (Mass.) Transcript.

This company will appear at West Market Street church Friday, April 23.

SWISS BELL RINGERS

The famous Swiss Bell Ringers gave two very pleasing concerts yesterday afternoon and evening at the M. E. church North for the benefit of the Ladies' Aid Society. Each member of the company proved to be an artist in their especial line of work, and the varied programme used demonstrated the wonderful talent of this company. The Ladies' Aid were well pleased with the result and hope to have this company for a return date. —Chattanooga (Tenn.) Times.

The Swiss Bell Ringers will give two concerts in West Market Street Church Friday afternoon and evening, April 23, under the auspices of the Sunday school and Baraca class.

INCREASE OF $110,853.56

At the close of the last fiscal year, March 31st, 1914, the Loan Fund Capital of the Board of Church Extension was $560,582.63. There has been contributed this year to this fund $103,170.47. Interest collected from outstanding loans, less all charges against interest, and added to the principal, $7,683.09. The present Loan Fund Capital of the Board, therefore, is $671,436.19, which is an increase for the year of $110,853.56.

W. F. McMurry, Cor. Sec.

A CHILD'S QUESTION

Two little girls were coming home from Sunday school, and during their walk they talked of what their teacher had said. It was about "coming to Jesus." The more they talked the more perplexed they became, but on reaching their home they at once went to their mother, and this is a part of the conversation which took place:

"Mamma, our teacher told us today that we must come to Jesus if we want to be saved. But how can I come to Him if I cannot see Him?"

"Did you ask me to get you a drink of water last night?" replied the mother.

"Yes, mamma."

"Did you see me when you asked me."

"No; but I knew that you would hear me and get it for me."

"Well, that is just the way to come to Jesus. We cannot see him, but we know that He is near us and hears every word we say, and that He will get us what we need."—Exchange.

DISILLUSIONED

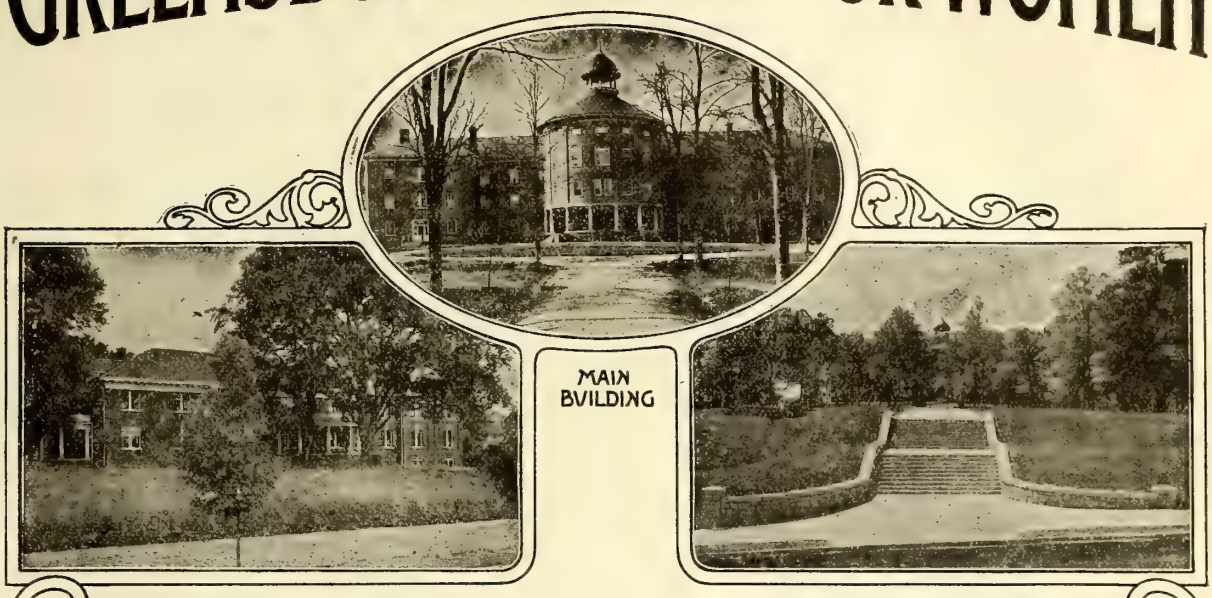
It has been well said that the present war has destroyed two political illusions: the one that the losses of war are so great that the bankers and capitalists would prevent it through refusal of loans; and the other that the socialists would prevent war by refusing to take up arms in aid of their government. There seems to have been no lack of money in the present war, and the bankers have had less influence than was expected. Neither have the theories of socialism exerted any influence, one way or the other, in the present war.—Journal and Messenger.

DENOMINATIONAL SCHOOLS

The denominational colleges of the country have by far yielded the largest number and proportion of candidates for the ministry. . . . One investigation made a few years ago revealed the fact that in the eleven leading theological seminaries of the United States, representing six denominations, 96 students came from state institutions and 1,077 from denominational colleges. That is, eight per cent. came from state institutions and 92 per cent. came from church colleges. Another very recent investigation shows that of 1,821 college graduates in leading theological seminaries, 114 came from state institutions and 1,707 from denominational colleges—six per cent. and 94 per cent., respectively.—John R. Mott.

He who is more anxious to be right than happy will some day be both, and he who is more anxious to be happy than right will soon be neither. —Thomas H. Nelson.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY—FITZGERALD HALL

ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

The Sunday School Lesson

LESSON III—APRIL 18

THE SHEPHERD PSALM
Psalm 23

Golden Text—Jehovah is my shepherd. Psa. 23. 1.

Notes by Dr. and Mrs. Camden M. Cobern

"The Nightingale of the Psalms"

To say much about this psalm is to spoil it. It is a perfect gem of poetry and Oriental symbolism, and every reader gets the spiritual meaning. It has well been called, "The Heart's Echo to the Speech of God, the manifold music of its wind-swept strings as God's breath sweeps across them." We could better spare all the great libraries of the world rather than this sweet pastoral, which has filled the air of the world with joy for more than twenty-five centuries. David may not have written it, yet Jewish tradition is unanimous in thinking of the shepherd king as its author. There is nothing inconsistent with this tradition, and the Hebrews who knew most about their ancient past are less likely to be wrong in such a historic memory than scholars who live so many centuries after the time when the Jewish prophets made these literary decisions. To this very day, it is said, this is the psalm which the orthodox Jews repeat after they sit down to meat.

The Acts of This Idyllic Pastoral

Act 1.—The Divine Shepherd leads his contented flock through the verdant fields and beautiful flowers of the Palestine plains. The flock eat their fill of the green and luscious grass during the morning hours, and then lie down in abundant pastures to rest. They have had so much to eat they can eat no more.

Act 2.—The noontide sun blazes fiercely upon the lambs of the flock, but the shepherd leads them to the quiet brook or the still waters of the well, and with his own hand draws for them cool and living waters that restore their spirits, and fit them for the remainder of the journey. They may try to wander, some of them through ignorance or heedlessness or willfulness, but he draws them back into "paths that are straight." His honor is pledged to do this. His name as a good shepherd depends on the way he cares for his sheep.

Act 3.—In the dusk of the afternoon, the flock passes through a dangerous defile where the overhanging cliffs threaten the flock with the gloom of night. Poisonous snakes lurk under their feet and wolves and hyenas skulk in the bushes, looking at the weaker sheep and lambs with hungry eyes; but the shepherd beats away the serpents with his rod, stamping and striking a safe path for the sheep who follow him, while the strokes of his club scare off the wild beasts who have made their lairs in this valley of gloom.

Act 4.—The sheep are seen entering the valley of gloom and death, but it is the good man who is seen coming out on the other side of the valley It is the man who has been cared for by the Divine Shepherd all his ife, and who has gone down into the valley of death, but who has not died. He has come out alive on the other side. He has feared no evil. The shepherd's rod has kept the enemies away, and the shepherd's staff has kept him in the straight path, and he finds himself on the other side of the valley of death without being hurt. Perhaps the Divine Shepherd has carried him in his arms part of the way; at any rate, he is not only alive now, but well. He needs no medicine. He was sick unto death a little while ago, and all his friends were sorrowing for him, and he was too weak to eat and too weak to talk. But he can eat now. We see him sitting at a banquet. His head is anointed with oil, as an honored guest. The best bounties of the King's table are before him, and the cup of joy from the royal vineyard is filled to the brim. His enemies are all conquered. They have been captured and are beneath the table, watching for the crumbs that fall from the victor's plate. People thought this man had been killed not long ago, and that his life was ended; but he is very much alive, as he eats and drinks in the palace of Jehovah. His life was not ended when he passed through the valley of the shadow of death. That was really the beginning, for he is now singing exultantly: "Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life."

Some Oriental and Practical Suggestions

No flock of sheep in the Orient is ever supposed to be left without a shepherd.

1. The good shepherd knows his sheep. He has set his mark on each one of them, or knows them by some peculiarity. He counts them every night, and if one is absent seeks for it until he finds it or is assured that it has been destroyed. If he finds it, he calls his own family and all the neighbors to the feast. Each day he judges what is best for the flock. He selects their food and their path, and in time of danger, battles away all enemies. Sometimes a man at night seeks to creep into the fold, or during the day creep into the flock covering himself with a sheep-skin; but though this thief can deceive the sheep, he cannot deceive the good shepherd. Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, as well as David, were shepherds, often sleeping at night across the door of the fold, with their heavy rods by their sides. They could understand better than we the absolute rest and quietness and perfect security which the sheep felt under such circumstances. So if the shepherd leads through the valley of the shadow of death there can be no danger—if the shepherd leads. It is the valley of death, but there is no danger.

2. Sheep are easily frightened, and sometimes are very foolish. They sometimes leap over the wall of the fold when frightened; but they know the shepherd, almost as well as the shepherd knows them. No stranger or hireling can fool them by dressing like the shepherd, and when a stranger calls to them, they become troubled and frightened. The sheep and goats are often led out by the same shepherd, but they are kept in separate pastures, and at night are put in separate folds. The Syrian sheep is ordinarily white and docile and amazingly gentle; the goat is black, restless and pugnacious. All Oriental shepherds know that the goats and sheep, while they can run together during the day, under the shepherd's eye, must not be left together in the dark.

3. The rod which the shepherd uses is the club with which he kills the venomous things which threaten the sheep. It is usually about two feet long, and is carried by his side under his cloak. The staff is the long stick which he uses himself as a cane, and with which he separates the sheep from any danger, or draws them back when they are likely to tumble over the cliff or fall into the streams. It may be a rod of discipline for an unruly ram, but is usually an instrument of protection.

4. The Rev. Anees T. Baroody, in his "New Twenty-third Psalm," very beautifully speaks of the Arabic name for shepherd, and the music of it. "The very word seems to have in it, the sweet music of the Lebanon brooks and waterfalls, the humming of tireless bees on the flower-carpeted hillocks of Mount Giliad, the whistling of the partridges on the shoulders of Hermon, and the dreamy soughing of the Mediterranean breeze in the ancient cedars. Why, in this word, RAHI, we hear the soothing music of Paradise, and smell the fragrance of the eternal hills of God." No one need ever be afraid if the Divine Shepherd is near. It is said that an old negress, who was a good Christian but very poor, was once reproved for her cheerfulness by a prudent friend. "Why, auntie, you are all right now, but suppose you should be sick, or lose you employment, or—" "Stop!" said the old woman; "I never s'poses. The Lord is my Shepherd; and I knows I shall not want. Better give them s'poses up and trust the Lord."

"The King of love my Shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his,
And he is mine forever."

As somebody has well said, although this psalm was old even when Homer wrote his poetry and Solon gave his laws, it is always new. It contains something that neither the ancient poet nor lawgiver could offer. It is the pictorial utterance of an eternal truth, better understood perhaps by an Oriental reader, yet, in its depth of spiritual meaning, fitted to reach every heart. The Christian may well be happy.

"Every morning seems to say:
'There's something happy on the way,
And God sends love to you!'"
—Dr. Henry Van Dyke.

—Pittsburgh Christian Advocate.

TO THE GOOD PEOPLE OF GREENSBORO

I will appreciate and thank you for your support in the coming primaries for Commissioner of Public Works. I wish to state to the voters that I am familiar with such work and I know how to care for the city's stock. If elected to this office, both my time and best service will be devoted to the city's interest.

Respectfully,
C. A. Hendrix.

PLEASANTRIES

"That woman," said Mrs. Twickembury, "is getting to be a regular Zanibar, always scolding about everything."

* * * *

In what department store did the princess find Moses? In Jordan Marsh. Where did Sidney prove his title? In Marshall Field. What is a good use of leather? To Shuman. With these may be reckoned the well known query, Why was Eve made? For Adams Express Company.

* * * *

A well known English politician was much annoyed by reporters. One day he was enjoying a chat at a London hotel, when a strange young man came up, who seemed to have something of importance to communicate, and led him across the room. Arrived in a corner, the stranger whispered, "I am on the staff of an evening paper, and I should like you to tell men what you think of the government's foreign policy." Mr. Dash looked a little puzzled; then he said, "Follow me." Leading the way, he walked through the reading-room, down some steps into the drawing-room, through a long passage into the dining-room, and drawing his visitor into the corner behind the hat-rack, he whispered, "I really don't know anything about it."—Weekly Telegraph.

SUMMER SCHOOL OF THE SOUTH
University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Fourteenth Session. Largest, best and cheapest Summer School for Teachers in the South. Former features retained. New Courses in Country Life Problems. Latin-American History and Trade Condition. Preparation for College. Credit toward Degrees. Reduced Railroad Rates. June 22 to July 30.
FINE MUSIC, LECTURES, VISATURES, EXCURSIONS
Write for Announcement


PAINT STRENGTH
Strength is what paint is for. The stronger it is, the less gallons and money it takes, and the longer it wears. The strongest paint-word is DEVOE.
ODELL
Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS
Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses
HOWARD GARDNER
Proprietor
GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345
DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF
STOMACH AND INTESTINES
121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO
ROBT. W. MURRAY
GENERAL
INSURANCE
Greensboro, North Carolina
308½ South Elm St.
Phone 168

Our Little Folks' Department

SPRING

Spring has come. Do you not hear
The little birdies singing near?
Do you not see the little bees
Gathering honey from the trees?

Woods and orchards are all bright
With colors; green, red, pink and white.
The finny tribes have their fun
Where'er the sparkling waters run.

Can't you see new life in spring?
In bird and bee? In everything?
Turn your eyes to look at heaven,
And behold what God has given.

God has given us the spring,
And the sweet little birds to sing;
The pretty flowers to bloom,
And the rivers and rills to run.

All blessings in every land,
Come down from heaven from His hand,
Also voice and soul to sing,
And be happy all through the spring.

—Sarah Elizabeth Barber.
Age 12 years. Andrews, N. C.

KIND WORDS

It is often told that Eugene Field one day wandered into a basement restaurant, sat down at a table, put his chin in his hands, and gazed moodily into space. A waiter came to him, and after the manner of his kind, enumerated the long list of dishes that were ready to be served.

"No, no," said Field, dejectedly, "I require none of these things. All I want is some sliced oranges and a few kind words."

Whether or not the incident be true, it is suggestive. Unquestionably, deeds weigh far more than words, and yet it is almost tragic to think how much happier and better this struggling world would become if kind words were more often heard. We all, every day, come in contact with those who are in Eugene Field's state of mind. They are in our own homes; mothers, and fathers, and children. They are behind the counters of stores; they are employes on trains; they are servants in kitchens; they are everywhere, and their name is legion. A word of appreciation would brighten the whole day, and would make it easier for them to keep on trying.

They do not cry out to us, to be sure. Not often does anyone admit frankly that what he really wants is kindly notice, but the desire is universal. Who does not know the man who is discouraged, who has "lost his grip," who needs the oil of sympathy and the wine of friendship poured into his wound? Every one knows, too, the man who has failed, who can never "succeed," but who needs friendliness all the more. All about us are the men who have not yet succeeded, but who only need encouragement to carry them on their way. Some have been hurt by cruelty and injustice, some are bruised by sorrow, and some are disheartened by the emptiness and monotony of their lives. There are hosts about us for whose practical relief, it may be, we can do nothing at all. But we can show that we understand a little, and that we care. Let us do the little we can. It is worth while often to repeat to ourselves the old Quaker's words: "I expect to pass through this world but once. Any good, theerfore, that I can do, or any kindness that I can show to any fellow creature, let me do it now, . . . for I shall not pass this way again."—Youth's Companion.

Sammy was not a very good scholar, therefore mother was both surprised and delighted when he came home one noon with the announcement: "I got a hundred this morning." "That's lovely, Sammy!" exclaimed his proud mother. "What was it in?" "Fifty in reading and fifty in 'rithmetic," was Sammy's prompt reply.—Lippincott's.

THE RAINY DAY

When you hear the raindrops falling
Softly on the windowpane,
Just like childish fingers tapping
Lightly o'er and o'er again,

If you listen very closely,
You may hear them softly say:
"Even raindrops have a mission;
Don't despise the rainy day."

—Miss B. S. Whisner.

THEIR RIDE

Richard marched across the piazza stiffly, opened the door, and inside brought his heels together with a click, just as he had seen the cadets at the military school do.

Mary looked up from her play curiously. Richard wasn't apt to come in like that. It was generally with a whang and bang. And then, to her wonder, he bowed very low.

"Will you go for a ride with me, Miss Mary?" he asked politely. "And I will be very glad of Miss Isabelle's company too."

Miss Isabelle was the doll. So it was a game. Mary was always ready to play a game with Richard, for he was sure to make it funny. She stood up.

"Yes, I'll be pleased to go, thank you, and Miss Isabelle will too," she replied with her very best manner. Then she waited for what was to come next.

"Put on your things, then, and Miss Isabelle's. Dress warmly, for we may take quite a long ride."

So it was to be outdoors. Round the house, of course, on his stick horse. He owned one, but she didn't. Likely he had a broomstick for her; and he would talk big about his prancing steed or mettlesome charger. But never mind; he would make fun out of it.

So she dressed Miss Isabelle and put on her own hat and went out. And there—what do you think? Right in front of the gate was the prettiest little cart with a funny-looking goat harnessed to it.

"Richard Brown!" she cried. "Where in the world did you get it? Is the goat strong enough to pull us?"

He helped her in, just as papa helped mamma, and then got in himself and grasped the reins. "Now we'll see," he said composedly. "My animal may not be so handsome as some, but I go in more for speed and 'durance than beauty."

They drove round by the spring road, up the hill and back through the grove, and then did it all over again—two whole hours. And all the time Mary was just quivering with curiosity and asking questions. But Richard did not satisfy her curiosity the least bit. He was too busy with his fiery steed, he told her—that is, until they reached home and he helped her out. Then he handed her a little note, which read:

"Dear Richard: In appreciation of your perfect lessons at school and your good conduct at school lately, I am glad to remember your birthday with this little goat outfit. He is perfectly safe and gentle. Father."

—Alexander Roberts.

A little girl known to the New York Times was introduced to the new baby. Up to this time her interest had been chiefly in dolls. When this real live baby was put into her arms, the five-year old surveyed it with a critical eye. "Isn't that a nice baby?" cried the nurse. "Yes," replied the little girl, hesitatingly, "it's nice; but its head's loose."

EASTER IN EARLY DAYS

From time immemorial the festival Easter has been a season of rejoicing among pagans and Christians. Various were the rites and ceremonies on this occasion. In the ancient Church the celebration of Easter lasted eight days. After the Eleventh Century, however, it was limited to two days. It was the favorite time for administering the rite of baptism. The courts of justice were closed and alms given to the poor and needy.

The Anglo-Saxons, until Christianity was introduced into England, held high festivities over the event of spring, the festival of Easter, the goddess of April. To her they burnt fires, and feasted, and the hot-cross bun of today is one of the traditions of that far-back time

One of the most popular features of the old-time Easter enjoyments was the distribution of colored eggs, and this custom is traced back to the ancient Persians, Greeks and Romans.

The old superstitions, and many of the old customs of Easter, are falling into disuse, but as a holiday season its popularity only increases.—Sel.

"SHOW HIM YOUR HANDS"

A little daughter of the tenement, whose mother was done at last and with the work and worry that had killed her, was left, at fourteen years old, with four younger ones to mother and to nurse. And faithful to her trust, she scrubbed and washed and mended until the slender shoulders bent and the thin face grew white, and almost before any one noticed much, the little broken life lay waiting for release. "I haven't been able to do anything," she whispered to her favorite girl friend, who lived just around the corner. "I couldn't go to school because of the work, or to Sunday school because it took all father could spare to keep the others in clothes. When the minister came to see me, he said I'd soon see Jesus, but I'm afraid I haven't done anything good, and I don't know anything to say to him." "And you needn't try to say anything," said the other, "not a single word," kissing the little, pitiful face. "When you see Him look at you, you just show him your hands."—Exchange.

WHAT "AT HALF MAST" MEANS

Perhaps you have noticed that whenever a prominent person dies, especially if he is connected with the government, the flags on public buildings are hoisted only part of the way up. This is called "half mast." Did you ever stop to think what connection there could be between a flag that was not properly hoisted and the death of a great man?

Ever since flags were used in war it has been the custom to have the flag of the superior or conquering nation above that of the inferior or vanquished. When an army found itself hopelessly beaten, it hauled its flags down far enough for the flag of the victors to be placed above it on the same pole. This was a token not only of submission, but of respect.

In those days, when a famous soldier died, flags were lowered out of respect to his memory. The custom long ago passed from purely military usage to public life of all kinds, the flag flying at half mast being a sign that the dead man was worthy of universal respect. The space left above it is for the flag of the great conqueror of all—the angel of death.—Toronto Mail and Express.

SEND US YOUR FILMS

for prompt, highest grade developing and printing at lowest prices. KODAK WORK A SPECIALITY. Personal attention given to all orders. Results guaranteed. Write

W. I. VAN NESS & CO., Charlotte, N. C.



Standard
Memorial Windows
Made in High Point

Beautiful in design—strong in construction. Largest and oldest glass plant in the South. Capacity for any and all orders and prompt delivery. Satisfaction guaranteed. References—any of our old customers or any bank or banker in High Point. Write for catalog.

Standard Mirror Co.
High Point, N. C.

DON'T DENY YOUR BOY

THE priceless benefits of a vacation at Camp WONDERLAND in the glorious ozone-laden climate of mountainous Western North Carolina.

Right Now is the Formative Period when his mind and body demand careful tutoring from those who can direct his work and play with intelligence. Above all he needs the tonic of pure air, sunshine and out-door recreation.

Educational

Individual coaching by competent teachers in any studies desired to prepare your boy for Fall examinations.

Athletics

Under selected instructors who will act as companions in base ball, tennis, basket ball, rowing, swimming, fishing, horseback riding and mountain climbing.

The camp is under the most able management and charges very reasonable. Write quickly to Col. J. C. Horner, No. 10 Myers Park, Charlotte, N. C., for FREE illustrated prospectus.

WE WILL PAY YOU $120.00

to distribute religious literature in your community. Sixty days' work. Experience not required. Man or woman. Spare time may be used.

ZEIGLER CO., Philadelphia.

BLUE RIDGE INN

Mt. Airy N. C. W. M. Jordan, Prop.
MOUNT AIRY'S LEADING HOTEL

Rates $2.00 and $2.50
All meals 50 cts.

Electric Lights, Steam Heat, Electric Bell System, Hot and Cold Baths
American Plan

A clean, up-to-date home for the tourist or traveling man, in a beautiful mountain city

COAT SUITS---DRESSES!
SPECIAL 30 DAY REDUCTION OFFER!

If you are going to the EXPOSITION, and want stylish coat suit or dress at moderate price—this is your opportunity. High grade coat suits—well tailored—good lines—made to your measures (according to sketches I'll send you)—$20.00 up. Individually designed dresses at most reasonable prices. Write for samples.

MRS. CHARLES ELLISON, Norton Bldg., Louisville, Ky. 1426 North American Bldg., Chicago, Ill.

GUARANTEED Whit-Leather HOSIERY
for Men Women & Children
Tough as Whit-Leather

MOTHERS! Stop your daily darning with its eye-strain and back-bend. 60c buys the children 6 pairs of hosiery

Guaranteed not to show holes for 4 months.

BESIDES that, you get pure-dye, elastic-top, snug, ankle-fitting, nice-looking Hosiery that wears as long and looks as good as the 25c kind. Help your husband put money in the bank. Buy Whit-Leather and economize.

Two grades only—10c and 12½c

SOLD by most good retailers everywhere. If your dealer hasn't them, we will send hose postpaid on receipt of price and his name. Give size, color, (all solid colors), also whether men's, women's or children's hose are wanted.

Whit-Leather Hosiery Mills
Selling Agents:
M. GILMER BROS, Inc.
Winston-Salem, N. C.

PROGRAM OF NORTH CAOLINA BARACA-PHILATHEA CONVENTION

Nearly four hundred delegates have already enrolled for the Fifth Annual Baraca-Philathea State Convention, to be held in Raleigh, April 22-25, and this, too, in spite of the most unfavorable weather of last Sunday. It is expected that five or six hundred more will enroll within the next ten days. Names should be sent promptly to Miss Flossie A. Byrd, General Secretary, Greensboro, N. C., that entertainment may be reserved.

This annual gathering is of unusual interest to the organized Bible class workers of the State and will certainly yield large returns for the Sunday schools and churches and for all the institutions fostered by these. There are ten different Protestant denominations represented in this great movement, with a membership of approximately 60,000 in North Carolina. The following is the attractive program for the Convention:

Thursday, April 22

Registration and assignment of delegates at Yarborough Hotel.

Thursday Evening

8:00. Welcome to delegates at Tabernacle Baptist Church.

Music.

Short Addresses by:

For the city—Jos. G. Brown.

For the churches—Dr. T. W. O'Kelly.

For the Sunday Schools—J. N. Broughton, Jr.

For the Baracas—H. A. Bland, President City Union.

For the Philatheas—Elizabeth P. Jones.

Response—Rev. F. T. Collins, Clinton.

One-minute greetings from State Officers and Committees.

Music.

"Get Acquainted Social."

Friday Morning

9:00. Philathea Convention, Edenton Street M. E. Church.

Devotional Exercises, led by Rev. J. C. Wooten, Raleigh.

Song, "Dear to the Heart of the Shepherd," No. 45.

9:10. Greetings from the President, Christine Thomas, Henderson.

9:20. Minutes of last meeting—Mary G. Rowe, Tarboro.

9:25. Treasurer's Report—Margaret Atkins, Asheville.

Appointment of Committees.

9:35. Message from General Secretary, Flossie A. Byrd.

9:50. "Some Unique Things Classes Are Doing"—Mrs. S. N. Rowe, Hendersonville.

10:00. "What We Are"—one-minute class reports—By delegates.

11:30. "Ways or Raising Class Money"—Gertrude F. Harris, Henderson.

11:40. "The Philatheas—How They Can Help Us"—from Baraca viewpoint—Rev. W. M. Craig, Wilmington.

12:00. Adjourn with Philathea Platform and Benediction.

Friday Morning

9:00. Baraca Convention, First Baptist Church.

Devotional Exercises, led by Rev. J. A. Sullivan, Wilmington.

Song, "All Hail the Power," No. 102.

9:10. Opening Remarks by the President, Dr. Geo. E. Dennis, Charlotte.

9:20. Minutes of last meeting and Treasurer's Report—C. M. Bagwell, Winston-Salem.

Appointment of Committees.

9:35. "The Place of a Baraca Class in a Rural Community"—Lonnie R. Call, Wake Forest.

9:50. "Presiding Seven Days in the Week"—C. W. Andrew, Charlotte.

10:05. "The Won by One Method and Secret Service"—Rev. J. A. Sullivan, Wilmington.

10:25. Message from General Secretary, Flossie A. Byrd.

10:40. "What We Are"—one-minute class reports—By the delegates.

12:00. Adjourn with Baraca Platform and Benediction.

Friday Afternoon

Recreation for all.

Friday Night

8:00. Joint Session of Baracas and Philatheas at Tabernacle Baptist Church.

Devotional Exercises, led by Rev. R. L. Ferguson, Black Mountain.

8:10. "Our New Baraca Song"—By Double Quartet from Orpheus Club, W. H. Sawyer, Director.

8:15. Address, "Why Baraca-Philathea"—Hon. R. N. Simms, Raleigh.

8:50. Special Music.

8:55. Address, "Co-operation Between Class and Church"—Dr. J. O. Atkinson, Elon College.

9:30. Presentation of prizes and certificates to winners in Class Organization Campaign.

Announcements and benediction.

Saturday Morning

9:00. Philathea Convention, Edenton Street M. E. Church.

Devotional Exercises, led by Mattie Lyndman, Charlotte.

9:10. "Making the Lesson Worth While"—Grace Lowe, Durham.

Discussion.

9:40. "A Social for Every Month in the Year"— Nena Hodges, Asheville.

9:50. "The Part of Philathea in a College Girl's Training"—Frances Howard, State Normal College, Greensboro.

10:00. "Will You Answer My Question?"—Discussion of class problems, by the delegates, led by Miss Byrd.

11:00. "A Model Class"—Demonstration by First M. E. Wesley Philathea Class, Henderson. (The Class will be present in a body to give this demonstration).

11:45. Adjourn with Philathea Platform and Benediction.

Picture of Convention to be taken then in front of State Capitol.

Saturday Morning

9:00. Junior Baraca and Philathea Conference in Tabernacle Baptist Baraca room.

Devotional Exercises, led by Frank Meadows, Durham.

Minutes of last meeting—Sybil Shelton, Burlington.

9:10. Greetings from Presidents, Bertha Weatherspoon, Durham, and Walter Lowe Tatum, Salisbury.

9:15. "The Other Girl"—Five-minute paper by Julia Council, Oxford.

9:20. "How We Can Help the Boys"—Everett Hunter, Rich Square.

9:25. Discussion: "What Our Junior Classes Have Done and Can Do'—By the delegates, with Sara Smith, Durham, and Nettie Mai McMurry, Goldsboro, leading.

9:45. "My Junior Girl"—Miss Byrd.

9:50. My Junior Boy"—Prof. J. E. Allen, Henderson.

9:55. Election of Officers.

10:00. Adjourn with Junior Platform and Benediction.

Saturday Morning

9:00. Baraca Convention, First Baptist Church.

Devotional Exercises, led by Prof. J. E. Allen, Henderson.

9:10. "How the Class Can Help the Pastor and Superintendent"—Rev. J. M. Hester, Wake Forest.

9:30. "The Baracas—The Kind We Like"—From a Philathea viewpoint—Mary G. Rowe, Tarboro.

9:45. "Baraca Work and the Student"—R. E. Parker, Chapel Hill.

10:05. "Things We Want to Know About Class Work," Discussion by the delegates, led by Prof. J. Henry Highsmith, Wake Forest.

11:20. "Baraca Goals"—M. B. Andrews, Cary.

11:45. Adjourn Baraca platform and Benediction.

Picture of Convention to be in front of State Capitol.

Saturday Afternoon

2:00-2:45. "Why I Believe in County Unions"—Open discussion, by L. P. Denmark, President Wake County Baraca-Philathea Union. All county Presidents and others are expected to take part.

2:45-3:30. Address—Dr. W. A. Brown, Chicago.

6:30. Class Organizers' Supper in Edenton Street M. E. Ladies' Parlor. Edenton Street M. E. Sunday School Orchestra will play.

Saturday Evening

8:00. Joint meeting of Philatheas and Baracas only, at Tabernacle Baptist Church.

Report of General Secretary, Flossie A. Byrd.

Finances for Next Year.

Invitations for 1916 Convention.

Reports of Committees and Election of Officers.

Sunday Morning

9:30. Delegates may visit the Sunday schools of city. Visiting speakers in Baraca and Philathea classes.

11:00. Special services in the churches of the city.

Sunday Afternoon

2:15. Two meetings. Attend the one of your choice.

Edenton Street M. E. Church

Philathea National Hymn, No. 3.

Address: "The Community Service of the Class"—Dr. J. L. Mann, Greensboro.

First Baptist Church

National Baraca Hymn, No. 161.

Address: "The Baraca Class from the Viewpoint of the Superintendent"—J. H. Broughton, Jr., Raleigh.

3:15. Both congregations will file out of the respective churches and assemble for parade, led by brass band.

4:00. Convention Mass Meeting at Auditorium. Public Invited.

Our New Baraca Song, by Double Quartet of Orpheus Club.

Convention Sermon: "The One Thing Needful"—Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe, High Point.

Music.

Benediction.

Sunday Night

Closing Session—Joint meeting at Auditorium.

Music.

8:00. Devotional Exercises, led by Rev. Chas. E. Maddry, Raleigh.

8:10. Short addresses by

Prof. J. Henry Highsmith, Wake Forest.

Rev. J. L. Jenkins, Lumber Bridge.

Rev. F. T. Collins, Clinton.

Followed by reports of Secret Service Committees, led by Miss Byrd. This will be an open meeting for all—a prayer, praise and testimony service. Everybody invited.

PANAMA—PACIFIC EXPOSITIONS, SAN FRANCISCO AND SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

SOUTHERN RAILWAY—PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Very Low Round Trip Fares

Dates of sale March 1st to November 30th, 1915. Final return limit three months from date of sale, except that these tickets will not be good to return later than December 31st, 1915.

Low round trip fares from principal points as follows:

Charlotte	$84.15
Salisbury	84.15
High Point	84.15
Greensboro	84.15
Mount Airy	86.25
Gastonia	84.15
North Wilkesboro	87.85
Statesville	84.15
Hickory	83.25
Morganton	82.20
Winston-Salem	84.15
Shelby	82.60

Fares from other points on same basis. Fares to Seattle or via Portland and Seattle at higher rate. These tickets will permit of diverse routing and will allow stop-overs on both going and return trip within limit of ticket.

Southern Railway offers choice of several routes of historic interest from which to select; going one way and returning another. Through connections and good service via Memphis, St. Louis, Chicago or New Orleans. Through cars daily via New Orleans and Sunset Route. Special car parties now being arranged, affording opportunity to make trip without change and with select company on outgoing trip; returning at leisure via any route you may choose, stopping off at your own pleasure, thereby avoiding all the discomforts of going and returning with large tour parties, being compelled to follow the crowd. In going individually or with special Pullman car parties you spend your own money, stop where you please and go and come to suit your own convenience and save money paid tourist agents for escorting you around.

For further information apply to Southern Railway Agents, or

R. H. DeButts, D. P. A.,
Charlotte, N. C.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Premier Carrier of the South

N. B.—Following schedule figures as published only as information and are not guaranteed.

12:15 a. m.—No 32 daily Southern's Southeastern Limited. Pullman drawing room, open section sleeping cars Jacksonville and Augusta to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

12:35 a. m.—No. 112, daily, local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh which is open at 9:30 and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m.

1:42 a. m.—No. 30, daily, Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing-room and observation sleeping cars Birmingham and Columbus to New York, and Birmingham to Richmond. Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29 daily, Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing-room and observation sleeping cars New York and Richmond to Birmingham and Columbus. Daily tourist car Washington to San Francisco via popular Sunset Route. Dining cars. Coaches.

3:15 a. m.—No. 31 daily, The Southern's Southeastern Limited. Pullman drawing room and open section sleeping cars New York to Jacksonville and Augusta. Dining car service. Day coaches.

3:45 a. m.—No. 45 daily, local for Charlotte, connecting for Atlanta and points south.

7:10 a. m.—No. 8 daily, local for Richmond.

7:15 a. m.—No. 37 daily, New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section sleeping cars New York to New Orleans, and New York to Asheville, and Macon. Pullman parlor car Greensboro to Montgomery. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service.

7:30 a. m.—No. 108 daily, local for Raleigh, Selma, and Goldsboro.

7:40 a. m.—No. 154 daily, except Sunday, for Ramseur.

7:25 a. m.—No. 11, daily, local for Atlanta. Pullman sleeping cars Norfolk and Richmond to Charotte. Day coaches.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily, for Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Pullman sleeping car Raleigh to Winston-Salem.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily, local for Mt. Airy.

9:30 a. m.—No. 44, daily, for Washington and points north.

9:40 a. m.—No. 144, daily, Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro Pullman sleeping car Atlanta to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily, for Asheville and Waynesville, connecting at Asheville with Carolina Special for all points west. Chair car Goldsboro to Asheville.

12:55 p. m.—No. 130, daily, local for Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

1:30 p. m.—No. 7, daily, local for Charlotte, connecting for Seneca and Columbia.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily U. S. Fast Mail for Washington, New York and points north. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

2:00 p. m.—No. 207, daily, for Winston-Salem, connecting daily except Sunday for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daily, except Sunday for Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily, except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily, for Raleigh Selma and Goldsboro. Chair car.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily, for Mt. Airy.

6:25 p. m.—No. 35, daily, U. S. Fast Mail, for Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham. Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily, for Winston-Salem.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily local for Sanford.

7:32 p. m.—No. 43, daily, for Alanta and points south Sleeping car Raleigh to Atlanta.

10:15 p. m.—No. 12, daily, local, for Richmond. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Norfolk.

10:20 p. m.—No. 233, daily, for Winston-Salem.

11:29 p. m.—No. 33, daily, New York Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section sleeping cars New Orleans, Macon and Asheville to New York. Dining car

E. H. COAPMAN, Vice-President and General Manager, Washington, D. C.
S. H. HARDWICK, P. T. M., Washington D. C.
H. F. CARY, G. P. A., Washington, D. C.
R. H DeBUTTS, D. P. A., Charlotte N. C.

All that God desires is to give you his great love, so that it may dwell in you and be the principle of your life and service; and all that withstands God's desire and his gift is the want of room for it, and for its free movement, when that room it takes up with yourselves and your little personal interest.

—William Bernard Ullathorne

When we turn from sensuous delights to the higher life of spiritual conflict, of effort after the ideal, then and not till then, do we realize what God is daily giving of riches and power and glory to his child, man—love, to light him in the dark places of human experience; courage, that he may brace himself, if need be against all worlds; infinite resource that he may call himself a son of God, and lay hold on immortality.—James C. Hodgins.

Our Dead

GILREATH—William Samuel Madison Gilreath was born Nov. 29, 1866, and died Dec. 3, 1914, aged 48 years and 4 days. At seven years of age he was afflicted with rheumatism, and at the age of 13 had to stop going to school on account of his affliction. At about twenty years of age his suffering was so great that he became blind and helpless, and lived in that condition for about twenty-eight years, when he was relieved by death. He was a member of the M. E. Church, South, on the Wilkes circuit, a patient sufferer, and a consistent Christian. One sister and five brothers remain to mourn their loss. W. S. Cherry.

GILREATH—Miss Mary Alice Gilreath was born June 14, 1865, and departed this life Jan. 29, 1915. She was converted when young and joined the M. E. Church, South, and lived a devoted member all the rest of her life. She was an excellent school teacher and followed her calling until about seven years before her death, she became afflicted with cancer. From that time until her death she was a great sufferer, but she bore her suffering with Christian fortitude and patience until relieved by death. She leaves one sister and five brothers and many friends to mourn their loss.

W. S. Cherry.

WHITE—James Julius White was born in Randolph Dec. 27, 1842, died March 26, 1915, age 72 years and three months. He was converted and joined the church at Ebenezer when quite young. He was married to Eliza Brown, April 6, 1872, who preceded him some years ago. Unto this union ten children were born, seven of which survive their parents. He graduated at Trinity College in 1871. He took part in public affairs. He taught school a few years and twice represented his county in the legislature.

To say that Brother White was a Christian, a soldier of the cross and a faithful member of the church he so dearly loved, has been clearly demonstrated by his life. He filled all the offices of the church. At his own request he was left off of the board of stewards last fall, but was trustee of church property and lay leader. He was to the preacher what Aaron and Hurr were to Moses. The whole charge looked to Brother White. We all miss him but we know where to find him. E. N. Crowder.

WALL—Martin V. Wall was born April 25, 1840, and died March 10, 1915, aged 74 years, 10 months and 16 days. He was converted and joined the church at Gilead when young. He loved his church, had a family altar in his home where he and his family talked to God. He told his wife he was ready to go. He leaves a wife and two children. E. N. Crowder.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, Our Heavenly Father in His wisdom has seen fit to take unto himself our beloved sister, Mrs. C. E. Crutchfield, be it resolved:

First, That we, the members of the Woman's Missionary Society of the North Wilkesboro Methodist church, bow in humble submission to Him who doeth all things well.

Second, That in her death the society has lost a consecrated member, who had all the attributes of a lovable Christian character.

Third, That we earnestly endeavor to emulate her example in reverence for the Father and for the Holy Bible and also her beautiful Christian graces and virtues.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Christian Advocate and that a copy also be spread upon the records of the society.

Mrs. W. P. Horton, Pres.,
Mrs. W. A. Shell, Chm.,
Mrs. Clem Wrenn,
Mrs. C. P. Walter.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, our Heavenly in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to remove from our midst our beloved sister, Mrs. N. B. J. Allwood, be it resolved:

First, That we, the members of the Woman's Missionary Society of the North Wilkesboro Methodist church, bow in humble submission to Him who doeth all things well.

Second, That in her death the society has lost a consecrated member, who had all the attributes of a lovable Christian character.

Third, That we earnestly endeavor to emulate her example in reverence for the Father and for the Holy Bible and also her beautiful Christian graces and virtues.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Christian Advocate and that a copy be spread upon the records of the society.

Mrs. W. P. Horton, Pres.,
Mrs. W. A. Shell, Chm.,
Mrs. Clem Wrenn,
Mrs. C. P. Walter.

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Susan Smith Linney, wife of Mr. J. W. Linney, was born May 16, 1847, died Nov. 26, 1914. She was the daughter of Joseph Clayborne Smith, who was for many years Sheriff of Alexander county. Mrs. Linney was converted at a campmeeting at Rocky Springs, Alexander county, at the tender age of twelve years. She joined the Methodist church in which she lived a consistent Christian life. She loved her church and loved to attend the services. She was the mother of ten children, all living as follows:

Mrs. J. Frank Walden, Clifton, Oklahoma; Mrs. Jas. O. Deal, Granite Falls, N. C.; Mrs. E. A. Fry, Statesville, N. C.; Mrs. Edgar R. Mears, Clarkton, N. C.; Mrs. C. E. Mahaffey and Mrs. C. L. Stevenson, Vashti, N. C.; Jas. E. Linney, Willachoohee, Ga.; Rev. William E. Linney, Wilkesboro, N. C.; J. T. Linney and Miss Emma Linney, at home.

Being a woman of an exceedingly bright intellect she taught each of her children to read before sending them to school. She was modest and retiring in disposition. In fact her home was the center of her work. She was an ideal mother. She was an invalid for many years but was tenderly cared for by her family.

May God comfort the bereaved ones.

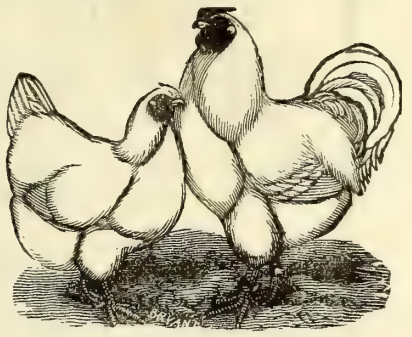
J. N. Smith.

Taylorsville, N. C.

MINISTERS FOR AN IMPORTANT SERVICE

During the next three years the Secretary of the Navy will appoint twenty-eight or thirty new chaplains in the U. S. Navy. Congress has provided for an increase from 24 to 52 naval chaplains, and Secretary Daniels is giving his personal attention to the selection of men for this important service. He hopes to appoint fifteen or more of the additional number before July, 1916. Ministers not exceeding thirty or thirty-two years of age of good character, education and health, with some experience in preaching and pastoral work, are invited to make application. To be chaplain of a battleship or cruiser and care for the spiritual needs of from 800 to 1,000 men is to have opportunity for a great service. Circulars giving information will be furnished. Denominational approval will be required as a prerequisite to appointment. Ministers of all denominations are eligible. The Associate Secretary of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, 1114 Woodward Building, Washington, D. C., will be glad to receive and answer inquiries.

FANCY POULTRY and EGGS



Black and White Langshans, White Orpingtons, Reds, White and Partridge Wyandottes, Minorcas, Barred and Buff Plymouth Rocks, Houdans, Anconas, White and Brown Leghorns, Black and Partridge Cochin Bantams, White African Guineas, Muscovey and Buff Orpington Ducks. Eggs, $2.00 per 13. Stock for sale. Mammoth Bronze and White Holland Turkey Eggs $5.00 per 9. Toulouse, Emden, African and Chinese Goose eggs, $2.00 for 5.

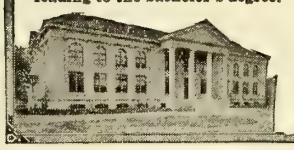
Prizes won from Roanoke, Va., to Tampa, Fla.

FLYNN ELLIOTT
Route 6, Box C Charlotte, N. C.

TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 : : : : *CHARTERED 1859*

A Southern institution of established national reputation. Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.



Large endowment fund makes possible complete, first-class equipment; full faculty of able, well-chosen instructors; beautiful campus, new buildings, modern laboratories, splendid library. Comfortable, inexpensive dormitories. For catalogue and illustrated booklet, address

R. L. Flowers, Sec. to the Corporation, Durham, N. C.

Methodist Benevolent Association

A Mutual Benefit Brotherhood for Southern Methodists. Issues Whole Life, 20-Premium Life, Term to 60, and Disability Certificates. **Benefits** payable at **death, old age, or disability.** Over $152,000.00 paid to **widows, orphans,** and **disabled.** Over $40,000.00 reserve fund. Write for rates, blanks, etc. ***J. H. Shumaker, Secretary, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.***

LETTERS THAT INSPIRE CONFIDENCE

I wish very much that every reader of the N. C. Christian Advocate could spend sufficient time in my office to read the thousands of letters which I have received from all parts of the country. I have printed several hundreds of them in a booklet, but I wish you could see the originals, for I would like for you to realize the wonderful results which they report in the relief of dyspepsia, indigestion, persistent headache, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney, bladder and liver diseases, uric acid poisoning and other conditions due to impure blood.

Before my own health was restored by Shivar Mineral Water and I purchased this Spring, and before I received all of these letters from sufferers, I didn't take very much stock in advertisements like this. I therefore can not blame you if you doubt, but, my friend, I am **absolutely convinced** that the Shivar Spring is the greatest restorative mineral spring ever discovered, not excepting the famous Spas of Europe. I have shipped this water to thousands of sufferers in all parts of the United States, and they almost invariably report either permanent restoration or beneficial results. That is why I make the guarantee offer contained in the following letter. Sign it now and mail it.

Shivar Spring,
Box 5J, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen,

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)

Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You run no risk whatever in accepting his offer. I have personally witnessed the remarkable curative effects of this water in a very serious case.

SHERMAN AND GARFIELD CHAIRS FOR AMERICAN UNIVERSITY

The headquarters chair of General William T. Sherman used by the great soldier from 1869 to 1880 while commander-in-chief of the United States army, and the arm-chair used by President Garfield during too brief term at the White House have been added to the historic furniture collection of the American University at Washington, D. C. The donor is Mr. John LaMonte Hurst, of Denver, son of the late Bishop Hurst. Mr. Hurst, who maintains unabated his father's interest in the educational enterprise at the capital, has furnished with his gift original official documents authenticating the chairs. The antique gatherings of the American University, already impressive, are enriched by this new accession in a singularly happy way. For the chairs will be joined to the sofa of Abraham Lincoln, the arm-chair of President Grant, the dining table and chairs of Senator Charles Sumner, the Civil War desk of Secretary Stanton, the manuscript cabinet of Bancroft the historian, the ancient rush seat of a Plymouth Plantation Elder, the oak throne carved from the beams of Wesley's City Road Chapel, the standing work-desk and file-case of Bishop Hurst which formerly was that of the encyclopaedist McClintock, and the cavernous work-desk of Chaplain McCabe from which went out the thrilling call, "A Million for Missions!" Other pieces of furniture similarly associated with creative men and women have been promised for the university collection which soon will be a feature of Washington.

Albert Osborn, Asst. Sec.

HEALTH HINTS

Pure air is as essential to health as pure food and drink.

Don't sleep in a close room. You poison yourself.

Don't sleep with your nostrils covered or your mouth open.

If there are nasal obstructions to free breathing see a specialist and have the growth removed.

Avoid colds. The accumulations of ply of fresh air.
phlegm interfere with your needed supply of fresh air.

If you have a cold, catarrh or croup, use Mentholatum liberally in nostrils and on throat and chest.

Mentholatum tends to open the air passages and clear up the membranes of the lungs and respiratory tract.

This means easier breathing, greater comfort and the preservation of health.

Air is life.

Mentholatum relieves inflammation also, and hence is much used for burns, bruises, chapped skin, etc.

FOR SALE.

Sun Typewriter No. 2, used slightly; Encyclopedia, new, complete, etc.; Pulpit Bible, new; Scofield Bible, new; Bible Dictionary; Webster's Dictionary. Address L. P. Bogle,
Ruffin, N. C.

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Fairview, Bethany	17-18
Haywood St., Asheville, night	18
Sulphur Springs, Oak Hill	24-25
Biltmore and Mt. Pl., Biltmore, night,	25
	May
Weaverville Ct., Alexander Chapel	1-2
West Asheville, night	2
Walnut Ct., Stackhouse	8-9
Black Mountain, night	9
Swannanoa, West Chapel	15-16
Bethel, night	16

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, 508 N. Tryon St., Charlotte, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Marshville, Smyrna	10
Prospect, Midway	11
Unionville	17-18
North Monroe, Icemorlee, night	18
Waxhaw	24-25
Monroe, Central, night	25
	May
Ansonville, Cedar Hill	1-2
Wadesboro, night	2
Lilesville, Shiloh	8-9
Morven, Morven	15-16
Dilworth	23
Spencer Memorial and Derita, night	23
Polkton, Mount Moriah	29-30

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Coleridge, Mt. Olivet	3-4
Ramseur & Franklinville, Franklinville,	4-5
Randolph, Hopewell	10-11
Wesley Memorial	17-18
Main St.	18-19
East & West	18-19
Deep River, West Bend	24-25
Asheboro	25-26
Randleman, Naomi	25-26
	May
Uwharrie, Union	1-2
Denton, Clarkesbury	8-9
West Market	15-16

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Jonesville, Maple Springs	9
Pilot Mountain, Trinity	10-11
Rural Hall, Mt. Pleasant, night	11-12
Yadkinville, Booneville	17-18
Ararat	24-25
Mount Airy Circuit	25-26

Third Round

	April
Mount Airy Station, night	25
	May
Summerfield, Center	8-9
Stokesdale, Glenco	15-16
Walnut Cove, Bethesda	22-23
Madison & Stoneville, Price	29-30
	June
Spray	6-7
Leaksville	11-12
Draper	12-13
Dobson	19-20
Danbury, Sandy Ridge	26-27
	July
Jonesville	3-4
Elkin	4-5
Pilot Mountain	10-11
Rural Hall	17-18
Yadkinville	24-25
Ararat	31
	August
Ararat	1
Mount Airy Circuit	7-8

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Forest City, Salem	3-4
Cliffside, Hopewell	3-4
Broad River, Kistlers	10-11
Henrietta and Caroleen, Caroleen	11-12
Morganton Circuit, Glen Alpine	17-18
Connelly Springs, Harmony	24-25
	May
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Oak Grove	1-2
Micaville, South Toe	8-9
Bald Creek, Hertons	15-16
Burnsville	16-17
Marion Circuit, North Catawba	22-23

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Shelby Circuit, Sulphur Springs	3-4
Lincolnton Circuit, Marvin	10-11
Lincolnton, Lincolnton	11
Crouse, Pleasant Grove	17-18
Stanly, Iron	18-19
South Fork, Plateau	24-25

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Albemarle, Central, night	2-4
Albemarle Circuit, Stony Hill	3-4
Mount Pleasant Circuit, Saint Paul,	10-11
Concord, Westford, night	11
Salem Circuit, New Mount Tabor	17-18
Albemarle, First Street, night	18
Kannapolis Station, 11 a. m.	23-25
Kannapolis Circuit, Bethpage	24-25
China Grove & Landis, China Grove, night	25
	May
New London Circuit	1-2
Gold Hill Circuit	2-3
Bethel & Love's Chapel, Love's Chapel	8-9

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston-Salem, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Jackson Hill, Jackson Hill	3-4
Salem, night	4
Farmington, Bethlehem	10-11
Mocksville	9-11
Lewisville, Concord	17-18
Davie, Liberty	24-25
Cooleemee, night	25
	May
Kernersville	1-2

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Jefferson, Jefferson	3-4
Creston, Big Laurel	18
Watauga, Valle Crucis	24-25
	May
Elk Park, Montezuma	1-2
Avery, Jonas Ridge	8-9
Boone, Fairview	15-16
Sparta Circuit, Piney Creek	22-23
Laurel Springs, Mt. Zion	29-30
Revival Meetings	
Wilkes, Union	March 14-21
Helton, Asheley	March 24-April 1
Elk Park, Montezuma	April 26-May 6
Laurel Springs, Mt. Zion	May 24-30

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Lee T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Alexander, Liberty, 11 a. m.	3-4
Stoney Point, Pisgah, 3:30 p. m.	4-5
Hickory Circuit, Grace Chapel, 11 a. m.	10
Newton, Newton, 11 a. m.	11-12
Maiden, Pisgah, 11 a. m.	17
Catawba, Hopewell, 11 a. m.	18-19
Statesville Circuit, Trinity, 11 a. m.	24
Cool Spring, New Salem, 11 a. m.	25-26
	May
Troutman, 11 a. m.	1
Davidson, Davidson, 11 a. m.	2-3
Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 7:30 p. m.	2-3
Mooresville Circuit, 11 a. m.	8
Mooresville Station, Mooresville, 11 a. m.	9-10

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C., R. F. D. 2
Second Round

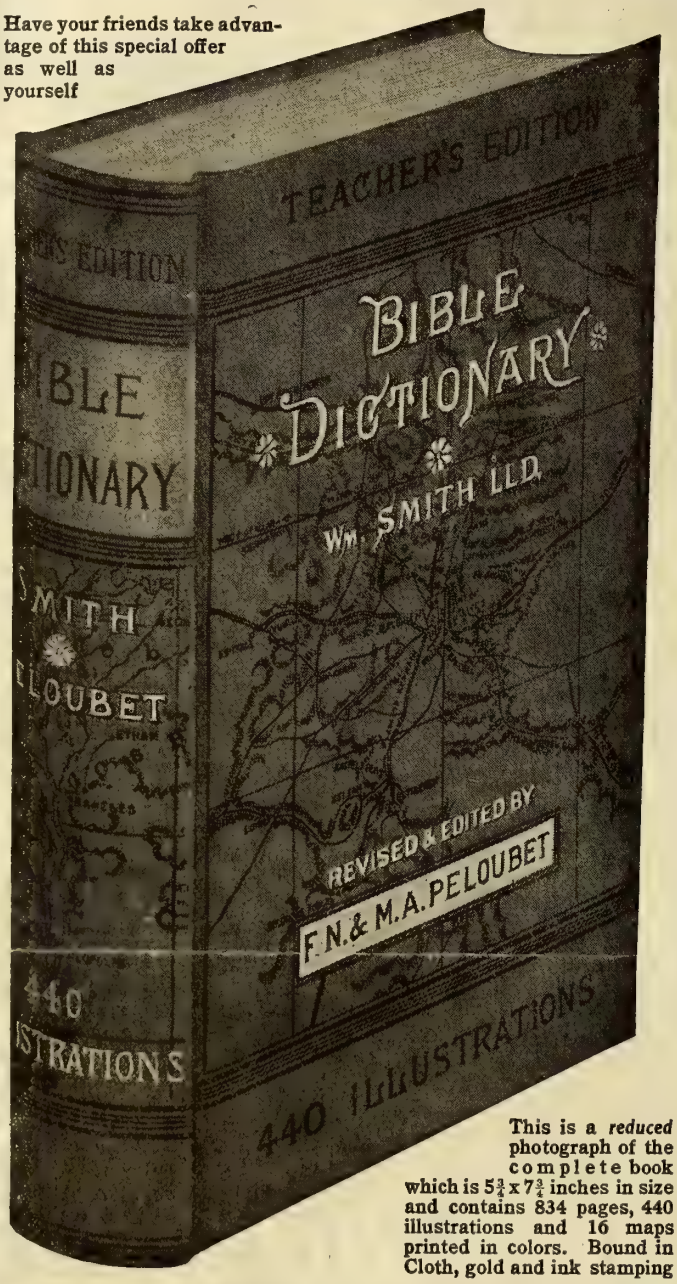
	April
Glenville Circuit, Speedwell	3-4
Webster Circuit, Love's Chapel	4-5
Waynesville Station	11
Sylva Station, night	11
Hayesville, Ledford	17-18
Murphy Circuit, Brasstown	30-31
Ranger Circuit, Bellview	24-25
	May
Murphy Station	1
Andrews Station	1
	May
Murphy Station, night	6
Andrews Station, night	7
Robbinsville, Topton	8-9
Judson, Almond	9-10
Franklin Ct., Snowhill	15-16
Macon Ct., Asbury	19-20
Highlands, Flatts	22-23
Franklin Station	24

The Christian Advocate Offers You This Well Known Bible Dictionary

SEE SPECIAL OFFER BELOW

Realizing the wide demand that exists among our constituents for this Bible Dictionary, we have made a special arrangement with the publishers of the work by which they agreed to supply it to us on exceptional terms, provided we would widely advertise it, and this enables us to offer this **well-known Bible Dictionary in its original form** and with all its important features, including over 400 illustrations and maps in colors, at **less than half the regular price.**

Have your friends take advantage of this special offer as well as yourself



This is a *reduced* photograph of the complete book which is 5¾ x 7¾ inches in size and contains 834 pages, 440 illustrations and 16 maps printed in colors. Bound in Cloth, gold and ink stamping

THE FATHER OF ALL BIBLE DICTIONARIES

Everyone acknowledges the superior value of Dr. William Smith's Bible Dictionary, as containing the fruit of the ripest Biblical scholarship. It is practically the foundation, or father, of all other Bible Dictionaries. This late edition is brought down to the twentieth century and thoroughly revised to incorporate modern research and discoveries in Bible lands. It has been adapted in its present form to the convenience of teachers and scholars.

MAKES BIBLE STUDY EASY. MAKES THE BIBLE PLAIN TO EVERY READER

This Bible Dictionary is a veritable treasure to Christian Workers. It contains in the simplest language a full explanation of all topics mentioned in the Bible—every place, nation, tribe, person, and historical event; every custom and rite; every instrument and implement; every animal, plant, flower, mineral, metal, etc. It is a systematic collation of all the facts recorded in the Bible, supplemented and explained by materials supplied from authentic records of Biblical times. It gives in compact and lucid form the substance of the result of profound Biblical scholarship and research. IT OPENS A NEW UNDERSTANDING AND APPRECIATION OF THE BIBLE IN A WAY THAT NO OTHER BOOK DOES.

Our Special Offer

From this till May first we offer the Advocate one year and this dictionary for

$2.50

This applies to new subscribers and renewals.

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, GREENSBORO, N. C.

DO YOU OWN A KODAK?

If so, I am a film specialist doing developing, printing and enlarging and my proposition to you is interesting. Send a trial order to

D. AUDLEY GOLD, Box C263, Blacksburg, S. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL

General Insurance

General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland

108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER AND PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the eldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.

LEADING JEWELERS

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Reading Room Trinity College

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, April [illegible], 1915 | Number 16

Are the Children In?

By Elizabeth Rosser

Are all the children in? The night is falling,
And storm-clouds gather in the threatening west;
The lowing cattle seek a friendly shelter,
The bird hies to her nest,
The thunder crashes, wilder grows the tempest,
And darkness settles o'er the fearful din;
Come, shut the door and gather round the hearthstone.
Are all the children in?

Are all the children in? The night is falling,
When gilded sin doth walk about the streets;
O, at last it biteth like a serpent:
Poisoned are stolen sweets.
O parents, guard the feet of inexperience,
Too prone to wander in the paths of sin!
O shut the door of youth against temptation.
Are all the children in?

Are all the children in? The night is falling,
The night of death is hastening on apace.
The Lord is calling, "Enter thou thy chamber
And tarry there a space."
And when He comes, the King in all His glory,
And calls for those who faithful here have been,
O may the gates of heaven shut about us.
Are all the children in?

—*The Vanguard.*

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

LOOK UP THE ORDER BLANK

On page 11 the subscriber will find a renewal order blank. We are compelled to urge every one in arrears to clip out the blank, fill it out and pin check or money order to it. The matter is urgent and we beg subscribers to heed our call. Do not wait to see your pastor but mail direct to the office.

The Methodist churches in the city of Louisville recently undertook a one-win-one campaign with the view of securing at least 1,000 additions by Easter. The result was 877 additions to the Southern Methodist Church, and 74 to the M. E. Church and one colored church which is associated with our church in the preachers' meeting. Besides, there were 149 applicants still on the list to be received, making in all 1100 additions as the result of the campaign.

* * * *

Bishop Hendrix has called the meeting of the College of Bishops for May 5th, at St. John's church, St. Louis.

* * * *

Dr. W. F. McMurry, Secretary of our Board of Church Extension, calls attention to the fact that organized church extension is thirty-two years old in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and that during the 1,664 weeks of these thirty-two years the board, of which he is the executive officer, has assisted in erecting 8,994 churches, or an average of about five and a half churches a week for every week of the thirty-two years of the board's history, the number of churches aided being more than 50 per cent of the church buildings owned by the denomination. Who will say that Church Extension activities have been in vain?

CHILDREN'S DAY

By the action of our last General Conference the last Sunday in April is set apart as Children's Day in all our Sunday schools. If, for any reason, it is not convenient to observe it on this date, it should be held as soon thereafter as possible.

The change was made on the plea that the third Sunday in May is so apt to conflict with commencement exercises in so many places. We doubt if there is going to be any advantage in the change, but it will surely do no harm, as large latitude is allowed and every church and Sunday school can adopt a day that will suit best according to local conditions.

We trust all superintendents will see to it that a Children's Day service be held. There is nothing that will do more to build up the school, and nothing that will contribute more to develop the young life of the church.

A READJUSTMENT NEEDED

The expense of living has increased steadily for the past fifteen years. Many things have conspired to this end. However, if compelled to give a comprehensive answer as to the reason for this most people would be greatly puzzled to know just what to say. Perhaps the best way to state the case is to say that, during these years, the whole world, and this part of the world in particular, has been undergoing great economic changes, and adjusting itself to a new order of things. Prices of many commodities have been greatly advanced, and the great army of those who are consumers and not producers, in the sense that their labors bring anything into existence to support life, has constantly increased. These, and many other things which enter into the economic problems of human society, have made it necessary that wage scales and salaries be readjusted.

It is a well-known fact that the last things to yield to such demand for readjustment are the wage scale and salary. Selfishness sees its opportunity to profit for a time at least by a nebulous condition. Among those who suffer most and suffer longest is the pastor serving in the average and weaker charges. While it is true that the average salary has been much increased during the past ten years, it is a fact of no small significance that most of this increase has been in the stronger charges, leaving the medium and weaker charges practically on the former basis.

We feel that there is pressing demand for a readjustment in this particular. Many of our faithful men and their families are embarrassed because of the situation, and the best interest of our work in the home land is in jeopardy because of this. In many of our charges from 400 to 600 members are paying less for the support of the church than they pay for tobacco. The members of some of our city churches, even, spend more at the Ball Park and Play House during a single season than they pay for pastor's salary and other church interests combined during the year. If we are going to see the revival for which we pray and prophecy it will be necessary for us to read, study and inwardly digest Malachi 3:7-12; also 1 Cor. 9:7-14. In connection with the prayerful study of these and other related scripture lessons, it is absolutely necessary for those who estimate salaries of our preachers to study the meaning of our Book of Discipline when, in paragraph 195, page 133, it is specifically directed that the stewards shall "Make estimates of expenses and provision for the support of the gospel." We do not believe that in the majority of charges there is a very conscientious observance of this rule. Too often the only matter of concern with the Board is to see how low an estimate can be agreed upon with little if any consultation with the pastor as to what will be necessary to meet the demands. This is due, in many instances, not so much to a desire to be penurious, as to a fear that the people generally will not give their support to a liberal policy on the part of the board. Much is due also to the fact that many stewards are not accustomed to estimating in dollars and cents all the things that go to make up the budget of a family's expenses for the year. So many things that they are accustomed to enjoy in their bill of fare almost every day are produced in field or garden and not thought of as items of expense, that they are in this sense incompetent to make the estimates for pastor's salaries.

Some people say they cannot understand why so many stewards do not care to have the Advocate come into their homes. They will not admit the truth of it but much of their aversion is due to the fact that the Advocate comes so often with a message like this. They do not care to pay $1.50 per year for a periodic rebuke of their covetousness and narrowness. Nevertheless, it is no small part of the mission of the church paper to cry aloud and spare not against a system of ministerial support which frequently takes all the vivacity and cheer out of the heart of a good man.

* * * *

A friend has kindly called our attention to an appropriate editorial on this subject, which appeared recently in the Chicago Post, a secular paper. The editor of the Post says:

"The Allegheny Presbytery of the United Presbyterian Church, which includes a big section of western Pennsylvania, has adopted a resolution providing that no church within its bounds may employ a pastor at a less salary than $1,000 a year.

We do not know by what machinery the presbytery proposes to enforce its edict, but there is no doubt it has taken a step toward remedying a condition that has become a disgrace to the Christian religion.

Granted that churches and preachers are desirable, the underpayment of the man who is supposed to lead the people in matters spiritual is a refined cruelty all too common in its practice. The preacher is expected to maintain a decently clad and respectable appearance, to set the example of a well-ordered home, to keep open house for his congregation and visiting preachers and missionaries; his wife must dress neatly and must devote much of her time to the work of the congregation; unable to afford help, she is often compelled to neglect family and household duties so the sick may be visited and the meetings of the aid society attended. Hence the proverb of the preacher's child.

The task of achieving this standard of living on a salary that oftener ranges from $600 to $800 than from $1,000 to $1,500 might well baffle a more provident and financially efficient man than he of the pastoral temperament usually is."

GREENSBORO TRAINING SCHOOL

A significant step in the better preparation of Sunday school teachers and officers has been taken in Greensboro during the past three months. The training school has been in operation for twelve weeks, furnishing courses in teacher training and official administration for every department of Sunday school work. More than two hundred men and women have taken the course. The last regular session of the school will be held on Thursday night of this week and will be addressed by Mr. Marion Lawrence, perhaps the most conspicuous Sunday school worker in the world today. This session will be held in the main auditorium of West Market Street Methodist church and the public is cordially invited to attend this lecture.

On Tuesday night of next week the closing exercises of the school term will be held and certificates awarded to those who have passed the examinations. On this night the address will be delivered by Dr. W. A. Brown, one of the field secretaries of the International Sunday School Association. The public is invited to these exercises, and urged to hear both these distinguished speakers.

THE DISTRICT CONFERENCES

This week marks the beginning of our District Conference season. We are opening a little earlier than usual and it seems that dates are being arranged so as to have fewer conflicting dates. We are informed that practically all the dates have been agreed on, though the advocate has not yet been informed as to a few of them. We hope to have them all in an early issue.

The District Conference is really a great occasion. For practical good it is worth more to the church than the Annual Conference. Left unhampered by a hard-and-fast program it is really capable of being made a very enjoyable occasion and one calculated to bring a great blessing to the church in which it is held.

While we warn against the evil effects of a set program, we must not be understood as advocating a plan so desultory and aimless as to effectually take all the life and snap out of the occasion. A strait-jacket may chafe and irritate, but that is better than a garment hung so loosely about the body as to be threatening all the time to fall to the ground. There must be an outline—a plan of proceedure—but it must be in the hands of a man who can readily adjust things to unexpected emergencies, and play the whole game through as if nothing had happened.

The best regulator of such occasions—the real moderator in fact—is the presence of the Holy Spirit, producing that sense of fellowship which makes us all sit together in heavenly places. In such an atmosphere there is sure to be no strife over questions of controversy, and all differences will resolve themselves, while every message on whatever topic is sure to be delivered with divine unction and produce conviction in the hearts of those who hear.

All our discussions should be seasoned with grace and no preaching should ever be thought of that does not express a sound and clear-cut conviction. Our preaching should be in demonstration of the Spirit and of power and, like our Master, we should speak as those having authority. If we are to do this there must be an atmosphere of spirituality, and such an atmosphere can not be where there is not much prayer.

Let it not be said that twenty or thirty ministers, with fifty or more select laymen of the church, have met in any community for three or four days in succession without being in some

way a great blessing to the community. If we meet as Methodist preachers should, praying for and expecting the pentecostal power, there will be no disappointment, and all the business of the church will be transacted in such a spirit as to leave an influence behind that will abide for good in the years to come.

NOTE AND COMMENT

One of the Horrors of War is seen in the fact that it is now fifty years since the close of the great Civil War in the United States and yet the country is paying out annually $172,000,000 in pensions. It is very evident that on the pension roll are thousands of men that never saw war service or even smelled powder in the distance, and "widows" by the thousand whose only scheme is to defraud the government. The World's Work proposes to make an investigation of the whole matter. May the God of righteousness direct this investigation to the end that the country may be delivered from this horde of rascally mendicants.

* * * *

That Russia Should Go Dry so suddenly has been to many people a great mystery. The editor of Zion's Herald in a recent number calls attention to the fact that it was not the simple feat of the Czar. It seems that the provincial governments were called upon to decide for themselves with the result that alcohol was banished. Back of it all was the work of one man who has become a great power for moral and economic reform. That man is Michael Dimitri Tchelischeff. The Herald says: "This man of humble origin is the one who influenced the opinion of the Czar himself on this important question, so that eventually the edict of prohibition was signed. Received at court, he showed his sovereign that most of the crimes and excesses against organized government were committed by men addicted to drink. What matters it that the State treasury receives millions, if vodka corrupts character and endangers society, the very foundations of the commonwealth? After this interview it was only a matter of a short time before the system was doomed." Religion and common sense go hand in hand to clear away the rubbish from the great highway of human progress. Liquor is on its last legs, though the demon dies hard.

* * * *

One of the Most Important educational events of the year was the induction into office yesterday at Chapel Hill of Dr. Edward Kidder Graham as president of North Carolina University, whereat there were in attendance presidents and representatives from ninety-one colleges and universities, and delegates from thirty-one learned societies. The notable addresses of the most distinguished educators of the country, including Abbott Lawrence Lowell, president of Harvard University; Frank J. Goodnow, president of John Hopkins University; Edward Anderson Alderman, president of the University of Virginia, and John H. Finley, president of the University of New York, were permeated with cultural, democratic and educational theories of practical and idealistic values.

The processional march from the administration building to Memorial Hall, where the exercises were held, was perhaps the most inspiring academic procession ever formed within the state. One unique feature of the occasion was the presence in the procession of four former presidents of the University: Dr. Kemp Plummer Battle, Dr. George T. Winston, Dr. E. A. Alderman and Dr. F. P. Venable.

It has been remarked that by reason of his democratic ideas, his faith in every-day folks, and his constructive views in the administration of the affairs of a university, the new president enters upon an era of great promise in the life of the institution and its foster parent, the state.

* * * *

According to Recent Press Despatches intervention by the United States in the negotiations now proceeding between China and Japan has been recommended to President Wilson in an appeal recently sent to him by American missionaries in the Celestial republic. The message was said to contain 5,000 words and the expense of $6,000 in cabeling it was borne by Chinese officials. The appeal characterizes the Japanese demands made on China as acts of aggression such as eventually will present a menace to the United States. Recalling the fact that Japan has at present in China double her usual quota of troops the missionaries urge that Japan be notified that the excess of troops should be removed. The communication was signed by the Revs. E. W. Thwing, John Wherry, C. H. Fenn and W. A. P. Martin, all connected with the Presbyterian mission at Peking; the Rev. Chauncy Doderich of the American board of commissioners for foreign missions, who is stationed at Tien Tsin; the Rev. H. W. Lowry of the Methodist Episcopal mission at Peking, and the Rev. C. F. Hubbard.

The missionaries ask "that the governments of both China and Japan be notified that the presence of unusual bodies of Japanese troops on Chinese soil not only embarrasses the freedom of negotiation, but constitutes an outrage of the rights of China and a serious menace to the peace and safety of Americans and foreigners generally," and recommends that "pending the removal of excessive contingents of Japanese troops all negotiations should be suspended."

* * * *

The Daughters of the American Revolution in their this-week's annual convention in Washington are doing all possible to adopt a plan whereby the John Paul Jones home in Halifax may be preserved as a national memorial school on the land adjoining the Jones home. Among the prominent members from North Carolina present at this convention are Mrs. E. C. Gregory, daughter of Senator Overman; Mrs. W. N. Reynolds, of Winston-Salem, and Miss Ursula Daniel, of Halifax county.

At the last annual convention of the society Mrs. Gregory proposed a plan to have the John Paul Jones home restored to its original condition and preserve it as a national patriotic shrine, similar to Mount Vernon and Monticello, and she was appointed chairman of a committee to consider the matter and report at this convention. It may be mentioned that the citizens of Halifax county have offered 100 acres of land adjoining the Jones home free upon which to erect the school. The state legislature has appropriated $3,500 as a donation towards the school if located in North Carolina, and the North Carolina D. A. R., through Mrs. Reynolds, state treasurer, has offered to donate the John Paul Jones home and three acres of land about the house to the national society if it will preserve the home as a national shrine and erect the Patriots Memorial School alongside it as a national seat of learning.

* * * *

In An Artistic Little Booklet, "The Case Against the Little White Slaver," published under the direction of Henry Ford, the well-known automobile manufacturer, there occurs a striking comparison:

"Mr. Hill states—and his figures are authoritative—that in 1913 fifteen billion eight hundred million cigarettes were made in the United States; that means one billion five hundred and eighty million packages of cigarettes with ten in a package—the standard quantity.

"These range in price from five cents per package of ten for the cheapest grades up to thirty-five cents for the same sized package in the choicer brands. Of course, a vastly greater quantity of the cheaper grades are sold than of the higher, because the boy who is acquiring the cigarette habit seldom has the money to squander on the more expensive brands. However, putting a price of ten cents on each package sold, it will be found that in 1913, according to Mr. Hill's production figures, there would have been spent for cigarettes alone, one hundred and fifty-eight million dollars.

"That is a lot of money. Let us see how it compares with certain items in the national budget. From 1792, when the government began to mint coins on a large scale, to June 30, 1913, there had been turned out nickles, $39,-010,924.60. Dimes coined during that period aggregated $68,129,827. Of quarters there were $99,653,261.25, of coppers $21,812,855.73. In other words, the nation's cigarette bill for 1913, based on an average price of ten cents a box, was equal to all the nickles, dimes, quarters and pennies minted by the government in one hundred and twenty years, with enough left over to have nearly supported the legislative, executive and judicial branches of the national government during 1914."

This little booklet will be sent any one free upon a request to Mr. Henry Ford, Detroit, Mich. To those interested in this fight it will prove a wonderful weapon.

* * * *

No Man Is Master of Himself who goes about with a pipe, cigar, cigarette or "wad" of tobacco in his face. When is the war on this evil to begin in earnest? How much longer are we going to be as the old man in the valley who when asked what he did in his lonesome out-of-the-way place, replied: "Oh, I jes' set and think and set and think, and sometimes I jes' set." It has long been time to start this fight. Alcohol is fast disappearing, and public sentiment will eventually grow to put tobacco on the run.

"What would you say," exclaimes Billy Sunday, "if I sputtered and mouthed over a cud of tobacco? You would say, 'If the Holy Spirit has got to roost around that old buzzard then none of the Holy Spirit for me.' "

A contributor to the Presbyterian Standard, Charlotte, N. C., notes the conclusions of a famous French physician that if one-tenth of the mischief ascribed to tobacco be proved "the human race must be seriously impaired for the annual consumption is 4,480,000,000 pounds." Millions of dollars are invested in this industry. One million acres are planted with tobacco in the United States, while fifteen thousand manufacturers and 142,000 hands prepare the crop for market. "Think of this vast capital," says the writer, "tied up in tobacco, and the thousands of employees who might be in better service. Think of the millions of acres of land which might be devoted to foodstuffs instead of this deadly narcotic. Americans spent in 1912, $2,000,000,000 for liquor, and $1,200,-000,000 for tobacco. The gratification of these depraved appetites costs far more than would support all our poor houses, feed and clothe all our poor, fill the treasuries of the great Christian missionary societies, and carry on all our schemes of education." The proportion is something like eighty dollars for tobacco and twenty-five cents for home missions.

* * * *

The Death of Col. A. B. Andrews, first vice-president of the Southern Railway, removes from our state one of the most conspicuous figures of the last quarter of a century and more. Col. Andrews passed away at his home in Raleigh on Saturday night. He was a great railroad man and did more than any other man in North Carolina to develop a great system of railways. The funeral took place in Raleigh on Monday, many prominent railway officials and other men of prominence attending to do honor to his memory.

* * * *

War! War! By day and night it horrifies and terrifies. Can we not look beyond it to the immortal democracy? And at present do we not shudder at what we see on the far-flung, blood-sodden plains, mountains and valleys? Are there not millions of you and me there struggling, dying? Are not we all at war? Are we not there in multitudes murdering our own bodies?

It is a tedious and difficult process for the spiritual, the perfect, the God part of us to manifest itself slowly through the ages. The Irishman's description of the great Aryan race, which he spoke of as starting from its Asiatic home and marching west, driving its cattle before it, until it arrived at the Cliff House, San Francisco, in an automobile, was short and graphic but it covers a long period of time, and even yet we have not learned that we are all brothers. We still poison and wreck our lives by hating ourselves.

Emerson says it is a long journey from the oyster to Plato, but the journey has been made, and from the depths of seeming inertia to the heights of God-consciousness is a journey worth the blood-shedding experiences. Do we not find it so? Is not God worth everything? Is HE not ALL?

The Moral and Religious Condition of Turkey

By J. M. Rowland

In order to have a clear knowledge of the place Turkey holds in the world it must be remembered that it has two hundred million subjects. This vast host of human souls comprising an army more than twice as large as the entire population of the United States is under the awful grip of the Turkish Empire and the still more awful power of the Mohammedan religion which constitutes the most formidable enemy perhaps that the Christian religion has had since its coming into the world. No other system of religion has built such a bulwark of superstition and prejudice against the gospel of Christ. No other people have equalled them in the blood they have shed in their fight against Christianity.

A brief study of the character of the Mohammedan and the religion he teaches will help us to understand these facts.

One of the most prominent points in him is his lack of progress. He is the original standpatter, opposed to advance of every kind. He is too lazy to go forward, being the most slothful mortal you can find. He has never added anything to the world's constructive life but has destroyed all he could that others had constructed. As John R. Mott has well said, "If the Turk cannot find a desert he will make one." In his restful ease he bitterly resents all interference and delights to stand or rather sit where he has been for centuries. He uses the same implements he has always used, threshing out his wheat by driving his cattle around on it, plowing with his same crude plows, carrying his commerce on his head, his back and the back of his donkey, never having looked with favor upon wheeled vehicles. He has no factories for he rather do all his work with his hands as his fathers did. He is also the dirtiest mortal you can find. Filth is a part of his being. He is too lazy to be clean. To be clean is too much like a Christian dog or a hated Englishman; therefore filth is a virtue. Of course this is not the case with all of them but it is true with the vast majority. And he is a fatalist of the deepest dye. It is ground into his blood and stamped upon his soul. Everything is worked out by an unchanging fate, and it is worse than useless to try to put yourself against it. Things are just as they were intended to be. His hills are full of oil and ore but he digs it not for if Allah had intended it to be on top of the ground it would be there and since it is under the ground Allah intended it to remain there and it would be the grossest insult to him to dig it up. This is the reason he resents every approach of western civilization that would change the old order of things. It is sacrilege to try to change the things fate has fixed.

He is also cursed by superstition. It haunts him, poisons him, possesses him to a degree seldom found anywhere. His religion and all his makeup is tangled with a web of superstition. He wears charms on himself and on his horses to keep off the "evil eye," believing there are people so in league with evil spirits that when they turn their evil eye upon you they bring a train of evil with that look. Several times our horses chanced to lose these awful looking beads from their necks and everything had to wait until the lost ones could be found or new ones secured, for it would have been ruin to go on without them. A king would not be more distressed over the loss of the crown than was my driver over the loss of those beads and no king could say as many awful sounding things in the same length of time. They go on long pilgrimages to their holy cities, Jerusalem, Mecca, Modena and Hebron that they may touch the sacred spots and rid themselves of all ills to body and soul as well as secure a pass port to Everlasting Blessedness. Rugs and robes are placed on these holy spots and carried back that their touch may impart a magic power and work many wonders. We saw many of these pilgrims who had gone through the worse denials and privations to save means enough to take these long and arduous journeys and everywhere we went they were our fellow travelers.

The Turk is absolutely unreliable and dishonest. Nobody can beat him lying. He seems to prefer a lie to the truth. They cannot trust one another. The government has inspectors to such an extent that everybody seems to be watching everybody else. The government and the thieves are in league or rather they are one and the same. If you don't want the robbers to bother you you can pay the government for protection and the government will divide with the thieves. Everybody is open to bribes and often this is the only passport that will get you through. We were charged an entrance fee of two dollars each as we entered Turkey; another sum to get through the Balkan mountains; another to get out of Constantinople; a medical fee to enter Alexandria, and a fumigation fee to get out of Beirut. We would not have objected to paying the last if they had fumigated themselves, but the rascals took the fee and fumigated nothing. You can't trust them. They will rise from their prayers and kill you if they get a chance, and they will steal anything from anybody.

The Mohammedan is on fire with hatred toward all foreigners, especially Christian. His Bible enjoins it upon him. His religon exctes him to holy wars to exterminate by the bloodiest methods all who do not believe as he does. His country has run with blood in many massacres and if they do not again flood their hills with foreign blood before this war is over it will be because they fear England and America too much. Their missionary propaganda is one of bloodshed; it was the way their founder won his victories; it is their future hope, and woe to the foreigners who fall into their hands when the Holy War begins.

They are cruel and heartless despots to their own people. The burdens their state and church puts on them is hard to realize. The government sells the tax-gathering privilege to the highest bidder. He pays the government whatever is agreed upon and grinds out of the people in the district he buys whatever he chooses, the people having no redress whatever. Often the people have to pay over fifty per cent. of what they make for tax. One day our train stopped and we saw a man with a flock of sheep and goats about a dozen in all about two hundred yards from the track. The trainmen who were officers of the law, the government owning the railroads, left the train and had an argument with the shepherd. They took the finest lamb from the flock and brought him bleating to the train. We learned from our guide that they had a law that whenever a shepherd let his flock get in a certain distance from the train (close enough for one of the rascals to steal a sheep I suppose) they took a lamb as a fine. This poor man was unable to pay the price of two mejidos ($1.60) to redeem his lamb and the trainmen carried it away for their dinner. This was another of their many methods of robbery. The fruit trees have been taxed until large sections once rich with fruitage is desolate for it is cheaper to have no trees at all than face the unmerciful tax of Turkey and the trees are cut down.

A very marked trait of the Mohammedan character is his attitude toward women. He professes great chivalry. He has veiled the face of his women so that not even her own household can see her face. He has private quarters for the women of his house even though he lives in poor tents and when she leaves her shoes at the tent door as a sign that she occupies her quarters no man, no matter how near by family ties, can go beyond those shoes. He has been given great credit for the way he honors women because of these things, but he deserves no credit at all. He has the most degraded opinion of women. His bible teaches him she has no soul, but is merely a piece of property below par with his sheep or his donkey. His religion allows him to trade her for anything he chooses when he tires of her, and his bible tells him when she does not please him to take her to the tent where the cattle stay, the place where she belongs, and beat her until he is satisfied. This bible also tells him his allotted number of wives is four, but if he really desires more "God is merciful and kind." When a girl baby is born into a home he goes into a protracted spell of mourning; his friends stop speaking to him and often he divorces his wife or sells her all because she has become the mother of a cursed girl instead of a boy. A poor little girl is born to a life that is a curse. We saw little girls from four (not fourteen) to twelve working in the brass factory at Damascus hammering out with their little hands the fine brass ornaments we prize so highly. We saw girls hardly grown building the new Turkish railroad under guard of armed soldiers. We saw hundreds of girls and women carrying heavy pitchers of several gallons, each full of water, on their heads, many miles through the awful Syrian sun. Often we saw women walking, carrying children or other heavy burdens on long journeys, while their gallant husbands rode beside them. What does the leaving the slippers at the tent door and the veiling of the face amount to in the face of these things? Poor woman! She is a brute and a beast of burden. She looks old and haggard before she is hardly grown. What can a people amount to who treat their women—the instruments of the best and the purest in the human race—that way? And after all, as much as Christ has done for men, how much more has He done for women! You feel this more in foreign lands than in our own. Our religion and civilization is the only one the world has known that has raised woman to the place where she belongs.

The Turk is the most religious person on the earth and yet the most non religious. He prays five times a day and yet he does not pray at all. In Constantinople alone he has five hundred and fifty mosques or churches, with many others scattered over his vast domains. Five times a day the priest mounts the stairs to the minaret or belfry, comes out of a little door upon a little porch that extends all around the tower and sends out upon the world his wierd call to prayer. He lifts up his voice in this call four times, each time standing with his face toward the four points of the compass. This is perhaps the most doleful sound that falls on the ear of the traveler in any land. At the sound the Mohammedan stops whatever he is doing and prostrates himself in prayer, first turning his face toward Mecca, his most holy city. He carefully spreads his rug, robe or kerchief upon the ground or floor wherever he is. Sometimes he is hindered for lack of room. As he can't go through his performances very well in crowded quarters and often if he is on a train at the hour of prayer he will wait until the train reaches the next station and get on the ground beside the train where with one eye open on the conductor and the other closed on Allah, he prays. It takes him a long time to go through his prayers and the different actions, motions, postures and prostrations he goes through would run Father O'Hooligan a close race when he grinds out pontifical mass over the inscensed corpse of an arch bishop. One reason the Turk takes so much to his prayers is because it gives his lazy nature a chance five times a day to stop whatever he is doing and for a long time loll out his sleepy devotions. He does not seem to say anything, it is all motions and at times he seems to be asleep. If you are near he watches you with one treacherous eye while he keeps the other closed to the world and when he finishes his prayers you better keep both eyes on him.

It is hard to realize how burdened the people are. There are practically no schools and the people live in an ignorance and degradation that is apalling. They haven's any home life and many of them have no homes. They live in the fields until winter comes and crowd in mud huts, dens in the ground or anywhere they can, like rats. Many of them do not get enough out of life to call it living. They can be seen often going to the shops with coins that look like tobacco tags they have begged from the travelers, stolen, worked for or gotten any way they can. Some of these coins are worth as little as one tenth of a cent. They will pay one or two of these for a little piece of dirty bread, many months old sometimes, and a handful ow pumpkin or melon seed and upon this make their meal.

Some one asks why don't they rebel and over-

throw their accursed government? You just as well ask why does not a team of mules overloaded and abused rebel against their master and set up a new government. What can people so completely crushed do against the government that oppresses them? They haven't strength, brain or spirit to do anything.

Thus southern Europe, much of it Asia, upper Africa, Palestine and the vast desert lands of Arabia, have for centuries been under the power of the Turk. He holds the most strategic part of the earth, unequalled in fertility, unbounded in commercial possibility, great in historic value, and he curses it, while the civilized nations, desiring to carve the Turkey but in their jealous hunger for the biggest piece could not determine who should wield the knife. But the day of the Turk is nearly done. His crescent that has shone so long over this great part of the world in places rich and holy, is waning in the west. Faster and shorter grows the gasping breath of the sick man. Soon it will be hushed; he will be buried in the graveyard of Oblivion and upon his grave a better civilization will spring to bless the land he cursed so long.

In simple justice it should be said the Turk has one good trait. He will not drink strong drink. It is against his religion and his law. Many times we sat with him at meals in the midst of clinking glasses and flowing wine, but not once did we see him touch it. Our people drank it. Yes, our Christian folks from our Christian land, Sunday school teachers and even preachers, drank it—not Methodist preachers, thank God. The Methodists came home with their lips unstained and we even spoke out in meeting about how it looked for Christian people en route to the Land of the Lord to sit with Turks at their own tables and drink their wine while not a Mohammedan on account of religious principles will dare touch it. There were others besides Methodists who stood with us. A great many of our people when they travel through those lands do drink wine, claiming the water is very bad and dangerous, and the wine, which is very mild, makes a fair substitute. And then they are far away from home and the wine is free.

A few years ago some Englishmen offered to pay large sums of money to the rulers of Arabia for the privilege of selling their liquor for their native products. They were told England did not have money enough to buy the privilege of putting that curse to civilization in the hands of their people. Then the wily English, believing that doctrine of which you may have heard, "Prohibition don't prohibit," tried to smuggle it in. They were caught, their liquor burned in a public bonfire and they were beaten half to death and sent home with instructions that the next time they were caught trying to thrust their civilization on Arabia the job would be finished. So in Arabia prohibition prohibits.

One of the wonders of the human race is how an ignorant camel driver like Mohammed could arise with a perverted form of the Christian religion, mixed with the worse things of paganism, and gather about him such a powerful dominion that has blocked the march of civilization and held sway in a large part of the world for centuries.

In the face of what we know about Mohammedism the question naturally arises, what progress does the religion of Christ make among them? While of course it is exceedingly difficult to break through such barriers, the progress of missions has been notable. Last summer a prominent Hohammedan in Egypt was converted to Christ and was preaching his new faith in Cairo with such demonstration as to remind one of Billy Sunday. He occupied the largest house he could get in the city and so great were the crowds that surged to hear of his new faith he was forced to issue tickets in the order in which the people came. Sometimes it was three or four days before one's turn would come to get in the meeting. A lady teacher in a mission school told us there was so much interest among the girls that they walked many miles, bringing enough of their stale bread they had baked before school to last them through the entire session. Thus living in the poorest way they eagerly sought to learn all they could about our religion. We met Rev. Mr. Forder, a Wesleyan Methodist missionary in Jerusalem. He gave twenty-five years of heroic service to the Mohammedans in the Land of Moab, working under awful persecutions, but delivered by God in ways truly miraculous. The way the country was finally opened to him and he won the hearts of the people was touching in the extreme. His baby fell sick and died. They buried the little one in that far away strange land, the father the undertaker, the mother the chief mourner. The people gathered in great numbers to see them give their child Christian burial, so different from that they gave their children. The people seemed greatly touched and the next day a native came to the house of the missionary bringing a little lamb in his arms, with the story that it was customary among their people when parents lost a little one for another mother who had a baby to lend the bereaved mother her own child so that in her aching loneliness she might give her affection to the borrowed child and gradually accustom herself to her sorrow. As his wife had no child to send they had brought the lamb and wanted Mrs. Forder to give her time and devotion in caring for the lamb, thus easing the burden of her sorrow and loneliness. Thus the burial of the missionary's baby in that strange land opened the hearts of the people that had been sealed so hard and this beautiful instance shows that beyond the outer walls of superstition and evil there is a human heart after all that speaks the universal language of the soul. These and many other examples show that with an apostolic ministry the gospel of Christ can break even the walls of Mohammedanism and win those imprisoned souls to God.

Norfolk, Va.

THE SOUTH ATLANTIC QUARTERLY

The April issue of the South Atlantic Quarterly will come from the press in a few days. The number opens with an article by Prof. William H. Glasson, of the department of economics of Trinity College. Dr. Glasson's subject is "Some Effects of European War on American Industries." He shows that the war has brought depression to the cotton states and prosperity to the wheat growing states of the West. There is also a discussion of the interference with the supply of German dye stuffs to American cotton mills, which is now causing so much alarm. In the last few months the excess of exports from the United States caused by the great sales of food stuffs and war munitions to Europe has been unprecedented. The article included a discussion of the industries benefited by the war and also the effects of the war in making New York City an international money market.

Mr. Roland Hugins, of Cornell University, writes on "Armageddon and the Peace Advocate." He criticises the sentimental character of the efforts of many of the peace advocates. While nations continue to settle disputes by war, he does not believe that the United States ought to neglect to make powerful provision for national defense. However, Mr. Hugins is in favor of reasonable and practical projects for the bringing about of international peace.

Dr. T. S. Graves, of Trinity College, contributes an interesting article on "Tricks of Elizabethan Showmen." Dr. Graves presents an entertaining account of many of the ways in which actors and showmen imposed on the amusement loving public of England some centuries ago. It is evident that our American Barnum had many predecessors in Old England.

Mr. George A. Stephens, of the University of Nebraska, writes an article on "Recent Federal Trust Legislation," in which he analyzes the Federal Trade Commission Act, the Clayton Anti-Trust Bill, and other federal trust legislation passed last summer. This article should be of great value to business men who wish to understand the scope and probable effects of the law for the regulation of large corporations passed during President Wilson's administration.

Dr. Edgar W. Knight, of Trinity College, writes on the subject "The Peabody Fund and Its Early Operation in North Carolina." Dr. Knight's article shows how powerfully this fund operated to stimulate educational progress in the states after the Civil War. This paper will be of much value to students of educational history of North Carolina.

Mr. H. H. Peckham, of Purdue University, contributes a review article on "Some Recent Southern Verse." Mr. Peckham writes in sprightly style of the work of Madison Cawein, Walter Malone, Marshall DeLancey Haywood, and Roscoe Gilmore Stott. This paper is especially appropriate to a spring number.

The number is brought to a close by a well filled Book Review Department in which appear reviews of recent important publications. Among the contributions to this department are: Prof. J. G. DeR. Hamilton, of the University of North Carolina, and Profs. Parker, Wannamaker,, Knight, Glasson and others of Trinity College.

PULPIT STYLE AND PULPIT MANNERS

Just at this time the preaching of the celebrated Texas evangelist, "Billy" Sunday, is attracting the attention of the nation. His evangelistic campaigns in the great cities have apparently been notably successful; and his sermons indicate brilliancy, if not profundity, of thought and religious feeling. It must, also, be said that he is sound to the core in his orthodoxy and his startling epigrams are pregnant with the quintessence of the gospel. "Billy" himself appears to be a very attractive and virile personality; and in the judgment of charity he is a sincere and philanthropic seeker of souls. But alas! there is a "dead fly in the ointment." His style easily lends itself to adverse criticism. Having formerly been a professional base-ball player, Billy has seen fit to carry the expressive slang of the great national game into his holy calling. Of course, the "fans" are delighted, and the public is charmed with the novelty of it. But what is much more to be regretted, the evangelist is often extremely coarse and vulgar.

In a circular sent out from our own Publishing House at Nashville, advertising and commending Mr. Sunday's sermons, we find a picture of the preacher in an attitude of defiance, saying, "I will fight till hell freezes over!" Of course, we can but admire the high courage of the speaker; for he is a hard fighter, and fights against all kinds of evil. That's all right. But we must submit that that style of language does not remind one much of the Man of Galilee. More, if the reports of his sermons printed in the newspapers are correct, he often descends to the cockpit for his figures of speech.

We may be a little out-of-date, not quite enough inoculated with the spirit of modernism; if so, we beg the forbearance of our fellow citizens. But we cannot help accepting the old-fogy sentiment that the minister of the gospel is under the same obligations to be genteel and refined as other public speakers, nor despise the kindred sentiment that a man should be no less a gentleman because he is a disciple of the Suffering Savior.

Rev. Sam Jones was a great man, and one we loved sincerely; but we fear that imitation of his style has resulted in such a lowering of the standard of pulpit diction and manners as to largely offset his great work as a reformer.

We may also be pardoned for expressing the fear that moral victories gained by pandering to that vitialed tastes of men and by extremely sensational methods are secured at a fearful cost.

When Mr. Sunday leaves Philadelphia, who is going to continue the slang-slinging in the pulpit? And if no one does, will not these new converts find the pastors dull and uninteresting? And will they not drift back into the world? It is not very complimentary to the human family to apologize for the coarseness of modern evangelism by saying that the people will not stand for a high order of preaching—that they will not have bread and meat, but must be fed on syllabub and red candy-sticks.

Dwight Moody is dead, but his memory is green; and one of the most delightful recollections we have of him is that his friends never found it necessary to apologize for him. He never trailed the Banner of the Cross in the dust.—Dixie Methodist.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

District Conference Directory

Winston, at Walkertown .....April 20-22
Mt. Airy, at Stokesdale .....April 29-May 2
Greensboro, at Ashboro .....May 12-14
Waynesville, at Franklin .....May 25
Shelby, at Lowesville .....July 27-29

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—A note from Bishop Candler brings the gratifying news that he is recovering from a recent indisposition.

—On the evening of April 11th, Mr. Otis Waldrop and Miss Ardell Philips were united in marriage at the home of the groom's brother, near Mill Spring, N. C., Rev. J. M. Barber officiating.

—Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick is assisting in revival services at Anderson Street church, Bristol. Rev. T. R. Wolfe, formerly of the Western North Carolina Conference, is pastor of this church.

—Rev. W. E. Poovey, pastor of the Ozark-Dallas charge, reports a meeting held recently at High Shoals in which he was assisted by Rev. D. H. Comann, resulting in quite a number of conversions, reclamations and accessions to the church.

—Another good man and faithful member of the Methodist church passed to his reward on Wednesday, April 7th, when Mr. O. O. Eidson, of Elkin, died at his home in that place. Brother Eidson was a little past the four score mile post and died of the infirmities of age.

—We regret to learn that Rev. C. F. Sherrill, pastor of our Main Street congregation, Salisbury, has found it necessary to enter the Whitehead-Stokes Sanitorium for a surgical operation. His many friends throughout the Conference will not forget to pray for his speedy recovery.

—Rev. R. A. Taylor, pastor of First Street church, Albemarle, has been preaching for more than a week at South Main Street church, High Point, assisting Rev. H. C. Byrum in revival services. We have no definite report, but understand that there have been large results.

—Rev. W. O. Goode, pastor of Spring Garden Street church, began revival services last Sunday morning. Owing to a slight indisposition of the pastor the meeting closed on Tuesday evening.

—A correspondent of the Charlotte Observer, writing from Newton under date of April 13th, says that there is now a plan on foot to establish a Farm Life School on the old Rock Springs camp ground in Lincoln county. A friendly suit is to be instituted, so the correspondent states, to determine and settle the question which has arisen as to the title of the property.

—Rev. E. L. Kirk has been assigned to work on the Spruce Pine and Bakersville charge as helper to the pastor, Rev. J. P. Morris, for the rest of the Conference year. His headquarters will be at Bakersville. The field is white unto the harvest and these two vigorous young men mean to push the work for large results. A great campaign is already planned for the circulation of the Advocate.

—Rev. E. O. Smithdeal, pastor of the West Hickory charge, was the speaker in a special service held in the Methodist church at Newton on Sunday evening, April 4th. A number of ladies received diplomas upon their completion of a year's course of study prescribed for Sunday school teachers by the International Sunday School Association. The graduates were: Mrs. Ida Trollinger, Mrs. John Hewitt, Misses Claudia Kale, Orabelle Travis, Edith Sherrill, Maude Ballard, Mabel Bacon, Dorothy Ervin, Marguerite Wright, Ione Mebane, Floye and Mary Ramseur. The church was filled to overflowing and the exercises were greatly enjoyed.

—The Pacific Methodist Advocate, of a recent date, had the following note: Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Dunham, prominent lay-workers in the Western North Carolina Conference, of Asheville, N. C., were numbered among our visitors during the past week. In fact they are doing what all good Southern Methodists should do, making themselves at home with us while visiting the Exposition. Mrs. Dunham is Conference Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Society, and is seeking to learn all she can about the work in the West. Of course they asked how to find our own church, and also inquired for and looked over their own Conference organ. We are delighted to have such intelligent and loyal Southern Methodists come in contact with our work in the West.

—The Broad Street Bulletin No. 2, published quarterly by the Board of Stewards of Broad Street church, Statesville, is on our table. This Bulletin gives the complete organization of the church and a full financial report in detail. This should stimulate the work of the church and we have no doubt will. Publicity is one of the essential factors in whatever is to contribute to the great forward movement of the church, which is now just in its incipient stage. Rev. John L. Kirk is the pastor of Broad Street, now serving his third year.

—A correspondent of the daily press writing from Newton says: The night school inaugurated by ladies of the Methodist church missionary societies, and taken up by ladies of other denominations who have offered their services as teachers, has an enrollment of more than half a hundred students of all ages; and is growing in numbers and popularity. Many students come from among cotton and hosiery mill operatives who have no other opportunity of attending school. These specialize in mathematics, generally.

—A marriage of interest to many Advocate readers was solemnized in Spring Garden St. church, this city, on Wednesday of last week, when Miss Flora Richardson became the bride of Dr. Francis E. Asbury, of Ashboro. The ceremony was performed by the pastor, Rev. W. O. Goode and the happy couple left immediately for Asheville and points in that vicinity where they will spend a few days, after which they will be at home in Ashboro. The bride is a woman of fine character, having been a most useful and successful trained nurse. The groom is a well known physician, of Ashboro.

—One of the choice spirits and a mother in Israel went to her reward when Mrs. Martha E. Grissom passed away at the home of her son in Spencer on Sunday night, April 11th. Mrs. Grissom was 76 years old and had long been a devout Christian and a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. She was the mother of the late Rev. W. L. Grissom, for some years editor of the North Carolina Christian Advocate. She is survived by two sons and one daughter, her husband having passed to his reward several years ago. The funeral was conducted by Rev. F. L. Townsend on Tuesday and the interment followed in Green Hill cemetery, this city.

Cooleemee.—Rev. C. M. Short, the pastor, writes: Our revival at Cooleemee came to a close yesterday after two weeks' duration. The Lord was with us and graciously quickened the church and converted many souls. There were 19 accessions to the church yesterday and others will likely join. Your humble servant led in the meeting and did all the preaching. I had the hearty co-operation of my people in this effort. Rev. Willie Walker was with us most of the time and rendered fine assistance in the singing and otherwise.

Hot Springs.—We just closed a two weeks revival meeting at Hot Springs on last Sunday. The cold weather and sickness in the homes of the people kept many away from the services, but still the attendance was fairly good and I am sure much good was done. God's word does not return unto Him void. We will begin our meeting at Marshall in ten days or two weeks. We have since Conference received ten into the church at this place, and I think the outlook for a good meeting is encouraging. Pray for us. W. L. Rexford.

Walnut Cove.—The correspondent of the Danbury Reporter, writing under date of April 13th, says: "Rev. E. J. Poe delivered an interesting sermon at the Junior Hall Sunday at 11 a. m. At the close of his discourse Rev. Poe announced that beginning on the third Sunday in May, assisted by the presiding elder of this district, he would begin a series of meetings in one of the warehouses. The meeting will probably continue for two or more weeks, and Mr. Poe hopes to organize a choir of fifty of the best singers he can secure for the meeting.

Dedication of the New Church in Franklinville

Dear Brother Blair:—Our new church with Sunday school room, is complete and paid for and we are to dedicate the church on the first Sunday in May. Brother W. R. Ware will preach the sermon at 11 o'clock and the dedication will follow. We are to place the corner stone at 3 o'clock on Saturday before and we expect the editor of the Advocate to make an address. We wish through the Advocate to invite all former pastors. T. J. Rogers.

Rally at Muir's Chapel

An interesting and inspiring missionary rally day was celebrated at Muir's Chapel on last Sunday. There were morning and afternoon services and a bountiful dinner, which added much to the pleasure of the occasion. The meeting was presided over by Mrs. A. E. Fordham, our much beloved and highly efficient District Secretary. She touched upon each subject under discussion in a most helpful manner. The morning and afternoon devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. P. E. Paker, pastor in charge, and Rev. S. B. Turrentine, respectively. Dr. Turrentine also gave a most interesting talk on "Missions in Song." Among the other speakers were Mrs. R. R. Alley, who in her pleasant and encouraging way, spoke of the children's work. This was especially appropriate as most of the members of a recently organized Junior Division were present, with their young hearts open to receive her message.

It was touching as well as instructive to have present Mrs. Annie Edgerton Williams, who spent several years in the mission fields of India. She brought a message from a people so deeply in need and made an appeal, beautiful in sincerity, for their rescue from heathen darkness.

All were exceedingly glad to have Miss Zung, our Chinese friend from Greensboro College, tell in her charming way of the customs, developments and needs of her native country.

Mrs. J. W. Clegg, who is a propelling spirit in the local work, made a most earnest appeal to each person in the church and community to join in this great march to victory.

There were other talks and songs and prayers, all of which were uplifting and sincere and full of human interest.

Mrs. E. C. Ruffin, Pres.

Summer School at Rutherford College

The following circular letter has been sent out by the faculty. As many of our readers will be interested in this announcement, we give the circular in full:

Rutherford College, N. C., April 10, 1915.
Dear Friend:

Are you going to attend a summer school? If so, you will be glad to know that plans are now under way for such a school to begin at Rutherford College June 1. It is believed that this will supply a long felt demand in Western North Carolina. It will appeal to students who want to make up a few subjects in order to enter college in the fall without condition, and also to teachers who desire to better fit themselves for their profession. For

the prospective college student the school will offer the opportunity to make up units in Latin, German, English, Mathematics and History, and credits given for the same will be accepted by Trinity College, the University of North Carolina and so on. The school will lso co-operate with the County Superintendents in preparing teachers for higher grade certificates, or for preparing them to take the examination for State High School certificates.

The summer resort feature at Rutherford College within itself is worth double the price (ten dollars) of the school. Besides the cost of living is remarkably low. Why not make up your mind and come on? Six weeks of good cool mountain breezes will make you feel like going to your work next fall with new vigor.

Write us about the matter at once and we shall be glad to give you any further information you may desire in making up your plans to come.

Yours very truly,

E. K. Creel, Sec.

Who Are These and Whence Came They?

Will all who profess to be Christians get to heaven? The above question will be asked by many of the so called professors. My reason for making this statement is because so many men in the church today are not known outside of the little circle in which they move. These men, many of them, are serving very difficult fields. They are having many perplexing problems to solve. They are meeting with many difficulties, making many sacrifices and meeting with many self-denials, but the world knows nothing about it. These men count it all joy to be permitted to work and suffer if need be, for the Master and His cause, for they "reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory that shall be revealed in them "when they come into that kingdom where every one shall be "rewarded according as his works shall be." When the Master calls them the "blessed of his father and invites them to inherit the kingdom prepared for them from the foundation of the world. When He says, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant, thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many, enter thou into the joys of thy Lord," and as these men recognized by the Master, walk out on the evergreen planes of God's eternity, then I think the great religious leaders of the world will look on them in amazement (if amazement in heaven can be), and ask the question, "Who are these and whence came they? We never heard of them before. We never saw their names in the church papers. What did they do to gain this recognition in heaven? Then the Master shall answer the questions, "I was an hungered and they gave me meat, I was thirsty and they gave me drink, I was a stranger and they took me in, naked and they clothed me, I was sick and they visited me, I was in prison and they came unto me, for inasmuch as they have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren they have done it unto me." Do they want more evidence? Then one of the elders shall say as he said to John on the Isle of Patmos, "These are they which came out of great tribuletions and have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the lamb." Of course some men will not need this introduction. They are prominent in both world and church history. We read of their great work almost every week. We read of their increased salary, of the increase in their church membership and Sunday schools. We read of their works of charity and their faithfulness in the Master's cause and, with all, their popularity with their people, and thus we read between the lines, and no one but the good Lord and ourselves know what we read.

But these who are so thoroughly introduced to the world are not the ones who will cause the question to be asked, "Who are these, and whence came they?" but it's the men who are doing great things for God and humanity, and the world and the church seem to know but little about it.

As I pen these lines I am forced to think of our Children's Home at Winston. We who know no better are disposed to think of this, the greatest institution of our church, as a sort of "play ground" for the children and an easy job for the men and women who have charge of the play ground." And many of us do not press the claims of this home as we should. Brethren, excuse me but these things "ought not so to be." To me this is one work that lies nearest to my heart, and every time I visit this institution and come in touch with that big-hearted, unassuming man, Walter Thompson, our superintendent, the bigger the institution becomes to me and gets nearer to my heart. Brethren, I know of no man within the bounds of the Western N. C .Conference who is doing a greater work than this man whom we have chosen as superintendent of our Children's Home, and no man knows what he is doing but those who come in touch with his life. It is true He makes his report through the church paper, but when that is done the half has not been told. As I sat by his side a few days ago and looked out over the great improvements he has made on the grounds; when I rode with him over the farm and saw what he is doing there, and heard of his plans for the future; when I saw his faithful wife dressed in her working clothes, assisted by the boys, working with her own hands to beautify the grounds of the home of the church's orphan children, and as I looked at Brother Thompson's hands, once as smooth and tender as any "city pastor's," but now bruised and torn and hardened by excessive toil for the cause that lies so near his heart, then I could hardly conceal the tears that came into my eyes, for I realized that this was one man and woman who are doing great things for God and the world and a great part of the church know but little about it. I saw as was stated in "The Home Chronicle" last week that "the dignity of labor is taught by precept and example and the children are made to feel that in so far as it is possible for them they are earning their own livelihood and in some measure at least repaying their church for its benefactions to them." Brethren, this sort of work appeals to me. If our children go out from toe home feeling that somebody else has always supported them they will go out into the world feeling that some one else ought to continue to support them, and instead of the institution being a blessing to the children it will prove a curse, and we want to emphasize the statement in The Chronicle that "the church may not owe it to her orphan children to fit them to shine in society, or make names to be honored in world history, but she does owe them the training that will make them self-supporting and self-respecting contributors to the general welfare, and this is the kind of training they are getting from this worthy man and his noble wife and teachers. Brethren, we will stand by the Home and do what we can to make it what God would have it to be, won't we?

Now, I have written a long letter, and I trust Brother and Sister Thompson will excuse me for making any reference to them. I am sure they would rather I would not do it, but I am writing out of my heart and all my words are prompted by love for the Home and its efficient officers. May God bless the Children's Home and its officers.

Gilbert A. Stamper.

Mt. Pleasant, N. C.

Do You Need Help?

The Rev. J. V. Williams, associate pastor of Old John Street M. E. church, New York, will begin at once to evangelize in North Carolina. He sings the **old songs** and believes in the **old-time conviction** and **Conversion**. He will make his home at Raleigh, N. C. Write him.

Greensboro District Conference

The Greensboro District Conference will be held at Asheboro, N. C., on May 12-14. Conference will convene at 10 a. m., May 12. Let all the preachers in the district be present, with all elected delegates and lay leaders and recording stewards. All the local preachers of the district are expected to be present with written reports of their work. We invite all brethren to be present who have special interests to present. Let us make this a profitable occasion to all concerned.

James H. Weaver, P. E.

North Wilkesboro District Conference

The North Wilkesboro District Conference is called to meet at Elk Park, June 24-27. The Conference will convene at 9 o'clock, Thursday morning, June 24, and will adjourn Sunday night, June 27th. J. H. Bennett, P. E.

A church conference was held December 20, fourteen members being present; two members were added from Luebo, bringing the total membership to twenty-three, (this number includes missionaries and their wives). Matters discussed were tithing, frequency of communion service, appointment of ushers, and buying of food on the Sabbath. The church agreed to support the native evangelists.—D. L. Mumpower, Wembo-Niama, Africa.

* * * *

At twelve o'clock each day the clerks at the office of the World's Sunday School Association, 216 Metropolitan Tower, New York, assemble in the secretary's office for prayer for the Sunday school work of America and throughout the world. In recent weeks representatives of the Sunday school work from many parts of the earth have taken part in this precious season of prayer—men and women from South America, Africa, Turkey and Japan. Sometimes this prayer, or the Lord's Prayer which follows it, is in another language, but "this common language of the skies" is understood in heaven.—The Sunday School Times.

OUR CHILDREN'S HOME REPORT

By Walter Thompson, Supt.

Amount Received on General and Special Support and Ten Per Cent. Assessment

Centenary, Greensboro, A. H. Masten	$ 50.00
Bethel Sta., Asheville, E. G. McDowell	20.00
Rev. Jno H. Green, Ingalls	7.00
Rev. J. C. Richardson, Thermal City	7.67
Black Mtn. Charge, Rev. R. L. Ferguson	2.00
Epworth, Concord, Rev. A. S. Raper	15.50
Catawba Ct., Catawba, Rev. A. G. Loftin	3.51
A friend	5.00
Madison, Rev. A. R. Surratt	30.00
Mt. Olivet, Concord, Rev. W. T. Albright	4.60
Mt. Carmel, Concord, Rev. W. T. Albright	1.40
Rogers, Concord, Rev. W. T. Albright	2.50
Forest Hill Sta., Concord, Jas. C. Fink	20.00
Mt. Holly, Rev. N. R. Richardson	6.00
Franklin Station, Franklin, Rev. R. H. Daugherty	25.96
Franklin Ct., Franklin, Rev. W. G. Warren	3.95
Centenary S. S. class, Winston, Miss Julia Adams	12.50
Rev. W. I. Hughes, Cabarrus	3.76
Cool Springs Ct, J. J. Edwards	13.25
Rev. M. T. Steele, Charlotte	10.00
Rev. J. A. Peeler, Maiden	26.25
Mt. Pleasant Ct., Mt. Pleasant, Rev. G. A. Stamper	20.00
Elkin church, Elkin, J. S. Bell	12.00
Micaville Ct., Micaville, Rev. Robt. F. Mock	12.70
Central, Monroe, W. B. Brown	53.00
J. G. Abernethy, Lenoir	3.35
Summerfield charge, Summerfield, Rev. T. B. Johnson	6.63
E. Webster, Statesville	4.00
Calvary, Charlotte, Rev. R. S. Howie	20.80
Total	$407.83

Building Fund—Rev. J. H. West, Agt.

Elkin S. S., J. S. Bell	$ 7.25
C. R. McCall, Marion	10.00
B. A. Baber, Shelby	10.00
Miss Julia A. Thoms, Asheboro	10.00
Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Roberts, Biltmore	10.00
J. M. Johnson, Greensboro	5.00
Will Cathy, Fletcher	2.00
C. M. Duckett, Candler	3.00
S. P. Burton, Asheville	17.50
J. Warlick, Asheville	5.00
Mrs. H. M. Gudger, Asheville	5.00
Total	$84.75

(Field Notes continued on page 10)

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

I WOULD

I would we grew more gentle day by day;
I would that smiles more often came to play
About our lips, to dwell within our eyes;
I would that we see in God's fair skies
More oft the blue and not the somber gray;
I would we grew more flowers on life's way.

I would we grew less swift to chide and blame;
I would we used more oft love's other name,
And that our hearts grew daily yet more kind;
I would we were more oft a little blind
And in our homes and on the crowed street
I would we heard the coming of His feet.

I would we grew more like a little child;
I would our spirits were as pure, as mild
And that the childlike faith might too be ours;
I would in all life's dark and lonely hours
We, too, might put our hands in His and say:
"I'm not afraid, my father knows the way."

—Selected.

DISTRICT MEETINGS

Winston District—West End Church, Winston-Salem, April 30th-May 1st.

Asheville District—Haywood Street Church, Asheville, N. C., May 4th-5th.

Waynesville District—Bryson City, May 11th-12th.

Let us remember to pray daily for these meetings that God may use them for the advancement of His cause in our Conference.

To Miss Myrtle Graham, of Mooresville, we are indebted for the following interesting account of the

STATESVILLE DISTRICT MEETING

On April 3rd-4th the Woman's Missionary Societies of the Statesville District were most delightfully and cordially entertained by the ladies of the First Methodist Church, Hickory, N. C.

At ten o'clock Saturday morning, the meeting was opened with singing Hymn No. 2. Mrs. M. M. Courtney, the District Secretary, read the Scripture lesson and offered a most fervent prayer. Mrs. A. M. West was elected Secretary. Minutes of the last district meeting held at Taylorsville were read. Committees were appointed, after which Mrs. Courtney read an interesting report and stressed the importance of the District Meeting. We were especially honored in having Miss Leila Tuttle, one of our missionaries to China, with us. Miss Tuttle conducted the noontide devotional service, giving a most helpful talk of the Book of Job.

Saturday Afternoon

At 2.30 o'clock the meeting came to order by singing Hymn 654. Mrs. E. G. Gilmer read the Scripture lesson and sentence prayers were offered. In behalf of the people of Hickory and the Woman's Missionary Society especially, Mrs. A. M. West extended to the Conference a most cordial welcome, to which Mrs. Warlick, of Newton, responded.

The reports from the auxiliaries were then given and were indeed most gratifying. Mrs. Warlick, Mrs. Shuford and Miss Bolick each gave a most delightful talk on "How to Secure the Best Results from the use of the Literature." Mrs. Ford, Mrs. Minish and Miss Bolick told us most interestingly "How to Get the Best Results from the Week of Prayer," and Mrs. Seigle gave in a most entertaining manner her experience in securing subscribers to the Missionary Voice.

Mrs. Courtney explained in a clear and impressive manner the funds pledged by our District and pledges were taken with most satisfactory results.

Eight o'clock, Saturday evening, found us again in the church. After devotional services conducted by Miss Tuttle the reports of the young people's societies were called for and each indicated growth. On account of the absence of Mrs. Stewart, Second Vice President of our conference, who was to have presented the work of the children, the president called for short talks on the subject and Miss Esther Bolick responded by telling some of her own experiences in her work at Taylorsville.

"Systematic Giving and Tithing" was the subject discussed by Mrs. Sigmon and Miss Bolick gave some of the results of Tithing. The conference was delighted at this juncture with a most splendid talk by Miss Tuttle. Report of Extension of Work was read by Mrs. Bomer and that of Finances by Mrs. Sigmon.

Two attractive banners had been offered to the two Junior societies that had the greatest increase in members and funds, and Mrs. Foster very gracefully presented these banners to Lenoir and Taylorsville societies.

Sunday Morning

The Sunday morning service was a treat. The church was beautifully decorated and there was an air about the whole service that made one feel that it was good to be there. The pastor, Rev. A. L. Stanford, conducted the devotional service and Miss Tuttle gave a most excellent address.

Sunday Afternoon

the service was given over to the young people and children. Each church in the district had prepared a number for this program, and it was a most delightful service. Miss Tuttle addressed the children and showed a number of curios she had brought from China. At a call meeting following this service, resolutions of thanks were read and adopted. Invitations for the next District Meeting were given by Lenoir and Statesville, but the matter was left open.

Sunday evening at seven-thirty the young people and children of Hickory gave a most enjoyable program. Again Miss Tuttle addressed us, choosing for her subject the work of the Methodist in China. The meeting was closed by the pastor, Rev. A. L. Stanford

Our District Meeting was an inspiration to every one present The attendance was good, reports encouraging and every one left with a determination to do better work next year. It was universally regretted that Mrs. Marr, Conference Superintendent of Social Service, and Mrs. Stewart, Conference Second Vice President were unable to be present on this occasion. Hickory is one of the most progressive towns in North Carolina and extends that true hospitality that one cannot easily forget.

Among the many interesting papers read at the Salisbury District Meeting recently was one by Mrs. Jas. F. Shinn, of Norwood, dealing with the work of the young people and one on "The Missionary Voice," by Mrs. Frank I. Devereux, of Spencer. Both of these papers we are glad to present to our readers this week and ask for them a careful reading.

ADDRESS TO YOUNG PEOPLE

"The Master is come, and calleth for thee."

These words recall at once to your mind the little home in the Bethany hills, at other times so bright and sunshiny, and such a resting place for the wearied Saviour, but now overcast by a pall of sorrow—sorrow for that which is as old as the race for death has been in that home, and mourning has taken the place of joy. Mary in her anguish has hidden away in her room's seclusion, forgetful of the world outside which needs her ministry, forgetful it may be of the Christ himself. But there comes a voice breaking in on her tears, "Mary, Mary, the Master is come and calleth for thee," and it is so indeed, the Lord of Life was there calling and needing her. How gladly she arose in answer. Mary's call was not for more indulgence in grief or freer vent of tears in His consoling presence but she must come forth to serve. There was much to be done; Lazarus must be brought back, a great feast must be prepared, to which an unbelieving world was to be invited, and Jesus must be honored before them. Mary had a deed to perform, which should for all time set her apart among the women of the world. Her choicest treasure, her alabaster box must be broken and poured in a flow of grateful joy on the Master's feet. She could not foresee when she hurried out to meet her Lord all that was to take place but she trusted, she obeyed, and at the great feast the resurrected brother sitting at the board, radiant with life, she knelt, and breaking the vase, poured the fragrant healing ointment over those tired, blessed feet. There were some who reproved her for her waste, but He said, "Let her alone, she hath done what she could," and, friends, in so saying He placed for time and eternity the seal of Divine approval on the ministry of women. The connection I wish to make between this act of Mary's and the young people's work is this: For each one present there is a call to service, for somewhere in this sad world there is some one needing you. You are no longer children and have not yet reached maturity, but are in that lovely dangerous age

"Standing with reluctant feet
Where the brook and river meet,"

just at the parting of the ways, and in your hands you too bear an alabaster box, more precious than Mary's —your life. Let me ask you, What will you do with it? How are you going to use it? Will you take this priceless gift of God and squander it in the world's service? Pour on those unhallowed altars the matchless treasures of health, intellect and culture, seeking vainly a pleasure which when attained, like the fabled fruit of old, crumbles to ashes on your lips? You remember the Scottish poet Burns, one who steeped his soul in the world's dissipations and speaks of that he knows only too well when he says of them,

"They are like poppies spread,
Ye seize the flower, the bloom is shed."

You hold in your hand only a withered stalk, the color and the beauty shattered in the gathering,

"Or like the snowfall in the river
A moment white and then gone forever"

Transient and unsatisfying!

It may be that you seek a better use for your talents than that of the idle, wasteful life of the worldling. Your heart has been touched by higher things, and you would serve the Christ and help his needy ones, but something in you shrinks a little from the path they tell you is the path of the Cross. Something in you cries aloud for the happiness and joy we all feel the springtime of your life demands. Do you know that one of our most gifted writers typifies happiness as the Blue Flower? He tells it grows only in the path of service. Let me illustrate that truth by a little incident: A few years ago I went to my first Women's Missionary Conference. It was held in one of our beautiful mountain cities, and proved to be a delightful week. Each service was satisfying but the Sunday afternoon service which was called the consecration service proved especially so for at this time two young ladies who were attending this conference were to be dedicated to the work of the foreign field. There in the quiet of that golden Sabbath afternoon these two young girls knelt and fully and completely consecrated themselves to the service of Christ. Afterwards I noticed one of these young ladies seemed to be overcome with a burst of grief. I inquired and was told, "Oh, she is her mother's baby and it is hard to leave home." I can not tell you how my heart was touched, and I realized afresh that the right way was indeed the way of the Cross. The years passed and in their new homes the young women did valiant service for their Lord. One had gone to Mexico and desired nothing better than to teach these unhappy people the true way to peace; but God willed it otherwise and laid on her the heavy cross of waiting. She must return to the Old North State and patiently build up a failing strength. While doing this, and using every means to bring about this desired result she has not been forgetful of Mexico and her people, for throughout our Conference her voice has been heard again and still again pleading for help for our southern neighbor. The Blue Flower blooms for her in North Carolina. And the other one, who was her mother's baby? Well, she came home last year on a furlough and in November attended our annual conference held at Shelby. I was not there but I heard of her testimony before that body of Methodist ministers. She told them that the happiest years of her life had been—not by her mother's side in the home among the mountains of Western North Carolina with her brothers and sisters around her and all the sweet associations of home life—not there—but the five years during which she had left all these for Christ's sake and the gospel's and gone out into an unknown land to tell those "who walk in darkness of that light that lighteth every man."

She found the Blue Flower in China.

Now I would not have you think for a moment that the only avenue of service is in the field of foreign missions, by no means, for there are many who can never go to these remote lands and for all such the door of opportunity in our own country stands wide open. Through that open door you may, if you listen, hear the pleadings for help. These pleadings come from our mountain schools, our Wesley Homes, from the day schools and the kindergartens. There is need for help in the seaport towns where the foreigner flocks to this land in great numbers, and need for help in the mining sections where those same foreigners herd together and live like cattle. Then there is the work of deaconess, always the demand for the services of these consecrated women far exceeds the supply. Possibly you are still more restricted and you can not leave your own town—possibly your own home; if so your way is still plain. Carlyle says, "Do the duty that lies nearest thee; thy second duty will then become clear." Only of this be very sure, that somewhere some one needs you and there is a work for which your hand is fitted and none others. In Psalms 110 there is a dear promise which reads this way, "Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power." Now when the Spirit shall whisper in your ear, "My son, my daughter, the Master is come, and calleth for thee," I pray that it may be such a day for you and that you may fulfill the promise and prove yourselves willing, like Isaiah of old, crying eagerly, "Here am I Lord, send me."

Mrs. James F. Shinn.

THE MISSIONARY VOICE

There are two lines of Christian work which call loudly today, personal evangelism, and the missionary enter-

(Continued on Page 14)

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

DON'T FORGET ANNIVERSARY DAY

May 9th. It is important that we celebrate this day. The central office needs the money and your League needs the service. The following program is published by Smith and Lamar and can be purchased at $1.00 per hundred or 15c a dozen.

Processional—Hymn No. 621.
Lord's Prayer.
Hymn No. 675.
Responsive Reading—Ps. LXXXIV.
Gloria Patria—(Hymn No. 737).
Hymn No. 207.
Prayer by pastor.
Address—"The Religion of Childhood and Youth—How it May be Conserved and Developed." (Time 15 minutes).
Hymn Recitation—"Hushed Was the Evening Hymn."
Addresses. Geeral Theme: "How the Epworth League Conserves the Church Life." First address—"By Affording a Basis of Christian Fellowship for Young People." Second address—"By Guiding, Reading and Recreation into Wholesome Channels." Third address—"By Directing Activity and Affording an Organization for Co-operation in the Work of the Congregation. (Time of each address, ten minutes).
The offering. (Purpose of offering to be explained by President or Treasurer.)
Prayer.
Hymn No. 39.
Benediction.

FACING A SERIOUS SITUATION

R. B. E.

A falling off of more than twenty-four thousand dollars in receipts for general work in 1914, as compared with the year before, is the very serious fact that the Board of Missions is now facing. Of this amount, the Home Department has lost eight thousand dollars and the Foreign Department twice as much. This shortage, added to the severe financial limitations under which the Board was already laboring, is nothing less than a calamity. A liberal response on the part of the church this year in meeting its missionary obligation will overcome in some degree immediate financial embarrassment; but since the appropriations for 1916 must be based on the income for 1914, nothing can save the work on the field from suffering severely next year as a result of the reduced income.

Those who wrestled last spring with the estimates for 1915, reducing here, eliminating there, cutting everywhere to the lowest possible basis in the effort to bring the appropriations within the narrow limits of the Board's resources, know what a heartbreaking task it was. In some cases it meant little less than cutting out the hearts and hopes of heroic missionaries. In many cases it meant the denial of the appeal of deepest need, the passing by of inspiring opportunities. Those of us who did it felt almost as if there were blood upon our hands. Indeed, there would have been—and upon our souls—had we of choice or through indifference so ruthlessly scotched the progress of the Kingdom.

But it could not be helped. It had to be done. The church had set its own limits to the Board's power to respond. On the unthinking and the illiberal of our great connection must rest the responsibility.

What we will do this year in facing a larger need, greater opportunities, and more pressing responsibilities, with resources sixteen thousand dollars less, we cannot yet foresee. Shall missionaries be called home? Shall schools be closed? Shall circuits be discontinued? Shall workers be dismissed? These are the questions that we face because two million Southern Methodists, in a time of temporary financial uncertainty, thought first of their obligations to God and his kingdom as a point at which they might economize. Few, if any, of us have suffered, few have been denied the necessities of life, few have denied ourselves even its luxuris. But God's kingdom has suffred. His work must be retarded, his name withheld from eager ears, because at a time of stress and strain we thought first of saving ourselves. When will we learn more fully the spirit of Him who, though he was rich, yet for our sakes became poor?

But it is no time to grieve over the past. The great church which has committed its missionary activities to this Board must come to the rescue. The missionary enterprise is primarily the church's responsibility. The Board of Missions is merely the church's agent. Our two millions of members, rich in intelligence and material blessings, rich in a wonderful spiritual heritage, are equal, with God's help, to the mission to which they have been called. Let the church face the facts and meet the issue!

We have a letter from Mr. Cook, Secretary of the Foreign Department of the Board of Missions in regard to our Africa Special. Since Mr. Setzer has returned to this country we feared that some of our Leaguers would think that we would not be called upon for our pledge on Mr. Setzer's salary. We are giving Mr. Cook's letter in full, which will explain the situation. You will see how very important it is that we pay our part of the Africa Special. Let us pay what we have pledged and as much more as we possibly can. It is needed and needed very much. Are you going to do your part?

April 2, 1915.

Dear Miss Hall:—

Brother Culbreth refers to me as Secretary of the Foreign Department of the Board of Missions, your letter for reply concerning Mr. Setzer. Brother Setzer being forced to return on account of his wife's health, is still on our payroll and will be until we can determine her condition.

In the meantime, as we must maintain Brother and Sister Setzer and ultimately place a substitute in the field, I would advise that you continue your interest and support just as in the case of a furloughed missionary. When we have had time to try out Mrs. Setzer's condition we will make permanent disposition of Brother Setzer's relationship to the Board, either continuing him because of her physical fitness or discontinuing his service and in all probability putting in a substitute.

If Mr. Setzer has to retire permanently from the work we can give you another missionary who will doubtless arouse as great an interest and make the support your force has undertaken quite as easy and helpful. I hope you will not suffer any abatement of interest on account of the misfortune that has befallen Brother Setzer.

Thanking you for assistance in the past, and with best wishes, I am,

Yours cordially,

Ed F. Cook.

TOPIC FOR APRIL 25, MAKING A MODEL MISSIONARY MEETING

There are four essetnial things to consider in getting up this meeting:

1. Preparation.
2. Decoration.
3. Advertising.
4. Prayer.

Have an interesting missionary program and have it fully arranged and prepared before coming to the meeting. Select missionary hymns. Have some one tell about David Livingston and his work in Africa. Let some one read the poetic gem by the negro poet, Paul L. Dunbar, "O Lil' Lamb." Two verses of "Bring Them In" may be sung as a solo, which should be followed by a missionary story told, not read. Have several short prayers for the heathen who have never heard of Christ; the missionaries who are carrying Christ to them, and for the evangelization of the world, both at home and abroad. Other features may be added as thought best by the leader.



This India Paper Bible Compared with one of ordinary paper, containing the same number of pages and same size type.

THE GREATEST BIBLE BARGAIN

A GENUINE 7.50 { HOLMAN India Paper Self-Pronouncing BIBLE } FOR ONLY 4.25 Carefully Wrapped and sent Postpaid in a box

Authorized version, printed from the clearest type ever used in a Bible, large bold face open print with liberal spacing between the words and lines

PRINTED ON THE FINEST INDIA PAPER MADE

The Text is Self-Pronouncing with references. It has a new Concord ance, alphabetically arranged and with analytical and comparative features and 50,000 References also New Biblical Atlas with Fifteen Colored Maps and Complete Index to Same.

BOUND IN GENUINE PERSIAN MOROCCO, divinity circuit, full leather linings, silk sewed, silk head bands and marker, special flat opening reinforced binding that will not break in the back.

The size is 5½ x 8 inches--only one inch thick.

Easy to Read Type — Specimen of Type. 17 ¶ "From that time Jē'sus began to preach, and to say," Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at

No. 700X Publisher's Price 7.50 Sent postpaid for **4.25**

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective October 18th, 1914

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester Lv.	7 50 a m				4 15 p m
Yorkville "	8 36				6 38
Gastonia "	9 21!				8 20
Gastonia "	9 30	4 30 p m			
Lincolnton "	10 23	5 40			
Newton "	11 05	6 44			
Hickory "	12 05 p m	7 30	12 05 p m	6 45 a m	
Lenoir "	1 08	8 50	1 08	8 07	
Lenoir "	2 00x				
Mortimer "	4 09				
Edgemont Ar.	4 35				

Southbound	NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Edgemont Lv.	9 00 a m				
Mortimer "	9 10				
Lenoir "	11 20!				
Lenoir "	1 35 p m	7 00 a m	8 15 a m	1 10 p m	
Hickory "	2 35	8 15	9 12	3 20	
Newton "	3 05	9 00			
Lincolnton "	3 43	9 51			
Gastonia "	4 30	11 23			
Gastonia "	5 05x				11 50 a m
Yorkville "	5 54				1 24
Chester Ar.	6 40				3 10 p m

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. **CHESTER, S. C.**

GREENSBORO NURSERIES

AGENTS WANTED

For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.

JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 : : : : CHARTERED 1859

A Southern institution of established national reputation. Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.



Large endowment fund makes possible complete, first-class equipment; full faculty of able, well-chosen instructors; beautiful campus, new buildings, modern laboratories, splendid library. Comfortable, inexpensive dormitories. For catalogue and illustrated booklet, address

R. L. Flowers, Sec. to the Corporation, Durham, N. C.

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS

Our Strains of Wakefield's Improved Sweet Potato Plants, improved by Seed Selection in the fields during 10 years, have attained such a degree of popularity that for three years we have been unable to fill over 60 per cent. of the orders sent us. We double our capacity this year. Nancy Hall and ten other kinds. Tomato plants also. Free plant booklet. Wakefield Plant Farm, Charlotte, N. C.

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.....E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg...W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller.....C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg., M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.....J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg...J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.....G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.....A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel...J. W. Ligon

From the Field

REV. A. L. STANFORD AND REVIVAL WORK

Just a few lines regarding Brother Stanford and our recent revival at Grace church. We preachers and folks want him down here in our conference. We want him because of his power with God and with man in revival work. We want him because of his plain, simple gospel messages, which go straight to the hearts of his hearers. We want him because of his genial, pleasant disposition and beautiful Christian character. We think there is but one thing needful to secure him, and that is for one of our many charming Eastern girls to capture him, and then pull the strings.

He came to us March 23rd, forewarned before reaching us, of probable failure, with a faith and zeal that defied any discouragement. At the first service he was greeted by a good attendance which increased with each service until weather conditions forbade. Though with us but a week the results were at least 60 professions and reclamations and an extensive revival of the Christians. Could he have remained another week the prospective results were beyond accurate estimate. The accessions so far have been 30 on profession of faith. I shall always thank God for being permitted to have his services. I congratulate any church who can have him with them in a meeting. Would that our church had more preachers of his kind!

J. D. Bundy.

Wilmington, N. C.

FROM CHERRYVILLE

Dear Brother Blair: Will you please give space in the Advocate for a few paragraphs from Cherryville? We regret to see our four short and happy years so nearly ended, and I feel that I ought to "speak out" on behalf of these splendid people who have made it so pleasant for us, and who are to receive a new pastor next Annual Conference.

During our pastorate our members have wrought well, and there has been remarkable growth. Every building in the charge has been painted or repainted except one. We have just remodeled, painted and re-seated our Cherryville church. The new arrangement gives us four nice Sunday school rooms and an auditorium for preaching. A mistake in the Annual Conference Minutes reports the value of our church property at $5,000. Our new brick church at Bethlehem alone is worth that much, and all our churches are in good condition. The church property at Cherryville has doubled in value during the past three years.

Two years ago the ladies of the charge painted the parsonage inside and out, making it a very attractive building. The parsonage also "is beautiful for situation." From the front piazza King's Mountain can be seen, and from the rear Ben's Knob, Grandfather, and other peaks. The water has been twice analyzed by the state chemist and pronounced exceptionally pure. Before this is published the parsonage will be furnished with electric lights.

Every year we have received three or four poundings, and we seldom return with an empty buggy from our visits. The good old plan of thus remembering the preacher's family is not out of date.



Cherryville Parsonage

My successor will find Cherryville still a growing work, for it has not nearly realized its full strength. The salaries will be increased. There will be less of building and repair work, and more attention can thus be given to other causes. No more promising field can be found for the investment of time and talent, for the circuit is sure to prosper.

Truly yours,
W. T. Usry.

RUTHERFORD COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT MAY 9-12

Sunday, May 9, 8:00 p. m., sermon to the Y. M. C. A. by Rev. Orin W. Dowd, Gibson, N. C.

Tuesday, May 11, 11:00 a. m., Commencement sermon by Rev. Harry M. North, Durham, N. C.

Wednesday, May 12, 11:00 a. m., Commencement address by Hon. Clyde R. Hoey, Shelby, N. C. Graduating exercises.

Wednesday, May 12, 8:00 p. m., Commencement play.

MISSIONARY NOTES FROM FIELD SECRETARY

Dear Brethren:—

In harmony with the expressed wish of the presiding elders that from now until Conference I co-operate with them and the pastors in putting the chief emphasis on raising in cash and subscription the regular assessments with specials for the Conference Mission Emergency Fund wherever practicable, I submit herewith a tentative itinerary for some months.

Please read carefully and advertise thoroughly the services.

Faithfully yours,
Frank Siler,
Conference Missionary Secretary.

April 22-28—Winston.
April 29-30—Stokesdale.
May 1-2—Mount Airy Station.
May 3-5—Mount Airy Circuit.
May 6-8—Dobson Circuit.
May 9-10—Rural Hall Circuit.
May 11-12—Pilot Mountain Circuit.
May 13-14—Asheboro Station.
May 15-16—Pleasant Garden Circuit.
May 17-19—Danbury Circuit.
May 20-23—High Point.
May 26—Ramseur.
May 27-29—Coleridge Circuit.
May 30-June 1—Randolph Circuit.
June 2—Randleman.
June 3-5—Uwharrie Circuit.
June 6-7—Denton Circuit.
June 13—Canton Station.
June 18—Haywood Circuit.
June 19-20—Bethel Circuit.
June 21-23—McDowell Circuit.
June 24-26—Marion Circuit.
June 27-28—Spruce Pine & Bakersville.
June 29-30—Bald Creek Circuit.
July 1-4—Burnsville.
July 5-6—Thermal City Circuit.
July 7-8—Green River Circuit.
July 9-10—Broad River Circuit.
July 11-12—Lenoir Station.
July 13-14—Lenoir Circuit.
July 15-16—11 a. m., North Lenoir Circuit.
July 16—3 p. m., Hudson.
July 16—8 p. m., Granite Falls.
July 17-18—Maiden Circuit.
July 19—Lincoln Circuit.
July 20—Crouse Circuit.
July 21-22—Lowell-Dallas.
July 23—McAdenville.
July 24-25—Gastonia.
July 26-27—King's Mountain.
July 28—Pineville.
July 29-30—Monroe.
July 31-August 30—Wadesboro.
August 2—Morven Circuit.
August 3—Polkton Circuit.
August 4—Unionville Circuit.
August 5—Derita Circuit.
August 6-8—Rock Spring Circuit.
August 9—Mooresville Circuit.
August 10-11—Statesville Circuit.
August 12—West Hickory.
August 13—Black Mountain.
August 14-15—Fairview Circuit.
August 16—Flat Rock Circuit.
August 17-18—Henderson Circuit.
August 19-20—Brevard Circuit.
August 21-22—Mills River Circuit.
August 23—Marshall.
August 24-25—Leicester Circuit.
August 26-27—Mars Hill Circuit.
August 28-30—Weaverville Circuit and Weaverville Station.
September 4-6—Deep River Circuit.
September 7—Albemarle, 1st Street night.
September 8-9—Albemarle Circuit.
September 10—Salem Circuit.
September 11-12—Kannapolis Circuit
September 14—Concord Circuit.
September 15—China Grove.
September 18-19—Kernersville Ct.
September 20-21—Lewisville Circuit.
September 22-23—Jackson Hill Ct.
September 24—Cooleemee.
September 25-26—Farmington Ct.
September 27-29—Forsyth Circuit.
September 30—Mocksville.
October 3-5—Franklin Circuit.
October 9-11—Hayesville Circuit.

* * * *

Pastors will please note train connections and arrange services at times and places to best advantage.

I have left last month open for emergency cases. If there are none I will give it to the North Wilkesboro District.

And now for a clean sweep for every assessment on every charge.

What about another exhibit September 1st?

* * * *

Davidson Circuit, T. J. Houck—Olivette, $102.76. Native helper in Korea by Sunday school. $109.75 Conference collection.

Midway, $140.00 Conference collections.

Arcadia, $25.00 Conference collections.

* * * *

Through the interest of J. L. Zimmerman the Olivette Sunday school supports this year the Korean helper for some time past supported by Bro. Zimmerman's class. This good layman wants to contribute to a second native helper in Korea.

C. W. Rothrock, R. L. Yokley, C. F. Lindsey, J. C. Thomas, Joseph Siceloff and others say that the Midway Sunday school must have its native helper for Korea.

THE EFFICIENCY CONFERENCE

Rev. H. K. Boyer, presiding elder of the Winston District, who was secretary of the conference, kindly furnished the Advocate with the following report as same appeared last week in the Winston Sentinel:

The efficiency conference for the Western North Carolina Conference, held in Thomasville, closed Wednesday afternoon after full two days' session.

Bishop Waterhouse could not be present on account of illness. Rev. Lee T. Mann, presiding elder of the Statesville District, was elected president of the conference, and Dr. H. K. Boyer, of the Winston District, secretary. The following presiding elders were present: Dr. J. H. Weaver, Dr. J. C. Rowe, Rev. W. R. Ware, Rev. C. A. Wood, Rev. J. E. Gay, Rev. J. H. Bennett and Rev. H. C. Sprinkle.

The purpose of the recent General Conference was carried out as far as possible, which is as follows:

"Section 3. Be it Resolved, That bishops in charge be and are hereby requested to call the presiding elders of each of their conferences together at some convenient place as early as practicable after the sessions of the Annual Conference for a conference with them as to the needs of the field and the plans of forward movement for the ensuing years."

The business was conducted as a round-table conference, and as far as possible all phases of the work of the entire Western North Carolina Conference were considered.

This was the first efficiency conference held in the Western North Carolina Conference and proved helpful in many ways.

Visitors to the Conference

On the second morning when the presiding elders were assembling there appeared among them an aged man, halting, feeble, almost blind, leaning on his cane, assisted by a friend. As the brethren gathered about him to give him greeting, he said: "Brethren, I cannot see you, as I once did, but I wanted to come to this conference and hear your voices and put my hands on you." This was Rev. A. D. Betts, a beloved veteran of the Cross He was called upon to lead the opening prayer. He prayed. He poured out the riches of his heart into the listening ear of his Father and "glory crowned the mercy seat."

Among other things, he talked of his intimate association with the long since departed Marquis L. Wood, father of Rev. C. A. Wood, and asked, "Where is Charlie? I want to put my arms around him." Then followed a touching scene as this aged hero tenderly embraced the strong young man, saying: "I will see your father in a few days; I will tell him what you and these other brethren are doing here." He lingered but a moment and retired, leaving with those on whom he laid his hands and heard him a benediction. God bless Brother Betts in these sunset days of his life, and may his kind increase among us.

TO THE GOOD PEOPLE OF GREENSBORO

I will appreciate and thank you for your support in the coming primaries for Commissioner of Public Works. I wish to state to the voters that I am familiar with such work and I know how to care for the city's stock. If elected to this office, both my time and best service will be devoted to the city's interest.

Respectfully,
C. A. Hendrix.

BLYMYER CHURCH BELLS.

UNLIKE OTHER BELLS SWEETER, MORE DURABLE, LOWER PRICE. OUR FREE CATALOGUE TELLS WHY.
Write to Cincinnati Bell Foundry Co., Cincinnati, O.

SOME BOOK NOTICES

OLD THOUGHTS IN NEW DRESS

By Rev. Geo. E. Ackerman, D. D.

Price 50 cents

Published by Pentecostal Publishing Company, Louisville, Ky.

This is a comprehensive treatise on the great truths of Christianity condensed into eight chapters. Doctor Ackerman is one of the most scholarly of modern authors, as evidenced by his former volumes, but in this one he has eliminated academic terms and taken the average reader into his confidence. The book is written in such plain, everyday language and such pleasing, stimulating style that it grips and holds all classes of readers.

Ministers will get valuable suggestions and stimulating views for sermons. Professional readers will rise from its perusal with a feeling of exhilaration. Non-professional readers will awake to the fact that new theological and biblical subjects may be made more interesting than romance. Students and young Christians of every name will treasure it as a most helpful volume.

Vital upbuilding of Christian faith and deepening of religious experience will certainly result from a wide reading of this thought-provoking book. It is the finest spiritual tonic that has been issued from any press in many a day.

WINSOME, OR, THE ABIDING LIFE

By Calvin Yoran

458 pages, beautifully bound in silk cloth, stamped in gold. Price $1.50. Published by Pentecostal Publishing Company, Louisville, Ky.

A lawyer of mature years has in the light of a personal experience of a second work of grace, undertaken to demonstrate from Bible evidence that God requires every Christian to make a journey from sin and its environments to a concrete unity with Christ until the Vine and branch relation is established.

The Israelites' journey from Egypt, Mt. Sinai's law, Mosaic ceremonials, Tabernacle essentials, experiences and teaching by the way, are summed up in what the author regards as convincing conclusiveness of the proposition advocated.

The Christian Sabbath on day now observed, is shown to have been foreshadowed from the days of Abraham, to preserve all the teaching of the Jewish Sabbath and as a memorial sign to constantly remind the world of a Risen Saviour, of His baptizing regenerated followers with the Holy Spirit as a Pentecostal or required second work of grace, and resulting therefrom a Feast of Ingathering of souls and consequent Jubilee rejoicing in a fully consummated Plan of Salvation.

FOOD FOR THE SOUL

By Robt. L. Selle, D. D.

This book is well named. It represents the choicest spiritual gleanings of an alert mind, a busy hand and a consecrated heart for a period of years covering almost a generation. A section of the author's best poems introduces the work. More than thirty different subjects, all dear to Christian hearts, are treated fully in the author's simple, direct, positive style, each being introduced by one or more stanzas of some well known hymn and a verse of Scripture.

Cloth, 224 pages. Postpaid $1.00.

Published by the Pentecostal Publishing Company, Louisville, Ky.

WHICH CHURCH WOULD JESUS JOIN?

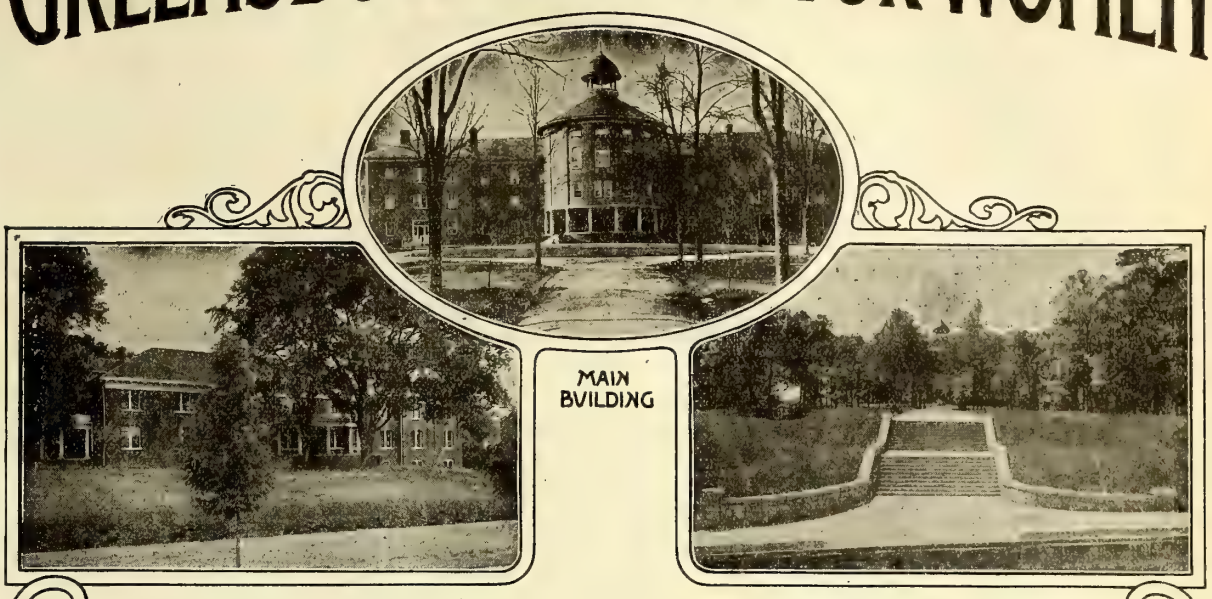
By Robt. L. Selle, D. D.

This is a fascinating book. It represents Jesus as coming to earth for a season, and looking for a church congenial to his nature,with which to affiliate as a member while here. He examines carefully the Names, Forms of Worship, Forms of Government, Ordinances, Doctrines and Histories of the various denominations, and finds nothing in any of them of sufficient importance to justify Him in making a choice. He then turns to banks, stores, shops, offices, factories, farms, schools and homes and there, with penetrating eye and impartial heart, watches the members of the different churches through the week; and the church whose membership is found to be most like Himself in spirit and character in the minutia of daily life, is HIS CHOICE.

Cloth, 148 pages. Postpaid 50 cents.

Published by the Pentecostal Publishing Company, Louisville, Ky.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY – FITZGERALD HALL

ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

FROM SWANNANOA

We are encouraged to report from our Aid Society of the Swannanoa Methodist Church some progres which we have made in church and parsonage work. We reorganized about the first of February and have a membership of twelve.

Mrs. J. F. Starnes, our pastor's wife, was elected president. With such an efficient leader we feel that success is comparatively sure. In her gentle, quiet, unassuming way she has found a warm place in the hearts of all. And her interest in her work is so manifestly for the uplift of the people, the church and the cause that we feel we cannot appreciate her leadership too much.

Our society meets once every two weeks at the different homes where we have made quilts for the parsonage and garments for sale. Two quilts were donated by friends. We had a cake and candy sale from which we realized a small sum; also a penny name social which added $10.00 to our treasury. We have also realized a snug profit from sale of garments made by the society. We intend using the money we make in furnishing the parsonage. Our meetings are closed by reading a selection of Scripture and a prayer. Reporter.

We often do more good by our sympathy than by our labors, and render to the world a more lasting service by absence of jealousy and recognition of merit than we could ever render by the straining efforts of personal ambition. —**Farrar.**

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

.....

.....

The Sunday School Lesson

SECOND QUARTER—LESSON IV—APRIL 25, 1915

David and Goliath. 1 Sam. 17:1-54

Golden Text—If God is for us, who is against us? Rom. 8:31.

Summary of the Lesson

John Masefield could write a poem about David and Goliath. He would make you see the gigantic stature of the Philistine champion, and sense the power of the muscles which played over that titanic frame. He would picture David so that you beheld the agile, quick-moving shepherd lad, with his alert eyes and a mind which moved so rapidly that his deeds were quicker than some men's thoughts.

The army of Israel was fairly captured by fear. The idea of Goliath had struck terror to their hearts. David came to the camp, not knowing enough to be afraid of a giant, and so it came to pass that he killed the giant and set Israel free from fear. David was strong because he had no foe in his own heart as he went forth to fight Goliath. His confidence in God left no room for fear of the Philistine.

David in the Armor of Saul

There was once a preacher whose fame was wide-spread. He had extraordinary gifts of pulpit oratory and a manner of speech which was as striking as it was original. A certain aspiring young man tried to imitate the gestures and the tones of this famous speaker. At the end of one of his sermons a wise old man drew him aside and said, "You have it in you to become a good preacher, but remember that David could not fight in the armor of Saul."

Many a young David has failed because the unaccustomed armor of Saul weighed heavily upon him and at last dragged him down to the earth, where he lay spent and defeated. It was a gracious thing for the king to offer his own armor to the young shepherd who was ready to fight for Israel, but he did not stop to think that while a suit of armor cannot make a soldier, it may unmake him. Anything which hampers and thwarts a man's expression of his own personality is a hindrance and not a help. If a self-conscious young Israelite, pompously attired in the king's armor, had gone forth to fight the Philistine champion, the conflict would soon have resulted in the defeat of David.

It is a wise man who knows what weapons not to use. They may be very fine weapons; they may be just the implements with which other men could wage victorious warfare, but they are not the weapons made for this man. They would insure his defeat instead of making possible his victory.

David tried on the king's armor. Then he knew that it was not for him. In a shepherd's attire and with a shepherd's weapons he had slain the lion and the bear. Clad as a shepherd and with a shepherd's weapons he must go forth to meet Goliath.

David With the Stones and Sling

When Abraham Lincoln met the most difficult situation with a joke, which cleared the atmosphere, answered his opponent, made his own point and terminated the discussion he was using a novel sort of diplomatic weapon. It was a weapon, however, which perfectly suited his personality and his temperament. Long practice had made him expert in using this weapon, and with it he fought and won many a battle.

David's stones and sling did not impress the Philistine any more than Lincoln's jokes at first impressed some men, who wanted arguments to be conducted according to the rules of formal logic and with literary methods, sonorous and resounding. Clanking his mighty armor the Philistine looked with scorn at the intrepid youth who had come forth to fight him. Then scorn became wrath that such an antagonist should have been sent forth against him. This youth must be slain as contemptuously as a man might tread upon some loathsome worm.

In the meantime David was feeling all that exhilarating sense of freedom which comes when a man is simply being himself and is not trying to be some one else. He knew how to use a sling. He knew how to throw small, smooth stones with deadly precision. He knew how to move about with a startling and disconcerting agility. Bears and lions had been his tutors in the art of fighting. The fierce eyes of wild beasts had been unable to quell him, and now he looked undismayed at the haughty giant who poured forth such a torrent of vituperative speech. Only a pebble and a sling stood between David and death, but his eye was clear, his heart was strong with a great trust in God. His muscles were the perfectly responsive instruments of his will. He was fit and strong and ready for the fight.

The Fallacy of Size

A small boy once drew back in fright from a great locomotive as it came puffing along. A man who was standing near patted the little fellow on the head, and said whimsically, "Why, my boy, you needn't be so afraid of a steam engine. You are really a great deal bigger than all the engines ever made." The world is really very much like the frightened lad. It is impressed by the size of things and it thinks all too little of the sort of things. Quantity speaks louder than quality. Bulk seems more impressive than brains.

The interest of certain Americans was recently centered in an event which took place in Cuba. The vast explosions of war in Europe were for the time forgotten while men persued big headlines telling of the fight in Havana. Two wonderfully trained men, who represented the animal characteristics of humanity brought to the highest efficiency, met in a fierce and terrible combat. No issues of national welfare hung upon the result. No impetuous young David panting with passionate purpose to vindicate his God and serve his people was part of the fray. The lust of fighting was enthroned.

Now if body is more significant than spirit, if matter is more potent than mind, one has no right to criticise this sort of a performance. I man is to have as his end in life the desire to become a gloriously fit and efficient animal, then such scenes and all the enthusiasm which they arouse are a part of the developing life of the race. But if the mind is to triumph over matter, if morals are more significant than muscles, if the spirit is to dominate all the fine prowess of the body, then the thoughtful man has a right to be heard when he asks certain critical questions about the significance of such a fight. The age to which Goliath is the ideal hero is crude and raw enough. Not a heavyweight champion, but a man of mental mastery, or moral prowess and of spiritual leadership is the real need of the world.

The Champion of Jehovah

True religion has no delight in the physically unfit. The champion of Jehovah met the champion of the Philistines on his own ground and defeated and slew him. If a body without a soul is a strange and fatal abnormality a soul without a body is practically impotent. There was a period at Oxford when the pale and wan student whose appearance mutely suggested that the mind was fairly devouring the body was the admired type. College athletics have changed all that. Alfred Noyes, with his splendid physique, his wholesome attitude toward life and his power of exquisite verbal music and haunting rhythm, represents the newer type at its best.

The account we are studying represents David as a man supremely religious in motive. He goes forth to fight, strong in the consciousness that he represents Jehovah. But he is also a man physically fit. His body has been brought to a high state of efficiency for the purpose of serving God. When Jehovah needs a champion he is ready for the fray.

The soul should be on the throne and the body should be its servant, but it should be a strong and capable body over which the soul rules. The body as an end in itself is a danger and at last a tragedy. A perfectly fit, finely disciplined, completely responsive body, ready to obey the behests of the Spirit, is a possession more to be desired than great riches.

In a sense David's victory represents the supremacy of mind over matter. Goliath represented quantity; David represented quality; Goliath represented brute force. Some subtler energy of conscience and spirit moved through the life of David. As the champion of Jehovah David was the servant of a growing ideal which was to master at last the mind and the conscience of the world.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in N. Y. Christian Advocate.

SWISS BELL RINGERS

The famous Swiss Bell Ringers gave two very pleasing concerts yesterday afternoon and evening at the M. E. church North for the benefit of the Ladies' Aid Society. Each member of the company proved to be an artist in their especial line of work, and the varied programme used demonstrated the wonderful talent of this company. The Ladies' Aid were well pleased with the result and hope to have this company for a return date. —Chattanooga (Tenn.) Times.

The Swiss Bell Ringers will give two concerts in West Market Street Church Friday afternoon and evening, April 23, under the auspices of the Sunday school and Baraca class.

GETTING MORE THAN YOUR MONEY'S WORTH

This sounds too good to be true, especially when it comes to buying pianos or player-pianos. Yet it is in every sense a fact. How? Instead of paying $250 for a cheap instrument pay the same price, or even less, for one of the best makes which some reliable piano house has taken in exchange for a new instrument, and rebuilt and refinished throughout. You can easily pick up such an instrument as the Stieff, Ivers & Pond, Vose & Son, etc., worth from $450 to $600, at a ridiculously low price.

Chas. M. Stieff, the celebrated piano house, offers just such an opportunity. Their stock of rebuilt instruments not only consists of the famous Stieff, Shaw, Bennett & Bretz, Ivers & Pond instruments, but many of the other leading makes. Some of these they offer for as low as $130, on the easiest of monthly payments. Before you consider any piano, write for descriptions and prices to Chas. M. Stieff, 321 S. Tryon St., Charlotte, N. C. If you purchase one of these instruments you are certain of owning a piano that will never prove a disappointment but remain a thing of beauty and service for many years.



PAINT STRENGTH

Strength is what paint is for. The stronger it is, the less gallons and money it takes, and the longer it wears. The strongest paint-word is DEVOE.

ODELL Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice



Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER

Proprietor

GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY

DISEASES OF STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO

ROBT. W. MURRAY

GENERAL INSURANCE

Greensboro, North Carolina

308½ South Elm St.

Phone 163

Our Little Folks' Department

THE FOUR-LEAF CLOVER

A little maid in a gingham gown
Went hunting the meadows over;
Till the birds were tired, and the sun went down,
She sought a four-leaf clover.

For four-leaf clovers bring luck, they say;
And patchwork "stints" and dishes
Were tiresome duties every day.
She wanted some fairy wishes!

With dishes unwashed and "stint" undone,
She tramped back home in the gloaming;
No four-leaf clover—no, never a one
Was there to be had for her roaming!

A little maid in a gingham gown
Had washed all the dinner dishes,
Had finished her "stint" ere the sun went down,
Un dreaming of fairy wishes!

When, just at her feet as she raced in play
The blossoming meadows over,
She found what the other had sought all day—
She found, yes, a four-leaf clover!
—New Gem.

PUSSY-WILLOW

The brook is brimmed with melting snow,
The maple sap is running,
And on the highest elm a crow
His coal-black wings is sunning.
A close green bud the mayflower lies,
Upon its mossy pillow;
And sweet and low the south wind blows,
And through the brown fields calling goes,
"Come, Pussy! Pussy-willow!
Within your close brown wrapper stir;
Come out and show your silver fur!
Come, Pussy! Pussy-willow!"

Soon red will bud the maple-trees,
The bluebirds will be singing,
And yellow tassels in the breeze
Be from the poplars swinging
And rosy will the mayflower be
Upon its mossy pillow,
But you must come the first of all—
"Come, Pussy!" is the south wind's call;
"Come, Pussy! Pussy-willow!"
A fairy gift to children dear,
The downy firstlings of the year,
"Come, Pussy! Pussy-willow!"
—Unidentified.

WHY THE DAISY WAS PRAISED

A certain prince went out into his vineyard to examine it, and he came to a peachtree and said, "What are you doing for me?"

The tree said, "In the spring I give my blossoms and fill the air with fragrance, and in my boughs hangs the fruit which presently men will gather and carry into the palace for you."

The prince said, "Well done, my good and faithful servant."

Then he went down into the meadow, and said to the waving grass, "What are you doing?"

And the grass replied, "We are giving our lives for others—for your sheep and cattle—that they may be nourished."

"Well done," said the prince, "good and faithful servants, that give up your lives for others.

And then he came to a little daisy that was growing in the hedgerow, and said, "What are you doing?"

And the daisy said: "Nothing! nothing! I cannot make a nesting-place for the birds, I cannot give shelter to the cattle, I cannot send fruit unto the palace, and I cannot even furnish food for the sheep and cows; they do not want me in the meadow. All I can do is to be the best daisy I can be."

And the prince bent down and kissed the daisy, and said, "There is none better than you."—Home Herald.

WHERE LILIES WOULD NOT GROW

Once upon a time there was a man who had a beautiful garden. Roses grew in it, and hollyhocks and sunflowers; but he wanted lilies more than anything else, and he could not have them because the ants would not allow them to grow. You know that lilies grow out of dry brown bulbs you plant in the ground. Over and over again the man bought these little brown bulbs and planted them, and every time he did it the ants came and ate them up. The ants thought he was very kind to put these lovely feasts in the ground so often, but after a little while they did not like the things the man put around the bulbs. They did not taste good. One night he put red pepper around the place where the bulbs were planted in nice little rings. One of the little ants got its feet in the pepper, and cried, "Oh, dear me, I'm burned awfully!" Then of course the other ants stayed away from the red line. They worked all night and dug little roads under the red pepper, and got to the nice bulb and ate it up.

Next time the man tried tar, and then kerosene, and then snuff, and then camphor. All of them were things the ants did not like; only they climbed over them somehow, or dug under them, or did something very wise. Anyway, they always ate up the lily bulbs, so the man had nothing left in his garden but roses and hollyhocks and sunflowers. He was not really a cruel man, but he began to feel very cruel when he thought of these clever little ants who loved to devour lily bulbs. One night he sat trying to think of what he could do. He wanted to kill every little ant that lived in his garden.

"What do ants like best of anything to eat?" he asked.

"A nice, juicy bone," said his wife.

"All right," he said. "I'm going to give them a feast tonight." Then he laughed just as the giant laughed when he thought he was going to catch Jack who climbed the beanstalk. "Just wait till you see what I'm going to do!" That night he fixed a wonderful trap. On the ground beside a lily bulb he laid a sheet of sticky fly-paper. It was pegged down to the ground, so the wind would not blow it away; and in the middle of it he laid a nice, juicy, meaty little bone.

"Now," said the cruel man, "we'll see what will happen."

And the funniest thing did happen. The man got up very, very early in the morning.

"Come," he cried to his wife and all his little children, "come out to see my ant-trap. I'll wager there isn't an ant left alive in our garden."

And what do you suppose he found? All the meat and marrow was gone from the nice, juicy bone. The ants had sucked out the sweetness; and there was not one ant caught on the fly paper, not one! They had smelled the nice, juicy bone, and gone to look for it, hundreds of them, then smelled of the fly-paper.

"It smells queer," said one little ant.

"It feels queer," cried another little ant. "I just touched it with one foot, and it grabbed and pulled me so I could hardly get away."

"What shall we do?" said the hundred of little ants.

"I'll tell you!" cried the queen. Every little ant stopped to listen. "Each one of you must bring grains of sand, and we will make a bridge over that dish that grabs you by the legs. Then, after the bridge is laid, we'll have a grand supper."

All the little ants set to work. They brought grains of sand each, till there were millions of grains and there was a beautiful straight road across the nasty, sticky fly-paper. It was wide enough for three or four little ants to travel on at once, so they went across just as fast as they could travel. If you had looked out there in the moonlight, you would have seen the nice, juicy bone just black with ants. They were tired after their hard work, and they were having a nice supper.

The man stood for a moment, and looked at the well-picked bone and the wonderful little bridge, and then said: "I guess we won't try to grow any lilies. I am not so clever as the little ants."—Good Housekeeping.

THE ONE WHO WAS BRAVE

"Elton Tilton is just the bravest boy you ever saw, mother," said Winfred. "One day a big dog came along with his tongue hanging out, and we thought it was mad, and scrambled over the fence, but Elton walked right along as calm as ever. He says he isn't afraid of bears or tramps or anything. I wish I was as brave as Elton, but I'm afraid I never will be."

"I heard a story about two boys the other day," said his mother, "and I thought one of them was very brave. They went to school together, and one day they thought it would be great fun to hide a frog in the teacher's desk; but the frog tipped over the ink-bottle and spoiled a number of examination papers and other things, and the teacher was very angry. He asked the guilty boy to own his fault like a man and take the punishment he deserved. He put him upon his honor, you see. Well, the older boy, who found the frog and first thought of the joke, sat still in his seat without a blush; but the little boy, though he trembled with fear, went to the desk before the whole school and owned his fault. And he sat for an hour on the dunce's stool, a target for fifty pairs of eyes."

"O, mother," cried Winfred, "I was so ashemed! I'll never do anything so mean as long as I live. How did you know?"

"I heard two boys talking about it as I rode in the car. I was proud of my boy, Winfred; and I pitied Elton Tiltin's mother, for I said to myself, 'My boy was brave, but her boy was a coward.'"

"Why, I never thought that was being brave," said Winfred.—Youth's Companion.

IT TAKES TWO TO QUARREL

Two boys who lived near together were such good friends that they never quarreled. The other boys tried to persuade them to do so. "But we can not," they replied, "we do not know how." "Very well," said one boy, "we will show you how. I'll lay this stone here between you, and you (turning to one boy), must say it is yours. Then you (turning to the other), will declare it is yours. Now begin!"

"This is my stone," said the first boy.

"No, it is mine,' said the other, mildly.

"Very well, then," replied the first boy, "you may have it."

It always takes two to make a quarrel.

Two little boys witnessed a balloon ascension for the first time recently. "Oh, look, look there!" exclaimed the youngest. "What is that?" "It's a b'loon!" replied the elder. "What makes it go up so fast?" "Gas." 'What is gas?" "Why gas is—is—is melted wind!"

When a little girl received her first "very own" doll, after a succession of treasures inherited from her older sisters, she turned to her mother a face full of rapture. "I expected I'd have a doll some day," she said breathlessly; "but I didn't expect I should ever have my expect!"

DON'T DENY YOUR BOY

THE priceless benefits of a vacation at Camp WONDERLAND in the glorious ozone-laden climate of mountainous Western North Carolina.

Right Now is the Formative Period when his mind and body demand careful tutoring from those who can direct his work and play with intelligence. Above all he needs the tonic of pure air, sunshine and out-door recreation.

Educational

Individual coaching by competent teachers in any studies desired to prepare your boy for Fall examinations.

Athletics

Under selected instructors who will act as companions in base ball, tennis, basket ball, rowing, swimming, fishing, horseback riding and mountain climbing.

The camp is under the most able management and charges very reasonable. Write quickly to Col. J. C. Horner, No. 10 Myers Park, Charlotte, N. C., for FREE illustrated prospectus.

LOOK UP the insurance and write us. Glad to furnish information. Glad to assist you in any way.

THE NATIONAL MUTUAL CHURCH INSURANCE CO. CHICAGO

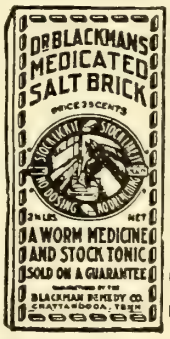
Serves and saves Methodism, and is now rendering a greater service than ever. Insures against fire, lightning and tornado on easy terms of payment.

Is your church participating in these benefits? If not, why not? Pastors protect your property on advantageous terms with us. Write for our calendar and pamphlet.

HENRY P. MAGILL, Sec. & Mgr., Insurance Exchange Bldg., Chicago.
MRS. ALICE HARGROVE BARCLAY, Agent, M. E. Church, South,
314 Norton Building
Fourth and Jefferson Louisville, Ky.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland
108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

STOCK LICK IT--STOCK LIKE IT



No Dosing—No Drenching
Every Animal Its Own Doctor
Drop Brick In Feed Box—It Will Do The Rest
A Handy Medicine—It Salts 'em Too
Saves Time, Labor and Veterinary Bills
You've tried the rest—Now use the Best
Sold and Guaranteed by Best Dealers Everywhere
25c per brick; $3.50 for 15 brick; $6.75 per case of 30 brick, (*We Pay The Freight*)
Order from us if your dealer won't supply you
Best Worm Medicine and Tonic Ever Produced

Blackman Stock Remedy Co., Chattanooga Tennessee

P.S. You will never buy stock powders after trying our Medicated Salt Brick. Medicated Salt costs less but is not as convenient or economical. We sell it, but if you want it why not buy the medicine from us and make it for less than half? It's easy mixed—we tell you how. B. S. R. Co.

COAT SUITS---DRESSES!
SPECIAL 30 DAY REDUCTION OFFER!

If you are going to the EXPOSITION, and want stylish coat suit or dress at moderate price—this is your opportunity. High grade coat suits—well tailored—good lines—made to your measures (according to sketches I'll send you)—$20.00 up. Individually designed dresses at most reasonable prices. Write for samples.

MRS. CHARLES ELLISON, Norton Bldg., Louisville, Ky.
1426 North American Bldg., Chicago, Ill.



EARN BIG MONEY

Taking orders for our Fruit Trees, Ornamentals, Roses, Etc. Light work. Permanent job. No capital required. Experience not necessary. This is your opportunity. Our business has been established 28 years and stands high with the public. Write today.

SMITH BROS., Dept. 45, Concord, Ga.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

DEPARTMENT OF WOMAN'S WORK

(Continued from Page 8)

prise. It is to the latter work that I wish to call the attention of busy men and burdened women to the refreshment and inspiration and incentive in news from China and Japan and the islands of the sea contained in our missionary organ and which may be brought to your very door monthly. I refer to the Missionary Voice which is not merely a woman's paper, but is published by the Board of Missions representing fully and fairly all departments of the work and we should strive to put this paper in every family of the Methodist church. It is important that a copy of this magazine be placed in every Methodist home, because through its columns we keep in touch with all the news of our work both in home and foreign fields and also with our missionaries. To illustrate, if you will pardon a personal allusion, I have friends in the foreign fields and I often hear of them through the "Voice." Miss Hattie G. Carson, who has been working in Cuba for a number of years, is now home for a rest. We were friends and attended Sunday school at Wesley Monumental M. E. Church, South, in our girlhood days, at Savannah, Georgia.

It was quite interesting to follow Dr. Ed F. Cook, touring the Orient. His sister, Miss Margaret Cook, who is a kindergarten teacher in Japan, made a trip from that country to Korea to see her brother. Being an intimate friend of their sister in Georgia and also a friend of the family made it more interesting to me; but for the "Voice" I would have lost sight of them.

Through the columns of this valuable paper we learn that in the Deaf and Dumb Department of the Central Institute in Rio, Brazil, last January two mutes were baptized and brought into the church, this being the first fruit gathered among the mutes in any denomination in Brazil, and so I might go on and on relating interesting facts, but I wish every representative of a family in this audience, who have not already subscribed to the Voice, to begin today and learn for themselves and get valuable information from all of our mission fields, etc.

A word to the agents of the Missionary Voice, Do not be discouraged. Agents have a pretty hard time I know for instance we approach one of our ladies and begin to tell the merits of the Missionary Voice, and she begins at once to make her excuse: "Oh, what is the use to take it I haven't time to read it and we can't afford it anyway." I pay no attention to her seemingly trivial excuses but the very next time I see her, if I think she can afford it, I ask her again and keep right on in a pleasant way until she gives me the subscription. You must impress them with the fact that it is important that they read the Voice, but if they will not read it take it and send it to somebody who will read but is not able to pay for it, tell them that it is a paper that will interest men, women and children.

A good way to bring it before the congregation is to have your pastor mention the Voice when he talks about his church papers and impress them with the fact that it is not a woman's paper but is for all the people. Let the pastor inform them who the agent for the Voice is, etc.

We are put here to do good and we must be about our "Father's business," but we must remember it is not in our strength we work but in the strength of Him who maketh us strong.

It is appalling when we think of the time and money spent on our church literature and the seeming indifference of our people. Take for instance the Greensboro Advocate, one of our leading church organs, which bears good tidings to all the people, keeping them informed of the church news and business interest of the Western North Carolina Conference, and note the small number of subscribers in comparison to the members of the church within the bounds of this conference.

There is much valuable information to be found in the leaflets published by our Woman's Board of Missions which is both helpful and uplifting and which are widely circulated among our women, yet we often find them thrown aside, either from the want of interest or, as many say, for the lack of time.

My friends, do you realize that God requires a part of our time as well as a part of our money to carry on His work? And do you know that the more we read and study this literature the better we are equipped for service?

It is always the busy ones who are most interested in the work, therefore to say, we have too much to do and cannot take the time to read and study is a poor excuse.

Let us take our church literature, read it, then pass it on.

"The restless millions await the light,
Whose coming maketh all things new.
Christ also waits, but men are slow and late,
Have we done what we could do?
Have you?"

Mrs. Frank Ira Devereux.

TENTH ANNIVERSARY

There has fallen into our hands a most attractive program of the Tenth Anniversary of The Presbyterial, Asheville Presbytery, the services to be held at Morrison Presbyterian Church, Macon County, N. C., May 12th-13th.

This program is replete with good talks, papers, round table, etc., and we predict a great and successful meeting for our Presbyterian friends. The officers of the Presbyterial are: Mrs. W. H. Davis, President; Mrs. K. C. Pegues, Recording Secretary; Mrs. R. P. Smith, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. J. F. Ramsey, Treasurer; Miss Elizabeth Ramsey, Secretary Literature; Miss Grace Bowles, Secretary Foreign Missions; Mrs. T. P. Reynolds, Secretary Assembly's Missions; Mrs. S. H. McNeely, Secretary Local Home Missions; Mrs. E. H. Norwood, Secretary Christian Ed. and Min. Relief; Miss Julia Smith, Secretary Y. P. W. and S. S. Extension.

PANAMA—PACIFIC EXPOSITIONS, SAN FRANCISCO AND SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

SOUTHERN RAILWAY—PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Very Low Round Trip Fares

Dates of sale March 1st to November 30th, 1915. Final return limit three months from date of sale, except that these tickets will not be good to return later than December 31st, 1915.

Low round trip fares from principal points as follows:

Charlotte	$84.15
Salisbury	84.15
High Point	84.15
Greensboro	84.15
Mount Airy	86.25
Gastonia	84.15
North Wilkesboro	87.85
Statesville	84.15
Hickory	83.25
Morganton	82.20
Winston-Salem	84.15
Shelby	82.60

Fares from other points on same basis. Fares to Seattle or via Portland and Seattle at higher rate. These tickets will permit of diverse routing and will allow stop-overs on both going and return trip within limit of ticket.

Southern Railway offers choice of several routes of historic interest from which to select; going one way and returning another. Through connections and good service via Memphis, St. Louis, Chicago or New Orleans. Through cars daily via New Orleans and Sunset Route. Special car parties now being arranged, affording opportunity to make trip without change and with select company on outgoing trip; returning at leisure via any route you may choose, stopping off at your own pleasure, thereby avoiding all the discomforts of going and returning with large tour parties, being compelled to follow the crowd. In going individually or with special Pullman car parties you spend your own money, stop where you please and go and come to suit your own convenience and save money paid tourist agents for escorting you around.

For further information apply to Southern Railway Agents, or

R. H. DeButts, D. P. A.,
Charlotte, N. C.

WORLD-WIDE SUNDAY-SCHOOL NEWS

Korea's First Sunday School Teachers' Union

The Sunday school teachers in Wonsan, Korea, have been organized by Rev. C. T. Collyer into a Sunday School Teachers' Union. This is the first teachers' union in Korea and will be watched with great interest by the Sunday school workers in other parts of the country.

Sunday school teachers' institutes have been held in the Wonsan, Pyengyang and Kwangju districts of Korea. So great has been the interest in these district institutes that the workers are planning several larger institutes for the coming summer in larger centers of population.

Organized Bible Class Does Personal Work

In Central Church, Pyengyang, Korea, an organized Bible class of 50 young men has been organized. During the recent revival this group of young men assumed responsibility for all the young men who professed an interest in Christianity during the progress of the evangelistic meetings. They assigned a certain number to each member of the class and these Bible class workers went daily to the homes of the inquirers and brought them to the evening meetings. Now that the revival is over they still continue to bring them to the regular and special church services. Many of the members of this class have gone out preaching on Sunday afternoon, and as a result there has been a constant stream of new believers into the churches.

What Organization Did in the Phillippines

Rev. J. L. McLaughlin, the Secretary of the Philippine Islands Sunday School Union, cites a typical case of the value of organization in mission Sunday schools. In Laoag, Ilocos Norte, they had a good Sunday school of about 100 members—good attendance and a fine class of young people, and everything was going pretty well. But Dr. C. L. Pickett, missionary in charge, always alert and on the job, received a special baptism of power and enthusiasm along Sunday school lines and set out to reach if possible the maximum of efficiency.

A more thorough organization was effected. The officers were gathered in for special training and the teachers for instruction. Better yet, the older pupils caught the contagion of enthusiasm and joined in the effort for better things. They began to go out together, two by two, and hold auxiliary classes in the afternoon. The enthusiasm for the work took hold of the workers and for the past year the average attendance of the school, counting its extension classes has been about 700 instead of the original 100. Organization? Yes; but even more, vision and enthusiasm.

Another Reason for World-Wide Sunday School Work

The wisdom of the Sunday school movement in the mission field is being demonstrated every day. The argument usually advanced for it is that the heathen child is ten times more accessible to Christian teaching than the adult. That is unquestionably true. Another reason is that the heathen's child has greater influence with his parents than any foreign missionary can have. This is vividly shown in a story given by Miss Jennie V. Hughes, of Kiukiang, in a letter to Mr. Frank L. Brown, Joint Secretary of the World's Sunday School Association.

"The Sunday schools of Kiukiang," writes Miss Hughes, "are all graded and five are going at the same time every Sunday, all of them carried on by native Chinese workers. In one of these schools is a little ten-year-old girl who has brought her brothers and and sisters and now her mother into the Sunday school. The latter has been in the school for about six weeks. She is a Taoist, and also has imposed on herself vegetarianism for life as a pledge to the gods. Last Sunday one of the teachers came to me after the lesson with a shining face, bearing the glad news that this mother had that morning, in answer to the plea of her little girl, broken her life vow and had accepted Christ. She gave a glowing testimony of faith in Jesus Christ and asked for a Bible to take home to her husband, requesting us to pray for his conversion."

Frank L. Brown in South America

In a letter from Montevideo, Uruguay, Mr. Frank L. Brown, Joint Secretary of the World's Sunday School Association, who has been for nearly three months in South America in the interests of organized Sunday school work, reports the holding of numerous meetings, with large attendance and great enthusiasm. "The welcome everywhere has been splendid," he writes. "Missionaries and native workers have co-operated all along the line, and I believe a spiritual blessing has resulted. One of the fine results is that all denominations are in line, even some who previously had not gone into these movements." The prospects are bright for a great Sunday school advance in South America.

New Sunday School Literature for Japan

A few days ago Mr. Frank L. Brown, Joint Secretary of the World's Sunday School Association, received at his office in New York a copy of Dr. J. L. Hurlbut's "Studies in the Old Testament and in the New Testament," translated into Japanese, beautifully printed and bound. This work was done by the Sunday School Committee of the Federated Missions of Japan, and the World's Sunday School Association financed the production of the book. Other books recently produced in Japanese are Dr. A. A. Faust's "Religious Education," and C. A. Oliver's "Preparation for Teaching." A library of leading works on the Sunday school was secured for the Japan National Sunday School Association by the World's Association, and these books will be translated into Japanese and produced as rapidly as practicable.

Testaments for the Soldiers

The World's Sunday School Association reports that up to April 1st, 200,000 copies of the New Testament had been provided for by the gifts of American Sunday school scholars in the movement to raise "A million nickels from a million scholars for a million Testaments for a million soldiers."

Those who wish to help should write to Mr. Frank L. Brown, 216 Metropolitan Tower, New York City.

At the Goodwyn Institute last evening the Swiss Bell Ringers gave a splendid concert of exceptional merit. The company used the xylophone, marimbaphone, Hungarian dulcimer, organ chimes, Swiss hand bells, musical aluminum tubes, and a great many other novelty instruments, besides the violin, cello, harp, mandolin, banjo and saxaphones. The programme of classical, standard and popular music was well balanced and did not fail to hold the audience from the 7th Concerto by Deberiot, which was the opening number, to the last.—Commercial Appeal, Memphis, Tenn.

This company will appear at West Market St. Church Friday, April 23, under the auspices of the Sunday school and Baraca class.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information and are not guaranteed.

12:15 a. m.—No. 32, daily, Southern's Southeastern Limited. Pullman drawing-room, open section sleeping cars Jacksonville and Augusta to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

12:35 a. m.—No. 112, daily, local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh, which is open at 9:30, and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m.

1:42 a. m.—No. 30, daily, Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing-room and observation sleeping cars Birmingham and Columbus to New York, and Birmingham to Richmond. Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29, daily, Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing-room and observation sleeping cars New York and Richmond to Birmingham and Columbus. Daily tourist car Washington to San Francisco via popular Sunset Route. Dining cars. Coaches.

3:15 a. m.—No. 31, daily, The Southern's Southeastern Limited. Pullman drawing-room and open section sleeping cars New York to Jacksonville and Augusta. Dining car service. Day coaches.

3:45 a. m.—No. 45, daily, local for Charlotte, connecting for Atlanta and points south.

7:10 a. m.—No. 8, daily, local for Richmond.

7:15 a. m.—No. 37, daily, New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section sleeping cars New York to New Orleans, and New York to Asheville, and Macon. Pullman parlor car Greensboro to Montgomery. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service.

7:25 a. m.—No. 11, daily, local for Atlanta. Pullman sleeping cars Norfolk and Richmond to Charlotte. Day coaches.

7:30 a. m.—No. 108, daily, local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro.

7:40 a. m.—No. 154, daily, except Sunday for Ramseur.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily, for Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Pullman sleeping car Raleigh to Winston-Salem.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily, local for Mt. Airy.

9:30 a. m.—No. 44, daily, for Washington and points north.

9:40 a. m.—No. 144, daily, Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullmon sleeping car Atlanta to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily, for Ashville and Waynesville, connecting at Asheville with Carolina Special for all points west. Chair car Goldsboro ta Asheville.

12:55 p. m.—No. 130, daily, local for Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

1:30 p. m.—No. 7, daily, local for Charlotte, connecting for Seneca and Columbia.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily, U. S. Fast Mail for Washington, New York and points north. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

2:00 p. m.—No. 207, daily, for Winston-Salem, connecting daily except Sunday for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daily, except Sunday for Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily, except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily, for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro, Chair car.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily, for Mt. Airy.

6:25 p. m.—No. 35, daily, U. S. Fast Mail for Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham. Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily, for Winston-Salem.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily, local for Sanford.

7:32 p. m.—No. 43, daily, for Atlanta, and points south. Sleeping car Raleigh to Atlanta.

10:15 p. m.—No. 12, daily, local for Richmond. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Norfolk.

10:20 p. m.—No. 233, daily, for Winston-Salem.

11:29 p. m.—No. 38, daily, New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section sleeping cars New Orleans, Macon and Asheville to New York. Dining car.

E. H. COAPMAN,
Vice-President and General Manager,
Washington, D. C.

S. H. HARDWICK,
Passenger Traffic Manager,
Washington, D. C.

H. F. CARY,
General Passenger Agent,
Washington, D. C.

R. H. DeBUTTS,
Division Passenger Agent,
Charlotte, N. C.

C. G. PICKARD,
Passenger & Traffic Manager,
Greensboro, N. C.

THE SWISS BELL RINGERS COMING TO GREENSBORO

The concert given last night by the Swiss Bell Ringers at the Parish hall was conceded by all present to be the best of its kind ever given in this city. From the first number to the wonderful pipe organ imitations, which closed the varied program, the audience was held enraptured by the sweet melodies, both old and new, drawn from a most curious collection of musical instruments, by skilled performers.—North Adams (Mass.) Transcript.

This company will appear at West Market Street church Friday, April 23.

Our Dead

BYERS—Joseph Washington Byers was born Nov. 21st, 1867 and died April 8th, 1915; aged 47 years, four months and 17 days. Brother Byers was married September 6th, 1900, to Miss Nancy E. Thompson. Five children were born of this happy union, four of whom survive; the oldest having passed on before her father at the tender age of two years.

Our brother professed faith in Christ in 1903 and joined the church at McKendree, where he remained faithful to the cause of Christ until smitten with paralysis some 15 months ago.

Brother Byers was a man of sterling qualities, standing for the highest type of citizenship in the community and was one of the men composing the strength of historic old McKendree. He will be painfully missed not only in his home, where he was a tender husband and father, but throughout the community where his honesty and nobility of character were well known and valued. J. T. Ratledge.

YOUNG—Dullie Carter Young was born April 18, 1841, and was married to Mr. Creed Young February 2, 1862. Their married life consisted of about twenty-five years. Mr. Young preceded Sister Young to the land beyond nearly twenty-five years ago. Mrs. Young died October 4, 1914; age, 73 years, five months and 16 days.

Sister Young was born in Madison county and at her marriage she moved to Yancey and soon became a member of Shoal Creek Methodist church of which she was a member when death came. She was a faithful member. She never shirked her duty but stood by her church until the last. She was a woman of means and was a great help to the church in many ways. Not only did she show her love and appreciation for the church, the poor and needy in Yancey county never had a better frend than "Aunt Dullie." She always enjoyed helping any one in need or any worthy cause. Her kindness and thoughtfulness of others will never be forgotten. Aunt Dullie is gone to her reward but the memory of her still lives in the minds and hearts of the people around Shoal Creek and by all who ever had the pleasure of knowing her. I am sure that every Methodist preacher that has been pastor at Shoal Creek remembers her and her kindness after going away from the work. Her home was always a home for Methodist preachers and their families. It seemed that there was nothing she enjoyed more than having her pastor and his family come to her home. The writer and his wife will never forget this noble woman. We were in her home several times during our first year here and the more we were in the home the more we loved this character.

She was not sick long. Her health began failing a few months before her death but she continued her work and looked after her farm until just a short time before her death. On the first Sunday night in October her spirit passed into the hands of her Master. She was buried at Shoal Creek church. I preached her funeral from St. John 14:1 and 2. Rev. T. D. Gillespie at Burnsville followed with an eulogy of her life. She will be missed but God knew best and may He comfort us all! Robt. F. Mock.

Micaville, N. C.

If we could read the secret history of our enemies, we should find in each man's life sorrow and suffering enough to disarm all hostility.—Longfellow.

* * * *

I pity the man who can travel from Dan to Beersheba and say, "'Tis all barren!" And so it is, and so is all the world, to him who will not cultivate the fruits it offers.—Sterne.

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Sulphur Springs, Oak Hill	**24-25**
Biltmore and Mt. Pl., Biltmore, night,	**25**
	May
Weaverville Ct., Alexander Chapel	1-2
West Asheville, night	2
Walnut Ct., Stackhouse	8-9
Black Mountain, night	9
Swannanoa, West Chapel	15-16
Bethel, night	16

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, 508 N. Tryon St., Charlotte, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Waxhaw	24-25
Monroe, Central, night	25
	May
Ansonville, Cedar Hill	1-2
Wadesboro, night	2
Lilesville, Shiloh	8-9
Morven, Morven	15-16
Dilworth	23
Spencer Memorial and Derita, night	23
Polkton, Mount Moriah	29-30

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Deep River, West Bend	24-25
Asheboro	25-26
Randleman, Naomi	25-26
	May
Uwharrie, Union	1-2
Denton, Clarkesbury	8-9
West Market	15-16

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Ararat	**24-25**
Mount Airy Circuit	**25-26**
Third Round	
	April
Mount Airy Station, night	25
	May
Summerfield, Center	8-9
Stokesdale, Glenco	15-16
Walnut Cove, Bethesda	22-23
Madison & Stoneville, Price	29-30
	June
Spray	6-7
Leaksville	11-12
Draper	12-13
Jonesville	19-20
Elkin	20-21
Danbury, Sandy Ridge	26-27
	July
Dobson	3-4
Pilot Mountain	10-11
Rural Hall	17-18
Yadkinville	24-25
Ararat	31
	August
Ararat	1
Mount Airy Circuit	7-8

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Connelly Springs, Harmony	**24-25**
	May
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Oak Grove	**1-2**
Micaville, South Toe	**8-9**
Bald Creek, Hortons	**15-16**
Burnsville	**16-17**
Marion Circuit, North Catawba	**22-23**

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C.
Second Round

	April
South Fork, Plateau	**24-25**
Third Round	
	May
McAdenville	9
Dallas-Ozark, Ozark	9-10
Cherryville, St. Paul	15-16
Gastonia, West End	22
Gastonia, Main St.	23
	June
Lowell, South Side	5-6
Mt. Holly, Ebenezer	6|7
Bessemer, Bessemer	12
King's Mountain	13
Polkville, Lee's	19-20
Belwood, St. Peter's	26-27
	July
Rock Spring, Rehobeth	3
Lincoln Ct., Ivey's Memorial	10
Lincolnton	11
Crouse	17
Stanly	18
South Fork	24
Lowesville, Hill's Chapel	27-29

District Conference at Lowesville July 27-29.

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Kannapolis Station, 11 a. m.	**23-25**
Kannapolis Circuit, Bethpage	**24-25**
China Grove & Landis, China Grove, night	**25**
	May
New London Circuit	1-2
Gold Hill Circuit	2-3
Bethel & Love's Chapel, Love's Chapel	8-9

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston-Salem, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Davie, Liberty	24-25
Cooleemee, night	25
	May
Kernersville	1-2

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Second Round

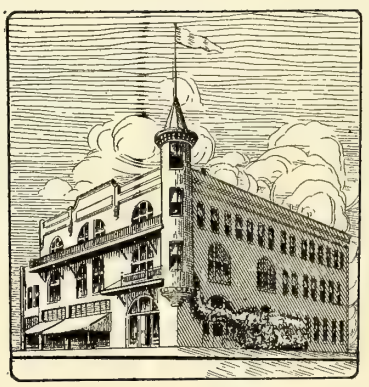
	April
Watauga, Valle Crucis	**24-25**
	May
Elk Park, Montezuma	1-2
Avery, Jonas Ridge	8-9
Boone, Fairview	15-16
Sparta Circuit, Piney Creek	22-23
Laurel Springs, Mt. Zion	29-30
Revival Meetings	
Elk Park, Montezuma	April 26-May 6
Laurel Springs, Mt. Zion	May 24-30

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Lee T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Statesville Circuit, Trinity, 11 a. m.	24
Cool Spring, New Salem, 11 a. m.	25-26
	May
Troutman, 11 a. m.	1
Davidson, Davidson, 11 a. m.	2-3
Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 7:30 p. m.	2-3
Mooresville Circuit, 11 a. m.	8
Mooresville Station, Mooresville, 11 a. m.	9-10

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C., R. F. D. 2
Second Round

	April
Ranger Circuit, Bellview	**24-25**
	May
Murphy Station	**1**
Andrews Station	**1**
	May
Murphy Station, night	6
Andrews Station, night	7
Robbinsville, Topton	8-9
Judson, Almond	9-10
Franklin Ct., Snowhill	15-16
Macon Ct., Asbury	19-20
Highlands, Flatts	22-23
Franklin Station	24



BLUE RIDGE INN
Mount Airy, N. C. W. M. Jordan, Prop.
Mount Airy's Leading Hotel
Rates $2.00 and $2.50—All meals 50 cents—Electric Lights, Steam Heat, Electric Bell System, Hot and Cold Baths—American plan—A clean up-to-date home for the tourist or traveling man, in a beautiful mountain city.

New Triumphs in Desserts. Write for "Freezer Book" (free) with Mrs. Rorer's recipes, and showing how expertly and easily you can make frozen desserts in the



LIGHTNING FREEZER

Your dealer can supply the Lightning Freezer

NORTH BROS. MFG. CO., Philadelphia

BILLY SUNDAY'S MESSAGE
AUTHORIZED. We will pay you $120.00 to distribute it in your neighborhood. 60 days' work. Great opportunity for man or woman. Spare time may be used. Particulars and sample free.
Universal Bible House, 702 Winston Bldg., Philadelphia

DO YOU OWN A KODAK?
If so, I am a film specialist doing developing, printing and enlarging and my proposition to you is interesting. Send a trial order to
D. AUDLEY GOLD, Box C263, Blacksburg, S. C.

Renew Your Health At Nature's Fountain



Without the Expense and Loss of Time Necessary for a Visit to the Spring

THE CRISIS

There comes a time in the life of practically every man and woman when their digestive or eliminative organs, or both, fail to respond to drugs prepared by human skill. In fact drugs seem to do them about as much harm as good for their systems rebel against all drugs. These are the cases which physicians call "stubborn" and "chronic" for the reason that they persist in spite of drug treatment. I do not refer to incurable diseases such as cancer and consumption, but to that larger class of functional disorders which we meet every day, where the organs of digestion and elimination are impaired.

For this class of cases our best physicians and our big city specialists send their ***wealthy*** patients to the mineral springs where, in the great majority of cases they are permanently restored or decidedly benefited. But what about the ***poor*** man who has not the money or the ***busy*** man or woman who cannot spare the time to spend several weeks or possibly months at a health resort? Shall circumstances deny them the restoration to health which Nature has provided? Read my answer in the coupon at the bottom of this page.

I have the ***utmost*** confidence in the Shivar Mineral Spring Water for to it I owe ***my*** Restoration to Health and probably my Life. It has made me tens of thousands of friends in all parts of America and even in foreign countries, whose faces I have never seen. Yet I count them ***my friends*** for the Shivar Spring Water has bound them to me by lasting gratitude.

I ask you to read their letters, a few samples of which I publish below for ***your*** benefit, and if ***you*** find among them any encouragement as to your own health do not hesitate to accept my offer which has no limits or conditions except those shown on the coupon. If you could read the letters that come to me daily, numbering about ten thousand a year, and the vast majority of them similar to those printed below, you would not wonder that I make this offer displaying ***my absolute confidence*** in the restorative powers of Shivar Mineral Water.

INDIGESTION

Savannah, Georgia.

I was suffering with indigestion, stomach and liver disorders and all its train of horrifying phenomena for several months. I had lived on milk, soft eggs, shredded wheat, a very insufficient diet for an active working man, and, of course, from disease and starvation was in a very low state of nervous vitality and general debility. I ordered ten gallons of your Mineral Water which I used continuously, reordering when necessary, and in four months gained twenty-nine pounds, was strong and perfectly well, and have worked practically every day since. It acts as a general renovator of the system. I prescribe it in my practice, and it has in every instance had the desired effects. It is essential to use this water in as large quantities as possible, for its properties are so happily blended and in such proportion that they will not disturb the most delicate system. It is purely Nature's remedy.

A. L. R. AVANT, M. D.

La Grange, Ga., Nov. 25, 1914.

I feel it my duty to suffering humanity to make public announcement of the benefits I have derived from Shivar Spring Water. I have been a sufferer for the past twenty-five years from indigestion and dyspepsia. After one week's trial of Shivar Water I commenced to improve, and after drinking it for four weeks I gained fifteen pounds. I feel better and stronger than I have in twenty-five years. I strongly recommend this Water to any one with stomach trouble of any character, and truly believe it will cure ulcer of the stomach. I am writing this voluntarily and trust it will fall in the hands of many who are so unfortunate as to be afflicted with indigestion and nervous dyspepsia.

C. V. TRUITT,
President Unity Cotton Mills.

Johnston, S. C.

I wish to add my testimony to the wonderful curative powers of the Shivar Mineral Water. For a number of years my wife has been a sufferer from indigestion and nervous debility, and her condition had reached such a stage as to baffle the skill of our most eminent physicians. Her extreme nervousness and heart troubles at times were alarming and she had become almost a nervous wreck. The latter part of last May she began using the Shivar Water, which she has continued to this date with most satisfactory results.

H. C. BAILEY,
Editor Johnston News-Monitor.

DYSPEPSIA

Blaney, S. C.

I have suffered for many years from gastric troubles, stomach puffed and food sour. I have tried many remedies and a good many waters. Some have helped, but none have given me such relief as your Spring Water. I use it and recommend it to my patients.

W. D. GRIGGSBY, M. D.

Baltimore, Md., April 30, 1914.

For many years I suffered with stomach trouble as a direct result of asthma. I consulted the very best specialist in this country, and spent quite a large sum of money in my endeavor to get relief. However, I had about come to the conclusion that my case was hopeless, but by accident I happened to get hold ofone of your booklets, and decided to try Shivar Spring Water. After drinking the water for about three weeks I was entirely relieved, and since that time have suffered but little inconvenience from my trouble. I cheerfully recommend the use of your Water to any one that may be suffering from stomach trouble.

OSCAR T. SMITH,
Vice-Pres. Young & Selden Co., Bank Stationers.

RHEUMATISM

Leeds, S. C.

I have tested your Spring Water in several cases of rheumatism, chronic indigestion, kidney and bladder troubles, and in nervous and sick headaches, and find that it has acted nicely in each case, and I believe that if used continuously for a reasonable time will produce a permanent cure. It will purify the blood, relieve debility, stimulate the action of the liver, kidneys and bladder, aiding them in throwing off all poisonous matter.

C. A. CROSBY, M, D.

Fredericksburg, Va.

Mrs. Carter has had enlarged joints upon her hands, caused by rheumatism. Shivar Spring Water removed every trace of the enlargement.

WM. C. CARTER.

Roper, N. C., Oct. 30, 1914.

I am anxious to get more of the Water. It has done me more good than anything I have ever tried for rheumatism.

MRS. H. C. EDWARDS.

Florence, S. C., Dec. 1, 1911.

I suffered with indigestion and kidney trouble, and a year ago was stricken with acute articular rheumatism; was helpless for months, and since using your Spring Water I am walking without any crutch and improving daily. Indigestion much relieved. I wish I could write Shivar Spring Water in the sky so that the world could become acquainted with it.

MRS. THEO. KUKER.

Warrenton, Va., Nov. 24, 1914.

It is doing my rheumatism so much good. My limbs are beginning to feel like new ones.

MRS. JAMES R. CARTER.

BILIOUSNESS

Greenville, S. C., Feb. 26, 1914.

For over two years, following a nervous breakdown, I have suffered with a liver so torpid that ordinary remedies were absolutely powerless. Under such circumstances, I came to Shivar Spring, and began drinking the Water. Upon advice however, the first night I took a laxative: the second night a milder one. Since then I have taken none at all. The effect of the water has been remarkable—its action on my livermost marked, and my health and spirits greatly improved. I am satisfied that the laxative, followed by the Water, was the proper treatment in my case. My condition is now perfect.

S. A. DERIEUX.

Buena Vista, Va., Oct. 2, 1914.

It is a great pleasure to tell you that your Water has been a great benefit, I may say a great blessing, to me. My wife says it has helped me more than anything else I ever tried. I have been for thirty years a sufferer from stomach trouble.

REV. E. H. ROWE,
Co-President Southern Seminary.

LIVER AND KIDNEY

Ohoopee, Ga., Aug. 21, 1914.

I feel that it is due you that I should give my testimony, unsolicited, as to the benefits derived from the use of your Shivar Springs Water. I was unable to do my work, and had been under the treatment of physicians for six months for kidney and liver troubles when I decided to try your Spring Water, and now after using it for about thirty days I am able to do my work, feel good, and have gained about twenty pounds. I most heartily recommend its use to all who suffer from disorder of the liver and kidneys.

STEPHENS.

Carlisle, S. C.

It is fine for liver troubles, also for constipation. I cheerfully give you this information as to beneficial results in my case.

REV. A. McA. PITTMAN.

RENAL AND CYSTI

Columbia, S

I suffered for eight years with kidney t and inflammation of the bladder to the e that I would have to get up during the some five or six times. After using this only a few days, I am entirely relieved suffer no more effect of the trouble whate

J. F

Virgilina, Va., March 28, 1

Your Water has done me more good tha thing I ever tried for bladder trouble.

A. F

Wesley, Ga., May 12, 1

I had been down with bladder tr Couldn't stand on my feet three minute time. In three days after I commenced ing your Mineral Water my pain was all could walk where I pleased, and felt like man.

S. B

High Point, N. C., Oct. 6, 1

My wife has had a bad kidney trouble fo eral years. She has been using the water about three weeks and it has already mad a new woman. Her color is much impr her appetite is all that she could wish fo digestion seems to be perfect. We give S Springs credit for it all.

T. G

GALLSTONES

Greenville, S

Shivar Spring Water cured my mother o stones, or, I might say, it snatched her fro hospital door, as the doctors had said no short of an operation would do her any After drinking the Water she was able to g of bed, and is today stout and healthy. these few lines will be of help to some on ering as my mother did.

W. J. STRAW

Williamston, N. C. Oct. 3,

My doctor said I would have to be ope on for gallstones, but since I have been dri your water I haven't had to have a docto

W. H. EDWARD

Columbia, S

My wife was a chronic sufferer from gall She was stricken critically ill, and nothin morphine seemed to relieve her pain by re ing her unconscious. My physician, wh good one, seemed to do very little good. A. J. Foster, pastor of Shandon Baptist C of Columbia, S. C., advised me to take he mediately to Shivar Spring. On consultin physician he agreed that it would be best so without delay. In about three days aft riving at the Spring she was apparentl lieved and had regained her appetite. Sh suffered no ill effect of the trouble Please publish this for the benefit of suf

J. P. DRAFFI

URIC ACID & DIABET

Chancellor, A

I have been for many years affected with acid and kidney trouble, and the Mineral W has helped me more than anything I have done for them and therefore heartily re mend same to all who need a speedy relie cure.

W. F. MATHENY, M. D

Lexington,

I can recommend your Mineral Water fo orders caused by uric poison. I suffered have been relieved. It affords me pleasu recommend this Water to all sufferers.

J. H. WHITMORE

Roxboro, N.

I have used ten gallons of your Mineral W and it has done me worlds of good. My di is diabetes. I lost two years out of three my work, and your Water is putting me bac my feet again.

JOHN R. PETTIGREW

Derma, Miss., May 8, 1914

Have suffered for several years with diab I feel almost cured. Have recommended the ter to others,

Mrs. J

Sanford, N. C., April 15, 1914

Have been down eight weeks with diabetes dered Shivar Spring Water, began drinkin and keep improving. Showed my doctor th alysis and he said it was just what I needed, a lithia tablet added.

Mrs. J. D.

Sanford, N.

Have been down eight weeks with diab Ordered Shivar Spring Water began drinkin and keep improving. Showed my doctor analysis and he said it was just what I nee with a lithia tablet added.

MRS. J. D. H

Derma, Mi

Have suffered for several years with diab I feel almost cured. Have recommended Water to others.

MRS. J. J.

Fill Out This Coupon and Mail It Today.

Shivar Spring,

Box 5T, Shelton, S. C.

Gentlemen:—I accept your offer and enclose herewith two dollars ($2.00) for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Spring Water. I agree to give it a fair trial in accordance with the instructions which you will send, and if I derive no benefit therefrom you agree to refund the price in full, upon receipt of the two empty demijohns, which I agree to return promptly.

Name.....P. O.....

Express Office.....

☛ Please write distinctly.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, April 29, [illegible] | Number 17

Reading Room Trinity College

THE LAND HE HAS GONE TO

ROBERT J. BURDETT

I watch the sunset as I look out over the rim of the blue Pacific, and there is no mystery beyond the horizon line, because I know what is over there. I have been there. I have journeyed in those lands. Over there where the sun is just sinking is Japan. That star is rising over China. In that direction lie the Philippines. I know all that. Well, there is another land that I look toward as I watch the sunset. I have never seen it. I have never seen any one who has been there, but it has a more abiding reality than any of these lands which I do know. This land beyond the sunset—this land of immortality, this fair and blessed country of the soul—why, this heaven of ours is the one thing in the world which I know with absolute, unshaken, unchangeable certainty. This I know with a knowledge that is never shadowed by a passing cloud of doubt. I may not always be certain about this world; my geographical locations may sometimes become confused, but the other world—that I know. And as the afternoon sun sinks lower, faith shines more clearly and hope, lifting her voice in a higher key, sings the voice of fruition. My work is about ended, I think. The best of it I have done poorly; any of it I might have done better, but I have done it. And in a fairer land, with finer material and a better working light, I will do better work.—*Selected.*

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

LOOK UP THE ORDER BLANK

On page 11 the subscriber will find a blank form to cut out and send with renewal. We are thankful to those who have responded. We are anxiously looking for yours. Do not wait to see your pastor, but pin check or money order to the blank and mail today. The matter is urgent.

A MINISTRY OF PRAYER

One can not read the news columns of the Advocate this week without being impressed with the fact that there is a special call for intercessory prayer. From every direction the news comes that special evangelistic services are in progress, and we doubt if ever before our church in Western North Carolina has witnessed such a wide-spread evangelistic campaign. At this moment the incense is going up from many an altar and the hearts of multitudes are turning attention to eternal issues while God's servants deliver their messages. What an opportunity for every reader of the Advocate to serve the church throughout the Conference by a ministry of prayer!

The life of many a sincere Christian is very much of a dreary desert because, through timidity or a conscious lack of training for Christian service, he feels that there is nothng he can do. The church is full of people of this sort. They forget that the highest ministry one can perform is that of prayer, while no power in heaven or earth or hell can successfully oppose or resist him who thus takes hold upon God.

"Prayer brings every blessing from above." Suppose we all join in prayer this week for the blessing of God upon the meetings that are in progress. "The effectual, fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much," says St. James, and if we will only look over these news columns and see the names of the churches and the names of the preachers engaged in revival effort we shall find it easy to bear them up before a throne of grace. And who will dare to say that our prayers will not help?

Not the least that will come as a result of this intercessory prayer will be the kindling of the fire in our own hearts. Thus, though scattered here and there, we shall find ourselves a part of one great company, ready to receive the power of a new Pentecost, and we too shall speak with other tongues as God shall give us utterance. Let every reader of the Advocate join with the editor this week in a prayer for God's blessings upon these meetings. LET US PRAY.

BILLY SUNDAY AND THE FREE-WILL OFFERING

The proverbial "fly in the ointment" crops out in the aftermath of Billy Sunday's work in Philadelphia. At the conclusion of his eleven weeks' work there a check for $51,136.85 was given to him as a free-will thank offering. Discussing this the press brings out the fact that Mr. Sunday's last five meetings have brought him free-will offerings to the amount of $162,663.33. It would seem that a man so consecrated as Mr. Sunday is represented to be would know what his duty is in regard to these offerings and we hope he does. Of course it is his duty to pass them on to the work of benevolence or religious propeganda of some sort. Otherwise these vast sums will very soon prove the undoing of even so great a man as Mr. Sunday.

The proper thing is not to inveigh against these offerings, unless it might be that the spirit of them is open to criticism. The people, under the influence of such a religious fervor have the impulse to give and should be allowed to do so; but the mere rivalry of one city with another should have no place in it. When, however, the offerings are in Mr. Sunday should let it be distinctly understood that only the amount necessary for the support of himself in the work is retained by him.

It is not uncommon to hear Mr. Sunday and other great modern evangelists compared to John the Baptist. It would be well for those who are wont to indulge in such comparisons to read again the description of the evangelist of the wilderness: "And the same John had his raiment of camel's hair, and a leathern girdle about his loins, and his meat was locusts and wild honey." Clad thus in coarse garments and subsisting upon the plainest diet, one can hardly resist a feeling of disgust at the absurdity of comparing him with the modern evangelist of the Billy Sunday type.

It is more and more apparent that the church must direct the work of evangelists as well as that of pastors, or allow the whole matter to be brought into public contempt. The Presbyterian Standard, which, by the way, has been kind in its attitude toward Mr. Sunday and his work, commenting on this free-will offering, says:

"That the people had a right to give this money, that it was the expression of well-merited thanks, and that they received more than they gave to Mr. Sunday, are propositions that may go unchallenged. Nor can any one justly challenge Mr. Sunday's right to accept the gift. Yet it may be questioned whether he did wisely to receive it. "All things are lawful for me," said the great Apostle, "but all things are not expedient. All things are lawful for me, but I will not be brought under the power of any." Money was one of the things that he was at pains to assert his mastery over. So far from denying the preacher's right to remuneration for his services, Paul was bold to assert it. But for himself he renounced the right. He would not receive any pay, so jealous was he of his reputation. Rather than have any one suspect him of preaching the Gospel for money, he preferred to work with his own hands and board himself. He would not furnish any ground for the accusation of sordidness. * * * * * * * * * *

Mr. Sunday won much praise at an earlier day by refusing big salaries in base ball in order that he might preach the gospel. There is nothing that arrests the public mind more quickly, and extorts a more general and generous plaudit than the exhibition of a soul that is superior to the lure of money. This trait in John Calvin elicited a tribute of praise from even so violent an enemy as Pope Pious IV. We could wish that Mr. Sunday might steer clear of the danger which threatens. He may yet have reason to pray to be delivered from his friends. They will not only enrich him with free-will offerings, but they will parade this fact in the face of the whole world, until the impression is created that Billy Sunday and the gospel preachers, like everything else, is to be estimated on a purely monetary basis."

WINSTON DISTRICT CONFERENCE

It was early Wednesday morning I found myself in company with Rev. Dr. C. W. Byrd and Rev. L. T. Mann, two pleasant traveling companions, on my way to Walkertown where the Winston District Conference had convened on Tuesday afternoon. Brother Jones, a member of our church at Walkertown, was at the station in Winston ready to carry us right over, a distance of nine miles, in his automobile. This modern method of rapid transit beats the railroad on these shorter trips for the reason that one does not have to wait for schedules.

When we arrived at the beautiful Loves church, we found the morning session just about ready to adjourn for the preaching service. Rev. H. K. Boyer, the presiding elder, was in the chair and Rev. C. M. Short, of Cooleemee, was at the secretary's table. There were still echoes of the splendid spiritual service with which the Conference had opened the afternoon before—a regular old-time experience meeting.

By noon, Wednesday, all the pastors of the district had been recorded as present, and there was a fairly good attendance of laymen. The date of Conference being in the midst of a pretty week for farmers to do their planting no doubt militated somewhat against a full attendance of laymen, but it is impossible to find a season now when farmers are not busy. There are no leisure seasons any more with farmers.

The reports of the pastors were, upon the whole, rather encouraging. Many good revivals had already been held with large accessions to the church. This was particularly true of Winston-Salem, where simultaneous revival services were only recently held. The financial report was better than many had expected, showing that our people are growing in loyalty and liberality.

There was a decided spiritual atmosphere throughout the Conference, and the preaching that I heard was of a very high order, the sermons being delivered with great power and unction. Dr. F. N. Parker, of Trinity College, preached on Wednesday morning on the Call for Laborers. Dr. C. W. Byrd preached on Wednesday night on What it is to Live or the Significance of Life. Both these sermons made a profound impression.

The visitors present that we recall were, Rev. Frank Siler, Field Secretary of Missions; Rev. Lee T. Mann, presiding elder of the Statesville District, representing Davenport College; Rev. Dr. C. W. Byrd, representing the Conference Sunday School Board; Rev. W. M. Curtis, representing Greensboro College for Women; Rev. J. W. Jones, representing the Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Association, and Rev. Dr. F. N. Parker, representing Trinity College.

In spite of conditions that threatened at times to upset the program, Dr. Boyer sat steady in his place and gave all representatives ample time.

Arriving at an hour near the middle of the session and having to leave before the close we have to depend upon the secretary for the full report, which he kindly consented to give and which is printed elsewhere.

Rev. Geo. C. Brinkman, the pastor, acted the part of host in a very gracious manner and everyone seemed to have the best home. In fact, Walkertown is one of those favored country villages which knows nothing better than hospitality and dispenses the same without stint. It is, moreover, just such a community as appreciates a District Conference and gets something out of it.

One who knew the community only a few years ago sadly misses the familiar faces of Mr. N. D. Sullivan, whose generous bounty made it possible to erect this beautiful church, and Mr. and Mrs. Philip A. Booe, all of whom have gone to their reward. Only a few years ago they were among the familiar figures in the congregation.

Among the most helpful addresses of the occasion was that of Mrs. H. K. Boyer, speaking in behalf of the Woman's Missionary Society. She apologized and modestly stated that she was not accustomed to making public addresses, but spoke like a veteran. She and Dr. Boyer have a warm place in the hearts of the people of the District.

Walter Thompson spoke for the orphans in our Children's Home. He makes a talk which convinces one of his fitness for the work which has been committed to him. There are now about 120 children in the home.

I had pleasant entertainment in the home of Mrs. Moyer, with Rev. Frank Siler and Brother Naylor as fellow guests. It was a home indeed, and our fellowship was all too soon broken by the farewell.

The next session of the Conference will be held in Thomasville. H. M. B.

Morganton District Conference

The Morganton District Conference will be held at Gilky July 15-18.

J. E. Gay, P. E.

Greensboro District Conference

On account of a conflict in dates with the commencement exercises at Asheboro, the date of the Greensboro District Conference has been changed and will be definitely announced next week. J. H. Weaver, P. E.

NOTE AND COMMENT

Former President Taft spoke last week at Johns Hopkins University on "The Presidency, its powers, its functions, and its possibilities."

"I have often thought it would have been better," said Mr. Taft, "to have made the term six or seven years with eligibility for reelection. But I don't want to tinker with the constitution. There are so many people who think it ought to be radically changed that I prefer to have a few spots on the sun rather than run the risk of its going out altogether."

The ex-president spoke caustically about pressure upon the President to approve bills of doubtful constitutionality which had been passed to satisfy the "folks at home," and which went to the Supreme Court for decision. The large number of measures the court has decided unconstitutional, he said, is used as an argument of the court's antagonistic attitude towards things the people want.

* * * *

Secretary Bryan in a speech before the City Club of Baltimore a few days ago said that publicity is as essential to honest administration of the government as freedom of speech is to representative government. "The government being the people's business," he said, "it necessarily follows that its operations should be at all times open to the public view." Governments approach perfection, the Secretary declared, in so far as they are coative; "in proportion as they adjust with justice the joint burdens which it is necessary to impose, and distribute with equity the incidental benefits which come from the disbursement of the money raised by taxation."

* * * *

The Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at its meeting in Nashville last week appropriated $21,000 to white schools, $12,000 to negro schools, and $12,000 to theological schools. No appropriation was made to Vanderbilt University. The appropriations to white schools throughout the South ranged in amounts from $500 to $1,000. Four thousand dollars was appropriated to the department of ministerial supply and training. This, with fees accruing, will make the appropriation about $8,000. Bishop Hoss presided. Dr. Stonewall Anderson, of Nashville, who was secretary, reported that there was great need of better equipment and larger endowment for the Methodist colleges. It was stated that Emory had an endowment in excess of $1,000,000.

With reference to the Vanderbilt litigation the secretary reported that the last note would fall due in June with principal and interest amounting o $7,840.25, making the total cost of the Vanderbilt law suit to the Board of education amount to $36,212.33. The report showed that $7,000 of the $9,000 claim of the Vanderbilt Biblical Department had been paid. The secretary's report in summing up for the year showed expenditure of $93,167.82, with collections of $81,966.40.

In this connection, a press despatch of a day or so ago is interesting. It reads: "The Biblical Department of Vanderbilt University which heretofore has been conducted as a theological college of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, will become non-sectarian and independent according to an official bulletin issued by the department. The new plan will be effective June 17. The faculty will include representatives of the Methodist, Baptist, Episcopal, Christian and Presbyterian denominations. In a statement given out by the department for publication it said: 'Vanderbilt authorities feel that, inasmuch as the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has withdrawn its support and co-operation from the Biblical Department and thus left it free for non-sectarian work, a future of large and continually increasing influence and usefulness will result from the new departure it now makes in becoming inter-denominational in its work.' "

* * * *

Considerable Enthusiasm is Being Manifested by the farmers of Forsyth county in regard to raising their own food stuff. Seven miles out from Winston-Salem Mr. R. J. Bowen has a seven-acre field of alfalfa, some of which is eighteen inches high. Many of the citizens of the county commenting on this say that farmers not only in Forsyth county, but all over the state of North Carolina as well, could do likewise. Approximately $40,000,000 is sent out of the state annually for supplies, and of this large amount $15,000,000 is sent west for hay and food stuff, the farmers of North Carolina raising only about $6,000,000 worth themselves. It has been suggested that moving pictures be made of the men at work in the fields mowing grass and preparing hay, and shown in all the "movie" houses in order to popularize the idea.

* * * *

The Committee Named at the last quadrennial conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to select the place of holding the 1918 session of the conference met last week in Nashville. No final action was taken, however, the selection being postponed pending the report of a sub-committee named to visit the various cities which have invited the conference. At the meeting of the committee last week seven cities sent representatives to extend an invitation: Asheville, Atlanta, Huntington, Lexington, Ky., Louisville, Nashville and Richmond. The members of the sub-committee consisting of Rev. J. H. Eckles, of Rome, Ga.; Rev. J. Smith, of Kentucky and Mr. F. M. Weaver, of Asheville, will visit, during the middle or latter part of June, each of the cities named and will make an immediate report to the committee of seven, detailing what is found at each of the proposed meeting places in the nature of hotel facilities, auditorium accommodations, and railroad service.

* * * *

Congress at its Last Session directed the President to cause a railroad to be built in Alaska at a cost not above $35,000,000. The act left all the details to the President, who directed that the work be carried on by the Alaska Engineering Commission. The route known as the Susinta has been selected and extends from Seward north to Fairbanks on the Tanana river. The distance is 471 miles, 71 miles, from Seward to Sunrise, being already built. Secretary Lane, who has immediate charge of the work, says that not more than forty miles of the road can be built this year, and hopes there will be no rush of labor to Alaska for there are men enough now to do the limited work that can be done in 1915. This railroad is expected to play a great part in the future of Alaska, particularly as it taps a great region in the interior not now served by any railroad.

* * * *

At the N. C. Baraca-Philathea Convention, held in Raleigh a few days ago it was shown that the number of class organizations in different denominations of the state is approximately as follows, not including Junior Baraca or Philathea classes:

Baraca—Baptist, 400; Methodist, 227; Presbyterian, 42; Methodist Protestant, 35; Christian, 30; Friends, 8; Moravian, 10; Reformed, 7; Lutheran, 5; Union, 19.

Philathea—Baptist, 454; Methodist, 245; Presbyterian, 50; Methodist Protestant, 35; Christian, 25; Lutheran, 15; Reformed, 5; Friends, 10; Union, 15.

Including Junior organizations there are something over eighteen hundred in the State.

* * * *

Graduates of Trinity College, Durham, who comprise the Buncomb County Alumni Association, have selected tomorrow night, the 30th, as the time for their banquet in Asheville, and announcement is made that Dr. E. C. Brooks, of the faculty of Trinity, will be there for the occasion which will be held in the Battery Park Hotel. Zeb F. Curtis, the president of the Alumni Association in Asheville, will be the toastmaster and a number of short talks will be made by those in attendance. The address of Dr. Brooks, of course, will be the principal speech of the evening.

There are many Trinity alumni in Western North Carolina and they are planning to make preparations for more activity. It is the desire of the college that the former students organize throughout the state and hold frequent meetings in order that they may be brought into close touch with one another and kept informed as to the activities of their Alma Mater.

Brevard Institute Items

Revival Services—Rev. J. P. Rodgers, of Canton, N. C., spent a large part of last week in a wonderful revival service at Brevard Institute. The opening meeting was Tuesday evening, April 6th, and the last service began at 7:30 Saturday morning. In the meantime, every student and teacher in the school had been greatly helped. No one remained untouched, and all but three or four of the day students and all but about half a dozen in the school professed conversion. No previous meeting has had the effect upon the day students which this meeting had. Conversions and reclamations began at the second meeting. The Christian students organized themselves into prayer bands and for personal work, and no one lacked in either means of grace. Brother Rodgers worked unceasingly. He attended and conducted the early morning prayer meeting at 6:45. He preached at 9 and 10 and at 7 o'clock, and he did personal work or attended group prayer meetings a considerable part of the remaining time. The school seemed ripe for exactly the work he did, as the Bible and Sunday school teachers and the religious organizations had given careful instruction throughout the year. He preached powerful, convincing sermons, and his personality, his sincerety, and his desperate earnestness all had their influence. It is no wonder to Brevard people that he is over-run with invitations to conduct meetings.

The Building—The year has been a very successful one in almost every way. The handsome new Administration Building has solved a great many troubelsome problems and has remarkably increased the efficiency of every department. The academic classes have plenty of light, airy rooms. The Normal Department and the Model School have a floor in one wing to themselves with room for assembly desks, sand table and adjoining recitation rooms. The Music Department has additional pianos and practice rooms to spare. Its enrollment is almost twice that of any previous year. The Commercial Department is using three different rooms commodiously furnished and is preparing some excellent office help. The domestic art pupils do their sewing, millinery and fancy work in three large adjoining rooms in the basement, where they are disturbed by no one and disturb nobody. Across the hall is the household economics room for the use of the juniors and seniors in that department. This is a great advance over last year conditions, when one of the kitchen stoves was all that was available for them. The agriculture class has its own laboratory with a new microscope and other apparatus. Of course a great part of their work must be done on the farm, but the experiment facilities are very valuable. The carpentry students have a room to themselves and are doing work which they have never attempted before. Many of these vocational departments are being expanded industrially in order to provide means for students to work their way through school.

Summer School—The third session of the summer school will open on Wednesday, June 9th, and will extend through the next six weeks. A particularly strong faculty has been secured, including teachers from both Carolinas in addition to members of the regular Institute faculty. Considerable correspondence indicates that there will be a large attendance of students, as seems sure to be the case if the climate and the advantages of the summer school can be generally known. The State Board of Education recommends to the county superintendents that they accept three weeks attendance at this school as equivalent to attendance at any county institute. The daily sessions close at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, leaving the remainder of the day free for study or for mountain climbing, and it requires three weeks to accomplish the same amount of work. This gives any teacher a delightfully restful vacation and is much more valuable than the hurried work necessarily done in county institutes. Those interested in the summer school or in an inexpensive vacation in the mountains, should write to C. H. Trowbridge, Brevard, N. C.

CONTRIBUTIONS

MY TREASURE-TREE

N. S. Ogburn, Jr.

On the sloping side of the mountain,
There are stately trees and tall;
But among them grows a sapling—
Broken, bent and small!
Broken beyond recall!

Yet broken, bent and frail,
What a precious treasure-tree!
Upon its bruised body—
Despair and hope for me—
Resurging life I see!

THE APOSTLE PAUL AND BISHOP ASBURY*

By Thomas Kane

There is a striking similarity between the characteristics, lives and work of the Apostle Paul of the first, and Bishop Francis Asbury of the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. Both were bachelors; both were great preachers; with both it was "woe is me if I preach not the gospel;" both were great travelers; Paul probably by every method known in that day, chiefly, it is supposed, on foot; Asbury on horse-back. Both founded and were fathers of many churches and both were in large degree itinerant preachers.

The real life work of Asbury dated from his arrival in America in 1771 at the age of 26, which is supposed to have been about Paul's age when he was converted. Both were supposed to have lived the allotted three score and ten years. Asbury died at 71 in 1816.

Neither Paul nor Asbury built up churches on other men's foundations. In every case Paul commenced at the bottom. When Asbury came to America the Methodists numbered about 300, ministered to by four preachers. When he died Methodism had a thoroughly organized church of 214,000 members and over 2,000 preachers.

They were similar in another important respect. Neither taught stewardship as the Master taught it. In fact, outside of the four gospels there is very little teaching of stewardship in the New Testament; stewardship for the laity I mean.

Oh, yes, I do not forget that over-worked passage in 1st Corinthians 15:2, "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store as God hath prospered him." Because it would spoil the almost universal application, the rest of the verse—although it is separated only by a comma—"that there be no collections when I come" is nearly always omitted; and yet Paul gives it as the reason for his direction—to "lay by in store."

Because it throws additional light on the text I give the translation as it appears in the "New Testament in Modern Speech." In this translation the first four verses of this chapter and also the 8th and 9th chapters of 2nd Corinthians are under the prominent headline, "The Poor in Jerusalem." I quote only the second verse: "On the first day of every week let each of you put on one side and store up at his home whatever gain has been granted to him so that whenever I come there may be no collections going on."

These four verses and the whole of the 8th and 9th chapters of 2nd Corinthians are devoted to the same subject; the collection by Paul and Titus, among the churches of Greece and Asia Minor of a large sum of money for the benefit of the famine suffering poor in Jerusalem. Read these two chapters and see if any other subject is mentioned. Also, if in doubt as to Paul's teaching stewardship read all his letters and see how much or rather how little, outside of these two chapters, he ever wrote about the giving of money or the stewardship of money or property.

The truth is that this collection for the poor in Jerusalem had no more connection with or relation to church support, or missions, home or foreign, or Christian education, or with any of the many money problems that baffle solution by the modern church, than it had to the taxes they paid to the Roman Government.

Paul had not trained the Corinthian Christians in stewardship. Rather than be a burden to them he had disregarded what he himself quotes as the Lord's command: "Even so hath the Lord ordained that they which preach the gospel shall live of the gospel"—1st Corinthians 9:14—and supported himself at Corinth by working at his trade, tent-making (Acts 18, first three verses). In 2nd Cor. 12:13 he asks their forgiveness for thus wronging them. Returning now to Bishop Asbury.

Bishops Coke and Asbury, the former ordained Bishop by John Wesley in England, and himself ordaining Asbury, organized the Methodist Church in America in 1784, but until his death Asbury was the ruling spirit. His one passion and aim was to create a race of heroic preachers. He succeeded beyond doubt. His dominant method for the accomplishment of this purpose was to insist that they be itinerant; they must like himself, be traveling preachers. Anything else was in fact impossible, because he for sixteen years inflexibly ruled that no more than $64.00 a year be paid to any minister as salary. In 1800 he permitted an increase of $16.00 per annum, but $80.00 was the limit until his death 16 years later.

The first act of the next Conference was to provide for a living wage for the Methodist ministry, as no man could support a family on the stipend allowed by Bishop Asbury. As ministers married they had to retire from the itinerary, and became mere "local preachers" with little or no influence or authority in the councils of the church. The result was that in 1799 there were 269 traveling preachers and 850 "located."

Thus at the very time when the churches most needed strong and trained leadership, many of their strongest and wisest men were forced into obscurity and loss of influence by the fact that they had become heads of families.

Bishop Asbury was a giant in his day, and did a giant's work. No praise is too great for his varied and many sided achievements. He failed however at the point of not realizing that the vital importance of teaching the stewardship of money and property to the laity. For more than a generation, yes, for more than two generations after his death, not only the Methodist, but all other denominations, suffered in their ideals and practice of stewardship because of his failure in this respect.

It is both fitting and gratifying that now, nearly 100 years after Bishop Asbury's death, Wesley Chapel, a Methodist church in Cincinnati, has taken the lead not only in the Methodist, but in all other churches of the leading denominations in this country in true and practical stewardship. The pastor, officers and a large proportion of the members, simply make stewardship practical by tithing.

But what a comfort, yes, what an inspiration it is to turn from the Apostle Paul and Bishop Asbury to the teaching of the Master as recorded in the four gospels. Many of his parables, discourses, and illustrations are permeated, saturated, shot through and through with teaching on the stewardship of money and property.

*The facts above given regarding Bishop Asbury were obtained from "A Man and His Money" by Harvey Reeves Calkins, published by the Methodist Book Concern.

RECENT GIFTS TO EMORY UNIVERSITY

Bishop W. A. Candler

Gifts, some larger and some smaller, are constantly being made to Emory University. Evidently there is a growing interest in this great enterprise. Recently a young man, whose name is withheld for the present, gave six thousand dollars for a scholarship fund to aid young men in obtaining an education at the University. This fund is for the benefit of students in the School of Liberal Arts—Emory College.

About the same time a physician sent his check for five hundred dollars to Bishop Candler, without solicitation. These two gifts have come within the last two weeks. A few days later, Bishop Candler received a letter from Dr. Jas. W. Lee, of St. Louis, from which the following paragraphs are taken:

"Before I left Atlanta the last time to come back to St. John's church, I gave to Wesley Memorial church a thousand or fifteen hundred books. I am now preparing to send you some very rare philosophical books, which I will be glad if you will have placed alongside the others I gave to Wesley Memorial church. I have more philosophical books in my library than can be found perhaps in any other private library in St. Louis, and really more than either the Public Library or the Mercantile Library of this city contains. I have made a kind of hobby of book collections along philosophical lines.

About seventeen years ago I sent Vanderbilt University about 3,500 volumes of rare philosophical books. They were housed in the building which you know was burned down and every volume was lost. Since that time I have been collecting duplicates of nearly all the books I sent to Vanderbilt University. I have even succeeded in securing a set of the volumes of the Journal of Speculative Philosophy, which is now out of print and can hardly be bought at all. I have the Histories of Philosophy by many authors, covering the whole period of speculative thought, from the time of Thales down to the present day.

I want to give all these books, including those I first presented to Wesley Memorial church, to Emory University. I am sure they will be of great value to the young men in the theological department and in the higher grades of study at the University. Of course, philosophical books are not read by the rank and file of people but they are exceedingly expensive when you buy them, and I have spent all the surplus money I have been able to gather together in the purchase of these books. Now I am anxious for them to do all the good they can. I graduated from Emory College in 1874, when you were a student there, and I owe everything that I have come to be, outside of the training in a pious home by my father and mother, to Emory College. I would have given the volumes I sent to Vanderbilt University to Emory College, at first, but it occurred to me that they would not be of so much value to the young men in the college as in a university, and as Vanderbilt was the only university in our church, I gave them to that institution; but since you have organized a university in Atlanta, that is to include my alma mater and take its name, it is entirely in line with my feelings to give my philosophical library to the institution of learning in which I was educated. I will not send all the books at once, but from time to time will send these that I now possess and others that I may secure, to Emory University. I am packing up several boxes this week, which I will send by freight direct to the University.

I have a complete set of the Nicene and the Anti-Nicene Fathers, and you know I gave along with the other books that I sent to Wesley Memorial church, a complete set of the Parker Library, containing the writings of the leaders of the English Reformation. I am placing in each one of the volumes I send, on the fly-leaf, these words: "Presented to Emory University by James W. Lee, who graduated from Emory College in 1874." And when I come down to Atlanta sometime, I will place the same words on the fly-leaf in each of the volumes I have already given to the Wesley Memorial church, which will go to Emory University."

This is a most valuable contribution to the library of the University—a collection which is already quite large and rich in many precious volumes.

Dr. Fitzgerald S. Parker has recently sent an autograph letter of Bishop Enoch George, which will be added to the collection of rare autographs in possession of the University.

Dr. Franklin N. Parker has sent a copy of the "Discipline" published in 1817. It is the purpose of the authorities of the University to collect a complete set of all Methodist "Disciplines" from the beginning of Methodism in America until the present time.

Rev. H. H. Smith, of the Virginia Conference has sent a photograph of the old Ebenezer Academy, one of the first institutions of learning established by American Methodists, having been erected in 1785.

Scarcely a day passes without some valuable addition being made to the library or generous contribution given to the University.

TIDINGS FROM THE MISSION FIELD

African Superstitions

An interesting fact in connection with the native African is his conception of God and satan. He believes in the personality of the Creator, thinks of him as a beneficent being and is also sure of the existence of the devil, very like our conception of him, together with a multitude of lesser demons; but here the similarity between Christ's teaching and his belief ceases. For while he thinks that God is perhaps kindly disposed towards him, he believes that after He created the world and set it going, he went "a long ways off," and is not in the least concerned about mundane affairs, but that evil spirits are everywhere. And when one sees the utter poverty, and the terrible conditions that surround the natives of this dark land, it makes him wonder if satanic control is not the only reasonable way open to him to account for these conditions, which it would seem were all that the Archfiend himself could desire. However, that may be, he thinks that it is necessary to offer sacrifices, and in every way try to keep the demons appeased. So we find in many back yards, and even in the streets, little huts, minature counterparts of their own houses, in which they put an offering to the devil whenever they desire his especial care. If one of them is to go on a hunt or other venture he makes a sacrifice of a chicken or maybe a goat, which before being eaten is offered to the devil in one of these little huts. Medicine also is procured from the medicine man and kept there for the same purpose. It is difficult to conceive of a more degrading system of religion than this, and while we have not been here long enough to get at the real inner life of the natives, it does not take a great amount of acumen to perceive that to worship the author of evil would of necessity lead to everything that is bad. And while the native African is no exception to the rule in regard to conscience, and has a very definite idea as to the wrong of stealing and other kindred sins, yet the freedom with which he breaks these same commands can be accounted for only by the fact that he fears no power but the devil. —J. A. Stockwell, Wembo-Niama, Africa.

As a Missionary Sees the Need

Our work suffers, yea languishes, because of inadequate equipment. We need good churches that will attract the well-to-do classes and induce them to attend the services. Just any kind of a house will not do for a church, and until we do get better preaching places, the work will be painfully retarded. While in America on furlough I saw fine handsome churches, and was envious. I contrasted them with our miserable, little, dark, damp, floorless, windowless houses that we call chapels, and my heart was made inexpressibly sad. I read in the church papers that a $30,000 church is being built in one place; a $210,000 church has just been completed in another place; a $50,000 church was dedicated in a certain city, and I can but wish that those same congregations would give at least 10 per cent. of what they put into their churches to build churches in the mission fields. If we had good buildings in many places, I verily believe that in a few years the churches would be self-sustaining.—George R. Loehr, Huchow, China.

Tens of Thousands Hear the Gospel

The marvelous opportunities for successful work in this country are constantly on the increase. Numbers of the official and wealthy classes are coming into the church. Mr. Sherwood Eddy held meetings in fourteen of the principal cities from Peking to Canton, which were attended by tens of thousands of officials, scholars, merchants, gentry, etc., and in every case from one thousand to two thousand men signed cards expressing their desire to learn about Christianity and to join Bible classes and come weekly to study. Alas, our principal difficulty in attempting to cope with this unprecedented situation, is the lack of workers. We have not enough men and women, either foreign or native, to do the work that is fairly being thrust upon us.—A. P. Parker, Shanghai, China.

Professing Christians Find Themselves

You will be interested to hear about the great revival we have just had in Songdo. It was a real old fashioned Methodist revival where the Spirit of the Lord was present, convicting of sin, and where souls were truly born again. The whole church was revived. Among Ivey Hospital workers fifteen were converted. All these were professing Christians before, but they were not living Christian lives. Every hospital man helper has given up tobacco except the two Korean doctors. Immediately following the revival there was a preaching campaign throughout the city during the day and services at the church at night for one week, during which time two hundred and thirty-two new believers were received. We have had the joy of seeing quite a number of our patients converted. The revival fire spread to them, as it naturally would when fifteen of the hospital helpers had been converted. One morning as the doctor and I were making our regular visit we found two of our patients—young men—weeping because of conviction of sin. Both accepted Jesus as their Saviour that morning and found peace. One of them was a professing Christian; the other was, or rather had been, a rich man and had wasted most of his money in sinful living. Last Sunday he attended both morning and evening services and gave his name as a Christian.—Miss Gilberta Harris, Songdo, Korea.

Missionary Activity in the Congo

Christmas was celebrated by a union meeting of the Wembo-Niama congregation and the station congregation. Number present, 367. It had been previously announced that the collection would be given to the poor. It was very gratifying to see the response of the people to this appeal. The collection amounted to 11.40 Francs in money, 5 1-2 bushels millet, 1 bushel corn, 3 bunches bananas, 1 bunch plantains, 1 chicken, some eggs, salt, rice, beans, palm nuts, peanuts and other articles. Several young men have been received as prospective evangelists and teachers. They spend their time in the morning at manual labor for the Mission, attending school and catchumen class; in the afternoon they are kept busy in some kind of work preparatory to their future work. Seven is the present enrollment. Forty-eight typewritten pages of Batetela words have been gathered. Several passages from the Bible have been translated. Some school charts have been prepared. Three itinerating trips have been made during the quarter. Number of villages in which services were held, 21. The reception was everywhere very cordial. In each case the wife of the missionary making the trip accompanied him, and her presence did much to increase the good result of the trip. Not only have we now a better idea of the villages within working distance of the mission, but we have received requests to send teachers, and many chiefs have sent boys or young men to us to learn of our work.—D. L. Mumpower, Wembo-Niama, Africa.

* * * *

I would not venture a prophecy as to when the present trouble in Mexico will end, but it cannot last always. I can never forget how many of our church members expressed themselves as to the final outcome of the present crisis. They would say, as if they had a revelation, "We feel that when this dark cloud that is now hovering over our country has passed, and peace comes again, that the doors for the entrance of the Gospel will be opened wider than ever before." I hope that our church will be ready for this opportunity when it comes. But while we wait, let us be a big brother to our Mexican people in this their time of affliction.—L. B. Newberry, Presiding Elder, Guadalajara District, Mexico.

BOOK REVIEWS

The German Emperor as shown in his public utterances is an attractive dollar and a quarter volume from the press of Charles Scribner's Sons, New York. The author is Christian Gauss, professor of Modern Languages in Princeton University, who in his introduction says: "Up to 1905 the Emperor had made five hundred and seventy speeches, and since that time has made almost as many more. As he has spoken upon almost every phase of German political life, with the editorial introductions which aim to set forth briefly the occasion and causes of each address, it is hoped that altogether the volume will offer a fairly accurate picture of the trend of German affairs for the last twenty-five years."

* * * *

From G. P. Putnam's Sons, New York, comes a beautiful green and gold-lettered dollar and a half volume on Treitschke, his doctrine of German destiny and of international relations, by Adolf Hausrath, and for the first time translated into English. This volume shows how the premier German historian marshalled his forces to perpetuate his all-German ideas, and how the present Teutonic "Kultur" has its roots deep in the past. Partial contents of the volume are: The Army, International Law, German Colonization, The Two Emperors, In Memory of the Great War, Germany and Neutral States, Austria and Germany, German View of Russia, On Liberty, and a life of Treitschke by the author who was his intimate friend, speaking of this wonderfully vigorous historian as "sneering at the Englishman who scatters the blessings of civilization with a Bible in one hand and an opium pipe in the other."

* * * *

A Translation by J. Ellis Barker, author of "Modern Germany," of General Friedrich von Bernhardi's "Britain as Germany's Vassal," is a one dollar book in an attractive tan binding with blue title, issued by the George H. Doran Company of New York. "Decadent England" is described in the volume as Germany's principal enemy, and she is to be made subservient to that country either by war or an "alliance," under which England would have to give up her naval supremacy, leave the Triple Entente, abandon her allies, disarm by distributing her fleet all over the world, and would have to allow Germany to smash France and to dominate the Continent of Europe, North Africa and Asia Minor. The author also bitterly criticises the Emperor and Chancellor and reproaches them for their policy of peace, drift and surrender. The book, of course, was written before the present war began and for this reason has an added interest in the comparative situations of the present with those described by the author.

* * * *

Addresses and Essays of Henry Cabot Lodge have been neatly bound in a dollar and a half volume by Charles Scribner's Sons, of New York, under the title of The Democracy of the Constitution. The contents are: I. The Public Opinion Bill; II. The Constitution and its Makers; III. The Compulsory Initiative and Referendum, and the Recall of Judges; IV. The Constitution and the Bill of Rights; V. The Democracy of Abraham Lincoln; VI. John C. Calhoun; VII. Thomas Brackett Reed; VIII. An American Myth; IX. As to Anthologies; X. The Origin of Certain Americanisms; XI. Diversions of a Convalescent.

* * * *

The MacMillan Company of New York has recently issued a volume, The Reconstruction of the Church, by Paul Moore Strayer, wherein problems of the modern church and some of the causes of its failures are dealt with discerningly and convincingly. The author shows himself to be a minister of the old-time religion, but with new ideas for bringing it before the public. His dissatisfaction with the present church is that of a lover, not a critic. If the work contains criticism it has none which lacks a constructive purpose, none from which a spirit of loving and appreciative understanding is absent, none which does not seek earnestly for ways in which the church may come to its own. The reconstruction needed pertains to the message and the program of the church. Without minimizing the individual meaning of the Christian message Dr. Strayer urges the need of a social gospel. This is a book which will count in the program of many a pastor. It belongs with the works of Mr. Strayer's fellow worker, Professor Rauschenbusch, but it has its own message.

Any of the foregoing books may be had at the publisher's price from the Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

District Conference Directory

Mt. Airy, at Stokesdale	April 29-May 2
Waynesville, at Franklin	May 25
Asheville	June 9-11
N. Wilkesboro, Elk Park	June 24-27
Morganton, Gilky	July 15-18
Salisbury	July 20-22
Charlotte	July 20-23
Shelby, at Lowesville	July 27-29
Statesville, Broad Street	July 28-31

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. R. G. Tuttle is holding revival services at Central church, Albemarle, this week, assisted by Rev. J. E. Abernethy, of Monroe.

—Rev. O. P. Routh, pastor of the Danbury circuit, is holding revival services in the church at Danbury this week.

—Prof. E. C. Brooks, of Trinity College, is announced as the speaker for the Thomasville Graded Schools on Friday, May 7th.

—Rev. Dr. C. W. Byrd is assisting the pastor, Rev. A. L. Stanford, in revival services at Hickory this week.

—Mr. R. B. Miller, one of the leading laymen of Central church, Shelby, was a pleasant caller at the Advocate office on Friday of last week.

—It has been announced that Rev. A. L. Stanford, pastor of the First Methodist church, Hickory, will deliver the annual sermon to the graduating class of Claremont College on Sunday evening, May 9th.

—Dr. Mims, formerly a popular member of the faculty of Trinity College and later of the State University, visited Winston-Salem last week as the guest of the Twin-City Club, and made an address. He also addressed the students of Salem College. Dr. Mims is now a professor in Vanderbilt University.

—Rev. J. P. Rodgers, pastor of our church in Canton, announces that an evangelistic meeting will begin in his church on the first Sunday in June, with Rev. T. P. Jimison as preacher and Prof. Fisher as the leader of song services.

—A wedding of interest to many readers of the Advocate occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Phillips at Newton on Wednesday evening, April 21st, when their daughter, Nannie Bell, was given in marriage to Mr. Samuel Wait Brewer, of Wake Forest. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. M. Biles, pastor of the bride.

—Rev. P. W. Tucker, pastor of our church at Kanapolis, began revival services last Sunday. Rev. J. H. Green, pastor of the Rock Spring circuit, is doing the preaching. The remarkable success of Brother Green in his own charge has brought his services into demand in revival work generally. The congregation at Kanapolis has been looking forward to the meeting with great expectation.

—Rev. Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe, pastor of Wesley Memorial church, High Point, will preach the bacalaurate sermon for Bennett College, this city, on Sunday, May 9th, at 3 p. m. The commencement address will be delivered on Wednesday, May 12th, by Bishop Theodore Henderson, D. D., of Chattanooga, Tenn.

—Rev. John W. Moore, who is serving his fourth year as pastor of our First church, Salisbury, has a strong hold upon his people and is leading them wisely. He closed a meeting last week which had continued for more than two weeks and resulted in spiritual quickening among the people of the church and a goodly number of accessions to the church. Brother Moore did most of the preaching himself.

—Rev. and Mrs. J. S. Hiatt, of the Grace and Liberty charge, are much appreciated by the people of their charge. Their people gave them an expression of their appreciation last week by subjecting them to a severe pounding.

—A good revival which had continued from Sunday, April 11th, came to a close in our church in Hendersonville last week. The pastor, Rev. W. F. Womble, was assisted in the meeting by Rev. E. M. Hoyle, pastor of Haywood Street church, Asheville. The services were unusually well attended and a goodly number were converted. We have no definite report as to the number of accessions.

—Rev. Caleb Hoyle, son of Rev. R. M. Hoyle, who is now a local preacher, filled the pulpit at Central church, Shelby, on Sunday, April 18th, in the absence of the pastor, Rev. W. E. Abernethy. The Shelby Star, referring to this, says:—His sermons were clear and forceful and delivered in that sincere manner which marks his father's strength and success.

—Misses Emily and Elizabeth Westbrook, daughters of Mr. S. W. Westbrook, of Atlanta, were married in this city Tuesday, April 20th, at the residence of their uncle, Mr. C. W. Westbrtok, where they have made their home for the past few years. Miss Emily Westbrook and Mr. Wiley H. Simms, of College Park, Ga., were married at 5:30 o'clock in the afternoon and at 8:30 in the evening the wedding of Miss Elizabeth Westbrook and Mr. Clifton L. Leak, of this city, took place. Both ceremonies were performed by Rev. Dr. C. W. Byrd.

—One of the most effective speeches we heard at the Winston District Conference last week was made by Rev. W. L. Hutchins on the conditions demanding institutional work in our city congregations. Brother Hutchins is serving his fourth year as pastor of Burkhead Institutional church and the conditions surrounding him have laid the importance of this work thoroughly upon his heart. Who knows but his experience at Burkhead may prove to be the providential leading into a great life work?

—Rev. M. T. Steele, who has been pastor of Methodist churches in this county for a number of years, is now pastor of the church at Hickory Grove, Mecklenburg county. He is doing at Hickory Grove just like he does everywhere he goes—making friends of all. He is most pleasantly situated. He is living in a nice new parsonage in the middle of a ten-acre grove of large oak and hickory trees. He has a large congregation of splendid people and he is doing fine work and bringing things to pass. Mr. Steele has made pets of a large number of squirrels that live in the big grove around his house and they are as gentle as cats. —Monroe Enquirer.

—The meeting at Spring Garden Street church did not stop as announced last week. Just as Brother Goode felt forced to give it up Dr. Weaver and Brother Dawson came to the rescue and the meeting went on with increasing interest. Sunday was a great day. Brother Goode was sufficiently recovered by that time to take up the work and has been preaching regularly. About 150 have professed and a large number have given their names for membership.

—Rev. W. E. Abernethy, pastor at Shelby, will preach the commencement sermon for Cherryville Graded School next Sunday. Prof. Joe R. Nixon, the superintendent, has been very successful with this school the past two years and has been re-elected for the ensuing year. He is not only a live and capable teacher, but a good Methodist also.

—Rev. D. N. Caviness, pastor of our church at Beaufort, writing an account of recent revival services, for the Raleigh Christian Advocate, says: We began the meeting on Wednesday night, March 17th. Rev. W. O. Goode, of Spring Garden Street church, Greensboro, came to us on Tuesday following, and did the preaching to the close of the meeting. We feel that his coming was of the Lord. His preaching was with power and in demonstration of the spirit. Strong men and women in large numbers kneeled at the altar and tarried there until they experienced a change of heart. For two months our evangelistic committee had been planning, praying and working for a great meeting. Brother Goode preaches the gospel without cant or frills. He captured the people who heard him. The congregations grew and the interest increased to the close of the meeting. I think as many as fifty persons came to the altar and found Christ on the night the meeting closed.

Murphy Circuit.—We have just closed a twelve days' meeting at Tomotla. I was assisted by Brother Otte, of Robbinsville, one week of this meeting. Brother Otte did excellent preaching. The church was revived very much; several professed faith in Christ; two were received into the church. Others will join other churches. This is a good people to serve. One of our churches is half out with the salary. We have had several poundings this year. When we came to this circuit the fall of 1913, we found no parsonage; but now we live in a good parsonage. We have this parsonage paid for except $14.00. God bless the editor of the Advocate and all of its readers.

Respectfully, T. L. Noble, P. C.

West Asheville.—Rev. J. Frank Armstrong, pastor of our church at West Asheville, is now engaged in revival services. In a letter to the editor dated April 23rd, he says:—I am not writing to ask that you herald abroad the glad news of a great revival in our West Asheville church but I am writing to say that we expect to begin evangelistic services next Sunday, April 25th, and I want to urge the members of the splendid Advocate family everywhere to pray for a mighty religious upheaval. The pressing need of it simply overwhelms me. Borrowing the soul-cry of Paul when he is writing to the Thessalonians, I say to you all out of the depths of my heart, "Brethren, pray for us."

Great Revival at Lenoir.—The pastor, Rev. Z. E. Barnhardt, gives the following account of the recent revival meeting held in our church at Lenoir:

For the sake of the inspiration which it may bring to others I want to say a few words about our recent revival in Lenoir. After closing a splendid meeting in Newton, Brother W. M. Biles came back with me to Lenoir and we began a meeting here the first Sunday in April and brought it to a close last Sunday night. We have had a month of rich experiences here and at Newton, and we have witnessed the conversion or reclamation of at least four hundred people. About one hundred members have been added to the various churches. We had a great meeting in Newton, but the one just clesed here was almost marvelous. Brother Biles came with a simple, pointed, powerful gospel that gripped his hearers from the very beginning. The least child could understand his message and the most mature man or woman felt that it was especially suited to his needs. He was indeed happy in the use of his illustrations. His methods were simple and his appeals were convincing.

But the scenes witnessed and the results accomplished here cannot be explained fully either by the preaching or the personal work that was done, splendid as these were. As the promise of the Father was made good on the day of Pentecost, so it was made good unto us, and the Holy Spirit was present in every service and doing His office work. On the second Sunday of the meeting Brother Biles preached to the Sunday school at 10 o'clock. At 10:30 he gave an altar call and there was a mighty manifestation of the Holy Spirit as the people rushed forward to the altar. When the congregation assembled for worship at 11 o'clock they stepped into a veritable Pentecost, were seized by the Spirit and began to crowd the altar. There was neither time nor need for any more preaching. This wonderful demonstration lasted for two hours and some one was saved almost every minute of that time.

But the good work did not end with this service. Day after day for a whole week this kind of work has gone on. People who stood aloof, and some who criticised the work the first week, came to pray and to surrender to the Lord the second week. All the churches of the town were drawn into the meeting as it grew in power, and even in the afternoons the church was well filled. At night people sometimes had to be turned away for lack of room.

All stiffness and formality were forgotten and the church became a veritable bee hive of earnest personal workers. Old grudges and differences of long standing were settled, and the shout of triumph was often heard. I doubt not that more than two hundred and fifty people were either converted or reclaimed during the meeting. I know that many lives were blessed, many homes made happy, and the whole moral and spiritual atmosphere of the town changed as a direct result of the meeting. The closing service on Sunday night was a grand triumph. Today the people of the town are happy. Religion is the chief topic of conversation in the homes of the people, and on the streets, and in the places of business. "The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad."

Thomasville.—An efficiency conference for the charge was held by the Main Street congregation, Thomasville, on Sunday, April 19th, Rev. D. M. Litaker, the pastor, presiding. Reports were heard from all departments of the church.

R. L. Pope, chairman of the evangelistic committee, stated that the committee had been busy in the work assigned it and the fruits of their labors were seen in the recent series of revival services.

J. N. Hauss, of the social service committee, reported that only one line of work had been taken up, charity. One hundred dollars has been collected and spent by this department. Another line of work to be taken up soon is that of looking after floating church members.

Mr. Eskridge, of the missionary committee, and J. E. Lambeth, of the board of stewards, reported collections off considerably as compared with this time last year; however, they said matters were improving.

In the absence of President Finch, of the Senior Baraca class, R. L. Pope made the report. The class is in the best condition it has ever been and has an average attendance of 50. A full delegation will go to the State Baraca-Philathea Convention at Raleigh this week. Mrs. F. S. Lambeth reported for the Senior Philathea class.

Miss Richardson, of the Junior Philathea class, said that out of an enrollment of 24 there was an average attendance of 21. The Junior Baraca class was heard from through its teacher, Mr. Eskridge, who stated that out of an enrollment of 40 there was an average attendance of 30. A baseball club has been formed in the class, consisting of every member. When a game is arranged with an opposing team, nine of the best players are selected.

Junaluska Missionary Conference

The Mission Board will hold its Annual Summer Conference at Junaluska, North Carolina from the 9th to the 20th of July next. The success of the meeting last year was so pronounced as to encourage secretaries to expect a like success this year. The plan of the Conference will be similar to that of last summer. The daily program will be Study Classes in the early morning, Institute in the middle of the forenoon, Platform addresses at 11 a. m and in the evenings. Afternoons will be kept free for rest and recreation. The Conference Missionary Secretaries will hold their annual meeting during this period. The whole meeting will be one of especial interest to missionary leaders and students of missionary methods in progress. It is especially desirable that pastors should be present at this Conference and also that lay leaders should make their arrangements to attend.

There will be increased facilities for entertaining those who may attend and every effort will be made to make the occasion not only profitable, but of interest to all.

Annual Meeting Mission Board

The Board of Missions will hold its annual meeting in Nashville, Tenn., beginning on May 11th. The conditions under which the Board meets will render this session of peculiar interest and importance. One of the things that will come up for consideration will be the amendment of the charter of the Board requiring a full attendance of the members. The Board will need to give careful attention to its finances in the making of appropriations due to the depressing financial conditions that prevail, in order that the mission work may not suffer. The by-laws and manual are to be adapted to the changes that have been made in the constitution of the Board, and other items of important business incident to the beginning of a new quadrennium will be before the Board.

The Emergency Fund and Increased Salaries

The executive committee of the Board of Missions is formulating a plan, which at the proper time it hopes to be able to make to the parties interested by which the emergency fund now being raised by our missionary secretary may be used to prize upward the salaries in one hundred or more of our weaker charges. The outline of the plan is somewhat as follows

A tentative classification of all charges paying less than $800.00 has been made. There are three grades, A B and C, with a salary goal of $800.00, $700.00 and $600.00 respectively.

In the making of this classification some regard has been had to three things: (1) the quality of service which the charge seems to demand; (2) the prospect of development; (3) the cost of living.

To reach the salary-goal in any case, we begin with the highest salary paid by the charge in the two years previous. We add to this an unconditional appropriation approximately equal to that made this year. To raise the remainder we will make an appropriation to be paid on condition that the charge raise a sufficient sum to make the required total.

To illustrate: After getting the facts we decide that Pleasant Valley charge should go in class C with a proposed salary of $600.00. The charge now pays, let us say, $400.00, and had an appropriation this year of $100.00. We authorize the presiding elder to say to the stewards that the board will pay $25.00 (or more) of the remaining $100.00, provided they raise the remainder. This would make the minimum salary in the Conference $600.00. To make these conditional appropriations, a fund of probably $5,000.00 will be needed. The board thinks it will have this sum in sight by Conference.

Since the emergency fund is raised in four annual payments, the board hopes to be able to make annually for four years a similar proposition as the cases may warrant.

Suggestions are invited, that the plan may be perfected in time for the presiding elders to present it while on ther fourth round.

W. H. Willis, Ch'm.,
Board of Missions.

Thanks for an Unknown Person

It is not known to this scribe who "J. W. W." is, but let me thank him, or her, for the article furnished the Advocate this week, "Experience of a Minister's Wife On the Frontier," and let me tell you why I am thankful. That article did me good. Having spent an almost sleepless night, I had commenced the day's work by wondering what to pack up first —for I am now packing up to leave the pleasant hired home that we have occupied for four years at Caroleen, N. C. Why? Because I am unable to pay the rents, and do not want to get in debt. My children have kindly assisted me in repairing an humble little home we have in Burke county, and to that we will soon go. Feeling blue over the prospect of an expensive move and a short purse, I had picked up the good old Advocate to read off the blues. The first article that attracted my attention was the one furnished by "J. W. W." The reading of this article made me heartily ashamed that I ever doubted for a moment the special providence of God. This article alone is well worth many times the cost of the paper. This trying experience of the minister's family on the frontier is not the only case of the kind that could be given to the public. There are others among our ministers all over the world who doubtless have had similar experiences. Did your good wife ever say to you as you started to the post office, "Papa, the flour is out, and we must have some lard, and I don't think we have coffee enough to do over night?" And did you look in your purse and find there only two cents? And how did you feel, as you went on to the office and the market? Did you trust Providence, or did you falter? I almost faltered and turned back, but did not. And at the office I found a money order waiting for me, and at the market door I found two men waiting to pay small bills, the aggregate of which paid all my bills and sent in the goods. Did you ever sell your hymn book to get up the balance needed to carry you to the home you had left thirty miles away? I have. Yes, and on another occasion I sold a little vest-pocket Bible, for the same purpose. Of course I bought another. But the new one did not have hundreds of texts marked here and there all through it. Did you ever get off the train one station from home and walk home far want of money? I have, and that too when I was too tired to eat after getting home. Did you ever walk a circuit about forty miles long, in the rigors of winter, before the kind people gave you a horse? I did. And I did a thing more trying than that, I let my poor blind mother wait three weeks for a letter from me, in time of an epidemic, not because I was out burying eighteen of my members, besides others, but for want of a three cent postage stamp. And that too on a circuit of six churches, one alone of the six representing more wealth than Front Street, Wilmington. It was there that I more than once got out of my buggy and lay down by the roadside, too feeble to even ride on. And I am now resting by the wayside—permanently, I'm afraid, for they say I am on the shelf. All superannuated preachers know what that means. And you other ministers will know, all too soon. In a short time I hope to be back up in the mountains, where their towering peaks form a semicircle on the south and west and north, and where recently I left the mocking birds singing to welcome us back, and where, ere long, they will sing over my grave.

R. S. Abernethy.

OUR CHILDREN'S HOME REPORT

By Walter Thompson, Supt.

Building Fund

Hickory S. S., W. A. Rudasill	$ 60.00
J. D. Arnold, Waynesville	5.00
Total	$ 65.00

Amount Received on Special and General Support and Ten Per Cent. Assessment

Bethlehem, Mill Spring, Rev. J. M. Barber	$ 3.50
Cooleemee, Cooleemee, Rev. C. M. Short	12.74
Brevard St., Charlotte, Rev. L. A. Falls	10.00
Catawba, Catawba Ct., Rev. A. G. Loftin	2.00
Loves, Walkertown, L. A. Crews	40.00
McKendree, Mooresville, Rev. J. T. Ratledge	2.00
Mt. Zion, Cornelius, A. F. Torrence	11.20
Boonville, Yadkinville, Rev. W. M. Boring	7.78
W. Concord, Rev. R. K. Brady	2.70
Miss Ida Lee Wall, Madison	5.00
Miss Hester Wall, Madison	1.00
Morven S. S., Morven, Clift Ratcliff	24.52
Taylorsville S. S., Alexander Ct., Robt. L. Snow	2.09
Newton, Newton, L. H. Phillips	50.00
Advance, Advance, Rev. E. Myers	17.50
Brevard, Brevard, Rev. W. M. Robbins	50.00
Fruitland S. S., Hendersonville, Miss Cleo Johnston	1.50
Unity, N. Thomasville charge, G. V. Bodenheimer	4.50
E. Webster, Statesville	4.00
Rocky Mt., Troutman, Mrs. Jackson Ervin	1.00
Wilkesboro and Roaring River, Wilkesboro, Rev. Otho J. Jones	1.50
Granite Falls and Hudson, Granite Falls, Rev. W. V. Honeycutt	25.81
Total	$280.34

In the report the middle of January we gave Glenville charge credit for $30.00 on their ten per cent. assessment, when it should have been given to Highlands charge. The following week we credited $75.00 on the Building Fund to the Men's Bible Class of Hickory, when it should have been placed to the credit of Hickory Station Sunday school.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

DISTRICT MEETINGS

Mount Airy District

The annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Societies of the Mount Airy District will be at Rural Hall, Antioch church, beginning May 7th at 8 o'clock p. m. and lasting through Sunday, May 9th (noon).

Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, our Conference President, and others will be with us to help to make the meeting interesting and helpful. Auxiliaries will please elect their delegates at once and send names to Miss Julia Anderson, Rural Hall, N. C. If there is a church on the district at which there is no society we will be glad to have representatives attend this meeting which promises to be interesting.

Mrs. J. L. Woltz, Dist. Sec.

Waynesville District

On Tuesday and Wednesday, May 11th and 12th, the annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Societies of the Waynesville District will be held in Bryson City, N. C. We hope that each society in the district will send representatives to this meeting. We will have some of the Conference officers with us at this time.

Mrs. M. D. Cowan, Dist Sec.

Winston District—West End church, Winston-Salem, April 30th-May 1st.

Asheville District—Haywood Street church, Asheville, May 4-5.

NEW ORGANIZATION

Another new society is reported from the Greensboro District. A Sunday school class is organized into a Young People's Society at Centenary church, Greensboro. Fifteen enthusiastic young people constitute the membership and the following are the officers:

President, Miss Lila Slack; 1st vice-president, Miss Kate Thomas; 2nd vice-president, Miss Thelma Sanders; corresponding secretary, Miss Eva Thomas; recording secretary, Miss Roselia Morrison; treasurer, Miss Mary Sanders; superintendent mission study and publicity and agent for Voice, Miss Emma Phibbs; superintendent of social service, Miss Margaret Thomas; superintendent of supplies, Miss Nell Brady.

LENOIR SOCIETY

The following officers have been elected at Lenoir and names have been sent to us for publication: President Mrs. A. N. Todd; first vice-president, Mrs. E. F. Wakefield, second vice-president, Mrs. Tony Sherrill; superintendent mission study and publicity, Mrs. Albert Corpening; superintendent social service, Mrs. M. M. Courtney; superintendent of supplies, Mrs. H. M. Teague; corresponding secretary, Mrs. E. C. Ivey; recording secretary, Mrs. W. J. Dula; treasurer, Mrs. W. H. Wilson; Voice agent, Mrs. J. M. Downum.

MISSIONARY COUNCIL

Our Conference officers, Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, president, and Mrs. H. A. Dunham, corresponding secretary, have returned from the great Council Meeting at Little Rock, Arkansas, and bring most enthusiastic reports of this wonderful meeting—one of the greatest ever held.

We hope very soon to have accounts of the Council from each of them to give to our Readers. In the meantime we quote from the Council Daily.

MESSAGE FROM OUR COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Mrs. Belle H. Bennett

"Giving diligence to keep the unity of Spirit in the bond of peace." We have entered upon a new day, a glad day! For more than a quarter of a century the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies of Southern Methodism have educated and developed a devoted membership in separate auxiliaries, and have administered annually large sums of money for the conduct and establishment of missions at home and abroad, through separate executive bodies.

The Council meeting of 1915 consummates the organic union of these long and well trained forces, and in so doing marks another forward movement for the evangelization of the world.

The Meaning of Organic Union

If organic union does not mean for each individual member of this body a more complete surrender to the will of God, a more real prayer life, a more definite yielding of all we are and have to him, we must inevitably fail to accomplish that larger and better missionary service for which we united.

Prayer is the supreme need of the hour. Prayer for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon this Council and upon the loyal body of women we are here to represent. Prayer for a divine quickening of the church of God in our own land, until lives and money shall be poured out in loving, lavish abundance for the furtherance of the gospel in all lands. Prayer for world peace; a peace so grounded upon the great principles of the Prince of Peace, that war and bloodshed shall be no more.

The Readjustment

Another readjustment in Council, Conference and auxiliary methods is before us and another lesson in patient waiting upon God until this shall be accomplished. Some who have loved and labored with us in the past will not understand the new order of things, some will not approve and some will fall away. It is always so when the old order changeth. Nature's every season of bloom and fruitage is also a season of pruning and death. Many of our Lord's disciples went back and walked no more with Him, when He tried to teach them that "It is the spirit that giveth life, the flesh profiteth nothing." We know that even now He is saying to some among us who have companied Him, as He did to the beloved twelve, "Would ye also go away?"

Facing a World Crisis

We have entered upon the second quarter of our year's work facing a world crisis in the great tragedy that is now drenching Europe with blood. Our missionaries are on the field at home and abroad. The missionaries of the nations at war are at their posts in the non-Christian lands, confronting famine, sickness and death with no Home Base to which they may look for succor. The great Mission Boards of the United States and Canada, the Woman's organizations, this Council, are facing financial disaster and can maintain and support the work they have already established only as the churches they serve make it possible by increased contributions.

The finances of the world are so disturbed that even Christian men and women are withholding what they have been accustomed to giving to the Lord's cause. Labor in all its manifold forms has been so deranged and unsettled that tens of thousands of our American workmen are without work or wages. Europe is a vast hospital, with the plague stricken faces of men, women and little children turned forever towards us in mute appeal, until our hearts cry out "Who is sufficient for these things?" Our sufficiency is from God and by all the mercies of the past, the glorious hope of the future we dare not falter or fail.

Great Religious Awakening

All over the world men and women in helpless fear and bewilderment are groping after God. Churches and cathedrals in the war zone of Europe are filled with worshipers, Protestants and Roman Catholics kneeling side by side in agonizing prayer. All over our land revival fires are burning. Burning in the crowded congregations and in individual lives as they walk the street or stand behind the business desks. He who says, "Behold I stand at the door and knock," is finding many a door opened quickly now. Men and women who have been absorbed with "what ye shall eat and what ye shall drink" are hearing in these troublous times with listening ears, the age-long but ever new appeal, "Go ye into all the world." Now is the time of need and now is our opportunity.

A Campaign of Organization

The task committed to us is one the angels in heaven might covet, and our divine Leader is saying to us as he did to His chosen people of old, "Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward." We must advance. Let this historic Council meeting be further marked as the beginning of a church-wide campaign of organization. Here and now draft and mature plans and go back to your conferences to make the remaining months of this calendar year memorable as the greatest season of united successful effort in organizing missionary auxiliaries in unorganized congregations, the church has ever known. "We can do it if we will." May I not add, "We can do it and we will."

Our Field Our Task

Southern Methodism has approximately 2,000,000 communicants grouped in 19,780 congregations, worshiping in 16,973 church buildings. The Woman's Missionary Society of Southern Methodism has approximately 10,000 auxiliaries—Adult, Young People and Juniors. These 10,000 auxiliaries are massed in about 7,000 churches, thus leaving more than 12,000 congregations in the connection devoid of the educating and spiritualizing forces of an organized missionary society.

In 1900 the assessment of the membership of the entire church for foreign missions was but twenty-nine and two-thirds cents per member. In 1914, though the assessment had been slightly increased, the membership of the church had grown until the assessment was less than twenty cents per member. And yet we talk of what our church is doing for missions. The great unreached masses of our own denominational household are for us a distinct and immediate mission field. These 12000 congregations must have the gospel of Christ preached to them by your lips, your lives if they are sought and won, and they must be sought and won if the whole gospel is preached to the whole world.

In Chapter XI, Article XXVII of the Discipline of our church the law is clearly stated: "It shall be the duty of the presiding elder * * * to encourage the organization and foster the work of Woman's Missionary Societies." And in Article XXVIII the law says, "It shall be the duty of the preacher in charge . . . to see that Woman's Missionary Societies are organized in every church where at all practicable." The law does not make it the duty of these men to organize, that is distinctly your duty. Their hands and time are full. They may not hinder your efforts without breaking the law of the church but neither can you expect to organize these auxiliaries except as an act of brotherly kindness or Christian courtesy. The Woman's Missionary Society is your organization called into existence by your prayers, in answer to an appeal of our Lord Jesus Christ. An hour of crisis has come and He still appeals for your help and mine. He cannot fail us. God grant that we may not fail Him.

FOR WORLD PEACE

An interesting feature of the Council was the Peace Meeting which was held on Friday, April 23rd, at which time the all important question of world peace was considered. The question was discussed from the view point of Christian Government—a plea for the teaching of Jesus as the basic principle of all plans of government; disarmament of nations, the only road to Christian brotherhood, but impractical until the Spirit of Jesus Christ reigns in the hearts of men and on the thrones of nations; "Justice in Social Relations;" "Organizations for Peace" and "Womanhood and World Peace." An assurance of the success of this special meeting is found in the fact that Miss Daisy Davies, Dr. Ed F. Cook, Mrs. W. J. Piggott, Miss Mary Moore and Mrs. Luke Johnson were the speakers on these various subjects discussed. Peace resolutions were adopted.

Friends of Mrs. J. B. Cobb, formerly corresponding secretary foreign department of our Council, will sympathize deeply with her in her recent bereavement in the sudden passing away of her only and much loved daughter, Mrs. Mary Cobb Pilcher.

SHELBY DISTRICT MEETING

The Shelby District Meeting convened in Lincolnton, April 1st-2nd. A short preliminary service was held on Thursday afternoon, presided over by the district secretary, Mrs. B. T. Morris.

Thursday evening Miss Leila Tuttle, one of our best loved missionaries to China, gave a most interesting and instructive address upon conditions as they have been and as they now are in China. She was heard by a large crowd and held the attention of her audience.

Friday morning after the usual opening exercises, reports were heard from the adult auxiliaries on the district. An Institute on the Work of the Juniors was led by Mrs. George Hoyle, of Shelby, and proved very helpful.

Every Junior society in the district was represented and the reports showed good work done by each of them. It is encouraging to note the interest manifested in the Baby Division. Miss Tuttle made a beautiful talk to the children, at the conclusion of which she gave them, in her matchless style, an "Uncle Remus" story.

Following this was a discussion on Social Service which was not what we wanted it to be because of the fact that Mrs. Marr, who was to have conducted this discussion, was unable to be present.

The subject of Mission Study and Publicity was forcibly presented by Mrs. Clyde R. Hoey and she told in a most interesting manner of the mission study class and also of the fine Bible study classes in Shelby, and urged every one to take up the work in their auxiliaries. There were present about twenty delegates. The presence and help of Rev. Z. Paris, pastor of our church in Lincolnton, and also of Rev. J. T. Stover was greatly appreciated.

We feel that all gained inspiration from this meeting sufficient to make us want to do a larger and better work this year than we have ever done. Friday afternoon the members of the local society gave an informal reception to the delegates and visitors at the home of Mrs. L. B. Wetmore. It was a disappointment that there were not more delegates and visitors in attendance, but we feel that the discussions of the different phases of our work by those who took part will do good and bear fruit in the months to come.

Mrs. W. C. Warlick, Sec.

We are sorry that we have not space this week for a splendid account of a most delightful missionary week on the Morganton District, which was sent us by Mrs. M. B. Goodwin, the efficient district secretary of that district, but we will give it next week. We have a number of splendid papers which will have to wait over and we promise those who have been so kind as to contribute them, that we will get them out at our very earliest opportunity. (Editor.)

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

OUR JUNIOR LEAGUES

1915 Handbook

We have received a copy of the new Handbook for Junior and Intermediate Leagues. Every Junior and Intermediate League should have a copy of the new handbook. It has been rewritten by Miss Ada Trawick, Junior League Secretary, and contains discussions of and suggestions for every phase of the Epworth League work which we wish to carry on with the boys and girls. It will be of great help to the Junior Superintendents in arranging and carrying on the League work.

Report Blanks

We have been asked to call the attention of the Junior Superintendents to the report blanks, which they are expected to fill out regularly. It is necessary to make these reports in order to keep an accurate record of what your League is doing.

Form No. 10—I. Dept. of Worship, (monthly).

Form No. 11—II. Dept. of Practice, (monthly).

Form No. 12—III. Dept. of Instruction, (monthly).

Form No. 13—IV. Dept. of Missionary Work, (monthly).

Form No. 16—President's Report to Pastor, (quarterly).

Form No. 17—Report of Junior League Superintendent to Senior League. Duplicate to pastor. (Monthly).

Form No. 19—Superintendent's Annual Report. To District superintendent of Conference Junior superintendent.

Form No. 21—Conference and District Junior League Report.

Form No. 24—Annual Report. To Junior League Secretary, Nashville, Tenn.

These blanks can be purchased from Smith & Lamar, Nashville, Tenn., for 5 cents per dozen. If your League is not making out these reports, order blanks at once and begin right now to make these reports regularly. Order by form number.

"A PLAY FEST"

(We are giving below an article which will appear in the May Era entitled "A Play Fest." It tells of plans for recreation which will help make our Conferences more enjoyable. These suggestions may also be used in our local chapters, especially in the Junior and Intermediate Leagues. Every Third Department Superintendent should read this article.)

That is what they called it last summer at the great George Peabody College for Teachers, in Nashville, Tenn., when every evening the thousand teacher-students gathered together on the beautiful campus for frolic, fun, and recreation. An hour each day was spent in playing may kinds of games, such as hand-ball, three deep, various team contests, folk dancing, etc.; and then as darkness came on, these nine-months-in-the-year dignified school teachers sat in circles on the grassy lawn and listened to the old stories of Greek heroes or Uncle Remus or Indian floklore or many of the other stories which everybody loves.

A delightful feature of the summer conferences may be a program of play and story-telling for the late afternoon hour. A good book like "Plays and Games for Home, School and Gymnasium," by Jessie Bancroft and published by the Macmillan Company, New York (price, $1.50), will be an invaluable help to the chairman of the Games Committee. One book like this will be a permanent possession of great worth to a League library, and the price should not prohibit the securing of it. Other books which have good suggestions are: "The Book of Entertainments for Frolics for All Occasions," by Dawson and Telford and published by David McKay, Philadelphia (price, 75 cents); "Pranks and Pastimes," published by the Dennison Company, Chicago (price, 25 cents); and "Bright Ideas for Children's Parties," Jacobs & Company, Chicago, publishers (price, 25 cents).

Suggestions for games and play, which may be the best of all to follow, can be given by those who attend the conference; but carefully prepared programs for both games and stories should be arranged, otherwise the hour will pass by in discussions as to what shall be done.

One of the best storybooks to be found is called "Story-Telling: What to Tell and How to Tell It," by Edna Lyman (price, 75 cents). Another book of equal value is by Professor Wyche, President of the National Story-Tellers' League and himself a charming story-teller. It is entitled "Some Great Stories and How to Tell Them" (price, $1). "Tanglewood Tales," by Hawthorne (price, 50 cents), or "Greek and Fairy Tales for My Children," by Charles Kingsley (price, 25 cents), are probably the best books to be had on Greek myth and legend; while everybody should have a copy of "Uncle Remus" and be able to tell some of his stories. Magazine like Everyland are full o the choicest short stories; and from time to time the Era publishes excellent ones. Entertainment committees should be on a sharp lookout for good material for both games and stories.

In addition to this feature of play and fun, it is suggested that every Chapter in whose church the conference is to be entertained plan to give at one of the afternoon or evening sessions a play or short pageant. All those which we suggest are excellent. Some will be a little more difficult to prepare for; but if an immediate beginning is made, the finest bit of work which you have done in a long time may be the result of your efforts.

"The Pagent of Methodism," by Miss Robinson and Mrs. Ford, Central Office, Epworth League, Chicago, Ill. Price, 20 cents per single copy, $1.85 per dozen. A few episodes from this pageant will fill an evening's program.

"The Banners of the Nations." A missionary exercise, by Mrs. W. O. Scott. Price, 10 cents.

"Wang May." A story of Chinese life based on the personal experience of the author, Dr. John D. Trawick. Price, 25 cents per copy.

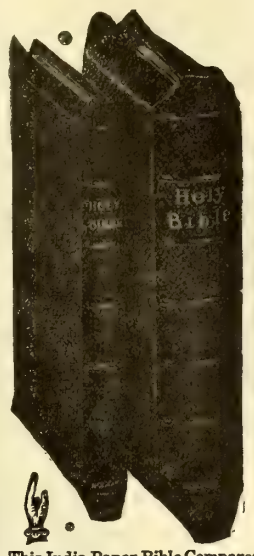
"The Changed Cross." A short exercise relating to the work of our Mission Board. Price, 6 cents per dozen copies.

There are other similar plays, etc., which can be used. Any Chapter interested in these suggestions is asked to communicate at once with the Central Office, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

LAKE JUNALUSKA! LAKE JUNALUSKA!

How the name brings up delightful recollections of our conference there last summer! If you were not there last summer, do not let another opportunity to see this beautiful place and the privilege of attending the conference this summer, pass you by again. It will be well worth your time to go to the conference there again this year if you were there last summer. Let us all meet at Junaluska under the banner of our Epworth League and carrying in our hearts the beautiful words of our motto, "All for Christ!"

The consciousness of duty performed gives us music at midnight.—George Herbert.



This India Paper Bible Compared with one of ordinary paper, containing the same number of pages and same size type.

THE GREATEST BIBLE BARGAIN

A GENUINE 7.50 — HOLMAN India Paper Self-Pronouncing BIBLE — FOR ONLY 4.25 Carefully Wrapped and sent Postpaid in a box

Authorized version, printed from the clearest type ever used in a Bible, large bold face open print with liberal spacing between the words and lines

PRINTED ON THE FINEST INDIA PAPER MADE

The Text is Self-Pronouncing with references. It has a new Concord ance, alphabetically arranged and with analytical and comparative features and 50,000 References also New Biblical Atlas with Fifteen Colored Maps and Complete Index to Same.

BOUND IN GENUINE PERSIAN MOROCCO, divinity circuit, full leather linings, silk sewed, silk head bands and marker, special flat opening reinforced binding that will not break in the back.

The size is 5½ x 8 inches--only one inch thick.

Easy to Read Type

Specimen of Type.

17 ¶ m From that time Jē´şus began to preach, and to say, n Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at

No. 700X Publisher's Price 7.50 Sent postpaid for **4.25**

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C

Standard Form Collection Envelopes

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

HOLT'S CHAPEL

FOR PASTOR'S SALARY

AMOUNT

Name _____ | Dollars | Cents |

Date _____ *191*___

MISSIONS AND CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

MOUNT ZION CHURCH

Name _____ | Dollars | Cents |

Date _____

$1.90 for 1000, delivered

$1.40 for additional 1000, delivered

FOR EITHER FORM

This price is based on using the above forms, changing name of church only. The large envelope is manila, and of the quality regularly used for Pastor's Salary collections. The small envelope can be furnished in white, green or cherry. Its difference in color and size from the Pastor's Salary form makes it ideal for Missions and Conference Collections.

If special form is desired the price will average $2.40 for the first 1000, and $1.40 for additional 1000's, delivered.

Special rates on large quantities.

The Advocate Press, Greensboro, N. C.

Methodist Benevolent Association

A Mutual Benefit Brotherhood for Southern Methodists. Issues Whole Life, 20-Premium Life, Term to 60, and Disability Certificates. **Benefits** payable at **death, old age,** or **disability.** Over $152,000.00 paid to **widows, orphans,** and **disabled.** Over $40,000.00 reserve fund. Write for rates, blanks, etc. ***J. H. Shumaker, Secretary, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.***

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.----------E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg.---W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller----------C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg.,
M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.------J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg.---J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.----G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.---------A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel---J. W. Ligon

From the Field

WINSTON DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Winston District Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, which adjourned sine die Thursday evening at four-thirty o'clock and which had been in session for two and a half days at Love's Church, Walkertown, was pronounced by ministers and delegates a grand success.

The presiding elder, Dr. H. K. Boyer, was in the chair, and Rev. C. M. Short, of Cooleemee, at the secretary's table.

Organization of the conference was completed by the appointment of necessary committees. Revs. A. W. Plyler R. M. Courtney, and Mr. T. L. Rawley were appointed to examine applicants for license to preach. Revs. A. W. Plyler, R. M. Courtney and J. B. Tabor were made the committee on recommendations to the Annual Conference. B. Grady Wilson was licensed to preach. Rev. C. C. Williams was recommended for admission to the Annual Conference.

The commttee which reviewed the records of the quarterly Conferences was composed of Revs. T. J. Houck, J. W. Ingle, C. P. Goode and W. M. Smith. The records were found in good condition, with minor errors.

The lay delegates elected to represent the Winston District in the Annual Conference, to be held at Reidsville in November are H. G. Chatham, D. Moir, A. W. Ellis, and A. R. Lewis.

The district conference will be held at Thomasville next year, and a motion was passed asking the presiding elder to call it, if consonant with his wishes, in March, April or May.

Many interests of the Conference at large were represented. Triniity College, Greensboro College, Davenport College, the Children's Home, the Sunday School Board, the Woman's Missionary Society, the Epworth League, the Conference Board of Missions and other institutions of the church had special advocates on the floor of the conference.

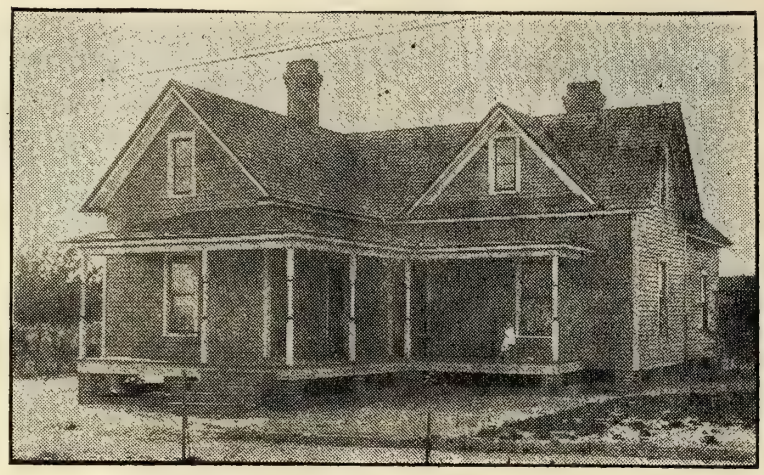
A large committee on resolutions was appointed the first day, having on it representation from Winston-Salem in the names of Rev. E. L. Bain, J. A. Gray, Jr., and E. E. Gray. This committee's work consisted of a summation of the spirit and work of the conference, and is appended:

Report of Committee on Resolutions

Your committee has had under consideration all the matters thus far brought forward in the district conference, and in addition other items which it deemed pertinent to embody in this report.

Rising Tide of Spiriituality

We would record with grateful hearts our recognition of the rising tide of spirituality within the district as reflected in the individual experiences and reports by our pastors. We rejoice that souls are being saved through the personal work of our people who are being awakened to a sense of responsibility for those about them. Some of our churches have already had a large ingathering of members and we note that others are preparing to put into operation campaigns of personal evangelism. We are challenged by the white harvest



Cherryville Parsonage

fields to prayer and labor, and solemnly pledge ourselves to the same.

Church Efficiency Developing

It is our conviction that, as the years pass, there is increased efficiency being developed in our Sunday schools, our Epworth Leagues and our Woman's Missionary Societies, and that in all these agencies of the church the Winston district is earnestly seeking the best information and methods and is actuated by the spirit of Christ. Our church membership is growing not only in numbers, but in grace also, and with its increase is better capacitated to shepherd the multitudes than ever. We feel that our mission is to all the unsaved and that the content of our mission and ministry is or should be commensurate with the purpose of Christ for the shackled spirits, erring minds and unfit bodies of men.

Jesus Our Inspiration

We recognize that there are grave difficulties to be faced by both country and city charges, and often we are discouraged by our limited physical equipment, inadequate leadership and the spiritual poverty of those with whom we work. But we are heartened by the example of Jesus, who, without facilities or those who sympathetically or fully comprehended his mission, resorted continually to prayer and went about doing good and in an apparently barren soil poured out his rich life. We believe that after all the best equipment is a redeemed personality organized by the almighty spirit of God, bent on doing his will, and that therefore God can do marvelous things with us, even us, if we deny ourselves, take up our cross daily and follow Jesus.

Difficulties Acute With Some

The situation with some is more acute than with others. We are a brotherhood and should bear one another's burdens. Just now Burkhead chruch is facing a trying financial situation. If anything can be done to relieve this charge from without, it should be. The Conference Board of Missions has adopted a plan which furnishes the opportunity of bringing relief where it is much needed.

Emergency Fund

Their plan is to raise through the secretary, Dr. Siler, an emergency fund to meet just such cases. Since this is already the plan of the Board of Missions, your committee recommends that Brother Siler raise within the Winston District a sum sufficient to supplement the salaries of those ministers among us now insufficiently supported, according to the plan of the Board of Missions. We urge our brethren to stand by a plan that will bring light into some darkened parsonage homes.

We express our deepest sympathy for the brethren who, whether their lot is a financially hard one or not, are in peculiarly difficult and discouraging situations and assure them of our love and our prayers.

Conference Interests Represented

It has been a source of unalloyed pleasure to us to have in our midst those familiar conference figures, Rev. Dr. Frank Siler, our alert, aggressive and consecrated missionary secretary; Rev. W. H. Willis, the enthusiastic and able president of our Conference Board of Missions; Rev. J. W. Jones, representative of the Conference Insurance Society, whose presentation of his cause is clear and convincing; Rev. W. M. Curtis, treasurer of Greensboro College for Women, whose modest presentation of a great cause has elicited our admiration; Rev. L. T. Mann, whose successful efforts in behalf of Davenport College, both as presiding elder of the Statesville District and as a trustee, are known of his brethren and whose presentation of this institution's claims has found a responsive chord in our breasts; Rev. F. N. Parker, professor of Biblical literature in Trinity College, whose scholarship and consecration are marked by a beautiful simplicity of speech and manner; Rev. Dr. C. W. Byrd, president of the Conference Sunday School Board, who brought us an inspiring address on the department of church work that lies so close to his heart; Rev. Dr. H. M. Blair, whose fidelity and zeal and business ability and editorial acumen have given us a Conference paper ranking with the best; Mr. Walter Thompson, "with Atlantean shoulders fit to bear the weight" of his special responsibility, our Children's Home; and Mrs. H. K. Boyer, first vice-president of the Woman's Missionary Society, winning larger consideration for this interest of the church by her thoughtful and garceful speech concerning it.

Great Needs of Our Conference

We have been impressed afresh with the immediate needs of our Annual Conference. All these great enterprises, which have had such admirable advocates, appeal to us as so fundamental and as yet insufficiently supported that we are resolved to return to our charges to render each and every one of them a more loyal support.

We shall never render the greatest service possible as a conference until our Advocate is placed upon some basis that will relieve it of its continual financial restrictions; until our schools of learning, both of collegiate and preparatory rank, are largely endowed and equipped with up to date facilities of work; until within the bounds of our Conference there is a general hospital to rank with the foremost in America in the skill of its staff and the perfection of its physical instrumentalities.

Larger Support for Burkhead

We especially call attention to the work of rescue of Burkhead church, which is one of such proportion and so unique that it should make its appeal not to the churches of Winston-Salem alone, which are supporting it within the present scope of work, but to the Conference Board of Missions also, which in addition to what Centenary and West End churches doing, should give it such large port as to enable it to measur cope with the difficulties and com the needs of its extensive field. ask the Conference Board to ap priate $1,000 annually for the enla ment of the work.

Dr. Boyer's Presidency

The pleasure and the efficiency this conference have been enhan by the careful planning beforeh and the wisdom and courtesy in chair of the presiding elder. Dr. er's grasp of his work and patie in handling its details are a deli

Walkertown Hospitality

We cannot close this report wit mention of the charming hospita of the kind people of Walkert They have won our hearts. thoughtfulness of the pastor and wife, Rev. and Mrs. G. C. Brinkn and of the committee on entert ment, have been every where an all times in evidence. The pure light of the social side of the co ence gives it a permanent place the memory of each one of us.

E. L. Bain, Chairman Co
L. F. Brothers, Secretary.

FROM CHERRYVILLE

Dear Brother Blair: Will you pl give space in the Advocate for a paragraphs from Cherryville? We gret to see our four short and ha years so nearly ended, and I feel I ought to "speak out" in behal these splendid people who have m it so pleasant for us, and who ar receive a new pastor next An Conference.

During our pastorate our mem have wrought well, and there has remarkable growth. Every buildin the charge has been painted or painted except one. We have just modeled, painted and re-seated Cherryville church. The new arra ment gives us four nice Sunday sc rooms and an auditorium for pre ing. A mistake in the Annual ference Minutes reports the valu our church property at $5,000. new brick church at Bethlehem a is worth that much, and all churches are in good condition. church property at Cherryville doubled in value during the past t years.

Two years ago the ladies of charge painted the parsonage in and out, making it a very attrac building. The parsonage also "is b tiful for situation." From the f piazza King's Mountain can be s and from the rear Ben's Knob, Gr father, and other peaks. The w has been twice analyzed by the s chemist and pronounced exceptio pure. Before this is published parsonage will be furnished electric lights.

Every year we have received t or four poundings, and we seldom turn with an empty buggy from visits. The good old plan of thus membering the preacher's family is out of date.

My successor will find Cherry still a growing work, for it has nearly realized its full strength. salaries will be increased. There be less of building and repair w and more attention can thus be g to other causes. No more promi field can be found for the invest of time and talent, for the circu sure to porsper. Truly yours,

W. T. Us

STOPS TOBACCO HABIT

Elder's Sanitarium, located at Main St., St. Joseph, Mo., has lished a book showing the deadl fect of the tobacco habit, and h can be stopped in three to five

As they are distributing this free, anyone wanting a copy sh send their name and address at

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTI PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICA

GRAND EXCURSION TO WASHINGTON, D. C,, AND RETURN VIA SOUTHERN RAILWAY, THUR., MAY 13TH, 1915

Special train will leave Salisbury at 8:30 P. M., arriving Washington following morning at 7:55 A. M. Returning will leave Washington at 9 A. M., Saturday, May 15th, 1915.

Passengers from branch line points will use regular trains to the various junction points connecting with the special train, and returning will use regular trains from such junction points to the home stations.

Tickets good going and returning on special train only and cannot be extended.

Special train will consist of first class coaches only.

Daylight trip through Virginia returning.

A rare opportunity to spend twenty-five hours in Washington, giving ample time to visit the many points of interest in the Capital City.

Low round trip fares from stations named as follows:

Salisbury	$5.00
Albemarle	5.00
Lexington	5.00
High Point	5.00
Reidsville	4.50
Burlington	5.00
Greensboro	5.00
Spencer	5.00
Thomasville	5.00
Asheboro	5.00
Siler City	5.00
Gibsonville	5.00

For further information, tickets, etc., call on any agent Southern Railway, or

R. H. DeButts, D. P. A.,
Charlotte, N. C.

The "New Christianity" rising all about us is the simple but mighty gospel of Jesus, enriched b science and democracy, enforced by the philanthropic impulse, and operated through the educational method. It puts character-building above creed-making; deeds of love above dogmas of wrath; service above sacrament; obedience to moral law above belief in theological statements.—Joseph H. Crookr.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

DON'T DENY YOUR BOY

THE priceless benefits of a vacation at Camp WONDERLAND in the glorious ozone-laden climate of mountainous Western North Carolina.

Right Now is the Formative Period when his mind and body demand careful tutoring from those who can direct his work and play with intelligence. Above all he needs the tonic of pure air, sunshine and out-door recreation.

Educational

Individual coaching by competent teachers in any studies desired to prepare your boy for Fall examinations.

Athletics

Under selected instructors who will act as companions in base ball, tennis, basket ball, rowing, swimming, fishing, horseback riding and mountain climbing.

The camp is under the most able management and charges **very reasonable.** Write quickly to Col. J. C. Horner, No. 10 Myers Park, Charlotte, N. C., for FREE illustrated prospectus.

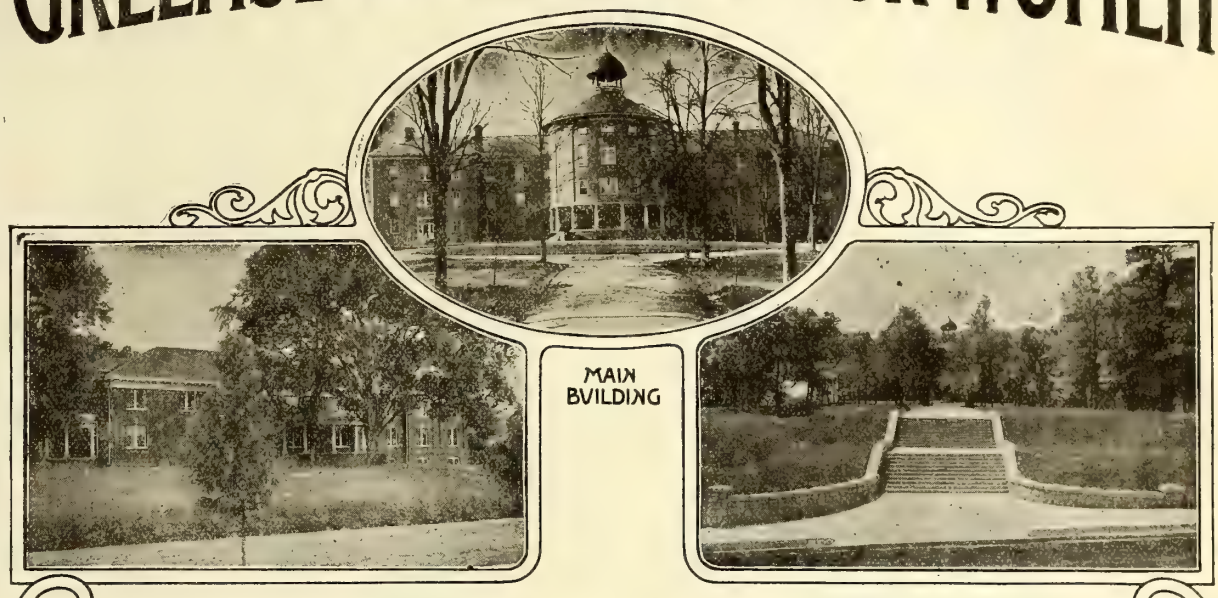
AGENTS $30 TO $50 WEEKLY MEN AND WOMEN



Selling the New Improved **MONITOR Self Heating FLAT IRON.** Positively the lowest priced and fastest selling Iron made. Over 650,000 in use. Evans, N. Car. sold 2 doz. on Sat. Mrs. Nixon, Vt., sold 8 first half day. No experience needed—sells itself. **New Terms. Binding Guarantee.** Exclusive territory. Sample free to workers. Write today.

MONITOR SAD IRON CO.
122 Orange Street Hickory, N. C.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY – FITZGERALD HALL

MAIN BUILDING

ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. **Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.**

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D. D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

MISSIONARY NOTES FROM FIELD SECRETARY

Walkertown, G. C. Brinkman, P. C. $10.00 Conference Mission Special; $2.00 Home Mission Special.

Burkhead, W. L. Hutchins, P. C. $490.00 Conference Collections.

Centenary, E. L. Bain, P. C. $425.00 Conference Mission Special; $10.00 Home Mission Special.

West End, R. M. Courtney, P. C. $100.00 Conference Mission Special; $5.00 Home Mission Special.

Lexington, A. W. Plyler, P. C. $5.00 Home Mission Special.

Grace, J. S. Hiatt, P. C. $5.00 Home Mission Special.

Farmington, D. C. Ballard. P. C. $5.00 Home Mission Special.

Kernersville, C. P. Goode, P. C. $5.00 Home Mission Special.

Linwood, J. W. Ingle, P. C. $5.00 Home Mission Special.

DO YOU OWN A KODAK?

If so, I am a film specialist doing developing, printing and enlarging and my proposition to you is interesting. Send a trial order to

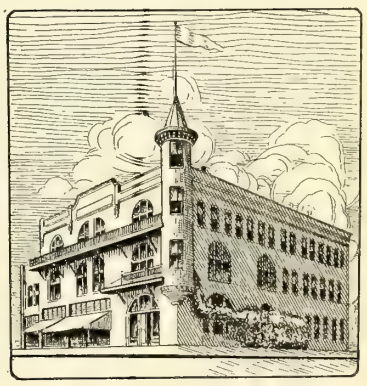
D. AUDLEY GOLD, Box C263, B'acksburg, S. C.

TWO NEW SONG BOOKS

VICTORY HYMNAL—a superior collection of songs for Sunday schools, etc.

SONG SERVICE and REVIVAL, No. 2—Fine for revivals, Sunday schools, etc. Words and music in both books pleasing, inspiring, devotional. Carefully edited. Both notations. Price, each, 25 cents; dozen, $2.50. Sample of either book, 15 cents; both, 30 cents. Address

Hildebrand-Burnett Co., Roanoke, Va.



BLUE RIDGE INN
Mount Airy, N. C. W. M. Jordan, Prop.
Mount Airy's Leading Hotel

Rates $2.00 and $2.50—All meals 50 cents—Electric Lights, Steam Heat, Electric Bell System, Hot and Cold Baths—American plan—A clean up-to-date home for the tourist or traveling man, in a beautiful mountain city.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

.....

.....

The Sunday School Lesson

SECOND QUARTER—LESSON V—MAY 2, 1915

SAUL TRIES TO KILL DAVID. 1 SAM. 19

GOLDEN TEXT—Whoso putteth his trust in Jehovah shall be safe. Prov. 29:25.

SUMMARY OF THE LESSON

In the corner of a curious old shop there was a picture in an old-fashioned frame. It was a striking study of jealousy, and the face which looked out upon you was abnormal and misanthropic enough. A young man stood before the picture, gazing at the scarcely human face. He shuddered. "If jealousy is as bad as that I'll never be jealous of any human being again," he muttered to himself.

The man who is first in power in a kingdom does not like to be second in the hearts of his subjects. This was the experience which came to Saul. He was the ruler of the people. David was the idol of the people. It was a situation which demanded large-hearted magnanimity. Saul did not rise to the moral and spiritual height where he could conquer his dark, envious thoughts. He surrendered to them. He tried to kill David. The friendship of the young prince Jonathan proved a great resource to the shepherd who had become a national hero, but even this could not continue to save him, and at last he was forced to flee from the presence of a king to whom his face had become a hateful sight.

A ROYAL FOE

"I am safe in the kingdom as long as the king is my friend," has expressed the feeling of many a man whose prosperity has depended upon the royal favor, and many a man popular with the people has found life intolerable because of the pursuing enmity of the king.

David has seemed to be riding upon a high tide of prosperity and success. The king had honored him; the people acclaimed him. He was even given a daughter of the king for his wife and had thus become a member of the royal family.

But David had one treacherous and terrible foe. That foe was King Saul's jealous heart. Saul felt that he himself ought always to be in the center of the picture, and this shepherd warrior had usurped the king's place. Saul began to be afraid of David's popularity. He saw in it an omen of evil promise as to the future of his own house. When a subject has the kind of devotion which rightfully belongs only to the king the next step will be to make that subject king. So reasoned Saul and to his inflamed mind there seemed an unescapable cogency of this process of thought. The subject who is too popular is the king's foe. So Saul concluded, and now he was ready to plan the death of David. The logic of an ignoble mind is one of the most tragic things in all the world. It reads its own unworthy thoughts into the lives of others and builds a structure of evil purposes and plans, which, though the product of its own imagination, seems as real as the most undisputed facts of life. Many men are unhappy because out of their own dark fancies they have created an unhappy world. Because Saul had done this thing the sun darkened in the sky of David. Royal favor changed to royal hate and David began to learn how dreadful a thing a king's wrath can be.

A PRINCELY FRIEND

A prince may have the heart of a churl. A churl may have the heart of a prince. Jonathan was a prince with a princely heart. The story of Jonathan's friendship for David is one of the classic stories of the world. A selfish man would have been incapable of such a friendship. An envious man would have hated just where Jonathan loved. With a devotion as uncalculating and spontaneous as it was deep and tender, Jonathan became the friend of David. His own noble heart cast out all evil thoughts. He did not think of David as a possible rival to the throne. He thought of him as a friend, dear to him as his own life. He loved to hear the people praise David. He rejoiced in the fame of the shepherd champion. The victories of David always caused a song of triumph to sing itself in Jonathan's heart.

Such magnanimous and nobly self-forgetful friendship could not be without its effect upon the mind of Saul. He became ashamed of his dark and jealous thoughts. He restored David to his place of favor. It seemed as if love would conquer hate after all, but Saul's envious anger had a malignant vitality. It was ready to spring up and grow. It was not completely rooted out. So more successes of David brought forth more passionate hatred in Saul. The princely friend could not conquer his father's jealous heart.

Jonathan was a brave fighter; he was a strong man; he had an impetuous energy and a zeal which flung his whole soul into his devotion. All this fine, strong manhood he put into his friendship for David. Even when he could not protect his friend he followed him with all the devotion of a great heart.

THE TRAGEDY OF SUCCESS

Some men are broken by their failures. Some men are broken by their successes. David found that he had to pay a high price for his success. The people loved him, but the king hated him. Jonathan was his friend, but Saul was his foe.

We often think of the perplexities and difficulties which come with failure. We admire the man whose spirit is not conquered by defeat. Perhaps we do not think enough of the perils and perplexities which come with success. Perhaps we do not admire enough the man who keeps his soul from being coarsened by victory.

The hour of success is the hour of danger, and no temptations are more subtle than those which come in the days of a man's triumph. The man who comes forth strong and hopeful after a great defeat deserves our hearty praise. The man who maintains the self-command of a stable mind and a simple, true heart in the hour of victory is also worthy of our tribute of admiration.

David bravely and nobly met the sudden reaction which came after his sunlit hour. Would he have conquered as nobly the subtler temptations of a perpetual royal favor and a perpetual popular acclaim? David's character was strengthened by his experience of royal hatred. Would it have weakened had he continued the idol of the court?

THE FAILURE OF JEALOUS WRATH

Again and again the king tried to kill David. He always failed. Sometimes it was through the agility and quickness of David; sometimes it was through the protection and warning of friends. At last he was forced to flee from the presence of a king whose sword was hungry for his blood.

Already David's life had been one of singularly striking contrasts. He had been a quiet shepherd, dreaming among his sheep in the hills. He had been a cool and courageous fighter, saving his people in a hard and terrible hour. He had been a court favorite, with all the fascinating flattery of an admiring nation as his portion. Now he was a wanderer pursued by hatred. The shadow of the king's wrath was upon him, even when he was beyond the reach of the king's sword.

Many a man would have become misanthropic and gloomy. Many a man would have become bitter, but the sun kept shining in David's heart, even when the light was darkened in the sky. He had a youthfulness of spirit, a hopefulness of temper, a zest for life which could not be quenched by a king's wrath. Blessed is the man whose secret of gladness is in his own soul. His days cannot be darkened by the passion of foes.

So the king's wrath had doubly failed. It failed to bring about the death of David and it failed to rob him of that simple, generous, hopeful manliness which constituted his greatest charm and which multiplied his powers. There is something regal about David's unconquerable heart.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in N. Y. Christian Advocate.

PANAMA—PACIFIC EXPOSITIONS, SAN FRANCISCO AND SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

SOUTHERN RAILWAY—PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Very Low Round Trip Fares

Dates of sale March 1st to November 30th, 1915. Final return limit three months from date of sale, except that these tickets will not be good to return later than December 31st, 1915.

Low round trip fares from principal points as follows:

Charlotte	$84.15
Salisbury	84.15
High Point	84.15
Greensboro	84.15
Mount Airy	86.25
Gastonia	84.15
North Wilkesboro	87.85
Statesville	84.15
Hickory	83.25
Morganton	82.20
Winston-Salem	84.15
Shelby	82.60

Fares from other points on same basis. Fares to Seattle or via Portland and Seattle at higher rate. These tickets will permit of diverse routing and will allow stop-overs on both going and return trip within limit of ticket.

Southern Railway offers choice of several routes of historic interest from which to select; going one way and returning another. Through connections and good service via Memphis, St. Louis, Chicago or New Orleans. Through cars daily via New Orleans and Sunset Route. Special car parties now being arranged, affording opportunity to make trip without change and with select company on outgoing trip; returning at leisure via any route you may choose, stopping off at your own pleasure, thereby avoiding all the discomforts of going and returning with large tour parties, being compelled to follow the crowd. In going individually or with special Pullman car parties you spend your own money, stop where you please and go and come to suit your own convenience and save money paid tourist agents for escorting you around.

For further information apply to Southern Railway Agents, or

R. H. DeButts, D. P. A.,
Charlotte, N. C.



Standard
Memorial Windows
Made in High Point

Beautiful in design—strong in construction. Largest and oldest glass plant in the South. Capacity for any and all orders and prompt delivery. Satisfaction guaranteed. References—any of our old customers or any bank or banker in High Point. Write for catalog.

Standard Mirror Co.
High Point, N. C.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION



PAINT STRENGTH

Strength is what paint is for. The stronger it is, the less gallons and money it takes, and the longer it wears. The strongest paint-word is DEVOE.

ODELL
Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER

Proprietor

GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY

DISEASES OF STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO

ROBT. W. MURRAY

GENERAL INSURANCE

Greensboro, North Carolina

308½ South Elm St.

Phone 163

Our Little Folks' Department

IN THE JAWS OF THE CHASM

Sun Rock was an Indian boy, one of a migratory tribe that had secured a foothold outside of the reservation. One day, when he was returning home, he caught his foot in a hidden hole. He fell forward upon his face, stunned, his ankle sprained. As he was endeavoring to crawl away, a man, mounted on a horse with a little girl perched before him, came up the trail. Seeing the injured boy, he dismounted and took him with the little girl ten miles to a doctor.

When his foot was well, Sun Rock journeyed back to his home, but found it burned to the ground. Sun Rock was left to face the world alone. No one knew where his uncle, with whom he lived, had gone. Unconsciously he turned his steps back in the direction of his new-found friends. Upon arriving in the town he found that they had left to journey to another town a hundred miles distant; and, Indian-like, he took the trail.

Fifty, seventy-five miles he journeyed on foot. The monotous plan gave way to rocky crags interspersed with sheer depths. Late in the afternoon on the fourth day he heard a cry from off the trail. He recognized the horse and then found the man. It was his friend, the one who had been so kind to him. The man was stretched at full length on the ground, peering over the edge into the chasm below. Wonderingly, the Indian youth went toward him.

At the sound of the footsteps the man glanced back. Answering the look of inquiry from Sun Rock, he pointed silently below, horror pictured on his face. Sun Rock crept to the edge and looked down. Some fifty feet below, caught on a stunted tree that grew from a narrow ladge, lay the motionless form of the little girl who had ridden with him the day he was injured. She had wandered from camp, her father explained, when he had gone looking for fuel.

Sun Rock was silent. His black eyes, shining like burning coals, roved quickly about the vicinity in search of a means of rescue. Finally they lighted on the lariat that hung from the saddle of the horse grazing in the rear. He went to the horse and secured the rope. Tying one end to a large bowlder, he threw the other over the edge of the precipice.

Then he pointed to the depths below. "I will go down for her," he said simply.

The distracted father clasped Sun Rock's hand. "Can you do it?" he asked.

"I will try. You were good to me."

The man removed his coat and laid it under the rope to prevent the ragged edge of the rock from cutting the strands. Then Sun Rock swung himself over and slowly let himself down. His bare feet, which he pressed against the uneven wall, were cut on the jagged rock. At last he reached the narrow ledge on which the girl was lying. Bearing her closer to the wall, he tied the end of the rope under her arms. Then he called to the man above, who carefully drew the child to safety. Once more the father lowered the rope to the boy and then went to carry his little girl away from the edge. A shout from below brought him back. Sun Rock, in tying the rope, had loosened it from the bowlder above and pulled it down. He was a prisoner.

"Keep up your courage," the man shouted. "I am going for help." But Sun Rock knew well that help was many miles distant.

For hours he clung to the narrow ledge and the stem of the stunted tree. Daylight disappeared, and the darkness seemed to draw the jaws of the chasm closer together. But a bright star that shone directly above showed Sun Rock that the Master was watching, and the lad felt cheered.

At last, as he eyes were closing and his stiffened limbs were numb, he heard the sound of many hoofbeats in the distance. They were coming. Louder and louder came the staccato ring of the iron-shod hoofs on the rocks. Then the voice of his benefactor came from above.

"Are you there, Sun Rock?"

"Yes." The youth's voice was weak and hoarse from the chill night air that sighed through the chasm.

Then a lantern was lower to the ledge, and a man shortly followed. Grasping Sun Rock in his arms and lashing him to his body, the man called to those above. And the two were pulled to the top by many willing hands.

"Is she safe?" Sun Rock asked as he lay upon the ground.

"Yes, thanks to you."

A sigh of relief came from the lad. As he shared once again the saddle of the man who had been so kind to him he breathed a prayer of thankfulness to the Great Father for granting him an oportunity to pay the debt he owed.—Albert C. Sproul in Boy's World.

HOW THE YOUNGEST KNIGHT WON HIS SWORD

There was great excitement throughout the great court in front of the king's castle. The "tanta-raa, tanta-raa, tanta,raa" of the herald's trumpet echoed through the hills, and the knights came hurrying up from all directions. They had worked and waited for this hour for a whole year, and now it had come. On a nail near the king's throne hung the prize sword, and the diamond in the hilt was so bright that it rivaled the sun.

What a strange-looking band of knights they were! Some carried several swords strung to their horses and armor; some carried flags that were torn and ragged; some had lost an arm and some a leg. But all hurried eagerly forward at the call of their king. This was the day when the sword with the diamond in its hilt was to be put into the hands of the most worthy knight—the one who had lived most nobly, the one whose actions were most approved by the king.

First Sir Terrible stepped before his king; he showed the swords he had won.

"Yes," said the king, "but you took these in the nighttime. The lord of the castle you attacked was ill and troubled; you took the swords in unfair battle. Such swords are no trophies."

And Sir Terrible hung his head and stood aside.

Next came Sir Bold. He held his head high, and he showed the wounds he had received.

"Yes," said the king, "but the fight you fought was against the knight who had gone to help fight the dragon Intemperance. That was no battle for a knight of mine to fight." And he moved Sir Bold aside.

Next came Sir Merry, and he showed the flags he had won.

"Yes," said the king, "but one was the flag that floated from the good ship Mercy. You were cruel when you took that flag." And his eyes were filled with tears as he waved Sir Merry away.

Next came Sir Proud with a cloak flung over his shoulder.

"Yes," said the king, "but you took the cloak from one who needed it. It was the poor man's only treasure." And the king motioned his unworthy knight away.

And so he went through the lists. Some had done brave deeds, but they were not done in the noble way the king desired. The deeds of others were not good and brave at all, but only shams.

By and by the king came to the youngest knight of all, Sir Faithful. "And what trophy have you to show?" he asked.

"Nothing, O king. I have nothing to bring." And he hung his head.

"Nothing?" echoed the king.

"No. I did not get out of sight of the castle wall when I heard the herald's call. I knew not that the time was passing so fast."

Ah! but I understand, my faithful one. Today the little child whom you watched through the fever is playing in the meadow. Today the old man whom you rescued in the highway is happy in his home. Today the mother to whom you gave your purse is well and caring for her children. And the windows of the little chapel on the hil which you were to polish are as bright as the diamond in the sword's hilt. You went there every week."

"But those things were only my duty, O king."

"Ah, Sir Faithful, rightly you were named! Only your duty, little one! Did you think I asked for more?" And he placed the sword with the diamond in the hilt into the hands that had won it.—M. Florence Brown, in the King's Builders.

THE FRIENDS

Betty and Kate were on their way to the church, where all the children were to meet to decorate the church for Children's Day exercises. Betty had her arms full of bright red blossoms, while Kate carried jonquils.

"O," said Betty, "I do love the bright flowers! They are so cheerful!"

"Yes," said Kate; "but I like the yellow flowers best, because they look like sunshine."

Mr. Jones separated the children into bands. One band was to decorate the right windows and side of the church, while another band was to decorate the left side. In this way Betty and Kate were parted. However, they happened to meet at the back of the church, where Betty was placing a bank of red geraniums.

"O," said Kate, "I saved these jonquils for this window, because it is where the sun shines in. My yellow flowers would look better there."

"No," said Betty, "the sun lights up the red and is a contrast, and my flowers look better there."

"Why, I saved this whole armful of jonquils for this east window," said Kate, "And I am going to put it there."

"You can't but them here, because my red ones are here," said Betty.

"Well," said Kate, "I guess you don't own this window." And with a sweep of her hand she brushed the red flowers away and placed the jonquils carefully along the sill. When she looked up she looked into Mr. Jones's kindly eyes, and she hung her head; and although he had not said a word to her, she defended herself by saying: "The yellow ones are like sunshine, and they had to be in the east window."

However, Mr. Jones began taking them carefully off the sill and handed them to Kate. He then picked up the geraniums and handed them to Betty; but all he said was: "I think the Father would not want his house decorated like that. This window will be the one bare spot in the churuch tomorrow."

Kate and Betty did not walk home together. They had intended to march together on the morrow, but there was no thought of that now. Yet neither of them was happy. Each thought about the one bare, unlovely spot in the Father's house.

Early the next morning Kate ran over to Mr. Jones's house and was ushered into his study, where he sat behind his desk. "Good morning, Mr. Jones," said Kate; and for a moment she did not see that there was another little girl in the room; but, sure enough, there stood Betty. If it had been anybody in the world but Betty! She found it hard to tell her errand with Betty standing there looking at her, but Mr. Jones was waiting for her to speak. Finally, in a shamed little voice she said: "That bare east window bothered me, and I thought I would tell you that I would decorate half of it with my flowers and Betty could decorate half of it with her flowers."

But to her surprise Mr. Jones said: "No; that won't do. Betty came to me to propose the same thing, but it won't do at all. If there are to be decorations in tha window today, the red and yellow flowers will have to intermingle."

Two little girls looked at each other. A little smile crept out. Then the dimples came out boldly, and Kat said: "Let's go and pick some fresh flowers."

And Betty said: **"All right."**

Away they went, forgetting all about saying good-by to Mr. Jones.

At the exercises that afternoon everybody said: "What a lovely flame of color that east window is!"

Two little girls who sat next to each other were very happy when Mr. Jones said in his address: "The east window is a very bright and beautiful spot in the Father's house today. The rich yellow is like gold and represents wealth; while the red is for love, intense and warm. So in this window our Father sees his children's wealth of love, and he hath said: 'If ye love me, ye must love one another.'"—E. M. Roff.

SIGN YOUR NAME HERE

If you suffer with any chronic disease that does not seem to be benefited by drugs, such as dyspepsia, indigestion, sick headache, neuralgia, rheumatism, gallstones, liver or kidney diseases, or any other chronic ailment involving impure blood, you are cordially invited to accept the liberal offer made below. It is a grave mistake to assume that your case is incurable simply because remedies prepared by human skill have not seemed to benefit you. Put your faith in nature, accept this offer and you will never have cause to regret it.

I believe this is the most wonderful Mineral Spring that has ever been discovered, for its waters have either restored or benefited nearly everyone who has accepted my offer. Match your faith in this Spring against my pocketbook and if the water does not relieve your case I will make no charge for it. Clip this notice, sign your name, enclose the amount and let this wonderful water begin its healing work in you as it has in thousands of others.

Shivar Spring,
Box 5A, Shelton, S. C.

Gentlemen:

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)

Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You run no risk whatever in accepting his offer. I have personally witnessed the remarkable curative power of this Water in a very serious case.

WE WILL PAY YOU $120.00

to distribute religious literature in your community. Sixty days' work. Experience not required. Man or woman. Spare time may be used.

ZEIGLER CO. Philadelphia.

COAT SUITS---DRESSES!

SPECIAL 30 DAY REDUCTION OFFER!

If you are going to the EXPOSITION, and want stylish coat suit or dress at moderate price—this is your opportunity. High grade coat suits—well tailored—good lines—made to your measures (according to sketches I'll send you)—$20.00 up. Individually designed dresses at most reasonable prices. Write for samples.

MRS. CHARLES ELLISON, Norton Bldg., Louisville, Ky.
1426 North American Bldg., Chicago, Ill.

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.
Second Round

	May
Weaverville Ct., Alexander Chapel	1-2
West Asheville, night	2
Walnut Ct., Stackhouse	8-9
Black Mountain, night	9
Swannanoa, West Chapel	15-16
Bethel, night	16

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, 508 N. Tryon St., Charlotte, N. C.
Second Round

	May
Ansonville, Cedar Hill	1-2
Wadesboro, night	2
Lilesville, Shiloh	8-9
Morven, Morven	15-16
Dilworth	23
Spencer Memorial and Derita, night	23
Polkton, Mount Meriah	29-30

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.
Second Round

	May
Uwharrie, Union	1-2
Denton, Clarkesbury	8-9
West Market	15-16

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Third Round

	May
Summerfield, Center	8-9
Stokesdale, Glenco	15-16
Walnut Cove, Bethesda	22-23
Madison & Stoneville, Price	29-30
	June
Spray	6-7
Leaksville	11-12
Draper	12-13
Jonesville	19-20
Elkin	20-21
Danbury, Sandy Ridge	26-27
	July
Dobson	3-4
Pilot Mountain	10-11
Rural Hall	17-18
Yadkinville	24-25
Ararat	31
	August
Ararat	1
Mount Airy Circuit	7-8

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Second Round

	May
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Oak Grove	1-2
Micaville, South Toe	8-9
Bald Creek, Hortons	15-16
Burnsville	16-17
Marion Circuit, North Catawba	22-23

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C.
Third Round

	May
McAdenville	9
Dallas-Ozark, Ozark	9-10
Cherryville, St. Paul	15-16
Gastonia, West End	22
Gastonia, Main St.	23
	June
Lowell, South Side	5-6
Mt. Holly, Ebenezer	617
Bessemer, Bessemer	12
King's Mountain	13
Polkville, Lee's	19-20
Belwood, St. Peter's	26-27
	July
Rock Spring, Rehobeth	3
Lincoln Ct., Ivey's Memorial	10
Lincolnton	11
Crouse	17
Stanly	18
South Fork	24
Lowesville, Hill's Chapel	27-29

District Conference at Lowesville July 27-29.

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.
Second Round

	May
New London Circuit	1-2
Gold Hill Circuit	2-3
Bethel & Love's Chapel, Love's Chapel	8-9

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston-Salem, N. C.
Second Round

	May
Kernersville	1-2

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Second Round

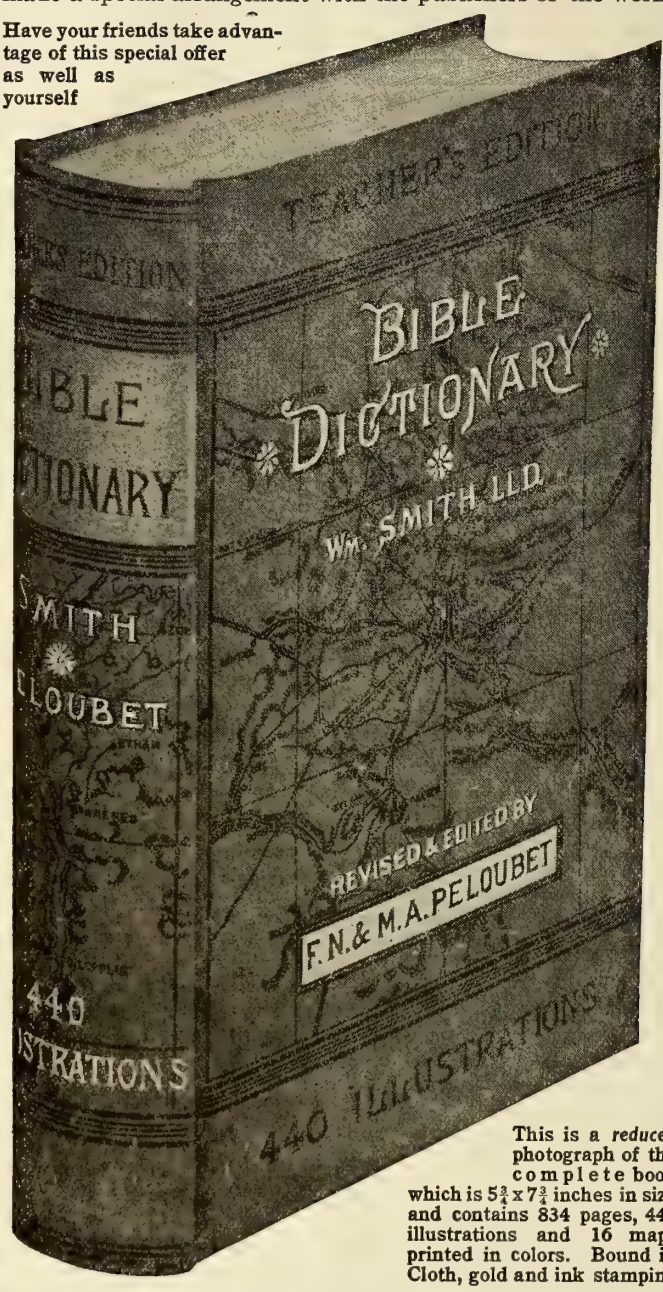
	April
Watauga, Valle Crucis	24-25
	May
Elk Park, Montezuma	1-2
Avery, Jonas Ridge	8-9
Boone, Fairview	15-16
Sparta Circuit, Piney Creek	22-23
Laurel Springs, Mt. Zion	29-30
Revival Meetings	
Elk Park, Montezuma	April 26-May 6
Laurel Springs, Mt. Zion	May 24-30

The Christian Advocate Offers You This Well Known Bible Dictionary

SEE SPECIAL OFFER BELOW

Realizing the wide demand that exists among our constituents for this Bible Dictionary, we have made a special arrangement with the publishers of the work by which they agreed to supply it to us on exceptional terms, provided we would widely advertise it, and this enables us to offer this **well-known Bible Dictionary in its original form** and with all its important features, including over 400 illustrations and maps in colors, at **less than half the regular price.**

Have your friends take advantage of this special offer as well as yourself



This is a *reduced* photograph of the complete book which is 5¾ x 7¾ inches in size and contains 834 pages, 440 illustrations and 16 maps printed in colors. Bound in Cloth, gold and ink stamping

THE FATHER OF ALL BIBLE DICTIONARIES

Everyone acknowledges the superior value of Dr. William Smith's Bible Dictionary, as containing the fruit of the ripest Biblical scholarship. It is practically the foundation, or father, of all other Bible Dictionaries. This late edition is brought down to the twentieth century and thoroughly revised to incorporate modern research and discoveries in Bible lands. It has been adapted in its present form to the convenience of teachers and scholars.

MAKES BIBLE STUDY EASY. MAKES THE BIBLE PLAIN TO EVERY READER

This Bible Dictionary is a veritable treasure to Christian Workers. It contains in the simplest language a full explanation of all topics mentioned in the Bible—every place, nation, tribe, person, and historical event; every custom and rite; every instrument and implement; every animal, plant, flower, mineral, metal, etc. It is a systematic collation of all the facts recorded in the Bible, supplemented and explained by materials supplied from authentic records of Biblical times. It gives in compact and lucid form the substance of the result of profound Biblical scholarship and research. IT OPENS A NEW UNDERSTANDING AND APPRECIATION OF THE BIBLE IN A WAY THAT NO OTHER BOOK DOES.

Our Special Offer

From this till May first we offer the Advocate one year and this dictionary for

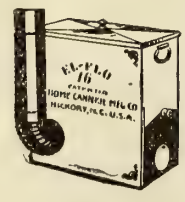
$2.50

This applies to new subscribers and renewals.

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, GREENSBORO, N. C.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Lee T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Second Round

	April
Statesville Circuit, Trinity, 11 a. m.	24
Cool Spring, New Salem, 11 a. m.	25-26
	May
Troutman, 11 a. m.	1
Davidson, Davidson, 11 a. m.	2-3
Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 7:30 p. m.	2-3
Mooresville Circuit, 11 a. m.	8
Mooresville Station, Mooresville, 11 a. m.	9-10
Mount Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, night	16-17
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn's, 11 a. m.,	22-23
S. Lenoir and Valmead, Whitnel,	
Catawba Ct., Concord, 11 a. m.	29-30
night	23-24
	June
West Hickory, West Hickory, 11 a. m.	5-6
Rhodhiss Ct., Rhodhiss, night	6-7
North Lenoir Ct., Harpers Chapel 11 a. m.	12-13
Lenoir Sta., Lenoir, night	13-14
Granite Falls and Hudson, Granite Falls, 11 a. m.	19-20
Hickory, First Church, Hickory, night	20-21
Alexander Ct., Rocky Spring, 11 a. m.	26-27
Stony Point Ct., Midway, 3:30 p. m.,	27-28
	July
Maiden Ct., Friendship, 11 a. m.,	3-4
Newton St., Newton, night	4-5
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 11 a. m.,	10-11
Davidson St., Davidson, night	11-12
Troutman Ct., Knox Chapel, 11 a. m.	17-18
Mooresville St., Mooresville, night,	18-19
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 11 a. m.,	24-25



MAKE MONEY CANNIN

Get an **"EL-FLO" Canner.** Enables you to put up fruits, vegetab berries, etc., for yourself and neighbors. Make money selling Home can goods—always top prices from stores. 3000 Government Agents and mato Club Members endorse the **"EL-FLO." Price $3.50 up.** S stamp today for 1915 catalog. We also manufacture the Continuous H ing Capping Steel—Seals cans quicker, easier. Agents wanted.

HOME CANNER MFG. CO., Dept. 3, Hickory, N.

Cool Spring Ct., Rose Chapel, 11 a. m. 24-25
Iredell Ct., Macedonia, 11 a. m. 25-26
Broad Street St., Broad St., 11 a. m. 25-26
Race Street St., Race St., 11 a. m., 25-27

	August
Hickory Ct., Pisgah, 11 a. m.,	1-2

The Sunday School Institute and the

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Third Round

	June
McDowell, Snow Hill	5-6
Old Fort, Providence	12-13
Marion Station	13-14
Thermal City, Trinity	19-20
Table Rock, Linville	26-27
Morganton Station	27-28
	July
Broad River, Union	2
Green River, New Hope	3-4
Cliffside, Hollis	9
Forest City, Cedar Grove	10-11
Henrietta and Caroleen, Henrietta,	11-12
Rutherfordton, Gilkey	17-18
Morganton Ct., Denton	24-25

Connelly Springs, Warlicks 31-Aug
Aug
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Bakersville
Micaville, Shoal Creek 1
Bald Creek, Bald Creek 2
Burnsville 2
Marion Ct., Concord 2
District Conference at Gilkey, July 1

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Dell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C. R. F. D. 2
Second Round

	A
Ranger Circuit, Bellview	1
Murphy Station	
Andrews Station	
Murphy Station, night	
Andrews Station, night	
Robbinsville, Topton	
Judson, Almond	
Franklin Ct., Snowhill	1
Macon Ct., Asbury	1
Highlands, Flatts	2
Franklin Station	

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information and are not guaranteed.

12:15 a. m.—No. 32, daily, Southern's Southeastern Limited. Pullman drawing-room, open section sleeping cars Jacksonville and Augusta to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

12:35 a. m.—No. 112, daily, local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh, which is open at 9:30, and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m.

1:42 a. m.—No. 30, daily, Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing-room and observation sleeping cars Birmingham and Columbus to New York, and Birmingham to Richmond. Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29, daily, Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing-room and observation sleeping cars New York and Richmond to Birmingham and Columbus. Daily tourist car Washington to San Francisco via popular Sunset Route. Dining cars. Coaches.

3:15 a. m.—No. 31, daily, The Southern's Southeastern Limited. Pullman drawing-room and open section sleeping cars New York to Jacksonville and Augusta. Dining car service. Day coaches.

3:45 a. m.—No. 45, daily, local for Charlotte, connecting for Atlanta and points south.

7:10 a. m.—No. 8, daily, local for Richmond.

7:15 a. m.—No. 37, daily, New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section sleeping cars New York to New Orleans, and New York to Asheville, and Macon. Pullman parlor car Greensboro to Montgomery. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service.

7:25 a. m.—No. 11, daily, local for Atlanta. Pullman sleeping cars Norfolk and Richmond to Charlotte. Day coaches.

7:30 a. m.—No. 108, daily, local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro.

7:40 a. m.—No. 154, daily, except Sunday for Ramseur.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily, for Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Pullman sleeping car Raleigh to Winston-Salem.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily, local for Mt. Airy.

9:30 a. m.—No. 44, daily, for Washington and points north.

9:40 a. m.—No. 144, daily, Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullmon sleeping car Atlanta to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily, for Ashville and Waynesville, connecting at Asheville with Carolina Special for all points west. Chair car Goldsboro ta Asheville.

12:55 p. m.—No. 130, daily, local for Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

1:30 p. m.—No. 7, daily, local for Charlotte, connecting for Seneca and Columbia.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily, U. S. Fast Mail for Washington, New York and points north. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

2:00 p. m.—No. 207, daily, for Winston-Salem, connecting daily except Sunday for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daily, except Sunday for Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily, except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily, for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro, Chair car.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily, for Mt. Airy.

6:25 p. m.—No. 35, daily, U. S. Fast Mail for Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham. Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily, for Winston-Salem.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily, local for Sanford.

7:32 p. m.—No. 43, daily, for Atlanta, and points south. Sleeping car Raleigh to Atlanta.

10:15 p. m.—No. 12, daily, local for Richmond. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Norfolk.

10:20 p. m.—No. 233, daily, for Winston-Salem.

11:29 p. m.—No. 38, daily, New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section sleeping cars New Orleans, Macon and Asheville to New York. Dining car.

E. H. COAPMAN,
Vice-President and General Manager,
Washington, D. C.

S. H. HARDWICK,
Passenger Traffic Manager,
Washington, D. C.

H. F. CARY,
General Passenger Agent,
Washington, D. C.

R. H. DeBUTTS,
Division Passenger Agent,
Charlotte, N. C.

C. G. PICKARD,
Passenger & Traffic Manager,
Greensboro, N. C.

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS

DAISY FLY KILLER placed anywhere, attracts and kills allflies. Neat, clean, ornamental, convenient, cheap. Lasts all season. Made of metal, can't spill or tip over; will not soil or injure anything. Guaranteed effective. Sold by dealers, or 6 sent by express prepaid for $1.



HAROLD SOMERS, 150 DeKalb Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Our Dead

GETTYS—Mr. Robert R. Gettys was born October 16, 1829, and died April 15, 1915. He was born in what is known as Sunshine ,N. C., in Rutherford county. When he was quite a small boy his parents moved near Nebo in McDowell. Here Brother Gettys continued to reside until his death.

In 1862 he was married to Miss Sarah Toney, and to this union were born eleven children, five of whom survive with their mother. The day after Brother Gettys was married he answered the call of his Southland and enlisted as one of the soldiers in that civic strife between the North and South, and continued in the same till the end without a wound.

At a very early age Brother Gettys was converted and joined the Methodist church at Pinnacle on the McDowell circuit. He ever remained faithful and true to the church. He was a devout, sincere and courageous servant of God. He lived up to his church vows in supporting the church and attending the same. He had a seat at Pinnacle church that was always filled by him as long as his physical condition permitted. He was a steward for years and remained a trustee of Pinnacle until his death. I cannot tell of the influence that this brother wielded for Christ, but his life is as a "city set upon a hill," it cannot be hid. His faithful, obedient service has wielded a sceptre of righteousness and preached a sermon that will not be forgotten by this generation. I might say, too, in the words of Mark Antony that "He was so gentle and the elements so mixed in him that even nature might stand up and say to all the world, 'This was a man.'"

May God bless and comfort the bereaved. W. M. Mann, P. C.

Nebo, N. C.

BLACKBURN—Mrs. Nancy Elizabeth Greer Blackburn, of Baldwin, N. C., was born August 9th, 1860, and died April 19th, 1915, being 54 years, 8 months and 10 days old. She was married to L. J. Blackburn, Feb. 12th, 1888, with whom she lived until the day of her death. Of this union one son was born. He survives his mother. She is also survived by her husband, two sisters and a brother, Rev. W. K. Greer, Raven, N. C., a local preacher of our church. Her sisters are Mrs. Polly Miller, Dyson, N. C., and Mrs. W. A. Houck, Raven, N. C.

Sister Blackburn was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in childhood, and lived a consistent and devoted member of the same all the days of her life. She was always present when possible for her to be there. She was a great power in revival meetings.

For twelve years of her life she was an invalid. She was confined to her bed most of the time. But she was never heard to murmur or complain. She bore it with all patience, leaning continually on the everlasting arms of Jesus and looking (with an eye of faith) beyond the tear-dimmed scenes of earth. However, now for several years she has been quite well and doing her own work and filling her place in the community and in her church. Some six weeks ago she became sick and for several days previous to her death she suffered very much. Her speech somewhat failed her, but when asked if she was ready to die, she said in her feeble and trembling voice, "Yes, I'm ready to go." A short while before the end came she became easy and in that ray of heavenly light that overshadows the Christian's dying bed, and in the triumphs of a living faith, she calmly breathed her last, and went to join the Church Triumphant. She rests today. The funeral services were held in Grace M. E. Church, South, Sunday, March 21st, by his pastor, assisted by Rev. W. C. Matney, of Canton, N. C., after which his remains were laid to rest to await the bright morn.

D. S. Richardson.

GREENSBORO NURSERIES

AGENTS WANTED

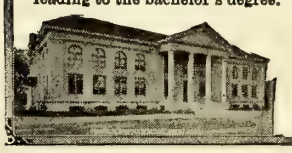
For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.

JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 : : : : CHARTERED 1859

A Southern institution of established national reputation. Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.



Large endowment fund makes possible complete, first-class equipment; full faculty of able, well-chosen instructors; beautiful campus, new buildings, modern laboratories, splendid library. Comfortable, inexpensive dormitories. For catalogue and illustrated booklet, address

R. L. Flowers, Sec. to the Corporation, Durham, N. C.

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective April 18th, 1915

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester Lv.	7 43 a m	12 05 p m			
Yorkville "	8 29	1 55			
Gastonia "	9 24!	4 00			
Gastonia "					
Lincolnton "	10 15	5 30			
Newton "	10 55	6 15			
Hickory "	12 05 p m	7 05	1 00 p m	6 45 a m	
Lenoir "	1 08	8 20	2 04	8 30	
Lenoir "	2 00x				
Mortimer "	3 17				
Edgemont Ar.	3 27				
Southbound	**NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only**	**NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.**
Edgemont Lv.	10 00 a m				
Mortimer "	10 08				
Lenoir "	11 20!				
Lenoir "	1 35 p m	6 00 a m	8 15 a m		
Hickory "	2 35	7 15	9 12		
Newton "	3 05	8 00			
Lincolnton "	3 43	8 55			
Gastonia "	4 30	10 28			
Gastonia "	5 00x	11 00			
Yorkville "	5 47	12 28 p m			
Chester Ar.	6 35	2 15			

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. CHESTER, S. C.

TRIBUTE OF LOVE

We are again called upon to give up from our society one of our best members, Sister Clara Smith. Sister Smith is the third one of our faithful band that have been called to their reward.

Resolved:

First, That we, the members of the society, bow in humble submission to His will who doeth all things well.

Second, That in her death the missionary society has lost one of the truest and most faithful members, and the family a devoted mother.

Third, That we extend to the bereaved family our deep and heartfelt sympathy and bid them trust in the Heavenly Father.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family and Christian Advocate for publication.

Mrs. Eva Bryson,
Mrs. A. C. Reynolds,
Mrs. F. H. Brown,
Committee.

BROWN—J. L. Brown was born April 21, 1846, died March 19, 1915, aged 68 years, 10 months and 28 days. He was married to Miss D. A. Rogers March 4, 1866. This union was blessed with 12 children, three dead and nine living, six girls and three boys. Brother Brown professed religion and joined the M. E. Church, South, in 1904. The children are all members of the church. Brother Brown was a noted citizen of Buncombe county and a good farmer. He was a true member of the church and a cheerful giver to its interests. He had been quite ill for many months but he had set his house in order. He will be greatly missed in the church and community. A companion, nine children and a host of relatives and friends are left to mourn their loss.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, God in his infinite wisdom has removed from our midst our beloved sister and friend, Miss Carrie Scroggs, and, whereas, she was an ideal Christian, priceless as a church member, indispensable to the community and the pride and joy of the home, where she was ever a loving sister and a devoted daughter, we, the members of the Woman's Home Mission Society of Hayesville Methodist church, do adopt the following resolutions:

First, That we bow in submission to the will of him who doeth all things well, striving each of us to emulate her virtues and meet her in the great beyond.

Second, That we extend to the bereaved parents, brothers and sisters our deepest sympathy, praying that God may ever keep and bless them.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon our minutes, a copy sent to the Andrews Sun and one to the Christian Advocate for publication.

Lura Sullivan,
Carrie Fain,
Cora Hardin,
Committee.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL

General Insurance

General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland

108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

BARGAINS IN GOOD BOOKS

VALUABLE BOOKS FOR $1 PER VOLUME

The books selected for inclusion in this DOLLAR LIBRARY have stood all tests and have been acclaimed standard if not classic.

They are the necessary books in every well-balanced Ministerial Library.

The books are large octavo in size, each containing from 400 to 550 pages, printed on excellent paper and tastefully and substantially bound in dark green cloth with gold stamping.

The former selling price of these books ranges from $2.50 to $3.50 and these editions are complete and are printed from the plates of the original high-priced editions.

Price now $1.00 per volume by mail. Add ten cents for postage.

By Prin. A. M. Fairbairn, D. D., LL. D.

THE PHILOSOPHY OF THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION

This is one of the most scholarly and successful defenses and examinations of the Christian belief and its basis. Principal Fairbairn's fame is justly founded upon the profundity of his thought, the wide range of his erudition and the bell-like clarity of his style. This is a book which should be in every ministerial library.

By Charles Loring Brace

GESTA CHRISTI: A History of Humane Progress Under Christianity

A book which has no equal in its discussion of the teaching of Jesus or the character and personnel of the members of the Apostolic group. While on many other subjects connected with the life of Christ new books have become standards, this book remains the authority in its own field.

Rev. John Ker, D. D.

LECTURES ON THE HISTORY OF PREACHING:
With Introduction by Rev. Wm. M. Taylor

While not in the strictest sense of the word a volume on homiletics, this is nevertheless one of the greatest and best recognized books in this realm. It has long served as a guide to all who wished to make any acquaintance with the theory or the history of the practice of preaching. In every sense of the word classic, not alone for the student, but for the seasoned preacher himself.

By Canon F. W. Farrar

THE LIFE OF CHRIST AS REPRESENTED IN ART

This may fairly be called a by-product of the author's monumental Life of Christ. It is a complete survey in his matchless prose of the whole subject of art in its relation to Christianity.

By Alexander Maclaren, D. D.

PULPIT PRAYERS

One of Dr. Maclaren's secrets of success was in the pains and reverent care he took to prepare his people for the message of his sermon—a care extending to hymns, the Scripture and the minor parts of the service, and especially to the prayer which preceded the sermon. They are alike inspirational in contents and models in manner.

By Prin. George Adam Smith, D. D.

THE LIFE OF HENRY DRUMMOND

This is one of the greatest of religious biographies, for it is not only the story of a career alike distinguished for deep piety and a singular brilliance of achievement, but it is written by one himself a considerable figure in the movements associated with Drummond's name, and a close and lifelong friend. It touches with deep insight the movements with which Drummond's name will ever be associated.

By J. deQuincey Donehoo

THE APOCRYPHAL AND LEGENDARY LIFE OF CHRIST

Mr. Donehoo has gathered together with incredibly painstaking care all the legendary and apocryphal material concerning the life of Christ, scattered as it is through a countless number of volumes, most of which are rare and inaccessible to the average reader or student. While of course apocryphal, this collection is of immense aid to the student of doctrine as showing the place Christ came to hold in the early belief and worship of the Church.

By John P. Jones

INDIA: ITS LIFE AND THOUGHT

Mr. Jones, through many years' residence in India, has come to a knowledge of India which, coupled with his sympathetic insight into the native character, has enabled him to write what is perhaps the most comprehensive single sketch of India yet written.

By Prof. A. B. Bruce, D. D.

THE TRAINING OF THE TWELVE

An apologetic for the Christian faith which now as in the day it was written remains unanswerable. What Buckle did in his "History of Civilization" from the standpoint of materialism, has been done in this book from the standpoint of belief. It is in every way a notable book, alike from the standpoint of Christian apologetics and from the standpoint of history. It is the kind of book which belongs in every library, and because written always with a human interest, it is in the best sense popular.

THE MIRACULOUS ELEMENT IN THE GOSPELS

Professor Bruce was one of the most literal-minded of the evangelical school to which he belonged. It is a tribute to the scholar's profundity of thought and his grip of the heart of his subject that he was able to anticipate the line of attack on the supernatural so that his book still remains the ablest defense of the miracles extant. He has been followed but never supplanted.

THE PARABOLIC TEACHING OF CHRIST

The parables, admittedly one of the most important and one of the most difficult aspects of Christ's teaching, have here been treated in a manner characterized by sanity and scholarly insight. From the first this book took rank as among the ablest expositions of the parables, as well as one of the best books in English on the teaching of Jesus.

THE HUMILIATION OF CHRIST
In Its Physical, Ethical and Official Aspects

The whole theme of Dr. Bruce's work is to show that the cross is as completely the central point in the life of Christ in the light of which the whole incarnation must be understood as is the atonement in the doctrine of Christianity. It remains in a place alone as a statement of the doctrines of the incarnation and the atonement.

SEND YOUR ORDERS TO

Board of Publication

Greensboro, N. C.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, May 6, 1 | Number 18

Reading Room Trinity College

Let Something Good Be Said

When over the fair fame of friend or foe
The shadow of disgrace shall fall; instead
Of words of blame, or proof of thus and so,
Let something good be said.

Forget not that no fellow-being yet
May fall so low but love may lift his head:
Even the cheek of shame with tears is wet,
If something good be said.

No generous heart may vainly turn aside
In ways of sympathy; no soul so dead
But may awaken strong and glorified,
If something good be said.

And so I charge ye, by the thorny crown,
And by the cross on which the Savior bled,
And by your own soul's hope of fair renown,
Let something good be said!

—*James Whitcomb Riley*

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

LOOK UP THE ORDER BLANK

On page 11 the subscriber will find a blank form to cut out and send with renewal. We are thankful to those who have responded. We are anxiously looking for yours. Do not wait to see your pastor, but pin check or money order to the blank and mail today. The matter is urgent.

EDITORIAL LETTER

About all I have had time to think or write about for two weeks has been District Conferences and "occasions." The next two months or more will be very taxing in this respect and I hope Advocate readers will be considerate and forbearing. With commencements, District Conferences and so on through the whole program of special occasions one finds it difficult to fill space if he can not be allowed to tell of these things.

Then, thank goodness, many readers want to hear of such things, and the account of them stimulates interest in the great work of education and evangelization. So these "occasions" and the amount of space taken up with them may not be entirely an unmixed evil.

Mount Airy District Conference

The Mount Airy District is quite different in its geographical limitations from what it was some years ago. It is now composed of the charges in Surry, Stokes and Yadkin, together with portions of Forsyth, Rockingham and Guilford. While the district is classed among the smaller ones, yet there is ample territory for a very strong district when the country reaches a little higher degree of development. This is slowly but surely coming. There is a feeling among some of our conference leaders that this district should be absorbed, but this sentiment has little or no sympathy among those who know the territory covered by the Mount Airy and North Wilkesboro Districts. Having taken the step which divided the old Mount Airy District some years ago, the arrangement should not be molested at least till after the Elkin and Alleghany Railroad pierces the Blue Ridge, which it now seems it will at no very distant period.

I started, however, to tell something of the very interesting session of the Mount Airy District Conference which was held at Stokesdale on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of last week, closing up with the usual Sunday services. I regret that other demands upon my time made it impossible for me to spend more than one day with the brethren. The conference convened on Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. H. C. Sprinkle, the presiding elder, presided throughout and Rev. W. M. Wall, a local preacher of the Mount Airy charge, had charge of the records. When I arrived on Friday morning, the Conference had just convened for the day, after a very uplifting prayer and love feast service which began at 7:30. The atmosphere seemed charged with the spiritual influence generated no doubt in that very happy morning service. There had been no inconvenience occasioned by meeting at so early an hour, for the presiding elder had requested before hand that all who felt so inclined should join him in a fast for the morning hour. This should be a pointer for any who may be thinking how we may make our District Conferences more profitable.

Friday was not only a full day, but a great day. All the pastors of the district except one were present. The attendance of lay delegates was not full, but perhaps fully up to the average for such occasions.

In addition to the routine work, of which much was disposed of on Friday morning. There were addresses by Rev. W. A. Lambeth on the Sunday school work; Rev. Dr. F. N. Parker, of Trinity College, on our educational work in general, with special reference to the discovery and training of the men among us whom God is calling to the work of the ministry. It is not too much to say that Dr. Parker is making a great impression for good by his visits and addresses in these Conferences. Rev. J. W. Jones spoke with interest on the Church Insurance Asscoiation.

Mrs. Frank Siler, Dean of Greensboro College for Women, was a much appreciated visitor and was heard with much interest by the Conference as she spoke of the vital importance of the work being done for the education and training of our young women for their life work. Self-possessed, and with a simple yet powerful magnetism, Mrs. Siler does not fail to rivet the attention of all. Not only our great college but our whole Conference is to be congratulated on the fact that Mrs. Siler has consented to give her ripe experience and strong personality to the work of training young women in North Carolina, as for so many years she gave them to a similar work in the old Wesleyan at Macon, Ga. Our people here in North Carolina scarcely realize the value of the work of this good woman.

At eleven o'clock Rev. J. A. J. Farrington preached a strong and vigorous sermon on the Great Commission.

The afternoon was taken up largely by the laymen in a sort of round table and efficiency conference, led by Mr. W. R. Lynch, of Spray, the Lay Leader for the District. Brother Lynch had his program well mapped out and there were several very interesting addresses, especially one by Hon. A. D. Ivie, of Leaksville, on the subject of Lay Evangelism.

In this Conference the circulation of the Advocate in particular and of religious literature in general, was given thorough discussion, and we confidently expect good results. A few conferences like this on the matter of circulating the Advocate will surely awaken the people and yield large results.

Rev. Frank Siler was of course on hand and alert to every opportunity for promoting our missionary work. Rev. W. H. Willis, the chairman of our Conference Board of Missions, is a member of this Conference, and was on hand to help shake up the drowsy ones on the subject of missions.

The presiding elder is a novice, but does not act like one. After being with him through this one day of his first Conference I still underwrite for Sprinkle as I always have since the day that I discovered him in the nineties. May God continue to bless his labors and keep him in possession of that great common sense for which he is distinguished. From all parts of the district come good reports.

Rev. T. J. Folger, the pastor, and his good people of Stokesdale, gave the Conference cordial hospitality.

The Secretary, Rev. W. M. Wall, promised a full report of the doings of this Conference, which the reader will find printed elsewhere.

Cornerstone Laying and Dedication at Franklinville

There is perhaps no more picturesque scenery in the lower piedmont section than that to be found on Deep River in Randolph county, beginning in the vicinity of Randleman and continuing all the way to where the river blends its waters with the Haw in Chatham county. Rugged cliffs hang out their huge boulders here and there on both sides of the river, and the serpentine bed is lined with everlasting granite ribs over which the beautiful waters plunge their foam-crested waves, making music for the gods. At this season the charm of budding tree and blooming wild flower, blended with the seraphic music of the American Nightingale sounding out from wooded dell, is too much for a pen like this. One must sit in the quiet evening hour or in the early morn and listen to it all if he would form any conception of what it is. I have wondered many a time why anyone who has enjoyed such sights and sounds would ever want to leave the Old North State.

This stream is literally lined with cotton manufacturing plants. Beginning with the Oakdale Mill, near Jamestown, there are perhaps not less than one dozen cotton mills on this stream. Yet no single one of these plants is large enough to make serious or extremely difficult social problems. Among these is Franklinville, where there are two mills which together support a population of 1000 or 1200 people. The homes are built on the hills and bluffs overlooking the stream and the whole town is a bower of natural beauty. Great oaks and other forest trees shade the grounds and most of the homes are owned by the people who occupy them.

The people are happy and content. There are no problems to worry and vex, and a casual visitor would say that the whole town seems like one happy family. Some of the help now doing service in these mills have been there more than fifty years and do not think of going elsewhere or looking for a better place.

True, the ideal conditions prevailing now have not always been here. They had their share of the trouble which liquor formerly caused in all such communities. Now, however, under our prohibition law, this evil has been reduced to the minimum and, apparently without effort, the whole community stands together for the things that make for righteousness.

The chief factor in bringing about this ideal state of things is the attitude of the man who for several years, has been at the head of these manufacturing enterprises, and who, for some seven or eight years, has taken a pronounced stand in the matter of religion and morals and has thoroughly identified himself with Sunday school and church work. I have not found any one in all my rounds more assuredly entitled to be classed as a live-wire in the Sunday school than Mr. Hugh Parks, the man at the head of these mills.

With his awakened interest in religion some years ago began a desire for a suitable place in which to carry on the work of church and Sunday school, and, with the co-operation of other loyal leaders and co-workers, he set about securing plans and means to build, resulting in the erection of the best house of worship in Randolph county. It was, from the first, a labor of love. The people rallied and joined heartily in the movement with Mr. Parks, and the result is a model working plant for the Sunday school as well as one of the best church auditoriums to be found anywhere.

Altogether, this building and furnishing combined have cost about $7,000.00 and Mr. Parks says that the people did not allow him to make it a one-man enterprise.

It was to make the address at the cornerstone laying of this splendid new church on Saturday afternoon and participate in the dedicatory services on Sunday that I went to Franklinville on Saturday morning. By some means the congregation had been prevented from laying the cornerstone at the beginning of the enterprise, so they left the niche in the wall for inserting the slab, and both ceremonies were held on the same occasion.

It was a delight to speak to the large crowd gathered for the ceremony on Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Rev. T. J. Rogers, the pastor, had been called away unexpectedly on Thursday by a telegram informing him of the illness of his son at Lincolnton. It was a disappointment that he could not be present. But Rev. W. R. Ware, presiding elder of the Salisbury district, who had been invited to preach the dedicatory sermon on Sunday, was present and took part in the ceremonies. The speaker discussed "What the church is, what it stands upon and what it stands for," the people listening with evident interest.

On Sunday morning we had the pleasure of looking in upon this church in action in the Sunday school. There are seventeen classes making up a total of some 250, besides the Home Department and the Cradle Roll. Everything moved like clock work. The Sunday

school annex is in the form of a semi-circle and is two stories. The graded system is used and is working well. Brother Parks says that the children, especially, are delighted with the graded lessons.

We noted that the children were also in the congregation for the preaching service more largely than we usually see. We predict that the Franklinville Sunday school and the superintendent are destined to be classed among the most progressive at no distant day. It is inspiring to see how this superintendent and his corps of teachers and co-workers are in love with their work. Indeed, the Franklinville church is one that is answering the demands for a community center.

Brother Rogers returned on Saturday evening, leaving his son much improved. At eleven o'clock Sunday a great congregation had assembled for the dedication and the pastor had charge. Rev. W. R. Ware, who had been intimately associated with the church as presiding elder when the enterprise was projected, by special invitation, preached the dedicatory sermon. It was a great sermon—one in which the love of Christ for a lost world was magnified. The text was Eph. 2:4-7. The preacher "had liberty" and the congregation was profoundly impressed.

There was no debt on the church and the officers had nothing to do but present the house for dedication. Brother Hugh Parks, standing with the other officers of the church, presented it, and Rev. W. R. Ware read the beautiful sentence of dedication. Thus ended a glorious occasion on one of the most beautiful Sabbath days that ever dawned upon the world.

There are many things I would like to write about, how cordial and appreciative the people, how they greeted us and shook hands with each other at the close of the service, etc., but space is full, and some may not be able to appreciate so much about this which was so full of meaning to this one community. So I forbear.

I had hospitable entertainment in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Grimes, Mr. and Mrs. Parks and Prof. and Mrs. Weatherly. I shall not forget the kindness of these good people, and will want to go again. H. M. B.

DEATH OF MRS. G. H. CHRISTENBERRY

On Wednesday morning of last week the sad news of the death of Mrs. Mattie Jordan Christenberry, wife of the pastor of our church at Randelman, was sent out from that place. Mrs. Christenberry passed away at a sanitarium in Morganton on Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock.

Mrs. Christenberry had been in declining health for several months past. Some weeks ago she was carried away for treatment, with the fond hope that the change, new environments, and special medical attention would restore her. Her condition grew worse, however, a few days ago, and it was seen that the end was near.

Great sympathy is felt throughout the Conference as well as in Randleman for the bereaved husband and two sons.

Mrs. Christenberry was born January 22, 1874. Before marriage she was Miss Mattie Jordan, of Huntersville. She is survived by her husband and two sons, Leesler and Charles. Her mother is also still living at the old hame at Huntersville, to which place Mrs. Christenberry's body was carried for burial.

The Randleman correspondent, giving an account of her death says: "When condition of health permitted she actively identified herself with all movements for good in the town; loved the Sunday school and was a faithful worker in this and the Ladies' Aid Society. She was also vice-president of the Woman's Betterment Association. She was a splendid type of Christian womanhood. Her passing has taken from the home a devoted wife and mother and from the town and community a greatly beloved woman.

I Am Glad

I am glad I have lived to see the word "tobacco" printed in our Discipline. I am glad that the Presbyterian Standard and the N. C. Christian Advocate have spoken out so plainly. See Advocate, April 22.

Greensboro, N. C. A. D. Betts.

NOTE AND COMMENT

Our State Health Bulletin for April tells an interesting story concerning a certain delegation which went from a certain state to Washington to secure financial aid to help control the ravages of tuberculosis in their state. They were promptly informed that there were no funds available for this purpose. Soon after this an epidemic of hog cholera broke out in the same state. Upon receipt of information by the government authorities, a special car was equipped and dispatched forthwith regardless of expense. Senator Root, in speaking of this said, "If you want to get anything from Washington, be a hog."

* * * *

Current Events Remarks that the scientifically superstitious suspect some connection between sunspots and troubled times on the earth, and that these suspicions will be strengthened by the fact that the spots on the orb of day are more numerous just now than they have been in many years. In a single day last week no less than twenty-five sunspots were counted by the observers at the Christian Brothers College at St. Louis, Mo. The spots are supposed to be holes or cavities in the sun's blazing envelope of gas, caused by terrific storms or explosions. The holes are so vast that it requires weeks or months to fill again with gas and reach white heat, and it is thought that the spots are somewhat cooler than the surrounding surface. It has long been observed that there is not only some connection between the sunspots and electric storms on the earth, but they also seem to affect the working of the wireless telegraph, the apparatus of which has not been working at its best for the last two weeks.

* * * *

From Monday's Press Reports the German submarine seems to be spectacularly on its job. On Saturday last the American oil tank steamer Gulflight, which sailed from Port Arthur, Texas, April 10, to Rouen, France, was torpedoed off the Scilly Islands, the captain of the vessel dying of heart failure as a result of the shock. Two seamen jumped overboard and were drowned while other members of the crew were taken off by a patrol boat, after which the vessel was towed into Crow Sound and beached. It was said when the incident was reported at Washington "it created a stir." If these reports are borne out, the attack on the Gulflight constitutes the first case of an American ship struck by a torpedo with the consequent loss of lives. Two have been struck by mines, the responsibility for which never has been fixed, and an American, Leon C. Thresher, was drowned when the British ship Falaba was torpedoed.

It may be recalled that in the note sent to Germany in answer to that nation's proclamation of a sea war zone the Washington Government stated that it would hold Germany "to a strict accountability" for he loss of any American lives or vessels. The couerse of the United States in the case of the Gulflight is not likely to be determined for several days as some time probably will be required to get the facts. The possibility of any action other than a demand for damages is considered remote because of the belief of officials that the attcak on the Gulflight probably will be found to have been accidental.

* * * *

A Document Recently Issued by a governor of a certain Southern state contains several suggestive phrases, among which are the following:

"All those who desire a Christian citizenship of our state should unite in the hearty support of every movement which makes for character and Christianity.

"The Sunday school has something for every life and all of life.

"Therefore, I, James B. McCreary, Govornor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, call upon all Kentuckians and the visitors within our borders to attend Sunday school in the church of their choice on April 25, 1915, that they may give encouragement and honor to those who teach in these schools, that they may see the work which is being done, and that they may in their service worship their God."

On the 12, 13, and 14 of this Month there will be held in Cleveland, Ohio, a World Court Congress. Ex-President Taft, Judge Parker, John Hays Hammond, and many other distinguished statesmen and publicists, will be present and take part in the deliberations. In respect to this meeting the New York Indepent remarks: "The Judicial Arbitration Court was created by the Second Hague Conference. Its constitution and method of procedure have all been agreed upon by the nations—all except the detail of the method of apportioning fifteen judges among forty-five nations. We hope that Elihu Root, James Brown Scott, and others are right when they believe the time is now ripe—even before the war ends—for establishing this court. But let the Conference remember that the most important thing about a court is its jurisdiction, not the method of electing judges, or their quality, and that any scheme is likely to provoke opposition that puts the judicial power exclusively in the hands of the big powers, as was proposed by the United States at The Hague and later by Secretary Knox."

* * * *

The Southern Sociological Congress will hold its fourth annual session in Houston, Texas, May 8-11. The purpose of the Congress is to study and improve social, civic and economic conditions in the South. Though only three years old the Congress already has a membership of sixteen hundred and eighty-seven. This year all the reports and addresses will center about one subject: health. There will be fifty or more speakers, most of them specialists on some phase of public health. Among the noted speakers will be Dr. George W. Truett, Dr. W. D. Weatherford, Bishop Wilbur P. Thirkield, and Senator Robert L. Owen. A contemporary remarking on this Congress says: "One can but see the need of such a health crusade in the South when he considers that there are six hundred thousand preventable diseases every year in the United States; that a preventable disease is the greatest destroyer of values in America; that the prevention of four diseases would make the South the most prosperous country in the world; that the unpardonable sin of civilization is the death of children; and that two hundred and fifty thousand infants under one year of age died in the United Statest last year."

* * * *

The Press Despatches Carried an interesting item last Sunday to the effect that the Board of Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church in session in Des Moines, Iowa, has accepted the overture of church unity made by the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. The resolution of acceptance was adopted by a unanimous rising vote. The formal response to the overture must be made by the General Conference, the bishops stated in the announcement of their action. In their resolution the bishops say they are prompted to make the following declaration: "We are convinced of the essential unity of the two great Methodisms in doctrine and in life and that their essential unity must in due season express itself in outward and organic forms; without presuming to pronounce on the terms of the union, we declare ourselves earnestly in favor of the organic union of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, the Methodist Episcopal Church, and such other Methodist bodies as may share our common faith and experience. Moreover, we declare ourselves in favor of such a union on terms that shall provide an ample and brotherly protection for any minority."

Greensboro District Conference

The Greensboro District Conference will be held at Asheboro July 13-15. The Conference will convene on Tuesday, July 13 at 10 o'clock and close Thursday, July 15th.

J. H. Weaver, P. E.

Burkhead, Winston.—The Daily Sentinel on Monday had this item: Since the last session of the Western North Carolina M. E. Conference, Rev. W. L. Hutchins, pastor, has added 86 members to Burkhead Institutional church. Fourteen of these were received at the service Sunday morning.

CONTRIBUTIONS

THE TITHE

(Rev. Romulus Morrison Little, the author of this poem on "The Tithe," was born in Lenoir, N. C., Dec. 1, 1842; died Feb. 20, 1904, Staunton, Va. He was captain of Company F 26th Reg. N. C. Troops, and led that company at Gettysburg, in which 88 or 91 men were either killed or wounded. After the war he entered the ministry of the Presbyterian church. He was a cousin of Revs. D. H. and R. G. Tuttle.—Editor.)

(Matt. 23:23; Luke 11:42)

The Scribes and Pharisees tithed mint,
All herbs, the Scriptures saith,
But set their faces, like a flint,
'Gainst judgment, love and faith;
Judgment, said Christ, and faith, and love
Must none neglect—not one,
While tithing it does now behoove
Should not be left undone.

(Hebrews 7:8)

On earth, Aaronic priests—but men!
Who died as others do,
As God's appointed agents then
Received tithe—revenue;
So Christ, our great High Priest, the One
Who liveth evermore,
Now, tithes receiveth on His throne,
As Levi did before.

(1 Cor. 9:13, 14)

In Hebrew times, the minister,
Who at the altar stood,
Ate of the tithe, from year to year,
That Israel brought to God;
And even so the Lord ordains
His wants shall be supplied,
Who as Ambassador proclaims
Christ and Him crucified.

(Ex. 23:15. Mark 12:42)

None empty came in Israel's day
To appear before their God
And in His holy temple pray,
Lest they should feel the rod:
With mites the widow came, and they
Her living, says the Word;
So now, the poorest one must pay
The tithe, and trust the Lord.

(Gen. 14:20. Deut. 14:22, 23)

Tithe well the heaps of golden grain,
The snow-white fleecy flock,
The browsing herd upon the plain,
The ripened corn in shock;
The yield from busy housewife's cares,
The butter of the kine,
The feathered tribes, and such-like wares,
The porkers of the swine.

(Gen. 28:22. :2 Chron. 31:5)

Tithe, too, the income from the trade,
The merchant's nice per cent.,
The banker's gains, and from the spade
The gain must yield the tenth;
The income great, the income small
Should give a willing tenth;
For God, who giveth life and all,
Lays claim to that extent.

(Mal. 3:8, 9. 1 Cor. 16:2)

Bring all a one-tenth part, at least,
From orchard, house and farm,
Profession, trade, and business, lest
Withholding bring you harm;
For he robs God, says Malachi,
Who would keep back His part,
Robs God! 'twere better starve and die,
Than thus corrupt the heart,
Than thus defraud the Lord on high,
And hear Him say, "Depart."

"OUR GOD IS MARCHING ON"

By Allan Sutherland

The people of our nation scarcely realize the vast strides which the temperance cause has been making in recent years under the able leadership of the Anti-Saloon League of America. So successful has this leadership been, that national constitutional prohibition by 1920 is now almost a certainty. To this end many prayers are being offered and many forces of righteousness are being directed.

Prior to September 1st, 1914, the prohibition states were Maine, Kansas, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Tennessee, North Dakota and West Virginia; and since that time prohibition sentiment has been rapidly developed and widely promulgated, as the following interesting facts will show: Between September 1st, 1914, and January 1st, 1915, five states adopted state-wide constitutional prohibition, to become effective as follows: Arizona, January 1st, 1915; Virginia, November 1st, 1916, and Colorado, Oregon and Washington, January 1st, 1916. The prohibition states have more than doubled in six months. Since January 1st, 1915, Alabama, Arkansas, Iowa and Idaho, have passed prohibition laws. Montana and South Carolina have voted through their legislatures to submit to the people the question of prohibition; Utah will vote on constitutional prohibition, and South Dakota is also to vote on the same question. The New Jersey senate voted to give municipalities the right to vote on the liquor question, but the bill was lost in the house. An anti-saloon measure is being vigorously pressed in Pennsylvania, and should this fight, which is being so ably led by the chief executive of this state, Governor Brumbaugh, be successful, it will be a crowning triumph for the splendid forces that are strugglinb so heroically for righteousness and clean living.

It is confidently expected that the great Anti-Saloon League Convention to be held in Atlantic City, New Jersey, July 6th-9th, will give a mighty impulse to the advancement of nation-wide prohibition. The most cheering reports are being received from prominent leaders, speakers, and others who are interested, which indicate that this Convention will exercise a powerful influence in moulding popular opinion and in creating a far-reaching sentiment against the saloon.

Far and wide people are being aroused to the fact that the local option question embraces a great fundamental and highly valued privilege —the right of local self government, under which those living in a political unit may determine such problems for themselves. The battle now being so vigorously fought is to defend human rights against vested whiskey interests and entrenched wrong; to emancipate our land from the curse of strong drink; and to overthrow men in power who would sell themselves, their party, and their dearest interests, to the liquor cause. The campaign is rapidly developing into an aggressive one; it is no longer satisfied to be eternally on the defensive. More and more men are aligning themselves on one side or the other—for or against the rum traffic. It is dawning upon our people as never before, that intemperance is responsible for not less than 50 per cent. of our insane, 60 per cent. of our paupers, and 70 per cent. of our criminals; that the annual drink bill of the United States would build six Panama canals, which cost $375,000,000, and would enable the government to construct fifteen battleships with what remained. More than 95 per cent. more accidents occur to workingmen who indulge in drink than to those who do not; and yet our government legalizes saloons to tempt men from sobriety, and from paths of physical and spiritual safety, ultimately to fill untimely and dishonored graves.

A significant fact is that the Temperance Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church recently addressed inquiries to the 2,160 daily newspapers of the United States, concerning their attitude on liquor advertising. Replies were received from 679, and from them it was learned that of this number 520, over three-quarters, refuse liquor advertisements of all kinds. These papers make powerful allies against the saloon interests, and this report is a fine showing in favor of the temperance cause. It is another heartening indication of the ultimate overthrow of the saloon.

Men are at last learning that it is criminally foolish to license a traffic that breeds idiots, paupers and criminals to be supported by industrious people; a traffic which greatly increases taxes by creating the necessity for jails, almshouses, reformatories, orphanages and police and criminal courts, and which is always and everywhere known to be the enemy of everything sacred to God and man. It scarcely seems possible that our country should debar criminal classes from landing on our shores as being "undesirable citizens," and yet license 25,100 saloonkeepers to manufacture similar products out of the very flower of your manhood and womanhood.

We rejoice in the hope and belief that such a condition cannot much longer exist among an enlightened people. "God's in his heaven: all's well with the world."

"He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never call retreat;
He is sifting out the hearts of men before His judgment seat;
O, be swift, my soul, to answer Him, be jubilant my feet!
Our God is marching on!"

RELIGIOUS NEWSPAPERS

By Thomas Kane

In the latter part of 1914 I noticed a brief statement in a religious newspaper that the present deficit of the ten official Advocates of the Methodist Church amounted to over $114,000. Surprised at the amount, I wrote to the editor asking if there was not some mistake in the figures. He replied that there was not and added that he understood the deficit was growing larger every year. This deficit has accrued during the three years since the last General Conference in 1912. It will, of course, be much larger at the next Conference in 1916. Present estimates are from $150,000 to $175,000. (This is written in Feb., 1915.)

The report at the last Conference, 1912, shows a deficit for the four years 1908-9-10 and 11 of $30,339.11 an average of a little more than $7,500 a year. During the time this deficit accrued the subscription price of nine of the official Advocates was $1.50. The General Conference of 1912 ordered the price of all these reduced to $1 per annum, which was probably less than one-half the cost of production. In order to lessen the prospective greater loss, the number of pages was reduced about one-fourth.

Some ten or twelve years ago the Presbyterian General Assembly decided that it needed an official organ and started or adopted, I am not sure which, "The Assembly Herald." That church has eight or nine Boards, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, etc. The arrangement was to publish a monthly magazine of a certain size in which each board was to have a definite number of pages. If any board desired more space in any number than its allotment, it could have it at a stipulated price and the magazine was enlarged to that extent for that one issue.

For some years before the establishment of the Assembly Herald the Board of Foreign Missions had been publishing a Foreign Missionary Magazine which was financially self-supporting. This was strangled, and the Foreign Board was directed to occupy its alloted space in the Magazine instead. The Assembly fixed the subscription price at 50 cents for single subscribers, 25 cents in clubs of ten or more. The price actually realized was a trifle over 25 cents for each subscriber.

The annual report of the Assembly Herald to the General Assembly of 1914 shows as follows:

Number of subscribers, 52,426.	
Receipts from subscribers	$13,135.60
Receipts from advertisements	10,580.57
Receipts from excess space	6,760.24
Interest and discounts	128.27
Deficit for the year	2,169.27
Total business for the year	$32,773.95

That reported deficit of $2,169.27 is misleading. To get the real deficit the $6,760.24 charged for extra space must be added; making the deficit $8,829.51. The extra space was paid for by the Boards which used it, and of course, the money was originally contributed by the churches direct to the Boards for other purposes.

Analyzing the other side of the statement, items which business men call "overhead" charges, such as salary, commissions, rent and other expenses amount to $18,794.79, while only $13,979.16 was spent for material, which includes the four items of paper, printing, illustrations and wrappers.

In other words it cost nearly $19,000 to get not quite $14,000 worth of Assembly Heralds into subscribers hands, and in order to do this a deficit was contracted of nearly $9,000.

The statement in the report that the subscription price of 25 cents a year "does not nearly pay the cost of production" of the Herald needs no proof. The most cursory examination of the magazine shows that it must be true. So far as number of pages, paper, printing and subject matter is concerned, $1 a year would be cheap.

This article is not written, however, for the purpose of calling attention to these deficits, nor to the mistaken business judgment which produces them. These are unimportant compared with the harm such methods do in another direction. The deeper harm, yes, the unpardonable wrong lies in the fact that every intelligent Methodist subscriber to one of these Advocates, and every intelligent Presbyterian subscriber to the Assembly Herald knows that the highest official body in his church is urging him to purchase an article which he knows and they know is costing somebody more than double the price he is asked to pay for it.

It is the same ages old story of cheapening everything connected with religion. We have grown so accustomed to financial favors to ministers simply because they are ministers, that they cease to impress us. It has been only a few years since ministers and children were classed together by the railroads and both were carried at half fare. It is not unusual to see advertisements by clothing merchants "— per cent. discount to the clergy."

It is to the credit of the Interstate Commerce Commission that it compelled the railroads to class ministers with adults and not with children. Before that decision it was not uncommon to hear the excuses for paying a bare living, or less than a living salary to ministers: "Oh, he can ride on he railroads at half-price," or "he can buy what he needs cheaper than other people because he is a preacher," or "doctors don't charge preachers anything."

The harm in cheapening church periodicals below a decent profit on the cost of production lies in the fact that no matter what the motive may be, it perpetuates the atmosphere of mendicancy that seems to surround everything connected with or bearing the name of religion. It tends to make mendicants, or at least semi-mendicants of the laity. That the loss is made up in one case by the Book Concern and in the other by the Mission and Benevolent Boards of the church is no just excuse. It fosters and encourages mendicancy in the subscribers just the same.

Every subscriber to one of these subsidized papers or to the magazine referred to, and every intelligent visitor at his home who sees one of them knows that the highest courts in the Presbyterian and Methodist churches have decreed that every man or woman who subscribes for the official church periodical shall have them at less than half what it costs to produce them. The same courts have also decided that the consequent financial loss shall be liquidated out of money paid by members of the church for other purposes.

We are all familiar with the arguments in favor of less than cost prices for religious newspapers. A common one is that many of the people are poor and cannot afford to pay more. Every pastor knows that at least nine of every ten subscribers to a church paper are able to pay $2.50 a year, 5 cents a week, for a good religious newspaper. That they will not do it, that they will not pay the difference of three cents a week, is due to some other cause than poverty. It is doubtless due in large measure to their training that about everything else connected with religion should be furnished at bargain counter prices, and they do not see why religious newspapers should be an exception. From any standpoint, however, it is wrong to furnish nine people with an article of value at less than half its cost because of one who feels that he cannot afford to pay more. Besides, it is neither good business nor good Christianity to continue furnishing an article of value at half its cost when the inevitable result of such business is to cheapen religion, divert funds from their intended purposes and encourage mendicancy.

Evanston, Ill.

HOW TO SELECT A MISSIONARY COMMITTEE

C. F. Reid

Many a pastor confronted with this proposition has looked over his congregation and well nigh or even quite given up in despair. All the capable men of his church have been absorbed in business or are indifferent to the cause of missions. Doubtless, this indifference has been more apparent than real. When properly approached, seemingly uninterested men often respond in a way quite surprising.

When a pastor contemplates organizing a missionary committee, I think he should first have a clear cut idea of the use he wishes to make of it. If he simply wishes it to help him more easily secure the conference and general assessments, then almost any set of men he can enthuse with a little church pride or personal loyalty to himself will do, but no set of men can long be held together with so inadequate an objective. If, however, he desires to surround himself with a company of men to whom he can impart his own zeal and ambition to make his church thoroughly missionary in spirit, with Christlike vision and purpose, then he will need to apply himself to the work with much earnest thought and prayer.

Few men do all they plan for, but certainly none do anything effectively for which there is not a well thought out method.

I believe that somewhere in the Word of God there is a plan, either specifically stated or personally illustrated, for doing almost everything needing to be done in building up or extending the Kingdom of God. For the particular work under discussion, we have the most illustrious example.

Jesus wanted for the world what every pastor should want for his church and community, namely, a medium through which to express himself and impress his message. So we find that when he stepped across the threshold of his ministry his first concern was to gather to himself a band of men to whom he could more intimately reveal himself, whose hearts, in a measure, he could inspire with his own passion and whose hands he could set to the task of winning a world.

His method of selection was very natural and human. One here, two there, out of the common avocations of life he calls them first to intimate comradeship; then when he has won their confidence and devotion, he begins to teach them. On the mountain, by the sea, in private and public, he teaches them, prays with them and by oft repeated example, illustrates to them the principles of his message.

These men whom he first called to companionship, then to discipleship, and finally to apostleship, were not specially bright nor, from a human standpoint, in any extraordinary way fitted for the work in view. Yet, with untiring patience he worked with them and at last through them established his kingdom on earth and sent his gospel of salvation down through a thousand generations.

Conditions change, but principles abide. No one expects a twentieth century pastor to go to the seaside or the by-paths of life to select his missionary committee, but he can find a man who, if he were interested, would in his judgment make a good lay leader and then draw him into close companionship and gradually unfold to him the need of his help, the need of the church and the world for his service, and when one has been so selected, with his help another can be won to the same comradeship, then by the aid of the two another can be found, and so on, until the number shall be complete. A missionary committee selected after this fashion will be bound together by mutual prayer and close Christian fellowship, so that it can be depended upon to act as a unit. After the pastor has thus chosen his men, he will have them elected as required by the Discipline. He can then advance them to discipleship and begin training them for effective service.

For this work he will need helpful books. I would recommend three, namely, "Over Against the Treasury," price ten cents; "The Call of the World," price twenty-five cents; "The New Era in Asia," price in paper forty cents, in cloth sixty cents. All these books can be ordered from Smith & Lamar. They are alive with interest and at once catch and hold attention. Read one or all these books with the committee, discussing with them parts that are specially attractive. Many of the facts they contain are startling. To the average layman they are a revelation and cannot fail to excite interest in any man who has a spark of loyalty to Christ and his purpose in the world.

The method literature of the Laymen's Missionary Movement should be carefully studied —"A Financial Method for Methodists," "Lay Activities in the Local Church," and such leaflets as "The Annual Tug" and "The Every-Member Canvass."

A pastor surrounded by a dozen or even a half dozen men selected and trained after this manner is not only prepared to enlist his membership and develop a missionary spirit in his church; he is also prepared for any other work of God's Kingdom in the community of which his church is a part. He will cease to be the pack-horse of his church and become a real leader of men. The ability to win and train men for service is as worthy of cultivation as the ability to win them to accept Christ, for the man who accepts Christ and does not at once begin to serve, soon finds himself in what Mr. Wesley calls "the wilderness state," and will at last settle down into a fruitless, normal church member or slip back into the world from whence he came. "Every branch in me that beareth not fruit He taketh away." In selecting and training his committee as above indicated, the pastor will have trained himself in a very important part of the work of a successful officer in the army of Christ. Under his leadership, the missionary committee will be a dependable force for maintaining revival conditions, a tremendous power in special revival services, and for promoting personal evangelism—a work sadly lacking in all our churches.

But, says one, "training a committee after this fashion means a lot of work and trouble. "You are right, my brother, everything worth while is expensive.

"God gives no guerdon unto man
Unmatched by mead of labor,
And cost of worth has ever been
The closest neighbor.
All common good has common price—
Exceeding good—exceeding.
Christ bought the keys of Paradise
By cruel bleeding.

BILLY SUNDAY

By Rev. J. V. Williams

Yesterday I heard Billy Sunday at Paterson. Great! He is a hummer. Not more sensational than the late Sam Jones, but they did not know Jones in these parts.

His tabernacle seats about 8,000, and last night more than 10,000 attended. Many "hit the trail" as he calls it. Such a meeting leaves a lasting benefit in any place. God will have a people in Paterson now that the devil owned before. I don't believe in much of the stuff we hear in these days about the brotherhood of man. The devil's sort are not brothers to God's people. This wishy-washy religion that makes a man so broad that he travels in the broadway to hell is a fake. The people know it, and hence empty churches where it is handed out.

I decided last week at our Conference to take up the evangelistic work, or the revival work, as they once called it, was appointed associate pastor of Old John Street Methodist church, New York, but will give my time to evangelism. Will make a beginning at once in North Carolina. Raleigh will be my home when not holding meetings. Pray for me, brethren, and write me soon.

179 Marcy Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

It would do your heart much good to see how finely the work is progressing. Our native brethren are faithful to their duty. Reports of revivals are coming in from all parts of the district. Many new probationers and accessions to the church. We are making considerable advance in self-support. In our chapel outside the North Gate, we have had a meeting during which some ninety-odd persons enrolled their names as inquirers, and a good number are proving satisfactory and will join the church later. At two places in the country I have attended meetings and we had fine results.—J. L. Hendry, Huchow, China.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

District Conference Directory

Waynesville, at Franklin	May 25
Asheville	June 9-11
N. Wilkesboro, Elk Park	June 24-27
Greensboro, at Asheboro	July 13-15
Morganton, Gilky	July 15-18
Salisbury, at Kannapolis	July 20-21
Charlotte	July 20-23
Shelby, at Lowesville	July 27-29
Statesville, Broad Street	July 28-31

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. E. L. Kirk writes that he is very much pleased with the prospects for Methodism in Young's Cove, three miles east of Bakersville.

—Rev. W. R. Ware, presiding elder of the Salisbury District, will deliver the literary address before the graduating class at Catawba College, Newton, on Wednesday, May 26th.

—The ladies of Central church, Shelby, gave a linen shower on Monday evening of this week at the home of Mrs. J. D. Lineberger for the benefit of Brevard Institute.

—Spring Garden Street had a great day Sunday. The pastor received forty members as a result of the revival meeting which he recently conducted. A large congregation witnessed the reception service.

—A friend writing the editor from Watauga tells of a glorious revival recently closed at Henson's Chapel, on the Watauga circuit, resulting in about ninety professions. The whole church was wonderfully built up. Rev. W. M. Bagby is pastor of this church.

—Things are progressing at Central church, Concord. The attendance at prayer meeting last week was eighty, and the pastor says they are going on to the one hundred mark. Two weeks ago there were fourteen additions to the church.

—There were some errors in the list of appointments for Statesville District last week. We always regret for such errors to occur, and hope those concerned will look up the list as it appears corrected this week.

—A marriage of interest to Advocate readers was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Linker, of Concord, N. C.. R. F. D. No. 7., on April 25, when their daughter Nannie was united in marriage to Mr. Lee Hoke Barnhardt, of Mt. Pleasant, N. C. These young people are from prominent Methodist families and will live near Cold Springs church on the Mt. Pleasant circuit, Mr. Barnhardt being a prosperous young farmer of that section. The groom is a brother to Revs. J. H. and Z. E. Barnhardt of our Conference. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. T. Albright, pastor of the bride.

—The Salisbury correspondent of the daily press on Monday had this note: Rev. John W. Moore, pastor of the First Methodist church, this morning in one of the strongest sermons of his three and a half years here put up to his congregation the very great necessity of building at once a church that will accommodate the Sunday school and take care of the other departments, and he called a meeting for tomorrow night to put in motion a movement looking to the erection at once of a $60,000 house of worship. For two Sundays now a portion of the Sunday school has had to hold forth in a motion picture theater on account of lack of room at the church.

—The Monroe papers of last week brought the sad intelligence of the death of Mr. Henry B. Adams, a prominent attorney of that place and son of the late Rev. S. D. Adams, of the North Carolina Conference. Mr. Adams was a little more than 66 years old, and had been in declining health for several months. He was a member of Central church and the funeral was conducted from that church on Wednesday afternoon, death having occurred on Tuesday morning, April 27th. Some months ago he expressed to his family his unfaltering faith in God and the summon did not come to him as any surprise. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. J. C. Rowe ,the presiding elder, and the pastor, Rev. J. E. Abernethy. The deceased is survived by his wife and six children, all of whom were at his bedside at the last. The daughters are Mrs. W. C. Houston, of Concord; Mrs. W. J. Rudge and Miss Pat Adams, of Monroe; the sons, C. B. Adams, H. B. Adams, Jr., and Dr. Ray Adams. The Advocate joins in sincere sympathy for the bereaved family.

Table Rock Circuit.—We herein extend to all ex-pastors and neighboring ministers a cordial invitation to attend the re-opening of the Rose Hill church, Sunday May 13th. The program will be announced next week.

Elmer Simpson, Pastor.

From Conference Evangelist

Since our last repart I have held a meeting with Brother J. W. Combs at Hunter's Chapel on Ararat charge, resulting in much good; also one with Brother T. A. Groce at Laurel Hill, on Sulphur Springs charge, resulting in several professions, some accessions and a revival in the church. I then ran down home for a few days rest, and found a meeting in progress at Spring Garden, and that Brother W. O. Goode, the pastor, was not able to preach, and preached for him five times. There were about eighty professions there up to the time I left and the meeting still going on. I am now with Brother J. W. Hunter at Laurel on the Mars Hill charge.

W. L. Dawson.

To the Friends of Brevard Institute

Dear Friends:

I am glad to report the following rooms taken in Brevard Institute Dormitory, besides the one reported taken by Mrs. Fitch Taylor: A friend, $10.00; Mr. and Mrs. Huskin, $50.00; Mrs. H. A. Dunham, $50.00; Murphy Auxiliary, $50.00.

We still have six new rooms we would be glad to let our friends have.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Huskin, of Cliffside, used to be in the school, and we are delighted to know they appreciate the school and show their appreciation by sending us $50.00 to furnish one of the new rooms.

Thanking all these friends for what they have done, and hoping others will do likewise, I am, Yours in His service,

Mrs. F. H. E. Ross,
Treas. Brevard Institute.
Nashville, Tenn., Box 75.

Revival at Main Street Church, High Point

A few words about the recent revival at Main Street, High Point. The pastor returned from Conference and announced that he had spent two years looking after the financial interest of the church, and that this year would be spent in trying to build up the spiritual side of he church. So from the very beginning he got busy organizing our committees and preaching a long series of sermons on the various lines of revival work. This was carried along until April 11, when we began our special meeting. Rev. R. A. Taylor, pastor of our First St. church, Albemarle, came to us on Monday night. Brother Taylor took hold in his characteristic manner, to rout the devil and convert sinners. It took him only a few services to find out that we needed a revival, and he went in to his discourses to produce such conviction that would convince saint and sinner that something was needed. Brother Taylor is easily qualified for the revival work. He knows when to work, where to work and how to work. All in all, he is great in a revival. As an old colored man, who came out at night, expressed it: "Dat is a preaching white man, and dat is de greatest meeting I ever knowed the white folks to have in town." We had 85 professions and many of these were grown-up sinners. Thirty five have joined Main Street church. Some have joined the Baptist, some East End Methodist church. We had a great meeting and it must be said the success of the meeting was due largely to the powerful efforts of our pastor to prepare the people for it beforehand.

A Member.

Mount Airy District Conference

The Mount Airy District Conference convened in its twenty-eighth session in the Methodist church at Stokesdale, N. C., on Thursday afternoon, April 29, 1915, with the presiding elder of the district, Rev. H. C. Sprinkle, to direct the deliberations of this important gathering. And while Brother Sprinkle is serving his first year in this official capacity, he fills the place most acceptably, looking after the different phases of church work so carefully and minutely that one can hardly realize it is his first year as a sub-bishop.

From the opening session to the close, a deep spirituality seemed to prevail. All the pastors of the various charges in the district were present except Rev. R. L. Doggett, of Pilot Mountain circuit, who was detained at home on account of sickness. Owing to busy season with the farmers a small number of delegates was present.

Upon the whole, the reports from the different charges were fairly good and indicate that a faithful band of pastors is found in our district. And doubtless the reports to Annual Conference will be better than formerly.

Rev. Frank Siler, Missionary Secretary; Lee T. Mann, presiding elder of Statesville district, and representative of Davenport College; Rev. F. L. Townsend, of Greensboro circuit; Rev. J. W. Jones, of Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Company; Rev. W. A. Lambeth, Secretary of Sunday School Board; Dr. Parker, of Trinity College; Rev. H. M. Blair, editor of our Advocate, and Mrs. Frank Siler and Mrs. Dr. Woltz, District Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Society, were visitors to the conference, and added much to the occasion by their timely talks.

W. R. Lynch, of Spray, was re-elected Lay Leader for the district, and a wise selection, too, for he seems to be the man for the place.

Thomas Virgil Crouse was licensed to preach.

John Wesley Bennett, John Walter Combs and Thomas Virgil Crouse were recommended to Annual Conference for admission on trial.

Elkin was selected as the place for holding the next session of the District Conference.

C. C. Creveling, R .O. Gamble, A. D. Ivie and W. R. Lynch were elected delegates to Annual Conference, with T. L. Brim, George Graves, J. M. Michael and J. C. Richards alternates.

The number of trustees for district parsonage property has been increased to seven, and consists of W. E. Merritt, J. D. Minick, B. F. Sparger, A. M. Smith, F. M. Flinn. R. O. Gamble and G. W. Martin.

W. H. Willis, J. M. Folger, R. L. Doggett and C. R. Allison were elected a Licensing Committee.

It was a spiritual uplift to hear the excellent sermons of Revs. Boring, Siler, Farrington, Jones, Poe and Sprinkle.

The host of the Conference, Rev. Thos. J. Folger, was untiring in his efforts for the comfort and convenience of all who attended.

The kind hospitality and royal entertainment extended to the Conference by the good people of Stokesdale is ever characteristic of them, and it will be a pleasure indeed to meet there again when an opportunity is afforded.

W. M. Wall, Secretary.

Trustees Rutherford College

The Trustees of Rutherford College are hereby called to meet at the college, Tuesday, May 11, 1915, at 1:30 p. m.

I would urge every member of the Board to be present if possible, for there are matters of great importance to be considered, which makes it very important that we have a full attendance of the Board.

H. H. Jordan, Ch'm.

Old Yadkin

"Breathes there a man with soul so dead
Who never to himself hath said,
This is my own, my native land?"

I do not cry against thy barren years
That lengthened time twixt thee and God;
Nor check the flow of thy remorseful tears
Till they have cleansed thy ale-soaked sod.

I will not frown upon thy greedful ones,
Who fed strong men on liquid fire
And checked the progress of thy nobler sons
And flung their hopes deep in the mire.

Naught would I add unto thy bitter dole
Nor drag in dust thy fairer name;
For I, a truant son of thy scarred soul,
Will bear thy honor or thy shame.

When I heard the silent call of Destiny
Like sun-set bells o'er dewy leas;
Thou gavest sails that set my frail barque free
With banner flying to the breeze.

No thought of censure shall my bosom bear
But filial love for foe and friend;
For thy fair name my soul doth deign to wear
An adoration to the end.

I swear I love that rhododendron hill—
To some, perhaps, of little worth—
Where, based in lillies wild close by a rill,
My mother groaned to give me birth.

And on its hallowed crest she sleeps today
Where soughing pines are guarding well;
And by her side when fades life's dream away
I'll come at even-time to dwell.

W. L. Hutchins.

Report of Treasurer of Board of Missions for April, 1915

Received on Assessment

	Foreign	H. & C.
Creston, J. I. Hickman	$ 10.00	
Micaville, R. F. Mock	12.50	12.50
Walnut Cove, E. J. Poe	12.50	
Wadesboro, G. D. Herman	200.00	
Linwood, J. W. Ingle	32.15	23.70
Mooresville Sta., Zeb Deaton, Tr.	25.00	25.00
Albemarle, Central, R. G. Tuttle	25.00	
Hot Springs and Marshall, W. L. Rexford		12.00
Sulphur Springs, T. A. Groce		15.00
Waynesville, O. P. Ader	35.00	
Denton, J. M. Varner	30.00	
Greensboro, Centenary, A. H. Masters, Treas.	25.00	25.00
Winston-Salem, Centenary, Z. T. Bynum		150.00
Morganton Ct., A. C. Swafford	10.00	10.00
Gold Hill, J. M. Price		10.00
Advance, E. Myers	50.00	
Davidson Ct., T. J. Houck		30.00
Yadkinville, W. M. Boring	3.85	4.50
Belwood, J. F. Moser		50.00
Pilot Mountain, R. L. Doggett	10.00	
Cliffside, H. L. Powell	11.60	9.00
Ararat, J. W. Combs		8.00
Andrews S. S., Miss Georgie Pearce	7.91	
Total on assessments for April	$500.51	$384.70

Received on Specials

Concord, Ceneral, M. F. Moores		5.00
Hendersonville, R. T. Wheelright		2.50
Franklin, E. E. Watkins		5.00
Mt. Holly, G. B. Howard		10.00
Hickory, First Ch., W. I. Caldwell	100.00	1.00
Bakersville and Spruce Pine, Frank Siler		23.00
Burnsville, Frank Siler		101.00
Albemarle, Central, R. G. Tuttle	25.00	
Mt. Airy, W. H. Willis	125.00	
Hendersonville, H. F. Stewart	50.00	1.00
Waynesville, O. P. Ader	25.00	
Winston-Salem, Centenary, Z. T. Bynum, Treas.		300.84
Marion Station, Frank Siler		.55
Forest City, Frank Siler		60.00
Cliffside, Frank Siler		22.00
Henrietta and Caroleen, Frank Siler		24.50
* * * *		
Rutherfordton, Frank Siler	5.00	46.50
Old Fort, Frank Siler		27.00
Morganton Ct., Frank Siler		14.00
Morganton Station, Frank Siler		134.50
Walkertown, Frank Siler		12.00
Bryson City, Mrs. Estelle Wiggins		5.00
Linwood, J. W. Ingle	1.65	
Winston-Salem, West End, N. V. Stockton, Treas.		112.67
Wilkesboro, O. J. Jones		5.00
Total specials for April	$331.65	$913.06
Total receipts for April		$2129.92
Previously reported on—		
Foreign assessment		484.14
Home and Conf. assessment		622.01
Foreign specials		1371.54
Home and Conf. specials		1344.50
Total receipts to May 1, 1915		$5952.11

It may be of interest to compare the report of May 1st this year with the report of May 1st of last year.

	1914	1915
Total receipts to May 1	$4988.09	$5952.11
On foreign assessment	2053.23	984.65
On Home and Conf. assessment	1559.38	1006.71
On foreign specials	1152.91	1703.19
On Home and Conf. specials	222.57	2257.56

This comparison shows that the pastors need to bestir themselves. It was said at Conference last year that the presiding elders and pastors could take care of our benevolent collections. And it was then decided that our Missionary Secretary should undertake the raising of an Emergency Fund and should devote only a part of his time to the regular assessments. So Brother Siler has given a large part of his time to raising the Emergency Fund. We are counting on the pastors for the regular collections. But so far the reports show a considerable decrease on the regulars. I do not think this shortage is in any considerable degree due to emphasis placed on specials by Brother Siler. In fact it seems that his work for specials has in some places stimulated interest in the regular collections. Some of the charges paying specials are paying assessments. Others are paying neither.

If the pastors will look closely after the missionary collections and allow Brother Siler to devote his time to the Emergency Fund the Board of Missions will doubtless be in position at our next Conference to make glad the hearts of some of our underpaid preachers.

R. M. Courtney, Sec. and Treas.

Winston-Salem, May 1, 1915.

CAMPAIGN FOR NEW SUBSCRIBERS

Report to May 6, 1915

Asheville District

Brevard Ct., C. M. Carpenter	2
Hendersonville Sta., W. F. Womble	11⅓
Swannanoa, J. F. Starnes	11½
Sulphur Springs, T. A. Groce	9
Spring Creek, J. R. Warren	2
Bethel, J. C. Harmon	6
Mills River, R. F. Honeycutt	6
Weaverville Sta., E. W. Fox	1
Total	48⅔

Charlotte District

Pineville, B. F. Hargett	2
N. Monroe, R. H. Kennington	7
Polkton, W. B. Davis	1
Hickory Grove, M. T. Steele	4
Spencer Mem. and Derita, W. B. West	12
Thrift, B. F. Fincher	½
Matthews, M. H. Vestal	1
Marshville, J. W. Williams	3
Total	30½

Greensboro District

Greensboro Ct., F. L. Townsend	1
Walnut St. and C. Mem., A. R. Bell	1
W. Memorial, High Point, G. T. Rowe	1
Pleasant Garden, P. L. Terrell	4
Greensboro, Centenary	1⅔
So. Main St., High Point, H. C. Byrum	9
Randolph Ct., E. N. Crowder	3
Reidsville, W. A. Lambeth	5
Ramseur and Franklinville, T. J. Rogers	7
Wentworth, T. C. Jordan	1
Total	33⅔

Morganton District

Rutherfordton, Albert Sherrill	1
Morganton Ct., A. C. Swafford	1
McDowell Ct., M. W. Mann	6
Broad River, H. H. Mitchell	2
Bald Creek, Joseph Fry	2
Bakersville, E. L. Kirk	1
Old Fort, J. L. Smith	1
Forest City, J. A. Bowles	2⅓
Marion Ct., J. M. Ridenhour	3
Marion Sta., L. D. Thompson	1
Henrietta and Car., M. B. Clegg	27½
Micaville, R. F. Mock	1
Total	48⅚

Mt. Airy District

Jonesville, D. A. Oakley	6
Stokesdale, T. J. Folger,	2½
Madison, A. R. Surratt	2
Draper, G. W. Williams	12
Rural Hall, C. R. Allison	2
Elkin, J. P. Hipps	9
Dobson Ct., J. G. W. Holloway	2
Walnut Cove, E. J. Poe	2
Pilot Mountain, R. L. Doggett	3½
Central, Mt. Airy, W. H. Willis	4
Summerfield, T. B. Johnson	6
Arrarat, J. W. Combs	2
Danbury, O. P. Routh	6
Yadkinville, W. M. Boring	½
Leaksville, A. L. Aycock	1
Total	60½

North Wilkesboro District

Wilkes Ct., W. S. Cherry	½
Wilkesboro, O. J. Jones	1
Avery Ct., John H. Green	15½
Jefferson, E. P. Stabler	3
Creston, J. I. Hickman	6
Helton Ct., E. E. Yates	½
Total	26½

Statesville District

N. Lenoir, J. C. Keever	1
Iredell, P. H. Brittain	1
Rhodhiss, G. W. Fink	1
Hickory, A. L. Stanford	1
Stony Point, T. E. Wagg	½
West Hickory, E. O. Smithdeal	3
So. Lenoir and V'Mead, R. F. Wellons	7
Catawba, A. G. Loftin	6
Mt. Zion, T. J. Ogburn	2
Lenoir Ct., T. S. Coble	3
Mooresville Sta., C. S. Kirkpatrick	10
Alexander, R. E. Hunt	7
Total	42½

Shelby District

Rock Spring, J. H. Green	5½
McAdenville, D. W. Brown	10
Belwood, J. F. Moser	5½
Mount Holly, N. R. Richardson	4
Crouse Ct., J. T. Stover	2
Total	27

Salisbury District

Kerr St., R. K. Brady	1
Concord Ct., W. T. Albright	2
Mt. Pleasant, G. A. Stamper	1
Spencer, C. M. Pickens	1
Salem, A. L. Coburn	2
Norwood, R. M. Taylor	1
Epworth, Concord, A. S. Raper	½
Woodleaf Ct., J. W. Kennedy	6
Concord, Central, M. F. Moores	3
Albemarle Ct., J. W. Strider	2
Total	19½

Waynesville District

Highlands, W. C. Bowden	13
Bethel, A. L. Latham	2
Murphy, Ira Erwin	½
Franklin, R. H. Daugherty	1
Canton, J. P. Rodgers	1
—— C. C. Totherow	4
Andrews, S. T. Barber	1
Haywood Ct., R. C. Kirk	2
Fines Creek, E. M. Avett	13
Hayesville, Z. V. Johnson	1
Waynesville Sta., O. P. Ader	8
Macon, J. L. Teague	3
Webster Ct., D. R. Proffitt	1
Total	50½

Winston District

Burkhead, W. L. Hutchins	3
Davidson Ct., T. J. Houck	20
Farmington Ct., D. C. Ballard	14
Jackson Hill, C. C. Williams	13
Advance, E. Myers	2½
Forsyth, J. W. Vestal	1
Kernersville, C. P. Goode	½
Thomasville, D. M. Litaker	1
Lexington, A. W. Plyler	1
Mocksville, R. M. Hoyle	4
Total	60
Miscellaneous	65
Grand Total	573⅙

Roll of Honor

M. B. Clegg,
John H. Green,
D. C. Ballard,
W. B. West,
G. W. Williams,
D. W. Brown,
W. C. Bowden,
E. M. Avett,
T. J. Houck,
C. C. Williams,
J. F. Starnes,
T. A. Groce.

If we have made any mistakes we will thank those concerned to call our attention to same. Mt. Airy District appears to be leading, with Winston District almost a tie. We suspect the Mt. Airy is feeling the good effects of the quarterly special.

Salisbury District Conference

The Salisbury District Conference will be held at Kannapolis, July 21-23. The conference will be called to order Wednesday, at 10:30 a. m.. Preaching at 11 a. m.

W. R. Ware, P. E.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

DISTRICT MEETINGS

Mt. Airy District—Antioch church, May 7-9.

Waynesville District—Bryson City, May 11-12.

ITEMS FROM COUNCIL DAILY

The Sixth Annual Meeting of the Council, in 1916, will be held in Atlanta. Invitations from Greensboro, N. C., St. Louis, Mo.; Los Angeles, Cal. and Atlanta, Ga., were received but it was decided to accept the invitation of the last named city.

Council Meeting of 1915

The Fifth Annual Session of the Woman's Missionary Council has come to a close. These five years of history have been years of expansion and readjustment. They have been years fraught with untold importance, because of the united effort of the two great forces, bound up in the Woman's Foreign Board and the Woman's Home Board. This recent meeting has marked the completion of real organic union of these two boards.

For four years we have been living as two great societies in one—now we enter upon the era of true oneness. This larger vision and truer spirit has brought with it a new spiritual power which has been manifest in every session of the Council meeting. To us it has been all the Lord's work, and all our one, true interest. This has meant a new oneness with Him in His great plan of complete world redemption.

The legislation of this session was such as would merely tend to adjust in places where the organic union has made it necessary and such measures were passed as would conserve and provide for the natural growth of the work. On account of the present financial conditions no new fields were entered in the home or foreign land except Japan, and that because of its present urgency, growing to be an increasing urgency partly because of present world conditions. However, there has been no retreat, and we are to move on carrying all our present lines of work, asking our women everywhere to double their efforts in sacrificial giving and in enlisting every other woman in the church to join our ranks. If this can be done our meeting in Atlanta in 1916 will mark a great forward movement.

"THE WESTERN METHODIST'S" IMPRESSION OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL

As the Woman's Missionary Council has been in session the last week and as it is the greatest and most important Methodist body that has ever convened in our State, no apology is necessary for giving most of our space to its proceedings. We do not hesitate to say that the members of the Council fully understand their business and show complete mastery of all details. The church is fortunate in having a body of such capable women in charge of its most delicate and important interests. This writer has never questioned the propriety of giving women laity rights for their ability to handle the affairs of the church committed to them, but if he had, this opportunity to observe their spirit and their methods would have removed all doubt.

YOUNG CHRISTIAN WORKER

Our splendid paper for the children, The Young Christian Worker, so long and ably edited by Miss Anna Maria Barnes, of Montreat, N. C., has been a large factor in the promotion of missionary interest and intelligence. Miss Barnes has served the church in other ways in the writing of many splendid leaflets and books.

Organic union and the adoption of new educational plans and policies made it seem best to transfer the work of the paper to the offices in Nashville, Tenn. Miss Estelle Haskins wa selected editor. For eight years Miss Haskins has been the teacher of Religious and Social Work in the Methodist Training School at Nashville and in this connection has made a special study of child problems and various phases of religious and missionary education. Miss Bennett says of her: "She is especially equipped for this work and comes to it with a heart full of love for the children of our own land and every land. She gave a number of years' service as city missionary, organizing two of our largest city mission enterprises and for one year acted as field worker, helping to establish city mission enterprises. She is a Bible teacher of experience and her pupils are at work in every mission field where the Council has work.

Those who selected her for this position have every confidence in her ability to make the paper one that will command the attention of the church. We bespeak for this paper the largest interest and the widest circulation throughout the ranks of the Society."

MISS KATE BERTHA HACKNEY

Among the new missionaries to the foreign field consecrated at the recent Council Meeting we find the name of Miss Kate Hackney, of Asheville, N. C. Born in England of consecrated Christian parents, Miss Hackney moved to Asheville when she was twelve years of age and has always been an active worker in the church. She spent two years in Louisville, graduating from the Free Kindergarten Association, now the Louisville Normal Training School. In addition to this she has taken special courses at Chautauqua, N. Y., Columbia University, George Peabody College and the Biblical Department of Vanderbilt University. After graduating from the Louisville School she was in charge of the Kindergarten work in the Wesley House in Nashville for one year, and in the Wesley House in Memphis for two years. For six years she has been director of the Kindergarten Training Department in the Methodist Training School, Nashville. She goes to Soochow, China, to be in charge of the Kindergarten Teacher Training School of that place.

CAMPAIGN OF ORGANIZATION

The Woman's Missionary Council has determined upon a church-wide campaign of organization. There are nineteen thousand churches in Southern Methodism and only seven thousand with Missionary Societies, Adult, Young People and Juniors in them.

There are more than twelve hundred thousand women and girls in the church and less than two hundred thousand who are members of the Woman's Missionary Society.

Our slogan must be an auxiliary in every church and every woman a member.

Let the church be belted with a prayer circle that should not cease night or day, to cry to God for this great uninterested multitude.

In the "Who's Who" column of the Council Daily, we find the following:

"Mrs. Robertson, President of the Western North Carolina Conference Society, has been actively engaged in the work since the organization of the Foreign in 1878, is attending her first Council meeting. So young-hearted she is, so whole-hearted in serving the Master, that her presence has been to the body, 'Like the benediction that follows after prayer.'"

THE THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

of the Woman's Missionary Society of the W. N. C. Conference has just been issued and is most attractive in appearance and is full and most interesting. Mrs. Marr, our faithful ex-recording secretary, deserves the appreciation of the Conference in the work she has done.

Friends of Mrs. W. C. Houston our Conference Distributor of Literature, will hear with sorrow of the death of her father, Mr. H. B. Adams, of Monroe, which occurred on Tuesday, April 27th. May God sustain the loved ones in this great bereavement.

We are greatly indebted to Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, President of our Conference, for the following Synopsis of the Council, which she has so kindly given us:

THE COUNCIL MEETING

Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson

The fifth annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Council, held in Little Rock, Ark., April 14-22, was truly a great occasion, and one of epoch-making importance and significance.

It is not within the bounds of possibility to give a detailed account of the large volume of business accomplished, or of the great inspirational meetings held in connection with the Council session. Only here and there can the chief points of interest be touched upon, and general impressions be recorded.

To an on-looker doubtless one of the strongest impressions received was the capability of this body of Christian women in the performance of the great work committed to their care. Many difficult and delicate questions, of far-reaching importance, were presented for decision; naturally the organic union of two great bodies of workers, who had hitherto worked along apparently different lines and by slightly differing methods, would in their readjustment present some problems calling for wise solution. These were met in the spirit of unity, directed by earnest prayer, and with sincere desire to reach the right conclusion—hence the entire body was permeated by a harmony and good-will which was a striking feature of the session.

If there were space, it would be most interesting to dwell upon the personnel of the body. Of course the eye of a visitor would be at once caught by the dignified bearing and the intellectual and benign countenance of one presiding officer, who deals at once so graciously and so firmly with any question calling for her interposition. All instinctively feel that she is the right woman in the right place. Then when one sees how ably she is supported on her left by the first and second vice-presidents, and the calendar clerk, while on her right sit our two wide-awake administrative secretaries, home and foreign, and the ever accurate and faithful treasurer, it is no matter of surprise that the executive ability is so marked, and that business is despatched with due rapidity after careful consideration, and in such volume as to require the diligent services of several active and earnest secretaries to assist the able recording secretary. Among the delegates are many strong and earnest faces of women perfectly conversant with the work, who by their intelligent discussion of questions and their ready initiative in important matters show that the missionary forces of the church are represented by some of the ablest and most consecrated women in Southern Methodism. It is a body in which the church at large, and especially its women, may take a sanctified pride.

Within these limits no adequate synopsis of the work of the Council can be given. While there was considerable legislation required in view of the new conditions arising from organic union, as far as possible no radical changes were made, the lawmakers confining themselves to points which were required by re-adjustment.

The reports were generally enco aging, and while, owing to conditio prevailing in the world at large, great advance was made, there w no receding from present lines work, and in the general outlook the was much for which to thank G and take courage.

Though there were many invit fields which the Council would ha been gla l to enter but for existing nancial conditions, onlv one new fi was entered, either in the home foreign field, that one being Japan, which the Council sends two evan listic workers to co-operate with t work of our Mission Board..

Many very interesting items may culled from the Annual Report of t Council which it is impossible to e body in this condensed statement.

The spiritual atmosphere which p vaded the entire session of the Co cil made one feel as if breathing t pure, invigorating air of some lo mountain peak. Indeed, there we many "mountain-top" experiences d ing those days that we lingered Little Rock, engaged about the M ter's business, that made one feel was good to be there, and almost li suggesting that we build tabernac in which to abide there.

Two very potent factors contrib ing to this realization of the Divi presence were the influences em nating from the Prayer Room, whe almost constantly intercession was ing made, and the "Quiet Talks" Rev. L. B. Gordon, given daily at t noon hour. No words can prope convey the benediction flowing fr these gracious seasons. Dr. Gord has entered into the inner sanctua of communion with God, and so w does he know the way that he fitted to guide all those who are wi ing to be led into the secret plac of the Most High. It was a hi privilege to sit within the sacred circ that gathered daily to meet and co mune with the Master.

There is not only great spiritual u lift about these great Council me ings, but there is also a great broade ing of outlook, and consequently deeper realization of that pregna motto of Mr. Wesley, "The world my parish." To Dr. Josiah Strong, nation-wide reputation on all soc subjects, the Council was indebted f a message of power on "Ours t Day and Land of Opportunity." T subject was handled in his own ma terly manner and laid upon the hear and consciences of his hearers a de sense of the obligation owed by Ame ica to distant lands, and likewise the foreigners who come to our shore "To us is largely committed the Go like task of shaping the world" truly soul-stirring.

The annual sermon of Bishop Jam Atkins was another of the mounta tops from which we were permitted catch glimpses of the great work the church in the world. Most graph cally and forcibly did he review th progress of Christianity from its i cipiency, when the whole Christia church was rocked in a little bo on the storm-tossed waves of Galile down through its varying but ever i creasing growth to the present da when it has become a mighty strea flowing with its healing waters to a parts of the earth. Bishop Atkins ha just returned from a sojourn in th Orient in the interest of the missio ary work of the church, and the info mation and encouragement he wa able to give added greatly to the i terest of the Council.

In many ways the crowning event the great occasion was the beautif and touching Consecration Servic which took place on Monday evenin in the "First Church," which was th home of the Council during its sessio The auditorium afforded a most a propriate setting for the service, wit its well chosen banners and mottoe Over the pulpit was a scroll-like ba ner bearing the words, "The Lor gave the word; the women that pu

lish it are a great host." Just opposite was a large white cross with the words back of it: "In the Cross of Christ I Glory." The soft tones of the organ blended sweetly with the voices singing the processional hymn-prayer, "Lead on, O King Eternal," the deaconesses entering from the left, in uniform, and the missionaries from the right, in white. Truly it was an impressive sight to see these young women as they marched, with bright faces and happy voices, down the aisles of the church and back to the platform, where were seated Miss Bennett, President of the Council; Bishops Atkins and Mouzon, and Miss Gibson, Principal of the Scarritt Bible and Training School. Inside the altar were Miss Head, foreign department secretary of the Council, and Dr. Rawlings of the Board of Missions, on the left; to the right sat Mrs. McConnell, secretary of the home department of the Council, and Dr. Moore, home secretary of the Board of Missions. Thus was typified the support of the whole church guaranteed to these, her representatives in both the foreign and the home land.

Miss Brown, from Virginia, told, in fitly chosen words, in behalf of the young missionaries, "Why we go to the foreign field," and Miss Olive Lipscomb, daughter of our own home base secretary, sang "I gave, I gave my life for thee," which seemed, as she sang the words so feelingly, the sufficient answer of her own heart.

Miss Whiteside, on behalf of the deaconesses, told "Why we go to the home field," showing that those who labor in the home field, in its hard places down in the slums of our cities, and in the mining-camps, or wherever there is poverty, sin and human misery, are actuated by the high motives of love for the Master and of desire to serve and to save the humblest of those for whom He died.

After the singing of the anthem, "Go ye therefore," Bishop Mouzon delivered an earnest charge to the class, based on the theem, "The Cross." Then followed the formal service of consecration, which was solemn and touching beyond the power of words to convey. After the admission to the office of deaconess, and the commission "Go, preach the gospel to all nations," the candidates stood facing the congregation, while singing in exultant tones, "Jesus shall reign where e'er the sun," during which the only light in the church radiated with a soft luminous glow from the cross, placed high over all.

This, the merest sketch of the wonderful meeting, from which far more is left out than is included, must not omit the practical key-note sounded by Miss Bennett in her annual address, the whole of which should be read prayerfully by every woman in our church. After making an earnest plea for unity of spirit in our new organic union, and pointing out the great need of united and self-sacrificing effort as we face the great world-crisis, the one recommendation she makes is: "A campaign of church-wide organization."

Women of the Western North Carolina Conference, let us make this the slogan for the current year. Let us no longer be content to bear the reproach of having only one in ten of the Christian women of our church enlisted in this great warfare for the conquest of the world for our King.

A WEEK OF MISSIONS ON THE MORGANTON DISTRICT

By Mrs. M. B. Goodwin

It was our great good fortune to have with us recently two of our most gifted and consecrated workers, Mrs. T. F. Marr, of Charlotte, and Miss Leila Tuttle, of Shanghai, China.

Monday afternoon, April 4th, Mrs. Marr met with the ladies of the Methodist church in Morganton and gave an informal talk on plans, methods and means. Monday evening she addressed a general audience, giving a graphic description of the religious situation in the home land.

On an early train Tuesday morning we went to Connelly Springs where we were joined by Miss Tuttle. After splendid talks by both of these ladies, a very promising new society was organized. After dinner with Mrs. J. M. Sides we motored to Rutherford College and were greeted by a most enthusiastic and inspiring audience of the splendid body of college students, who responded wonderfully to the appeal of the message given. At the close of the service a Young People's Society with 30 members was organized.

Tuesday evening the college auditorium was crowded with a representative audience of the community. An interesting feature of these two new societies is their plan to base their finances on not less than one cent a day for every member.

Wednesday afternoon found us again at Morganton where a reception was given the visitors at the church. The members of the Y. P .Society were guests at tea with Mrs. Marr and Miss Tuttle at the home of the District Secretary. Later in the evening Miss Tuttle in an address at the church was most entertaining as she told of the changes that have taken place in Shanghai during he five years of her residence there.

Thursday morning we went to Marion to attend the District Meeting, which was opened at 9:30 o'clock with a devotional service by the presiding elder of the district, Rev. J. E. Gay. A cordial greeting was extended the visitors and delegates by the pastor, Rev. L. D. Thompson and Mrs. J. A. Shuping, of Morganton, in most fitting words responded. Mrs. A. B. Gilkey was chosen Secretary, after which the District Secretary made her annual report which was full of interest and encouraging. The plan of raising the salary of a "District Missionary" is progressing, only about $200 of the necessary amount being lacking.

Mrs. Marr, in her usual forceful manner, presented the subject of "Social Service," and was followed by Miss Tuttle, who conducted the noon-tide devotional service.

During the afternoon two very interesting and inspiring talks on "Christian Stewardship and Tithing" were given by Miss Tuttle and the pastor, who made us feel that not only was tithing an institution older than the Bible but that the New Testament corroborates its divine recommendation, and showed wonderful blessings following its observance in the present day; also impressing the duty of our women to give themselves, their time and their thought as well as their means.

Miss Mattie Perry gave some of her experiences along this line and was heard with closest attention. The charts and posters relative to the object were explained by the district secretary. An entertainment by the Morganton Junior Division and the Infant Class of the Marion Sunday school was given and no words of praise would be extravagant for the two ladies who planned the program. It seemed simply perfect. The two songs deserving of especial mention were "Only a Chinese Baby Girl," by a Morganton little girl with chorus by Juniors, and "Will the Roses Bloom in Heaven," by a Marion baby of five years.

Miss Tuttle, in an elegant Chinese costume, told the children, in her own inimitable manner, stories of child life in China.

Mrs. Connelly, Morganton's Voice agent, told how she increased the number of subscriptions from nine to thirty-three.

A talk on "Our Literature," by the district secretary, was followed by an Institute on Young People's Work, conducted by Mrs. Marr, after which reports from young people's societies were heard.

Thursday evening was filled by Mrs. Marr and Miss Tuttle as they gave a survey of the work at home and abroad. To say that each excelled herself is doing poor justice to the splendid manner in which each presented her subject.

Friday morning was given over to reports of societies and an institute on plans and methods, by Mrs. Marr, with open discussions and questions.

A delightful variation of the program was Miss Tuttle's impersonation of "Brer Rabbit."

Miss Mattie Perry, who has recently returned from Cuba, gave an interesting account of our work there and presented to the district a beautiful arrangement of pressed flowers and leaves from the garden of one of our mission schools there.

Mrs. Jonas gave an account of a most unique entertainment they had recently had in Marion.

Friday afternoon was devoted to a continuation of discussions and questions and an informal discussion of mission study.

After the report of the Committee on Courtesies in which we expressed our appreciation of the numberless kindnesses and courtesies showered upon us, the meeting was closed by singing, "Blest be the tie that binds, Our hearts in Christian love."

Standard Form Collection Envelopes

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

HOLT'S CHAPEL

FOR PASTOR'S SALARY

AMOUNT

Name _____ | Dollars | Cents |

Date _____ *191*__

MISSIONS AND CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

MOUNT ZION CHURCH

Name _____ | Dollars | Cents |

Date _____

$1.90 for 1000, delivered

$1.40 for additional 1000, delivered

FOR EITHER FORM

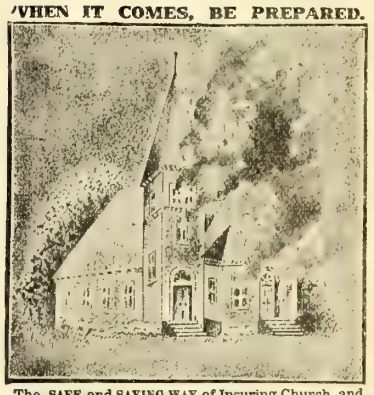
This price is based on using the above forms, changing name of church only. The large envelope is manila, and of the quality regularly used for Pastor's Salary collections. The small envelope can be furnished in white, green or cherry. Its difference in color and size from the Pastor's Salary form makes it ideal for Missions and Conference Collections.

If special form is desired the price will average $2.40 for the first 1000, and $1.40 for additional 1000's, delivered.

Special rates on large quantities.

The Advocate Press, Greensboro, N. C.

WHEN IT COMES, BE PREPARED.



The SAFE and SAVING WAY of Insuring Church and Pastor's property is with
The National Mutual Church Insurance Co., of Chicago, Ill.
THE METHODIST MUTUAL.
Now in successful operation for years. Business at highest point ever attained, and constantly increasing. Protects against FIRE, LIGHTNING and TORNADO. No assessments. For particulars address
HENRY P. MAGILL, Secretary and Manager,
Insurance Exchange, Chicago, Ill.
Mrs. Alice Hargrove Barclay, Agent M. E. Church South,
814 Norton Building, Fourth and Jefferson, Louisville, Ky.

BILLY SUNDAY'S MESSAGE
AUTHORIZED. We will pay you $120.00 to distribute it in your neighborhood. 60 days' work. Great opportunity for man or woman. Spare time may be used. Particulars and sample free.
Universal Bible House, 702 Winston Bldg., Philadelphia

BLYMYER CHURCH BELLS.
UNLIKE OTHER BELLS SWEETER, MORE DURABLE, LOWER PRICE. OUR FREE CATALOGUE TELLS WHY.
Write to Cincinnati Bell Foundry Co., Cincinnati, O.

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.——E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg.—W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller——C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg., M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.——J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg.—J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.——G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.——A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel—J. W. Ligon

From the Field

MISSIONARY NOTES FROM FIELD SECRETARY

Mt. Airy Station, W H Willis, P C. $165.00 Conference Mission Special.

This church is undertaking to relieve the Board of its appropriation to Ararat Circuit, J. W. Combs, P. C. If it succeeds it will have both a foreign mission and conference mission pastor. The Mt. Airy Church is showing signs of marked vitality.

The attendance at Sunday school Sunday, May 2nd, was 55 above the highest preceding water mark.

I found D. Vance Price quite feeble. A noble spirit he is.

OUR CHILDREN'S HOME REPORT

Building Fund, Rev. J. H. West, Agent

Dr. Dred Peacock, High Point, $10.00. Mrs. A. C. Higgins, Belwood, $3.10. West End M. E. C. S., Gastonia, $4.50. Tates Chapel, Gastonia, $2.50. Mrs. V. F. Hawkins, Asheville, $5.00. Rev. W. M. Robbins, Belwood, $6.25. Mrs. K. R. Seals, Fletcher, $2.00. West Market S. S., Greensboro, $83.00. Mr. J. W. Harris, High Point, $25.00. Mr. F. N. Tate, High Point, $25.00. Mr. S. L. Davis, High Point, $25.00. Mr. W. L. Stamey, High Point, $10.00. Mr. W. H. Curley High Point, $2.50. Mr. W. W. Snider, High Point, $2.50. Miss Clara C Hawkins, Export, Pa., $5.00. Mr. R. B. Williams, Fairview, $25.00. Total, $236.35.

Amount Received on General and Special Support and Ten Per Cent. Assessment

Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, Mooresville, $30.00. Holmes Memorial M. E. Ch., Salisbury, E. M. Cauble, $25.00. R. S. Montague, Reidsville, $100.00. Biltmore Methodist Church, Miss Julia Brookshire, $2.81. Bryson and Whittier Charge, Bryson City, D. K. Rhinehart, $19.60. Asheboro Station, Asheboro, D. B. McRary, $110.00. Caroleen- Henrietta Charge, Henrietta, L. C. Lawrence, $25.00. Hendersonville M. E. S. S., Hendersonville, H. M. Whitfield, $5.00. Catawba Circuit, Catawba, Rev. A. G. Loftin, $3.40. Mrs. Etta Parlier, Winston, $5.00. Alexander Circuit, Taylorsville, Rev. Robert L. Snow, $13.56. Seversville Charge, Charlotte, Rev. W. F. Elliott, $15.00. Rev. H. L. Powell, Cliffside, $28.51. Rev. Robert F. Mock, Micaville, $5.00. Thomasviille Circuit, Thomasville, Rev. J. B. Tabor, $6.00. New Hope, Mill Spring, Rev. J. M. Barber, $2.50. Cherryville Charge, Rev. W. T. Usry, $6.32. Belwood Charge, Belwood, Rev. J. F. Moser, $10.00. Lexington Sta., Lexington, Rev. A. W. Plyler, $75.00. Lotler Church, Franklin, Rev. W. G. Warren, $1.00. Troutman Circuit, Troutman, Rev. J. J. Eads, $4.35. Total, $493.05.

JUBILEE OF THE CHINA INLAND MISSION

The mission will be fifty years old on June 25th next.

A conference for Missionary and Bible Study and for prayer and spiritual help has long been felt as a need by the mission and its friends.

The condition of the church of the world and of China emphasize the present need for waiting upon God and for a new dedication of life to His service.

Our Jubilee Year provides a fit occasion for calling such a conference.

The place is to be the pavilion—sacred in many hearts—where the old "Believers Conference" was held, at Niagara on the Lake, Ont.

The teachers are to be the members of the Home Council of the Mission, including Dr. W. J Erdman, Dr. R. A. Torrey, Dr. Farr, Principal O'Meara, Prof. Erdman, Dean McNicoll, Rev. Henry W. Frost and others.

Testimonies of the grace of God in China will be given by missionaries.

The dates will be from June 15th through the 20th.

Accommodation is offered by the Queen's Royal Hotel at a reduced rate of $2.50 per day for each person, two persons in a room. Write to the manager. There are other hotels and boarding houses in the town.

Connections for Niagara on the Lake are easily made from Buffalo or Toronto.

Information in further detail will be sent, on application to the China Inland Mission, 507 Church St., Toronto. Mark letters "Conference."

Invitation. We earnestly trust that old friends and new will plan their summer movements in advance, with a view to joining with us in the fellowship of this conference.

We ask that you will please remember the conference in earnest prayer, and expectation of large blessing.

COMMENCEMENT AT WHITSETT INSTITUTE, WHITSETT, N. C.

Saturday, May 22nd, 1915

10 A. M., Declamation Contest, Athenian Literary Society.

3 P. M., Declamation Contest, Dialectic Literary Society.

Sunday, May 23rd, 1915

11 A. M., Annual Sermon, Dr. Wm. P. Few, President Trinity College.

3 P. M., Address to Y. M. C. A., President Wm. P. Few.

Monday, May 24th, 1915

11 A. M., Literary Address, Hon. T. W. Bickett, Attorney General of N. C.

12 M., Graduating Exercises of the Class of 1915.

3 P. M., Senior Orator's Contest.

6:30 P. M., Band Concert on the Campus.

8:30 P. M., Contest in Elocution, Star Literary Circle.

9:30 P. M., Reception to visitors and friends in society halls.

HEADACHES

There are several different kinds of headaches classified according to their causes.

And whether induced by nervous disorders, or disorders of the digestive organs or disorders of the blood, they are alike very unpleasant symptoms.

Headaches are something more than symptoms, for the pain reacts upon itself and grows worse if not relieved.

It is fortunate that relief can usually be obtained by the use of Mentholatum externally applied to the forehead and temples and within the nostrils.

This usually gives relief and avoids resort to the use of opiates and anodynes.

Mentholatum can do no harm.

As a delicate counter irritant its usefulness in giving relief in all classes of headaches is well known.

The causes of the headaches should, however, be determined and a general systematic treatment should be adopted to rectify the conditions which cause them.

Mentholatum also has a wide range of usefulness for sunburn, bruises, insect bites, summer colds and other forms of inflammation.

"Why don't you get rid of that mule?" "Well, suh," answered Erastus Pinkley, "I hates to give in. If I was to trade dat mule off, he'd regard it as a personal victory. He's been trying foh de las' six weeks to get rid o' me."—*Washington Star.*

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective April 18th, 1915

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester——Lv.	7 43 a m	12 05 p m			
Yorkville——"	8 29	1 55			
Gastonia——"	9 24!	4 00			
Gastonia——"					
Lincolnton——"	10 15	5 30			
Newton——"	10 55	6 15			
Hickory——"	12 05 p m	7 05	1 00 p m	6 45 a m	
Lenoir——"	1 08	8 20	2 04	8 30	
Lenoir——"	2 00x				
Mortimer——"	3 17				
Edgemont——Ar.	3 27				
Southbound	**NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only**	**NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.**
Edgemont——Lv.	10 00 a m				
Mortimer——"	10 08				
Lenoir——"	11 20!				
Lenoir——"	1 35 p m	6 00 a m	8 15 a m		
Hickory——"	2 35	7 15	9 12		
Newton——"	3 05	8 00			
Lincolnton——"	3 43	8 55			
Gastonia——"	4 30	10 28			
Gastonia——"	5 00x	11 00			
Yorkville——"	5 47	12 28 p m			
Chester——Ar.	6 35	2 15			

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. **CHESTER, S. C.**

GREENSBORO NURSERIES

AGENTS WANTED

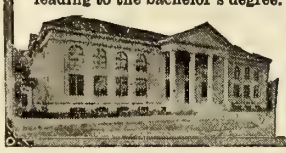
For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.

JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 : : : : CHARTERED 1859

A Southern institution of established national reputation. Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.



Large endowment fund makes possible complete, first-class equipment; full faculty of able, well-chosen instructors; beautiful campus, new buildings, modern laboratories, splendid library. Comfortable, inexpensive dormitories. For catalogue and illustrated booklet, address

R. L. Flowers, Sec. to the Corporation, Durham, N. C.

CAMP WONDERLAND

SIXTEEN MILES EAST OF ASHEVILLE, BETWEEN MONTREAT AND BLACK MOUNTAIN, ON MAIN LINE OF SOUTHERN RAILWAY

EDUCATIONAL ATHLETIC

EXPERIENCED councilors for all forms of athletic recreation—swimming, tennis, baseball, basket ball, horseback riding and mountain hikes. Carefully selected teachers to coach an hour or two daily boys 12 to 20 years of age who wish to prepare for fall examinations. Special arrangements for admission to the nation's best platform attractions at the national Y. M. C. A. Summer Resort. Also to the private preserves and lectures of Montreat and Ridge Crest.

Tents on raised plank floors. The camp fee is $60 for one month, $120 for the two months. The season begins July 1 and ends August 26. Write for booklet

COLONEL J. C. HORNER, No. 10 Myers Park, Charlotte, North Carolina



A Far Better PIANO

At the Price You Want to Pay

Many feel that they do not want to pay the full price of a new STIEFF. They will find their ideal in the many other grades of pianos we offer. In each case we can offer you a better piano than usual because here you deal with the makers. We save you the so-called middleman's profit.

Get the Facts of Our Direct Selling Plan

We have a plan which will appeal to you at once. Think of being able to own the very piano you want NOW INSTEAD OF WAITING. We quote you unusually low prices in the first place—in addition we offer you most liberal terms, WITHOUT INTEREST OR EXTRAS.

The coupon will bring you the particulars if you can't call at the factory ware rooms.

Chas. M. Stieff, Charlotte, N. C.
Please mail me your piano book list of bargains and particulars of your direct selling plan.

Address_____

Chas. M. Stieff

219 S. Tryon Street CHARLOTTE, N. C.

THE PASTOR'S OPPORTUNITY IN THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

By Bishop E. R. Hendrix

Happy is that pastor who has the Sunday school to co-operate with him in carrying out the divine plan of saving the world! Imagine the Sunday school not yet come, as is unhappily the case in some nations even today. Conceive of no attempt being made to gather and instruct the youth. At what a disadvantage a pastor would do his work! What opportunity for careful instruction in the Word of God would then be possible? What staff of helpers such as is now his, in the teachers, would the pastor have? What dependable gathering of the youth for moral guidance and inspiration would then exist? What way would then be possible of extending the influence of the pulpit and the church in large sections of the community? Can you wonder at the little impression the church was making two hundred years ago, before the dawning of the Sunday school era?

Behold now millions of youth (over 26,000,000) regularly gathering for religious instruction on the Sabbath, and behold a church within the church! In a single church (the Methodist Episcopal) the Sunday schools reported 206,00 conversions in 1914, and since 1907 they have reports 1,174,000. This would be almost one-third of the entire church membership. In fact, in the four-year period from 1910 to 1914 the increase in church membership was 472,620, which was the largest in the history of that church. Yet the increase in the same period of Sunday school scholars who are church members or probationers is 577,977, or more than 100,000 in excess, ample to make good the loss by deaths and removal. So far from the Sunday schools of that church being made up of children, it is a gratifying fact that more than a half million men are enrolled. It is natural to suppose that most of these have been so long identified with the roll that some can hardly remember when their names were first entered as children. They are closely identified with the benevolences and religious life of the Sunday school, which now gives some $600,000 a year to missions.

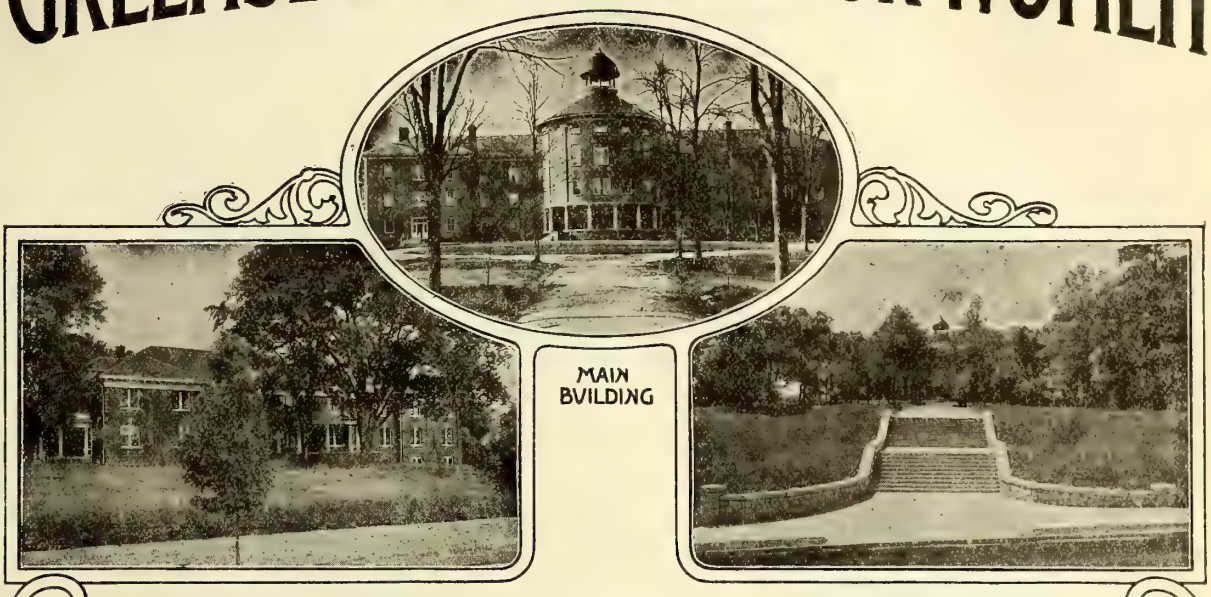
With such a force a wise pastor could well afford to organize a new church wholly out of the forces found in the Sunday school and be confident that he will succeed. Would he not have all that the apostolic church had with which to organize—enthusiasm, zeal, consecration, liberality, a passion for souls? Which would have in it the better prospect for life, such a new organization or what was left of the old organization with its "colonels," "judges," "doctors," and retired business men and their wives? Which would be most dependable as fruit bearers, the new vineyard or the old? Leave out your Sunday school workers, and what would become of your church, fathers and mothers in Israel? With no lambs in the fold, what would become of the flock after a year or two?

To appreciate the meaning and value of the Sunday school is the pastor's first and great opportunity. It has come into the kingdom for such a time as this, with its vision and good works. The tramp of young feet tells of the army of the Lord which is gathering apace. The voices of youth ringing out in holy song tell of marching orders and the joy of service. The pastor's feet become jubilant as he enters the very place of such enthusiasm. The whole church is rejuvenated as it sees and hears the thronging feet coming into the house of God. More than recruits mean to a hard-pressed army of veterans are these ever-growing forces of the kingdom.

The pastor's great opportunity at the outset is to enlarge these new forces until they touch and represent every family in the community. The constant weekly increase in enrollment and attendance makes the whole church conscious of her power. The watchful eye of the pastor sees new faces and new opportunities with every week. He is entitled to have a larger Sunday school enrollment than he has a church membership enrollment, and he will not stop until he gets it. He will not dare aim at less in view of what will come of the new lives he can mold and the new souls he can win. He will make full proof of his ministry in enlisting every church member to win a new member of the Sunday school. He will make a census of the whole community where he labors to see that none are overlooked and then will seek to have each one won, from the candidates for the Cradle Roll to those who will consent to be enrolled in the spectacle class. He will make much of the Home Department no less than of the primary or kindergarten classes. He will meet frequent "councils of war" held by a live superintendent and his teachers to plan for yet larger things. He will make the superintendent his "true yokefellow," sharing his plans and now and then contributing some valuable suggestion out of his reading and experience, and so inspiriting all his workers. He will know how to keep sweet when his suggestions may not be immediately followed, for others may see a more excellent way. He will sow beside all waters in the very joy of service, thanking God that he himself has come into the kingdom for such a time as this and grateful for such an oportunity. He will rejoice that he is yet young enough to make new wood and is grateful for a future in which the new wood will bear fruit. —Workers' Council.

Lord Charles Beresford told in his memoirs the story of an old Irish gamekeeper who always agreed with everything that was said to him. Meeting the old man one day when the wind was blowing a gale, Lord Charles said to him, "It's a fine calm day today." "You may well say that, Lord Charles," replied the gamekeeper with hearty acquiescence, "but what little wind there is is terrible strong."

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY - FITZGERALD HALL ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

The Sunday School Lesson

SECOND QUARTER—LESSON VI—MAY 9, 1915

Friendship of David and Jonathan
1 Samuel 20

Golden Text—A friend loveth at all times. Prov. 17:17.

Summary of the Lesson

"A friend is a fellow who knows all about you and likes you anyhow," said a boy of the streets in one of our American cities. Personal devotion which maintains its sunlit enthusiasm through years of intimacy is indeed a lofty kind of friendship. The common round of life is shot through by gleams of the ideal at the touch of friendship's wand. The story of human devotion is one of the world's priceless possession. Among the classic tales of friendship none is more justly famous than that of David and Jonathan. The high-hearted prince, who loved the popular idol who was one day to come to the throne, is an example of uncalculating devotion good to remember. In our study today we see Jonathan as the protector of David and we witness their parting as David flees away to save his life.

The Making of Friendship

A man who was nearing the close of a sentence in a well-known penal institution was describing the prison virtues. "I would put everything in one word," he said. "The word is loyalty." The men who are held under the condemnation of society, and who have experienced hard prison conditions, come to be bound together by ties of friendship. They have a way of standing together against the world. Loyalty to each other is the great matter in their creed.

All sorts of conditions and all sorts of experiences lead to the gateway of friendship. Common memories, common hopes, joys and sorrows met together, bind men in strong and lasting ties. Sometimes there is a flash in the eyes of the men as they stand side by side and the soul of each is revealed to the quick vision of the other. From that day they are comrades, because, like the friends in "Hiawatha," thy "live with naked hearts together." Such a friendship was that of David and Jonathan. They might have hated as intensely as they loved, but each with a leap of the heart recognized the courage and high-hearted manhood of the other, and so the links of friendship were forged.

Charles Kingsley's famous words, "I had a friend," tell the story of many a life besides his own. Days which might have been dull are rimmed with gold, experiences which might have been hard and sordid are softened into a noble beauty, harsh discords are transformed into haunting music when friendship comes.

"True friendship does not say, 'Will you love me?'" was the observation of a wise man. "True friendship says, 'May I love you?'" The making of friendship is one with the making of an unselfish heart. It is much more important to be able to be a friend than to have friends, and the man who can be a friend is sure to have friends, too. A man with the heart of Jonathan is enough to kindle the fires of friendship in a whole community.

The Test of Friendship

"Now the way is open to commanding and brilliant success," said the tempter. And the man's conscience replied, "But the price I must pay for it is disloyalty to my friend." Multitudes of men have come to the place where friendship proved a costly thing. True friendship is not merely the bubbling emotion of a warm and eager heart. It is the robust loyalty of a will held steady under the stress of temptation to disloyalty. A real friend is a man to whom friendship itself is more valuable than anything for which it can be bartered.

There are friendly relations which are based upon community of interest. They come to an end when the interests conflict. There are friendly relations which are based upon deep personal devotion. They will continue in spite of divergent interests.

Humanly speaking, Jonathan had nothing to gain and everything to lose through friendship with David. The shepherd champion was a possible rival to the throne. The right of succession in Saul's family was by no means a matter of course. Jonathan was not sure of the throne until he was firmly seated upon it. Popular favor might thrust him aside and crown David. In the very nature of the case it might seem that Jonathan would look with suspicion and disfavor upon this popular favorite, who might rob him of his kingdom.

Jonathan, however, was made of too noble stuff to be influenced by such a cool and calculating mood. He was quite carried away by the dash and tragedy and courage of David. He was ready to shout as loudly as any of the people, and when it became clear that his personal interests were in conflict with those of David he put friendship first. He was not the kind of man who would crush a friend in order to secure a throne.

The Tragedy of Friendship

Even where there are true hearts there are often distressing events. The course of true friendship by no means always runs smooth and in the case of Jonathan and David its circumstances were often rough enough. According to a carefully planned little strategy Jonathan tested the attitude of his father toward David and found that the king had indeed a fixed purpose to secure his friend's death. The far-flying arrows told the story of the king's deadly hostility. Then the two friends met to weep and part, torn asunder by the king's wrath. Jonathan was to go back to a palace, lonely because of the absence of his friend. David was to go out a wanderer, pursued by the king's hatred. That day an ideal friendship met the full shock of the hard and cruel realities of a selfish world. The order of nature seemed inverted and the rainbow which had shone out so brightly was lost in the driving tempest.

As far as David and Jonathan were concerned love had cast out fear and distrust and calculation, but the distrust and hatred of others was to push them apart. The days of bright and happy comradeship were over and with bitter weeping they parted, each feeling as if a part of his life was left behind.

The Glory of Friendship

"My heart is with my friend and so we are never far apart," said a man with a deep and rich experience of human devotion. Saul's anger could drive David from the court, but no hatred of Saul could drive David from his place in Jonathan's heart, and in the midst of all the busy life about the king Jonathan's thoughts were all the while taking wing and following the wanderer who was seeking safety in distant places. Friends can be separated by the edict of a king, but no royal mandate can put an end to true friendship. Saul thought that David had stolen the hearts of the people. In reality he had done a much more intimate and surprising thing. He had carried with him into exile the heart of Jonathan.

This power of true friendship to rise superior to circumstances is one of its great glories. Differences in culture, in social position, in property—all the walls which men have erected are thrust aside at the summons of that powerful energy which throbs in the life of a friend. Friendship is a fire which burns up obstacles and leaves only the pure gold of true devotion. That it can do battle with all its foes and like a plumed knight come forth victorious indicates the strength of friendship. It is a regenerating power, for it never touches life without lifting it to new nobility. Like a fixed star glowing in the night sky, the friendship of Jonathan and David shines on, though they are absent from each other. The flash of David's eyes comes to Jonathan in the dark. The clasp of Jonathan's hand is felt by David in his lonely exile. Friendship is always triumphant as long as friends are true.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in N. Y. Christian Advocate.

PANAMA—PACIFIC EXPOSITIONS, SAN FRANCISCO AND SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

SOUTHERN RAILWAY—PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Very Low Round Trip Fares

Dates of sale March 1st to November 30th, 1915. Final return limit three months from date of sale, except that these tickets will not be good to return later than December 31st, 1915.

Low round trip fares from principal points as follows:

Charlotte	$84.15
Salisbury	84.15
High Point	84.15
Greensboro	84.15
Mount Airy	86.25
Gastonia	84.15
North Wilkesboro	87.85
Statesville	84.15
Hickory	83.25
Morganton	82.20
Winston-Salem	84.15
Shelby	82.60

Fares from other points on same basis. Fares to Seattle or via Portland and Seattle at higher rate. These tickets will permit of diverse routing and will allow stop-overs on both going and return trip within limit of ticket.

Southern Railway offers choice of several routes of historic interest from which to select; going one way and returning another. Through connections and good service via Memphis, St. Louis, Chicago or New Orleans. Through cars daily via New Orleans and Sunset Route. Special car parties now being arranged, affording opportunity to make trip without change and with select company on outgoing trip; returning at leisure via any route you may choose, stopping off at your own pleasure, thereby avoiding all the discomforts of going and returning with large tour parties, being compelled to follow the crowd. In going individually or with special Pullman car parties you spend your own money, stop where you please and go and come to suit your own convenience and save money paid tourist agents for escorting you around.

For further information apply to Southern Railway Agents, or

R. H. DeButts, D. P. A.,
Charlotte, N. C.

Blackman's Medicated Salt Brick

Saves Time, Labor and Veterinary Bills
Stock Lick It—Stock Like It
A Handy Medicine—It Salts 'em Too
Drop Brick in Feed Box—It Will Do The Rest
No Dosing—No Drenching
Best Worm Medicine and Tonic Ever Produced
Every Animal Its Own Doctor
Sold and Guaranteed by Best Dealers Everywhere
BLACKMAN STOCK REMEDY COMPANY, Chattanooga, Tenn.



EARN BIG MONEY

Taking orders for our Fruit Trees, Ornamentals, Roses, Etc. Light work. Permanent job. No capital required. Experience not necessary. This is your opportunity. Our business has been established 28 years and stands high with the public. Write today.

SMITH BROS.,
Dept. 45, Concord, Ga.



PAINT STRENGTH

Strength is what paint is for. The stronger it is, the less gallons and money it takes, and the longer it wears. The strongest paint-word is DEVOE.

ODELL
Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice



Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER

Proprietor

GREENSBORO, N. C

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY

DISEASES OF
STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121¼ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO

ROBT. W. MURRAY

GENERAL
INSURANCE

Greensboro, North Carolina

308½ South Elm St.

Phone 163

Our Little Folks' Department

MIDGET AND THE MAY-BASKET

"Just look! Isn't it a beauty?" asked Mabel, proudly displaying a dainty pink May-basket. "I made it all my own self."

"It is lovely," agreed Lucy. "Jamie Barlett will be so pleased! How did you happen to make it for him? He can't catch you."

"Mother says it is a whole lot nicer to hang May-baskets to people who are lame like Jamie. It's all ready but the flowers. Let's go down in the meadow and pick some white violets. Then it will be supper time. Mother says you are to stay, and as soon as it is dark we will hang it. I will leave the basket down here on the floor behind the Morris chair."

"Did you close the parlor door?" called mother.

"Yes'm," answered Mabel.

"Are you sure?" asked Lucy. "I thought there was a wee crack."

"I thought I shut it. I'm not going back to look, anyway. It takes a long time to pick white violets. There won't be much dust nor flies get into the parlor through a tiny crack?"

Pretty soon big sister Cora's little dog, Midget, stretched himself lazily, hopped out of his cozy bed behind the kitchen stove, and trotted toward the parlor. He sniffed inquisitively at the tiny opening, then pushed the door with all the strength of his paw, and crept softly in. He followed his keen little nose straight as an arrow to the dainty May-basket. At once Midget was the busiest dog in town.

The meadow was sprinkled thickly with fragrant white blossoms, and the girls gathered a big bunch before mother rang the supper bell. They hurried home, talking about the evening's fun.

"I wonder what Midget is doing," said Cora, as they arose from the table. "He keeps going back and forth from the parlor to his bed. I thought I saw something in his mouth."

Mabel darted into the parlor. "O, you mean thing! You naughty, bad dog," she cried. "Cora Hartley, you just come and see what your old dog has done to my basket!"

"Why, Midget has eaten every single cooky!" exclaimed Lucy.

"And just look at this handle all torn and spoiled," scolded Mabel. "The little pig! I can't find one piece of candy. There's just an orange and a banana. I hope he'll be good and sick."

"Come out here," called mother from the kitchen. "See these caramels and peanut bars. Midget had them hidden safely in his bed. He couldn't eat them all."

Midget danced about, hopping upon Mabel, who held the empty basket.

"Get down, you mean old thing! There's nothing left," she cried. "You've spoiled all our fun. Poor Jamie won't have his May-basket," and she burst into tears.

"Now stop crying Mabel," said Cora. "Here is some money. You and Lucy can run down to the store and buy more candy. I will fix the handle while you are gone."

"You were partly at fault," said mother. "If you hadn't left a crack big enough for Midget's paw, your basket would have been safe. It is the little cracks that very often bring us to grief."

Lucy and Mabel soon returned with the candy, and Cora helped them fill the basket, which was as good as new. They hung it upon Mrs. Bartlett's front door, and knocked loudly. Then they hid behind the lilac hedge. Peeping through the bushes, they could see Jamie and his mother bending smilingly over the basket. Then Jamie hobbled to the door, and cried loudly into the darkness: "I can't run, but I thank you. It's a dandy."

"I know that candy tastes better to Jamie than to boys who have it often," Lucy said. "I wonder how Midget is feeling."

Poor Midget! He lay in his bed all the next day, moaning and limp.

"Poor doggie," said Mabel. "I don't believe you will steal my candy again. I hope you will feel better soon. Next time I will try to be more careful."

"Then," said mother, "a little girl and a little dog I know have learned two useful lessons."—Wesleyan Christian Advocate.

THE RUBBER TREE

When you put on a pair of overshoes or look at a rubber tire, do you ever think of the rubber tree which gives its sap for these useful articles?

In Mexico the rubber tree once grew wild in great forests of rubber trees. About a hundred years ago, it is said, the Spanish government sent a man to Mexico to study its vegetable productions, and he discovered how valuable is the juice, sap, or milk of the rubber tree, whichever you wish to call it. The natives soon learned its value, and they used the tree up, as we have used up our forests, and did not think of the time when there would be no more wild trees to furnish the rubber sap. Recently some men have bought land and planted rubber trees.

In the cultivated forests of rubber trees the trees are planted to grow in regular order, and the young shoots are cut down or transplanted. The method of gathering the sap is not unlike our method of gathering maple sap, and before the rubber sap is ready for market it must be boiled as our sap is, to get rid of the water, and pressed into cakes. Then the cakes are packed in bags and shipped to manufacture the many things into which rubber enters. The milk or sap of the rubber tree is white.—Sel.

A STEEL BIRD NEST

In a natural history museum at Soleure, Switzerland, is a bird's nest made entirely of steel. A pair of birds called wagtails picked up the broken clock springs lying on the ground near a clock factory and wove them into a nest four inches across and perperfectly comfortable for the young birds.—Selected.

TWO FAITHFUL FRIENDS

In far-off Switzerland I saw the statue of a faithful friend. Long ago it was placed in this village church, and hundreds of years from today it will still be there to tell the truthful story.

The town of Zug is near the great Saint Gothard Pass, with its peaks all covered with shining ice and heavy banks of snow. Sometimes the sunshine melts them a little, and then great masses go sliding down the mountain side, covering everything in their path.

In the year 1628 the young governor of the province was riding over the Saint Gothard, and with him were his favorite servant and pet dog. Right at the top of the pass a swift avalanche came crushing, pouring down, and governor, servant and dog were in an instant buried beneath it.

The dog was the first to shake off the terrible load. He barked and howled and moaned, but could not find his master. After a while he seemed to understand that something had happened to his beloved master, and, with a loud bark, he turned and hurried back to the little inn that he had seen as they passed it in the morning. His wishes and howls and nervous calls and scratching made the people know that some accident had occurred, and snatching up pickaxes and snow shovels, they followed him. When they reached the place, the faithful dog stopped suddenly, plunged his face in the snow, and began to scratch it up, all the while whining and barking. The men set to work at once, found the poor governor, and dragged him out, and after some more work they rescued the servant. The men were barely alive. They had heard the howling and barking of the dog, noticed his departure, and given up all hope.

The faithful dog almost died from joy when he saw his master's face again, and the grateful master resolved that his dog should never be forgotten. He sent for a great artist, and told him to make a beautiful statue, that all the world might know of the faithfulness of the dog and the gratitude of the man. There I saw it in the little church at Zug—the marble tomb of the governor with his beloved dog resting at his feet.—The Olive Leaf.

THOSE TASKS

A task never grows smaller and lighter by sitting down and lamenting that it must be done, and there is an old maxim that teaches us that a thing "once begun is half done."

A farmer friend of mine has a boy of fourteen years, named Billy, who is like a few other boys of my acquaintance. His heart is heavy and a cloud immediately overspreads his mental horizon when he is asked to make himself useful.

"Billy," said his father one day, when I was at the farm, "why don't you go to work at that little patch of potatoes?"

"Aw," whined Billy, "there's so many of them, I'll never get them hoed."

His father walked away, and I heard Billy exclaim in a tone indicating great mental distress:

"It makes me sick to think about those old potatoes!"

"Why do you think about them, then?" I said, laughingly.

"I have to," he replied, dolefully, with a sorrowful shake of the head. "I've been thinking about them ever since I got up this morning."

"How long, Billy, will it really take you to hoe them?"

"Well, at least an hour."

"And you've been distressed about it ever since you got up?"

"Well, I hate to hoe potatoes."

"And you've been up a little more than five hours?"

"Well, I—I—" Billy began to grin, took up his hoe, and said, "I never thought of that!"

The potatoes were hoed in just forty minutes.—Golden Days.

HE WOULD HAVE HELPED

Little Robbie had just been presented with a new Testament. One evening he read, for the first time, "The Son of man hath not where to lay his head."

His heart was touched, and he burst into tears, "O, mamma," he cried "how I wish I had been there. I would have given Him my little pillow!"

It was a loving thought for a little boy to have and he learned that even now he can give to Him by helping the poor and needy. The Master said: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

YOU WILL WRITE A LETTER LIKE THIS

I wish that I knew which one of the thousands of letters I receive would have the most weight with you, my friend. I can't quote all of them here, but I am going to ask you to read these carefully and then give me a chance to renew your health and make you write me one very much like them:

701 Barnard Street,
Savannah, Ga., Dec. 28, 1910.

Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C. Dear Sir: As you are aware, in 1909 I was suffering with indigestion, stomach and liver disorders and all its train of horrifying phenomena for several months. I had lived on milk, soft eggs, shredded wheat, a very insufficient diet for an active working man, and, of course, from disease and starvation was in a very low state of nervous vitality and general debility. I ordered ten gallons of your Mineral Water, which I used continuously, reordering when necessary, and in four months gained twenty-nine pounds, was strong and perfectly well and have worked practically every day since. It acts as a general renovator of the system. I prescribe it in my practice, and it has in every instance had the desired effects. It is essential to use this water in as large quantities as possible, for its properties are so happily blended and in such proportion that they will not disturb the most delicate system. It is purely Nature's remedy.

A. L. R. AVANT, M. D.

Leeds, S. C., March 2, 1911.

I have tested your Spring Water in several cases of rheumatism, chronic indigestion, kidney and bladder troubles, and in nervous and sick headaches, and find that it has acted nicely in each case, and I believe that if used continuously for a reasonable time will produce a permanent cure. It will purify the blood, relieve debility, stimulate the action of the liver, kidneys and bladder, aiding them in throwing off all poisonous matter.

C. A. CROSBY, M. D.

These are not selected cases nor are the results unusual. I receive thousands like them from physicians, ministers, lawyers, merchants, farmers, manufacturers and every conceivable profession. I want the satisfaction of receiving such a letter from you. No matter what your complaint may be, dyspepsia, indigestion, nervous headache, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney or liver disease, or any chronic ailment that has not responded to drugs. I invite you to match your faith in the Spring against my pocketbook. If the water fails to benefit you simply say so, return the empty demijohns and I will promptly and willingly refund your money—every cent. Sign below:

Shivar Spring,
Box 5B, Shelton, S. C.

Gentlemen:

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns, which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....

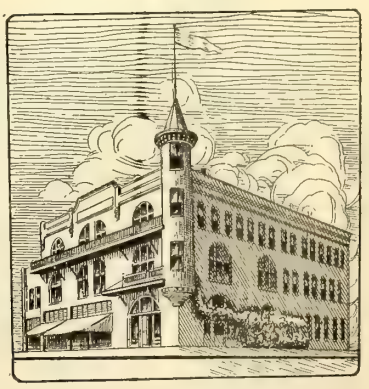
(Please write distinctly.)

Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You run **no risk whatever** in accepting his offer. I have personally witnessed the remarkable curative effects of this water in a very serious case.

SEND US YOUR FILMS

for prompt, highest grade developing and printing at lowest prices. KODAK WORK A SPECIALITY. Personal attention given to all orders. Results guaranteed. Write

W. I. VAN NESS & CO., Charlotte, N. C.



BLUE RIDGE INN
Mount Airy, N. C. W. M. Jordan, Prop.
Mount Airy's Leading Hotel

Rates $2.00 and $2.50—All meals 50 cents—Electric Lights, Steam Heat, Electric Bell System, Hot and Cold Baths—American plan—A clean up-to-date home for the tourist or traveling man, in a beautiful mountain city.

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.
Second Round

May
Weaverville Ct., Alexander Chapel ..1-2
West Asheville, night 2
Walnut Ct., Stackhouse 8-9
Black Mountain, night 9
Swannanoa, West Chapel 15-16
Bethel, night 16

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, 508 N. Tryon St., Charlotte, N. C.
Second Round

May
Ansonville, Cedar Hill 1-2
Wadesboro, night 2
Lilesville, Shiloh 8-9
Morven, Morven 15-16
Dilworth 23
Spencer Memorial and Derita, night.....23
Polkton, Mount Moriah 29-30

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.
Second Round

May
Uwharrie, Union 1-2
Denton, Clarkesbury 8-9
West Market 15-16

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Third Round

May
Summerfield, Center 8-9
Stokesdale, Glenco 15-16
Walnut Cove, Bethesda 22-23
Madison & Stoneville, Price 29-30
June
Spray 6-7
Leaksville 11-12
Draper 12-13
Jonesville 19-20
Elkin 20-21
Danbury, Sandy Ridge 26-27
July
Dobson 3-4
Pilot Mountain 10-11
Rural Hall 17-18
Yadkinville 24-25
Ararat 31
August
Ararat 1
Mount Airy Circuit 7-8

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Second Round

May
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Oak Grove 1-2
Micaville, South Toe 8-9
Bald Creek, Hertons 15-16
Burnsville 16-17
Marion Circuit, North Catawba 22-23
Third Round
June
McDowell, Snow Hill 5-6
Old Fort, Providence 12-13
Marion Station 13-14
Thermal City, Trinity 19-20
Table Rock, Linville 26-27
Morganton Station 27-28
July
Broad River, Union 2
Green River, New Hope 3-4
Cliffside, Hollis 9
Forest City, Cedar Grove 10-11
Henrietta and Caroleen, Henrietta, 11-12
Rutherfordton, Gilkey 17-18
Morganton Ct., Denton 24-25
Connelly Springs, Warlicks ..31-Aug. 1
August
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Bakersville 7-8
Micaville, Shoal Creek 14-15
Bald Creek, Bald Creek 21-22
Burnsville 22-23
Marion Ct., Concord 28-29
District Conference at Gilkey, July 15-18

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Second Round

April
Watauga, Valle Crucis 24-25
May
Elk Park, Montezuma 1-2
Avery, Jonas Ridge 8-9
Boone, Fairview 15-16
Sparta Circuit, Piney Creek 22-23
Laurel Springs, Mt. Zion 29-30
Revival Meetings
Elk Park, Montezuma.....April 26-May 6
Laurel Springs, Mt. Zion.....May 24-30

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.
Second Round

May
New London Circuit 1-2
Gold Hill Circuit 2-3
Bethel & Love's Chapel, Love's Chapel 8-9
Third Round
Salisbury, South Main St, 11 a. m., 16
Salisbury, First Church, night 16
Salisbury Circuit, Bethel 22-23
E. Spencer & N. Main St., E. Spencer, night 23
Woodleaf Circuit, South River 29-30
Salisbury, Holmes Memorial, night, 30
June
Concord, Forest Hill, 11 a. m. 6
West Concord, Harmony, night 6
Concord Circuit, Bogers 12-13
Epworth and Center, Center, 3 p. m., 13
Concord, Central, night 13
Cottonville and Oakboro, Cedar Grove 19-20
Norwood, Randalls 19-20
Albemarle, Central 27-28
Albemarle, First Street 27-28
Albemarle Circuit, Zoar, 3 p. m. ..26-27
July
China Grove, 11 a. m. 4
Spencer, night 4
Salem Circuit, Salem 10-11
Mt. Pleasant Circuit, Center Grove, 11-12
Concord, Westford, 11 a. m. 18
Kannapolis Station, night 18
Kannapolis Circuit, Unity 24-25
New London Circuit 31-Aug.-1
August
Gold Hill Circuit 1-2
Bethel and Loves Chapel 8-9

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C.
Third Round

May
McAdenville 9
Dallas-Ozark, Ozark 9-10
Cherryville, St. Paul 15-16
Gastonia, West End 22
Gastonia, Main St. 23
June
Lowell, South Side 5-6
Mt. Holly, Ebenezer 6-7
Bessemer, Bessemer 12
King's Mountain 13
Polkville, Lee's 19-20
Belwood, St. Peter's 26-27
July
Rock Spring, Rehobeth 3
Lincoln Ct., Ivey's Memorial 10
Lincolnton 11
Crouse 17
Stanly 18
South Fork 24
Lowesville, Hill's Chapel 27-29
District Conference at Lowesville July 27-29.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Lee T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Second Round

May
Troutman, 11 a. m. 1
Davidson, Davidson, 11 a. m. 2-3
Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 7:30 p. m. 2-3
Mooresville Circuit, 11 a. m. 8
Mooresville Station, Mooresville, 11 a. m. 9-10
Third Round
Mount Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, night 16-17
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn's, 11 a. m., 22-23
S. Lenoir and Valmead, Whitnel, night 23-24
Catawba Ct., Concord, 11 a. m. 29-30
June
West Hickory, West Hickory, 11 a. m. 5-6
Rhodhiss St., Rhodhiss, night 6-7
North Lenoir Ct., Harpers Chapel 11 a. m. 12-13
Lenoir Sta., Lenoir, night 13-14
Granite Falls and Hudson, Granite Falls, 11 a. m. 19-20
Hickory, First Church, Hickory, night 20-21
Alexander Ct., Rocky Spring, 11 a. m. 26-27
Stony Point Ct., Midway, 3:30 p. m., 27-28
July
Maiden Ct., Friendship, 11 a. m., 3-4
Newton St., Newton, night 4-5
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 11 a. m., 10-11
Davidson St., Davidson, night 11-12
Troutman Ct., Knox Chapel, 11 a. m. 17-18
Mooresville St., Mooresville, night, 18-19
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 11 a. m., 24-25
Cool Spring Ct., Rose Chapel, 11 a. m. 24-25
Iredell Ct., Macedonia, 11 a. m. 25-26
Broad Street St., Broad St., 11 a. m. 25-26
Race Street St., Race St., 11 a. m., 25-27
August
Hickory Ct., Pisgah, 11 a. m., ...1-2

The Sunday School Institute and the District Conference of the Statesville District will be held in Broad Street church, Statesville, July 28-31. Wednesday, July 28th, will be devoted to the Sunday school institute. The institute will open promptly at 10 o'clock, a. m., on that day. We earnestly urge every Sunday school superintendent and every pastor in the district to be present at that hour. There will be something doing every minute. You cannot afford to miss a single item on this program.

The work of the district conference will follow that of the institute. Let every delegate, all the pastors, local preachers, and charge lay leaders be present when the roll is called; and we insist that all the members of the Conference remain until we adjourn on Saturday.

The congregations of Broad Street and Race Street churches will provide abundant entertainment, and we desire the fullest possible attendance.

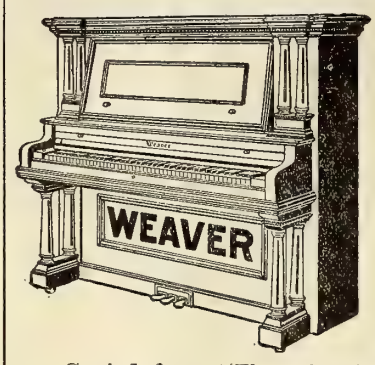
WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C., R. F. D. 2
Second Round

April
Ranger Circuit, Bellview 24-25
May
Murphy Station, night 6
Andrews Station, night 7
Robbinsville, Topton 8-9
Judson, Almond 9-10
Franklin Ct., Snowhill 15-16
Macon Ct., Asbury 19-20
Highlands, Flatts 22-23
Franklin Station 24

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C.
Third Round

May
Grace, 11 a. m. 16
Burkhead, night 16
Thomasville Ct., Fairview 22-23
Thomasville, Main Street 21-23
Linwood, Wesley Chapel 29-30
Lexington 28-30
June
Walkertown, 11 a. m. 6
Centenary, night 6
Davidson, Good Hope 12-13
Southside, night 13
Forsyth, Crews 19-20
Liberty, night 20
Jackson Hill, Macedonia 26-27
July
Davie, Center 3-4
Mocksville 2-4
Advance, Advance 10-11
West End, night 11
Lewisville, Union 17-18
Salem, night 18
Farmington, Bethlehem 24-25
Cooleemee, night 25
Kernersville, Shady Grove 31-Aug. 1

MISS ALICE NEILSON



One of the world's greatest sopranos, and Mr. E. Romayne Simmons, the famous Piano accompanist, both give their highest endorsement of the

WEAVER PIANO

to a newspaper critic after having used it in concert, and for private rehearsal.



Copied from "The Dispatch," York, Pa., March 2, 1912. "Miss Neilsen used one of the Colonial style 20 Weaver Pianos in her room at the hotel for private rehearsals. She remarked afterwards: 'It is a dear little Piano, a lovely instrument. It suited me exactly and I mean it.'

"The Weaver Grand used for the Concert in the Opera House, was not one of the large size Conc Grands, but the tone appeared to be larger than the Piano. Mr. E. Romayne Simmons, the marvelous acco panist, demonstrated the class of the Weaver Piano when he drew from it effects that can only be p duced by a great Artist with a great Piano. Such extremes of light and shade, of legato and stacca of brilliancy and sympathetic delicacy are seldom found combined in one Piano. Mr. Simmons sa 'It is a great Piano.'"

WEAVER ORGAN & PIANO COMPANY, MANUFACTURERS, YORK, PA.

GRAND EXCURSION TO WASHI TON, D. C., AND RETURN VI SOUTHERN RAILWAY, THUR. MAY 13TH, 1915

Special train will leave Salisb at 8:30 P. M., arriving Washing following morning at 7:55 A. M. turning will leave Washington a A. M., Saturday, May 15th, 1915.

Passengers from branch line po will use regular trains to the vari junction points connecting with special train, and returning will regular trains from such junc points to the home stations.

Tickets good going and return on special train only and cannot extended.

Special train will consist of class coaches only.

Daylight trip through Virginia turning.

A rare opportunity to spend twe five hours in Washington, giv ample time to visit the many po of interest in the Capital City.

Low round trip fares from stati named as follows:

Salisbury	$5
Albemarle	5
Lexington	5
High Point	5
Reidsville	4
Burlington	5
Greensboro	5
Spencer	5
Thomasville	5
Asheboro	5
Siler City	
Gibsonville	5

For further information, tick etc., call on any agent Southern R way, or

R. H. DeButts, D. P. A Charlotte, N

There is a principle which is p placed in the human mind, which different places and ages hath different names; it is, however, p and proceeds from God. It is d and inward, confined to no form religion, nor excluded from any, w the heart stands in perfect since In whomsoever this takes root grows, they become brethren.—J Woolman.

DO YOU OWN A KODA

If so, I am a film specialist doing develo ing, printing and enlarging and my propo tion to you is interesting. Send a tr order to

D. AUDLEY GOLD, Box C263, Blacksburg, S.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information and are not guaranteed.

12:15 a. m.—No. 32, daily, Southern's Southeastern Limited. Pullman drawing-room, open section sleeping cars Jacksonville and Augusta to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

12:35 a. m.—No. 112, daily, local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh, which is open at 9:30, and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m.

1:42 a. m.—No. 30, daily, Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing-room and observation sleeping cars Birmingham and Columbus to New York, and Birmingham to Richmond. Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29, daily, Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing-room and observation sleeping cars New York and Richmond to Birmingham and Columbus. Daily tourist car Washington to San Francisco via popular Sunset Route. Dining cars. Coaches.

3:15 a. m.—No. 31, daily, The Southern's Southeastern Limited. Pullman drawing-room and open section sleeping cars New York to Jacksonville and Augusta. Dining car service. Day coaches.

3:45 a. m.—No. 45, daily, local for Charlotte, connecting for Atlanta and points south.

7:10 a. m.—No. 8, daily, local for Richmond.

7:15 a. m.—No. 37, daily, New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section sleeping cars New York to New Orleans, and New York to Asheville, and Macon. Pullman parlor car Greensboro to Montgomery. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service.

7:25 a. m.—No. 11, daily, local for Atlanta. Pullman sleeping cars Norfolk and Richmond to Charlotte. Day coaches.

7:30 a. m.—No. 108, daily, local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro.

7:40 a. m.—No. 154, daily, except Sunday for Ramseur.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily, for Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Pullman sleeping car Raleigh to Winston-Salem.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily, local for Mt. Airy.

9:30 a. m.—No. 44, daily, for Washington and points north.

9:40 a. m.—No. 144, daily, Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullmon sleeping car Atlanta to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily, for Ashville and Waynesville, connecting at Asheville with Carolina Special for all points west. Chair car Goldsboro ta Asheville.

12:55 p. m.—No. 130, daily, local for Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

1:30 p. m.—No. 7, daily, local for Charlotte, connecting for Seneca and Columbia.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily, U. S. Fast Mail for Washington, New York and points north. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

2:00 p. m.—No. 207, daily, for Winston-Salem, connecting daily except Sunday for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daily, except Sunday for Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily, except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily, for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro, Chair car.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily, for Mt. Airy.

6:25 p. m.—No. 35, daily, U. S. Fast Mail for Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham. Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily, for Winston-Salem.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily, local for Sanford.

7:32 p. m.—No. 43, daily, for Atlanta, and points south. Sleeping car Raleigh to Atlanta.

10:15 p. m.—No. 12, daily, local for Richmond. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Norfolk.

10:20 p. m.—No. 233, daily, for Winston-Salem.

11:29 p. m.—No. 38, daily, New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section sleeping cars New Orleans, Macon and Asheville to New York. Dining car.

E. H. COAPMAN,
Vice-President and General Manager,
Washington, D. C.

S. H. HARDWICK,
Passenger Traffic Manager,
Washington, D. C.

H. F. CARY,
General Passenger Agent,
Washington, D. C.

R. H. DeBUTTS,
Division Passenger Agent,
Charlotte, N. C.

C. G. PICKARD,
Passenger & Traffic Manager,
Greensboro, N. C.

TWO NEW SONG BOOKS

VICTORY HYMNAL—a superior collection of songs for Sunday schools, etc.

SONG SERVICE and REVIVAL, No. 2—Fine for revivals, Sunday schools, etc. Words and music in both books pleasing, inspiring, devotional. Carefully edited. Both notations. Price, each, 25 cents; dozen, $2.50. Sample of either book, 15 cents; both, 30 cents. Address

Hildebrand-Burnett Co., Roanoke, Va.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL

General Insurance

General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland

108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44



Their First Breakfast

"This is how I like it"

You can have your husband say this not only at your first breakfast together, but morning after morning.

If you should discover that every woman in your town used the same coffee you would never rest until you had tried it.

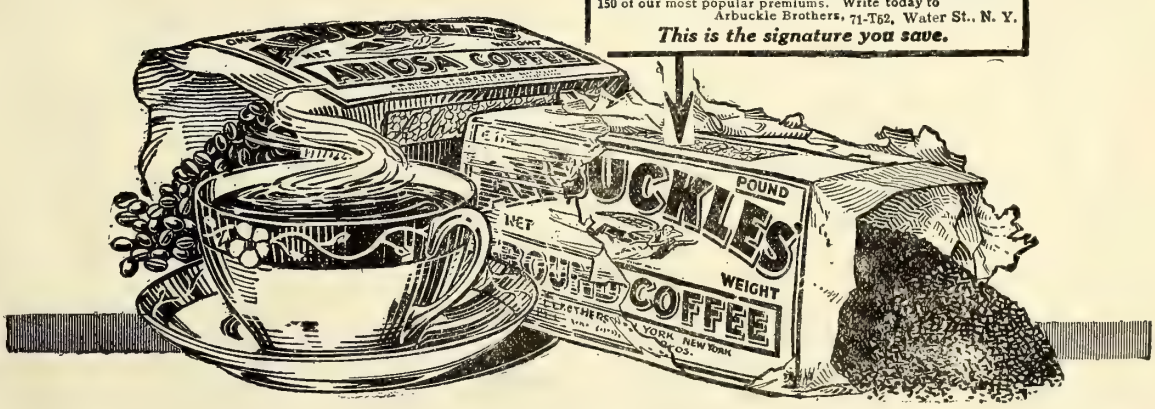
A great many more women than live in your town are using Arbuckles' Coffee. In millions of homes throughout the country, Arbuckles' is considered necessary to make breakfast complete. So rapidly has its sale increased, so popular has it become, that today more of it is sold than any other packaged coffee. Arbuckles' is pure coffee,—contains no chicory.

Get a package from your grocer today — either the whole bean or the ground. Notice the smiles of satisfaction at the breakfast table. Try it. Give your family the enjoyment of drinking the most popular coffee in America.

Make your coffee earn lovely gifts for you

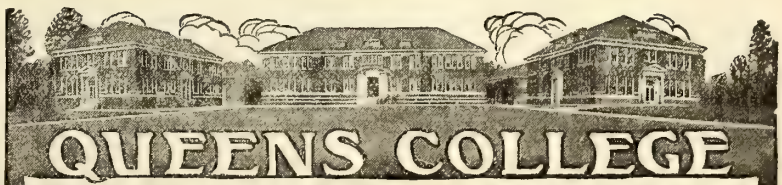
Save the signatures on every Arbuckle wrapper. Get beautiful, useful gifts—articles you have always wanted. Arbuckles' premiums are almost as famous as Arbuckles' Coffee. In one year we gave away over a million of *one* premium alone! Send for our big Premium Catalog showing 150 of our most popular premiums. Write today to Arbuckle Brothers, 71-T52, Water St., N. Y.

This is the signature you save.



Mankind is one in origin, one in the law that governs it, and one in the goal it is destined to attain. Its faith must be one, its actions one, and one the banner under which it combats. Say not the languages we speak are different. Acts, and martyrdom are a language common to all men, and which all men understand.—Joseph Mazzini.

I have no regard to persons or professions; for, when we come into the truth, it will banish from the earth all sectarianism; and when we come back into the state which we ought to be in to become the children of God, we shall all be brethren and sisters of one family.—Elias Hicks.



QUEENS COLLEGE

FOR YOUNG WOMEN **CHARLOTTE, N. C.**

Delightfully located in Myers Park, suburban Charlotte. Five new buildings of tapestry brick and limestone; two stories high, fireproof throughout. Confortable and convenient dormitories; baths adjoining each room; hot and cold water. Extensive 50 acre campus. One of the best equipped woman's colleges in the South.

Standard college courses leading to B. A. degree. Special fitting course. 22 trained instructors. Complete laboratory equipment, gymnasium, library. ***Splendid Musical Advantages:*** 3 manual pipe organ; 22 piano practice rooms containing all new instruments. ***Diplomas in Voice, Violin, Piano, Organ, Art and Expression.***

Non-sectarian but distinctly Christian. Terms per session $300. For catalog address

JOHN L. CALDWELL, M. A., D. D., President **CHARLOTTE, N. C.**

BARGAINS IN GOOD BOOKS

VALUABLE BOOKS FOR $1 PER VOLUME

The books selected for inclusion in this DOLLAR LIBRARY have stood all tests and have been acclaimed standard if not classic.

They are the necessary books in every well-balanced Ministerial Library.

The books are large octavo in size, each containing from 400 to 550 pages, printed on excellent paper and tastefully and substantially bound in dark green cloth with gold stamping.

The former selling price of these books ranges from $2.50 to $3.50 and these editions are complete and are printed from the plates of the original high-priced editions.

Price now $1.00 per volume by mail. Add ten cents for postage.

By Prin. A. M. Fairbairn, D. D., LL. D.
THE PHILOSOPHY OF THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION

This is one of the most scholarly and successful defenses and examinations of the Christian belief and its basis. Principal Fairbairn's fame is justly founded upon the profundity of his thought, the wide range of his erudition and the bell-like clarity of his style. This is a book which should be in every ministerial library.

By Charles Loring Brace
GESTA CHRISTI: A History of Humane Progress Under Christianity

A book which has no equal in its discussion of the teaching of Jesus or the character and personnel of the members of the Apostolic group. While on many other subjects connected with the life of Christ new books have become standards, this book remains the authority in its own field.

Rev. John Ker, D. D.
LECTURES ON THE HISTORY OF PREACHING:
With Introduction by Rev. Wm. M. Taylor

While not in the strictest sense of the word a volume on homiletics, this is nevertheless one of the greatest and best recognized books in this realm. It has long served as a guide to all who wished to make any acquaintance with the theory or the history of the practice of preaching. In every sense of the word classic, not alone for the student, but for the seasoned preacher himself.

By Canon F. W. Farrar
THE LIFE OF CHRIST AS REPRESENTED IN ART

This may fairly be called a by-product of the author's monumental Life of Christ. It is a complete survey in his matchless prose of the whole subject of art in its relation to Christianity.

By Alexander Maclaren, D. D.
PULPIT PRAYERS

One of Dr. Maclaren's secrets of success was in the pains and reverent care he took to prepare his people for the message of his sermon—a care extending to hymns, the Scripture and the minor parts of the service, and especially to the prayer which preceded the sermon. They are alike inspirational in contents and models in manner.

By Prin. George Adam Smith, D. D.
THE LIFE OF HENRY DRUMMOND

This is one of the greatest of religious biographies, for it is not only the story of a career alike distinguished for deep piety and a singular brilliance of achievement, but it is written by one himself a considerable figure in the movements associated with Drummond's name, and a close and lifelong friend. It touches with deep insight the movements with which Drummond's name will ever be associated.

By J. deQuincey Donehoo
THE APOCRYPHAL AND LEGENDARY LIFE OF CHRIST

Mr. Donehoo has gathered together with incredibly painstaking care all the legendary and apocryphal material concerning the life of Christ, scattered as it is through a countless number of volumes, most of which are rare and inaccessible to the average reader or student. While of course apocryphal, this collection is of immense aid to the student of doctrine as showing the place Christ came to hold in the early belief and worship of the Church.

By John P. Jones
INDIA: ITS LIFE AND THOUGHT

Mr. Jones, through many years' residence in India, has come to a knowledge of India which, coupled with his sympathetic insight into the native character, has enabled him to write what is perhaps the most comprehensive single sketch of India yet written.

By Prof. A. B. Bruce, D. D.
THE TRAINING OF THE TWELVE

An apologetic for the Christian faith which now as in the day it was written remains unanswerable. What Buckle did in his "History of Civilization" from the standpoint of materialism, has been done in this book from the standpoint of belief. It is in every way a notable book, alike from the standpoint of Christian apologetics and from the standpoint of history. It is the kind of book which belongs in every library, and because written always with a human interest, it is in the best sense popular.

THE MIRACULOUS ELEMENT IN THE GOSPELS

Professor Bruce was one of the most literal-minded of the evangelical school to which he belonged. It is a tribute to the scholar's profundity of thought and his grip of the heart of his subject that he was able to anticipate the line of attack on the supernatural so that his book still remains the ablest defense of the miracles extant. He has been followed but never supplanted.

THE PARABOLIC TEACHING OF CHRIST

The parables, admittedly one of the most important and one of the most difficult aspects of Christ's teaching, have here been treated in a manner characterized by sanity and scholarly insight. From the first this book took rank as among the ablest expositions of the parables, as well as one of the best books in English on the teaching of Jesus.

THE HUMILIATION OF CHRIST
In Its Physical, Ethical and Official Aspects

The whole theme of Dr. Bruce's work is to show that the cross is as completely the central point in the life of Christ in the light of which the whole incarnation must be understood as is the atonement in the doctrine of Christianity. It remains in a place alone as a statement of the doctrines of the incarnation and the atonement.

SEND YOUR ORDERS FOR THESE OR ANY OTHER BOOKS YOU MAY WANT TO

Board of Publication

Greensboro, N. C.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, May 13, 191[illegible] | Number 19

Reading Room
Trinity College



NEW CHURCH AT FRANKLINVILLE

Dedicated Sunday, May 2nd, 1915

Rev. T. J. Rogers, Pastor

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

"CLEAN-UP DAY"

This expression has been heard so often recently that it sounds commonplace. It has been upon every lip in almost every community, and it is well that so helpful a slogan should be sounded everywhere. It looks to better sanitary conditions and to civic order and beauty. These things are worth striving for.

The tendency in human society is to unsanitary and disorderly conditions. Without occasional rallies dirt, filth and disease would take possession of things and life be made miserable while the death rate would be greatly increased. Some one says, however, that he does not believe in being clean and orderly by spells—that every day ought to be clean-up day. So it ought; but experience demonstrates that if we are to approach the ideal of continuous civic order and beauty, and reach the maximum health conditions we must agitate and arouse the people by occasional health and civic campaigns. We will come to the ideal ultimately when every day will be clean-up day.

So it is in the higher realm of the spiritual. Let no man condemn the occasional evangelistic campaign which looks, not simply to the enlistment of men and women, boys and girls, in the army of God, but rather to the awakening of the church to a higher sense of the possibilities of "righteousness and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost." Without these occasions of agitation, the back alleys and other secret places of religious life in the individual are likely to become the depositories of moral filth, and, if not cleaned up, may result in spiritual death. As in sanitation and health—in civic beauty and orderliness—we approach the ideal through the agitation of our "clean-up" days, so by the agitation of evangelistic effort—our revival meetings—we constantly gravitate toward that ideal state of the church beautifully described by the Prophet Jeremiah 31:31-34, and quoted by the Apostle Heb. 8:10-11. Let us not forsake our "clean-up days." An annual—or what is still better—a semi-annual hauling out of old tin cans and rubbish in every congregation will greatly aid the new system of nurture which promises so much to the kingdom in the future.

THE SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE

The Ministerial Association, of Statesville, through the Secretary, Rev. Jno. F. Kirk, last week gave to the people of that community a serious and straight-forward message. It seems that in all the churches of the town, the evening services are not well attended. The message as printed in the Landmark, puts it up to the people to say whether or not an evening service is desired. It would seem from this that the Association is willing to let the people rule.

We all believe more or less in democracy, but there are limitations. It will not suffice for us as ministers to set limitations to our efforts by the mere wishes of the people. At times they may want just what they ought not to have; at other times they may not desire what we ought to give them. After all, the doctor, and not the patient, must determine what sort of medicine to give.

We are convinced, however, that Brother Kirk and the Association of ministers for which he is spokesman, do not mean all that some have read into their manifesto. They are endeavoring to arouse a somewhat indifferent community, and very properly challenge the people to consider what an unseemly thing it would be, through an inexcusable neglect of the evening service, to make it practically fruitless and ineffective.

This incident should not be construed as any reflection upon the people of Statesville. It only happens that these ministers have spoken out about a situation that prevails, more or less, everywhere. So far as we can learn the people of Statesville, in all the churches, are about such as we find in other towns and cities. What we need is to allow this incident to bring before us the whole question of the evening service and what to do with it in all communities.

Conditions change and all things must be made in a sense to conform to the demands of changed conditions. Is there not a word to be said in behalf of many who stay away from the evening service? Is it all to be charged to perverseness or to a growing spirit of ease and self indulgence? Everybody who will think for a moment must concede that the program of religious services becomes more and more strenuous, and that, with many of the most devoted church workers, the demands have so increased in recent years as to well nigh destroy the possibility of Sabbath observance in that important sense that the day is a day of physical rest.

The primary object of the Sabbath is that of affording surcease from the grinding toil which wears out the body and unfits one for efficient work. Who does not know that there are, in every large city church, as well as in the churches of the larger towns, many who find the Sabbath the most serious tax upon their physical powers of any day in the week? By force of circumstances many of these have no other day that they can command as an opportunity to give relaxation to overstrained nerves.

We do not write this to give comfort to the lazy and self-indulgent. There are great numbers who could be in the evening service and who habitually absent themselves for no other reason than that they yield to the disposition to gratify their inexcusable indolence. However, we must not forget that to many our program of Sunday services is becoming overtaxing. For years we have had a growing conviction that a service at 5 o'clock in the afternoon, especially during the summer season, might be far more profitable. We are told that that great Richmond preacher and pastor, the late Dr. Hoge, never held a Sunday night service.

Whatever may be the result we trust that this agitation may do good. Conditions in Statesville are not different from those prevailing in other cities.

OUR SUPERANNUATE ENDOWMENT FUND

The movement recently begun among our Methodist Episcopal brethren to establish a large endowment fund for the benefit of their superannuated preachers, widows and orphans, has awakened interest on this side of the line. A friend of more than ordinary intelligence came into the Advocate office a few days ago, and, referring to the aforesaid movement and what he had been reading in the papers about it, said that our church ought to take up the same thing. Of course we proceeded at once to enlighten him by calling attention to the fact which he had evidently overlooked that in the year 1902 the General Conference in session at Dallas, Texas, adopted a plan whereby our church undertook to establish a fund of $5,000,000, the interest upon which is to be used for the relief of our superannuated preachers.

How difficult it is to get our people to know what the church is doing! This is only another instance giving emphasis to the fact that our church suffers in every department for lack of adequate publicity. How many of our people really know that our church began this work of providing a general fund for the benefit of our Conference claimants more than a dozen years ago? How many of them know that a part of our annual budget of assessments goes to the swelling of this fund and that we are already beginning to reap the benefit of it in a nice little sum, annually?

This endowment fund was committed to the custody and management of the Board of Trustees of the Church, located at Nashville, Tenn This Board is duly incorporated and has it headquarters at Nashville, and Rev. John E Stewart is the Secretary and Treasurer, givin his entire time to the promotion of the inter est of this superannuate endowment fund. A a matter of course the work made apparentl slow progress during the first few years. A the General Conference held in Asheville i 1910, eight years after the work was inaugu rated, the Treasurer's report showed that fund of $158,919.91 had been accumulated. A our General Conference last year at Oklahom City, the fund had increased to $302,915.1 the gain in four years being $143,499.85. Thu it will be seen that the fund almost doubled dur ing the last quadrennium. Besides, the repor showed that these figures did not include som unpaid bequests which were in process of co lection. From these figures any one can see a a glance that it will be only a short while til we may expect this fund to reach large pro portions. Besides the regular fund coming i from Conference assessments, there are many bequests made to the Board of Trustees where by this fund is constantly augmented, and these bequests will multiply rapidly as ou people become informed with regard to th movement.

By reference to the minutes of our last An nual Conference, page 45, the reader will se that the Western North Carolina Conferenc received $274.50 from this fund last year. Eac succeeding year we may expect to see thi amount increase. If the fund now amounting to a little more than one quarter of a million gives the Western North Carolina Conferenc $274.50, what will a fund of $5,000,000. giv us? A novice in figures can answer the ques tion. If this movement is kept properly be fore our people with the vast amount of wealth the church represents, we ought to have an an nual income of $5,000. within the next decade

Until the fund shall have reached the sum o $5,000,000. twenty-five per cent of the income is to be turned back to augment the fund. So that the ratio of increase will soon be very large, besides bequests may reasonably be ex pected to multiply very rapidly.

There is no movement in our church more worthy of sympathy and support. Our people should be informed and brought into co-operation. Many who read this editorial will admit that they never heard of it before, yet our Discipline says: "It is made the duty of the preacher in charge of each station, circuit and mission in the church to call attention annually in each congregation to this Endowment Fund and ask a voluntary contribution from the congregation for its enlargement." It might be interesting as well as profitable in every way for the pastor, at least once a year, to talk to the congregation on the subject of "Some Forgotten Heroes and Heroines." Try it, brother, and do not let our people think that our brethren of the M. E. Church have outstripped us in this good work. We are leaders this time.

BILLY SUNDAY AGAIN

Our editorial in a recent issue concerning Billy Sunday and the Free Will Offering called forth a mild protest on the part of one who claims such personal acquaintance with him and his habit of using his means, as to justify said protest. The only point at issue in our mind was the harm that might result to him and his work unless the public be advised as to what Mr. Sunday does with his money. Brother W. R. Lynch, the excellent Lay Leader of the Mount Airy District, is the individual to whom we refer, and he has been accorded the privilege of using the columns of the Advocate to furnish information on this subject. Our readers must understand that we have no desire to injure Mr. Sunday or to detract in any way, from his reputation or power as a great preacher, but to save these from the damage which must inevitably come from the publication of these stories unless the public is advised that such amounts are not expended in mere self-indulgence.

We gladly give our readers the following, which Brother Lynch has selected from Association Men:

"What Billy Sunday is doing with his money is the question that is sneered and slurred probably more than any one flung against his name—and he doesn't tell. In fact Billy is rather independent. Undoubtedly he is putting some into the bank. We noted the other day where he had paid off several mortgages of widows and struggling men. A. J. Elliott tells that in the past year he has run across another cache of Sunday's where he has been 'salting away cash.' And he says, 'As far as I can gather, Billy Sunday is putting money into thoroughbreds—men who will make a record among men.' In a conference of College Association presidents, Elliott had made a remark about Sunday and he saw a leader's face light up. A talk brought the story from the man that he had been 'a common rough-neck' and 'didn't give a hang for religion.' 'But I hit the trail, and Sunday kept his eye on me as I worked in the meetings. Then he persuaded me to start for college, and by his backing I'm here, headed for Christian service—and I'll continue in it.' Just now he is fitting in mighty effectively as president of an Association—and he is no mere imitation. And Elliott says that this man is only typical of at least twenty-five more that he has casually found, into whose careers and training Sunday is putting his money. And as to men who have been converted through Sunday's meetings Elliott reports 'the colleges of Iowa and the central West are full of them, and so is the Iowa Legislature.' "

For the comfort of those who suffer let it be said that affliction has its compensation, even in this life. Horace Bushnell, writing February 6, 1866, to Bishop Frederick D. Huntington, after hearing of his illness, said this: "In some respects I almost envy you—for it is really good and blessed, as I can testify, to be under any pressure that presses toward God. About the richest months of enjoyment I have ever had were those in which I was pitied and consoled by my friends. They wrote me about the 'suffering' and 'pain' and 'loss' and such like forms of misery—really I did not know where it was. Under the shadow of the Almighty such things do not come."

* * * *

The British Weekly calls attention to the fact that during the first years of the last century, from 1800 or 1810 to 1815, when all Europe was suffering from the Napoleonic wars, she gave birth to almost every great man who was to guide her better destinies for a hundred years to come. In that terrible period of travail Britain gave birth to Disraeli, Gladstone, Cobden, Bright, Browning, Tennyson, Shaftesbury, and many others. Italy had Cacour, Mazzini, Garibaldi and Victor Immanuel, the four men who secured the liberty and unity of the Italian kingdom. There may be some comfort in this in the midst of the horrors of the present great war. May it be that the great leaders born out of this period of strife may prove to be the emancipators of the world from servile obedience to war lords.

* * * *

Bishop Vincent recently celebrated his eighty-third birthday. He is still preaching as he has opportunity and this is the message he gives out to the world:

"It is a pity to see men or women of 80 years of age indifferent to the world of literature open and ever opening to them.

"A person of 50 or 60 years of age makes the best kind of a student. Familiarity with real life and every day folks gives them the advantage over young folks as they read history and general literature.

"I therefore urge all persons of all ages and social positions to read, think and converse and never say or for a moment think, 'I am too old to study.'

"Nobody is too old to add to his stock of knowledge, nor to find new delight in literature, nor to keep up interesting home conversation, nor to listen with open ears and eager heart to what thinking men and women are these days thinking and talking about."

NOTE AND COMMENT

The Death of So Many Passengers aboard the ill-fated liner Lusitania shocks the civilized world, but let us not "rock the boat." Even if so great and wonderful a man as "Teddy" believes it the greatest piracy ever committed, intimating at the same time that we ought to jerk off our coats and jump into the European melee, let us think on what our Ex-President William Howard Taft says regarding the advisability of not expressing an opinion, but confidently await the conclusions of our beloved President Woodrow Wilson. Chairman Stone of the Foreign Relations Committee of the United States Senate in a statement issued soon after the occurence, said: "Without expressing an opinion as to our relations to this event or as to our duty in the premises, there are some facts which we are bound to consider.

"We cannot overlook the fact that the Lusitania was a British ship flying the British flag and subject at any time to be put into the actual naval service of the English government. Indeed, it is stated that at the time she was attacked she was carrying military reservists to England for service in the British army. True, there were American citizens aboard, but they went aboard a belligerent ship with full knowledge of the risk, and after official warning by the German government. When on board a British vessel they were on British soil. Was not their position substantially equivalent to being within the walls of a fortified city? If American citizens stay within a city besieged or threatened and the enemy attacks, what should our government do if our citizens should be injured?

"I express no opinion at this time. At the present moment and with the lights now before me, I confess it appears to me that from our standpoint as a neutral nation, the Gulflight case presents a more delicate and serious complication than the case of the Lusitania."

* * * *

Last Sunday in Many of Our Churches of the Old North State the sermons were concerning mothers. It was the second Sunday in May, "Mothers' Day," and honors were paid mothers throughout our land. It is a beautiful custom thus to honor the memory of those who have gone before us and to pay loving tribute to the mothers who are still here to bless us. Some one has remarked that we should always make this day one of real expressions of love for mother if she is here, for time flies and none can tell when the call to go may come. Nothing too good can be said of the mothers, nothing too good can be done for them by those to whom they gave birth. So let the mothers know that they are beloved, for nothing on this old earth reaches farther than a mother's love.

* * * *

Yesterday Afternoon at Three O'clock the rap of the gavel in Houston, Texas, signalled the coming together of what has been said to be the largest religious gathering on the face of the earth, the Southern Baptist Convention, representing a constituency of 2,522,633 people and more than one-third of the Baptists of the entire world. Rev. Hight C. Moore, editor of the Biblical Record at Raleigh, is Secretary of this organization. The President is Dr. Lansing Burrows, of Georgia. A unique bit of information concerning this body which represents more than two and a half million individual Baptists is that the Convention has not one bit of legislative or judicial power. Of course this arises from the fact that every Baptist church is an independent organization, working out, as some one has said "its own destiny in its own circle, stretching out as far as it can with the scope of Christian influence but never dipping into the affairs of a sister church."

* * * *

Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman, who has for the last five weeks been conducting a glorious revival in Charlotte, closed his meeting last Sunday night. On the evening previous he spoke of his sermon on the "Second Coming of Christ," and the audience could see that the great, horrible war is weighing on the Doctor's heart, as he remarked: "We may be approaching, if we are not already in, the last days. It would seem that we have come to the time of the last apostasy." One could see also that the Doctor was greatly moved by the news of the sinking of the Lusitania. "I have crossed the ocean eleven times on the Lusitania," he said. "I know very well many of the officers and many of the people who sailed on her last voyage. I occupied the same room on my different trips, and I sat at the same table. I can shut my eyes and see them now. The Lusitania was not so great as the Aquitania or so ornate as some of the German boats, but it was a very splendid ship. I may be excused if I am sick at heart. If that is warfare, God pity us. Those living in neutral countries should drop on their knees and pray to God that this awful war end." Certainly, all these nations who so suddenly blundered into this war should have remembered that war is no "pink tea" affair. It is not a place where your friend serves you sandwiches and pays you compliments.

* * * *

Japan's View on the Present Japanese-China Situation is clearly set forth in a statement recently made by Count Okuma in answer to that question as to whether Japan regarded China as its natural field for commercial expansion. The Count frankly replied, "We do." And he went on to give some of the reasons for that conviction:

"If you remember the circumstances following our war with China, you will recall the fact that we were deprived of our advantages thus secured; but we bided our time and we fought our war with Russia not for the purpose of securing Manchuria for ourselves, but because we refused to allow Russia to dominate it. We have no designs on the territorial integrity of China, or any other design than the full possession of the rights we feel we have there—our natural advantages, due to our geographical situation, our understanding of the Chinese people, and such racial and other relationships as we have with them.

"There is no disposition on the part of Japan to try to set up a commercial monoply in China; nor is there any disposition to look askance at any which may secure trade with China. Our position is that we, the Japanese, are peculiarly placed in regard to trade and business relations with China; that we have certain natural advantages; and that it is due us by ourselves, that we shall secure the fullest measure of return for those advantages. In other words, we do not protest if other nations shall secure what they are entitled to, and expect them to do so; but we, for our part, intend to have what we are entitled to, also."

It has been suggested, however, that when Japan has secured what she is "entitled to" there will be nothing left for any one else. The Baltimore American thinks that a liberal interpretation of Count Okuma's words would be "peace and plunder," and goes on to ask, "Does it not appear strange that if Japan's ambitions are entirely legitimate she did not long ago assert them, and not wait until Europe was at war and this country burdened by excessive neutral responsibilities?" Surely China herself by this time is beginning to think there is a yellow peril.

* * * *

According to the Department of Commerce gold imports during March aggregated $25,620,467 against $7,842,249 in March, 1914, and $4,380,993 in March, 1913. Gold exports during March amounted to $323,891 against $2,632,049 in March, 1914, and $18,076,584 in March, 1913. The outward flow of gold was checked in December last, and the first three months of the current year show a net inward movement amounting to $42,574,078.

Other figures just made public by the Department show that March, 1915, imports totaled $158,040,216 against $182,555,304 in March, 1914. March exports were $299,009,563 against $187,499,234 in March, 1914. The excess of exports over imports during March was $140,969,347 as against $4,943,930 in March, 1914; and for the nine months ending with March, last, the excess of exports was $719,803,737 compared with $484,869,337 in the corresponding months of the preceding fiscal year.

(Note and Comment continued on page 7)

CONTRIBUTIONS

FORCES THAT MOULD

By W. E. Poovey

I. Influence

"None of us liveth to himself"—Rom. 14:7.

Two streams flow into life. One has been called Heredity, the other Environment. The one has its rise in the ancestral hills, and having been fed by the mingled waters of many tributaries, flows into the life from the past. The other, rising all about us as an enveloping mist, comes crowding in upon us from the present, exerting its mighty conforming power through every avenue of sense and soul.

The stream of heredity has been defiled; first, in Eden far from its original source, and since by every tainted tributary that has emptied into it along the ancestral watershed. There is no human life, therefore, but that receives defilement from this source; hence, human nature is universally depraved.

Neither is there any human environment that is free from moral miasma; for into the reservoir of the present, from which arises the mist which we call human environment, there empties not only every ancestral stream with its accumulated adulteration, but the entire sewerage system of present social order also.

He that is born of the flesh falls heir to a patrimony which none could wish to hold in fee. Before he is capable of directing the course of his life, he is caught and carried away by the current whose drift is inevitably downward. And even when he discovers its fatal trend its momentum has been so accelerated and its strength so augmented that it seems foolish to struggle against its onrushing tide. So the stream of inherent depravity, unchecked, tends continually and irresistibly to carry our manhood to lower levels.

Character-shaping human environment also hedges us about in much the same subtle and irresistible way. The physical atmosphere that envelops this earth exerts a pressure of fourteen pounds upon every square inch of its surface, and yet this pressure is so subtle and so evenly distributed that the tender hand of the infant feels not its weight and the velvet plush upon the rose-petal is apparently not disordered by its downward push. So, too, the atmospheric pressure of enveloping circumstance is so delicately adjusted and so evenly distributed that the character upon which it makes its tremendous impress is unconscious of the power and process by which it is moulded and set. And the result is made more inevitable because it is most largely wrought in the initial period of character-making when hte metal is most easily molded and when the selective and assertive faculties of the subject are largely latent.

How awful to contemplate, then, is the destiny and possibility of a life upon which the pull of heredity and the push of environment are both downward! In the grip of the gravitational forces of inherent depravity and under the weight of the atmospheric pressure of debasing environment how hopelessly appalling the situation of an individual or a race! A darksome background indeed; but not darker than the midnight in the soul of an unregenerate individual and in the sky of an unredeemed race.

But there is a brighter picture that can be thrown upon this stygian screen. It is a picture of eternal grace, redeeming the race from the grip of heredity and saving the individual from the grasp of environment.

The streams about which we have been thinking are not the only inflowing streams; they are not the only forces that mould. "There is a river whose streams shall make glad the city of God" (Ps. 46:4). It is the stream of God's grace. It corresponds to Heredity, but being of a higher order we shall differentiate it by the use of a higher term. We shall call it Inheritance. "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath begotten us again unto a living hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, unto an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away" (1 Peter 1:3,4). Heredity is the stream of nature; Inheritance is the stream of grace. The one is human; the other is divine. This had its rise in the ancestral hills; that in the Holy Mount. The lower enters through avenues opened by ancestral iniquity; the higher by the doorway of the individual will.

In the nature of one who is begotten of God there is not only an erasing of sinful stain but a reversal of every original and inherent depraved tendency, just as the rising ocean-tide sets the current of the descending stream flowing back upon itself. The stream of inheritance from its higher levels and with its overwhelming floodtide of grace flushes out the silt of sin from the old channel and fills it up, and then changes the whole channel and trend of the life. So the response of revealed truth to the son of man who would justify his iniquitous deeds by the plea that he was begotten in iniquity and conceived in sin is that God hath begotten us again unto a living hope and to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled. There is no possible justification for sin where there is a possible justification by grace, for where sin abounds, grace doth abound more exceedingly. Through the doorway of the surrendered will the stream of Inheritance enters to mend the character that the stream of Heredity has marred. Wherever there is a listening heart, the call of depravity is drowned by the "upward calling of God in Christ Jesus."

There is still another force, corresponding to environment, that flows in to mould—a force that makes for righteousness. We shall term it "The Atmosphere of God's Presence." "This is that which hath been spoken through the prophet Joel: 'And it shall be in the last days,' said God, 'I will pour forth of my atmosphere (Pneumatos) upon all flesh.'" This atmosphere is not only the Christian's vital breath represented in the Holy Spirit, but is an enveloping medium which exercises the functions and force in the spiritual, similar to that which the material atmosphere exercises in the natural realm. So Paul could say, "your life is hid with Christ in God," and again, "For in Him we live, and move, and have our being."

Having been made "partakers of the divine nature" we open every avenue of the soul to the impress of this divine atmosphere. Being "alive unto God in Christ Jesus" we come into correspondence with every source of spiritual power and every force that moulds in righteousness through this medium. And when the channels of our life are properly opened to its inflowing, the atmosphere of God's presence is so overwhelmingly superior to the atmosphere of human presence, which we have called environment, the latter is shorn of its power to shape. This is exemplified in Enoch who, though living among a people about whom God after all his searching could only say that every imagination of the thoughts of their hearts was only evil continually, walked with God three hundred years—and more.

The antidote, therefore, to the miasmic poison from a polluted environment is the purifying atmosphere from an Holy Presence.

In proportion as we live consciously in the presence and under the power of God, we loose the consciousness of the presence, and are loosed from the powers of evil. Truly the forces that flow in to form are mightier than those that flow to deform, and those that bless, overwhelmingly greater than those that blight.

Our responsibility rests, therefore, not so much upon what we were under the play of the forces of nature, but upon what we may become under play of the streams of grace.

Dallas, N. C.

A TRIBUTE TO MOTHER

By W. F. Craven

Blessed mother! Thank God for every remembrance of her! For eighty-six and two-thirds years in the flesh, all those years active! Noble by nature; gentle always as a summer breeze; pure in thought and speech as a lily; singing her way through sunshine and shadow; pouring her consecrated life into every channel for good about her; she has finished her course, and entered into eternal rest, March 17, 1915.

I offer here some facts and reflections of her good life, now a precious memory.

Kezia Jane, one of the twelve children o Wesley and Dicey Mann, was born in Chathar county July 7, 1828; gave her life to God a Buckhorn camp meeting, when nine years o age, and joined the Methodist church at Mt Pleasant.

When a young woman she was moved by good book she read, "Law's Serious Call to Holy Life," that she surrendered herself un reservedly to God, and ever afterwards her re ligion was a deep and vital experience, enter ing every phase of her life.

On February 18, 1851, she was married t Yancey Craven and settled down with him a his home in Randolph county. They lived i deep joy there together nearly fifty-two years till his death in November, 1902. In the be ginning of their home life a family altar wa erected which was never neglected nor removed Their nine children were given to God in in fant baptism by their pastors, and as long a they remained under this home roof they heard God's word read and joined in worship each day around this altar night and morning. Six of these children survive: Mrs. M. A. Vestal Mrs. Jas. L. Pope, Wm. R., Chas. H. and I. F Craven of Randolph county, and this writer.

From the beginning and continually th whole of this family attended public worshi regularly at Concord church near their home In childhood each one was received by faith into the Methodist church at these altars.

In every day acts and attitude of father and mother these children saw faith and consisten cy. When her children were small and fath er was facing a foe on the many bloody bat tle fields of the great civil struggle of the six ties, she kept the fires on family altar and in the closet daily kindled, and plead with God for the safety of her husband and the end of strife. When he came home, now just fifty years ago, unscarred, while his comrades had fallen on right and left of him, she honored God and said it is the answer of prayer.

By the willing work of her tireless hands her household was fed and clothed. It was simple and sanitary and a savor of strength She found time for a daily quiet hour. For many, many years she read the Bible through each year. She read many other good books

In 1855, the first year of its publication, the Raleigh Christian Advocate began coming weekly to her home. It has never been discontinued. It came in her name. The news of Annual Conference and the appointments published in it were read aloud by her to the family.

Her favorite place in the Sabbath school was among the little children. For more than a generation she sat regularly in their midst and taught them of Jesus. Scores of them were sought by her and led to Him. She diligently drilled her children in the catechism of her faith. When in later years I took up the text books of theology in the study of the Gospel Ministry, I found my mother taught me its beginning and principles in childhood. She was a most sympathetic supporter of her pastor and his word and work, and spoke always good words of him and his ministry. She was delighted when he could break bread at her table, and rest himself in her guest chamber, which was always ready for him to enter. One of her affectionate farewells to me at the close of a few happy hours with her last year was Apostolic. With arm about my neck and eager look into my face she said: "Preach the Word!" The soul-cry of her heart was that sinners and the world might be relieved of the burden of sin, and know Christ as Saviour. She was much in the sick room of her family and her many friends in the community. Her skilled hands and a voice trained to prayer carried frequent help and comfort to the suffering.

For three years she patiently endured painful suffering. Her last night was spent in prayer for the church and for the world. Over and over she repeated our Lord's prayer. Prayer had been her vital breath. She entered heaven by prayer. She committed her family to God in these last words: "Train your children to say: 'Thy will be done.'"

The funeral services, conducted by her pastor, Rev. J. E. Womack at her church, were

sweet, impressive and very full of comfort. Every song and expression was fitting. The family feels very grateful.

The body rests close by her husband's in Concord cemetery in a glorious hope.

"THE FINANCIAL SIDE OF TITHING"

By Thomas Kane

Somebody once said "Save me from my friends; I will take care of my enemies." The real friends of tithing may often well echo the cry. In many respects the most dangerous enemies to the understanding and progress of tithing are its professed friends. This is especially true where the advocacy of tithing takes the form of plain perversion of scripture teaching.

Take for example the constantly quoted passage from Matthew 23:23—"Woe unto you Scribes Pharisees, hypocrites, for ye pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy and faith; these ought ye to have done and not to leave the other undone; ye blind guides which strain at a gnat and swallow a camel."

In the "New Testament in Modern Speech" by Weymouth, this passage is translated as follows: "Alas for you Scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites, for you pay the tithe on mint, dill and cummin while you have neglected the weightier matters of the law, just judgment, mercy and faithful dealing. These things you ought to have done, and yet you ought not to have left the other undone. You blind guides straining at the gnat while you gulp down the camel."

"The Complete Bible in Modern English" by Fenton, gives the following translation: "Woe unto you canting professors and Pharisees because you pay tithes on mint, dill and cummin, ignoring the more important statutes of the law, humanity, sympathy, faith: these you ought to have observed and not to have cast the others aside. Blind guides who strain at a gnat and gulp down a camel."

Among the scores, probably hundreds of tracts, pamphlets and books on tithing I have read in which this passage has been quoted, in all except one or two the plain and evident teaching of the Savior has been perverted. The affirmative stress has been laid upon the two words "ought" and "tithe" which are always connected. Christ intended and did place the stress upon the "weightier matters" of the Law, "judgment, mercy and faith." He compared their solicitude about tithing the most insignificant garden vegetables and seeds while neglecting the infinitely more important matters of just judgment, mercy and faithful dealing to "straining at a gnat and gulping down a camel."

Everybody with the slightest knowledge of grammar knows that "these" is the plural of "this" just as "those" is the plural of "that." Of "this" the Century Dictionary says: "With things that have just been expressed this refers to the thing last mentioned (and therefore nearest in time to the speaker) and that refers to the thing first mentioned (as being more remote)."

In the expression "these things ought ye to have done," Jesus referred to "judgment, mercy and faith" and not to tithing. To apply the "ought" to tithing would make the wisest teacher the world has ever known teach that tithing is of the first importance, giving judgment, mercy and faith second place.

In all the recorded sayings and teaching of Christ he always dealt with principles. He never descended into details. Evidently He meant in this passage that they should practice "just judgment, mercy and faithful dealing" and at the same time not neglect tithing, or, as he expressed it "not leave the other undone."

The reasons for and the full force of the Savior's teaching in this passage cannot be explained or understood without a knowledge of the pitiful littleness into which the Pharisees, the religious leaders of that day had brought the observance of the law of the tithe. With them the letter rather than the spirit was all important. In precisely the same manner they had treated God's other beneficient law of the Sabbath, of which Christ said "The Sabbath was made for man and not man for the Sabbath."

BETTER PREACHING

Ira Erwin

The writer has long been of the opinion that our people have a right to expect and demand more appropriate and better sermons than they ordinarily hear at District and Annual Conferences. This conviction is based upon the following considerations:

1. Other churches judge the strength of our pulpit largely by the sermons they hear on these occasions.

2. The men who preach on Conference occasions, in justice to themselves, the audience and the great church they represent, should have ample time for careful and most thorough preparation.

3. Under present conditions it is in many cases both inconvenient and expensive to entertain a Conference. To the average host the preaching service is the important service and the only one he attends. Communities usually extend a kindly and gracious hospitality, and the Conference, in turn, should seek to render the best possible service, especially in the pulpit.

4. Our intelligent laymen who attend these Conferences as delegates are entitled to gospel sermons containing "the strong meat" to satisfy the hunger of mature Christian men. They should return to their homes and to their churches with clearer and larger visions of the mission of the church, and with new inspiration to serve it better and more loyally.

5. Some of our young preachers have not had the advantage of thorough homiletic training. On Conference occasions these men should be provided with object lessons of what a sermon is, both as to subject matter and delivery. Conference sermons should be demonstrations of real pulpit efficiency.

6. Experienced pastors and preachers need the inspiration which comes from timely and able discussion of the great themes of the gospel. Happy the preacher who can return from a Conference feeling that he has been greatly strengthened and quickened mentally and spiritually.

To meet these demands, both the piety and intelligence of our great church demand a change in our policy. We must no longer announce men to preach on these occasions without previous consultation. We all agree that nothing is so important as preaching the gospel. If Bar Associations, Medical Associations and all other professions deem it wise and proper to give their speakers ample time for thorough preparation, why should not our Conferences grant their ministers an opportunity to prepare for their greater service?

The presiding elder and preacher in charge of the church in which the Conference is held, with a layman or two, constitute the committee on public worship.. The presiding elder knows conditions in his district, and the pastor knows local demands. This knowledge gives them peculiar fitness for choosing men and assinging subjects for sermons and addresses at the Conference. Preachers who are to preach before the Conference should be notified at least a month beforehand. They should know the subjects they are expected to discuss and the hour they are to fill. Preachers who are expected to occupy the pulpits of other churches should be notified at least two weeks before the Conference as to the church in which they are to preach and the hour at which they are to preach. A preacher, to meet the reasonable demands of an audience, must have the occasion and time in mind when preparing his sermon.

We have a sufficient number of capable men in any presiding elder's district to furnish strong and inspiring sermons at all our Conferences. Give them time for preparation, and our Conferences will become attractive to our consecrated laymen and they will return to their home churches feeling that they have been amply repaid for any sacrifice of time and money they have made in attending the Conference. By all means let us do justice to our church, our people and to our preachers by giving time for preparation for the sermons that are to be delivered on these important occasions.

TIDINGS FROM THE MISSION FIELD

Are We Reaching Our Share?

We have in North America 24,000,000 Protestant church members, and about 14,000,000 or 15,000,000 Roman Catholic church members. Added together, these make almost one-third of the population of these two countries; in other words, if we divide our field to be reached in North America by the number of us that ought to be active as Christian workers, each one of us has to reach two persons in order to make North America wholly Christian. Against that, every missionary has 70,000 people to reach, or a field exactly 35,000 times the average size of the field of each one of us here at home. Yet some of you, in your thought about your tremendous importance, are wondering whether this country or Canada can get along if you happen to decide to go away!—J. Campbell White.

The Largest Mission Girls' School in Japan

This has been another good year in matters of attendance and general prosperity at the Hiroshima Girls' School. The enrollment is the largest of any mission girls' school in Japan. This has been true for several years. The actual average attendance has been 310 for High School and Training Class for kindergarten teachers. The largest class in the history of the department entered for kindergarten normal training in 1914. Two-thirds of these came from other missions. The Primary Department has had an average attendance of 255, and is crowded for class room. The kindergarten children number nearly 200 in actual every day attendance. This is a total of over 750 pupils, big and little, connected with the work of this school. There are over fifty Christians and ninety probationers in the High School and Normal Department. The opportunities for effective evangelistic work in the homes of these students are greater than our strength can meet. The scholastic work of the entire institution seems quite up to the best work of government schools of the same grade, and every effort is being made to keep the standard high.—J. T. Meyers, Hiroshima, Japan.

A Self-Supporting Korean Church

Chong Kyo is our largest church in Seoul. For a number of years it has been entirely self-supporting and now supports an assistant pastor as well as its regular Korean pastor. This church has two Sunday schools. The morning school is composed largely of adult church members, numbering about 250. The afternoon school of 150 is composed almost entirely of children from non-Christian homes. We feel that this afternoon school means much to the church of the future as the morning school means much to the church of the present. Our church services are well attended both morning and evening, and about 200 attend the Wednesday evening prayer service. On Christmas day we received into the church by baptism a class of 21 adults, and baptized five infants; we also received one by vows from the Catholic church, and one from the Presbyterian and one from the Congregational church by letter. The suggestion to receive members into the church on Christmas morning came from the Koreans and seemed to us especially appropriate. One of those received by baptism is a younger brother of our beloved Brother Yun, who has become a Christian since his brother's unjust imprisonment.—J. L. Gerdine, Seoul, Korea.

* * * *

The six Japanese pastors of San Francisco contribute all their wedding fees to the cause of Japanese evangelization in California. During 1914 these fees amounted to $1,074.00. This was paid to the Dendo Dan, the Japanese Evangelical Society. The pastors all receive small salaries.

* * * *

Since January 1st three adult Koreans have been baptized at our San Francisco Korean Mission, eight men and an infant at the Sacramento Korean Mission, and two adult Japanese, man and wife, at the Walnut Grove Mission—thirteen adults and one child—during the first six weeks of the year. We hope these are but drops preceding a plenteous shower.—William Acton, San Francisco, California.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

District Conference Directory

Waynesville, at Franklin .....May 25
Asheville, at Brevard .....June 9-11
N. Wilkesboro, at Elk Park ....June 24-27
Morganton, at Gilkey .....July 15-18
Salisbury .....July 21-23
Charlotte .....July 21-23
Shelby, at Lowesville .....July 27-29
Statesville, at Broad Street .....July 28-31

Episcopal Appointments for North Carolina

Bishop John C. Kilgo, North Carolina Conference, November 10th, 1915, Wilmington, N. C.

Bishop R. G. Waterhouse, Western North Carolina Conference, November 17th, 1915, Reidsville, N. C.

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. L. T. Mann, presiding elder of the Statesville District, was in St. Louis last week attending the May Meetings.

—The friends of Rev. C. F. Sherrill will be glad to learn that he has recovered from a recent surgical opperation and returned to his work.

—Rev. J. M. Downum, of the Appalachian Training School at Boone, is spending his vacation with his family at Lenoir.

—The revival services at Kanapolis continued through last week with great interest. Rev. J. H. Green, of Rock Springs charge, did the preaching.

—Rev. W. H. Willis, pastor of Central church, Mount Airy, will preach the annual sermon for the Textile Industrial Institute, at Spartanburg, the latter part of this month.

—We acknowledge with thanks an invitation to the commencement exercises of the Scarritt Bible and Training School in Kansas City, to be held Tuesday evening, May 18th.

—The Book Committee of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was in session at Richmond last week. Mr. W. R. Odell, of Concord, who is a member of this committee, was in attendance.

—Hon. Fred A. Woodard, one of the most prominent citizens of Wilson, passed away at his home in that place last Saturday. He was, for some years, a member of Congress, and, for many years a faithful member of the Methodist church.

—The latest report from the meeting at Hickory in which the pastor was assisted by Rev. Dr. Byrd, is that there will be a large accession to the church as a result of the meeting. We hope the pastor, Rev. A. L. Stanford, will give us a definite report later.

—Mr. Luther Martin and Miss Mamie Lucile Parker were united in marriage at the home of the bride near Mount Airy, N. C., Wednesday afternoon, April 28, 1915. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. M. Folger, the pastor of both bride and groom.

—Rev. M. T. Smathers, pastor of our church at Forest Hill, Concord, has decided to hold a children's service every first Sunday at eleven o'clock. A very interesting service was held the first Sunday in May as reported by the Concord Times.

—Friends of Rev. and Mrs. T. J. Rogers, of Ramseur, will be glad to learn that their son, Kilgo, who submitted to an operation two weeks ago for appendicitis in the hospital at Lincolnton, is doing well and is expected to be entirely recovered in a few days.

—The Hickory Democrat last week says: The meeting that is being conducted at the First Methodist church by Dr. Byrd of Greensboro, is proving to be quite a successful one. Dr. Byrd has preached some of the most able sermons ever heard in Hickory.

—Dr. James R. Joy has been elected editor of the New York Christian Advocate in place of Dr. George P. Eckman, who resigned to re-enter the pastorite. He has been assistant editor of the Christian Advocate since 1904.

—Mr. Jack Albright, for a number of years editor of the Mount Airy Leader and a member of Central Methodist church, passed away at his home in Mount Airy on Wednesday of last week. The burial took place at Graham, the former home of the deceased, on Thursday afternoon, conducted by Rev. W. H. Willis, pastor of Central church.

—Rev. C. M. Short, pastor of our church at Cooleemee, spent last Sunday at Guilford College, preaching in the Friends church. He visited Greensboro on Monday and was a pleasant caller at the Advocate office. He also visited relatives in this vicinity during the present week.

—Referring to revival meetings in progress last week the Albemarle Enterprise says: Not for many years has Albemarle been so moved as she is now being moved by revival services. Rev. J. E. Abernethy in his sermons at Central Methodist church is presenting the "glad tidings" in such a way as to influence many hearts for good. Large numbers have gone forward saying that their spiritual lives have been renewed, and several bright conversions have taken place.

—The congregation at Dilworth, Charlotte, worshipped for the first time last Sunday morning in their splendid new cuhrch. Rev. Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman made an address at 11 o'clock. The congregation has worshipped in Sims' Hall since January. Rev. J. O. Ervin is pastor of this church and deserves great credit for the wise and energetic manner in which he has led the congregation.

—The Lenoir Topic of last week had this interesting item: A revival at Fairview school house has been in progress for more than a week. The pastor, Rev. T. S. Coble, has been doing the preaching himself, holding two services each day, one at 3 p. m. and 8 p. m. Occasionally, he holds services in the homes, in one of which there were five conversions. So far about 40 have been either converted or reclaimed. This meeting is still in progress, and if the interest justifies will continue through the week.

—The Salisbury Post says: Sometime last week the secretary's desk in the Sunday school room of the First Methodist church was broken open and a small glass jar containing a couple of dollars was taken. The theft was discovered yesterday when the desk was found to have a damaged lock. The jar was known as a "birthday jar' and in it different members of the school deposited on their birthdays money to be used for needy Sunday schools. Once before another jar was stolen from the same room.

—Referring to the excellent revival work done by Bishop Kilgo, the Texas Christian Advocate says: Here and there throughout our borders, the church is constantly stirred by his powerful appeals to the backslidden and the unconverted. For two weeks past he has been preaching to great crowds in Waco, Texas. All our brethren over there joined in a great union meeting and Rev. and Mrs. Albert Fisher direct a magnificent choir of three hundred voices. Bishop Kilgo, with all the fire and vim of old North Carolina, and with the intentness of his Spirit-baptized personality, has turned himself loose in Waco. Multitudes flock to hear him and scores are being brought into the fold.

From Siloam.—Rev. Chas. Norman has just closed a splendid revival at Old Siloam. There was a mighty religious upheaval. Brother Norman did some good preaching. Several professed faith in Christ. Thirteen were received into the church. Among the number who professed Christ was Mr. J. W. Hardy (more familiarly known as Uncle Johnny Hardy) who is 70 years old. He knows the Bible and religion are his chief topic now. In all his 70 years he had never made any profession and his conversion caused great rejoicing among his neighbors and relatives. An interesting feature of the Sunday school is Uncle Johnny's Bible class of the older men and women. The whole moral and spiritual atmosphere of the community has changed as a direct result of the meeting. C. C. Matthews.

Table Rock Circuit.—We will have the re opening of Oak (not Rose) Hill church, Sunday, May 30th (not 13th). The program follows:

10:00 a. m. Devotional Service—Rev. Alber Sherrill. Introductory remarks—Rev. E Simpson.

10:15. "The Sunday School as an Asset i the Work of the Kingdom"—Rev. H. H. Jor dan.

10:45. Sermon—Rev. J. E. Gay.

11:15. Church Finances—Rev. J. W. Jones

2:00 p. m. Devotional Service—Rev. J. M Barber.

2:15. "The Epworth League as a Training School for Christian Workers"—Rev. E. E Williamson.

2:30. "The Prayer Meeting; Its Value i the Spiritual Life of the Church"—Rev. A C. Swafford.

2:45. History of Oak Hill church—J. A Lackey.

3:00. Reminiscences by ex-pastors.

Elmer Simpson, Pastor.

Davenport Commencement

The commencement exercises of Davenpor College will take place May 17th to 19th. On the afternoon and evening of the 17th the Art Reception and Musical Contest will be given. At 11 a. m. on Tuesday, the 18th the annual sermon by Bishop R. G. Waterhouse, D. D., of Los Angeles, California; at 8 p. m., final concert. The graduating exercises will take place May 19th, 9:30 a. m., and a 10:30, address to graduating class by Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe, pastor Wesley Memorial church High Point.

From Conference Evangelist

We have just held a meeting with Brother J. W. Hunter at Laurel, on the Mars Hil charge, which resulted in much good to the church and community in general. There were about twenty professions, most of them being church members. We found a people over there with many bright possibilities before them. We expect to hear good reports from Laurel at Conference.

W. L. Dawson.

Burkhead's Assessments Paid

Every dollar of the Conference assessments laid on Burkhead has been paid in full. However, this writing is not intended to state that fact, but to say that we have reached this goal through the tireless efforts of Dr. Frank Siler who was ably assisted by Dr. E. L. Bain and Rev. R. M. Courtney and their loyal congregations. "Thy servant, the pastor," enjoyed "Euken and Royce on the Problems of Christianity" while the aforesaid gentlemen collected the money. Honor to whom honor is due—and many thanks, good brethren!

W. L. Hutchins.

Greensboro College for Women

Handsome invitations have been issued by the faculty and members of the graduating class of Greensboro College for Women for the 77th annual commencement exercises of the famous institution, which will be held May 23 24 and 25. An attractive program, on which appear some distinguished speakers, has been prepared.

The baccalaurate sermon will be delivered Sunday morning, May 23, at 11 o'clock, by Bishop James H. McCoy, D. D., of Birmingham, Ala. At 8:30 o'clock Sunday evening, the anniversary services of the Young Women's Christian Association will be held, the sermon to be delivered by Bishop James Atkins, D. D., of Waynesville.

Monday afternoon, May 24, at 5 o'clock, the class day exercises will be held, and at 8:30 in the evening the recital of those graduating from the school of expression will be given.

Tuesday, May 24, the graduating exercises will be held at 10:30 o'clock and at 11:30 the

literary address will be given by Dr. Henry Louis Smith, president of Washington and Lee University. The Alumnae association will have a business meeting at 3:30 p. m. and the commencement will be brought to a close by the annual concert in the evening at 8:30 o'clock.

The candidates for the A. B. degree are Misses Aleez Aycock, Laura Clement, Sibyl Howard Cox, Hilda Crawford, Hazel Coble Denny, Anna Neal Fuller, Jennie Lee Hunter, Jeannette Monroe Pearce, Ina Elizabeth Pegram, Edith Elizabeth Petree, Hettie Belle Rochelle, Lucy Belle Totten, Helen Louise Weaver, Vada Elaine Wynne.

The graduates from the school of music, piano, are Misses Helene Ethel Barbour, Martha Lindsay Clement, Hilda Crawford, Lillian Pritchett, Alma Ormond Richardson, Myrtle Sherrill.

Miss Elizabeth Sullivan Crews is the sole graduate in art.

Misses Kathryn White and Edelweiss King are the graduates in domestic science and domestic art.

Trinity College Notes

A very liberal contribution, amounting to about fifty dollars, for the Belgian Relief Fund, has recently been made by the students and others in the college community.

Mr. E. L. Jones, a graduate of Trinity of the Class of 1912, now in the contracting business with his father in Charlotte, is in the city and will superintend the work connected with building the new First Presbyterian church, work on which is to begin at once. Mr. Jones is regarded as one of the most successful of Trinity's recent graduates.

The Trinity College Historical Society held its last meeting for the year last Monday evening, April 26. Mr. R. G. Farrar, of the Senior class, presented a paper on "Colonial and Revolutionary History of Chatham County," which was the result of an investigation of a great variety of sources. Dr. W. K. Boyd, professor of history and president of the society, called attention to the fact that April 26th was the fiftieth anniversary of the surrender of Johnston to Sherman, which took place only a few miles from Durham. Dr. Boyd outlined the circumstances of that event.

OUR CHILDREN'S HOME REPORT
By Walter Thompson, Supt.

Amount Received on Special and General Support and Ten Per Cent. Collections

Triplette church, Mooresville, Rev. J. T. Ratledge	$ 7.00
Central, Mt. Airy, R. H. Leonard	85.00
Tryon St., Sigma Theta S. S. Class, Charlotte, Miss Julia Bush	6.25
Woman's Missionary Society, Gastonia, Mrs. R. E. Atkins	11.25
Summerfield Charge, Summerfield, Rev. T. B. Johnson	6.00
Missionary Society, Hickory, Mrs. R. J. Foster	5.00
South Fork Ct., Newton, Rev. J. H. Robertson	12.76
Catawba Ct., Catawba, Rev. A. G. Loftin	3.55
Stokesdale Ct., Stokesdale, Rev. T. J. Folger	11.78
Iredell Ct., Olin, Rev. P. H. Brittain	18.60
Rock Springs Ct., Denver, Rev. Jim Green	14.25
Kannapolis Ct., Glass, Rev. S. L. Owen	12.47
C. M. Grier, Macon Ga.	15.00
Total	$208.91

Building Fund—Rev. J. H. West, Agt.

A friend, Salisbury	$ 1.00
A friend, Salisbury	1.00
Total	$2.00

Wanted.—A man to take charge of a country High School, for eight months of the year, beginning in September. Write to Rev. W. R. Ware, Salisbury, N. C., for full information.

Asheville District Conference

The Asheville District Conference will meet at Brevard, June 2-4. This notice is authorized by the presiding elder, Rev. C. A. Wood.

NOTE AND COMMENT

If Reports are True, the movies have invaded the pulpit. One of the established film concerns has decided to give its attention to religious subjects, and claims that "syndicate" sermons will be one of its especial features. It is proposed to use with the film a phonograph which will deliver the sermon in "canned" form while the movie illustrates it. A further claim put out by this company is that one of the noted divines of the country will write "syndicate" sermons for the company. It would seem that such sermons would necessarily have to be edited in order to meet the approval of all creeds. Does not such a project lead to speculation over the possibility of a time when churches will be equipped with annunciators to lead prayers, announce hymns, lead in the singing, and say the benediction, in addition to injecting the sermon into the ears of the worshippers to the accompaniment of a clicking picture machine that will show the various scenes referred to in the text? Then the church will have gone to seed, sure enough.

* * * *

It Was a Speech Well Said, was that of Secretary Bryan last Friday night in New York before the National Abstainers' Union; not only well, but truly and eloquently said. "There has been a growing disposition," he asserted, "in this country and through the world, to emphasize the evils of strong drink, but even the most enthusiastic advocates of temperance are surprised at the ghastly light which the war in Europe has thrown upon the subject. It has been found that patriotism, that compelling force which hroughout the ages has led men to offer their lives for their country, is no match for the appetite which alcohol cultivates in its victims. Loyalty to Bacchus, Gambrinas and barleycorn is greater than loyalty to King or Kaiser or Czar. The aeroplane that drops its bombs from above and the submarine which shoots its torpedo from below are less to be feared than the schooner that crosses the bar." He said the amount spent annually for drink in the United States would build one hundred macadam highways across the continent, and added: "The amount now expended in paving the road to perdition would, if spent for good roads, soon lift the mud embargo from the entire country."

* * * *

Among Those Who Have Been Staunchly standing by Secretary Daniels against the scurrilous flings by George Harvey and others comes the Virginia-Pilot, of Norfolk, which rises to remark as follows: "The assaults which are being made upon Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels by Republican politicians are so evidently born of partisan motives and designed for political effect as to invite smal faith in their merit from an intelligent public. Even if all that these assailants allege of the deficiencies in the navy were true, so far as the number, design, speed, and offensive armaments of the ships are concerned, the blame could not justly attach to an administration, or any member of it, which has not been in power long enough to do more than make a beginning in remedy of such conditions. In these particulars, the navy, such as it is, is a legacy from the three Republican administrations from McKinley's to Taft's. If the building program has not kept step with the needs of the country, if the plans of construction have failed to measure up to modern standards, if the guns are of too short range, and there is not a sufficiency of amunition, torpedoes, mines, the fault lies back of March 4, 1913, and is fairly chargeable to some of the very men who are loudest in exaggerating such deficiencies and seeking to shift responsibility from their own shoulders and lay it on those who are utterly blameless in the matter.

* * * *

Some One Has Remarked that one of the most important commercial effects of the European war will be the turning to America of a great amount of the purchasing formerly done in Germany by Russia. Many signs are already visible of the desire of the Russians to effect closer commercial relations between the two countries at the expense of Germany.

The American Consul at Moscow reports to the Department of State that a new society has been established in Petrograd to promote friendly relations between Russia and the United States and Canada. The society intends to collect and distribute information about Russia for Americans and about America for Russians, to promote business connections between the two countries, to organize lectures and reports about the United States, and to establish a Russian-American club. At a recent meeting of the Russian Imperial Society a report was read concerning the establishment of direct shipping communication between Russia and the United States, after which it was decided to send a representative of the society to the United States to investigate the possibility of realizing such a project.

* * * *

Despite the Greatest War in History, despite the everlasting conflict in Mexico, and in face of university inaugurations, D. A. R. conventions, Harry Thaw trials, Leo Frank convictions, sinking submarines, and the Japanese peril, the ever effervescent and irrepressible "Teddy" returns to the front page as saucily as the proverbial greasy spot on the clean tablecloth. His remark while on the stand a few days ago in the Roosevelt-Barnes libel case that he believed the man contributing half a million dollars to aid a presidential candidate is prompted by the same spirit that would cause him to give the same amount to the church is a statement which might be questioned. It can be agreed, perhaps, that a man might do it, but that ever a man has or ever that a man will, is a very different proposition. The ex-president says it is true because such a contributor does not hope for a reward in the one case more than in the other, all of which sounds very like that all campaign contributors will get to heaven because they have built so many churches.

It may be remarked, in passing, that if Mr. Roosevelt is not careful he may lose that six cents he won some years ago in a lawsuit out West.

* * * *

Prof. Camden M. Cobern, the archaeoligist, who has just returned from Palestin,e threw new light on the wonders of the ancient world in a series of lectures recently delivered in Philadelphia, says an article in the New York Sun. He also made public discoveries about the Old and New Testament. His explorations unearthed Hebrew inscriptions which had been hidden for from three to four thousand years from the sight of man. A few of the interesting items mentioned in his lectures are as follows:

The palace of Nero had three elevators.

In the year 6 A. D. an income tax was established in Rome on all incomes in excess of $4,000.

The hobble skirt was one of Dame Fashion's decrees in the days of Moses.

The Jews had three different systems of shorthand reporting in the first century, and in every Jewish court a shorthand reporter or clerk sat on each side of the judge. Many of the Roman aristocrats took stenographers with them upon their travels.

In St. Paul's time there were seventy labor unions in Rome; hence a struggle between labor and capital must have been waged even then.

There were several great monopolies in the first century, the greatest of all bing the oil business, although no mention of Rockefeller appears on the papyrus examined by the American scholar. The "trust" had not cornered kerosene, which was unknown at that period, but dealt in olive oil and the like. There were also monopolies in eggs, perfumes, and bricks.

As to homes the ancients went far beyond even New York millionaires. Prof. Cobern says he has read in manuscripts dug from ancient tombs of a Roman who spent $12,000,000 upon decorations for his house. Another plutocrat spent $90,000,000 in one year. Even Nero was not backward when it came to "burning money." On one occasion he spent $175,000 for roses on his banquet tables, these roses being brought from Egypt.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

LEAVE ALL TO GOD

Leave all to God!
Foresaken one and stay thy tears;
For the Highest knows thy pain,
Sees thy suffering and thy fears;
Thou shalt not wait his help in vain;
Leave all to God.

Be still and trust!
For His strokes are strokes of love
Thou must for thy profit bear;
He thy filial fear would move;
Trust thy Father's loving care,
Be still and trust!

O, teach Him not
When and how to hear thy prayers;
Never doth our God forget.
He the cross who longest bears
Finds his sorrows' bounds are set.
Then teach Him not.

Anton Ulrich.

NEW ORGANIZATIONS

Morganton District

Adult Society, Connelly Springs—11 members. President, Mrs. J. M. Sides; 1st vice-president, Mrs. D. W. Alexander; 2nd vice-president, Miss Mabel Sides; corresponding secretary, Miss Junie Abernethy; recording secretary, Mrs. Frady; treasurer, Mrs. Frady; superintendent of Mission Study and Publicity, Miss Junie Abernethy; superintendent of Social Service, none reported.

Young People's Society, Rutherford College—26 members. President, Mr. Clarence Butler, 1st vice-president, Msis Venie Wilson; 2nd vice-president, Miss Carrie Shaver; corresponding secretary, Miss Annie Luck; recording secretary, Miss Nell Goode; treasurer, Miss Ella Campbell; superintendent of Mission Study, Miss Ella Campbell; superintendent Social Service, Mr. A. E. Manis. Four of the young men who joined this auxiliary have already made the decision to give themselves to the foreign missionary work.

Junior Society, Connelly Springs—8 members. President, Lucy Abernethy; secretary, Ralph Goode; treasurer, Lena Sides.

ENTERTAINMENT BY WEAVERVILLE JUNIORS

It was the pleasure of your editor, accompanied by Mrs. V. L. Stone, district secretary of the Asheville District, to attend a most enjoyable entertainment given by the Weaverville Juniors on Sunday evening, May 2nd. Quite an interesting program of music, recitations and papers on several of the mission fields, was given, and the children acquitted themselves most creditably, reflecting great credit on their leader, Mrs. C. C. Brown, who for several years has been at the helm in this society.

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Societies of the Asheville District was opened on Tuesday morning, May 4th, at 10:30 o'clock at Haywood Street church, Asheville, with a most glorious testimony meeting—an old-fashioned Methodist meeting—in which more than thirty women testified as to God's wonderful love and power.

This meeting was conducted by Rev. E. M. Hoyle, pastor of the church, and was a fitting beginning for this, one of the greatest district meetings ever held on this district.

The attendance of delegates and visitors was exceptionally good and with ideal weather and a program of much interest, everything conspired to make the meeting a success. The meeting was presided over by Mrs. V. L. Stone, district secretary, and following the organization a most cordial welcome in beautiful and well chosen words, was given by Mrs. Fred Felmet and was responded to by Mrs. P. J. Watkins, of Chestnut Street church, Asheville.

The presence of Miss Leila Tuttle, of McTyeire School, Shanghai, China, and Prof. C. H. Trowbridge, of Brevard Institute, was appreciated and each contributed to the success of the occasion.

A report of the annual meeting recently held in Charlotte, was given in a most interesting manner by Mrs. H. C. Johnson, and Mrs. H. A. Dunham, conference corresponding secretary, was listened to with the closest attention as she gave us briefly her "Impressions of the Council" held April 14-22 at Little Rock, Arkansas.

A vocal solo by Mrs. Winton Cherry was followed by the quiet hour service, conducted by Miss Josephine Guffin, City Missionary of Asheville, who spoke most impressively on the personal touch.

The afternoon service was opened with the devotional service led by Miss Ida Wilson, and was followed by a paper on "The Young People's Work," by Mrs. J. T. Sevier and a brief sketch of the "Young People's Specials of 1915" (Sue Bennett Memorial School and Carolina Institute of Seoul, Korea) by Miss Isabel Harris. An instrumental selection by Mrs. Kay King, of Brevard, was enjoyed by the audience. As the afternoon was devoted entirely to the work of the young people and Juniors, representatives of the various societies on the district reported the work, and many beautiful songs and recitations were given by the children from several of the Junior societies.

The Institute on the Junior Work was conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, and the afternoon session was closed with a selection from "Uncle Remus" by Miss Tuttle.

Tuesday evening a congregation filling the church met to hear the program planned for that hour. Rev. C. A. Wood opened the service, after which Mrs. H. A. Dunham spoke most interestingly on "The Home Base," giving an account of her recent visit to the several of our institutional churches, Wesley houses and schools, and the Scarritt Bible and Training School. Her talk was full of information and helped us to realize more fully than ever before the greatness of the work that we have undertaken in our home land.

Miss Tuttle was heard with interest as she spoke of China where she has labored a number of years in the cause of Christianity. She gave some of the needs of the republic, told of the manner in which the Chinese receive the gospel and of the great opportunities for service which are presented in that country. She was heard with close attention and her address was instructive as well as entertaining.

Wednesday morning, after the devotional service by Rev. J. H. Barnhardt, Mrs. V. L. Stone, the district secretary, gave her annual message, in which she urged a greater and better service for Christ. For the most part, this report was encouraging and the work on the district is in a prosperous condition.

A well written paper on "Christian Stewardship" was read by Mrs. J. M. Brookshire, and was so fine that we are giving it in another column.

A beautiful solo, "The Ninety and Nine," was given by Mrs. Kline, and the Mission Study Institute was conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris. The noon quiet hour was conducted by Miss Tuttle in a most impressive manner.

Wednesday afternoon's session was opened with a Scripture lesson by Miss Tuttle, followed by a talk on the McTyeire School in which she told something of the nature of the work that is being accomplished through this institution.

Reports from the Adult Auxiliaries were given, and expressions from many present as to "What This Meeting Has Meant to Me," were heard.

A vocal trio, "Seal Us Holy Spirit," was sweetly sung by Mrs. J. H. Sullivan and Misses Tomlin, and closed this splendid meeting.

During the meeting we were glad to have a message from Prof. Trowbridge, of Brevard School. A donation for table linen was taken and quite a nice amount was secured.

The ladies of Haywood Street left nothing undone for the pleasure of their guests and the pastor, Rev. E. M. Hoyle, was untiring in his efforts in their behalf. At noon of each day most tempting luncheons were served in the primary room of the church.

"CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP"

Mrs. J. M. Brookshire

If we are to be God's stewards let us take an inventory of what belongs to Him so we can make faithful returns. Do we belong to God? Let us take His word for it. "Of his own will begat he us" (Jas. 1:18). And again, "Ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold . . . . but with the precious blood of Christ" (1 Peter 1:-18). And again, "Ye are not your own, ye were bought with a price." (1 Cor. 5:9-20.)

Do we really own anything? Listen, and from His sacred pages we hear, "Behold the heaven and the heaven of heavens is the Lord thy God's, the earth also with all that therein is" (Deut. 10:14). "For every beast of the forest is mine, and the cattle upon a thousand hills, the fowls of the mountains and the wild beasts of the field are mine" (Ps. 50:10-11). "The silver is mine and the gold is mine (Haggai 2-8) and lest thou say in thine heart, my power and the might of mine hand hath gotten me this wealth thou shalt remember the Lord thy God; for it is He that giveth the power to get wealth." (Deut. 8:17-18).

So important has this matter of stewardship been found to be that a recent General Conference put the work in the hands of the corresponding secretaries of the auxiliaries and since January, 1915, the work of promoting systematic giving and the teaching of the duties of Christian Stewardship has been among those of the corresponding secretary.

A leaflet is issued each quarter and a place is given in the 1915 Year Book for the presentation of this subject the first month of each quarter. In the Christian Stewardship department we are brought face to face with our responsibility.

Comparatively few can answer the world's need in person, so the many must respond with their substance.

Money in a real sense, is the measure of man, it measures his time, talent and opportunity, for these, rightly developed, determine the value of life's service and money is a counter used to express the values, given or received. It is not in itslf an end, but a means, either to unworthy ends, or the most worthy. In the disposing of it, quite as much as in the making of money is the real man revealed. There is an awful possibility, that instead of a man having the money, the money may have the man. Hence the ever present peril, that money may become a man's God—the idol which he worships. David anticipated this when he said, "If riches increase, set not your heart upon them," and our Lord gave this warning, "How hardly shall they that have riches enter the kingdom of God."

When we have first made the offering of ourselves, it becomes easy to share with him time, money or service, for the gift without the giver is bare. We should not be satisfied with giving one-tenth. That belongs to God and by withholding that we rob him. That is interest, as it were, on what he has lent us. We cannot serve him with His tenth.

If we give the same as formerly we favor holding the missionary ground already won. Our song would b "Hold the Fort"—forgetting that th Lord's army should not take refug in a fort. His soldiers are unde marching orders. The command is t go. If we advance our offering beyon former years, then we favor an ad vance movement in the conquest o new territory for Christ.

When our Lord was on earth h taught Christian Stewardship and con demned unfaithful stewardship as fault and an awful sin. We are not t hoard what we have, like the wicke and slothful servant, nor use it o selfish vices like the prodigal son, no for luxuries, like Dives, nor for ac cumulation, like the rich fool; rathe are we to live as "good stewards o the manifold bounty of God."

Christian liberality is not a pro duct of nature, but is grace imparte by the Spirit of God, which cause us to consider it a privilege to give even out of poverty. It is often test of our consecration.

In the neglect of the great major ity of Christians, and the noble sacri fice of the few, have we not alike a incentive to a nobler stewardship? W should consecrate our whole steward ship to His service, and ask Him hov He would have us administer it, an today lay hold of the mighty power o prayer for the awakening of Hi church and the coming of His king dom.

It was a miserable old Pharisee wh said: "I give tithes of all I possess. Can we honestly say as much? All possess. Do we spend one hour ou of every ten on our knees? Do w fill our minds so full of His wor that no evil thought can enter in? D we sing His praise with the voice H gave us, or read His word to the sin sick soul, or interpret it to the ignor ant? Do we speak, or bow, or smile or reach out a friendly hand to thos in trouble? Do we listen with sym pathy to their tales of woe, the point them to the Healer of broke hearts? Do we help the district secre tary with our ingenuity and ability t make things go? Do we give our pres ence at every society meeting? All possess. Opportunity and influenc with others, and love. It is love tha makes us blessed among women an we should freely give it to those whos lives are empty of it.

Personal giving—that is what Chris taught who loved us and gave him self for us.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EXTENSION OF WORK, ADOPTED AT THE ASHEVILLE DISTRICT MEETING

Whereas, the Asheville District cov ers four counties where we have 9 churches, in which large territory w have only 11 adult missionary soci eties, be it resolved:

1. That each and every missionary worker take to heart the significance of these figures.

2. That we join in earest, persist ent prayer that the way be opened t plant the leaven of organized mission ary interest at all of these unreached points.

3. That having prayed we proceed to answer our own prayers by doing all in our power to extend the work until every community in our district beginning at the most hopeful point has joined in co-operative missionary work and every Christian woman has become a consecrated active mission ary worker.

4. That whereas the preacher is frequently the only connecting link between the people of his community and the warm centers of missionary interest, resolved that we neglect no opportunity to impress on him a realization of what great results a live woman's missionary society would accomplish for his church and community.

5. And, whereas, missionary information is the key to missionary interest, we recommend that our district secretary place the names of our

(Continued on Page 14)

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP FEE

On February 20, three weeks after the first call for the Chapter Membership Fee was sent out, one hundred and forty Chapters had remitted. The amount totaled three hundred and fifty dollars. Money orders and checks are still coming in.

But, think of it! One thousand eight hundred and sixty of the two thousand chapters necessary to save our budget from collapse have not remitted. In other words, while the response to the call is gratifying it is entirely inadequate. Why shouldn't the rest of the chapters remit as well as the one hundred and forty that have remitted? Why? Well, will you answer for your League?—Era.

LEAGUE NOURISHMENT

Some very important League nourishment is as follows:

1. Good nurses in the person of consecrated, energetic, enthusiastic and common sensed leaders.
2. Attendants in the person of a few (preferably many) young people who desire to serve God, to improve their talents and opportunities.
3. A large amount of the meat of Spirituality.
4. A good deal of the milk of human kindness.
5. A just proportion of the spice of spiritual enthusiasm to be missionaries of Jesus Christ at home and abroad.
6. A fair quantity of the flavoring of pure and wholesome social and literary aspiration.—Raleigh Christian Advocate.

We are quoting below a poem which we clipped from the Raleigh Christian Advocate. It is well worth preserving for future use.

JOHN THE BELOVED

(The following anonymous poem was found about eighty years ago in a magazine in Philadelphia. Its beauty of language, fervor of feeling and exalted religious sentiment, claim for it a wider circulation than it has yet attained.)

I am growing old. This weary head
That hath so often leaned on Jesus' breast
In days long past that seem almost a dream
Is bent and hoary with its weight of years,
These limbs that followed Him—my Master—oft
Galilee to Judah, yea, that stood
Beneath the cross, and trembled with His groans,
Refuse to bear me even through the streets
To preach unto my children. E'en my lips
Refuse to form the words my heart sends forth.
My ears are dull, they scarcely hear the sobs
Of my children gathered round my couch;
God lays His hand upon me—yea, His hand
And not His rod—the gentle hand that I
Felt, those three years, so often pressed in mine
In friendship such as passes woman's love.
I'm old—so old I cannot recollect
The faces of my friends, and I forget
The words and deeds that make up daily life;
But that dear face and every word He spoke
Grow more distinct as others fade away,
So that I live with Him and holy dead
More than the living.

Some seventy years ago
I was a fisher by the sacred sea.
It was at sunset. How the tranquil tide
Bathed dreamily the pebbles! How the light
Crept up the distant hills, and in its wake
Soft, purple shadows wrapped the dewy fields!
And then He came and called me. Then I gazed,
For the first time, on that sweet face. Those eyes,
From out of which, as from a window, shone
Divinity, looked on my inmost soul
And lighted it forever. Then His words
Broke on the silence of my heart, and made
The whole world musical. Incarnate Love
Took hold of me, and claimed me for its own.
I followed in the twilight, holding fast
His mantle.
O, what holy walks we had,
Through harvest fields and desolate, dreary wastes!
And oftentimes he leaned upon my arm,
Wearied and wayworn. I was young and strong,
And so upbore him. Lord, now I am weak,
And old and feeble! Let me rest on Thee!
So, put Thine arm around me. Closer still!
Come, let us leave these noisy streets and take
The path to Bethany; for Mary's smile
Awaits us at the gate, and Martha's hands
Have long prepared the cheerful evening meal;
Come James, the Master waits; and Peter, see,
Has gone some steps before.

What say you friends?
That this is Ephesus, and Christ has gone
Back to His kingdom? Ay, 'tis so, 'tis so.
I know it all; and yet, just now I seemed
To stand once more upon my native hills,
And touch my Master, O, how oft I've seen
The touching of His garment bring back strength
To palsied limbs! I feel it has to mine.
Oh! bear me once more to my church.
Once more
There let me tell them of a Saviour's love;
For, by the sweetness of my Master's voice
Just now, I think He must be very near—
Coming, I trust, to break the veil,
Which time
Has worn so thin that I can see beyond,
And watch His footsteps.

So, raise my head.
How dark it is! I cannot seem to see
The faces of my flock. Is that the sea
That murmurs so, or is it weeping! Hush!
My little children; God so loved the world
He gave His Son. So love ye one another.
Love God and man. Amen. Now bear me back.
My legacy unto an angry world is this.
I feel my work is finished. Are the streets so full
What call the folks my name—the Holy John?
Nay, write me rather, Jesus Christ's beloved.
And lover of my children.

Lay me down
Once more upon my couch, and open wide
The eastern window. See, there comes a light
Like that which broke upon my soul at eve,
When, in the dreary Isle of Patmos, Gabriel came
And touched me on the shoulder.
See it grows
As when we mounted toward the pearly gates.
I know the way! I trod it once before
And hark! It's the song the ransomed sang
Of glory to the lamb! How loud it sounds!
And that unwritten one! Methinks my soul
Can join it now.

O my Lord, my Lord!
How bright thou art! and yet the very same
I loved in Galilee. 'Tis worthy the hundred years
To feel this bliss! So lift me up, dear Lord,
Unto thy bosom. There shall I abide.

Standard Form Collection Envelopes

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

HOLT'S CHAPEL

FOR PASTOR'S SALARY

AMOUNT

Name ..... | Dollars | Cents |

Date ..... *191*....

MISSIONS AND CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

MOUNT ZION CHURCH

Name ..... | Dollars | Cents |

Date .....

$1.90 for 1000, delivered

$1.40 for additional 1000, delivered

FOR EITHER FORM

This price is based on using the above forms, changing name of church only. The large envelope is manila, and of the quality regularly used for Pastor's Salary collections. The small envelope can be furnished in white, green or cherry. Its difference in color and size from the Pastor's Salary form makes it ideal for Missions and Conference Collections.

If special form is desired the price will average $2.40 for the first 1000, and $1.40 for additional 1000's, delivered.

Special rates on large quantities.

The Advocate Press, Greensboro, N. C.

"THE WILES OF THE DEVIL"

There is a legend of a Sultan who overslept himself, and did not waken in time for his usual prayer-hour. The devil came and wakened him, and told him to get up and pray. The Sultan asked who he was. He replied that it did not matter who he was, and asked whether his action was not a good one. "Yes," said the Sultan, "but I think you are Satan. I know your face, and you must have some bad motive." "But," says the other, "I am not so bad as I am painted. I am a pretty good fellow after all. I was an angel once and I still keep some of my original goodness." "That's all very well," said the Sultan, "but you are the tempter; that's your business and I wish to know why you wish me to get up and pray." "Well," said the devil impatiently, "if you must know, I will tell you. If you had slept and forgotten your prayers you would have been very sorry for it afterward, and penitent; but if you go on as now, and do not neglect a single prayer for ten years, you will be satisfied with yourself, and it will be worse for you than if you had missed one sometimes and repented of it. God loves your fault mixed with penitence more than your virtue seasoned with pride."— Christian Guardian.

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.....E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg...W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller.....C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg.,
M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.....J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg...J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.....G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.....A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel...J. W. Ligon

From the Field

MISSIONARY NOTES FROM FIELD SECRETARY

Mt. Airy Ct.—J. M. Folger, P. C. Salem, $58, on assessment; Oak Grove, $34.35 on assessment; Epworth, $23.00 on assessment; Zion, $42.25 on assessment; New Hebron, $18.00 on assessment; Beulah, $17.25 on assessment.

Dobson.—J. G. W. Holloway, P. C. Dobson, $75.00, assessment in full; Rockford, $52.00, assessment in full; Siloam, $54.00 on assessment; Old Siloam, $15.00, assessment in full.

Rural Hall Ct.—C. R. Allison, P. C. Antioch, $70.00 on asssessment; Mt. Pleasant, $13.30 on assessment; Rural Hall, $32.50 on assessment.

From visits to the above churches I am convinced that full collections can be had by diligent organized work.

Dr. Pinson, Secretary of our Board of Missions, Nashville, writes under date of May 3rd:

"We had a most encouraging letter from Dr. Potts, of the Virginia Conference, this morning. He says: 'Our Eastern Shore District Conference was held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and they went on record for a special for every Sunday school, and no use of Sunday school collections for payment of Conference assessment. There is a marked advance in our district in missionary sentiment."

Field Secretary's Appointments

Dear Brethren:

In harmony with the expressed wish of the presiding elders that from now until Conference I co-operate with them and the pastors in putting the chief emphasis on raising in cash and subscription the regular assessments with specials for the Conference Mission Emergency Fund wherever practicable, I submit herewith a tentative itinerary for some months.

Please read carefully and advertise thoroughly the services.

Faithfully yours,

Frank Siler,
Conference Missionary Secretary.

May 13-14—Asheboro Station.
May 15-16—Pleasant Garden Circuit.
May 17-19—Danbury Circuit.
May 20-23—High Point.
May 26—Ramseur.
May 27-29—Coleridge Circuit.
May 30-June 1—Randolph Circuit.
June 2—Randleman.
June 3-5—Uwharrie Circuit.
June 6-7—Denton Circuit.
June 13—Canton Station.
June 18—Haywood Circuit.
June 19-20—Bethel Circuit.
June 21-23—McDowell Circuit.
June 24-26—Marion Circuit.
June 27-28—Spruce Pine and Bakersville.
June 29-30—Bald Creek Circuit.
July 1-4—Burnsville.
July 5-6—Thermal City Circuit.
July 7-8—Green River Circuit.
July 9-10—Broad River Circuit.
July 11-12—Lenoir Station.
July 13-14—Lenoir Circuit.
July 15-16—11 a. m., North Lenoir Circuit.
July 16—3 p. m., Hudson.
July 16—8 p. m., Granite Falls.
July 17-18—Maiden Circuit.
July 19—Lincoln Circuit.
July 20—Crouse Circuit.
July 21-22—Lowell-Dallas.
July 23—McAdenville.
July 24-25—Gastonia.
July 26—King's Mountain.
July 27, Lowesville.
July 28—Pineville.
July 29-30—Monroe.
July 31-August 1st—Wadesboro.
August 2—Morven Circuit.
August 3—Polkton Circuit.
August 4—Unionville Circuit.
August 5—Derita Circuit.
August 6-8—Rock Spring Circuit.
August 9—Mooresville Station.
August 10-11—Statesville Circuit.
August 12—West Hickory.
August 13—Black Mountain.
August 14-15—Fairview Circuit.
August 16—Flat Rock Circuit.
August 17-18—Henderson Circuit.
August 19-20—Brevard Circuit.
August 21-22—Mills River Circuit.
August 23—Marshall.
August 24-25—Leicester Circuit.
August 26-27—Mars Hill Circuit.
August 28-30—Weaverville Circuit and Weaverville Station.
September 4-6—Deep River Circuit.
September 7—Albemarle, 1st Street, night.
September 8-9—Albemarle Circuit.
September 10—Salem Circuit.
September 11-12—Kannapolis Ct.
September 13—Kannapolis.
September 14—Concord Circuit.
September 15—China Grove.
September 18-19—Kernersville Ct.
September 20-21—Lewisville Ct.
September 22-23—Jackson Hill Ct.
September 24—Cooleemee.
September 25-26—Farmington Ct.
September 27-29—Forsyth Circuit.
September 30—Mocksville.
October 3-5—Franklin Circuit.
October 9-11—Hayesville Circuit.

* * * *

Pastors will please note train connections and arrange services at times and places to best advantage.

I have left last month open for emergency cases. If there are none I will give it to the North Wilkesboro District.

And now for a clean sweep for every assessment on every charge.

What about another exhibit September 1st?

GRAND EXCURSION TO WASHINGTON, D. C,, AND RETURN VIA SOUTHERN RAILWAY, THUR., MAY 13TH, 1915

Special train will leave Salisbury at 8:30 P. M., arriving Washington following morning at 7:55 A. M. Returning will leave Washington at 9 A. M., Saturday, May 15th, 1915.

Passengers from branch line points will use regular trains to the various junction points connecting with the special train, and returning will use regular trains from such junction points to the home stations.

Tickets good going and returning on special train only and cannot be extended.

Special train will consist of first class coaches only.

Daylight trip through Virginia returning.

A rare opportunity to spend twenty-five hours in Washington, giving ample time to visit the many points of interest in the Capital City.

Low round trip fares from stations named as follows:

Salisbury	$5.00
Albemarle	5.00
Lexington	5.00
High Point	5.00
Reidsville	4.50
Burlington	5.00
Greensboro	5.00
Spencer	5.00
Thomasville	5.00
Asheboro	5.00
Siler City	5.00
Gibsonville	5.00

For further information, tickets, etc., call on any agent Southern Railway, or

R. H. DeButts, D. P. A.,
Charlotte, N. C.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective April 18th, 1915

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester Lv.	7 43 a m	12 05 p m			
Yorkville "	8 29	1 55			
Gastonia "	9 24!	4 00			
Gastonia "					
Lincolnton "	10 15	5 30			
Newton "	10 55	6 15			
Hickory "	12 05 p m	7 05	1 00 p m	6 45 a m	
Lenoir "	1 08	8 20	2 04	8 30	
Lenoir "	2 00x				
Mortimer "	3 17				
Edgemont Ar.	3 27				

Southbound	NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Edgemont Lv.	10 00 a m				
Mortimer "	10 08				
Lenoir "	11 20!				
Lenoir "	1 35 p m	6 00 a m	8 15 a m		
Hickory "	2 35	7 15	9 12		
Newton "	3 05	8 00			
Lincolnton "	3 43	8 55			
Gastonia "	4 30	10 23			
Gastonia "	5 00x	11 00			
Yorkville "	5 47	12 28 p m			
Chester Ar.	6 35	2 15			

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. **CHESTER, S. C.**

GREENSBORO NURSERIES

AGENTS WANTED

For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.

JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 : : : : CHARTERED 1859

A Southern institution of established national reputation. Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.



Large endowment fund makes possible complete, first-class equipment; full faculty of able, well-chosen instructors; beautiful campus, new buildings, modern laboratories, splendid library. Comfortable, inexpensive dormitories. For catalogue and illustrated booklet, address

R. L. Flowers, Sec. to the Corporation, Durham, N. C.

CAMP WONDERLAND

SIXTEEN MILES EAST OF ASHEVILLE, BETWEEN MONTREAT AND BLACK MOUNTAIN, ON MAIN LINE OF SOUTHERN RAILWAY

EDUCATIONAL ATHLETIC

EXPERIENCED councilors for all forms of athletic recreation—swimming, tennis, baseball, basket ball, horseback riding and mountain hikes. Carefully selected teachers to coach an hour or two daily boys 12 to 20 years o fage who wish to prepare for fall examinations. Special arrangements for admission to the nation's best platform attractions at the national Y. M. C. A. Summer Resort. Also to the private preserves and lectures of Montreat and Ridge Crest.

Tents on raised plank floors. The camp fee is $60 for one month, $120 for the two months. The season begins July 1 and ends August 26. Write for booklet

COLONEL J. C. HORNER, No. 10 Myers Park, Charlotte, North Carolina

King's Business College

INCORPORATED

SPECIAL SUMMER RATES NOW ON

We give you the benefit in especially low tuition cost. Get *your* business training now at small expense. Graduate in time for an excellent position this fall.

Bookkeeping, Banking, Shorthand, Stenotypy, Typewriting, Penmanship, English, etc., taught by a large faculty of experienced and skilled teachers. By purchasing an unlimited scholarship now you *save $10* on one course or *$17* on the Combined Course. State licensed business college. We train for Business Employment and Success. Send for catalog and new College Journal. Address

KING'S BUSINESS COLLEGE,
RALEIGH, N. C. CHARLOTTE, N. C.

NORMAL AND COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE

FOR YOUNG WOMEN — Asheville, N.C.



Offers a four years teachers' course and four year Collegiate Course at minimum rates. Splendid advantages in music. Practical training in sewing, cooking and household management. In "The Land of the Sky." Beautiful surroundings, magnificent equipment, perfect health conditions. 16 expert teachers. Board and tuition, per year, $100. Next session opens, Sept. . 1915. For Catalogue, address **EDWARD P. CHILDS, Pres., Asheville, N. C.**

Methodist Benevolent Association

A Mutual Benefit Brotherhood for Southern Methodists. Issues Whole Life, 20-Premium Life, Term to 60, and Disability Certificates. **Benefits** payable at **death, old age, or disability.** Over $152,000.00 paid to **widows, orphans, and disabled.** Over $40,000.00 reserve fund. Write for rates, blanks, etc. ***J. H. Shumaker, Secretary, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn***

Our Dead

SATTERFIELD—Susan L. Satterfield was born June 16, 1869. died March 8, 1915. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Briggs Cook.

In the year 1888, September 10, she was united in marriage to Mr. John Henderson Satterfield. To this union were born seven boys and two girls.

Sister Satterfield was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, about 25 years ago. She was a loyal member of the church, being ever ready to perform any duty which her church called upon her to perform. Her home was always the preacher's home.

About twelve months ago she was taken sick with cancer, from which she never recovered. After lingering a period of time at her home, she was then carried to St. Leo's Hospital, Greensboro, and a little later was carried to Baltimore. During this period of treatment three operations were performed, which only gave her temporary relief. During the time she was sick she suffered a great deal, and a part of the time untold pain. She bore all her suffering with resignation. All who visited her in her sickness could not fail to recognize the fact that Sister Satterfield was entirely submissive to God's will.

In the death of Sister Satterfield the husband loses a most devoted wife, the children lose a true and faithful mother, the people of her community lose one of their truest and best friends, the church loses one of its most loyal members, and the pastor loses one of his most sympathetic friends. We shall all miss her.

Her children, her neighbors and their children; her relatives, and a host of friends rise up to call her blessed.

Just a short while before breathing her last, she upraised both hands, saying to her friends and loved ones who were near her bedside when the end came, "I am going home." Truly, she has gone to that home where no sickness and suffering ever come. May her husband, all her children and all her relatives and friends meet her again in the Father's house, where separation will never more come.

Thos. J. Folger, P. C.

GRAYBEAL—Mrs. Mary Lizzie Graybeal was born on Mill Creek in Ashe county, N. C., March 9, 1887. She joined Mill Creek Methodist Episcopal Church, South, when sixteen years of age. October 18, 1903, she was married to Charlie Graybeal. To this union were born two girls: Edna, ten years of age, and Jean, eight years of age. After suffering for months she died of consumption, April 30, 1915.

J. I. Hickman, P. C.

Creston, N. C.

MORRISON—Mrs. Sarah Jane Morrison was born near Bridgewater, June 1, 1835, and died with pneumonia near the place of her birth, April 25, 1915. Her maiden name was Sarah Jane Moore. She was the wife of Mr. Will Morrison, a well known citizen of McDowell county, who died several years ago.

When Mrs. Morrison was a small girl she was converted and joined the Pinnacle Methodist church, on what is now the McDowell circuit. She was a faithful member of the church and always attended the same when she possibly could. Her long life, saturated, as it were, with goodness and purity and holiness and service, has been an example to us, and naturally we mourn such a loss. I remember on one occasion when I visited her I found her reading the Greensboro Christian Advocate. She said to me, "Brother, I would not, I could not do without this paper." She seemed to be feasting upon such literature. Then we love her because she had religion and that kind of religion that St. James called "pure and undefiled." She visited the sick, the fatherless, the widows in their affliction, and kept herself unspotted from the world. When the death angel came for her she was ready and willing to go. We feel confident that she meets God, also her four children, who preceded her. Five children are living, three of whom, together with a great concourse of friends and relatives, saw her laid to rest in the graveyard at Pinnacle church, the services being conducted by her pastor.

May God bless the bereaved.

M. W. Mann, P. C.

Nebo, N. C.

AVETT—Mrs. Martha Alva Avett, at her home near Cottonville in Stanley county, after about two months' suffering and sickness with pneumonia and other complications, was called to rest on Sunday morning, April 25th. The funeral and interment was on Monday afternoon at Rehoboth M. E. church, where she was a member, conducted by the writer, her pastor. Sister Avett was a good Christian woman, loved by all who knew her. She gave her heart and life to Jesus when fourteen years old and joined the church at old Concord in Anson county thirty-one years ago, and transferred to Rehoboth church after moving across the river into Stanley county. Sister Avett was the mother of five children: Brother E. M. Avett, a member of the Western North Carolina Conference, who now has a charge in the mountains. Brother Ira Avett, of Norwood, a local preacher, and three daughters, all living—Mrs. Bogan, of Mt. Gilead; Mrs. Joe Kendall and Mrs. Alphonso Hathcock, who live near the home.

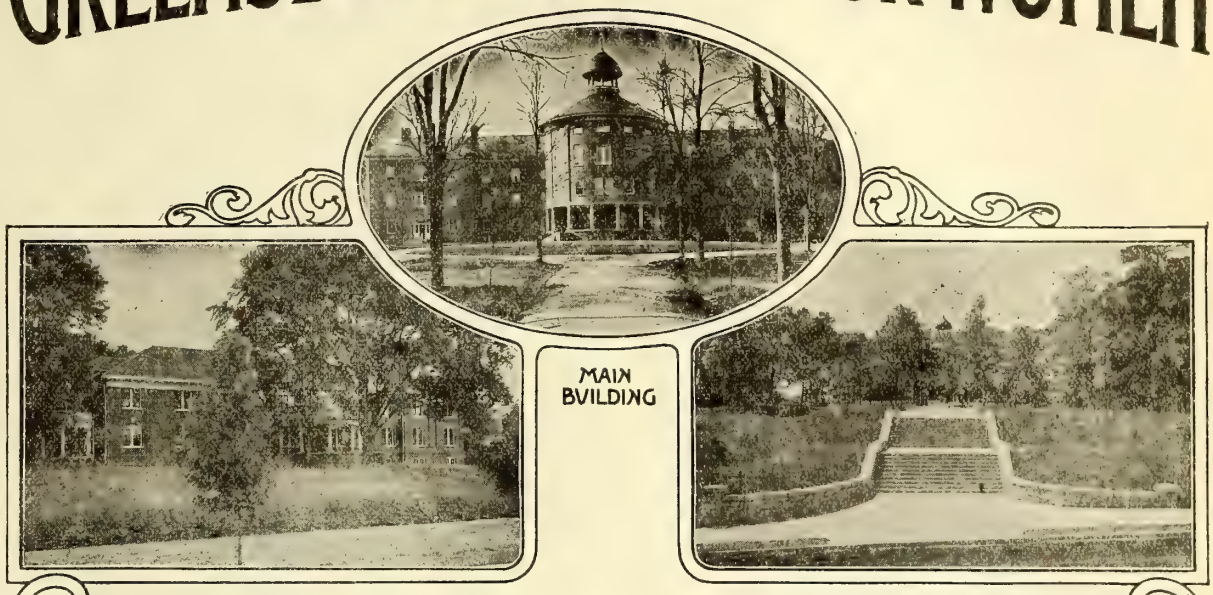
Sister Avett was 66 years, 3 months and one day old when God called her to Himself. Her husband preceded her to the spirit world 25 years, leaving the care of raising the children to her. But she trusted in God and trained them up for the Master's service and now is waiting to welcome them on the other shore. We can but say, "The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away, blessed be the name of the Lord." For her to live was Christ but to die was gain. We share with the bereaved family and with them drop a tear of sympathy.

Her pastor, H. F. Starr.

JONES—We have a feeling of sadness when we attempt to write of the seemingly untimely death of the la-

(Continued on Page 15)

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

.....

.....

The Sunday School Lesson

SECOND QUARTER—LESSON VII—MAY 16, 1915

David Spares Saul. I Sam. 26

Golden Text—Love your enemies, do good to them that hate you. Luke 6:27.

Summary of the Lesson

The literature of adventure is full of tales of interesting outlaws. David is one of the most fascinating outlaws of the world. He does not belong to the class of men who are in arms against good government and prey upon organized society. He is an outcast because of an evil-minded king. He is an outlaw because of the grossest injustice.

The story of David's descent into the camp of Saul, of his holding the king's life in his hands and of his refusing to slay his one terrible foe, is of those bits of high-hearted chivalry of which the world never wearies. The outlaw with the kindly heart is a sharp contrast to the victim of malignant envy who sits upon the throne.

The Sleeping King

Macbeth stood gazing upon the sleeping king who was his guest. A fierce demon of lawless ambition drew him on and he became a murderer. David stood gazing at the sleeping king who sought his life. Tender and kindly and loyal thoughts controlled his hand and he spared the foe whom he could have slain so easily.

The king is a powerful personage, even in a constitutional monarchy. In an absolute monarchy he sways a scepter of bewildering power. But a sleeping king is as helpless as a sleeping child. If he has foes to fear he needs to sleep surrounded by friends whom he can trust. However alert his brain, it cannot protect him now. However strong his will, it is impotent in the hours of sleep. However stout his arm, it has now no power of heavy blows. Most men sleep something like a third of the period during which they live. This means that in a life of sixty years a man has approximately twenty years of helplessness. Men talk about living their own life, about being master of their own fate, but they are dependent during an amount of time which totals years of unconsciousness. Men have a way of thinking of themselves as awake. If a man could see himself asleep he would have a new sense of his dependence.

Saul lay sleeping, with his men about him. Did envy pursue him to the world of dreams? Did jealous anger send strange phantoms through his sleeping hours? However this may be he thought he was safe in the guardianship of his friends. In reality he was safe only through the chivalry of his foe.

David in the Valley

Sir Walter Scott described a certain character as

"Sagacious, bold and turbulent of wit,
For quick designs and crooked counsels fit."

David was not a man for crooked counsels. He may not have been turbulent of wit, but he was bold. He was ready for quick designs, and he had the sagacity of an agile mind.

Napoleon won some battles by doing things it seemed absurd to attempt. His opponents complained that he defeated them by violating the principles of military procedure. He invented new rules for the game of war. He conquered, sometimes, by means of an inspired audacity.

David had a gift for those sudden and spectacular moments which bewilder foes and fill friends with amazement

When he knew that Saul was encamped in the valley he went with one companion into the king's camp. Everybody was asleep and the daring outlaw came into the very presence of the king. There was something tense and terrible about the stillness as David and his companion stood looking at the sleeping form of Saul. One swift blow and the king would be lifeless in the presence of his foe. Escape would be easy before the deeply sleeping soldiers were roused from slumber. The companion of David was ready to strike the blow, but David withheld him. Only Jehovah had the right to strike the fatal blow upon a man slumbering thus. Perhaps Saul would perish in battle; perhaps he would live out the years of his natural life. At any rate no blow from David or his servant should end the life of God's anointed. With the king's spear and the vessel of water kept to quench the king's thirst, the two men who had come into the heart of the camp of their foes, slipped away in the darkness.

David on the Hill

The uprush of tender and sympathetic feelings in the presence of a foe has been by no means too common in the history of the world. "Godfrey of Bouillon was both devout and tender-hearted, yet when he rode, a conqueror, into Jerusalem up the street filled with the corpses of slaughtered Moslems, he saw a babe wriggling on the breast of its dead mother, and stooping in his saddle, he seized it by the ankle and dashed its head against the wall." The passions of war and the deep human antagonisms have seemed to harden into cruelty hearts capable of great tenderness. The time came when a man felt his foes to be scarcely human. The life of an outlaw and all of his experience of the power of human hate had not hardened the heart of David. From a height above the valley where the king was sleeping he called to tell the tale of how he had held the life of Saul in his hands and had done him no harm. The king might seek for his spear and the jug of water which had been placed at his head if he was inclined to doubt that David had stood by his side in the stillness and darkness of the night.

Now there was consternation and quick movement in the camp. The far-calling voice of David brought the king's soldiers all about him. They shuddered as they thought of the powerful fighter who had walked into the camp, when no eye was watching to guard the king. No amount of bustling activity and brave show of arms could change the fact that Saul had been in the power of the foe whose voice with gay and taunting raillery protested against the fashion in which Saul's servants had protected their king.

It was a fine hour in the life of David as he stood on the hill, all temptation to revenge nobly conquered, a heart unseared by deeds of cruelty beating warmly in his breast. Israel was sure to be a nobler nation because David had been stronger than all revengeful thoughts as he stood in the valley by the sleeping king. In more senses than one he stood on a height, calling his brave challenge to his countrymen.

The Nobler Saul

"Every man has a hero sleeping inside him," said a powerful preacher, "but sometimes takes a bugle blast to rouse the hero." David had blown the bugle blast which roused the nobler Saul. The king, whose heart had been torn by envy and jealous anger, recognized the voice of David. He saw in a flash a mental picture of that brave soldier standing by his side and looking down upon his sleeping form. He remembered the way in which he had tried to kill David, the fashion in which he had driven him from the court and made him a furtive outlaw. This was the man who had everything to fear and nothing to hope from Saul. This was the man who had spared the life of the one man who was making his own life the tale of a pursued and hunted wild thing. Saul marveled as the truth was borne in upon him. Then the hot blood suffused his face as he cried bitterly, "I have played the fool!" No man could have pronounced sterner judgment upon Saul than he pronounced upon himself in that hour, when he stood revealed in the light of David's greatness of heart.

Soon the interview was over. David departed and the king returned from his expedition, cut to the heart with shame. The sense of his own unkindliness was like a defeat to the soul of Saul. David had won a far greater victory than if he had left his foe lifeless in the valley.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in N. Y. Christian Advocate.

PANAMA—PACIFIC EXPOSITIONS, SAN FRANCISCO AND SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

SOUTHERN RAILWAY—PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Very Low Round Trip Fares

Dates of sale March 1st to November 30th, 1915. Final return limit three months from date of sale, except that these tickets will not be good to return later than December 31st, 1915.

Low round trip fares from principal points as follows:

Charlotte	$84.15
Salisbury	84.15
High Point	84.15
Greensboro	84.15
Mount Airy	86.25
Gastonia	84.15
North Wilkesboro	87.85
Statesville	84.15
Hickory	83.25
Morganton	82.20
Winston-Salem	84.15
Shelby	82.60

Fares from other points on same basis. Fares to Seattle or via Portland and Seattle at higher rate. These tickets will permit of diverse routing and will allow stop-overs on both going and return trip within limit of ticket.

Southern Railway offers choice of several routes of historic interest from which to select; going one way and returning another. Through connections and good service via Memphis, St. Louis, Chicago or New Orleans. Through cars daily via New Orleans and Sunset Route. Special car parties now being arranged, affording opportunity to make trip without change and with select company on outgoing trip; returning at leisure via any route you may choose, stopping off at your own pleasure, thereby avoiding all the discomforts of going and returning with large tour parties, being compelled to follow the crowd. In going individually or with special Pullman car parties you spend your own money, stop where you please and go and come to suit your own convenience and save money paid tourist agents for escorting you around.

For further information apply to Southern Railway Agents, or

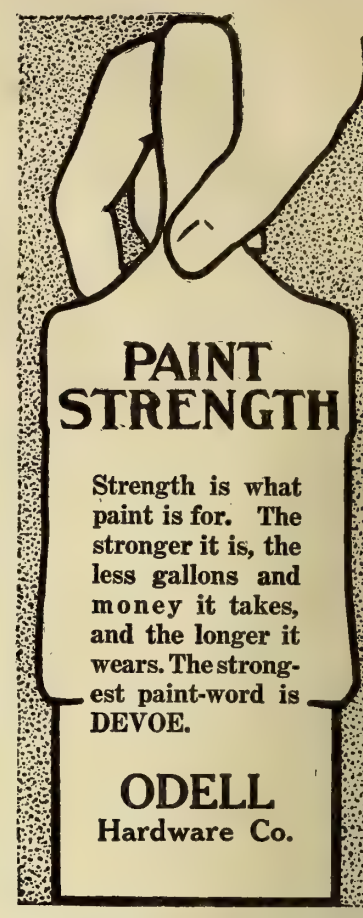
R. H. DeButts, D. P. A.,
Charlotte, N. C.



Standard
Memorial Windows
Made in High Point

Beautiful in design—strong in construction. Largest and oldest glass plant in the South. Capacity for any and all orders and prompt delivery. Satisfaction guaranteed. References—any of our old customers or any bank or banker in High Point. Write for catalog.

Standard Mirror Co.
High Point, N. C.



BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice



Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER

Proprietor

GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY

DISEASES OF STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121¼ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO

ROBT. W. MURRAY

GENERAL INSURANCE

Greensboro, North Carolina

308½ South Elm St.

Phone 163

Our Little Folks' Department

WHO SHALL BE QUEEN OF THE MAY?

Alice was to have a regular May Day party, the kind that Cousin Bess had, away across the ocean, over in England. So father and mother fixed a beautiful Maypole, with broad, bright ribbons to wind around it and long chains of flowers.

"But, mother," Alice asked the evening before, "who shall be Queen of the May? Bess says they always choose the sweetest, prettiest girl for queen."

"The sweetest isn't always the prettiest," answered mother wisely. "Suppose you wait till your friends come and let them choose—not the sweetest nor the prettiest, just the one they want."

Such a pretty picture as they made the next day on the green grass! They were all dressed in white, and every one had flowers. Some had May flowers, some had lilacs, some had bunches of daffodils, and others carried pretty baskets of violets on their arms.

"Whom shall we have for Queen of the May?" Alice asked, after the last child had come.

"A queen ought to be the one we love best," little Marjorie said, turning to the rest. "Let's have Alice herself."

"Yes, let's have Alice,' they all cried.

"O, no!" Alice cried. "Thank you so much! But I don't believe I ought to be queen at my own party."

"We love you best, Queen Alice," one little girl said.

"Where is the crown?" another asked. "We want to crown our sweet Queen Alice."

How pleased Alice was! And how she did want to wear that crown of flowers! But deep down in her heart she kept thinking: "I ought not to be queen at my own party. Or if I am, I ought to do something fine and sweet, like a real queen."

They were bringing the crown. How pretty it was! How she would love to wear it! But she had seen something across the street, and she had thought of something queenly to do. "Wait a minute," she cried. "Do you all know little Mary Watkins in the little house across the street? Well, you know she hasn't any father. Last week she hurt her foot, and she can't walk. She's over at her window now, watching us. Let's take Bob's express cart over there and bring her to the party and make her our queen."

All of the children were very still for a minute; then they all began crying out at once: "Yes, let's make little Mary Watkins queen!"

Across the street they went.

"We are looking for a Queen of the May, Mary," said Alice; "and we've come for you."

Then they pulled her over to the party and crowned her with the beautiful crown of flowers. And they sang songs and wound the bright ribbons and the long chain of flowers around the Maypole and had a long, happy day. Happiest of all was little Queen Mary, with the crown of flowers on her head. Or was it, maybe, Alice, who had acted like a queen—little Alice, with the queenly thought in her heart?—By Grace Abi Allen.

MAY IN THE MEADOW

The May sun is shining; the brook is singing its merriest song; Jack is standing tall and straight in his pulpit, with a fresh striped canopy over his head; the blackbirds are piping their "Oak-a-lee, conqueree;" the little tree frogs are singing treble, while Grandpa Bullfrog informs all the meadow folk in his solemn bass voice that the water in his pool is "knee deep, knee deep."

The straw bells are ringing loud enough for the wood folk to hear; honey bees are busy visiting the tree blossoms and collecting pollen from the catkins. Ferns and pussy willows have thrown aside their furry wraps and come out in tender green-and-gold tipped with scarlet. The little Quaker ladies, in their pretty white hats with blue tips, have gathered in the meadow thousands strong. They look as if a soft white cloud had sailed down from the sky and spread out on the green grass.

Hark to the meadow lark!

Madam Redwing is hanging her basket cradle to the rushes on the edge of the swamp. Reaching out over the brook, a great maple holds many precious eggs. Three owlkins sleep through the sunny day in a hollow in its trunk. A little vireo has just hung her nest to the branch over the brook. Now she is decorating it with bits of white paper and string. Two mother robins have chosen the maple for their nurseries.

Scarlet columbines nod from the ledge above the meadow; butterflies in velvet cloaks sail lazily to and fro, sipping sweets from the flowers as they go.

How happy are all the little meadow people! How they rejoice and welcome merry May!—Margaret W. Leighton.

WHAT BRINDLE DID

I hate that old cow! I wish she was dead!" exclaimed Victor Grant as he led the cow into the yard after coming with her from the pasture.

"But I love her," cried his sister, Kathleen, throwing her arms about the animal's neck. "She's such a dear mooly."

"That's because you don't have to go after her. Suppose you had to hunt the pasture over every night to find her. She never knows enough to come up to the bars."

"But she's so affectionate," Kathleen defended her pet.

"That doesn't count. Sense would amount to a great deal more," was her brother's scornful comment as he started for the house.

The next morning Victor led the cow to pasture as usual. He was so long in returning that Kathleen, for whom he had promised to make a kite, grew tired of waiting for him. Finally she set out to meet him. She went nearly the whole distance without finding him. As she approached the pasture she saw old Brindle running back and forth in front of the fence and lowing loudly.

"What is it, Brindle?" asked Kathleen.

At sight of her young mistress the cow stretched her neck over the fence, then turned and started back into the pasture. Finding that the little girl was not following, she returned to the fence and repeated the action.

"What is it, Brindle?" Kathleen questioned again, this time crawling through the bars.

Old Mooley headed directly across the pasture, with the little girl close behind. Presently Kathleen heard the sound of faint cries, which grew louder and louder the farther she went from the fence.

The cow led the way toward an apple tree at the extreme end of the pasture. Just before they reached it she stopped and gave a beseeching moo. Then Kathleen found herself near a deep hole, from which came the shrieks for help. Peering in, she saw her brother, whose face was white with fright.

"O Victor," she called, "are you hurt?"

"Is that you, Kathleen?" he answered in a tone of relief. "Yes; my ankle is hurt, and I can't get out."

"Can you wait while I run for father?"

"I'll be all right now that some one has found me. Only hurry."

As quickly as she could the little girl sped across the pasture and back to the house. In a few moments more she and her father were hastening to Victor's aid.

"I came to see if those robins' eggs had hatched," the boy explained when he had been helped out of his imprisonment. "I forgot about that hole."

After they reached the house, Kathleen related how she had found her brother. "It's all owing to Brindle," she asserted. "She made me go to you."

Victor listened in surprise. "I didn't know cows knew enough for that," he declared.

Father and mother expressed the highest praise for Brindle.

"You said she hadn't any sense," reminded Kathleen.

"I was wrong," acknowledged Victor. "She's got a good deal of sense. I won't find any more fault with her if I have to hunt the pasture all over."—Edith M. Lorrabee.

WHO SPENT THE MORNING WITH JAMIE?

"Good-by, Jamie; I hate to leave you all alone this morning," said Alfred as he reached for his cap before going to school.

"That's all right," answered Jamie as cheerfully as he could. "I wouldn't let you miss your place at school on account of me."

It isn't very easy to be brave if you are only nine years old and have to stay in the house a whole morning, with no one but the cook for company.

Alfred was a very thoughtful big brother, and he moved Jamie's cot very close to the window, put a tiny table by the cot, and set a glass of water, an orange, and a little bell on it. But the thing that gave Jamie most pleasure that morning was something that Alfred never intended to leave at all.

Alfred had been out feeding the chickens, and when he picked up his cap he spilled on Jamie's cover a little handful of chicken feed.

When Jamie found it he brushed it all carefully together and took it in his hand and looked at it and thought about how beautiful the pigeons must have looked, preening their feathers and cooing and clucking while they ate their breakfast.

Just then he heard a gentle "coo-roo" right outside his window, and, looking up, he saw a lovely white pigeon standing on the window sill and looking in at him.

Then he was so glad he had the handful of grain, for he took a little of it and fed it to the pretty creature. When she had had quite enough she flew away, but she left a few seeds on the window sill, and pretty soon Jamie heard little scratchy footsteps out there again.

This time it was a cunning little Jenny Wren standing on the window ledge, flipping her tail and looking at him with one eye shut and one eye open.

Jenny was so tiny it didn't take her long to get enough to eat and fly away to her nest-building; but when she was gone Jamie cautiously spread more seed on the window sill and waited.

He didn't have long to wait, though, for soon there was another sound at the window, and this time it was a gorgeous redbird. He was a very handsome fellow, and with his red coat he wore a high crest on his head and a neat stock collar of black at his throat. Jamie hardly dared to breathe for fear he would move, but Master Redbird likes being admired, so he took plenty of time to eat his seed and hop all over the window sill, so that Jamie might admire him from all sides.

When he got enough to eat and went away a saucy blue jay came to take his place. He pecked at the grain very carefully, and he didn't stay very long. He is such a tease himself that he doesn't trust other people very much, and he seemed to be afraid of a trap or trick back of that nice grain on the window.

When saucy Blue Jay went away a little wood sparrow came and after him a good-natured mocking bird. He pecked around a while, sang a while, and then flew off to the cedar tree.

Then the gate clicked, and mother and Alfred came in to lunch:

"Have you been lonely, dear?" asked mother.

"No, indeed," answered Jamie; "I have had company all the morning."—Francis M'Kinnon Morton.

HERBERT'S PROTEGE

Herbert lay in bed one hot summer night with his eyes wide open. He could not sleep for his thoughts were with the stray dog which he had found that afternoon and which he wanted very much to have for his own. It was not a handsome dog. It was long, yellow, and ungainly. That was about all that could be said of it. He had rescued it from a crowd of boys whom he had found tormenting it. Father, mother, and Sister Eleanor had regarded it with derision from the moment that he first brought it home.

"Let it stay? Of course not. We can't have a dog!" his mother had emphatically declared when he asked that he might keep it.

"I've always wanted a dog," Herbert had persisted. "I wish I could own him and call him Rex."

"He looks like a rex," had been the comment of Sister Eleanor, who was studying Latin. "Rex means king. He's anything but that."

"He's a good dog," Herbert had pleaded.

But his father had concluded the matter by saying: "Put him outin the barn for tonight and tomorrow we'll see what can be done about him."

Because of his act of rescue Herbert had a feeling of tender protection for the poor animal. He remembered how it had caressingly licked his hand, as if to thank him. As the boy lay in the darkness he tossed about, repeating over and over: "I do wish mother would let me keep him."

It was a moonless cloudy night. Suddenly from the barn came the sound of short, quick barks. Herbert raised on his elbow and listened. The barking grew louder. Then Herbert heard footsteps outside. His first thought was for the safety of his dog. His window was directly over the back yard, and he arose quickly and looked out. There was some one below near the hen house. "Father!" he called. But his father had evidently heard the sounds, for he was already hastening down the stairs. Herbert rushed after him. As they entered the back yard they saw the figure of a man running away from one of the chicken coops. Herbert's father pursued him for some distance, but could not overtake him.

On examination the coop was found to be unopened and the chickens safe. "We owe that to your dog, Herbert," father remarked.

When it was learned in the morning that one of the neighbors had lost twenty chickens the night before, the family council decided that a dog was a good thing to have.

"Even if he's homely, he's proved his worth," father declared.

"We'll forgive his looks for what he's done," laughingly added Eleanor.

And even mother agreed.

That was why Herbert's yellow dog gained a home.—Edith M. Larrabee.

DAISY FLY KILLER placed anywhere, attracts and kills allflies. Neat, clean, ornamental, convenient, cheap. Lasts all season. Made of metal, can't spill or tip over; will not soil or injure anything. Guaranteed effective. Sold by dealers, or 6 sent by express prepaid for $1.



HAROLD SOMERS, 150 DeKalb Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A Wood, Presiding Elder Weaverville, N. C.

Second Round

May

Swannanoa, West Chapel 15-16
Bethel, night 16

Third Round

Mars Hill, Bright Hope 22-23
Leicester, Big Sandy 29-30
Weaverville, night 30

June

Brevard Station 4
Brevard Circuit, Conestee 5-6
Henderson Circuit, Reedy Patch ..12-13
Hendersonville, night 13
Mills River, Mills River 19-20
Central, night 20
Flat Rock, Upward 26-27
Tryon and Saluda 27

July

Spring Creek, Balm Grove 3-4
Fairview, Patty's 10
Haywood Street, 11 a. m. 11
West Asheville, night 11
Walnut, Chapel Hill 17-18
Marshall and Hot Springs, Marshall, night 18
Weaverville Ct., South Fork 24
Black Mountain, Tabernacle 25
Sulphur Springs, Pisgah 31-August 1

August

Biltmore, Mt. Pleasant 1
North Asheville, night 4
Swannanoa 7-8
Bethel, night 8

The District Conference will meet at Brevard, June 9th, 8 p. m.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, 508 N. Tryon St., Charlotte, N. C.

Second Round

May

Morven, Morven 15-16
Dilworth 23
Spencer Memorial and Derita, night.....23
Polkton, Mount Moriah 29-30

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—James H. Weaver, Presiding Elder Greensboro, N. C.

Second Round

May

West Market 15-16

Third Round

Walnut St. and Carraway Memorial, Carraway Memorial 16-17
Ruffin Circuit, Hickory Grove 22-23
Wentworth, Bethlehem 29-30
Reidsville 30-31

June

West Market 12-13
Gibsonville, Gibsonville 13-14
Greensboro, Mt. Pleasant 19-20
Centenary 20-21
Pleasant Garden Ct., Bethlehem ..26-27
Spring Garden 27-28

July

West Greensboro, Grooms 3-4
Randolph, Pleasant Hill 10-11
Coleridge, Rehobeth 17-18
Ramseur & Franklinville, Ramseur, 18-19
Wesley Memorial, High Point 24-25
Main St., High Point 24-25
East End, High Point 24-25
Deep River Ct., White Hall 31-Aug. 1

August

Randleman 1-2
Asheboro 1-2
Denton, Siloam 7-8
Uwharrie, Salem 8-9

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.

Third Round

May

Stokesdale, Glenco 15-16
Walnut Cove, Bethesda 22-23
Madison & Stoneville, Price 29-30

June

Spray 6-7
Leaksville 11-12
Draper 12-13
Jonesville 19-20
Elkin 20-21
Danbury, Sandy Ridge 26-27

July

Dobson 3-4
Pilot Mountain 10-11
Rural Hall 17-18
Yadkinville 24-25
Ararat 31

August

Ararat 1
Mount Airy Circuit 7-8

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.

Second Round

May

Bald Creek, Hertons 15-16
Burnsville 16-17
Marion Circuit, North Catawba 22-23

Third Round

June

McDowell, Snow Hill 5-6
Old Fort, Providence 12-13
Marion Station 13-14
Thermal City, Trinity 19-20
Table Rock, Linville 26-27
Morganton Station 27-28

July

Broad River, Union 2
Green River, New Hope 3-4
Cliffside, Hollis 9
Forest City, Cedar Grove 10-11
Henrietta and Caroleen, Henrietta, 11-12
Rutherfordton, Gilkey 17-18
Morganton Ct., Denton 24-25
Connelly Springs, Warlicks ..31-Aug. 1

August

Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Bakersville 7-8
Micaville, Shoal Creek 14-15
Bald Creek, Bald Creek 21-22
Burnsville 22-23
Marion Ct., Concord 28-29
District Conference at Gilkey, July 15-18

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Second Round

May

Boone, Fairview 15-16
Sparta Circuit, Piney Creek 22-23
Laurel Springs, Mt. Zion 29-30

Revival Meetings

Elk Park, Montezuma.....April 26-May 6
Laurel Springs, Mt. Zion.....May 24-30

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.

Third Round

May

Salisbury, South Main St, 11 a. m., 16
Salisbury, First Church, night 16
Salisbury Circuit, Bethel 22-23
E. Spencer & N. Main St., E. Spencer, night 23
Woodleaf Circuit, South River 29-30
Salisbury, Holmes Memorial, night, 30

June

Concord, Forest Hill, 11 a. m. 6
West Concord, Harmony, night 6
Concord Circuit, Bogers 12-13
Epworth and Center, Center, 3 p. m., 13
Concord, Central, night 13
Cottonville and Oakboro, Cedar Grove 19-20
Norwood, Randalls 19-20
Albemarle, Central 27-28
Albemarle, First Street 27-28
Albemarle Circuit, Zoar, 3 p. m. ..26-27

July

China Grove, 11 a. m. 4
Spencer, night 4
Salem Circuit, Salem 10-11
Mt. Pleasant Circuit, Center Grove, 11-12
Concord, Westford, 11 a. m. 18
Kannapolis Station, night 18
Kannapolis Circuit, Unity 24-25
New London Circuit 31-Aug.-1

August

Gold Hill Circuit 1-2
Bethel and Loves Chapel 8-9

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C.

Third Round

May

McAdenville 9
Dallas-Ozark, Ozark 9-10
Cherryville, St. Paul 15-16
Gastonia, West End 22
Gastonia, Main St. 23

June

Lowell, South Side 5-6
Mt. Holly, Ebenezer 6-7
Bessemer, Bessemer 12
King's Mountain 13
Polkville, Lee's 19-20
Belwood, St. Peter's 26-27

July

Rock Spring, Rehobeth 3
Lincoln Ct., Ivey's Memorial 10
Lincolnton 11
Crouse 17
Stanly 18
South Fork 24
Lowesville, Hill's Chapel 27-29

District Conference at Lowesville July 27-29.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Lee T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.

Third Round

May

Mount Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, night 16-17
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn's, 11 a. m., 22-23
S. Lenoir and Valmead, Whitnel, night 23-24
Catawba Ct., Concord, 11 a. m. 29-30

June

West Hickory, West Hickory, 11 a. m. 5-6
Rhodhiss St., Rhodhiss, night 6-7
North Lenoir Ct., Harpers Chapel 11 a. m. 12-13
Lenoir Sta., Lenoir, night 13-14
Granite Falls and Hudson, Granite Falls, 11 a. m. 19-20
Hickory, First Church, Hickory, night 20-21
Alexander Ct., Rocky Spring, 11 a. m. 26-27
Stony Point Ct., Midway, 3:30 p. m., 27-28

July

Maiden Ct., Friendship, 11 a. m., 3-4
Newton St., Newton, night 4-5
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 11 a. m., 10-11
Davidson St., Davidson, night 11-12
Troutman Ct., Knox Chapel, 11 a. m. 17-18
Mooresville St., Mooresville, night, 18-19
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 11 a. m., 24-25
Cool Spring Ct., Rose Chapel, 11 a. m. 24-25
Iredell Ct., Macedonia, 11 a. m. 25-26
Broad Street St., Broad St., 11 a. m. 25-26
Race Street St., Race St., 11 a. m., 25-27

August

Hickory Ct., Pisgah, 11 a. m., ...1-2

The Sunday School Institute and the District Conference of the Statesville District will be held in Broad Street church, Statesville, July 28-31. Wednesday, July 28th, will be devoted to the Sunday school institute. The institute will open promptly at 10 o'clock, a. m., on that day. We earnestly urge every Sunday school superintendent and every pastor in the district to be present at that hour. There will be something doing every minute. You cannot afford to miss a single item on this program.

The work of the district conference will follow that of the institute. Let every delegate, all the pastors, local preachers, and charge lay leaders be present when the roll is called; and we insist that all the members of the Conference remain until we adjourn on Saturday.

The congregations of Broad Street and Race Street churches will provide abundant entertainment, and we desire the fullest possible attendance.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C., R. F. D. 2

Second Round

April

Ranger Circuit, Bellview 24-25

May

Murphy Station, night 6
Andrews Station, night 7
Robbinsville, Topton 8-9
Judson, Almond 9-10
Franklin Ct., Snowhill 15-16
Macon Ct., Asbury 19-20
Highlands, Flatts 22-23
Franklin Station 24

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C.

Third Round

May

Grace, 11 a. m. 16
Burkhead, night 16
Thomasville Ct., Fairview 22-23
Thomasville, Main Street 21-23
Linwood, Wesley Chapel 29-30
Lexington 28-30

June

Walkertown, 11 a. m. 6
Centenary, night 6
Davidson, Good Hope 12-13
Southside, night 13
Forsyth, Crews 19-20
Liberty, night 20
Jackson Hill, Macedonia 26-27

July

Davie, Center 3-4
Mocksville 2-4
Advance, Advance 10-11
West End, night 11
Lewisville, Union 17-18
Salem, night 18
Farmington, Bethlehem 24-25
Cooleemee, night 25
Kernersville, Shady Grove 31-Aug. 1

WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT

(Continued from Page 8)

preachers on her mailing list and from time to time she send him leaflets and bulletins, that he may have at hand dynamic ammunition to guard his camp and bombard any weak spots he may discover in the hearts of his hearers.

6. And, whereas, missionary study lays sure foundations for permanent missionary interest, liberality and efficiency, resolved that every society undertake some form of study of missionary fields and forces and that every member be urged to take "The Missionary Voice" and acquaint herself with the facts of our gigantic task and the strength of our resources.

7. That as it is often easier to interest the children than grown people, and it is important to interest and enlist them, we resolve to do all in our power to promote the children's and young people's work.

8. And, whereas, missionary advertisement is as productive of results as commercial or other advertisement, resolved, that we encourage the observance of Missionary Day in our Sunday schools and petition for a more than occasional missionary sermon, hold public meetings of our society from time to time and capture for our programs all the live missionary speakers that come within reach.

Mrs. C. A. Wood, Chm.



YOU ARE BURNING MONEY

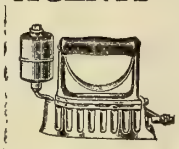
when you buy a coal that burns riotously like shavings, wasting its heat far up the chimney in long flame, dense smoke and troublesome soot, and is quickly reduced to ashes.

Clinchfield Domestic Coal burns like a hickory back-log, giving a short flame and a bed of *intensly hot* coals of wonderful *lasting* quality that radiate their heat into every nook and corner of the room. Hard, clean, lumpy, easily kindled. Holds fire overnight, saving labor and kindling bills. By far the most *economical* and satisfactory fuel for open grates, stoves and residence furnaces of all types. No trouble from clinkers and choked flues.

Clip this ad and save it or write today for literature, freight rate and low summer prices on cars of from 30 to 50 tons each direct from the mines.

Clinchfield Fuel Co.
Desk 12 Spartanburg, S. C.
"THE COAL OF HIGH HEAT VALUE"

AGENTS $30 TO $50 WEEKLY MEN AND WOMEN



Selling the New Improved MONITOR Self Heating FLAT IRON. Positively the lowest priced and fastest selling Iron made. Over 650,000 in use. Evans, N. Car. sold 2 doz. on Sat. Mrs. Nixon, Vt., sold 8 first half day. No experience needed—sells itself. New Terms. Binding Guarantee. Exclusive territory. Sample free to workers. Write today.
MONITOR SAD IRON CO.
122 Orange Street Hickory, N. C.

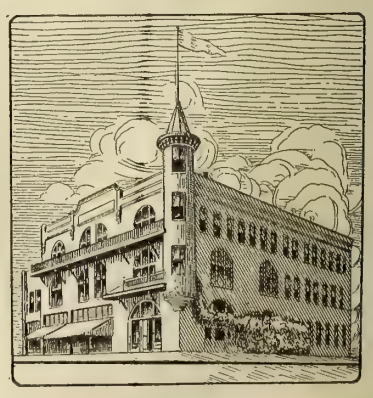
The Newest Styles of Jewelry
WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS



TAKE A KODAK WITH YOU
and MAIL YOUR FILM TO ME
I do Developing, Printing and Enlarging, returning all work within the shortest possible time. I give coupons for FREE enlargements. Send a trial order today. Write for sample prints and prices.
D. AUDLEY GOLD,
Box C Blacksburg, S. C.



BLUE RIDGE INN
Mount Airy, N. C. W. M. Jordan, Prop.
Mount Airy's Leading Hotel
Rates $2.00 and $2.50—All meals 50 cents—Electric Lights, Steam Heat, Electric Bell System, Hot and Cold Baths—American plan—A clean up-to-date home for the tourist or traveling man, in a beautiful mountain city.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland
108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Trains leave Greensboro as follows:

N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information and are not guaranteed.

12:55 a. m.—No. 112, daily. Local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh which may be boarded at 9:30 p. m. and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m.

1:47 a. m.—No. 30, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars Birmingham and Augusta to New York, and Birmingham and Jacksonville to Washington. Observation sleeping car Atlanta to Richmond. Tourist sleeper for Washington from San Francisco. Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars New York to Birmingham and Augusta, and Washington to Jacksonville and Birmingham. Observation sleeping car Richmond to Atlanta. Tourist sleeping car Washington to San Francisco via Sunset Route. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:45 a. m.—No. 11, daily. Local for Atlanta and points south. Pullman sleeping cars Richmond to Charlotte and Norfolk to Asheville. Coaches.

7:15 a. m.—No 37, daily. NEW YORK, ATLANTA AND NEW ORLEANS LIMITED. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section drawing room sleeping cars New York to New Orleans, Asheville and Macon. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service. No coaches.

7:30 a. m.—No 108, daily. Local for Raleigh and intermediate points.

7:30 a. m.—No. 154, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

8:10 a. m.—No. 44, daily. For Washington and points north.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily. For Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Handles Pullman sleeping car for Winston-Salem from Raleigh.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily. For Mt. Airy.

9:40 a. m.—No. 144 daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Free reclining chair car Charlotte to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily. For Salisbury, Statesville and Asheville. Connecting at Asheville with Carolina Special which handles through sleepers for Cincinnati and Chicago.

12:45 p. m.—No. 130, daily. For Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

12:50 p. m.—No. 45, daily. For Charlotte, connecting with trains for Columbia and Seneca.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Washington, New York and points north. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

2:00 p. m.—No. 207, daily. For Winston-Salem, connecting daily, except Sunday, with trains for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daiy except Sunday. For Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily. For Mt. Airy.

6:30 p. m.—No. 35, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham. Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham, and Charlotte to Atlanta. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily. For Winston-Salem.

6:40 p. m.—No. 46, daily. For Danville.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily. For Sanford.

7:24 p. m.—No. 43, daily. For Charlotte, connecting with No. 35 for the South.

10:15 p. m.—No. 12, daily. For Richmond and Norfolk. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Asheville to Norfolk.

10:20 p. m.—No. 233, daily. For Winston-Salem.

11:20 p. m.—No. 38, daily. THE NEW YORK, ATLANTA AND NEW ORLEANS LIMITED. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section, drawing room and compartment sleeping cars New Orleans, Macon and Asheville to New York. Dining car service. No coaches.

E. H. COAPMAN, Vice-President and General Manager, Washington, D. C.

W. H. TAYLOE, Passenger Traffic Manager, Washington, D. C.

H. F. CARY, General Passenger Agent, Washington, D. C.

R. H. DeBUTTS, Division Passenger Agent, Charlotte, N. C.

C. G. PICKARD, Passenger and Ticket Agent, Greensboro, N. C.

TRY THIS FOR YOUR HEALTH

For diseases which do not readily yield to drug treatment, such as chronic dyspepsia, indigestion, rheumatism, Bright's disease, gall stones, uric acid poisoning and diseases of the kidney and liver, the best physicians send their wealthy patients to the famous mineral springs. Some even spent months at the Spas of Europe and were almost invariably cured or greatly benefited.

I believe that the Shivar Spring is the greatest mineral spring ever discovered and I believe it so firmly that I offer to send you enough water for a three weeks' treatment (two five-gallon demijohns) on my guarantee that if it fails to benefit your case I will refund the price. You would hardly believe men if I told you that only about two out of a hundred, on the average say that they have received no benefit. The water is restoring thousands. It restored my health when my friends and physicians thought my case was incurable and I am willing and anxious for you to match your faith in the spring against my pocketbook. If I win you become a life-friend of the spring. If I lose I will be sorry for you but I will appreciate your courtesy in giving the water a trial and will gladly refund your money on request. Sign the following letter:

Shivar Spring,
Box 5C, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen:

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Spring Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns, which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)

Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You run no risk whatever in accepting his offer. I have personally witnessed the remarkable curative effects of this water in a very serious case.

CONFEDERATE VETERANS' SPECIAL TRAIN TO RICHMOND, VIRGINIA, MONDAY, MAY 31ST, VIA SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Premier Carrier of the South

For the accommodation of Confederate Veterans, their friends and all others, Southern Railway will operate special train from Charlotte, Salisbury, Greensboro, Reidsville and intermediate points to Richmond, Monday, May 31st. Schedule and fares as follows:

Leave	Round trip fare
Charlotte, 7:00 A. M.	$5.90
Concord, 7:45 A. M.	5.45
China Grove, 8:10 A. M.	5.20
Salisbury, 8:30 A. M.	5.00
Lexington, 9:20 A. M.	4.70
Thomasville, 9:35 A. M.	4.45
High Point, 9:45 A. M.	4.30
Greensboro, 10:10 A. M.	3.80
Reidsville, 10:45 A. M.	3.55

Round trip fares from other points as shown below:

Shelby	$6.75
Gastonia	6.35
Norwood	5.65
Sanford	4.25
Blacksburg	6.85
Mooresville	5.55
Albemarle	5.65
Asheboro	4.90

Fares from all points not shown above on same basis.

Tickets on sale May 29th to June 2nd, inclusive, with final return limit June 10, with privilege of extension until June 30th.

Special train will arrive at Richmond 4:30 P. M., making entire trip in day time. Lunches and coffee served on train en route by dining car department.

Very low side trip fares in effect from Richmond during the Reunion to a number of points of interest.

A rare opportunity to visit historic Richmond, the Capital of the Confederacy.

For additional information call on your nearest agent or write

R. H. DeButts, D. P. A.,
Charlotte, N. C.

TWO NEW SONG BOOKS

VICTORY HYMNAL—a superior collection of songs for Sunday schools, etc.

SONG SERVICE and REVIVAL, No. 2—Fine for revivals, Sunday schools, etc. Words and music in both books pleasing, inspiring, devotional. Carefully edited. Both notations. Price, each, 25 cents; dozen, $2.50. Sample of either book, 15 cents; both, 30 cents. Address

Hildebrand-Burnett Co., Roanoke, Va.

Show Cases Direct From Factory

The Famous Gurley Show Cases cannot be had from any other manufacturer in America. Our goods received double award at the Jamestown Exposition. A jobber who has been selling Gurley Show Cases for nine years, says that only one customer has made any complaint of our goods, and only one small case was involved in his complaint. This is a wonderful record. We sell direct to the merchant. Drug store outfits a specialty. For drug store outfits ask for catalogue "V"; for wall or street cases ask for catalogue "W"; for general line ask for catalogue "Y."



HIGH POINT SHOW CASE WORKS High Point, North Carolina

OUR DEAD

(Continued from Page 11)

mented young wife of Mr. W. R. Jones. Before marriage she was Miss Eugenia Graham, the much loved daughter of Dr. W R. and Elizabeth Graham. Her mother, who was the daughter of W. M. Blackburn, one of the oldest Methodist families in Ashe county, and in whose faith she lived and died, preceded her to the spirit world just five years to a day.

She left a husband, father and one little child, who will miss her cheery words and bright smiles. She died as she had lived, with a conscience void of offence, and consciousness of duty performed. Her last words were: "I have come to the river; help me across."

To her bereaved ones, many friends have extended sympathy, hoping that their sorrow will be conquered by the comforting thought that she is free from suffering and happy in the joy of heaven.

She was 20 years, 10 months and 3 days old. Her spirit took its flight to the world of the blest March 15, 1915. Her body was tenderly laid to rest in the family burying ground near Todd, Ashe county, N. C.

Farewell, Genia, till we see thee face to face. D. P. Waters.

LEDFORD—Fannie Sarah Rogers was born Sept. 9, 1857, and died April 1st, 1915, aged 58 years, 5 months and 24 days. She was converted and joined the Methodist church in young womanhood and had lived a consistent Christian life, and when the call came she was ready to go. She was twice married; first to Nr. Serguson, who died a number of years ago; then to Lose Ledford, who died last year. May the Lord comfort the bereaved children and relatives.

E. N. Avett, Pastor.

ALBRIGHT—The Methodist church of Mount Airy is again called upon to suffer the loss of an esteemed member. J. E. Albright, a man valuable as a Sunday school teacher and all-around Methodist, passed to his reward after a long and painful illness, May 5th. He was in his fiftieth year. He was a journalist by instinct and training. As editor and correspondent he proved himself a successful newspaper man. As a political leader he had considerable influence in his adopted county, Surry. He represented his people for one term in the State Legislature, and filled honorably other positions of a public character.

A mother, Mrs. W. A. Albright, of Greensboro; three sisters, his wife (nee Miss Lena Crocker) and three children, Crocker, Francis and Jack, Jr., survive him.

His body was taken to Graham, the home of his childhood, and the funeral exercises were conducted by his pasor, assisted by Rev. J. Clyde Turner. W. H. Willis.

CAMPBELL—Miss Nola Hix was born near Turnersburg, in Iredell county, N. C., June 6, 1881, and departed this life March 10, 1915. She was married to Mr. Blane Campbell, of Harmony, April 30, 1914. She leaves a husband, an infant of two weeks, a mother, two brothers, Mr. Bruce Hix, of High Point, and Mr. Richard Hix, of Turnersburg, and many relatives and friends.

In early life she professed faith in Christ and joined the M. E. Church, South, at Turnersburg, and remained a consistent and devoted member till death. Before the shadows of death became visible she talked with friends and said, "Should it be near I feel ready to go; all's well." When the alarm was given and the darkness gathered she remained calm, just ready and waiting. She talked to friends of the change and the blessed assurance, "Lo I am with thee."

The funeral was conducted by the writer, assisted by Rev. Plint, of Harmony, and her body was laid to rest in the cemetery at Mt. eBthel in the presence of many friends, who felt that her spirit was at rest in the arms of the Saviour.

To the lonely loved ones and friends, may we so live that we shall have an unbroken circle in that sweet land by and by. P. H. Brittain.

WELBORN—John Welborn was born Jan. 2, 1833, and died April 23, 1915. He was converted and joined the church when quite a young man. He was faithful to attend church and always took his children to Sunday school. He was an active church worker, looking after the interests of the church as a steward and class leader. He believed in the old-time religion, but did not believe in trying to keep up with every fad. In his last days he said he was ready and willing to go to his reward. His children will know where to find him. He was a great Bible student and believed in the fundamentals of religion. E. N. Crowder, P. C.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

By the Ladies' Aid Society of Moravian Falls, N. C.

Whereas, the Lord, in his all-wise providence, has seen best to remove from our midst our dear sister and co-worker, Tabitha Elizabeth Bobbitt, who departed this life on February 21, 1915, therefore, be it resolved:

First, that in the death of Sister Bobbitt we have lost the oldest and one of our most faithful members. She will be greatly missed as she was loved by every one who knew her. For sixty years she was a loyal member of the Methodist church.

Second, that we wish to express our sincere regret at her departure and tender our heart- felt sympathy to the bereaved loved ones.

Third, that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon our minutes and a copy be sent to the N. C. Christian Advocate, The Wilkesboro Patriot and The Hustler, for publication.

Mrs. M. F. Hartzog,
Mrs. W. R. Hubbard,
Mrs B. A. Ferguson,
Mrs. W. S. Cherry,
Committee.

Mankind is one in origin, one in the law that governs it, and one in the goal it is destined to attain. Its faith must be one, its actions one, and one the banner under which it combats. Say not the languages we speak are different. Acts, tears, and martyrdom are a language common to all men, and which all men understand.—Joseph Mazzini.

The "New Christianity" rising all about us is the simple but mighty gospel of Jesus, enriched by science and democracy, enforced by the philanthropic impulse, and operated through the educational method. It puts character-building above creed-making; deeds of love above dogmas of wrath; service above sacrament; obedience to moral law above belief in theological statements.—Joseph H. Crooker.

SWEET POTATO PLANTS

Yellow and White Yams and Red Spanish at $1.50 per 1000. Address Mrs. M. E. V. Hines
Route 5, Box 46 Mt. Airy, N. C.

BARGAINS IN GOOD BOOKS

VALUABLE BOOKS FOR $1 PER VOLUME

The books selected for inclusion in this DOLLAR LIBRARY have stood all tests and have been acclaimed standard if not classic.

They are the necessary books in every well-balanced Ministerial Library.

The books are large octavo in size, each containing from 400 to 550 pages, printed on excellent paper and tastefully and substantially bound in dark green cloth with gold stamping.

The former selling price of these books ranges from $2.50 to $3.50 and these editions are complete and are printed from the plates of the original high-priced editions.

Price now $1.00 per volume by mail. Add ten cents for postage.

By Prin. A. M. Fairbairn, D. D., LL. D.

THE PHILOSOPHY OF THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION

This is one of the most scholarly and successful defenses and examinations of the Christian belief and its basis. Principal Fairbairn's fame is justly founded upon the profundity of his thought, the wide range of his erudition and the bell-like clarity of his style. This is a book which should be in every ministerial library.

By Charles Loring Brace

GESTA CHRISTI: A History of Humane Progress Under Christianity

A book which has no equal in its discussion of the teaching of Jesus or the character and personnel of the members of the Apostolic group. While on many other subjects connected with the life of Christ new books have become standards, this book remains the authority in its own field.

Rev. John Ker, D. D.

LECTURES ON THE HISTORY OF PREACHING:
With Introduction by Rev. Wm. M. Taylor

While not in the strictest sense of the word a volume on homiletics, this is nevertheless one of the greatest and best recognized books in this realm. It has long served as a guide to all who wished to make any acquaintance with the theory or the history of the practice of preaching. In every sense of the word classic, not alone for the student, but for the seasoned preacher himself.

By Canon F. W. Farrar

THE LIFE OF CHRIST AS REPRESENTED IN ART

This may fairly be called a by-product of the author's monumental Life of Christ. It is a complete survey in his matchless prose of the whole subject of art in its relation to Christianity.

By Alexander Maclaren, D. D.

PULPIT PRAYERS

One of Dr. Maclaren's secrets of success was in the pains and reverent care he took to prepare his people for the message of his sermon—a care extending to hymns, the Scripture and the minor parts of the service, and especially to the prayer which preceded the sermon. They are alike inspirational in contents and models in manner.

By Prin. George Adam Smith, D. D.

THE LIFE OF HENRY DRUMMOND

This is one of the greatest of religious biographies, for it is not only the story of a career alike distinguished for deep piety and a singular brilliance of achievement, but it is written by one himself a considerable figure in the movements associated with Drummond's name, and a close and lifelong friend. It touches with deep insight the movements with which Drummond's name will ever be associated.

By J. deQuincey Donehoo

THE APOCRYPHAL AND LEGENDARY LIFE OF CHRIST

Mr. Donehoo has gathered together with incredibly painstaking care all the legendary and apocryphal material concerning the life of Christ, scattered as it is through a countless number of volumes, most of which are rare and inaccessible to the average reader or student. While of course apocryphal, this collection is of immense aid to the student of doctrine as showing the place Christ came to hold in the early belief and worship of the Church.

By John P. Jones

INDIA: ITS LIFE AND THOUGHT

Mr. Jones, through many years' residence in India, has come to a knowledge of India which, coupled with his sympathetic insight into the native character, has enabled him to write what is perhaps the most comprehensive single sketch of India yet written.

By Prof. A. B. Bruce, D. D.

THE TRAINING OF THE TWELVE

An apologetic for the Christian faith which now as in the day it was written remains unanswerable. What Buckle did in his "History of Civilization" from the standpoint of materialism, has been done in this book from the standpoint of belief. It is in every way a notable book, alike from the standpoint of Christian apologetics and from the standpoint of history. It is the kind of book which belongs in every library, and because written always with a human interest, it is in the best sense popular.

THE MIRACULOUS ELEMENT IN THE GOSPELS

Professor Bruce was one of the most literal-minded of the evangelical school to which he belonged. It is a tribute to the scholar's profundity of thought and his grip of the heart of his subject that he was able to anticipate the line of attack on the supernatural so that his book still remains the ablest defense of the miracles extant. He has been followed but never supplanted.

THE PARABOLIC TEACHING OF CHRIST

The parables, admittedly one of the most important and one of the most difficult aspects of Christ's teaching, have here been treated in a manner characterized by sanity and scholarly insight. From the first this book took rank as among the ablest expositions of the parables, as well as one of the best books in English on the teaching of Jesus.

THE HUMILIATION OF CHRIST
In Its Physical, Ethical and Official Aspects

The whole theme of Dr. Bruce's work is to show that the cross is as completely the central point in the life of Christ in the light of which the whole incarnation must be understood as is the atonement in the doctrine of Christianity. It remains in a place alone as a statement of the doctrines of the incarnation and the atonement.

SEND YOUR ORDERS FOR THESE OR ANY OTHER BOOKS YOU MAY WANT TO

Board of Publication

Greensboro, N. C.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, May 20, [illegible] | Number 20

Reading Room
Trinity College



ELKIN METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. J. P. Hipps, Pastor

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT

We are printing this week the second quarterly bulletin for Mt. Airy District. This will be found interesting to all readers of the Advocate. Each edition in which this report is printed goes to 1,000 extra homes in the district. One good result of this is seen in the fact that Mount Airy, one of the smaller districts, is now leading in the number of new subscribers secured for the paper this year.

We are glad to note the good success which is attending the labors of our pastors in these difficult fields, for there is no doubt that many of these charges are confronted with peculiar difficulties.

CHURCH ADVERTISING

One result of the recent agitation as to the attendance in the evening services in Statesville is the determination of some of the leaders in our Broad Street church to use space in the local paper each week with the view of increasing attendance.

This is new in the South, but, for some months has been tried in some of the Northern cities. To what extent it has brought results we are not apprised. There is no doubt that greater diligence in giving publicity to church services is needed; but the idea that bargain-counter offers in big letters printed in space paid for at so much per will remedy the situation where counter attractions have drawn the people away, we fear is very much of a delusion.

If we may venture a suggestion we would say that nothing can fill up empty pews so surely and effectively as personal evangelism. If the membership of Broad Street, or any church, could be induced to go two by two, or even singly during the week, to some indifferent or unsaved person, and convince that one of a real personal interest in him, it would be possible in this way to bring many to the service, and to secure their attendance from a motive far removed from anything akin to mere curiosity. Then, if these same personal workers would quietly inform the pastor during the week of their expectation of being present in the next Sunday evening service with serious persons, it would put fire into his soul and such fervor into his message as would make it sound like one speaking with authority and a consciousness of the divine unction. Nothing could more surely save a preacher from delivering a perfunctory or aimless message.

The church everywhere needs to catch the vision of that scene in the gospel where Jesus taught the multitude, and where, in the midst of the throng, the paralytic was brought to Him borne by four friends. As these four men brought their helpless neighbor into the presence of the healer, so must we bring our helpless neighbors, dead in trespasses and sins, into the presence of Him who alone can forgive sins. The mission of the church is to go after the unsaved.

THE CHAPMAN-ALEXANDER MEETING IN CHARLOTTE

Judging from all reports the great meeting recently closed in Charlotte and which was planned and led by Rev. Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman and his co-worker, Mr. Alexander, was one of the most helpful ever held in North Carolina. Mr. Chapman as a preacher is great in simplicity and is thoroughly sound in his doctrinal teaching. It is also a remarkable fact that he achieves sensational effects without resorting to sensational methods. The result is that the fruits reported in mere figures are never quite so large, but are far more abiding.

It will be a blessing to the church at large when, under the influence of a sane reaction, evangelistic extravagance shall be eliminated, and the work of genuine scriptural evangelism shall find its legitimate place and keep the church, as it should, in the glow and fervor of spiritual life and power. With all that there has been to discourage we are glad to believe that the day is not far distant when we shall realize this ideal condition in the church at large.

We have no very definite report as to such results as may be tabulated in a meeting of this sort, but we take pleasure in passing on to our readers the following summary which has been published in the Charlotte Observer:

"No full statement of the results of the five weeks' campaign of Dr. Chapman and Mr. Alexander in Charlotte is possible. While an accurate record of the results of the meetings in the tabernacle have been kept, many have joined the churches of the city who have never come forward in the tabernacle. Many lives in Charlotte have been greatly influenced and turned towards the things of religion. Outside of the city the influence of the meetings has been felt throughout a large section of country. In the tabernacle meetings there have been 846 conversions, 758 reclamations of backsliders and 162 church members living in Charlotte who decided to join Charlotte churches, a total of 1,766 cards signed at the meetings. The Pocket Testament League membership in Charlotte is 2,002 and is increasing daily.

"A most interesting feature of the great meeting was the announcement that Charlotte's free will offering to Dr. Chapman and Mr. Alexander exceeded $4,000, the largest sum ever given them by any city. This announcement was received with tremendous and long continuous applause."

RUTHERFORD COLLEGE

The trustees of Rutherford College met in annual session at the college on Tuesday afternoon, May 11th. The editor of the Advocate, having the honor of being a member of this body, was in attendance. The commencement exercises, of which Prof. Creel tells in another column, were in progress when we arrived on Tuesday, and it was a matter of sincere regret that we could not remain and enjoy these exercises. Dr. H. M. North was just closing his splendid sermon when we arrived. Immediately after dinner the trustees convened, Rev. H. H. Jordan, of Gastonia, presiding. There was the largest attendance we have ever seen, and no doubt this was one of the most important meetings in the history of the Board. President Hinshaw's report showed an attendance of about 125 for the past year. According to his estimate this represented a very choice set of young people. Good work had been done in every department.

About thirty of the young men in attendance were candidates for the ministry. One of the remarkable things about this institution is the wonderful tenacity with which our young men in all that region hold on to it as a "School of the Prophets." For about two generations Rutherford College has held the distinguished honor of having started perhaps more young men in their career of usefulness in the ministry than any school in the state, if not in the Southern Methodist Church. This fact ought to give it the pull of a very strong appeal to our people, especially at this time while the institution is in such a great struggle to secure adequate buildings and equipment for work.

The new building is well under way. We were surprised to find such a magnificent structure so well along. The splendid brick walls are nearly all under roof. The wing which is to accommodate laboratories and auditorium is expected to be completed within the next month or so, and then all will be under roof. This building will furnish ample administration offices, class rooms, laboratories, auditorium and society halls. Two brick dormitories are in the plan, located on either side of the main building. It is now hoped that one of these, besides the main building, can be completed this year.

O for a benefactor whom God may raise up during this summer to make it possible to carry out this plan so as to open up in this new plant next fall! A gift of $12,000. or $15,000. would do this and entitle such benefactor to have this first dormitory named ——— Hall—a monument infinitely better than any monument of marble or brass. O Lord, give us such a benefactor!

The editor of the Advocate makes this suggestion out of his own head and heart and means every word of it. Struggling as he is to find the last man on the list of those who will eventually give us our Advocate Building, free of debt, he is willing to hold this in abeyance, if need be, till some one can be found who is willing to build his imperishable monument on the campus at Rutherford. We do not hesitate to say that there never has been such need, nor has there been such an opportunity in the history of our educational work in North Carolina.

The trustees were greatly pleased to find President Hinshaw looking forward and planning without fear or hesitation. It is almost marvelous to see what he has already accomplished, and the trustees authorized a sufficient increase in the loan, if it can be secured, to put the administration building in shape to be occupied next fall. A man who can accomplish what he has accomplished with the means in hand is a worthy successor of the lamented Dr. Abernethy, and his hands should be upheld.

We feel that it is but just also to acknowledge the debt of gratitude which the church owes to Mr. J. E. Coulter and Dr. T. V. Goode for making it possible for us to avail ourselves of the magnificent site on which the new college is located. This site, which consists of about twenty-five acres and was donated by them, overlooks the railroad and the whole surrounding country and could hardly be more nearly an ideal for such an institution. In behalf of the trustees and of the church we hereby record a vote of thanks to these gentlemen.

After adopting the new charter as formulated by the charter commission of our Conference, and re-electing the officers of the Board, also the former president and faculty, a strong resolution of thanks and appreciation for the work of President Hinshaw and his co-laborers was adopted. This resolution assures President Hinshaw of the purpose of the Board to stand by him in his efforts for the upbuilding of the college.

AN OUTPUT OF RELIGIOUS VITALITY

Various soils are recognized as adapted to the growth of different plants; but all soils are expected, under normal conditions, to produce spontaneously and, with more or less of luxuriousness, some vegetable life. The absence of vegetable life is the evidence of sterility, and desert conditions ensue. The law of life thus manifest in the physical world has its counterpart in the spiritual. Sterility is the inevitable result of abnormal conditions in the church, and nothing serves more surely to disclose these abnormal conditions than the failure of the church to be self-propagating. If there come not out of the loins of the church itself a ministry that will not only sustain spiritual life but deepen and broaden that life, all evidences of spiritual vitality will disappear and the whole organization tumble to pieces and lose itself in a desert of desolation and death.

Much has been said in recent years about a real or supposed shortage in the ministerial supply of the church. Some have maintained that the shortage is more in the matter of efficiency than in the mere number of those who claim to have felt moved to take up the work. We do not pretend to say that there is no ground for this contention. There is vast room for improvement in the quality of work—in the mere matter of efficiency, but is it not true that the same cause which operates to lessen efficiency also operates to reduce the number? Do we not suffer both in quality and in quantity as the result of desert conditions out of which little may be expected in the form of propagating agencies, To refer again to our illustration in natural law, is it not true that the little vegetation formed, here and there, in the desert place is weak and languishing? So we may expect a ministry born amid conditions of spiritual poverty to be feeble and inefficient.

In our search for the foundation upon which to build a ministry adequate, both in quality

and in quantity, for the needs of the kingdom, we must go beneath the mere surface of church life and organization. The home life is the real foundation of religious power and vitality. The whole structure of the kingdom of God must sooner or later fall to pieces and go into decay where the vital power of the gospel loses its grip upon the home. A blighting desert must ensue if the springs of piety and devotion dry up in the home. Our crusade, therefore, which is to awaken every man to a sense of his divine call, must begin with the home life of our people, and terminate in the establishment of God's altar there and the banishment of the sinful social indulgence and other forms of sinful self-indulgence which dry up the fountains of spiritual life. Men for the ministry—men of efficiency in ample quantity—are the output of religious vitality—such vitality as expresses itself in the home.

* * * *

It is said that a few years ago John R. Mott sent out a letter to several ministers inquiring into the reasons leading them to become ministers of the gospel. More than seventy-five per cent. attributed their call to preach directly to the family altar and the influence of family religion.

In a report recently submitted by the Committee on Ministerial Supply and Training in the Nashville District Conference, we find this significant and pointed utterance:

It is essential that God should have an atmosphere in which to work in calling men into the gospel ministry, else Elijah and Isaiah might as easily have been called from the ranks of the worshipers of Baal as from that of God-fearing Israel; else paganism would furnish men to preach the gospel as readily as the atmosphere of Christian civilization.

The practice of family worship furnishes this atmosphere as nothing else does, and nothing can replace or repair its loss. "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he send forth laborers" is a command best carried out by fathers and mothers around the sacred hearthstone as they lay their sons and daughters by fervent prayer upon the altar of Christ's service.

Unless our children during the formative period of their lives are made to feel that "religion is the chief concern" and that to enter the ministry is to render the most important, honorable, and fruitful service possible to the human race, they are not likely to think seriously upon becoming heralds of the cross. The annual sermon on the call to the ministry, even if preached in every church, is too infrequent to create the needed atmosphere.

When the main emphasis for religious living ceases to be put by the home, we suffer an irreparable loss. Our habits of life have been largely influenced by the swift-moving and restless age in which we are living—the pace being set by the powerful demands and example of industry and commerce. The neglect of private devotions and family worship has grown more out of failure to adjust ourselves to new conditions than out of any deliberate intent; but the results are the same, whatever the cause. The baneful effects are apparent not only in a dearth of candidates for the ministry, but in the lack of spirituality pervading the whole life of our people.

One of the colossal tasks of the present-day pastor is to restore to our people some form of family worship. Let us cry aloud and spare not till we are assured that in every home in our church some form of worship is daily practiced. In the meantime we may help some by using every opportunity to speak to young men in the Sunday schools, Epworth Leagues, and elsewhere on the choice of a life work.

The man who desires to walk with God must walk with Him on the level of God-like tasks. The man who would confront the Infinite must be willing to do so on the plane of the program of the Infinite, and not invite God to a humiliating complicity in puny undertakings. All life is of God, and all duty, even the humblest, is divine; but we need today, as the church never needed in any day gone by, a challenge to a supreme and supernatural enterprise and a commensurate faith.—Robert E. Speer.

NOTE AND COMMENT

The Situation in Europe grows daily more complicated. Portugal is now stirred by a revolution which, supported by the navy, seems at least to menace the present republican government but can hardly mean the restoration of the king. Only meager news has leaked out of Lisbon, but the navy is reported to have bombarded the capital which is defended by the army in its loyalty to the president, Manuel de Arriaga. It is most likely, however, that the revolution will be crushed. The pro-war and anti-war parties in Bulgaria, Rumania and Greece are waiting for the final decision of Italy as to whether she will join the allies, a lengthened-out indecision which will still doubtless remain for some time because of the consent of Antonio Salandra to retain the premiership. If this does not mean that Italy will delay some days longer before entering the war it is at least true that when the news spread that Salandra would remain in power a sudden change came over the people, infuriated mobs disappearing, the populace calming down and the troops being withdrawn.

With the civil turmoil in Portugal and Italy there now remains only the Scandinavian countries, Holland, Spain and Switzerland which are not engaged in war or civil strife. Poor Europe! And if America and Germany get into it, poor America!



LEAKSVILLE METHODIST CHURCH
Rev. A. L. Aycock, Pastor

Conviction is Growing that the differences between America and Germany will be settled amicably. The reply from Germany may not be received for four or six days yet. It is believed by some that Germany will ask that America's demands be submitted to arbitration. Among the many suggestions made was the plan to refuse clearance to belligerent ships carrying munitions or absolute contraband if they also carry passengers. This involves no embargo and separates passenger and contraband traffic. The Westminister Gazette estimates President Wilson's note to Germany as the "greatest event of this war from all humane and moral points of view. "Nothing can be as beautiful," it continues, "when the most powerful of neutrals has definitely taken its stand for the great principle affirmed in the American note. The American government has taken a stand firmly on what may rightly be called the common law of nations, which requires that the life of non-combatants, whether neutral or belligerent, shall be respected in sea warfare. This is not merely our case or America's case. It is the case of the world against murder and piracy."

For which reason America is against war: simply because any kind of war is murder and piracy.

* * * *

The Reformed Church Classis convenes in annual meeting at Newton, N. C., tomorrow. This, the 21st of May, is the eighty-fourth anniversary of the organization of the church in this state. On the 21st of May, 1831, a little company of four ministers and four elders met at what was known as "The Old Brick Church," or Clapp's church, in Guilford county. It has been remarked of this beginning that though it was small the growth of this great body of civil and religious citizenship has been steady, and while comparatively the church is not now as strong numerically as other denominations in the state, the 1915 record is one of which the Reformed people may feel proud. "When it is remembered that this religious denomination in this state is practically confined to a few counties in the Piedmont section, where German pioneers settled, and that its growth has been so intensive instead of extensive that it has established churches in but two counties, Caldwell and Watauga, outside of the original territory represented at the first Classis, the revelative smallness of the Reformed population is explained satisfactorily."

Statistics compiled by the Rev. Dr. J. C. Leonard, of Lexington, show there are 5,782 confirmed and 1,725 unconfirmed members of the church in North Carolina; 56 congregations and 34 ministers; 51 Sunday schools with a total of 7,134 members and a total of money raised for congregational purposes of $43,768, and $5,926 for benevolence, a total of near $50,000 yearly.

* * * *

A Unique Phase of Equal Rights for women was presented by Norman Hapgood some time ago. According to the well-known editor the present breakdown of civilization in Europe makes clearer than ever the unwisdom of limiting the influence of the more peaceable half of the human race. In men, asserts Mr. Hapgood, the over-combatative side has been developed by thousands of years of natural selection as well as by an outworn system of education. "Men have done very wonderful things. They have built up our science, mechanics, politics, religion, literature, art. They have not, however, been amazingly successful in ethics, justice, human happiness. Once when the world's most important business was war, and when there were no factories and no schools, it was natural enough that the fighting sex alone should vote and women carry on the important industries and education and morals and hygiene in the four walls that then constituted the home. But war is no longer the principle business of public life, and home is no longer within four walls. We seek now to make the world peaceable, loving, just. Our girls and boys work in factories and are educated in public schools. It has become almost a commonplace that the important political questions of today are questions of public housekeeping—of economy, morals and health. The home now is everywhere, and woman's place is in the home."

* * * *

A Writer in the Public Ledger of Philadelphia recently asked Rev. Dr. Robert Hunter, an eminent pastor of that city, if the style of sermons had changed in recent years.

"Yes," was the reply, "it has changed to a limited extent. Sermons are no longer divided, as they usually were forty years ago, into parts: firstly, secondly, thirdly. They are now more compact." Curious to learn how a clergyman selects his text for a sermon, the writer asked as to this point, and the Doctor replied: "One must read constantly, and the Bible is the one book one must read. Often as you read it, you will each time find something new. When the writer asked Doctor Odell, who has just accepted the pastorate of a large church in Troy, N. Y., how he found a text, he was answered: "Often I write the sermon, and when it is finished select an appropriate text for it."

* * * *

Letters Signed by Four Hundred British Soldiers have been sent to Queen Mary telling of the benefits received from a Young Men's Christian Association recreation hut named in her honor and situated in the rear of the fighting line in France. The Y. M. C. A. has a number of these amusement shelters for soldiers in France. Two of them were built under peculiar circumstances. For one, the money was collected from more than 600,000 boys and girls of England, who gave their pennies. Contributions from 5,000 owners of dogs and cats paid for the other. Arrangements have been made to send over twenty-four billiard tables to the huts in France. The soldiers are now planting flowers and shrubs about the premises.

Mount Airy District Report—Second Quarte

By REV. H. C. SPRINKLE, Presiding Elder

A CHALLENGE

Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings. Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation.

Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it. And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the Lord of hosts. And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the Lord of hosts. —Mal. 3:8-12.

PREACHERS' SALARIES

Amount Paid by Each Church, to End of Second Quarter, Covering a Period of Twenty-Three Weeks of the Conference Year, With Balance Due

Ararat.—Chestnut Grove, paid, $17.20; due, $7.56. Mount Hermon, paid, $44.75; overpaid, 91c. Hunter's Chapel, paid, $31.60; due, $5.-99. Carter's Chapel, paid, $10.80; due, $9.10. Hatcher's Chapel, paid, $16.50; overpaid, $3.43. McBride's Chapel, paid nothing; due, $11.05. Greenwood, paid nothing; due, $2.21.

Danbury.—Danbury, paid, $77.01; due, 39c. Davis' Chapel, paid, $19.00; due, $12.84. Delta, paid, $16.75; due, $16.42. Sandy Ridge, paid, $17.50; due, $5.05. Smith's Chapel, paid, $2.00; due, $2.42. Snow Hill, paid, $6.-50; due, $11.63. Union Hill, paid, $1.25; due, $3.17. Vade Mecum, paid, $2.15; due, $3.48. Mount Carmel, paid, $1.11; due, $12.60.

Dobson.—Dobson, paid, $22.50; due, $52.25. Old Siloam, paid, $9.55; due, $12.56. Pleasant Ridge, paid, $13.50; due, $42.91. Rockford, paid, $16.70; due, $39.03. Siloam, paid, $55.-00; due, $38.76. Stony Knoll, paid, $9.75; due, $12.69.

Draper Station.—Paid, $83.40; due, $32.08.

Elkin Station.—Paid, $666.00; overpaid, $54.74.

Jonesville.—Ebenezer, paid, $9.63; due, $9.-83. Grassy Creek, paid, $4.50; due, $14.96. Jonesville, paid, $18.95; due, $53.58. Maple Springs, paid, $38.95; due, $2.62.

Leaksville Station.—Paid, $540.00; overpaid, $45.06.

Madison and Stoneville.—Madison, paid, $233.00; due, $41.38; Mayodan, paid, $22.40; due, $55.00. Mount Hermon, paid nothing; due, $26.53. Price, paid, $60.75; overpaid, $18.74.

Mount Airy Circuit.—Salem, paid, $89.00; due, $14.50. Oak Grove, paid, $20.25; due, $46.09. Laurel Bluff, paid nothing; due, $16.-03. Zion, paid, $30.25; due, $44.94. Epworth, paid, $16.00; due, $21.15. Bethlah, paid, $18.-00; due, $11.63. New Hebron, paid, $5.00; due, $13.57.

Mount Airy Station.—Paid, $755.58; overpaid, $4.55.

Pilot Mountain.—Chestnut Grove, paid, $35.-50; due, $22.00. Fairview, paid, $10.00; due, $7.69. Little Yadkin, paid, $6.00; due, $7.27. New Hope, paid, $4.00; due, $13.69. Pilot Mountain, paid, $76.50; due, $11.96; Pinnacle, paid, $24.85; due, $21.59; Trinity, paid, $27.-85; due, $11.95; Whitaker's, paid, $6.00; due, 63c.

Rural Hall.—Antioch, paid, $76.25; overpaid, $5.49. Bethel, paid, $3.50; due, $7.55. East Bend, paid, $50.00; overpaid, $5.77. Germanton, paid, $26.25; due, 28c. Macedonia, paid, $33.25; due, $10.98. Mount Pleasant, paid, $43.25; due, $4.41. Rural Hall, paid, $24.50; due, $13.09. St. Mark, paid, $13.50; overpaid, $2.45.

Spray Station.—Paid, $258.00; due, $98.76.

Stokesdale.—Eden, paid, $25.30; due, $38.83. Glencoe, paid, $34.28; due, $1.10. Mount Carmel, paid, $18.95; due, $27.56. Mount Tabor, paid, $12.00; due, $12.32. Mount Zion, paid, $5.35; due, $23.39. Stokesdale, paid, $129.70; overpaid, $30.19.

Summerfield.—Battleground, paid, $9.00; due, $28.59. Center, paid, $31.46; due, $61.-42. Gethsemane, paid, $25.00; due, $19.23. Hopewell, paid nothing; due, $6.63. Lee's Chapel, paid, $32.60; due, $42.59. Morehead's, paid, $4.50; due, $24.25. Pisgah, paid, $13.50; due, $32.94. Summerfield, paid, $64.08; due, $53.13.

Walnut Cove.—Stokesburg, paid, $55.20; due, $48.74. Palmyra, paid, $63.75; due, $13.-65. Pine Hall, paid, $44.80; due, $17.12. Bethesda, paid, $34.35; due, $53.22. Bethlehem, paid, $32.50; due, $5.11. Pisgah, paid, $14.85; due, $3.72. Forests Chapel, paid nothing; due, $11.05.

Yadkinville.—Boonville, paid, $23.85; due, $15.95. Center, paid, $66.21; due, $26.67. Long Town, paid, $8.45; due, $13.66. Mount Pleasant, paid, $18.66; due, $3.46. Prospect, paid, $50.01; overpaid, $5.78. Yadkinville, paid, $13.00; due, $20.17.

Honor Roll

The following churches have paid salaries in full, or overpaid, to date:—Hatcher's Chapel and Mount Hermon, on the Ararat charge; Elkin Station; Leaksville Station; Price, on the Madison and Stoneville charge; Central, Mount Airy; Antioch, East Bend and St. Mark, on the Rural Hall charge; Stokesdale church; Prospect, on the Yadkinville charge.

WHO IS WORKING AT THE CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS?

The reports show that twelve of the seventeen charges of the district have been doing something toward raising the above named claims, during the quarter, viz.: Ararat, Danbury, Draper, Elkin, Leaksville, Mount Airy Station, Pilot Mountain, Rural Hall, Stokesdale, Summerfield, Walnut Cove and Yadkinville. Some of these have merely begun, while the other five charges have, apparently, done nothing on this line, so far. With practically half of the year gone, it is easy to see the task that is before us. Pastors, encourage your Committee on Lay Activities and get all the help out of them you can, in this work, but if the laymen are not going to do the task, the preachers must get at it, and we have no more time to waste. To make provision for these sacred funds is to help to prepare for your revival campaign.

NEW MEMBERS

The following persons have been received into the church on profession of faith:

Will Gongs, Emma Stevens, Lizzie Grindle, and Emma Grindle, on the Ararat charge.

Joseph Cooper, Wesley Folger, Elizabeth Freeman, Grady Cooper, Eveline Folger, Frank Folger, Jr., Alma Bledsoe, Emma Carnes, Juliet Folger, Verona Cooper, Davis Reece, Broox Freeman, R. C. Freeman, Jr., James Freeman, Reuben R. Folger, Glen Comer, Marvin Folger, Holland Wall, Odessa Crouse, Clara Freeman, Richard Folger, Ferm Folger, S. R. Reeves, Lula Reeves, Ida Reeves, Charles Mooney, Joe McDowell, Mary L. Matthews, V. M. Matthews, and Harvey Bullin, on the Dobson charge.

C. C. Joice, on the Draper charge.

Mrs. J. W. Ward, Ruby Young, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Horney, B. Gibson, M. Webster, S. Webster, E. C. Tucker, A. Pool, G. Webster, W. L. Cardwell, C. E. Young, B. Shrieves, C. G. Moore, F. Powers, and twenty-one other persons whose names were not given for this report, on the Madison and Stoneville charge.

J. P. Gordon, Jno. T. Moore, Chas. Gladstone Ashby, Richard Edward McKenny, Carlas Raymond Coltrane, Francis Cary Leonar Elizabeth Sullivan Ashby, Theron Weaver W lis, Ross LaFayette Ashby, Joseph H. Hu Rosa Lowry Chambers Coe, Lyda Ledfor James Mozelli, Alina Scales, Munsy Nicho By baptism: Louvenia Powell, Lillian Ma Sparger, Lonnie Benton Jones, Shadroe Cli ton Stewart, Sebastian Cabbot Southard, E ward Everett Snow, John E. Albright, J William Brower Hadley, George Milton Ha ley, Phillip Davis Johnson, Elizabeth Lor Mary Elizabeth Boswell, Joe Martin Hodg Mary Lois Haymore, Louvenie Jones, Ru Lewis Chapman, Mary Nichols, William Long, Lula Frances Foy, Florence Elizabe Smith, Effie May Triplett, Pearl Campbe Alice Campbell, Elizabeth Campbell, Dav John Smith, Bettie Ada Roberts, Weldon Ro erts, Kate Sparger Norman, Frank Walk Henry Gardner, Grace Hundley, Ruth Sau ders, Mecia Jessup, Mary Ashburn, Geo. Stack, Mary Gantt, Howard Clement, John Davis, Nannie Willit Lowry, Gurney Ha John Lowry, Thomas Bennett, Shelly Jam Winston McKinney, David Cockerham, Ma Brassell, James W. Barker, Thomas Bray, S san Cain, Turner Pike, Belle Williams Graves, Dick Roberts, Mrs. Hattie Roberts, Mount Airy, Central.

DEATHS

Elizabeth McMillian, on the Ararat charge.

A. K. Folger, of Dobson, April 23.

O. O. Eidson and Mrs. Carrie Minnish, Elkin, both in the month of March.

Mrs. Sara Caroline Spainhour, of Mt. Plea ant church, on Rural Hall Circuit, March 2

Mrs. Susan L. Satterfield, of Mt. Carm March 8, and Mrs. J. M. Barnam, of Glen April 5, both of Stokesdale charge.

Vergil Scott, of Center church, Summerfie circuit, April 23.

THE FAMILY ALTAR

There are approximately 132 homes in t district which have a family altar. Reader, yours one of that number? Nine family alta have been erected during the quarter. The ought to be one thousand more erected duri the next quarter.

REVIVALS

Revival fires are already burning in t district. The meetings at Mount Airy, Do son, Old Siloam, Hunter's Chapel and oth points have been abundantly blessed. O hundred and thirty-seven souls have been r ceived into the church on profession of fai during the quarter. Let the good work go o We should remember that prayer is the d namic force that works in this field. L those who believe in prayer look up the comi revival dates, and pray, systematically, f each of these meetings.

CHILDREN'S HOME

The district reports $225.93, all told, rais this quarter for the support of our Children Home, which is $130.08 less than we report last quarter; but this report covers only period of two months, which had no fifth Su days. Brethren, remember the Children Home.

A DISTINCTION

Elkin, Pilot Mountain and Stokesdale ha the distinction of being the only charges the district that operate the Epworth Leagu While Elkin, Leaksville, Mount Airy Statio Pilot Mountain and Antioch on the Rural H charge, are the only churches in the distri that have discovered that most potent agen of the church, the Woman's Missionary Societ

COMING REVIVAL DATES

Draper—Meeting to begin May 16.
Elkin—Meeting to begin May 16.
Leaksville—Meeting to begin June 6.
Madison and Stoneville—May, July and August.
Rural Hall Charge—East Bend, May 17; Germanton, June 7; Rural Hall, June 21; St. Mark, July 5; Antioch, July 19; Mt. Pleasant, August 2; and Macedonia, August 16.
Spray—May 16.
Stokesdale—June, July and August.
Walnut Cove—Warehouse meeting, May 16.
Yadkinville—July and August.

BUSY MEN

Combs—Has preached 30 sermons and made 75 pastoral visits.
Routh—18 sermons, 25 visits.
Holloway—26 sermons, 55 visits.
Williams—20 sermons, 50 visits.
Hipps—14 sermons, 115 visits.
Oakley—16 sermons, 50 visits.
Aycock—13 sermons, 65 visits.
Surratt—40 sermons, 50 visits.
Folger (J. M.)—15 sermons, 45 visits.
Willis—10 sermons, 130 visits.
Doggett—20 sermons, 70 visits.
Allison—48 sermons, 136 visits.
Farrington—16 sermons, 100 visits.
Folger (T. J.)—18 sermons, 40 visits.
Johnson—13 sermons, 49 visits.
Poe—19 sermons, 83 visits.
Boring—29 sermons, 63 visits.
Sprinkle—34 sermons, 66 visits.

HERE AND THERE

Combs says of the Ararat charge: "People are attending our prayermeetings and Sunday schools who have never attended before."

Elkin church has raised about $275.00 for improvements this quarter.

The Sunday school at Central, Mount Airy, reached a high water mark in attendance on the first Sunday in May, there being present 294, which was 50 more than had ever been present at one time before.

The Philathea class at Spray raised $52.00 for church purposes.

Stokesdale "did herself proud" in the entertainment of the District Conference. The people of the district will be glad when Stokesdale's time comes to entertain again.

There are now 73 Sunday schools in active operation in the district, whereas only 38 were found at our last report. Let's gain enough momentum during the summer and fall to carry the whole number through next winter.

The Evangelistic Committee of Central, Mount Airy, is sustaining four weekly cottage meetings. The men conduct two and the women two.

Seventy-five members of Central church have lead in public prayer.

The attendance at Wednesday night prayer meeting at Central ranges from 60 to 90.

Three hundred of those who now belong to Central church have been received during the present pastorate.

A Wesley Adult Bible Class has been organized at Walnut Cove.

Rev. G. W. Williams, of Draper, leads the district in securing new subscriptions to the Advocate, having already gotten his apportionment of 12. Let others follow suit.

Willis, whose alert power of observation can chase the most obscure detail out of its remotest hiding place, has discovered the fact that there are now more copies of our Conference organ coming into the homes of the Mount Airy District than to those of any other district in the Conference, save one. This means, if it is kept up long enough, and if the people will read the paper when it comes, that we shall soon be making progress in other things.

NEW SUBSCRIBERS TO NORTH CAROLINA CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE

Report to May 17th

Jonesville, D. A. Oakley	6
Stokesdale, T. J. Folger	3½
Madison, A. R. Surratt	2
Draper, G. W. Williams	12
Rural Hall, C. R. Allison	2
Elkin, J. P. Hipps	9
Dobson Ct., J. G. W. Holloway	2
Walnut Cove, E. J. Poe	2
Pilot Mountain, R. L. Doggett	3½
Central, Mt. Airy, W. H. Willis	4
Summerfield, T. B. Johnson	6
Ararat, J. W. Combs	2
Danbury, O. P. Routh	6
Yadkinville, W. M. Boring	½
Leaksville, A. L. Aycock	1
Total	61½

BIBLE READING AND DANCING IN OUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

One argument that is strongly urged for substituting instead of the Bible carefully prepared selections, is that the Bible to be read in the public schools is for the benefit of the children of all the people without regard to sect or religious belief, and that for this reason all controversial passages of Scripture must be avoided.

All controversial passages must be avoided! If all controversial passages must be avoided, that means the throwing out of the whole Bible from our public schools; for there will always be in the schools all shades of opinion represented, and the children of agnostic and infidel parents would controvert and deny the whole revelation.

Is it not here clearly apparent to the most obtuse that this driving out of the Bible from the public schools is not simply a defeat of the religious elements of the community, but that it is a victory for the infidel and secularistic forces— the basest and most dangerous elements in our national life?

And where shall the line be drawn? What sort of an emasculated Bible are we going to have in the public schools? It will not do simply to say that it will be a selection from the whole Bible; for if a selection be made at all it must be selected from the whole Bible, but may not by any means include all of the books of the Bible—as, for example, we have selections from Wordsworth by his disciple and admirer Matthew Arnold, and yet whole tracts of Wordsworth's poetry are not represented.

But if the Bible may not be read in the public schools for fear either of contamination to morals or of arousing controversy, shall dancing be taught in the public schools, and shall our public school buildings be used by classes in dancing?

Remember that this is not a question simply of allowing dancing; it is an attempt to make us indorse a propaganda of dancing; to train the children of our homes in the art of dancing whether they will or not, or without respect to whether their parents are opposed to its practice or not. It throws the ægis of the public school's protection over the dance, and exposes our young men and women to frequent temptation in these functions presided over by teachers who act as chaperons. Is this to be unanimously and enthusiastically indorsed? Surely not. It is getting to be the fashion to make charges of immorality against the public schools. Startling revelations of laxity of morals in the public schools have, it is said, profoundly moved communities. We are shocked as we read of charges of immorality such as were made against the public schools at the National Educational Convention held last July. This we trust, however, is bu tanother form of the old and exaggerated calumnies of Romanism against our public schools.

But if the Bible with its power of religious uplift is driven out of our schools, and the dance with its demoralizing fascinations is fostered, then the fear is that what Romanism has steadily claimed, although we know that chameleon-like Rome changes to the sentiment of the hour—she sees lately that she has gone too far, and now she claims to love the little red schoolhouse—but this change, if change it be, was wrought not by cowardice of those who would basely surrender American ideals, but by the mighty protest of those who have manfully stood up against the machinations of this unscrupulous hierarchy; but if the dance shall supersede the Bible, Rome's old and persistent cry "that the public school is the hotbed of immorality" may yet to some lamentable extent come to be true.

We disclaim here that we have made extreme statements against the Romish Church. We would accord to men of every faith the right of conscience and the protection and inestimable advantages of our Christian civilization. But we believe that American institutions and ideals should be conserved.

We neither advocate an antipapal panic, nor have we much sympathy with those Protestant ministers who, forgetting the history of the past and blind to the encroachments which this vast ecclesiasticism has already made, think it shows true breadth of mind and serenity of culture to rail at those who lift up a voice of protest against papal domination in our civil and political and distinctively American institutions.

No, these liberalists are hardly consistent; for a well-known writer—the most xtreme type of such a publicist—after all his tirade against the men who, alive to the issues of the hour, are guarding the welfare of state and church, is compelled to concede that "if it is not true of all Roman Catholic hierarchs, it is true of some that their ambition to rule the state is not well concealed." And at last he is forced by the inevitable pressure of the situation to acknowledge what we alone contend for. "I think," he says, "that there is need of resisting such tendencies."

That the dance in the public school is a menace to the morals of the community is shown by a statement recently made by a prominent minister of this city; for if there is even a shadow of truth in the statement "that in his investigations of city conditions he found that the dance-halls—many of them—were open fields of solicitation for the panderer, and recruiting-stations for the brothel," if this be so, then how can we put our imprimatur upon dancing lessons in the public schools which train our children in the art and render more easy the transition to these places of temptation?

Let no one be guilty of base compliance or of cowardly surrender in this matter.

Shall we take the ground that it is of no use to oppose it; that the spirit of the time favors dancing? No, surely not!

"Say not the times are evil; who's to blame?
And fold the hands and acquiesce; O Shame!
Stand up, speak out, and bravely in God's name."

It has been acknowledged by those representing our public school system that the social dance, under chaperonage of teachers, is a function in high- school life; more than this, it has been acknowledged that the dance in a modified form is taught in connection with the evening school activities. In the opinion of many, the courts would grant an injunction against such use of our high-school and public-school buildings. We are anxious to maintain great moderation of statement. We all believe in large tolerance; and in the spirit of charity. But, surely, this is a matter that calls for plain speaking.

We believe that the Protestant churches of our and of every other city in our land where these abuses exist, representing in these great issues the moral forces of the community. should interpose objections to this subversion of a public trust; to this misuse of our educational machinery; to this flagrant and unblushing assault on the sentiment and conscience of the best elements in our Christtian churches.

On the one hand, the sentiments and prejudices of the agnostic, anarchistic, Jewish and Romish elements of society must be sedulously guarded, by emasculating the Bible to be read in the public schools; on the other hand the religious sentiment and conscience of the Christian people who would shield their children from these contaminating influences must be violated by the pandering of our public school system to and by the use of our public school buildings for, the social dance.

These are questions, indeed, which should stir our entire citizenship. The situation which we confront brings us face to face with these grave and important issues.—Rev. J. B. Risk, D. D., in Pittsburgh Christian Advocate.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

District Conference Directory

Waynesville, at Franklin	May 25
Asheville, at Brevard	June 2-4
Greensboro, Asheboro	July 13-15
Morganton, at Gilkey	July 15-18
Salisbury, Kannapolis	July 21-23
Charlotte	July 21-23
Shelby, at Lowesville	July 27-29
Statesville, at Broad Street	July 28-31

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. A. L. Coburn, pastor of Salem charge, preached at the Stanley county home last Sunday afternoon.

—We acknowledge with thanks the receipt of an invitation to Trinity commencement, to be held June 6-9.

—Rev. C. C. Williams, of Jackson Hill, has been assisting Rev. T. J. Houck in revival services on the Davidson charge.

—The Southern Baptist Convention, in session at Houston, Texas, last week, selected Asheville as their place of meeting for next year.

—The Sunday school at First church, Hickory, reported 450 present on Sunday, May 10th.

—A large congregation attended Children's Day services at Salem church, Stanly county, on the second Sunday in May.

—Miss Emma King, of High Point, succeeds Miss Sue May Kirkland as lady principal of the State Normal College, Greensboro. Miss Kirkland had been lady principal of the Normal since its founding in 1892, till her death last year.

—Mrs. J. G. Marler, a well-known member of the Methodist church at Yadkinville, and mother of Mr. W. H. Marler, of Winston-Salem, passed away at her home in Yadkinville on Saturday, May 8th. Mrs. Marler was a Miss Stimpson before her marriage and was prominently connected in her section.

—The Ramseur correspondent of the Asheboro Courier pays the following deserved tribute to a faithful Sunday school and church worker: One of the ablest and hardest Sunday school workers in the community is I. F. Craven, the ideal superintendent of the M. E. Sunday school. The school is in a very flourishing condition.

—The Twin-City Daily Sentinel of May 13th says: Rev. and Mrs. L. F. Brothers were tendered a pleasant surprise Tuesday night, when about fifty friends gathered at Southside Methodist parsonage, all laden with good things to eat. The popular pastor and his good wife duly appreciated the kindness of the visitors who filled the parsonage larder.

—A correspondent of the Statesville Landmark says: Rev. C. L. McCain, pastor of Statesville circuit, is held in high favor with the people in and around Marvin M. E. church. Especially do the young people seem to be delighted with his plan of church work. With his wise leadership we are hoping for and expecting greater things from the Lord this year. On each first Sunday night and each third Sunday at 11 o'clock he will hold services here. The community is cordially invited to attend these services.

—A home-coming and reunion at Pleasant Garden last Saturday brought out a good crowd and the pastor, Rev. P. L. Terrell, was assisted by Rev. Dr. J. H. Weaver, presiding elder of the district, and Rev. Frank Siler, Missionary Secretary. The result was a pleasant and uplifting occasion and about $2500 pledged for a new church.

—Bishop Waterhouse, after a stay of three weeks at Johns Hopkins Hospital, at Baltimore, was able to attend the meeting of the College of Bishops in St. Louis last week. It is believed that a few weeks of absolute rest will completely restore his health.—Nashville Advocate.

—Miss Mollie Evans, an elect lady, and long time member of our church at Hickory, passed away at her home in that place on Thursday of last week. For many years she had conducted the Charter House, and was well known and highly esteemed by many of our readers.

—We are indebted to the members of the graduating class of Louisburg College for an invitation to be present at their commencement exercises May 23-26. The baccalaurate sermon will be preached on Sunday, May 23, by Rev. W. H. Willis, the literary address by Rev. M. T. Plyler, on Wednesday, May 26.

—An unexpected but very welcome caller at the Advocate office on Saturday afternoon was Rev. Dr. W. F. McMurry, of Louisville, Secretary of our Board of Church Extension. Dr. McMurry was passing through the city on his way to Durham where he had an engagement for Sunday with the City Church Extension Society, in the interest of Durham Methodist churches.

—Rev. Z. Paris, pastor of our church at Lincolnton, went to Baltimore last week to attend the National Conference of Charities and Corrections, having been appointed by Governor Craig as a representative of this state. He also attended the Grand Lodge meeting of the Odd Fellows in Hendersonville, of which he is State Grand Chaplain.

—The Danbury Reporter, of last week, says: The series of revival meetings at the M. E. church here are still in progress and considerable interest is being shown in the meetings. Pastor O. P. Routh, who is conducting the services, is very zealous in the work and is preaching some forceful and earnest sermons.

—Rev. E. J. Poe, pastor of our church at Walnut Cove, is now in the midst of a revival meeting in a large warehouse in that place. Rev. H. C. Sprinkle, presiding elder of the Mount Airy District, is doing the preaching. Great preparations have been made and many are hoping and praying for large results.

—The Lenoir Topic, giving account of the closing exercises of the Lenoir High School, says: The sermon Sunday morning at 11 o'clock by Rev. Z. E. Barnhardt was enjoyed by a large audience. There were no services at the other town churches at that hour, and all the ministers and their congregations united in this service. The sermon was clear and forceful, special music was arranged for the occasion and the service proved to be both interesting and helpful.

—The Albemarle Enterprise referring to the recent revival at that place says: Central Methodist church has never in all its history witnessed such a day as she had on last Sabbath. The effect of the great meeting conducted by Mr. Abernethy was seen first in the attendance upon Sunday school. There were 42 more pupils present last Sunday than were present on any previous Sunday, according to the statement of Superintendent Horton. In the regular church service 53 new members were added to the church. We do not have figures to give the number of accesssions to the other churches in town, but feel confident that there are numerous signs of spiritual uplift manifest in them.

—The Hickory Democrat, giving account of the commencement exercises of Claremont College, says: The sermon was preached by Rev. A. L. Stanford, pastor of the First Methodist church of this city. He was assisted by Rev. Messrs. C. A. Munroe and J. G. Garth of the Presbyterian church. Mr. Stanford prefaced his address with a beautiful reference to Dr. Murphy, his long pastorate and the esteem in which he was held in Hickory. His discourse was based upon the Twenty-third Psalm and was clear in diction, forcible in delivery and profound in thought. It was a great sermon.

—Lest some of our readers may have overlooked it, we call attention to the very thoughtfulful article in our last issue by Rev. W. E. Poovey pastor of our church at Dallas. In fact, our last issue was brightened by a number of good contributions, among them one by Rev. Ira Erwin, of Murphy, on preaching at our District Conferences. This article is worth looking up and re-reading. Broth Poovey's article is the first of a series.

—A wedding of interest to many Advoca readers took place at the home of the brid parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Bowles at For City, on Tuesday of last week, when th daughter, Eva, became the bride of Mr. Ca eron L. Jenkins, of Greensboro. The ceremo took place in the Methodist church, t father of the bride, Rev. J. A. Bowles, offi ating. Mr. and Mrs. Jenkins left immedia ly after the ceremony for New York a other Northern points. On their return th will be at home in Greensboro where Mr. Jen ins is connected with the Vanstory Clothi Company.

—Mr. Wiley H. Swift, of this city, Sec tary for North Carolina and South Caroli National Child Labor Committee, is on the pr gram as one of the speakers in the eleven Congress of the National Child Labor organiz tion, which is to be held in San Francisco M 28-31. His subject will be "The Struggle in t South."

—Many friends sorrow on account of t death of Mrs. Cynthia Mendenhall, widow the late Rev. A. L. Mendenhall, which occu ed suddenly at the home of her daughter-i law, Mrs. Percy Mendenhall, in this city Monday evening, May 9th. Mrs. Mendenh was 65 years of age, and had been in fai good health till stricken with appoplexy Monday at noon. Great sympathy is felt f the sorrowing children and grand-children suddenly bereaved.

Albemarle.—We have just passed through very gracious revival season in Central churc Rev. J. E. Abernethy, our pastor at Monr preached twelve days for us and his sermo were powerful presentations of the claims Christ upon men and women and the youn In addition to his fine preaching ability, brot er Abernethy is peculiarly fitted for evang istic work. As a result of the meetings t town of Albemarle has been touched by t power of the Spirit as perhaps never before its history. Fifty-two have been received in Central church as the result of the meetin and we look for larger results. Many Christi people have been led into happier and mo useful lives.

Brother R. A. Taylor, at First Street, he a meeting simmultaneously with ours, assi ed by Brother G. W. Fink. They had go results but I have not learned how many acc sions. R. G. Tuttle.

Franklin Station.—We are indebted to M S. W. Bowen for the following interesting iter

Revival services began in our church he on Sunday, the 2nd inst., and are still progress, under the direction of our past Rev. R. H. Daugherty. Practically all t business houses and offices are closing betwe the hours of 10 and 11 a. m. for the morni service and again for the evening service a the congregations, good from the beginnin have increased until the church is frequent taxed to seat them, there being many regul attendants from the churches of the tow Brother Daugherty is doing all the preachin presenting his gospel sermons in a clear, for ful manner, and the meeting has already tained a very decided momentum which pro ises to arouse the membership of the church has not been done for years and to bring co viction into the hearts of numbers who are o side the church.

The service last Sunday morning was voted to the observance of "Mother's Da which, however, did not lessen the revival sp it that was prevailing. After the pasto splendid tribute to the glorious motherhood our land he affirmed that our mothers occupi a place very close to Christ in the salvati of our people, and as he came from the pul the immense audience crowded about the alt to indicate their desire to so live that th might meet mother in heaven.

Brother Daugherty has a strong hold up his people and his pastorate here will undou edly result in immeasurable good to our chur and to the community at large.

Broad Street, Statesville.—Broad Street Methodist church will advertise itself. Some days ago, certain officials of that organization closed a contract with The Landmark for a certain amount of space to be used each week for the next twenty weeks in regular display advertising. They were influenced to this decision by the results of the discusssion on church attendance last week in the local papers.

At the first meeting of the official board of Broad Street Methodist church, Mr. E. G. Gaither offered a motion that the financial status of the church should be frankly reported to the members of the congregation once each quarter, and this motion was carried by unanimous vote of board. Broad Street Bulletin has been issued twice since that time, each number carrying a complete financial statement, showing receipts and disbursements. The last number showed the individual contributions of the members of the church to the regular budget down to the last penny.

At the last meeting of the board of stewards, the treasurer made a comparative report, placing this year's receipts against the receipts of the corresponding months last year. It was found that the policy of the publicity had splendidly vindicated itself even from a financial standpoint, and that the rank and file of the membership are much more interested by reason of the information furnished in the bulletin. Each member knows as much about the business affairs of the church as does the treasurer himself. The church finds that publicity pays.

A few members have therefore decided upon a further extension of this policy. Ten laymen have voluntarily decided to buy space in the newspapers for display advertising. Any phase of church work that needs emphasis will be advertised, these men paying for space at regular contract price.

Will it pay? These ten men do not know. They are willing to put in some good hard cash to test out their theory that it will pay handsomely. This is not official action in the sense that the church is paying for the experiment, the money does not come out of the church treasury to pay for this space, but these ten men are putting up the money. But nearly all these ten are stewards, so in this sense it is official.

The pastor is enthusiastic over the plan. It is new for this section of the country. It has been tried on special occasions in the South before, but there is not known an instance of any regular contract for space running for twenty weeks by any congregation south of Mason and Dixon line, to advertise the regular causes of the church from week to week.—Landmark, May 14.

Polkton.—I would like to ask you for a little space to say a few words about Polkton charge this year. We have as our pastor Rev. W. B. Davis, who came to us from North Charlotte at last Conference, and who has since that time endeared himself to this people both in our own church and with the other denominations. He is a most earnest man and is doing his duty fearlessly as he sees it.

During the past quarter we have paid off a debt of about $80.00 on our parsonage and raised enough money besides to have the parsonage painted, which is being done at this time. Brother Davis has just closed a series of meetings here of twelve days duration and a large number of conversions are the results of the meetings, quite a number having presented themselves for membership in our church beside a number who will join the other churches of the town. Rev. J. W. Williams, of Marshville, preached two excellent sermons during the meeting.

Our second quarterly conference will convene May 29th with Mount Moriah church. During the pastorate of Brother G. C. Brinkman this new church came to us from the Protestant church and it is proving to be a blessing to the balance of the charge as well as themselves.

Very truly yours,
T. M. Smith.

Rutherford College Commencement

The commencement which closed tonight has been of more than usual interest. The Y. M. C. A. sermon, which began the program, was preached by Rev. O. W. Dowd, and was a masterful discourse. The large audience was deeply moved and the earnestness and inspirration of the speaker made a profound and abiding impression. There was in the sermon the knowledge of the student, the observations of the traveler, and the zeal and eloquence of the Christian minister. The best wishes of the college will go with Mr. Dowd because of the inspiring and uplifting sermon with which he began the commencement program.

The college was exceedingly fortunate also in the selecting of its other commencement speakers. These were Rev. Harry M. North and Hon. Clyde R. Hoey. The former delivered the annual commencement sermon and the latter the commencement address. What words can tell about Mr. North's sermon? Plain, simple, charming, eloquent, natural, spontaneous, unlabored. One could exhaust a whole vocabulary and yet fail to find words that would do to tell about this sermon, which was easily the best the writer has ever heard at Rutherford College.

Mr. Hoey's address deserves a paragraph to itself. He is a gifted son of North Carolina. It is not difficult for him to speak and it is less difficult to listen to his speech. His bright mind, ready wit, and magnetic personality easily place him among the leading public men of the state. His speech on this occasion will be remembered as the most delightful and inspiring literary address ever made at Rutherford College. His references to the present European war and his conservative ideas of peace were repeatedly cheered by the large audience.

The college graduated thirteen young men at this commencement and closed its session tonight by a play which was given to a crowded house.

It will be a matter of interest to many that Rutherford College will conduct a summer school this summer, beginning June 1st, and continuing for six weeks. E. K. Creel.

Mrs. Susan Elenor May

Mrs. Susan Elenor May, daughter of Dr. Thomas and Mrs. Elvira Littleton, was born in Spartanburg, S. C., Jan. 20, 1836, and died in Monroe, N. C., March 3, 1915. In January, 1859, she was married to Rev. Daniel May. Five children, Mrs. M. L. Flow, of Monroe, N. C.; Mrs. J. F. Wishart, of Wilmington, Del.; J. L. May, of Prosperity, S. C.; Daniel May, of Carlton, Ga.; C. W. May, of Oklahoma, and two step-children, Mrs. J. W. Davis, of St. Lucie, Fla., and J. G. May, of Fort Pierce, Fla., survive her. Her husband died in 1888. Her oldest son, T. E. May, died in Augusta, Ga., last October.

Mrs. May was a woman of the finest mould. She was splendidly equipped for the many responsibilities of an itinerant's wife. She was faithful to every task, and her life was rich in good works. When a child she was converted and joined the Methodist church. Her life was crowned with those Christian graces that add charm and beauty to the name of woman. For nearly seventy years she walked the highway of gospel truth and kept the company of her Lord. She died as she lived, with the love of God shed abroad in her heart.

J. E. A.

Waynesville District Notice

All persons who intend coming to Franklin for the District Conference should inform Rev. R. H. Daugherty as to date of arrival and means of travel. Those coming by private conveyance should let us know. Those coming by R. R. to Dillsboro should so state so the liverymen may serve them. The pastors are requested to be present Monday night for an efficiency meeting conducted by the presiding elder. The charge lay leaders are specially requested to be present. Prof. Reynolds will have one afternoon for training lay leaders. The recording stewards are requested to have their records present for examination.

All parties having business with us are cordially invited. L. T. Cordell.

Great Revival at Franklin

A great revival is now in progress in Franklin, conducted by the pastor, Rev. R. H. Daugherty. A number have professed conversion. The whole community is stirred. The church is crowded at every service. The interest is growing. A large number asking for prayer. No such meeting has been seen in Franklin for many years.

Cordially, L. T. Cordell.

Attention, Greensboro College Alumnae

The alumnae of Greensboro College for Women who attend the business meeting of the Alumnae Association on Tuesday afternoon, May 25th, are invited to take supper at the college the same evening. All who expect to remain for supper are requested to notify Miss Minnie W. Hopper, Greensboro College for Women, Greensboro, N. C., by Monday, May 24th.

Two Notes from the Foreign Field

In the Western District the reports for the year show a net increase of 71 in church membership, all assessments paid in full and an increase of 169 in Sunday school scholars. Gracious revivals of intensive force and far-reaching results were held in the principal mission stations. The average attendance on preaching services has increased at least 20 per cent. and everywhere the members are taking a more active part in religious work.—E. E. Clements, Havana, Cuba.

* * * *

At Villa Isabel, during the past year, 2,000 copies of the Gospels were distributed in a house-to-house canvass, and followed up by a series of meetings which packed the chapel for some nights. By agreement of the pastors our Conference Evangelist, Rev. Hippolyto de Cempas, ex-priest of the Roman Church, was invited to hold a series of meetings in each charge on the Rio de Janeiro District. For six or seven weeks he preached every night to churches crowded to their capacity. At some of these meetings we succeeded in interesting thinking men of the community, some of whom are seeking further instruction. Perhaps in no department of our work has personal evangelism been pressed more than in the Sunday schools, as is evidenced by the increasing number of pupils intelligently accepting Jesus as Lord and Master. The schools as a rule are well organized, graded and use our literature.—G. D. Parker, Petropolis, Brazil.

OUR CHILDREN'S HOME REPORT

By Walter Thompson, Supt.

Fifth Sunday

May 30th is the fifth Sunday. I hope our Sunday school superintendents and pastors will keep the fact in mind and will do all possible. To feed 135 children with some officers and matrons, and otherwise provide for the children, is, in the language of the street, "no joke."

The response to the Superintendent's Easter letter was prompt, generous and gratifying. But we are ever in need!

Amount Received on Special and General Support and Ten Per Cent. Assessment

Denver, P. A. Thompson	$21.30
Webb's Chapel, Denver, P. A. Thompson	12.52
Whitnel church, Lenoir, R. F. Wellon	13.67
Rural Hall Ct., Rural Hall, Rev. C. R. Allison	2.18
Bethlehem, Mill Spring, J. M. Barber	1.25
C. B. Binkley, Winston	5.00
St. Paul and Naomi, Randleman, Rev. G. H. Christenberry	14.00
A friend	5.00
Madison, Rev. A. R. Surratt	20.00
Total	$94.92

Donations in Kind

Ladies of Central church, Shelby, Mrs. C. R. Hoey, three boxes of canned fruit; ladies of Morganton church, through Mrs. Miller, box of books to girls of Cornelius Cottage.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

CONFERENCE OFFICERS

President
Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson ..Greensboro
First Vice-President
Mrs. H. K. Boyer ....Winston-Salem
Second Vice-President
Mrs. Mattie H. Stewart ....Charlotte
Recording Secretary
Mrs. E. L. Bain .....Winston-Salem
Corresponding Secretary
Mrs. H. A. Dunham .....Asheville
Treasurer
Mrs. P. N. Peacock .....Salisbury
Supt. Mission Study and Publicity
Mrs. W. R. Harris .....Asheville
Supt. Social Service
Mrs. T. F. Marr .....Charlotte
Supt. Supplies
Mrs. J. N. Hauss .....Thomasville
Distributor of Literature
Mrs. W. C. Houston .....Concord

WOMAN'S CONGRESS OF MISSIONS

San Francisco, Calif., June 6-13, 1915

We are indebted to Mrs. E. D. Waid, Chairman of Publicity of Woman's Congress of Missions, for a program of the meeting which will be held in San Francisco, June 6-13. We wish we had space to give this program in full so that our readers might know what a feast of good things awaits those who may be so fortunate to attend. Each day's program is full and every subject is assigned to a speaker of ability and every phase of the missionary work will be discussed. We pray that this may be a great meeting and may result in lasting good for the great missionary cause!

MISSION STUDY BOOKS FOR 1915-1916

To those of us especially interested in Mission Study, one of the most interesting features of the recent Council meeting at Little Rock was the report of our Educational Secretary, Mrs. Hume R. Steele. We have this report and hope to give it in our columns right soon, but we quote from it for the benefit of our mission study classes, the names of the books suggested for 1915-1916.

"The Interdenominational Committee appointed to select a theme for 1915-1916 have issued the following statement:

"The theme for 1915-16 will be the 'Church and the Nations' and the following books have been selected for study by the classes: 'Rising Church in Non-Christian Lands,' by Dr. A. J. Brown; 'Churches at Work,' by Dr. C. L. White; 'The King's Highway,' by Mrs. Montgomery; 'Home Missions in Action,' by John Allen. For Young People: 'Comrades in Service,' by Margaret Burton; 'John Williams, Shipbuilders,' by Basil Matthews. For Juniors: 'All Around the World with Jack and Janet,' by Norma R. Waterbury, 'All Along the Train,' by Sarah Gertrude Pomeroy.

Classes are urged to adopt one of the new books. Enthusiasm comes with numbers studying the same subject, and in this period of storm and stress a quickened interest and a large sense of responsibility will result from women and girls all over the church studying the problems of our church and the relation of individuals to the great problems of our day.

Mrs. Steele especially urges that the enrollment cards be used. When your auxiliary commences the study of a new book fill out the enrollment card, sent you by the Superintendent of Mission Study and addressed to Mrs. Steele, and send at once so that she may know which auxiliaries in our Conference are really engaged in Mission Study. Of course, these cards are to be sent only when a new book is taken up and not every quarter as some of our auxiliaries have thought. If you have no enrollment card you can get one by writing to Mrs. W. R. Harris, Superintendent of Mission Study, 87 Starnes Avenue, Asheville, N. C. Let every auxiliary get aroused on the subject of Mission Study and let us reach our aim this year, "A Mission Study Class in Every Auxiliary, Adult, Young People and Junior."

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL

We were very fortunate in having as our representatives at the recent Council Meeting in Little Rock, Arkansas, our President, Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, and Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. H. A. Dunham. We feel sure that we will be benefited by what these efficient leaders will give to us from that great gathering. We hope that not one of our readers failed to read Mrs. Robertson's article in a recent issue, and today it is our pleasure to present a most interesting article from Mrs. Dunham. Let us read and study these splendidly written articles and familiarize ourselves with the work of the Council, so that we may be better prepared to carry forward to success the work of our Master. Mrs. Dunham's article follows:

Mrs. Robertson, in her letter printed in the Advocate of May 6th, gave you such a splendid idea of the general plan and workings of the Council, that I need to tell you only of the special things which will be helpful in our work for the coming year. The meeting was so grand and inspirational, that I am sure that it will be difficult to confine this letter to just a few facts, as I find myself so often wishing that the Annual Meeting was to assemble soon, that I might tell you of the things rather than write of them.

First, let me say that just as few changes as were compatible with organic union were made at this meeting—that the time hitherto given to learning to run the machinery might all be given to the work. Those of you who read the Council Daily may have already learned all that I shall take space to tell you.

Young People's Work

In the report of Mrs. Stephens, First Vice-President of the Council, we were happy to note a gain of 158 auxiliaries, 4,399 members and 137 mission study classes for 1914. I listened very attentively to see if the W. N. C. Conference did not deserve honorable mention, as ten conferences were called who had gained five or more auxiliaries during the year, but no, we were not named. I am sure that next year we will have honorable mention as I have already received information of the organization of several new auxiliaries. We must have our young people organized, enthused and instructed, in regard to the work that the urgent call for workers shall be answered in a grand chorus, "Here am I, send me." I was so glad that at that beautiful, impressive consecration service the march of that white-robed band who were so joyfully going to the foreign fields to labor, was led by one of our W. N. C. girls, Miss Kate Hackney. Mrs. Stephens asked that the Week of Prayer money collected on Young People's day be credited to the Young People's work.

Children's Work

The children's work came in for a large amount of discussion. The membership is to be carried on in March, while October is named as the month for the campaign for Mission Study. The names of the books for use in the Junior Division sound so good. I am sure all the children will want to study them. They are "Around the World with Jack and Janet" and "All Along the Trail."

Every auxiliary was urged to allow the children a day on the program during the week of prayer which is to be held the week beginning the second Sunday in November. The collection taken on that day is to go to the children's work. The children next year are to have their own Social Service study under the attractive subject of "Little Citizens."

Realizing that the mothers are the ones who are responsible for the children being on the Baby Roll or in the Junior Division a special leaflet for the mothers is to be presented and distributed. (We feel sure every second vice-president who has charge of a Junior society will hail with delight this move on the part of the Council, for how we do need the co-operation of the mothers in our work.—Editor.)

Social Service

Our Social Service superintendents will be glad to know that the Council authorized the publication of a Social Service Manual to contain many things that will be helpful in carrying on the work of that department. Also, that the work for the coming year will be a study of institutions for the care of delinquents, defectives, dependent and sick. This department urges that in every community where there are a number of negroes, a community club be formed for them under the leadership of some capable white woman—the officers to be chosen from among the colored women, and the white woman to help direct the work.

Our Dues

The much vexed question of dues was thoroughly discussed and after listening as intently as I could I drew these conclusions from what was said by officers and members of the Council.

It is of first importance to hold the women we have in our auxiliaries, whether they can pay the added dues or not. Let them feel that we need them. Let the new women who come into the auxiliaries pay the full amount if they can. If they cannot let them pay as much as they can. But let us work all the time to the end that each woman give to her Lord the largest amount possible, as the work needs every penny we can collect. It would have made many a heart ache if each one could have heard the calls for money so much needed to carry on the work, and then to have had to vote a much less sum, just because God's money is not being paid into His treasury.

Our Pledge for 1915

When I realized that during 1914 we, as a Conference, raised only $11,535.61 as pledge, and that you had authorized me to pledge $15,000 for our Conference for 1915, I decided as you all must, that if we reach that figure every one must do her best. We can do it and if we study the needs of the work as we should, we will say, "We will do it." On account of lack of funds no building enterprises were undertaken, though many calls for work in that line came before the Council.

We are, temporarily, doing less in Rio, hoping in the future to do more. We decided to close the Training School at Nashville, and have all our workers trained at our splendid school at Scarritt. Each auxiliary is asked to pay $4.00 for that institution this year if possible.

New Work Taken Up

I am sure all of our women will rejoice that we are to make some advancement along the lines by taking charge of the evangelistic work in Japan. This means that we are to raise about ten thousand dollars for that work and send two missionaries, Miss Gist and Miss Holland, to Japan. The support of several Bible women, at an expense of $75.00 apiece, was promised by some of the women present at the Council. Let us pray especially for our new field of work, for since Japan seems destined to play such an important part in the Orient if we help to Christianize Japan, we shall indirectly bless Korea and China.

Reports

Some of the women begged that the method of reporting be simplified. But after a thorough discussion it was decided that the work of reporting was a means of education and arousing interest among our women. It keeps those at the head of each department in touch with those in her department, all along the line from the Council officer to the corresponding officer in the smallest auxiliary, and if an executive meeting could be held with all the officers present, the blanks could be filled out in a few minutes and sent to the proper places, and no hardship would be worked upon anyone and the results would justify the expenditure of time, effort and postage.

The importance of Mission Study was stressed. Don't let us forget that in our plans for work this year, the Corresponding Secretary has charge of Stewardship. Let each corresponding secretary see that the subject is brought before her auxiliary, and that her pastor bring this subject before his congregations. It was also planned that each pastor in Southern Methodism be asked to make the third Sunday in June a time for bringing before his congregation the work of the Woman's Missionary Society, stressing its importance and lending is influence to the upbuilding of this important institution of the church.

In this letter I may not have told you the things you specially wanted to know but I shall be pleased to write a personal letter in answer to any question which may arise provided, of course, that I can get the information from those who know better than I.

Mrs. H. A. Dunham,
Conf. Cor. Sec.

The following article will show what a wide-awake enthusiastic Voice agent the auxiliary at Thomasville has, and gives us the means she employs to increase the circulation of our missionary magazine. We are indebted to Mrs. J. N. Harris, president of the auxiliary for this live contribution, which was read at the Winston District meeting.

HOW TO PUT THE MISSIONARY VOICE INTO EVERY METHODIST HOME

Miss Ella Lambeth

The program may lead you to expect an address on the subject how to put the "Missionary Voice" into every Methodist home. Although the subject for discussion deserves a lengthy dissertation, yet realizing my inability, I can give you only a few suggestions in this brief paper.

My experience as agent for a magazine began last year when I was elected agent for "The Voice." Our district secretary was responsible for my election as 'twas she who nominated me. Mrs. Courtney claimed to have seen possibilities in me as a book agent and if I have attained any small degree of success, I attribute it entirely to her judgment.

At the next meeting after my election as agent, I asked the ladies to please come forward after the meeting and give me their subscriptions to the paper. A few of the tried and true—the old reliables who had been taking the Voice for years—did come forward and renew their subscriptions, but imagine my disappointment when not a single new subscriber presented her name. I found that day that the "invitation plan" wouldn't work, but that I must get out and make a house to house canvass like the agents for secular papers do. I did make this tour of the town and to my delight met with a most hearty response from the majority of women. Of course, in many instances I was turned down coldly, especially this year when the war times was the cry. Another excuse that I did get so tired of hearing was, "Oh, I am taking so many papers already that I don't have time to read them." Some women claim that they are not able to take the paper, and yet these same women have been known to pay 50 cents to hire a carriage to go to a party. "Oh! consistency, thou art a jewel."

On making my rounds this year a few old subscribers declined to renew but I found that in almost every in-

stance the subscriber had failed to read the paper during the past year. I firmly believe that if our women would read "The Voice" diligently and carefully, there would be no trouble in securing their subscriptions.

So far, I have only referred to the duty of the women in reading "The Voice," but really it is as much the men's paper as it is the women's. For is it not the only purely missionary periodical in our Southern Methodist Church? In our church at Thomasville several of the men are as highly interested in the Voice and read it as regularly as do their wives. This should be the case in every home. Another point is that the subscribers to the Missionary Voice should not be limited to the members of the Missionary Society, but the agents should try to place this paper in every Methodist home. I know of a few cases where two families take the paper together. Of course this is better than not taking it at all, but generally speaking, I think the plan is unsatisfactory, for when the paper is wanted it is always at the other person's house.

Now, since our missionary year begins in January, I think it an excellent plan to have as nearly as possible all of the subscriptions to the Voice to start with the beginning of the year. This concentrates the work and gives the agent an opportunity for a sort of "Whirlwind Campaign," which Dr. Siler delights in so much, in his work for missions. In this way the agent has her line of argument pretty well practiced up after presenting it a few times.

The president of the missionary society should always keep a list of the subscribers to the Voice and in making out her program for the meeting put on the program those women who attend the society less frequently and thus perhaps get them interested. Just here. I would like to say that in my opinion the consistent reading of the Missionary Voice goes more to increase the attendance and interest in the missionary society than any other one thing.

The pastor can be of infinite aid to the agent for the Voice by presenting the subject from the pulpit occasionally. This of course should be followed up during that week by the personal appeal from the agent. To my mind the individual plan is the only satisfactory one. In making my personal canvass this winter. I have been out in all kinds of weather—in rain, storm and snow-storms and one day it was so bitterly cold that my mother had some hot bricks wrapped in burlap and put in the buggy to keep my feet warm.

While driving along on the outskirts of the city, the burlap became so hot that it caught afire and blazed up to the top of the buggy. I finally succeeded in throwing out the burning material without injury to myself or the buggy, but I have been telling my friends that I have truly come through fire and water for the "Missionary Voice."

GRAND EXCURSION TO WASHINGTON, D. C. AND RETURN VIA SOUTHERN RAILWAY, THUR., MAY 13TH, 1915

Special train will leave Salisbury at 8:30 P. M., arriving Washington following morning at 7:55 A. M. Returning will leave Washington at 9 A. M., Saturday, May 15th, 1915.

Passengers from branch line points will use regular trains to the various junction points connecting with the special train, and returning will use regular trains from such junction points to the home stations.

Tickets good going and returning on special train only and cannot be extended.

Special train will consist of first class coaches only.

Daylight trip through Virginia returning.

A rare opportunity to spend twenty-five hours in Washington, giving ample time to visit the many points of interest in the Capital City.

Low round trip fares from stations named as follows:

Salisbury	$5.00
Albemarle	5.00
Lexington	5.00
High Point	5.00
Reidsville	4.50
Burlington	5.00
Greensboro	5.00
Spencer	5.00
Thomasville	5.00
Asheboro	5.00
Siler City	5.00
Gibsonville	5.00

For further information, tickets, etc., call on any agent Southern Railway, or

R. H. DeButts, D. P. A.,
Charlotte, N. C.

CONFEDERATE VETERANS' SPECIAL TRAIN TO RICHMOND, VIRGINIA, MONDAY, MAY 31ST, VIA SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Premier Carrier of the South

For the accommodation of Confederate Veterans, their friends and all others, Southern Railway will operate special train from Charlotte, Salisbury, Greensboro, Reidsville and intermediate points to Richmond, Monday, May 31st. Schedule and fares as follows:

Leave	Round trip fare
Charlotte, 7:00 A. M.	$5.90
Concord, 7:45 A. M.	5.45
China Grove, 8:10 A. M.	5.20
Salisbury, 8:30 A. M.	5.00
Lexington, 9:20 A. M.	4.70
Thomasville, 9:35 A. M.	4.45
High Point, 9:45 A. M.	4.30
Greensboro, 10:10 A. M.	3.80
Reidsville, 10:45 A. M.	3.55

Round trip fares from other points as shown below:

Shelby	$6.75
Gastonia	6.35
Norwood	5.65
Sanford	4.25
Blacksburg	6.85
Mooresville	5.55
Albemarle	5.65
Asheboro	4.90

Fares from all points not shown above on same basis.

Tickets on sale May 29th to June 2nd, inclusive, with final return limit June 10, with privilege of extension until June 30th.

Special train will arrive at Richmond 4:30 P. M., making entire trip in day time. Lunches and coffee served on train en route by dining car department.

Very low side trip fares in effect from Richmond during the Reunion to a number of points of interest.

A rare opportunity to visit historic Richmond, the Capital of the Confederacy.

For additional information call on your nearest agent or write

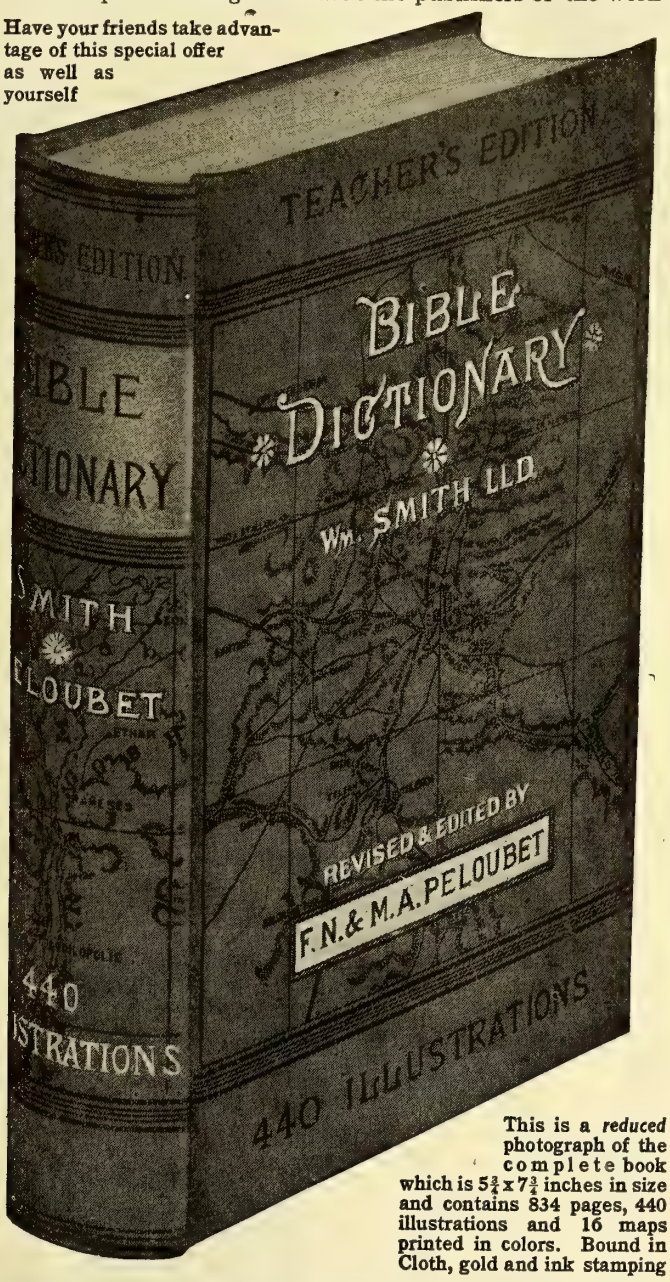
R. H. DeButts, D. P. A.,
Charlotte, N. C.

The Christian Advocate Offers You This Well Known Bible Dictionary

SEE SPECIAL OFFER BELOW

Realizing the wide demand that exists among our constituents for this Bible Dictionary, we have made a special arrangement with the publishers of the work by which they agreed to supply it to us on exceptional terms, provided we would widely advertise it, and this enables us to offer this well-known Bible Dictionary in its original form and with all its important features, including over 400 illustrations and maps in colors, at less than half the regular price.

Have your friends take advantage of this special offer as well as yourself



This is a *reduced* photograph of the complete book which is 5¾ x 7¾ inches in size and contains 834 pages, 440 illustrations and 16 maps printed in colors. Bound in Cloth, gold and ink stamping

THE FATHER OF ALL BIBLE DICTIONARIES

Everyone acknowledges the superior value of Dr. William Smith's Bible Dictionary, as containing the fruit of the ripest Biblical scholarship. It is practically the foundation, or father, of all other Bible Dictionaries. This late edition is brought down to the twentieth century and thoroughly revised to incorporate modern research and discoveries in Bible lands. It has been adapted in its present form to the convenience of teachers and scholars.

MAKES BIBLE STUDY EASY. MAKES THE BIBLE PLAIN TO EVERY READER

This Bible Dictionary is a veritable treasure to Christian Workers. It contains in the simplest language a full explanation of all topics mentioned in the Bible—every place, nation, tribe, person, and historical event; every custom and rite; every instrument and implement; every animal, plant, flower, mineral, metal, etc. It is a systematic collation of all the facts recorded in the Bible, supplemented and explained by materials supplied from authentic records of Biblical times. It gives in compact and lucid form the substance of the result of profound Biblical scholarship and research. IT OPENS A NEW UNDERSTANDING AND APPRECIATION OF THE BIBLE IN A WAY THAT NO OTHER BOOK DOES.

Our Special Offer

From this till July first we offer the Advocate one year and this dictionary for

$2.50

This applies to new subscribers and renewals.

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, GREENSBORO, N. C.

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS

SEND US YOUR FILMS

for prompt, highest grade developing and printing at lowest prices. KODAK WORK A SPECIALITY. Personal attention given to all orders. Results guaranteed. Write

W. I. VAN NESS & CO., Charlotte, N. C.

TWO NEW SONG BOOKS

VICTORY HYMNAL—a superior collection of songs for Sunday schools, etc. SONG SERVICE and REVIVAL, No. 2—Fine for revivals, Sunday schools, etc. Words and music in both books pleasing, inspiring, devotional. Carefully edited. Both notations. Price, each, 25 cents; dozen, $2.50. Sample of either book, 15 cents; both, 30 cents. Address

Hildebrand-Burnett Co., Roanoke, Va.

BLYMYER CHURCH BELLS.

UNLIKE OTHER BELLS SWEETER, MORE DURABLE, LOWER PRICE. OUR FREE CATALOGUE TELLS WHY.

Write to Cincinnati Bell Foundry Co., Cincinnati, O.

SWEET POTATO PLANTS

Yellow and White Yams and Red Spanish at $1.50 per 1000. Address

Mrs. M. E. V. Hines
Route 5, Box 46 Mt. Airy, N. C.

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.----------E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg.--W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller----------C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg.,
M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.-----J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg.--J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.----G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.----------A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel---J. W. Ligon

Our Dead

HOUCK—Mrs. Jane Elizabeth Todd Houck, daughter of William and Catherine Todd, was born May 9th, 1852, and died May 1st, 1915, being 62 years, 11 months and 21 days old. She was married to Geo. W. Houck, Raven, N. C., in 1868. The husband, three sons and one daughter survive her. She embraced religion and joined the M. E. Church, South, when she was quite young, and lived a consistent member of the same until the day and hour of her death. She was very much devoted to her home, her church and her community. She always expressed a deep interest in the welfare of her husband and children and friends and neighbors in general. She had a happy Christian experience. She gave her testimony time after time, of her strong faith in God and her readiness to meet him in peace. Her last hours seemed to be visionary. She spoke of seeing her sister Alice, her son Walter and others who had preceded her to the land of the blest. She seemed to have been in close touch with the heavenly host. She endured her suffering with perfect resignation to the will of God. But after a week she fell asleep in Jesus and went to join the innumerable host in the paradise of God.

The funeral was preached by her pastor, Rev. E. P. Stabler.

W. K. Greer.

BROWN—By special request I have the tender privilege of writing a word concerning my friend, J. Lowry Brown, of Leicester, so lately deceased.

I was his pastor four years. I knew him and loved him. His sphere of action in life was not large, for he never traveled much, and his vision of church life was not so extensive, but during his last two years how he did grow in grace. He was an almost ideal farmer, keeping his farm in splendid condition. He was honest, truthful, very industrious and unusually successful in rearing his large family of sons and daughters, all of them now well respected, prosperous citizens. He had that peculiar art of governing his children by silent authority, which caused them to be and do like him. If all families were as civil as his court houses would be but little needed.

He was affectionate toward his children. I shall never forget the scene, the day his son Charlie joined the church, how happy he was.

But few men on earth have suffered as he suffered for twelve months till the end. But surely none ever endured with greater patience. He wished to depart but waited willingly. Often he told us of the glorious prospects.

O, what benedictions have come to us while in his sick room. How he often encouraged me as his pastor. He was my sincere friend. I loved him. I miss him now that he is gone. But he is now added to the number of my sainted friends, who have slipped away from me for a "little while."

Some time as I think of such friends I long to "cross the bar" and rejoin them.

Sweet be thy rest, dear father, and kind friend, till we greet thee in our Father's house.

Sincerely, J. H. Green.

MARLER—After an illness lasting only a few days, Mrs. S. A. Marler died at her home, Friday night at eight o'clock. Mrs. Marler was seventy years old and has been a resident of Yadkinville for many years. She is survived by five children, Mr. W. H. Marler, of Winston-Salem; Dr. J. G. Marler and Misses Mamie and Turney Blanche Marler, of this place and Mrs. B. W. Rogers, of Mt. Airy, all of whom were at her bedside when the end came.

Mrs. Marler was a refined woman and numbered her friends by her acquaintances. Her conversation and disposition was always pleasant and mild, and all who knew her feel keenly the loss they have sustained in her death. Above all she was a consecrated Christian woman and a valued member of the Methodist church of this place.

The funeral services were conducted from the home Sunday morning at ten o'clock by her pastor, Rev. W. A. Boring. After the services the body was conveyed to the town cemetery and placed beside that of her husband, who preceded her many years. A large crowd of relatives and friends attended the funeral and burial exercises. The grave was covered in beautiful bowers sent by loving friends and relatives from other places and gathered by the women of Yadkinville.

We extend our sincere sympathy to the bereaved family and friends, and wish that we could share more of their burdens. W. L. Hatch.

LONG—The subject of this sketch, Mrs. Sarah Ann Long, daughter of "Uncle" Samuel Fitzgerald, was born near Waynesville, N. C., July 23, 1832, and died April 7, 1915, aged 82 years, 8 months and 15 days. Her mortal remains were laid to rest beside those of her husband at Long's Chapel, which overlooks the beautiful and picturesque Lake Junaluska. Here their sacred dust will sleep until the trump of God shall sound to wake the nations under ground. The funeral services were conducted by the Revs. G. A. B. Holderby, T. F. Glenn and W. P. Fincher.

The father of our venerable patriarch was first cousin to our gifted and beloved Bishop Fitzgerald. She was converted and joined the church when she was twelve years old. For three score years and ten she was a faithful, devoted and loyal member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Her beloved husband, the Rev. J. R. Long, was for fifty years a faithful, useful and successful itinerant Methodist preacher, part of the time, however, he sustained a superannuate relation to the Conference. Brother Long passed away calmly and peacefully December, 1898.

God gave these excellent parents seven children, four of whom are still living: Mrs. W. F. Tomlinson, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. A. E. Ward, Clyde, N. C.; G. A. Long, Dayton, Tenn., and Dr. R. C. Long, Lake Junaluska, N. C. And then there are seventeen grandchildren, all living.

Sister Long lived for many years with her son, Dr. R. C. Long, in the old Fitzgerald homestead. She was a most interesting personality. She possessed many excellent traits of character. She was beautiful in form and feature even after she had passed the summit level of life and was voyaging out toward the sunset. Her disposition was sweet and amiable and her intellectual powers were well poised. The writer and his family have often enjoyed the generous hospitality of her home. Her religion was of the quiet, unobtrusive, child-like type. Peace to her ashes. T. F. Glenn.

Show me the man you honor; I know by that symptom better than by any other what kind of a man you are yourself, for you show me what your ideal of manhood is, what kind of a man you long to be.—Carlyle.

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective April 18th, 1915

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester----------Lv.	7 43 a m	12 05 p m			
Yorkville---------- "	8 29	1 55			
Gastonia---------- "	9 24!	4 00			
Gastonia---------- "					
Lincolnton---------- "	10 15	5 30			
Newton---------- "	10 55	6 15			
Hickory---------- "	12 05 p m	7 05	1 00 p m	6 45 a m	
Lenoir---------- "	1 08	8 20	2 04	8 30	
Lenoir---------- "	2 00x				
Mortimer---------- "	3 17				
Edgemont----------Ar.	3 27				
Southbound	**NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only**	**NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.**
Edgemont----------Lv.	10 00 a m				
Mortimer---------- "	10 08				
Lenoir---------- "	11 20!				
Lenoir---------- "	1 35 p m	6 00 a m	8 15 a m		
Hickory---------- "	2 35	7 15	9 12		
Newton---------- "	3 05	8 00			
Lincolnton---------- "	3 43	8 55			
Gastonia---------- "	4 30	10 23			
Gastonia---------- "	5 00x	11 00			
Yorkville---------- "	5 47	12 28 p m			
Chester----------Ar.	6 35	2 15			

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. **CHESTER, S. C.**

GREENSBORO NURSERIES
AGENTS WANTED
For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.
JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

TRINITY COLLEGE

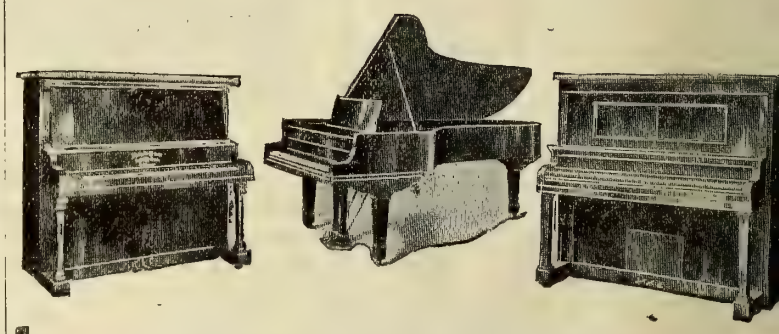
FOUNDED 1838 : : : : ***CHARTERED 1859***

A Southern institution of established national reputation. Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.



Large endowment fund makes possible complete, first-class equipment; full faculty of able, well-chosen instructors; beautiful campus, new buildings, modern laboratories, splendid library. Comfortable, inexpensive dormitories. For catalogue and illustrated booklet, address

R. L. Flowers, Sec. to the Corporation, Durham, N. C.



"I Like Your Stieff So Much Better Than My Piano."

As a rule, where a person is dissatisfied with a piano, you may be sure that it probably was bought, simply because "it was cheap." When you buy a piano, you buy for a lifetime.

There's satisfaction for years to come when you buy a STIEFF

First of all, the rich singing tone is BUILT IN. The construction is such that your Stieff will never sound "tin-panny" even after years of use. Another thing, the Stieff Factory and Stieff's 73 years of experience stand back of your piano with guarantee in writing THAT MEANS ALL IT SAYS. May we show you the Stieff and our many other pianos ?

Charlotte, N. C. **Stieff** **721 S. Tryon St.**



Before and After the Fire

Nobody knows when fire or lightning or wi
will rage and destroy.

Some church building is being harmed by one
these destroyers somewhere every day. Absolute prot
tion against loss is furnished, and money saved the
sured, and Methodism perpetuated, by

**The National Mutual Church Insuran
Co., of Chicago—The Methodist Mutu**

No assessments. All that you have guessed ab
mutual insurance may be wrong. If you want to KNOW, write for information to
HENRY P. MAGILL, Secretary and Manager, Insurance Exchange, Chicago, Ill.
Mrs. Alice Hargrove Barclay, Agent M. E. Church South, 314 Norton Building, Fourth and Jeffers
Louisville, Ky.

MISSIONARY NOTES FROM FIELD SECRETARY

Rural Hall Ct., Continued—C. R. Allison, P. C. Macedonia, $54.00 on assessments; Pinnacle, $12.50 on assessments.

Pilot Mountain Ct.—Robert L. Doggett, P. C. Pilot Mountain, $103.93 on assessments; Pinnalce, $12.50 on asssmnts.

Pleasant Garden Ct.—P. L. Terrell, P. C. Pleasant Garden, $2,415.00 for a new church, $70.00 on assessments; Bethlehem, $42.90 on assessments.

A Call from Dr. Hammond

Dear Brethren:

Dr. Hammond greatly needs our money pledged at Shelby to the Theological department of Paine College—amount $1,060.00. Checks should be sent to R. M. Courtney, Treasurer, Winston-Salem, and charges will be credited for amounts sent as home mission specials.

Bishop Waterhouse called for this collection by agreement of the College of Bishops in their fall meeting when each consented to present the urgent needs of this school for the training of negro preachers to the General Conference. He will expect our pledges to have been made good before our Reidsville Conference this fall.

Of the forty-nine made, eleven district and thirty-eight personal, but nine of the personal pledges have been paid and none of the district pledges.

Please brother presiding elder and district lay leader, take care of the district pledges at the District Conference. As to the rest, let us send in our checks—a thing I am doing today.

Frank Siler.

TRINITY COLLEGE NOTES

Dr. William K. Boyd, of the department of history, is a contributor to the April number of the North Carolina Booklet, on the subject of "Finances in North Carolina During the Civil War." Dr. Boyd's articles on North Carolina and Southern history have been numerous in recent years. His interest in Southern and local history has resulted in an unusually valuable collection of historical materials for the Trinity College Library and the Museum of Trinity College Historical Society of which he has been president for a number of years.

The May issue of The Archive, Trinity's monthly publication, has just come from the press. This is the last issue for the current academic year. The magazine is closing its twenty-eighth year, and has maintained during the present year its usual high standard. The table of contents of the current number shows the following stories, poems, articles and editorials: To Trinity in Springtime (Sonnet), by Jove; Convalescent (Story), by Sadie Macauley; Adelheid Popp's Autobiography of a Working Woman (Book Review), by J. W. Carr, Jr.; A Song of the Little Pee Dee (Poem), by D. L. Edwards; The Hand of Vengeance (Story), Anonymous; College Journalism and the Clarion (Essay), by B. W. Barnard; The Students' Farewell (Poem), by Rac; A Cartoon in the Making, by J. H. Burrus; The Call of the World (Poem), by M. B. Andrews, '14; Handshaking; Anonymous.

Editor-elect G. W. H. Britt, of the Chanticleer, the annual publication of the student body, has appointed the following staff for the coming year: Art Department, J. H. Burrus and C. R. Edwards; Literary Department, V. C. Hall; Athletic Department, Banks Arendell and J. Raymond Smith; Department of Organizations, R. A. Stamey and K. C. Towe; Co-ed. Department, Miss Iris Chappelle and Miss Mary White Cranford; Humor Department, T. W. Sprinkle and G. S. Sexton, Jr.

Professor E. C. Brooks, of the Department of Education, delivered the commencement address at the closing of the schools at Elm City last Thursday, and Professor R. L. Flowers delivered the address at the closing of the Godwin High School.

Last Monday evening, Tuesday afternoon and Tuesday evening the Coburn Players, of New York City, gave three performances on the beautiful open air stage on the campus, which were thoroughly enjoyed by large audiences. The Coburn Players have given dramatic performances here several times before. The plays given this time were "The Yellow Jacket," "The Imaginary Sick Man" and "Macbeth."

A large crowd of students were present at a meeting of the Greater Trinity Club last Thursday evening. This organization seeks to promote the interests of the college in many ways, and it has served a very useful place in the life of the community.

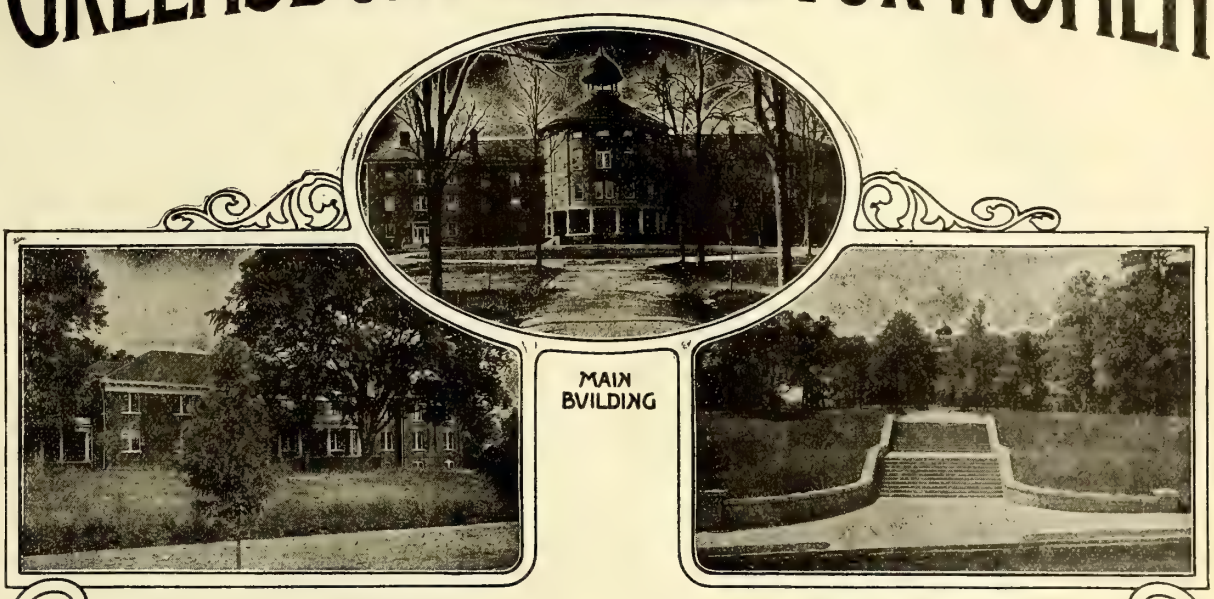
The Campus Club, an organization of the women of the college community, entertained members of the law school, the seniors, sophomores and graduate students at an informal tea in the parlors of the East Duke Building last Wednesday afternoon.

The 9019, a patriotic and scholarship society of the college, will celebrate its twenty-fifth anniversary at the approaching commencement, and those in charge of the banquet to be held at that time expect a large number of old members to return for the celebration. Hon. J. T. McGreary, of Lexington, one of the oldest members of the society, will act as toastmaster.

The best men and the most earnest workers will make enough mistakes to keep them humble. Thank God for mistakes, and take courage. Don't give up on account of mistakes!—Moody.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

STOCK LICK IT--STOCK LIKE IT



No Dosing—No Drenching
Every Animal Its Own Doctor
Drop Brick In Feed Box—It Will Do The Rest
A Handy Medicine—It Salts 'em Too
Saves Time, Labor and Veterinary Bills
You've tried the rest—Now use the Best
Sold and Guaranteed by Best Dealers Everywhere
25c per brick; $3.50 for 15 brick; $6.75 per case of 30 brick, (*We Pay The Freight*)
Order from us if your dealer won't supply you
Best Worm Medicine and Tonic Ever Produced

Blackman Stock Remedy Co., Chattanooga Tennessee

P. S. You will never buy stock powders after trying our Medicated Salt Brick. Medicated Salt costs less but is not as convenient or economical. We sell it, but if you want it why not buy the medicine from us and make it for less than half? It's easy mixed—we tell you how. B. S. R. Co.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

The Sunday School Lesson

SECOND QUARTER—LESSON VIII
MAY 23, 1915

David King Over Judah and Israel
2 Sam. 2:1-7; 5:1-5

Golden Text—Jehovah is my strength and my shield; my heart hath trusted in him, and I am helped. Psa. 28:7.

Summary of the Lesson

A young king rose early on the morning of his coronation and eluding his attendants secured an hour of solitude. Many thoughts passed through his mind in the sober time of quiet as he faced his great responsibilities. When he reappeared at its close there was a clear light of strong purpose in his eye. He stood for a moment by a friend whom he deeply trusted. To this friend he had opened his heart in many another day. Now he spoke but two revealing sentences: "From today I shall have no life of my own. I shall belong to my country." Through many a vicissitude David had come to his throne. Popular favor sued him. Death had smitten down his foes and he became ruler first of Judah, then of Judah and Israel. A chivalrous kindness and a noble self-control marked his behavior and he held the hearts of the people in his hand when he became their king.

A King Without a Country

The capacity for ruling and the opportunity to rule do not always meet in one man. The kingly man does not always have a kingdom. David the outlaw was the very man who became David the king. He learned to do without a country before he was given a country to rule.

The powers of some men decay and die when they are not put to the use which these men's ambition would desire. They are incapable of being kingly unless they have a king's work to do. They shrink to the size of their environment. They seem unable to approach small tasks with a large spirit. In a king's garments they seem kingly. In a peasant's garments they are unable to retain the kingly mind. There are other men who are always greater than their environment and larger than their tasks. They add some touch of distinction to the noblest task and they make the lowliest toil fine by the spirit which they bring to it. David was the kind of man who has a kingly soul even when he does not have a kingdom. He was more regal in the qualities of mind and heart when he was living the life of an outlaw than many a man who was sitting upon a throne.

The Country Without a King

Saul ceased to be a king before he met his death on the field of battle. When he ceased to be kingly his country had lost its king, even though the scepter was still held in his hand. The last days of Saul were days of inner loneliness. He had lost the confidence of the people. He had lost respect for himself. He made the motions of a king, but none knew better than he that the power to compel allegiance had departed from him. He had the surroundings of royalty, but he had lost royalty of soul.

"Abraham Lincoln, give us a man," cried an anxious patriot in trying days during the Civil War. The cry for commanding and dependable leadership may have been inarticulate in Israel during the last days of Saul. We may be sure, however, that it was heard in men's hearts, even if it was not voiced upon their lips.

Whatever its form of government a country is instinctively watching and waiting all the while for men of kingly power. It is waiting to welcome kings of thought who will elevate the mental life of the land. It is waiting to welcome kings of the conscience who will give new compulsion to all the moral meanings of life. It is waiting to welcome kings of activity who will set in motion large and far-reaching enterprises.

The country without a king may have great things to remember, but it has little reason for hope. The level of a nation's life sinks lower and lower when it has no men of heroic mold and regal strength. The country whose dominant personalities have authority without being worthy of authority and exercise power without high qualities of mind and heart to control their activities is a land with its face turned backward. The country wanes in strength because true royalty has passed from its life.

The King Who Has a Kingdom

When Saul was killed in battle Judah was ready to make David king. It was ready to offer a kingdom to its most kingly man. A son of Saul—a shadow of a king—was placed upon the throne of Israel. David waited patiently and the time came when the whole land turned to the one dominant personality and David became king over Judah and Israel. The arm disciplined through years of hardships held the destinies of the nation.

"I fear victory as I have never feared defeat," said a brave and serious man. Such words might well have come to the lips of David as he reached the place of supreme power. The years of hardship and misfortune have their own steadying and discipling effect, but the years of success may easily become years of weakening fiber.

A kingdom is a temptation as well as a moral opportunity, and many a king has found himself unable to withstand the evil inuuence of that false light which shines upon a throne.

The battles of maturity are less in our thought than the battles of youth, but they are terrible battles, with far-reaching consequences. The mature man, in full exercise of his powers, has struggles and conflicts, of which literature knows less than the struggles of youth, but the man's soul knows its own bitterness. The king who can carry the fresh inspiration of youth into the days of middle age, who can see his throne always in the light of his first noble vision of what a throne might mean, is a ruler who has won his right to control a kingdom by a great victory in his own soul. When David came to the day when Judah and Israel gladly acknowledged him there was still many a battle to fight for the moral leadership of his own soul.

What a Kingdom Does to a King

No man can emerge from any great experience exactly the same man who went into it. He may come forth a better man; he may come forth a worse man, but he will be in some degree a different man. Hardship had but made firmer and stronger the sinews of David's manhood. Now he was to see what a kingdom would do in influencing him, as well as what he would do in influencing a kingdom. He was the center of all the persuasive and potent movements of the nation's life. Every man who could get the king's ear wanted to influence him. There was no subtle flattery, no wily misstatement, no method of affecting the king's judgment which some one was not willing to use. Would the king be the court's victim or the court's master? Would he become bewildered and lose his way or would he maintain the poise and steady vision which would move safely through all the winding ways through which a king must walk?

It may be that many a time David remembered with a home-sick longing the free and open life which had been his before he was called to the throne. Life became more complex and involved and difficult with the passing years. The kingdom brought its hard problems to its ruler. It loaded him with burdens. It tempted him. It poured a thousand varied influences upon him, and all the while it waited to be mastered if the king was strong enough to control it. David did not find it an easy thing to be a king.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in New York Christian Advocate.

PANAMA—PACIFIC EXPOSITIONS, SAN FRANCISCO AND SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

SOUTHERN RAILWAY—PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Very Low Round Trip Fares

Dates of sale March 1st to November 30th, 1915. Final return limit three months from date of sale, except that these tickets will not be good to return later than December 31st, 1915.

Low round trip fares from principal points as follows:

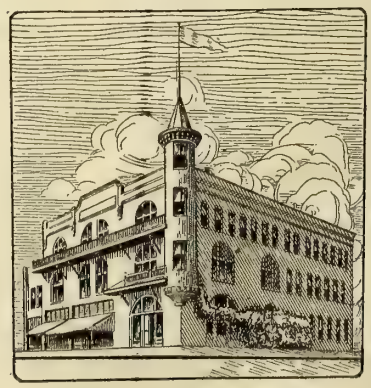
Charlotte	$84.15
Salisbury	84.15
High Point	84.15
Greensboro	84.15
Mount Airy	86.25
Gastonia	84.15
North Wilkesboro	87.85
Statesville	84.15
Hickory	83.25
Morganton	82.20
Winston-Salem	84.15
Shelby	82.60

Fares from other points on same basis. Fares to Seattle or via Portland and Seattle at higher rate. These tickets will permit of diverse routing and will allow stop-overs on both going and return trip within limit of ticket.

Southern Railway offers choice of several routes of historic interest from which to select; going one way and returning another. Through connections and good service via Memphis, St. Louis, Chicago or New Orleans. Through cars daily via New Orleans and Sunset Route. Special car parties now being arranged, affording opportunity to make trip without change and with select company on outgoing trip; returning at leisure via any route you may choose, stopping off at your own pleasure, thereby avoiding all the discomforts of going and returning with large tour parties, being compelled to follow the crowd. In going individually or with special Pullman car parties you spend your own money, stop where you please and go and come to suit your own convenience and save money paid tourist agents for escorting you around.

For further information apply to Southern Railway Agents, or

R. H. DeButts, D. P. A.,
Charlotte, N. C.



BLUE RIDGE INN
Mount Airy, N. C. W. M. Jordan, Prop.
Mount Airy's Leading Hotel

Rates $2.00 and $2.50—All meals 50 cents—Electric Lights, Steam Heat, Electric Bell System, Hot and Cold Baths—American plan—A clean up-to-date home for the tourist or traveling man, in a beautiful mountain city.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION



PAINT STRENGTH

Strength is what paint is for. The stronger it is, the less gallons and money it takes, and the longer it wears. The strongest paint-word is DEVOE.

ODELL
Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice



Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER

Proprietor

GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY

DISEASES OF STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO

ROBT. W. MURRAY

GENERAL INSURANCE

Greensboro, North Carolina

308½ South Elm St.

Phone 163

Our Little Folks' Department

IN MAYTIME

In Maytime when the bird songs
And humming of the bees
Make music in the blossoms
Among the orchard trees;
When on the fresh young grasses
The dews are shining clear,
Within my heart, like music,
Responds an answering cheer.

The odors of the flower-beds
That burst the moldering sod,
Arise, a holy incense,
As prayers ascend to God.
There saw I newborn beauty
Awake from old decay,
As out of death the spirit
Awakes to deathless day.

—Daniel J. Donahoe.

THE PRESENTS

Theodore was going to town, to the dentist's, and Dorothy cried at the breakfast table because she could not go. But Aunt Alice whispered, for a secret, that she was going into town herself the next morning, and would take her. And Theodore told her he would bring her something that afternoon. So Dorothy stopped crying.

As soon as Theodore had started, Dorothy began to wonder what he would bring home to her.

There were twenty-three beautiful new haystacks in the back lot. Dorothy went out to try them, but she did not enjoy tumbling on haystacks without Theodore.

When she had tried five, she went into the house and asked mother if it was not almost four o'clock.

"No, dear, it won't be four o'clock till after luncheon," mother said.

"Then, mother, won't you plesae have luncheon pretty soon?" Dorothy urged.

Mother kissed her and told her that they would have it just as soon as it was ready, and that she might go out in the kitchen and help Augusta shell peas. So Dorothy went out in the kitchen, and sat down on the doorstep and shelled one hundred peas.

After a while they had luncheon, and after that mother said that, if she would take a little nap, when she woke it would be nearer the time for Theodore to come.

Dorothy lay down and shut her eyes very hard for a long time, and by and by she went to sleep. When she woke mother was just coming into the room with some clean dresses and Augusta had been ironing.

She let Dorothy choose which she would wear that afternoon, and Dorothy chose a muslin with a vine of small blue flowers, because she knew her brother liked it.

As soon as she was dressed, she went out to the gate to watch for Theodore. In just a little while she saw him coming up the hill with father, and ran to meet them.

She took hold of father's other hand, and all the time she was wondering hard what Theodore had brought her, but of course she could not ask.

When they reached the piazza, Theodore told her to shut her eyes, and when Dorothy looked she was holding in her hands—well, I know you will be as surprised as Dorothy was—a baseball bat!

Dorothy's eyes opened wide.

"Is it for me, Theodore?" she asked doubtfully.

"Yes," said Theodore, nodding to make her sure, "and it's a fine one! Just let me show you." He took the bat and swung it over his shoulder, whirling round on one foot. Then he handed it back to Dorothy.

"Th-ank you, Theodore," Dorothy said slowly; and then she ran and climbed up in mother's lap for a little while.

The next day it was Dorothy's turn to go to town. Theodore went out and tumbled on the haystacks, but he did not enjoy it very much alone, either. It was so much more fun with Dorothy.

Dorothy came home at noon, and when she came she handed Theodore a box wrapped in light brown paper.

"I've brought you something, Theodore."

Theodore undid it. You may guess three times what it was.

A doll's tea-set—cups and saucers and plates, and the dearest little cream-pitcher and sugar-bowl and tea-pot, with pink roses on every one!

"Isn't it beautiful, Theodore?" Dorothy asked, looking up into his face for approval.

Theodore hesitated. "Quite," he said slowly, then added, "Thank you, Dorothy!"

Dorothy sat down and arranged the dishes on the piazza floor, while Theodore stood on the walk, swinging Dorothy's bat. Dorothy had told him he might take it.

They were both very quiet for a few minutes. Then Theodore said, "What let's play?"

And Dorothy said, "What let's?"

Then Theodore said, "Let's play for a little while that I brought you those dishes yesterday and you brought me this bat today."

Dorothy nodded. "Yes," she agreed. She went to him, and threw her arms impulsively about his neck.

"O Theodore, you were lovely to bring me these dishes!" she said. "Thank you!"

Theodore laid his arm on her shoulder.

"I'm glad you like them," he said. "But this bat's fine. I'm much obliged, Dorothy!"

"Is it a real good one, Theodore?" Dorothy asked anxiously.

"Fine," he repeated, "and just what I wanted!"

Dorothy looked at the dishes, and then at the bat, and after a few minutes she said, "Let's play this all the time, Theodore." And Theodore said: "All right. We will."—Youth's Companion.

A LITTLE STRANGER'S WELCOME

For six months no one had lived in the little brown house near the old cooper shop. Then a family moved to the village from out West and rented that little brown house. The father of the family bought the cooper shop and began making barrels to sell, because he was a cooper and making barrels was his business.

The mother of the family turned the little house into a home so quickly that the neighbors were surprised. They were pleased, too, when they saw the windows of the little brown house clean and sparkling in the sunshine, and when they saw light at evening streaming through those shining windows.

"We must call on the cooper's family," they said; "and our little girls must get acquainted with their little girl."

Now, it happened that the cooper's little girl hadn't lived in the brown house but three days before she was taken ill, and the village doctor was obliged to put a sign on the house which read: "Scarlet Fever."

"I shall tell the school children what your name is," promised the doctor.

And, sure enough, when Sally was able to sit in a chair by the window the children passing on their way to school waved their hands to her and smiled as if they had known her a long time.

Every morning after Sally was well enough to sit up she watched for the children hopping, skipping, walking, running by, and every afternoon she was at the window when they came home.

There were five little boys and seven little girls who knew Sally's name, but she didn't know their names.

"Won't you please ask them to call out their names to me when they go by to school," she suggested to the doctor, "so I'll know which is which and who is who?"

"Certainly, certainly," answered the good doctor.

The very next morning the boy who could talk the loudest began introducing the children to Sally. He made them stand, one at a time, on a stump across the road from the little brown house and shouted out their names. He talked a great deal of nonsense, which made all the children laugh and kept Sally smiling all the morning. On the way home from school he repeated the performance, making each child bow to Sally.

Then came a Saturday morning, the last Saturday that Sally Evans was obliged to stay in quarantine in the little brown house; it was a Saturday morning when she didn't see a single child, and it was a lonely morning for Sally.

But in the afternoon a beautiful thing happened. There came a procession of children marching, "One, two! One, two!" The leader carried a banner. On reaching the stump across the road from the little brown house the procession halted. The leader then thrust the stick of his banner in the middle of the stump. Then he spread the banner out, allowing Sally and her mother to read what was printed on it in black paint, with crooked letters: "For Sally Evans."

Then Sally noticed that her friends carried parcels. These parcels they placed around the stump. After that, at a signal from the leader, they bowed low and ran away without a word.

There was a pincushion from one little girl, a wee blue satin bag from another, a set of paper dolls from another, pink paper furniture from another, and three more pincushions, round, heart-shaped, and square. The five boys had whittled out five boats that boated right side up.

"What good children," exclaimed Sally's mother, "to be so kind to a stranger!"

"But I am not a stranger," corrected Sally; "I am one of the children who live here."

"Sure enough," agreed her mother. And three weeks later she gave a party in the big cooper shop, among the barrels and shavings, for all the friends in the village who wished to come.

The school children were there, and Sally lived happily with them ever after.—Frances Margaret Fox.

BUTTONS

"There's two buttons off this coat," said Brother Dick. "I want one of you to sew them on for me before I get back from work tonight. Don't forget, please," he added, "for I am going away at five o'clock, and I must wear this coat. You'll find the buttons in the inside top pocket."

The two sisters looked at each other, then at the coat.

"You'd better do it, Bessie," said little May; "you can sew so much better than I can."

"Can't do it now, anyway," replied Bessie as she glanced at the clock. "It's time we were starting for school. There'll be plenty of time tonight. Hurry now, or we'll be late."

After school that day one of the girls came up to Bessie. "I want you and May to come over to my house," she said. "It's my birthday, and mother said I might ask six of the girls to come over after school. We're going to play hide and seek, and then we're to have cake and ice cream."

"O thank you!" said Bessie. "We'll be glad to come, won't we, May?"

But instead of the joyous response she expected from May, who dearly loved ice cream and whose favorite game was hide and seek, the little girl was silent, and her face wore a sad expression.

"What in the world is the matter, May?" asked her sister. "Don't you want to go?"

"You forgot what Brother Dick said about the buttons, didn't you, Bessie?" she asked slowly.

"O, never mind the buttons!" said Bessie. "Brother Dick will get along somehow. I'm not going to miss the fun at Clara's." So saying, she ran off after the other girls.

But little May turned sadly homeward. Tears rose in her eyes at thought of the good times she was missing, but she remembered how kind Brother Dick always was to her and how little she could do for him. "Maybe I can't sew the buttons on as well as Bessie could, but I'll do the best I can," she said to herself.

May reached in the coat pocket for the buttons. Yes, there they were, wrapped in a bit of paper. But what was this? As May unfolded the paper, out rolled the two black buttons, and after them rolled two bright, shiny dimes. On the bit of paper was written: "For the little girl who sews on the buttons. From Brother Dick."

Two dimes! Twenty cents! Just the price of that beautiful pencil box that she had wanted for so long! May's sorrow for the good time she had missed vanished at thought of the treasure soon to be hers, and it was a joyous little girl who greeted Brother Dick with "Here's your coat with the buttons all sewed on tight, and thank you ever so much for the beautiful pencil box that I'm going to get."—Elsa Gorham Baker.

GRANDMOTHER AND ME

Grandmother dear is a very old lady;
Grandmother dear can't see;
But when she drops things or loses her spectacles,
Grandmother's eyes are—me.

Grandmother dear is a very old lady;
Sometimes she never hears;
But I always run when the postman comes ringing—
I can be grandmother's ears.

Grandmother dear likes houses all tidy,
Everything dusted and neat;
So I work with my little red broom and duster—
I can be grandmother's feet.

Grandmother dear is a very old lady—
Can't walk and can't hear and can't see.
You never could tell, though, the fun we have playing,
Grandmother dear and me. —Ex.

BACK TO HEALTH BY NATURE'S ROUTE

This is the title of a most interesting booklet issued by the Celebrated Shivar Mineral Spring. The booklet contains the strongest letters of testimonial from men eminent in the professions of medicine, law and theology, from bankers, merchants, manufacturers and others, telling how this remarkable water has relieved them of dyspepsia and indigestion, nervous headache, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney and liver diseases, uric acid poisoning and other ailments due to impure blood. Sign and mail the following letter and you will have no cause to regret it.

Shivar Spring,
Box 5D, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen:
I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns, which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)

Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You run no risk whatever in accepting his offer. I have personally witnessed the remarkable curative effects of this water in a very serious case.

PLAN OF EPISCOPAL VISITATION, METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH, 1915-1916

Bishop E. R. Hendrix

Denver, Colorado Springs, Colo., Aug. 26.
Missouri, Chillicothe, Missouri, Sept. 1.
Southwest Missouri, Slater, Mo., Sept. 15.
St. Louis, Sikeston, Mo., Sept. 29.

Bishop W. A. Candler

Virginia, Petersburg, Va., Nov. 10.
Texas, Mexican Mission, Corpus Christi, Texas.
Central Mexico, Mission, Guadalajara, Mexico.
Pacific Mexican Mission, Caliacan Sinaloa, Mexico.
Mexican Border Mission Conference, Torren, Mexico.

Bishop H. C. Morrison

German Mission, Fredericksburg, Texas, Oct. 20.
Little Rock, Monticello, Ark., Nov. 17.
North Arkansas, Conway, Ark., Nov. 24.
Florida, Tampa, Florida, Dec. 15.

Bishop E. E. Hoss

Fraternal Messenger to Australia.
China Mission, Soochow, China, Sept. 22.
Korea Mission, Songdo, Korea, Oct. 13.
Japan Mission, plae not designated, Nov. 17.
Cuba Mission, place not designated, Feb. 2, 1916.

Bishop James Atkins

Kentucky, Millersburg, Ky., Sept. 1.
Louisville, Hartford, Ky., Sept. 22.
North Mississippi, New Albany, Miss., Nov. 10.
Louisiana, Mansfield, La., Nov. 17.
Mississippi, Laural, Miss., Nov. 24.

Bishop Collins Denny

North Alabama, Athens, Ala., Nov. 3.
North Georgia, Rome, Ga., Nov. 10.
South Carolina, Charleston, S. C., Nov. 24.
Upper South Carolina, Spartanburg, S. C., Dec. 1.

Bishop John C. Kilgo

Illinois, Patoka, Illinois, Aug. 26.
North Carolina, Wilmington, N. C., Nov. 17.
South Georgia, Cordele, Ga., Nov. 24.
Alabama, Brewton, Ala., Dec. 8.

Bishop W. B. Murrah

Tennessee, Murfreesboro, Tenn., Oct. 13.
West Oklahoma, Altus, Okla., Nov. 3.
Memphis, Trenton, Tenn., Nov. 11.
East Oklahoma, Muskogee, Okla., Nov. 18.

Bishop W. R. Lambuth

Montana, Willow Creek, Mont., Aug. 12.
East Columbia, Oakesdale, Wash., Aug. 19.
Columbia, Roseburg, Ore., Aug. 25.
Pacific, San Francisco., Cal., Oct. 13.
Los Angeles, Pomona, Cal., Oct. 20.
New Mexico, Marfa, Tex., Oct. 27.
Congo Mission, Wembo Niama.

Bishop R. G. Waterhouse

Western Virginia, place not designated, Sept. 8.
Holston, Knoxville, Tenn., Oct. 6.
Western North Carolina, Reidsville, N. C., Nov. 17.
Brazil, Juiz de Flora, July 8.
South Brazil, Alegrete, Brazil, July 22, 1916.

Bishop James H. McCoy

West Texas, San Angelo, Texas, Oct. 20.
Northwest Texas, Clarendon, Tex., Nov. 3.
Texas, Longview, Texas, Nov. 10.
Central Texas, Corsiciana, Tex., Nov. 24.
North Texas, Bonham, Texas, Dec. 1.
Fall meeting College of Bishops, Dallas, Texas, Oct. 28-31.

10¢ Whit-Leather GUARANTEED HOSIERY for Men Women & Children

Tough as Whit-Leather

DON'T let the *small price*—10c—prejudice you against Whit-Leather Hosiery. It buys *the biggest money's worth* that has ever been given in quality and durability with an *extra guarantee* that 6 pairs will show no holes in four months, or we replace them free, or your money back.

Two grades only—10c and 12½c

IF your dealer hasn't them, we will send hose post-paid on receipt of price and his name. Give size, color, (all solid colors), also whether men's, women's or children's hose are wanted.

Whit-Leather Hosiery Mills

Selling Agents:
M. GILMER BROS. CO., INC.,
Winston-Salem, N. C.

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A Wood, Presiding Elder Weaverville, N. C. Third Round

May
Mars Hill, Bright Hope 22-23
Leicester, Big Sandy 29-30
Weaverville, night 30
June
Brevard Station 4
Brevard Circuit, Conestee 5-6
Henderson Circuit, Reedy Patch ..12-13
Hendersonville, night 13
Mills River, Mills River 19-20
Central, night 20
Flat Rock, Upward 26-27
Tryon and Saluda 27
July
Spring Creek, Balm Grove 3-4
Fairview, Patty's 10
Haywood Street, 11 a. m. 11
West Asheville, night 11
Walnut, Chapel Hill 17-18
Marshall and Hot Springs, Marshall, night 18
Weaverville Ct., South Fork 24
Black Mountain, Tabernacle 25
Sulphur Springs, Pisgah 31-August 1
August
Biltmore, Mt. Pleasant 1
North Asheville, night 4
Swannanoa 7-8
Bethel, night 8
The District Conference will meet at Brevard, June 2nd, 8 p. m.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, 508 N. Tryon St., Charlotte, N. C.

Second Round

May
Dilworth 23
Spencer Memorial and Derita, night.....23
Polkton, Mount Meriah 29-30

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—James H. Weaver, Presiding Elder Greensboro, N. C. Third Round

May
Walnut St. and Carraway Memorial, Carraway Memorial 16-17
Ruffin Circuit, Hickory Grove 22-23
Wentworth, Bethlehem 29-30
Reidsville 30-31
June
West Market 12-13
Gibsonville, Gibsonville 13-14
Greensboro, Mt. Pleasant 19-20
Centenary 20-21
Pleasant Garden Ct., Bethlehem ..26-27
Spring Garden 27-28
July
West Greensboro, Grooms 3-4
Randolph, Pleasant Hill 10-11
Coleridge, Rehobeth 17-18
Ramseur & Franklinville, Ramseur, 18-19
Wesley Memorial, High Point 24-25
Main St., High Point 24-25
East End, High Point 24-25
Deep River Ct., White Hall 31-Aug. 1
August
Randleman 1-2
Asheboro 1-2
Denton, Siloam 7-8
Uwharrie, Salem 8-9

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.

Third Round

May
Walnut Cove, Bethesda 22-23
Madison & Stoneville, Price 29-30
June
Spray 6-7
Leaksville 11-12
Draper 12-13
Jonesville 19-20
Elkin 20-21
Danbury, Sandy Ridge 26-27
July
Dobson 3-4
Pilot Mountain 10-11
Rural Hall 17-18
Yadkinville 24-25
Ararat 31
August
Ararat 1
Mount Airy Circuit 7-8

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.

Second Round

May
Marion Circuit, North Catawba 22-23

Third Round

June
McDowell, Snow Hill 5-6
Old Fort, Providence 12-13
Marion Station 13-14
Thermal City, Trinity 19-20
Table Rock, Linville 26-27
Morganton Station 27-28
July
Broad River, Union 2
Green River, New Hope 3-4
Cliffside, Hollis 9
Forest City, Cedar Grove 10-11
Henrietta and Caroleen, Henrietta, 11-12
Rutherfordton, Gilkey 17-18
Morganton Ct., Denton 24-25
Connelly Springs, Warlicks ..31-Aug. 1
August
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Bakersville 7-8
Micaville, Shoal Creek 14-15
Bald Creek, Bald Creek 21-22
Burnsville 22-23
Marion Ct., Concord 28-29
District Conference at Gilkey, July 15-18

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Second Round

May
Sparta Circuit, Piney Creek 22-23
Laurel Springs, Mt. Zion 29-30

Revival Meetings

Elk Park, Montezuma.....April 26-May 6
Laurel Springs, Mt. Zion.....May 24-30

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C. Third Round

May
Salisbury Circuit, Bethel 22-23
E. Spencer & N. Main St., E. Spencer, night 23
Woodleaf Circuit, South River 29-30
Salisbury, Holmes Memorial, night, 30
June
Concord, Forest Hill, 11 a. m. 6
West Concord, Harmony, night 6
Concord Circuit, Bogers 12-13
Epworth and Center, Center, 3 p. m., 13
Concord, Central, night 13
Cottonville and Oakboro, Cedar Grove 19-20
Norwood, Randalls 19-20
Albemarle, Central 27-28
Albemarle, First Street 27-28
Albemarle Circuit, Zoar, 3 p. m. ..26-27
July
China Grove, 11 a. m. 4
Spencer, night 4
Salem Circuit, Salem 10-11
Mt. Pleasant Circuit, Center Grove, 11-12
Concord, Westford, 11 a. m. 18
Kannapolis Station, night 18
Kannapolis Circuit, Unity 24-25
New London Circuit 31-Aug.-1
August
Gold Hill Circuit 1-2
Bethel and Loves Chapel 8-9

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C. Third Round

May
Gastonia, West End 22
Gastonia, Main St. 23
June
Lowell, South Side 5-6
Mt. Holly, Ebenezer 6-7
Bessemer, Bessemer 12
King's Mountain 13
Polkville, Lee's 19-20
Belwood, St. Peter's 26-27
July
Rock Spring, Rehobeth 3
Lincoln Ct., Ivey's Memorial 10
Lincolnton 11
Crouse 17
Stanly 18
South Fork 24
Lowesville, Hill's Chapel 27-29
District Conference at Lowesville July 27-29.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Lee T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C. Third Round

May
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn's, 11 a. m., 22-23
S. Lenoir and Valmead, Whitnel, night 23-24
Catawba Ct., Concord, 11 a. m. 29-30
June
West Hickory, West Hickory, 11 a. m. 5-6
Rhodhiss St., Rhodhiss, night 6-7
North Lenoir Ct., Harpers Chapel 11 a. m. 12-13
Lenoir Sta., Lenoir, night 13-14
Granite Falls and Hudson, Granite Falls, 11 a. m. 19-20
Hickory, First Church, Hickory, night 20-21
Alexander Ct., Rocky Spring, 11 a. m. 26-27
Stony Point Ct., Midway, 3:30 p. m., 27-28
July
Maiden Ct., Friendship, 11 a. m., 3-4
Newton St., Newton, night 4-5
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 11 a. m., 10-11
Davidson St., Davidson, night 11-12
Troutman Ct., Knox Chapel, 11 a. m. 17-18



With the Purity of home making, you get deliciously light, fluffy ice-cream, *conveniently* and *economically*, by using the easy running

LIGHTNING FREEZER

Automatic Twin Scrapers Famous Wheel Dasher
Your dealer can supply you
Recipes for Frozen Desserts, by Mrs. Rorer, sent free
NORTH BROS. MFG. CO., Philadelphia

Mooresville St., Mooresville, night, 18-19
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 11 a. m., 24-25
Cool Spring Ct., Rose Chapel, 11 a. m. 24-25
Iredell Ct., Macedonia, 11 a. m. 25-26
Broad Street St., Broad St.., 11 a. m. 25-26
Race Street St., Race St., 11 a. m., 25-27
August
Hickory Ct., Pisgah, 11 a. m., ...1-2

The Sunday School Institute and the District Conference of the Statesville District will be held in Broad Street church, Statesville, July 28-31. Wednesday, July 28th, will be devoted to the Sunday school institute. The institute will open promptly at 10 o'clock, a. m., on that day. We earnestly urge every Sunday school superintendent and every pastor in the district to be present at that hour. There will be something doing every minute. You cannot afford to miss a single item on this program.

The work of the district conference will follow that of the institute. Let every delegate, all the pastors, local preachers and charge lay leaders be present when the roll is called; and we insist that all the members of the Conference remain until we adjourn on Saturday.

The congregations of Broad Street and Race Street churches will provide abundant entertainment, and we desire the fullest possible attendance.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cor dell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C., R. F. D. 2

Second Round

Ma
Macon Ct., Asbury 19-2
Highlands, Flatts 22-2
Franklin Station 2

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C. Third Round

Ma
Thomasville Ct., Fairview 22-2
Thomasville, Main Street 21-2
Linwood, Wesley Chapel 29-3
Lexington 28-3
Jun
Walkertown, 11 a. m. .....
Centenary, night .....
Davidson, Good Hope 12-1
Southside, night 1
Forsyth, Crews 19-2
Liberty, night 2
Jackson Hill, Macedonia 26-2
Ju
Davie, Center 3
Mocksville 2
Advance, Advance 10-1
West End, night .....
Lewisville, Union 17-
Salem, night ....
Farmington, Bethlehem 24-2
Cooleemee, night ....
Kernersville, Shady Grove ....31-Aug.

INSURANCE WITHOUT AGENTS

It is well known that several state are attempting to furnish their citizens insurance without the employment of agents. Many people are not aware that Methodist preachers have had for over thirty-seven years such an Association—the Methodist Ministers Relief Insurance and Trust Association of Boston. It employs no agents. Its insurance is issued on applications received by mail from the ends of the earth. The Association numbers over eleven hundred policeholders, representing eight branches of Methodism and one hundred Conferences. For the last five years it has averaged the payment of $1,00 in claims weekly. Over one million two hundred thousand dollars has already been paid to beneficiaries. The most popular policy is one payable at death or on reaching age 65. The policy provides for a life income beginning at age 65. Another policy combines insurance with old age pension beginning at 65. It writes all the standard Life and Endowment policies at premiums much lower than those charged by the agency companies. It is distinctly a minister's company. Having the best class of risk and no commissions to pay it is able to furnish insurance at extremely low cost. As regards premium payment non-forfeiture options and loans, the policies are the most liberal written by any company. Loans on policies become available at the end of two years. It is an Old Line (legal reserve) company, chartered under the laws of Massachusetts. Leaflets giving full details with premium rates will be sent to any minister sending date of birth. Address Methodist Ministers Relief Association, Wesleyan Bldg., Boston Mass.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Trains leave Greensboro as follows:

N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information and are not guaranteed.

12:55 a. m.—No. 112, daily. Local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh which may be boarded at 9:30 p. m. and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m.

1:47 a. m.—No. 30, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars Birmingham and Augusta to New York, and Birmingham and Jacksonville to Washington. Observation sleeping car Atlanta to Richmond. Tourist sleeper for Washington from San Francisco. Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars New York to Birmingham and Augusta, and Washington to Jacksonville and Birmingham. Observation sleeping car Richmond to Atlanta. Tourist sleeping car Washington to San Francisco via Sunset Route. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:45 a. m.—No. 11, daily. Local for Atlanta and points south. Pullman sleepnig cars Richmond to Charlotte and Norfolk to Asheville. Coaches.

7:15 a. m.—No 37, daily. NEW YORK, ATLANTA AND NEW ORLEANS LIMITED. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section drawing room sleeping cars New York to New Orleans, Asheville and Macon. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service. No coaches.

7:30 a. m.—No 108, daily. Local for Raleigh and intermediate points.

7:30 a. m.—No. 154, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

8:10 a. m.—No. 44, daily. For Washington and points north.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily. For Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Handles Pullman sleeping car for Winston-Salem from Raleigh.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily. For Mt. Airy.

9:40 a. m.—No. 144 daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Free reclining chair car Charlotte to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily. For Salisbury, Statesville and Asheville. Connecting at Asheville with Carolina Special which handles through sleepers for Cincinnati and Chicago.

12:45 p. m.—No. 130, daily. For Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

12:50 p. m.—No. 45, daily. For Charlotte, connecting with trains for Columbia and Seneca.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Washington, New York and points north. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

2:00 p. m.—No. 207, daily. For Winston-Salem, connecting daily, except Sunday, with trains for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daiy except Sunday. For Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily. For Mt. Airy.

6:30 p. m.—No. 35, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham. Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham, and Charlotte to Atlanta. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily. For Winston-Salem.

6:40 p. m.—No. 46, daily. For Danville.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily. For Sanford.

7:24 p. m.—No. 43, daily. For Charlotte, connecting with No. 35 for the South.

10:15 p. m.—No. 12, daily. For Richmond and Norfolk. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Asheville to Norfolk.

10:20 p. m.—No. 233, daily. For Winston-Salem.

11:20 p. m.—No. 38, daily. THE NEW YORK, ATLANTA AND NEW ORLEANS LIMITED. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section, drawing room and compartment sleeping cars New Orleans, Macon and Asheville to New York. Dining car service. No coaches.

E. H. COAPMAN, Vice-President and General Manager, Washington, D. C.
W. H. TAYLOE, Passenger Traffic Manager, Washington, D. C.
H. F. CARY, General Passenger Agent, Washington, D. C.
R. H. DeBUTTS, Division Passenger Agent, Charlotte, N. C.
C. G. PICKARD, Passenger and Ticket Agent, Greensboro, N. C.

HOLMAN BIBLES

Durable Flexible Bindings — THE BEST EDITIONS OF THE WORLD'S BEST BOOK — Will not Break in the Back

HOLMAN BIBLES

FOR CHILDREN
PICTORIAL BIBLES WITH HELPS



Size 5⅝ x 3½ inches.

The text is self-pronouncing, by the aid of which children can learn to pronounce the difficult Scripture proper names.

Specimen of Type.

WHOSOEVER believeth that Je'sus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him

With beautiful photo views of scenes in Bible lands distributed throughout the text. Also maps of Bible lands in colors. Also new Practical Helps to Bible Study, especially designed for instructing children in scriptural information.

No. 91. French Seal Leather, overlapping covers, round corners, gold edges, gold titles,
Publishers Price $1.30 Our Price--Post Paid, **$1.00**

COLORED PICTURE EDITION
Portraying in natural colors, scenes and places taken from nature and life in the Holy Land,
No. 92. Same as **No. 91.** but with **Beautifully Colored Pictures**
Publishers' Price $1.50 Our Price--Post Paid, **$1.20**

FOR ADULTS, TEACHERS AND PREACHERS



and all who would study the Word of God intelligently this edition is unsurpassed. The type is large, clear Bourgeois, Self-Pronouncing, with liberal space between the words and lines, which makes it easy to read.

Size 8 x 5½ inches.

Specimen of Type.

¶ "From that time Je'sus to preach, and to say, "Repe the kingdom of heaven is

Containing **New Copyrighted Helps** by Rev. F. N. PELOUBET, D.D. a Treasury of Biblical Information, practical comparative concordance, Oriental Light on the Bible, Four Thousand Questions and Answers, New Colored Maps.

No. 47. Divinity Circuit Teachers' Bible, French Seal Leather, red under gold edges, Silk Head bands and Silk Marker,
Publishers' Price $2,70 Our Price--Post Paid, **$2.25**

No. 81. RL. Red Letter Teachers' Bible. The Words of Christ in the New Testament, Old Testament Passages Alluded to by Christ, Various Prophecies Relating to Christ in the Old Testament, etc., all **PRINTED IN RED.** Binding same as described above and same large Self-Pronouncing type.
Publishers' Price $3.20 Our Price--Post Paid, **$2.70**

No. 73X. Holman India Paper, Genuine Morocco, Leather Lined, Silk Sewed, **Divinity Circuit,** round corners, carmine under gold edges, silk head bands and silk marker, same type and Helps as above.
Publishers' Price $7.75 Our Price--Post Paid, **$5.00**

FOR INTERMEDIATE S. S. SCHOLARS



Large Clear Black Type, Self-Pronouncing, containing Helps to Bible Study, 4000 Questions and Answers, Maps in Colors, and Presentation Page. A Beautiful Gift Bible.

Specimen of Type.

22 And the prophet Is'ra-el, and said unto thyself, and mark, and for at the return of t

Size 7 x 5 inches.

No. 21. Divinity Circuit Style, Bound in French Seal Leather, round corners, red under gold edges, with silk head bands and purple silk marker, gold titles, etc.
Publishers' Price $1.60 Our Price--Post Paid, **$1.35**

No. 22. RL. Red Letter Scholars' Bible, same Bible as **No. 215.** with all the Sayings of Christ printed in Red, and with Red and gold INLAID PANEL SIDE TITLES, also **Beautifully Colored Pictures,**
Publishers' Price $2.10 Our Price--Post Paid, **$1.75**

FOR OLD FOLKS and THE HOME



Printed from large Clear Pica Type, with Marginal References, Family Record and Maps. This **HOME BIBLE** is new and very desirable for every day use, containing all the advantages of a Family Bible in a conpact size that can be easily handled, with Record for Births, Marriages and Deaths. The best Bible obtainable for old folks who need extra large clear print and a light-weight book.

No. 2014. Durably Bound in French Seal Leather, full flexible covers, round corners, red under gold edges, silk head bands and silk marker, gold titles,
Publishers' Price $3.00 Our Price--Post Paid, **$2.35**

SEND ALL ORDERS TO
CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

CRIMES OF THE SHOE

Polite society requires the wearing of shoes.

Compliance means hardship for the feet.

Chafing of hosiery and shoes, excess pressure at some points, moisture, heat and germ laden dust combine to produce soreness, corns, bunions, blisters and allied troubles.

An excellent treatment is to anoint the feet with Mentholatum after bathing them.

The effect is cooling and pleasant, allaying inflammation, reducing pain, and encouraging rapid healing of many foot troubles.

EXPERT KODAK FINISHING

Developing and printing done by artists. Most beautiful work guaranteed at all times. Satisfaction or no charge. Developing, 10c per film. Printing: prints 2 1-4 x3 1-4, 3c; 2 1-2x4 1-4, 4c; 3 1-4x5 1-2, 5c. Quick delivery. Send one film to test our service. Agents wanted.
LIGON DRUG CO., Spartanburg, S. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland
108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

LOW SUMMER RATES

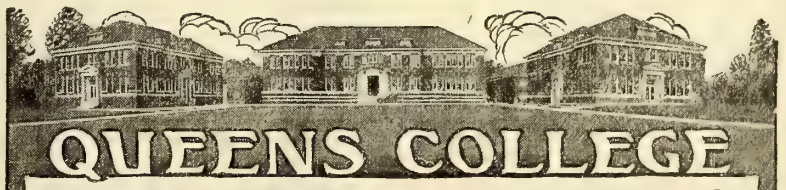
King's Business College
INCORPORATED



$40 Pays for an unlimited life scholarship in either the Commercial, Shorthand or Stenotypy Department. Enter now and **save $10** on one course or **$17** on the combined course. This is not commonplace exaggeration, but emphasis on the already well known fact that this is the *most representative, most reliable* business college in North Carolina—*backed by skill, honor, merit and capital.* A licensed business College—vouched for by the State.

Write for free catalog and new College Journal.

KING'S BUSINESS COLLEGE
RALEIGH, N. C. CHARLOTTE, N. C.



QUEENS COLLEGE
FOR YOUNG WOMEN CHARLOTTE, N. C.

Delightfully located in Myers Park, suburban Charlotte. Five new buildings of tapestry brick and limestone; two stories high, fireproof throughout. Confortable and convenient dormitories; baths adjoining each room; hot and cold water. Extensive 50 acre campus. One of the best equipped woman's colleges in the South.

Standard college courses leading to B. A. degree. Special fitting course. 22 trained instructors. Complete laboratory equipment, gymnasium, library. *Splendid Musical Advantages:* 3 manual pipe organ; 22 piano practice rooms containing all new instruments. *Diplomas in Voice, Violin, Piano, Organ, Art and Expression.*

Non-sectarian but distinctly Christian. Terms per session $300. For catalog address
JOHN L. CALDWELL, M. A., D. D., President CHARLOTTE, N. C.

BARGAINS IN GOOD BOOKS

VALUABLE BOOKS FOR $1 PER VOLUME

The books selected for inclusion in this DOLLAR LIBRARY have stood all tests and have been acclaimed standard if not classic.

They are the necessary books in every well-balanced Ministerial Library.

The books are large octavo in size, each containing from 400 to 550 pages, printed on excellent paper and tastefully and substantially bound in dark green cloth with gold stamping.

The former selling price of these books ranges from $2.50 to $3.50 and these editions are complete and are printed from the plates of the original high-priced editions.

Price now $1.00 per volume by mail. Add ten cents for postage.

By Prin. A. M. Fairbairn, D. D., LL. D.

THE PHILOSOPHY OF THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION

This is one of the most scholarly and successful defenses and examinations of the Christian belief and its basis. Principal Fairbairn's fame is justly founded upon the profundity of his thought, the wide range of his erudition and the bell-like clarity of his style. This is a book which should be in every ministerial library.

By Charles Loring Brace

GESTA CHRISTI: A History of Humane Progress Under Christianity

A book which has no equal in its discussion of the teaching of Jesus or the character and personnel of the members of the Apostolic group. While on many other subjects connected with the life of Christ new books have become standards, this book remains the authority in its own field.

Rev. John Ker, D. D.

LECTURES ON THE HISTORY OF PREACHING:
With Introduction by Rev. Wm. M. Taylor

While not in the strictest sense of the word a volume on homiletics, this is nevertheless one of the greatest and best recognized books in this realm. It has long served as a guide to all who wished to make any acquaintance with the theory or the history of the practice of preaching. In every sense of the word classic, not alone for the student, but for the seasoned preacher himself.

By Canon F. W. Farrar

THE LIFE OF CHRIST AS REPRESENTED IN ART

This may fairly be called a by-product of the author's monumental Life of Christ. It is a complete survey in his matchless prose of the whole subject of art in its relation to Christianity.

By Alexander Maclaren, D. D.

PULPIT PRAYERS

One of Dr. Maclaren's secrets of success was in the pains and reverent care he took to prepare his people for the message of his sermon—a care extending to hymns, the Scripture and the minor parts of the service, and especially to the prayer which preceded the sermon. They are alike inspirational in contents and models in manner.

By Prin. George Adam Smith, D. D.

THE LIFE OF HENRY DRUMMOND

This is one of the greatest of religious biographies, for it is not only the story of a career alike distinguished for deep piety and a singular brilliance of achievement, but it is written by one himself a considerable figure in the movements associated with Drummond's name, and a close and lifelong friend. It touches with deep insight the movements with which Drummond's name will ever be associated.

By J. deQuincey Donehoo

THE APOCRYPHAL AND LEGENDARY LIFE OF CHRIST

Mr. Donehoo has gathered together with incredibly painstaking care all the legendary and apocryphal material concerning the life of Christ, scattered as it is through a countless number of volumes, most of which are rare and inaccessible to the average reader or student. While of course apocryphal, this collection is of immense aid to the student of doctrine as showing the place Christ came to hold in the early belief and worship of the Church.

By John P. Jones

INDIA: ITS LIFE AND THOUGHT

Mr. Jones, through many years' residence in India, has come to a knowledge of India which, coupled with his sympathetic insight into the native character, has enabled him to write what is perhaps the most comprehensive single sketch of India yet written.

By Prof. A. B. Bruce, D. D.

THE TRAINING OF THE TWELVE

An apologetic for the Christian faith which now as in the day it was written remains unanswerable. What Buckle did in his "History of Civilization" from the standpoint of materialism, has been done in this book from the standpoint of belief. It is in every way a notable book, alike from the standpoint of Christian apologetics and from the standpoint of history. It is the kind of book which belongs in every library, and because written always with a human interest, it is in the best sense popular.

THE MIRACULOUS ELEMENT IN THE GOSPELS

Professor Bruce was one of the most literal-minded of the evangelical school to which he belonged. It is a tribute to the scholar's profundity of thought and his grip of the heart of his subject that he was able to anticipate the line of attack on the supernatural so that his book still remains the ablest defense of the miracles extant. He has been followed but never supplanted.

THE PARABOLIC TEACHING OF CHRIST

The parables, admittedly one of the most important and one of the most difficult aspects of Christ's teaching, have here been treated in a manner characterized by sanity and scholarly insight. From the first this book took rank as among the ablest expositions of the parables, as well as one of the best books in English on the teaching of Jesus.

THE HUMILIATION OF CHRIST
In Its Physical, Ethical and Official Aspects

The whole theme of Dr. Bruce's work is to show that the cross is as completely the central point in the life of Christ in the light of which the whole incarnation must be understood as is the atonement in the doctrine of Christianity. It remains in a place alone as a statement of the doctrines of the incarnation and the atonement.

SEND YOUR ORDERS FOR THESE OR ANY OTHER BOOKS YOU MAY WANT TO

Board of Publication

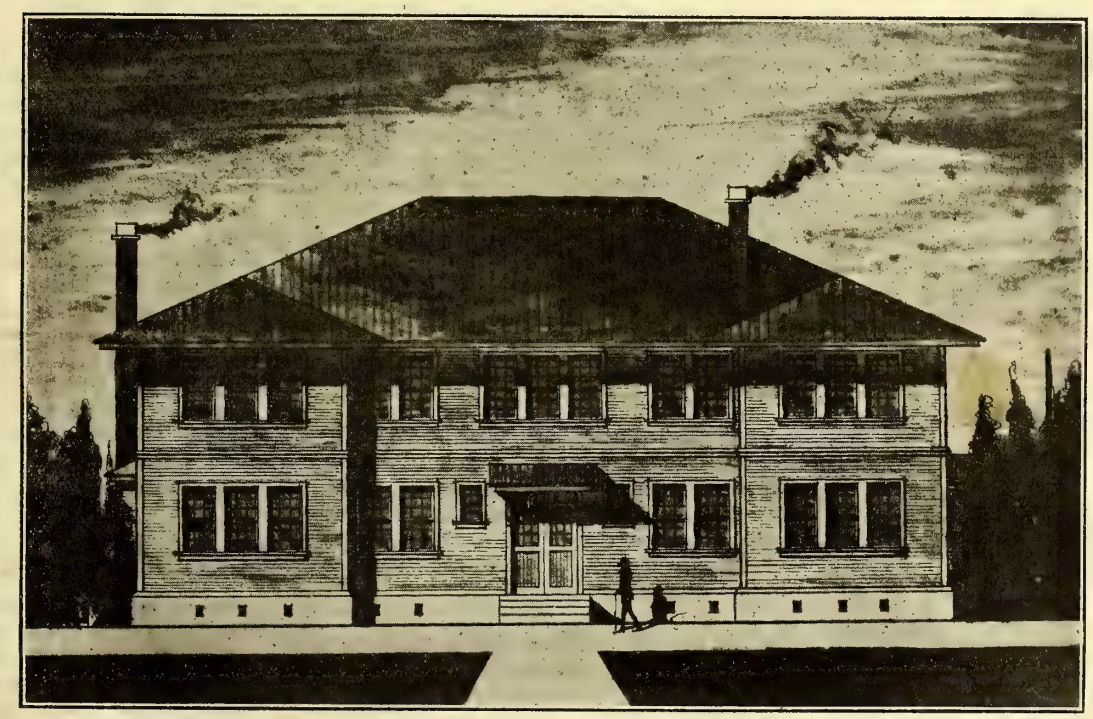
Greensboro, N. C.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, May 27, 1915 | Number 21

Reading Room
Trinity College



THE HAMILL MEMORIAL OF SUNDAY SCHOOL PEDAGOGY

To be Erected on the Ground of the Kwansei Gakuin by the Sunday School Board of the Japan Methodist Church.

The late Dr. H. M. Hamill was a leader of far seeing vision and when he and Mrs. Hamill were holding Sunday School Institutes in Japan two years ago, they both felt a deep love for the bright Japanese children, and seeing that a forward step ought to be taken in that land, more than a year ago they voluntarily offered to give $1,000.00 to aid in the erection of a modern well-equipped school of Sunday School Pedagogy and Bible Teacher Training. The plans have been drawn and site secured.

And now that this great leader in the Sunday School world and President of the International Association has been taken away, his many friends and admirers both North and South and in Canada as well will no doubt feel a still deeper interest in this enterprise that lay so near his heart the last year of his life.

While under the joint auspices of the Methodist Sunday School Board in Japan and the Theological Department of the Kwansei Gakuin at Kobe, the work will be carried on in a broad spirit for the purpose of training workers and Bible teachers for all denominations.

If the funds can be raised, it is proposed to erect and dedicate this Hamill Memorial School of Pedagogy at the time of the World's Sunday School Convention in October, 1916.

At that time many of the most distinguished leaders from all the world will be present, and this new and progressive achievement for Japan and for the Orient would be a most fitting and permanent memorial of the World's Sunday School Convention.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS

On page 11 you will find a renewal subscription order blank. If your subscription has expired please clip out the blank, pin check or money order to same and mail to us. We can not come after this. You can send it for only two cents. Please attend to it today. The matter is urgent.

THE DEADLY FOE OF EFFICIENCY

This is what we must henceforth denominate the indulgence and traffic in strong drink. Amid all the horrors of the great world war this question is now being put to the test. Not only is it true that in times of peace strong drink destroys a nation's vitality and unfits for great achievement, but in time of war it makes it the easy prey of its enemies. There is no doubt today that Great Brittain, especially, is making the discovery that a great war cannot be fought out successfully with drunken men, either civilian or soldier. The most disquieting feature of the situation, moreover, is the fact that, even in religious bodies, there is strong resistance to the proposed legislation which would stop the sale of liquor even temporarily.

The Christian Guardian, the official organ of Canadian Methodism, in a recent number, has a strong editorial in which it voices the fear of sober minded people lest King Alcohol should prove England's greatest foe. The editor says:

"What do the reports of the past few weeks bring to us? Rear-Admiral Tudor tells us that, because of drink, men in the shipyards are actually doing less than usual upon work that is absolutely essential to the proper prosecution of the war. In one instance, in a given week, one hundred and thirty-five fitters employed on submarine engines did only the equivalent of a full week's work for twenty-eight men. At one of the Clyde shipyards, where a warship was under repair, the work on the bottom was so poorly done, because the men who were doing it were intoxicated, that it had to be condemned. The director of naval equipment tells us that the workmen are in such an uncertain and independable state that at any time the whole shipbuilding work on the Tyne may come to a standstill. He also says that in many cases it is now taking about three times as long to get ships fitted and ready to sail as it did when the war broke out. The men are being paid more and are drinking more, and consequently working less efficiently.

And when the Government tries to match itself to this situation what do we find? Politicians combining to defeat their efforts, and the great Convocation of York, the northern province of the Church of England, solemnly declaring that it 'would look with anxiety upon total prohibition of the sale of alcoholic drinks.'' And even in Canada, where liquor is debauching our soldiers in training past the belief of anyone who does not know actual conditions, all efforts to close up bars or to curtail the evil are effectually blocked.

Can God Almighty trust us with any great victory while we are playing with a tragic life-and-death situation as we are, and encouraging and fostering the greatest foe to our ultimate and complete success? Must there not come upon us the spirit of a truer consecration, and a higher and holier endeavor, before we are ready to win in this tremendous and epoch-making struggle? Germany is not our deadliest enemy today; King Alcohol is, and if we are worsted, or win only a half-victory, we may lay the blame on him, and not on the Teuton.''

DAVENPORT COLLEGE

It was in the fifties that a few royal spirits, far in advance of most of their neighbors, caught a vision of the larger things of intellect and heart that were to come to the children of the hills and mountains of Western North Carolina in the New Century. As a result of this vision Lenoir long since won fame as an educational center and was called the Athens of Western North Carolina.

While for a time this favored community went under the shadows of an eclipse, the spirit of culture planted in these early days never died, the time of rehabilitation came after long waiting, and Davenport College has taken her place again as one of the institutions which are to mould the womanhood of our great country. Nestling amid the foothills of the Blue Ridge, the little city of Lenoir will again make a true setting for this gem of our educational system, and college and community will co-operate in making what is so easily possible here, the ideal place for the education of the future mothers of Western North Carolina Methodists.

Since our Conference assumed direct control of Davenport, under all administrations there has been steady progress. Under none, however, has there been such growth as under that of Rev. J. B. Craven, who, for five years, has been at the helm. By the impetus given on account of the benefaction of Mr. Cornelius, the opening of the magnificent Cornelius Hall, and such a campaign of publicity as had never before been undertaken by the college, President Craven found himself confronted with the necessity of turning away some thirty or more young women who wanted to come. The college has been full to the limit of its capacity and suffers now only from a healthy case of growing pains. This is no joke. The trustees in their meeting continued long into the night of Tuesday, wrestled with the question of ways and means to take care of the situation for the next year on account of a situation which can truly be denominated the embarrassment of our success. After laboring with this for hours they could only leave it with the Executive Committee to find some plan by which to meet the demands of the situation.

Davenport must henceforth have a large place in our educational system. Geographically and topographically well located, beautiful for situation and with fine equipment, there is no reason to believe that every room will not be in demand. There was unanimity of opinion in the Board that a working laboratory and library, as urged in the president's report, must be provided. These are among the urgent necessities.

From all reports, as well as from the order and system observed in the student body and the high order of exercises witnessed during our short stay, we got the impression that President Craven and his faculty have things well in hand. The personnel of the student body is up to the highest. We have never looked upon a finer body of young women.

Under the new charter a new Board of Trustees was recommended to the next Annual Conference for election. Of the temporary board serving till the meeting of Conference, Mr. Dorman Thompson, of Statesville, was chosen president; Rev. L. T. Mann, vice-president, and Rev. Jno. F. Kirk, secretary. Rev. J. B. Craven was re-elected president of the college and nearly all the former faculty were also re-elected.

We give the following account of the commencement as published in the daily press:

The annual commencement exercises of Davenport College for Young Women, which began on Monday afternoon, May 17th, with the art reception, were concluded Wednesday morning when the address to the graduating class was delivered by Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe, pastor of Wesley Memorial church of High Point. Doctor Rowe was heard by a packed auditorium and his message, deep and impressive, has received nothing but the highest praise.

The art reception on Monday afternoon from 3 to 6 o'clock was attended by many visitors from the town and other sections as well as the entire student body. While the main object of these receptions is to give the visitors an opportunity to observe and inspect the productions of the art class, yet they also partake of a social nature. The paintings displayed showed much improvement over former years and reflected much credit on the class in art, which is under the direction of Mrs. R. L. Gwyn, of Lenoir.

On Monday evening at 8 o'clock the annual expression and musical contests occurred. In the expression contest the selection was "Pauline Pavlovna." The following young ladies comprised the contestants: Misses Mae Samuels Groeschel, Helen Beatrice Zimmerman, Allye Henry Penn and Kate Blanche Hull. In the musical contest were six young ladies and the following compositions were given: "Twilight Whisperings," Miss Mary M. Hodges; "Summer Thoughts," Miss Olive Marie Hege; "Sonata Brilliante," Miss Bess Castle Mann; "Cecil's Love Song," Miss Jacolia McCauley Medlin; "Moonlight Nocturne," Miss Allye Henry Penn; "A Stream," Miss Ethel Cline.

The annual sermon to the graduating class was delivered on Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock by Dr. Howard, Professor of homiletics in the new Methodist University, of Atlanta, Ga.

One of the most pleasing and elegant features connected with the entire commencement exercises was the grand final concert on Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock, given by the students from the music and expression departments. There were 18 selections consisting of solos, duets, trios, quartets, and sextets and choruses. The following young ladies took part in this program: Misses Girardeau, Medearis, Cline, Hege, Medlin, Mast, Penn, Wilson, Mann, Click and Jones.

The graduating exercises occurred on Tuesday morning at 9:30 o'clock and diplomas were presented to the following young ladies by President Craven: Misses Mary Bess Knox, Mary Ethel Cline, Julia Mabel Cherry, Pearl Ulelia Dawson, Maude Sedalia Dawson, Emma Blanche Mann, Sara Margaret Tabor and Annie Lucile Womble, graduates in regular course; Misses Mary Ethel Cline, Ollie Hege, Jecolia McCauley Medlin, graduates in voice; Misses Grace Carpenter, Maude Horton Mast, Jecolia McCauley Medlin and Annie Laurie Patterson, graduates in art; Miss Maude Horton Mast, graduate in piano, and Miss Allye Henry Penn, graduate in expression.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN

There is no doubt that we speak the truth when we say that Greensboro College for Women, the oldest and strongest of our schools for women in North Carolina, and one of the oldest in the South, is closing this week the most successful year in its history.

Here, as at Davenport, and perhaps in all our institutions, the only malady is "growing pains." Notwithstanding the opening of Fitzgerald Hall last year, besides the use of some nearby buildings temporarily, there is an agony over the problem of providing space for all who desire to come, and the Board of Trustees is just now laboring with the question, and we shall not be surprised if in some way the crisis will be met by the erection of another large dormitory.

The spirit of education has taken possession of our people and there is no excuse for the cry of the pessimist, lest the denominational schools be left to languish for want of patronage. There never has been a time in the history of our country when there was such demand for room in our denominational schools. O, for men willing to loosen up their purse strings and make it possible for Greensboro, Davenport, Rutherford, Weaver and all our schools to house those who want education and who seem willing to pay for it.

While we would not advocate a policy which would commercialize our system of education and reduce the management of our schools to a mere business enterprise, it does seem that we ought to be able to put into their management sufficient business tact and sagacity to shelter those who are willing to pay their money for it. It seems very clear to those who are in position to observe that the limit of pat-

ronage in our schools is now set by the capacity of the institutions themselves, and nothing calls louder for liberality and sacrifice than our schools.

The commencement exercises at Greensboro began with the baccalaurate sermon by Bishop James H. McCoy, on last Sunday morning. The sermon was delivered to a great congregation in West Market Street church. The sermon was very appropriate, the text taken from Isaiah 40:30-31, developing the subject of the Importance of the Commonplace in Life. In his pleasing style the Bishop endeavored to exalt the common, every-day experience of life.

On Sunday evening Bishop James Atkins preached the annual sermon before the college Y. W. C. A. A storm coming up at the hour for service interfered somewhat, yet a large congregation gathered and Bishop Atkins gave them a strong message from Matt. 10:8, "Freely ye have received, freely give." He developed the theme of The Life of Service. The two Bishops gave the college and community an unusually strong bill of fare, and their visit was greatly appreciated.

Monday afternoon the class-day exercises were held, and on Monday evening the expression recital. As we go to press, Tuesday, the commencement exercises are in progress. The following received diplomas in the literary and other departments:

Candidates for A. B. Degree

Aleez Aycock, Laura Clement, Sibyl Howard Cox, Hilda Bateman Crawford, Hazel Coble Denny, Anna Neal Fuller, Jennie Lee Hunter, Jeannette Monroe Pearce, Ina Elizabeth Pegram, Edith Elizabeth Petree, Hettie Belle Rochelle, Lucy Belle Totten, Helen Louise Weaver, Vada Elaine Wynne.

Graduates School of Music—Piano

Helene Ethel Barbour, Martha Lindsay Clement, Hilda Bateman Crawford, Lillian Pritchett, Alma Ormond Richardson, Myrtle Sherrill.

Graduate in Art

Elizabeth Sullivan Crews.

Graduates in Domestic Science and Domestic Art

Kathryn Ivey White, Edelweiss King.

Marshals

Ethel Barbour, Chief, Gertrude Falls, Ethel Ross, Grace Huckabee, Ruth Gentry, Mary Smitherman, Lucile Abernethy.

The literary address was delivered by Dr. Henry Louis Smith, president of Washington and Lee University. Dr. Smith spoke on the Expanding Life. No theme could have been more appropriate, and we regret that we can not give the address in full to Advocate readers. From beginning to end there was not a superfulous word and the audience listened with rapt attention.

An episode of peculiar interest immediately following the address was the unveiling of the portrait of the late Rev. Frank L. Reid, D. D., who presided over the institution in 1893-94, and whose career, so successfully begun, was suddenly cut short by his death, which occurred in September, 1894. The portrait was presented by Mrs. Hill Parham, of Henderson, an honor graduate of the class of 1894. Mrs. Parham was introduced in a neat speech by Mrs. W. R. Odell, of Concord, president of the Alumnae Association. In a well prepared paper, Mrs. Parham paid beautiful tribute to the memory of Dr. Reid. At the conclusion of the tribute the veil was quietly slipped from the portrait by the hand of Miss Marion Gilmer, grand-daughter of the departed president. The great audience joined in the tribute to the departed president by rising and standing for a moment, after which Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe, in behalf of the Board of Trustees, accepted the gift of the Association.

President Turrentine then made the announcements, among the most interesting being the following donations for the new dormitory: Class of 1915, $500.00; Mr. J. W. Harris, High Point, $500.00; Mr. B. L. Duke, of Durham, $1,000.00.

NOTE AND COMMENT

One of the Most Important Happenings in the educational world recently is the moving of Elizabeth College from Charlotte to Salem, Va. Doctor King, the long-time president of Elizabeth, has given out the following statement: "The Roanoke Woman's College, of Salem, Va., and Elizabeth College, of Charlotte, have united their forces in order to establish a high-grade woman's college under the control of the United Synod of the Lutheran Church, South, and the Lutheran churches of the states of Maryland and Pennsylvania. The consolidated college will bear the name and title Elizabeth College and Conservatory of Music.

"The material equipment of Elizabeth College, with name, history, etc., is to be transferred to the buildings and grounds of the Roanoke Woman's College."

* * * *

The Pan-American Financial Conference, in which administration officials put high hopes for a closer union of commercial, financial and industrial interests of this hemisphere, began last Tuesday at Washington, where President Wilson welcomed the visitors. The Conference is to last six days and reports have it that though neither the visiting delegates nor the administration has authority to go beyond the spoken word, the planners of it expect a result more tangible than speeches or promises. In other words, they are hoping for a union of interests and purposes which eventually will work for the peace of the world and the betterment of humanity. One of the most prominent members of the cabinet, referring to the meeting said: "The present conference comes at an opportune time when the needed spirit of co-operation must take definite form to develop solidarity among the republics of this hemisphere."

* * * *

The Twenty-Seventh General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States on last Saturday adopted the report of a committee recommending as the correct theory of dealing with violators of the law and one in harmony with the law of Christ, a system which would make the court the reformatory instead of the prison. It was recommended at the same time that the influence of the denomination be directed to the encouragement of probation for casual offenders and imprisonment for life of vicious and incorrigible criminals. The prison contract system was also condemned and the honor system approved.

The report of the Committee on Sabbath Observance, which was adopted unanimously, denounced Sunday moving picture theaters; endorsed the Saturday half-holiday movement as tending to aid Sunday observance; denounced Sunday newspapers; urged that faculties of colleges and seminaries omit recitations on Monday mornings so as to leave the Sabbath free from the necessity of study; and reiterated emphatic disapproval of all secular uses of the Sabbath day, including games and sports in civil life, as well as in army and navy, all unnecessary traveling and all excursions.

* * * *

Claremont College, Hickory, an institution of the German Reformed Church of North Carolina, hereafter will be the girls' school of the denomination, and Catawba College, Newton, will be the boys' school, except as to local students. This long-discussed problem was settled in the Classis of the church at Newton last Monday. Sentiment for the change was overwhelming. President J. L. Murphy, of Claremont College; Dr. J. C. Leonard, of Lexington; Rev. W. H. McNairy, of Lincolnton; Elder E. D. Warlick, of Lincoln county, and others, joined the animated debate for the change, while President J. D. Andrew, of Catawba, and Dr. Paul Barringer, of Concord, led the Catawba College forces. Under the change one president will preside over both schools, though the idea now is there will be two full faculties. This and other details of the change are to be worked out later in a joint meeting of the boards of trustees of the respective schools. Newton people, report has it, do not favor the change, though are expressing no opposition.

The press reports of the meeting of the Classis in Newton carried an interesting article last Monday:

"A rather sensational resolution went through the Classis like a flash today, calling upon the Reformed Church Messenger, official organ of the united denomination, to discontinue its advertising of coca-cola and kindred drinks."

* * * *

And Now Comes a Green Book. It is issued by Italy to explain to the world why she goes to war with the "Central Empires," Germany and Austria. Apart from its color-name, which may be significant, the book contains some interesting matter. It claims that Austria intended to make war upon Servia in the summer of 1913 but postponed it because Italy unexpectedly refused to join in the proposal, a refusal based upon the argument that Austria's attack upon Servia was not defensive but offensive war, and not therefore a case with which the "Triple Alliance" had to do. For the same reason Italy refused to help Germany and Austria last August, thus going on record that the present war was a war of aggression. Austria is blamed for the present conflagration in Europe, all of it being started by her attack on Servia, an attack which Italy claims by the seventh article of the Triple Alliance allows her compensation from Austria. Such compensation Austria in the beginning refused, but on December 20, pressed by Germany, she showed some disposition toward concession. Up to May 20th, however, she failed to concede all Italy desired. Then came the break leading to the declaration of war upon Austria by Italy last Monday.

Italy's demands upon Austria were not small. Certainly they make insignificant last August's demands by Austria upon Servia. A glance at a good map of the region around the upper end of the Adriatic sea will give one a fairly good understanding of what these demands were.

First, Italy demanded the entire province of Trent, which is a part of the Austrian Tyrol, and splits northern Italy like a wedge entering between Lombardy and Venetia.

Second, she asked also a strip of territory east of the easternmost part of northern Italy, extending south as far as Nabresina, ten miles north of Triest.

Third, Triest and a large part of Istria were asked to be made into an independent state. Triest, it will be remembered, is Austria's most important seaport.

Fourth, six islands on the east side of the Adriatic, off the coast of lower Dalmatia, were to be ceded to Italy.

Fifth, Austria was asked to give up all claim to Albania and acknowledge Italy as sovereign over Avlona.

A granting of these demands, it can be readily seen, would have made the dual empire one of secondary importance, certainly so in the control of the Adriatic.

All these demands and more are understood to be promised Italy by the allies in case they win the war. In fact, the allies promise to make some changes in the eastern boundary of Tunis, give part of the Ottoman Empire to Italy, and also portions of the German colonies in Africa or other parts of the world.

* * * *

Amid the Horribleness of the World War News the reports of our commencements are refreshing. Human energies spent in this direction are so much more like the sunlight leading to growth, energy, sweetness, ambition, light and beauty. We wish we had the space to cull from some of these splendid commencement sermons and addresses the many magnificent thoughts and give them to our readers. Clippings from the dailies and weeklies at this season of the year are certainly worth preserving. Institutions of all denominations as well as those of the state, are going toward a splendid future. May the Lord keep us looking upward!

The reader will do well to look up our new book offers on pages 14 and 15. Everybody should read the Life of Fanny Crosby, and all parents should be interested in the books for children.

CONTRIBUTIONS

THE DEMON OF DESPAIR

(In Memoriam)

By Janie Kestler

Your deeds of crime and shame
Blasted many a noble name,
Old Corn and Rye.
You ruined men of their health,
Wasted their time and wealth,
And left them to die.

Enemy of hope and home,
No more our land shall roam,
Old Demon, Drink.
Thy spell's forever broken,
Thy doom's already spoken,
In degredation sink.

Good-bye old Corn and Rye,
Good-bye the tear and sigh,
Men must be wise.
Earth smiles at thy defeat,
Heaven songs of joy repeat
At thy demise.

You drove from paths of duty
Our youths of love and beauty—
Their souls all stained.
You took our gems of hope,
You made them slaves of dope,
In prisons chained.

Go tell the awful story,
How they stole our nation's glory
With your sparkling glare.
Too long indeed we waited,
Too little indeed we hated,
This demon of despair.

Your days are almost ended,
No more shall there be blended
Manhood and gin.
Vile master! To thy grave!
Upon thy tomb write, knave
And serpent of sin.

Concord, N. C.

FORCES THAT MOULD

By Rev. W. E. Poovey

(II) Effluence

"Thy wickedness may hurt a man as thou art; and thy righteousness may profit the son of man"—Job. 35:8.

There are not only forces terminating upon us, and relating us passively with past and present; but there are forces originating with us, relating us actively with present and future. We inherit from the past, but we also bequeath to the future. We are in a measure creatures of environment, but we are in turn creators of environment also. The streams that flow into one life have first flowed out of other lives, and every influence is first an effluence. It is with this outflowing that we shall deal here.

Blood and personality are the fountains of effluence. By personality the life projects itself upon the present. By blood the ancestral stream is fed as it flows out of the past and into the future, and every life which expresses itself through this avenue becomes a tributary to this stream.

Physical, mental and moral characteristics are transmitted by consanguinity. The physical features of offspring are a composite of ancestral characteristics. Physical defects are perpetuated by the same inexorable law. The germ of disease is not thus communicated, but the predisposition to disease is, and so the offspring of diseased parents becomes an easy prey to the germ of the same disease. The son of inebriety may inherit an insatiate appetite for strong drink. A mother came to her pastor and requested him to speak to her son who was burning up his physical, mental and moral fiber by the use of cigarettes. He saw tears in her eyes and he had compassion on the mother and pitied the son. Then he saw the brown stains at the corners of her mouth, and he had compassion on the son and pitied the mother.

That mental acumen as well as defect may be handed down from parent to child has been established by the testimony of eminent alienists. And Theology and Pathology are agreed that when "the fathers have eaten sour grapes, the children's teeth are set on edge." The one has discovered the cause of the depravity of the race; the other has searched out the underlying causes of the moral degeneration of the individual. That our dispositions and illtempers may become the predispositions and distempers of our children, that our immorality may become their maelstrom, and that they may be holden with the chains of our habits, should give us pause.

In the second place, every life is a center from which radiates a psycho-kinetic energy called personality, which impresses every other life that comes within its field of force. The thinker expressed this truth when he said, "There's a line in man that runs out to every room and realm in the universe." The theologian has put it, "None of us liveth to himself." The artist has portrayed it in the halo. The politician, the promoter and the propagandist have made tacit acknowledgement of it in their use of the caucus, the banquet and a big meeting. But probably the best illustration of it is found in the nineteenth chapter of First Samuel: King Saul, "breathing out threatennigs and slaughter" against David as did a later namesake against the early disciples, sent messengers to Ramah to bring back the fugitive who had placed himself under the protection of the prophet samuel at that place. But when these messengers came into the atmosphere of Samuel and his school of prophets they were converted and matriculated in the school. And so it was with the second and third band of emissaries that came from Saul. Finally the king himself came upon the vengeful quest. But he, too, when he came within the range of the holy enthusiasms was transformed by its overwhelming tide and fell into a prophetic trance.

There are two kinds of effluence, purposed and unpurposed. Purposed effluence finds two avenues for expression, speech and action. Words express thought, and thought interprets character. "As he thinketh in his heart, so is he," "for out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaketh." There is a point on the crest of the Blue Ridge where the slightest zephyr may determine whether the falling raindrop may find its way westward to the hedged-in Gulf, or eastward to the broad Atlantic. So there are psychic moments when a single word may limit or enlarge a destiny. Browning makes Pippa to pass at pivotal moments so that her song finds access to hearts that are meditating wrong, and her expression of faith and love puts evil to route. A word from Moffat sends Livingstone into darkest Africa, and to die among immortals.

The deed, too, is an index to character. And often it is a truer one than words. There are high resolves and holy enthusiasms that cannot be measured with words, and there is also sorrow so deep that it cannot be fathomed by the plummet of speech. It is not what we say, therefore, that the world accepts as our true effluence. Neither does it accept what we say we are, but rather what we hsow ourselves to be.

The wisdom and spirit with which Stephen spoke in the synagogue were convincing, but those who heard would not be convinced. His courageous arraignment of those who sat in the Council was convincing, but instead of convincing it enraged them. But the language of his holy life and the logic of his triumphant death were effective in convincing the judgment and convicting the conscience of one who "was consenting unto his death." If Paul could call Timothy his son in the gospel, then he could have spoken with equal propriety of Stephen as his sire in the gospel. As the atmosphere of Samuel's Spirit-filled personality met and mastered Saul of Kish, so the incense of Stephen's martyrdom enveloped and ultimately overwhelmed Saul of Tarsus.

As is the fountain, so is the outflowing stream. Our true selves makes the impress, whether we will it so or not. And after all, the unpurposed exhalations of character are the elemental constituents of environment. The apostles' shadows were said to have possessed healing power. And an unpurposed miracle was wrought on the woman who touched the hem of the Master's garment. If virtue is abound, it must first abide. The Water Life must flow in before streams of living w ter can flow out.

The issue of a holy life comes into a hig heritage than the offspring of iniquity. Th it is that the reversal of the tendency of individual life by regeneration will not reve the general trend of the ancestral stream, a so the age-long battle against its current m be renewed by every earth-born individual. I when there lies back of any life a line of heav born ancestry, though born with a tendency sin, it is imbued with an intuition to righteo ness, and though caught in the current wh drift is downward, it is blessed with the big moral biceps and better battle-sinews wh give it an advantage in the inevitable comb Therefore, let him who would leave the high heritage of blood to the son of man, early op his life to the inheritance of blood from Son of God. "Thy righteousness may pr the son of man." Likewise, let him who wo send forth a wholesome effluence, submit hi self to an holy influence.

Dallas, N .C.

A SERIOUS PROBLEM AND A SOLUTI SUGGESTED

By Olin P. Ader, B. D.

"All work and no play makes Jack a d boy." All play and no work makes Jack dirty boy. The world's greatest peril is from over-work but from over-play. Work good for our moral life, but in our play we to the bad—or tend that way. Idleness the mother of iniquity. The best boys and m useful citizens in this country, as a rule, boys brought up on the farm and taught work. Child-labor laws that would thr children out of work into idleness are of su doubtful wisdom that one does not wonder th our state legislature is slow to enact the Child-labor laws suggest a negative and structive program rather than a positive a constructive program. There are some thin to be said in their favor, of course; but th is a better way for us all to go than the w suggested by these child-labor reformers. T better way was followed by the Jew long ye ago, and had much to do with making ancie Israel the greatest nation on earth. The bet way was taught to the Jew by Jehovah, and was this, to require that every child shall taught a trade, taught to do something. T Jewish child was taught the law and his mo and religious life was carefully looked afte but he was taught, not only to be good, b also to be good for something. He must ha a trade.

The effort to thrust in vocational traini into our public schools is also of very dou ful wisdom. We do not need to do that. B we do need, or we need nothing else on ear a vacation vocational training school. Duri the summer vacation every boy and girl, w has no work at home to keep them bus should be taken off of our streets and out of life of idleness and iniquity and placed in vocational training school. The idle boy a girl who ilve a loafer's life and learn all kin of evil ways and unclean words are moral lepe that spread the leprosy of sin wherever th go. "I had rather a lion would come in my yard where my children are than for son boys and girls to come in," said Dr. Long Salisbury years ago, speaking to a Sund school and Epworth League meeting. His wor seemed strong indeed, but not too strong one thinks seriously about the evils a li might do as compared with the evils a mon leper might do.

The crying need of the world is for son such positive, constructive program as is su gested above, and if a town in North Caroli should see the truth as the writer sees it a he could be of any service to that town working out to completion this program, a ca to such a work would come the nearest taking him out of his present preaching mi istry into that practicing ministry of anythi he can think of. This is not meant to be challenge, but it is simply one way of stati this fact, that here is a work needed to done and needed so much that one mig

wisely lay down any other task on earth to take up this work and do well in doing so.

Such a vocational training school could be made self-supporting, but the chief product of such a school would be moral rather than material values. The wealthier classes whose children live in idleness and learn vicious habits need such a school for their children more than the poorer classes whose children are driven by necessity to work.

ANNUAL MEETING OF MISSION BOARD

R. B. Eleazer

The Sixty-Ninth Annual Meeting of the Board of Missions, which was held in Nashville May 11-14, was marked by an unusual amount of constructive work. Some of the important steps taken were the amendment of the Board's charter, so as to safeguard completely the rights and authority of the church, the adoption of a well- considered plan for retiring its long-standing debt, and a thorough investigation of all the administrative details by a committee appointed last year for that purpose.

Secretarial Reports

The report of the General Secretary, Dr. Pinson, dealt largely with the financial status of the Board, pointing out the danger of independent "specials" as a cause of debt and insisting that, so far as possible, all "specials" assigned should be from the Board's regular budget. On the other hand, he emphasized the advantage to be gained from regular "specials," which are at present assigned to the amount of $175,000 a year. "The assessment, however," he said, "is still our only means of reaching the rank and file of our great membership." He suggested the wisdom of raising an emergency fund of $50,000 as soon as possible to prevent further embarrassment from the Board's reduced income in 1914.

The Sunday school was emphasized as a missionary agency, and the suggestion was made that the work in China be given to the Sunday schools as their special responsibility. Both this and the foregoing recommendation were adopted by the Board.

Funds Diverted and Held Back

Certain irregularities in reporting missionary funds were pointed out which result in great hardship to the Board, among them the diversion of missionary collections in the church and Sunday schools to the payment of other assessments and the holding back of collections by local or Conference treasurers. This latter habit increases by several thousand dollars a year the Board's necessary expenditure for interest.

The Regions Beyond

Dr. Ed F. Cook, Secretary of the Foreign Department, who recently visited and studied our work in China, Japan and Korea, presented an interesting report dealing with the situation in the Orient, as well as with the work in Latin lands. A feature of special interest in his report deals with the relations of the Japanese government to Christianity in Korea.

Miss Mabel Head, Secretary of the Foreign Department of Woman's Work, have a succinct review of that branch of the work, showing a total of 123 missionaries, 264 native workers, 213 boarding schools, 2,823 pupils in boarding schools, 67 day schools (with 3,587 pupils), 128 Bible women, 5 Bible schools, 508 scholarships, one hospital (with 6,464 patients), 62 buildings owned, and property values of $1,113,955.00.

Our Own Land

Dr. John M. Moore, Secretary of the Home Department, spoke of the general work in this field, dealing forcibly with the subjects of evangelism, lay activities, minimum pastoral salaries, work with the negro, the Indian, the Mexican, and other foreign populations in America, and American work in the West.

Mrs. R. W. MacDonell, Secretary of the Home Department of Woman's Work, presented a comprehensive report with relation to the many phases of work conducted under the auspices of that department. These embrace schools for mountain people, delinquents and foreigners, work among Orientals on the Pacific Coast, homes for working women, Mexican work, work for negroes, work in mining regions, city missions, Wesley Houses, deaconess work.

Income

According to the reports of the Treasurers, Mr. J. D. Hamilton and Mrs. F. H. E. Ross, the income of the Board last year was as follows: Foreign Missions, General Board, $585,102.63; foreign missions, Woman's Department, $276,807.52. Total, $861,910.15. Home Missions, General Board, $103,075.21; Home Missions, Woman's Department, $267,523.22. Total, $370,598.43. Grand total, $1,232,508.58.

Re-Adjustment in Mexico

A resolution was introduced by Bishop Hoss rescinding the action taken by the Board in September last on the proposed plan of cooperation in Mexico. After ample discussion, Bishop Hoss agreed to amend his resolution so that it would apply only to the question of territorial re-distribution, leaving same to the General Conference, which is recognized by all as the only body competent to change Conference boundaries, and making the resolution read "suspend" instead of "rescind." The preamble, which was the subject of much discussion, was also withdrawn and the resolution as amended was adopted with practical unanimity.

Methodist Training School Discontinued

It was decided, on recommendation of the Executive Committee, to discontinue the Methodist Training School in Nashville at the close of the present session, on the ground that our great Methodist schools are hereafter to give special training in Christian service, and that Scarritt Bible and Training School can meet practically the same need as that served by the Nashville school. The Training School has been quite successful in its field and its discontinuance, which seems undoubtedly wise in view of the considerations mentioned above, is nevertheless a matter of regret to all concerned.

Investigation of Administrative Affairs

The Committee on Finance and Administration appointed by the Board last year and headed by Bishop McCoy, reported the results of a thorough investigation of the administrative affairs of the Board. This showed a net indebtedness of $184,260.00—a slight reduction from that of a year ago. To retire this debt the Committee recommended and the Board ordered that for the remainder of the quadrennium, or until the debt is paid, the annual appropriations for the Foreign Department, General Work, must be limited to $400,000, including also independent "specials." This is a very drastic measure and will make it necessary that the Board shall do no more than mark time, but seems entirely justified by the end in view.

The expense of administration for 1914 was shown to have been 8.43 per cent. of the Board's receipts. This does not include the interest account of 3.42 per cent. which the committee felt should not be considered a part of administrative expense. The committee was able to find no point at which the administrative expense could be reduced without danger of reducing the efficiency of the service.

Amending the Charter

Realizing the necessity of amending the Board's charter, steps were taken prior to the last General Conference to secure proper action of that body. A Charter Commission having been appointed by the General Conference, the matter was taken up, counsel employed, and a new act of the legislature of Tennessee secured. The counsel, Messrs. P. D. Maddin and J. H. DeWitt, appeared before the Board and guided it through the maze of legal technicalities. The amended charter adopted by the Board under the new act will safeguard every interest and protect all rights of the church.

Cutting to the Last Limit

The Board found itself with a reduced sum for appropriation due to a decrease in income and a more rigid guarding of the basis of appreciation. This necessitated cutting down to the last limit and in some cases beyond the limit. It will work hardship on the missionaries. Forty-five thousand dollars is a heavy reduction on an already inadequate appropriation. The fact was strongly emphasized that we had multiplied and enlarged our work faster than we had increased the income, and that, as the General Secretary pointed out in his report, "we have more territory and more enterprises than our income will adequately care for, and our evident task now is to build up an income that will adequately care for the work we have in hand." Hence the strong appeal for full collections, the raising of regular "specials" that count on the budget, and the increase of special income from the Sunday schools.

Summary of Appropriations

The following appropriations were made for 1916: Foreign Department—General Work, $389,554.12; Woman's Work, $225,085.46. Home Department- General Work, $120,050; Woman's Work, $139,080.85.

AMONG OUR EXCHANGES

Bread a Necessity

Breadstuffs are evidently becoming scarce in Germany. Of course, this is a vital matter, since neither civilians nor soldiers can survive without bread. No more can the Church of God. Unless our members feed, they die. Plain substantials fill the want when men and women hunger. Syllabub and tuttifrutti count for little. Simon Peter's restoration to his old place of discipleship was under the specific direction that he feed the Master's sheep. Food, food, food—that is what many of our church members need. A bread basket is worth more than rod or rawhide.—Midland Methodist.

The Revival and Arithmetic

When we read press notices of revival meetings in which hundreds and thousands of conversions are reported, we "greatly admire," as Bishop McTyeire used to say. Of course, the good bishop used the phrase in its strictly classical sense; and so do we.

We wonder, as we read the glowing account, how much of the success is due to the imagination of the reporter; how much to the mathematical genius of the preachers, and how much to real evangelistic victory over the powers of darkness.

Not that we would accuse anyone of deliberately lying. The charitable views is that any variation from the facts of the case is attributable to an excited state of mind in those who do the reporting.

But undoubtedly, the exaggeration so common in reporting meetings is a hindrance to the cause.

It has a very bad effect on those who did not come under the influence of the revival; and it leads often, to questioning the wisdom of special evangelistic campaigns.

In a certain Methodist Conference over seven thousand conversions were reported for a certain year; and yet observant gentlemen found that the reports on membership for that year, as found in the published minutes, showed a decrease of 175.

A great revival was reported in a certain Southern city some years ago in which the newspapers claimed several thousand conversions; but investigation showed but a score or so of accessions to the churches.

It is not uncommon to see a report of a thousand professions of faith in a town of four or five thousand inhabitants.

A farmer once offered to sell one of his two fine cows; and when a neighbor called to see them he bragged on the great flow of milk which one of the cows gave, but said nothing of the other. The neighbor chose the "other" saying, as he did so, "I don't like a cow that gives too much milk."

Sapientibus verbum sat.—Dixie Methodist.

Some people are inclined to the belief that spiritual religion is an antiquated fancy or sentimentalism. But this is not a new idea, it is merely the reappearance of the spirit of secularism and externalism that has held sway for a brief period from time to time, until it has accentuated the need of a supernatural conversion and religious experience in the heart, which alone can inspire the devotion and service needful to the race. God is not dead. Human nature is forever the same, its needs, weaknesses, and its certain return to fundamental reliance upon the divine and supernatural periodic lapses into formalism and decadence. And it would seem that the time for a great spiritual awakening is about due.—Exchange.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

District Conference Directory

Asheville, at Brevard	June 2-4
Greensboro, Asheboro	July 13-15
Morganton, at Gilkey	July 15-18
Salisbury, Kannapolis	July 21-23
Charlotte	July 21-23
Shelby, at Lowesville	July 27-29
Statesville, at Broad Street	July 28-31

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. N. R. Richardson is holding revival services at Mountain Island this week.

—Rev. S. T. Barber was a visitor at the Advocate office on Wednesday of last week. He was on his way to Reidsville to visit relatives for a few days.

—Rev. E. C. Glenn requests us to state that he has open dates for the last of June and in August for meetings. If any of the brethren wish to use him they can write him at Greensboro, N. C.

—Bishop Kilgo announces that he has appointed Rev. N. H. D. Wilson Conference Missionary Secretary for the North Carolina Conference by request of the Conference Board of Missions.

—Rev. Hight C. Moore, for several years editor of the Biblical Recorder, was honored by Wake Forest College last week with the degree of Doctor of Divinity. An honor very worthily bestowed and one that will not have to be apologized for in the years to come.

—Mr. and Mrs. James W. Ward have issued invitations for the marriage of their daughter, Sadie Belle, and Mr. Waverly G. Morrison, of Wilkesboro. The ceremony will take place at the Ward home on Bell street Wednesday afternoon, June 2nd, at 6 o'clock. —Statesville Landmark.

—The Philathea class of our Lenoir Sunday school recently held a meeting to discuss ways and means for providing room for their work. The church is wholly inadequate and the growth of both the Sunday school and the congregation demand expansion. We hope something will burst the shell soon and that our Lenoir people will build for themselves a church equal in every way to the demands.

—We are informed that Dr. F. N. Parker, for several years at the head of the Biblical Department of Trinity College, has accepted the chair of Systematic Theology in Emory University, Atlanta. We regret very much to see Dr. Parker leave Trinity, but if he must go we rejoice to see him go to our chief "school of the prophets." Dr. Parker is one of our strongest men and is thoroughly sound.

—It is to be regretted that all the plans for the development of Lake Junaluska can not be carried out this season. The difficulty in getting money is holding up the work there. The public service building is to be adapted to hotel purposes and this will help to a large extent. There will be the usual number of conferences, and there is reason to believe that they will attract larger numbers than were present last season.—Waynesville Courier.

—Dr. C. C. Weaver, of Emory and Henry College, Emory, Va., delivered the address before the graduating class of the Jefferson School last week. He discussed "The Art of Being Human," and greatly pleased his audience. At the close of the address Mr. G. L. Park, with fitting words, delivered the diplomas to the graduates—Misses Addie Neal, Queenie Duvall, Clyde Wayman, Maude Smith, George Todd Colvard, John Weaver and Roy Johnson.

—Many readers of the Advocate will learn with interest that Prof. D. F. Giles, of Marion, son of Rev. M. D. Giles, of the North Carolina Conference, has been unanimously chosen county superintendent in Wake county, by the Board of Education of that county. This is a deserved honor which has come to Mr. Giles, who is one of the brightest young educators in our state. Prof. Giles has had many years of experience in educational work and was, for some time superintendent of schools for McDowell county.

—A notice of the announcement of the wedding of Miss Annie Lee Grissom, of Greensboro, and Dr. Roger Lansing Offen, of Stamford, Conn., has appeared in the Stamford Courier. Dr. Offen is a prominent young physician of Stamford, of one of the oldest families in Connecticut, and the marriage is of much interest to Stamford people. The ceremony will take place June 16. Miss Grissom is a popular young lady and has many friends in Greensboro who will regret to see her leave. She is the youngest daughter of the late Rev. W. L. Grissom, formerly one of the editors of the Advocate.

Hendersonville.—We have received thirty-three members by vows so far, as a result of our meetings in Hendersonville. Others may join and some will join other churches. Rev. E. M. Hoyle was with us and did the preaching. He is a very successful revivalist—a strong, clear, convincing preacher and a consecrated man. Our people had been holding cottage prayer meetings for some time and were ready and anxious for the meeting, and cooperated heartily from the beginning. The Lord was present in convicting and converting power and many were born of the Spirit at the altar in the old Methodist way. Praise the Lord for his saving power.

W. F. Womble.

Albemarle.—The Enterprise had the following intems of interest in last week's issue:

Our Sunday school still grows. On last Sunday morning the secretary's report showed two hundred and sixty-six present and three hundred and fifteen on roll. But we should not stop short of the total of our church membership, which is now about four hundred and thirty.

On last Sunday morning we had the privilege of having with us Rev. A. D. Betts, one of the fathers in Israel of North Carolina Methodism. His brief discourse on growth in grace was a gem in its exposition, its spirit and its application. The sermon was followed by what we suppose was the largest communion service in the history of our church at this place.

West End, Winston-Salem.—Last Sunday was a great day for the West End congregation, Winston-Salem. Reporting the day, the Sentinel on Monday says:

Sunday, marking the second anniversary of the beginning of worship in the handsome new edifice of the West End Methodist church, was a great day with that congregation.

At the morning service, after a forceful and eloquent sermon by Bishop John C. Kilgo, over $25,000 was raised for the liquidation of the church's indebtedness. In commenting upon this excellent achievement, Bishop Kilgo said he had never before seen such a large amount raised at a service from a congregation of that size and that the collection was notable also in that the amount secured was raised in such a quiet way, with practically no urging and without the necessity for a great deal of talking. It was an achievement of which the popular pastor of the church, Rev. R. M. Courtney, and the membership have good reason to be proud.

Davidson Circuit.—We closed a good old-time revival meeting at Good Hope church last Sunday. I think great good was done. Thirty-five or more were converted or reclaimed. We received nineteen persons into the church. We are thankful to God. My good friend, Rev. C. C. Williams, was with us and was good help. He is a good preacher and is a man of great spiritual power. I am so glad that he has about decided to join Conference. He will do a great work, I believe. We have other meetings to hold. Pray for us.

T. J. Houck.

Lenoir Circuit.—We have just closed th finest meeting of my life at Fairview schoo house, just south of Lenoir, on the Morganto road. This congregation is composed of farm ing people and many of the people who wor in the different shops of Lenoir. This wa really a continuation of the revival held i the First Methodist church. For ten night we were happy in the altar work during whic time so many were saved in Lenoir. We ha over 100 professions. Thus far we hav received 59 into the Fairview class, 54 o profession of faith. To go out for two week and have such an ingathering as to organiz a new church of 54 converts is an occasio for thanksgiving not soon to be forgotten For some time my heart has been burdene with the need of a revival on the Lenoi circuit. A brighter day has already dawne upon us in that we have had about 400 pro fessions in the three meetings, Lenoir, Fair view and South Lenoir. Prof. Birmingham of Davenport College, has done some fin preparatory work for this revival in th Sunday school. Sister Dora Anderson, th teacher in the public school, was a fine work er. In one home we had a pentecost. A aged grandmother rejoiced in the Lord. I another we had five professions. In anothe a good neighbor did not attend church. W had a service in his orchard under the appl trees. When asking if any wanted to be praye for he said, "Pray for me." We shall neve forget a little pentecost under his apple tree when a number knelt by him and praye with such joy for his salvation. He wen with us to church, was a penitent that evening A fine body of young men joined the church many of whom said Christ had cast the devi out. Several fathers and mothers are among the accessions. "Every father and mothe for Jesus," was a motto of the campaign Father, mother and three children joine from the home where the service was held i the orchard. Such glorious power manifes in saving sinners. On some days we preach ed, by the Lord's help, four times—a 1 p. m., 3 p. m., 6:30 and 8:15 p. m. Thi was a hard fight but a glorious victory. W need to revive the old truths—the devil, a roar ing lion; hell, sin, and Christ, salvation an heaven. These are fundamental.

Pray that this may only be a beginning o the campaign on this circuit. We ought t have at least 400 more professions on the Lenoir circuit. T. S. Coble.

Norwood.—The location of Norwood is al most ideal for manufacturing purposes. The water power is beyond calculation, and is very convenient. Situated between Peedee and Rocky rivers, we could take choice of the sources of power in easy reach. Less than two miles to Pedee, and less than three to Rocky river, we are in the opening of a peninsula, the two streams coming together seven miles below This strip constituting the peninsula is fine farming land, and is owned almost entirely by the farmers, and the citizens of Norwood.

Three railroad systems run daily ten passenger trains to and by our town. The Southern has a branch line from Salisbury, terminating here. The Winston-Salem Southbound passes here, forming a connecting link between the A. C. L. and the N. & W. which really gives us the advantage of both systems. The Norfolk-Southern also passes here to Charlotte, its western terminus, 44 miles to the west. It is 112 miles to Raleigh. No trouble to go anywhere from Norwood.

There are something like 1200 people in Norwood. The prospects for material growth are very fine, and only wait the end of this horrible war to push ahead. At least two large manufacturing plants are projected for the place, and would doubtless have been going up now if times had not been so adverse to progress.

But the biggest thing in Norwood is the Methodist church. This is written advisedly. It is the truth. I know of no place where the church has the same hold upon the entire population that it has at Norwood. I do not mean to say the church is all that it ought to be. It is far from it. But the church is not only centrally located as to geography, but similar to the

encampment of Israel of old, the church is the center of the life of the town. The place of convergence and divergence. None of our people feel themselves too rich, or too great, or too wise to frequent the church, and sit under its ministrations. None are so poor as to feel cramped among us. There is less vicious stratification of society here than any place in my knowledge. None very rich, and none, or few, abjectly poor.

The biggest single thing in the Methodist church here is the Sunday school. Last Sunday a week there were 205 present. The attendance ranges from 160 to 200, and sometimes runs beyond these figures. It is a beautiful thing to see the fathers and mothers come with the sons and daughters to Sunday school. That is just what you see in Norwood every Sunday. The Bible class, ordinarily affiliated with the Baraca movement, but not so here, is taught by J. F. Shinn, and numbers between 40 and 50 men. I have never seen anything so significant of the value of the church in the community as the sight of 50 men filing into and out of their room on Sunday morning. The little children are there, and the boys and girls, and the young men and women. All these classes of people are enlisted in the study of the word of God. The men's class, or class No. 1, was taught by the pastor till Brother Rankin came to us. This is composed of men between the ages of 40 and 75, and beyond, sometiems.

The superintendent of the school is Dr. T. A. Hathcock, and he is a live, wide-awake superintendent. We use the Wednesday evening prayer meeting hour by combining the service with the teachers' meeting. We study the Sunday school lesson as thoroughly as possible then and there, and try to lay the foundation for successfully teaching it the following Sunday.

The next biggest thing in Norwood is the Graded School. And some, no doubt, will say it is the biggest of all. Pronounced by all who have seen it, and expressed themselves as the largest and best building for school purposes according to size of the town to be found in these parts. It is in fine condition. Presided over by Rev. J. D. Rankin, of our Conference, it lacks nothing of being a school to be desired and sought after. The work done is eminently satisfactory, and speaks prophetically for the future of the community. Brother Rankin is also pastor of Oakboro church in Stanly county.

We held a meeting last August, which did not seem to be a success, as we did not swell the roll of members by it. The preaching was done by the pastor. The congregations were good and greatly improved as the meeting progressed. It is not unusual for such attendance to be only temporary, and I did not really expect anything else. But we have had steadily nearly twice as many at regular services since the meeting as before.

We have just finished a series of sermons on "Bible Truth." The series consisted of fourteen sermons, beginning January 17, and ending last Sunday. The sermons were intended to be a brief but comprehensive body in teaching in Bible principles. The people seemed very much interested in the series, and the congregations were good at every service, and at some services very large. The evening services have been a study of "Bible Characters." I have advertised these services, sometimes in the county paper, and always on large slates in the store windows. I believe in judicious advertising for church services. Why not? I announce beforehand what I am going to preach about and believe it pays to do so.

There are two other churches here for white people, the Baptist and the Presbyterian. The latter is now without a pastor. We live in peace and harmony with our brethren of these churches. We hope to have a great meeting this year. We are trying to plan wisely for it.

R. M. Taylor.

From Conference Evangelist

We have just been in a meeting with Brother J. W. Kennedy on the Woodleaf charge, at South River. The Lord was present with us from the beginning and gave us a good meeting. There were about thirty-five professions, church members included; about fourteen additions; one bright young man was reclaimed and answered the call to the ministry, and is now getting ready to go to school and prepare himself. The church was greatly revived. We were glad to be with those people again, as they were the people of the second charge we served after joining Conference. We are now with Brother S. E. Richardson at East Spencer.

W. L. Dawson.

Efficiency Institute for Burke County Methodism—Morganton Methodist Church, May 29-30

Friday, May 28th

9:30 a. m.—Opening exercises. J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder.

10:00 a. m.—How to Stimulate Missionary Interest Among the Young People, by Rev. Beverly Wilson, Rutherford College, followed by round table discussion on work among young people.

11:00 a. m.—Gospel of Missions, by Rev. Loy D. Thompson, Marion.

2:30 p. m.—Lay Activities, F. J. Chapman, District Lay Leader, presiding.

3:00 p. m.—Missionary Committee in the Rural Church, Rev. Elmer Simpson.

3:30 p. m.—Some of the Results of the Work of Missionary Committee in the Country Church.

4.00 p. m.—The Every Member Canvass in the Local Field, J. L. Nelson.

8:00 p. m.—Address by Rev. J. M. Way. Spartanburg, S. C., Field Sunday School Secretary of the South Carolina Conferences.

Saturday, May 29th

9:30 a. m.—Devotional Exercises.

10:00 a. m.—Sunday School Problems, conducted by Prof. M. T. Hinshaw, of Rutherford College.

11:00 a. m.—Address by Rev. J. M. Way.

2:30 p. m.—Burke County Sunday Schools, Rev. J. E. Gay.

3:30 p. m.—The Advanced Class, A. G. Lyman.

Remarks by Ex-Superintendent J. A. Claywell, for 50 years superintendent of the Morganton Methodist Sunday school.

4:00 p. m.—General Discussion by all the superintendents present.

North Wilkesboro District Notice
Elk Park, June 24-27

Committees:—Public Worship, L. B. Hays, W. M. Bagby, A. P. Brinkly; License to Preach, Parker Holmes, J. W. Hoyle E. P. Stabler; Orders, O. J. Jones, J. M. Downum, W. S. Cherry; Spiritual State of the Church, E. P. Stabler, John H. Green, C. F. Ashely; Missions, S. W. Brown, D. P. Waters, Felix Howell; Sunday Schools, O. J. Jones, E. E. Yates, J. B. Horton; Finances, Parker Holmes, J. I. Hickman, C. E. Cox; Quarterly Conference Records, J. M. Downum, W. L. Scott, T. S. Maxwell; Ministerial Supply and Training, W. M. Bagby, J. W. Hoyle, W. W. Steadman; Lay Activities, R. M. Brame, C. D. Taylor, Dr. J. W. White; Epworth Leagues, L. B. Hays, W. S. Cherry, Monroe Robbins; American Bible Society, John H. Green, Parker Holmes, J. W. Caudill.

Lay leaders are members of the District Conference and are urged to attend. Recording stewards are members and are required to bring their quarterly conference record books. Local preachers are required by the Discipline to make a written report of their work to the district.

Let all those who are placed on committees give careful thought to their work and be prepared to do some definite work.

Men representing special interests of the church are cordially invited to be present.

J. H. Bennett, P. E.

Asheville District Conference Notice

Will all visitors who expect to attend the Asheville District Conference at Brevard, June 2-4, kindly drop the pastor a card, so that entertainment may be provided, and oblige?

Rutherford College

Announcement—Our Summer School will open June 1st and will continue for six weeks, closing July 9th.

Railway Facilities—Our railroad station is Connelly Springs and is but a short walk from the college campus. Trains arrive as follows: From East, 7:14 a. m., 11:50 a. m., 4:50 p. m. and 11:50 p. m. From West, 9:10 a. m., 11:50 a. m., 5:20 p. m. and 9:50 p. m. All trains stop at Connelly Springs.

Boarding Facilities—The local boarding houses will be open for our students at reduced summer rates. Students are advised to report at college office for selection of boarding place.

Registration—The first day will be given to registration. It would be best for students to come on Monday but trains will be met Tuesday also and registration will be open both Tuesday and Wednesday. Students are advised to enter the first day and remain for the six weeks course, but they will be received at any time.

A registration fee of ten dollars ($10.00), which must be paid by all at whatever time they enter or leave, admits to almost all classes and privileges of the school. This fee is payable at time of entrance and is required of all alike whether they enter late or leave early.

Courses of Study—Work in the following departments is offered: Latin, Mathematics, History, German, French, Greek and English. In addition to these the school will offer review work to teachers of secondary schools, and will also give special training to teachers of primary grades. For this latter work the college has secured the services of Miss Eva Dellinger, an expert primary teacher, and those who have the opportunity to take this work will be very fortunate. Special arrangements have been made for teachers of State high schools.

Recreation—Work will be so arranged that almost all the afternoon may be given to recreation—walks to the river, visits to mineral springs, lawn tennis, automobile rides, and other outdoor sports.

Attendance—There will be a large number in attendance, and we shall look for you and we will spare no pains to make the school the best for those who attend.

Yours sincerely,

E. K. Creel, Sec.

OUR CHILDREN'S HOME REPORT
By Walter Thompson, Supt.

Next Sunday is the fifth Sunday.

The receipts last week and week before averaged 50 cents a week for each child.

The applications for admission were never so urgent and the receipts seldom so small.

If you have something on hand for the Home, will you not send it, no matter how small?

* * * *

Amount Received on Special and General Support and Ten Per Cent. Assessment

Mrs. Bettie Beacham, Polkton	$ 5.00
C. M. Edwards, High Point	15.00
Fasmington Ct., Farmington, Rev. D. C. Ballard	10.00
Brevard Institute S. S., for Brevard Methodist church, C. R. Douglas	10.21
Clarks Chapel S. S., Waynesville Dist., Franklin, J. P. Brown	2.00
Total	$42.21

Building Fund—Rev. J. H. West, Agent

Main St. S. S., Gastonia	$ 12.25
Capt. W. L. Robinson, Mt. Airy	10.00
V. A. J. Idol, High Point	5.00
Mrs. Fannie Carter, Biltmore	5.00
J. C. Orr, Asheville	10.00
C. E. Lundy, Mt. Airy	2.50
Broad St. church, Statesville, P. L. Wooten	29.10
Reidsville S. S., M. W. Pleasants	50.00
Hon. Clyde R. Hoey, Shelby	25.00
Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe, High Point	25.00
Total	$173.85

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

CONFERENCE OFFICERS

President
Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson ..Greensboro
First Vice-President
Mrs. H. K. Boyer ....Winston-Salem
Second Vice-President
Mrs. Mattie H. Stewart ....Charlotte
Recording Secretary
Mrs. E. L. Bain .....Winston-Salem
Corresponding Secretary
Mrs. H. A. Dunham .....Asheville
Treasurer
Mrs. P. N. Peacock .....Salisbury
Supt. Mission Study and Publicity
Mrs. W. R. Harris .....Asheville
Supt. Social Service
Mrs. T. F. Marr .....Charlotte
Supt. Supplies
Mrs. J. N. Hauss .....Thomasville
Distributor of Literature
Mrs. W. C. Houston .....Concord

We are glad to give the report of the Educational Secretary for the first quarter, and we would urge its careful reading by our workers. It is especially gratifying to know that the number of auxiliaries using the Bulletins is double that of last year. And we want to call attention to the fact that the number of classes reported by card and through superintendents does not correspond—a difference of 259. There are evidently some auxiliaries who do not report to the Educational Secretary, Mrs. H. R. Steele, and we want again to urge the enrollment cards. We are anxious that there be no discrepancy in these reports. When a new book is taken up be sure to report it to Mrs. Steele. We want to see this department of our work grow mightily during this year but in order to do so, we must have the co-operation of every auxiliary in the Conference.

REPORT OF STUDY AND PUBLICITY—FIRST QUARTER

No. Conferences Reporting, 31

New mission study classes reported—Adult, 475; members enrolled in mission study classes—Adult, 13208; new mission study classes reported—Y. P., 21; members enrolled in mission study classes—Y. P., 748; new mission study classes reported—children, 134; members enrolled in mission study classes—children, 3376; reading circles reported, 104; missionary libraries reported, 97; Bible study classes reported—Adult, 3682; members Bible study classes—Adult, 3682; Bible study classes reported—Y. P., 9; members Bible study classes—Y. P., 188; auxiliaries using Bulletin, 1195; auxiliaries sending missionary news to daily papers regularly, 163; auxiliaries sending missionary news to weekly papers regularly, 352; auxiliaries reporting members who read Woman's Page, 400. Adult classes reported by card, 345; by superintendents, 475. Y. P. classes reported by card, 16; by superintendents, 21. Children's classes reported by card, 5; by superintendents, 134. College classes reported by cards, 5. Total classes reported by card, 371; by superintendents, 630. Discrepancy, 259.

Mrs. Hume R. Steele,
Educational Secretary.

WINSTON DISTRICT MEETING

Mrs. H. K. Boyer

The district meeting of the Woman's Missionary Societies of the Winston District opened most auspiciously on the afternoon of Friday, April 30th, at West End church, Winston-Salem, Mrs. R. M. Courtney, District Secretary, presiding.

The opening exercises were conducted by Rev. H. K. Boyer, presiding elder of the district. Organization followed, with Mrs. E. L. Bain, our new Conference Recording Secretary, elected secretary, and proved her fitness for her responsible position by the concise and accurate minutes she gave us.

The report of the District Secretary showed that she had visited a number of societies and written personal letters to others, and by various means and tireless efforts, had already gotten into personal touch with every department of the work on the District—which is saying much. Following this report a comprehensive paper on "Christian Stewardship" was read by Mrs. R. P. Anderson, of Mocksville. Delegates' Hour followed in which reports were given from the different societies and some places were represented which have no organization, but hope soon to organize.

At the close of the afternoon exercises, automobiles were in waiting and the delegates were driven to the Children's Home. Here Mr. and Mrs. Thompson, assisted by a number of other co-workers, received the party at the splendid new Cornelius Building. The large girls, who occupy this building, also formed a pretty group on the veranda and favored us with several songs. Then Miss Tuttle entertained the children and the grown-ups as well, with a rendition of "Brer Rabbit," and as the applause died away, Mrs. Thompson, assisted by the children, served a delicious ice. The visit was delightful and expressions of appreciation of the children and the work being done there for them, were heard on every side.

Friday evening at eight o'clock a program was given, consisting of songs and recitations, each of which should have personal mention, but for lack of space I forbear. Miss Hutchens in "The Missionaries' Dream," showed good interpretive ability, delighting her hearers, and the male quartet, consisting of Messrs. Bynum, Cromer, Taylor and Munn, from Centenary church, gave a number which was greatly enjoyed.

The prominent feature of the evening was Miss Tuttle's address on "Our Work In China." We of the W. N. C. Conference, are proud of our ownership in Miss Tuttle and wish we had scores of young women of her kind to send to China as well as to keep at home.

Saturday morning was "Young People's and Junior's Session." With the enforced absence of the Conference Second Vice-President, Mrs. Stewart, an institute for the children was conducted by Mrs. G. C. Brinkman, of Walkertown, and the work was capably done, Mrs. Brinkman proving herself, as usual, equal to the occasion. She had a large delegation of children (more Miss Tuttle said than she had seen at any district meeting she had attended) and they were intelligent little listeners. Then when they sang and recited, how we did enjoy them! The Centenary Juniors and the Burkhead Juniors attended in classes, and each class sang sweetly, under the leadership of Miss May Dalton and Mrs. W. L. Hutchins, respectively. Master Eugene Armfield, of Thomasville, was the only young gentleman representing a society and we all enjoyed his recitation.

The Conference First Vice-President conducted an Institute on the Young People's Work.

At the noon hour the ladies of West End church served an elegant luncheon to about 150 persons, in the primary room, which never looked prettier than on this occasion when so beautifully decorated. Nothing was left undone by the committee of which Mrs. John Hanes was chairman, to make the feature all that could be desired.

Saturday afternoon Miss Tuttle gave a most interesting account of the Council meeting. "How to Place the Voice in Every Home" was told us by Miss Ella Lambeth, of Thomasville. We are persuaded Miss Lambeth should be made general agent for the Voice, so well did she tell us how this can be done.

"Mission Study with the Children" was ably considered in a paper by Miss Lillian Yow, of Thomasville.

The meeting closed with prayer and benediction by Dr. E. L. Bain. At the close of the session the delegates were given a visit to Burkhead Institutional church, where Mrs. W. L. Hutchins and the deaconess, Miss Miller, and her co-workers, showed the various departments of the work being done there. A group of children sang for us while we were served to ice cream.

This meeting was the manifestation of an increasing interest in our woman's work in the district, and we hope and believe permanent good will result.

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT MEETING

Miss Maidie Strupe

At Antioch church, Rural Hall circuit, on May 7-9 was held the annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Societies of the Mount Airy District. On account of rain only a short preliminary meeting was held on Friday evening. On Saturday morning, after devotional services by the District Secretary, Mrs. J. L. Woltz, reports were heard from the adult auxiliaries, all of which are doing good work. The Junior societies also gave enthusiastic and encouraging reports.

It was a great disappointment that Mrs. H. K. Boyer, Conference First Vice-President, could not be with us, as she was to have conducted an Institute on the Young People's Work. We were very fortunate in having with us our beloved Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, Conference President, who discussed this department of our work (that of the Young People) in her usual efficient manner.

Miss Miller, Deaconess of Burkhead Institutional church, Winston, gave an instructive and interesting account of her work. A discussion on Social Service was followed by Mrs. Woltz, urging the importance and benefit of a mission study class in every auxiliary. All during the meeting we felt the kindly influence of Mrs. Robertson, who by her timely talks and valuable suggestions made the meeting a greater success. Saturday night she gave an inspiring address on our recent Council Meeting. Through her message we were made to feel the personality of our leaders and realize our duty of giving them our support in their plans for the furtherance of God's Kingdom.

On Sunday morning our Conference Missionary Secretary, Rev. Frank Siler, brought to us a most profound message. We regret that there were not more delegates and visitors present, but feel that the inspiration gained from this meeting was sufficient to make us want to do better work this year than ever before.

We are glad, through the kindness of Mrs. J. N. Hauss, president of the Woman's auxiliary of Thomasville, to give to our readers this week the splendid paper referred to in another column by Mrs. Boyer and which was written by Miss Lillian Yow, one of the most successful leaders among the Junior societies in our Conference.

MISSION STUDY WITH THE JUNIORS

By Miss Lillian Yow

Dr. William T. Merrill has said "human life is a tangle of complex problems but there is one thread in a tangle, by taking hold of which we may hope eventually to unravel all, that thread is the education of the child." The supreme question for any age, any people, is how to train the child aright. "One generation goeth and another cometh and the earth abideth," the only way to make the earth better is that the generation that goes should train rightly the one that comes. Twelve men were debating great questions about the expected Kingdom. The Master set a little child in their midst and said, "Think of him." Find what to do with the little child and you may leave the rest serenely with God. In view of these facts are we not impressed with the great importance of this subject? Why have not the past generations been more thoroughly awakened to the great subject of world missions? They have not known of the great world conditions. What about the present and the coming generation? If I read the signs of the times aright I do not believe that it will be truthfully said of the coming generations, "My people perish for lack of knowledge." One way of disseminating this knowledge is through the mission study. One author puts it this way: "Mission study is the most effective agency today in giving missionary information. It is the dynamo, the power house of the church. It gives a great deal to a few people rather than a smattering to a great many. It deepens impressions and secures convictions, because it permits expression. The realization of the needs of humanity brings with it a willingness to meet those needs with money, prayer, love and service.

"The aim of all Christian education is to make character and to make character for service." Knowledge of child nature leads us to believe that the boys and girls from the ages of six to fourteen are in just that period of life where best the missionary seed can be sown. Everybody knows this to be the "gang period" for the boy and the period of special cliques for the girl. We find the social instinct developing at this time. It is not simply the time when they like to do things, but also the time when they like to do things together. Realizing this fact, our leaders have insisted that we organize the boys and girls into classes—mission study classes. How can we best conduct these classes? Authorities agree that the best method is to have a story hour. One of America's leading authorities on the subject of Story Telling has said, "By means of stories we train the imagination and thus quicken the spiritual." At this period in life the power of imagination is strong and a wise leader recognizes this fact. It is the age of hero worship, therefore, stories of great Biblical and missionary heroes should be given. When we consider the fact that the power of imitation is developed at this period, we are impressed with the importance of this idea.

The Junior Mission Study Class of Thomasville was organized last October. The book studied was "Our World Family," by Helen Douglass Billings. We met every Sunday afternoon either at the home of the leader or some member. The meeting was opened with some memory verses of Scripture followed by prayer, sentence prayers often times being given. Then followed the story. Our attendance averaged fifteen or more, some of the members not missing a meeting. It is our purpose to organize another class after school closes and to meet some morning during the week. The book which I think we shall use is, "Good Bird the Indian, by Gilbert L. Wilson, and recommended as the home mission book for the Juniors. I should like also to mention the fact that much information can be gained by the proper use of the "Young Christian Worker," "Everyland," the monthly leaflets, and sometimes even "The Missionary Voice." I confess to you that I made the mistake that doubtless others have made in that I considered the literature available not simplified enough for the child's mind. In some cases I now feel this to be true, and yet the mind of the child is capable in most instances of grasping larger truths than we older ones will admit. Being an humble leader of the Juniors and real-

izing that the aim of all our work is to bring the child's mind and soul into closer touch with the Great Friend of children, I ask you especially, the second vice-president and mothers here, to consider this:

A Parable

"I took a little child's hand in mine. He and I were to walk together for awhile. I was to lead him to the Father. It was a task that overcame me, so great was the responsibility. And so I talked to the little child only of the Father. I painted the sternness of his face, were the child to displease him. I spoke of the child's goodness as something that would appease the Father's wrath. We walked under tall trees. I said, the Father had power to send them crashing down, struck by his thunderbolts. We walked in sunshine. I told him of the greatness of the Father who made the burning, blazing sun. And one twilight we met the Father. The child hid behind me. He was afraid. He would not look up at the face so loving, he remembered my picture. He would not take the Father's hand; I was between the child and the Father. I wondered—I had been so conscientious, so serious.

I took a little child's hand in mine. I was to lead him to the Father. I felt burdened with the multiplicity of the things I had to teach him. We did not ramble. We hastened on from spot to spot. At one moment we compared the leaves of the different trees. In the next we were examining a bird's nest. While the child was questioning me about it I hurried him away to chase a butterfly. Did he chance to fall asleep, I awakened him lest he should miss something I wished him to see. We spoke of the Father, oh yes, often and rapidly. I poured into his ears all the stories he ought to know, but we were interrupted often by the wind blowing of which we must speak, by the coming out of the stars which we must need study, by the gurgling brooks which we must trace to its source. And then in the twilight we met the Father. The child merely glanced at him and his gaze wandered in a dozen directions. The Father stretched out his hand. The child was not interested enough to take it. Feverish spots burned on his cheeks. He dropped exhausted to the ground and fell asleep. Again I was between the child and the Father. I wondered. I had taught him so many things.

I took a little child's hand to lead him to the Father. My heart was full of gratitude for the glad privilege. We walked slowly. I suited my steps to the short steps of the child. We spoke of the things the child noticed. Sometimes it was one of the Father's birds. We watched it build its nest, we saw the eggs that were laid. We wondered later at the care it gave its young. Sometimes we picked the Father's flowers and stroked their soft petals and loved their bright colors. Often we told stories of the Father. I told them to the child and the child told them again to me. We told them, the child and I, over and over again. Sometimes we stopped to rest, leaning against the Father's tree and letting his air cool our brows and never speaking. And then, in the twilight, we met the Father. The child's eyes shone. He looked lovingly, trustingly, eagerly up into the Father's face. He put his hand into the Father's hand. I was for the moment forgotten. I was content.

DEATH OF MRS. HOTCHKISS

Many friends of Mrs. Mattie H. Stewart will be pained at the announcement of the death of her mother, Mrs. Hotchkiss, which occurred Friday, May 21st, at one o'clock p. m. at the home of Mrs. Stewart in Charlotte, N. C.

Mrs. Hotchkiss was an exemplary Christian. She had reached a ripe old age, and her long life had been spent in loving, faithful service to her Master. Since early childhood she had been a devoted follower of Christ. Our tenderest sympathies are for her loved ones, who feel so deeply her passing.

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints."

CONFEDERATE VETERANS' SPECIAL TRAIN TO RICHMOND, VIRGINIA, MONDAY, MAY 31ST, VIA SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Premier Carrier of the South

For the accommodation of Confederate Veterans, their friends and all others, Southern Railway will operate special train from Charlotte, Salisbury, Greensboro, Reidsville and intermediate points to Richmond, Monday, May 31st. Schedule and fares as follows:

Leave	Round trip fare
Charlotte, 7:00 A. M.	$5.90
Concord, 7:45 A. M.	5.45
China Grove, 8:10 A. M.	5.20
Salisbury, 8:30 A. M.	5.00
Lexington, 9:20 A. M.	4.70
Thomasville, 9:35 A. M.	4.45
High Point, 9:45 A. M.	4.30
Greensboro, 10:10 A. M.	3.80
Reidsville, 10:45 A. M.	3.55

Round trip fares from other points as shown below:

Shelby	$6.75
Gastonia	6.35
Norwood	5.65
Sanford	4.25
Blacksburg	6.85
Mooresville	5.55
Albemarle	5.65
Asheboro	4.90

Fares from all points not shown above on same basis.

Tickets on sale May 29th to June 2nd, inclusive, with final return limit June 10, with privilege of extension until June 30th.

Special train will arrive at Richmond 4:30 P. M., making entire trip in day time. Lunches and coffee served on train en route by dining car department.

Very low side trip fares in effect from Richmond during the Reunion to a number of points of interest.

A rare opportunity to visit historic Richmond, the Capital of the Confederacy.

For additional information call on your nearest agent or write

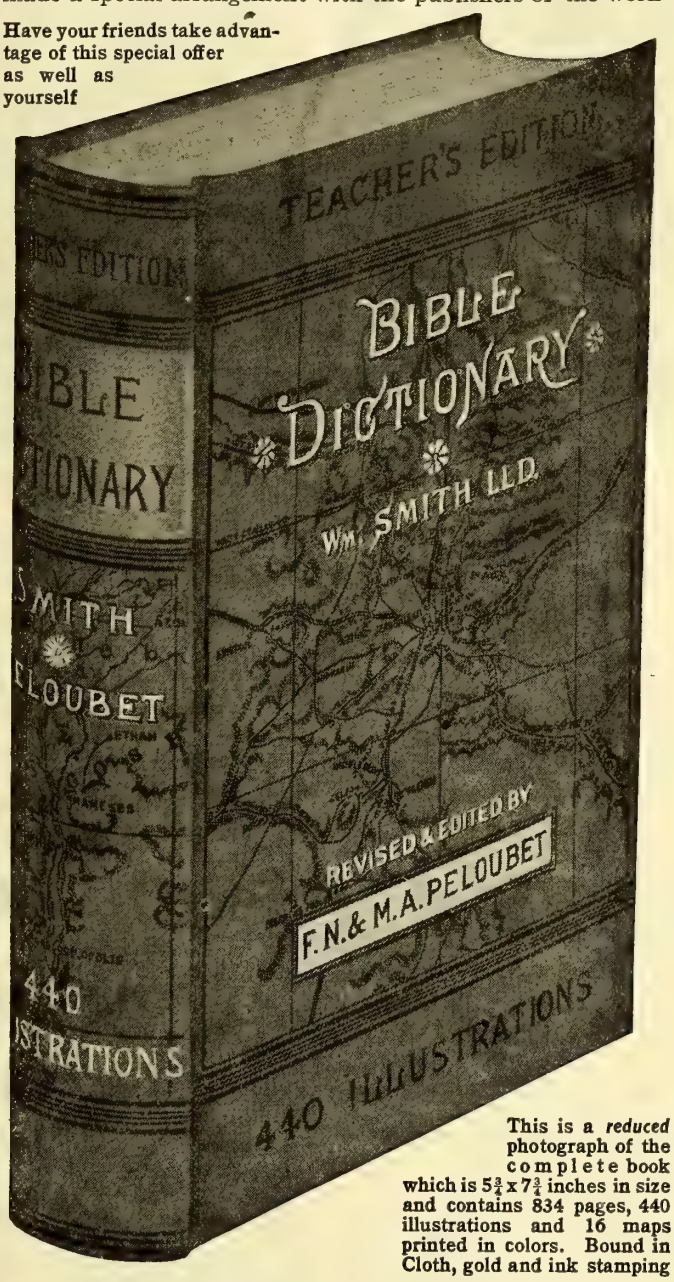
R. H. DeButts, D. P. A.,
Charlotte, N. C.

The Christian Advocate Offers You This Well Known Bible Dictionary

SEE SPECIAL OFFER BELOW

Realizing the wide demand that exists among our constituents for this Bible Dictionary, we have made a special arrangement with the publishers of the work by which they agreed to supply it to us on exceptional terms, provided we would widely advertise it, and this enables us to offer this **well-known Bible Dictionary in its original form** and with all its important features, including over 400 illustrations and maps in colors, at **less than half the regular price.**

Have your friends take advantage of this special offer as well as yourself



This is a *reduced* photograph of the complete book which is 5¾ x 7¾ inches in size and contains 834 pages, 440 illustrations and 16 maps printed in colors. Bound in Cloth, gold and ink stamping

THE FATHER OF ALL BIBLE DICTIONARIES

Everyone acknowledges the superior value of Dr. William Smith's Bible Dictionary, as containing the fruit of the ripest Biblical scholarship. It is practically the foundation, or father, of all other Bible Dictionaries. This late edition is brought down to the twentieth century and thoroughly revised to incorporate modern research and discoveries in Bible lands. It has been adapted in its present form to the convenience of teachers and scholars.

MAKES BIBLE STUDY EASY. MAKES THE BIBLE PLAIN TO EVERY READER

This Bible Dictionary is a veritable treasure to Christian Workers. It contains in the simplest language a full explanation of all topics mentioned in the Bible—every place, nation, tribe, person, and historical event; every custom and rite; every instrument and implement; every animal, plant, flower, mineral, metal, etc. It is a systematic collation of all the facts recorded in the Bible, supplemented and explained by materials supplied from authentic records of Biblical times. It gives in compact and lucid form the substance of the result of profound Biblical scholarship and research. IT OPENS A NEW UNDERSTANDING AND APPRECIATION OF THE BIBLE IN A WAY THAT NO OTHER BOOK DOES.

Our Special Offer

From this till July first we offer the Advocate one year and this dictionary for

$2.50

This applies to new subscribers and renewals.

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, GREENSBORO, N. C.



Standard
Memorial Windows
Made in High Point

Beautiful in design—strong in construction. Largest and oldest glass plant in the South. Capacity for any and all orders and prompt delivery. Satisfaction guaranteed. References—any of our old customers or any bank or banker in High Point. Write for catalog.

Standard Mirror Co.
High Point, N. C.

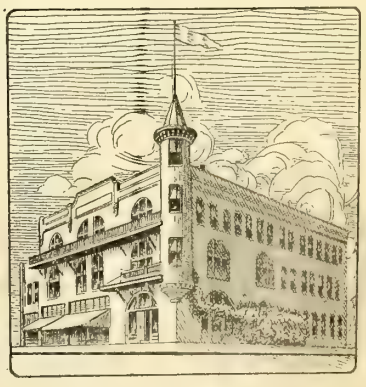
WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS



BLUE RIDGE INN
Mount Airy, N. C. W. M. Jordan, Prop.
Mount Airy's Leading Hotel

Rates $2.00 and $2.50—All meals 50 cents—Electric Lights, Steam Heat, Electric Bell System, Hot and Cold Baths—American plan—A clean up-to-date home for the tourist or traveling man, in a beautiful mountain city.

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

June is almost here and the time for our summer conferences is drawing near. Has your district had its institute? If not, begin to plan for it right away. By all means have it before the Conference at Junaluska. We must have a better report to make this year than we had last. One League or one district cannot make our conference what it ought to be. It will take the combined work of each district and each League. If even one League fails to do its part there will be a weak place in our League chain; and we do not want that. If you have not done your part, get busy right away and make up for lost time.

Are you going to do your part?

The season of revivals is here and the opportunity for personal work is open to each Leaguer. Are any members of your League unsaved? If so there is a great opportunity for you to do some work for your Master. What greater work can a League do than to see that every member is a true follower of Christ? There are other young people in the church who are watching us Leaguers. Are we going to fail in our greatest work? Perhaps they are waiting for just a word from us. If we let them see that we are working for Christ and that we mean "business," it may help them to decide to become one of Christ's workers too.

On last Sunday we saw one of the most impressive sights that has ever been our good fortune to see. At the morning service in one of our churches about fifty young people and children—mostly children—gathered around the altar and took the vows of church membership. What a glorious sight! Just think of fifty young lives dedicated to Christ! What a vast amount of energy they can bring into the work of the Master if it is only turned into working channels. That church has no League. What a great opportunity for a League and what a great blessing that church is missing by not having the League. We cannot understand how a church can get along without a League.

Don't forget the Conference at Junaluska in August. Have you made any plans about sending delegates? If not, begin to do so at once.

Let's all meet at Junaluska and show the other conferences that Western North Carolina is right up to the minute in League work.

Have you paid your Africa Special? Let's pay this up before our conference in August. Let's not be behind in this great work—the work of helping send the gospel to dark Africa.

THE HABIT OF LIFE

If we are really Christian it must surely follow that we look at life to some degree as Jesus Christ looked at it. We may not be able to measure up to the ideal as He did, but there must be within us the same stirrings after it that He knew. And He had a constant habit of looking on human life from the standpoint of its need. You remember that it is told of Him when He looked upon the multitude He saw them as sheep without a shepherd, not as sheep that might be fleeced, or that might serve His purpose in some way, but as those whom He might serve. We are positively Christian only in so far as we follow Him in this. The vital instinct of the Christian religion is the instinct of helpfulness. That religion is of necessity missionary in its character, not because we who possess it wish to bring our convictions and beliefs home to other people, but because we cannot rest satisfied until they are cherishing the ideals and rejoicing in the hopes and aspirations that have been given to us.—The Christian Guardian.

MISSIONARY NOTES FROM FIELD SECRETARY

Danbury Ct.—O. P. Routh, P. C. Davis Chapel, $15.50 on assessments; Delta, $21.00 on assessments; Sandy Ridge, $5.85 on assessments; Smith's Chapel, $1.50 on assessments; Snow Hill, $21.50, assessments in full; Danbury, $83.50, assessments in full.

High Point, Wesley Memorial.—G. T. Rowe, P. C. $571.00, Conference Mission Special.

Asheboro Station.—J. Ed. Thompson, P. C., $13.00, Conference Mission Special.

* * * *

Brother J. H. Bennett, presiding elder of the North Wilkesboro District, has these encouraging words to say about his district:

We are going to do our very best to come out in full on all assessments, and I believe we will about reach that goal. Every circuit in the district increased the pastor's salary, and I am going to bend every energy to pull them out. If we get out it will be great progress. Watauga is self-supporting. Creston will be next year, and I have some hope of getting Boone, Jefferson, Sparta and Wilkes off the Board this fall.

Strength of character is not mere strength of feeling; it is the resolute restraint of strong feeling. It is unyielding resistance to whatever would disconcert us from without or unsettle us from within.—Dickens.

SWEET POTATO PLANTS

Famous Golden Beauties—the Big Yielder. F. O. B. $2.00 per thousand. Start shipping May 15th positively. Satisfaction guaranteed. Cash with order. Parcel post or express.

Atlantic Coast Plant Co.
Youngs Island, S. C.

SEND US YOUR FILMS

for prompt, highest grade developing and printing at lowest prices. KODAK WORK A SPECIALITY. Personal attention given to all orders. Results guaranteed. Write

W. I. VAN NESS & CO., Charlotte, N. C.

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective April 18th, 1915

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester.....Lv.	7 43 a m	12 05 p m			
Yorkville..... "	8 29	1 55			
Gastonia..... "	9 24!	4 00			
Gastonia..... "					
Lincolnton..... "	10 15	5 30			
Newton..... "	10 55	6 15			
Hickory..... "	12 05 p m	7 05	1 00 p m	6 45 a m	
Lenoir..... "	1 08	8 20	2 04	8 30	
Lenoir..... "	2 00x				
Mortimer..... "	3 17				
Edgemont.....Ar.	3 27				

Southbound	NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Edgemont.....Lv.	10 00 a m				
Mortimer..... "	10 08				
Lenoir..... "	11 20!				
Lenoir..... "	1 35 p m	6 00 a m	8 15 a m		
Hickory..... "	2 35	7 15	9 12		
Newton..... "	3 05	8 00			
Lincolnton..... "	3 43	8 55			
Gastonia..... "	4 30	10 28			
Gastonia..... "	5 00x	11 00			
Yorkville..... "	5 47	12 28 p m			
Chester.....Ar.	6 35	2 15			

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. CHESTER, S. C.

GREENSBORO NURSERIES

AGENTS WANTED

For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.
JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

Spend Your Vacation in the Appalachian Summitland

Now Rendered Accessible By The

CAROLINA, CLINCHFIELD & OHIO RY.



The highest altitudes east of the Rockies, the most delightful and invigorating summer climate in Eastern America, and scenery which for beauty, variety and grandeur, has no superior in all the world,—these invite you to the New Play Ground above the Clouds where comfort, recreation and renewed vitality await the summer visitor.

ATTRACTIVE RESORTS IN THE SUMMITLAND

Altapass, North Carolina, the highest point on The Clinchfield Route, offers you at moderate rates all the attractions of a delightful and informal country club life combined with the comforts and conveniences of a thoroughly equipped and modern hotel. The Altapass Inn, is located on the Crest of the Blue Ridge Mountains, looking down upon all the world. The scenery is magnificient, and to its splendid transportation and wire facilities Altapass adds unparalleled opportunities for the enjoyment of all the outdoor and indoor sports and amusements, including golf, tennis, coaching, horseback riding, hunting, fishing, mountain climbing, bowling, music, etc. The social environment is ideal. Convenient railway schedules and excellent livery service facilitate the exploration of the Appalachian Wonderland by short side-trips to such points of interest as Mt. Mitchell, the tallest peak east of the Rockies; Linville Falls, the Little Niagara of the Mountains; the Linville Canyon, deepest in eastern America; the famous Gorge of the Nolichucky River, etc.



Other attractive mountain resorts in the Summitland of Western North Carolina and Eastern Tennessee are The Little Switzerland Inn, Mt. Mitchel, N. C., beautifully located on the Crest of the Blue Ridge near Altapass and surrounded by a delightful summer colony; Burnsville and Murchison, N. C., near the foot of Mt. Mitchell; Unaka Springs, Tenn., the well known health resort at the northern entrance to The Gorge of The Nolichucky; Pineola, Linville and Linville Falls, N. C., the last three being reached via The Clinchfield Route through Johnson City, thence over The E. T. & W. N. C. Ry.

Write for illustrated booklets and time tables, also for list and rates of over 200 hotels, inns, summer boarding houses and cottages for rent in The Appalachian Summitland, on or adjacent to The Clinchfield Route.

Special Vacation Rates, June 1st., to Sept. 30th.

Address
Chas. T. Mandel, A. G. P. A., Carolina, Clinchfield & Ohio Railway
JOHNSON CITY, TENN.

King's Business College

INCORPORATED

SPECIAL SUMMER RATES NOW ON

We give you the benefit in especially low tuition cost. Get *your* business training now at small expense. Graduate in time for an excellent position this fall.

Bookkeeping, Banking, Shorthand, Stenotypy, Typewriting, Penmanship, English, etc., taught by a large faculty of experienced and skilled teachers. By purchasing an unlimited scholarship now you *save $10* on one course or *$17* on the Combined Course. State licensed business college. We train for Business Employment and Success. Send for catalog and new College Journal. Address

KING'S BUSINESS COLLEGE,
RALEIGH, N. C. CHARLOTTE, N. C.

Methodist Benevolent Association

A Mutual Benefit Brotherhood for Southern Methodists. Issues Whole Life, 20-Premium Life, Term to 60, and Disability Certificates. **Benefits** payable at **death, old age,** or **disability.** Over $152,000.00 paid to **widows, orphans,** and **disabled.** Over $40,000.00 reserve fund. Write for rates, blanks, etc. ***J. H. Shumaker, Secretary, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.***

PLAN OF EPISCOPAL VISITATION, METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH, 1915-1916

Bishop E. R. Hendrix

Denver, Colorado Springs, Colo., Aug. 26.
Missouri, Chillicothe, Missouri, Sept. 1.
Southwest Missouri, Slater, Mo., Sept. 15.
St. Louis, Sikeston, Mo., Sept. 29.

Bishop W. A. Candler

Virginia, Petersburg, Va., Nov. 10.
Texas, Mexican Mission, Corpus Christi, Texas.
Central Mexico, Mission, Guadalajara, Mexico.
Pacific Mexican Mission, Caliacan Sinaloa, Mexico.
Mexican Border Mission Conference, Torren, Mexico.

Bishop H. C. Morrison

German Mission, Fredericksburg, Texas, Oct. 20.
Little Rock, Monticello, Ark., Nov. 17.
North Arkansas, Conway, Ark., Nov. 24.
Florida, Tampa, Florida, Dec. 15.

Bishop E. E. Hoss

Fraternal Messenger to Australia.
China Mission, Soochow, China, Sept. 22.
Korea Mission, Songdo, Korea, Oct. 13.
Japan Mission, plae not designated, Nov. 17.
Cuba Mission, place not designated, Feb. 2, 1916.

Bishop James Atkins

Kentucky, Millersburg, Ky., Sept. 1.
Louisville, Hartford, Ky., Sept. 22.
North Mississippi, New Albany, Miss., Nov. 10.
Louisiana, Mansfield, La., Nov. 17.
Mississippi, Laural, Miss., Nov. 24.

Bishop Collins Denny

North Alabama, Athens, Ala., Nov. 3.
North Georgia, Rome, Ga., Nov. 10.
South Carolina, Charleston, S. C., Nov. 24.
Upper South Carolina, Spartanburg, S. C., Dec. 1.

Bishop John C. Kilgo

Illinois, Patoka, Illinois, Aug. 26.
North Carolina, Wilmington, N. C., Nov. 17.
South Georgia, Cordele, Ga., Nov. 24.
Alabama, Brewton, Ala., Dec. 8.

Bishop W. B. Murrah

Tennessee, Murfreesboro, Tenn., Oct. 13.
West Oklahoma, Altus, Okla., Nov. 3.
Memphis, Trenton, Tenn., Nov. 11.
East Oklahoma, Muskogee, Okla., Nov. 18.

Bishop W. R. Lambuth

Montana, Willow Creek, Mont., Aug. 12.
East Columbia, Oakesdale, Wash., Aug. 19.
Columbia, Roseburg, Ore., Aug. 25.
Pacific, San Francisco., Cal., Oct. 13.
Los Angeles, Pomona, Cal., Oct. 20.
New Mexico, Marfa, Tex., Oct. 27.
Congo Mission, Wembo Niama.

Bishop R. G. Waterhouse

Western Virginia, place not designated, Sept. 8.
Holston, Knoxville, Tenn., Oct. 6.
Western North Carolina, Reidsville, N. C., Nov. 17.
Brazil, Juiz de Flora, July 8.
South Brazil, Alegrete, Brazil, July 22, 1916.

Bishop James H. McCoy

West Texas, San Angelo, Texas, Oct. 20.
Northwest Texas, Clarendon, Tex., Nov. 3.
Texas, Longview, Texas, Nov. 10.
Central Texas, Corsiciana, Tex., Nov. 24.
North Texas, Bonham, Texas, Dec. 1.

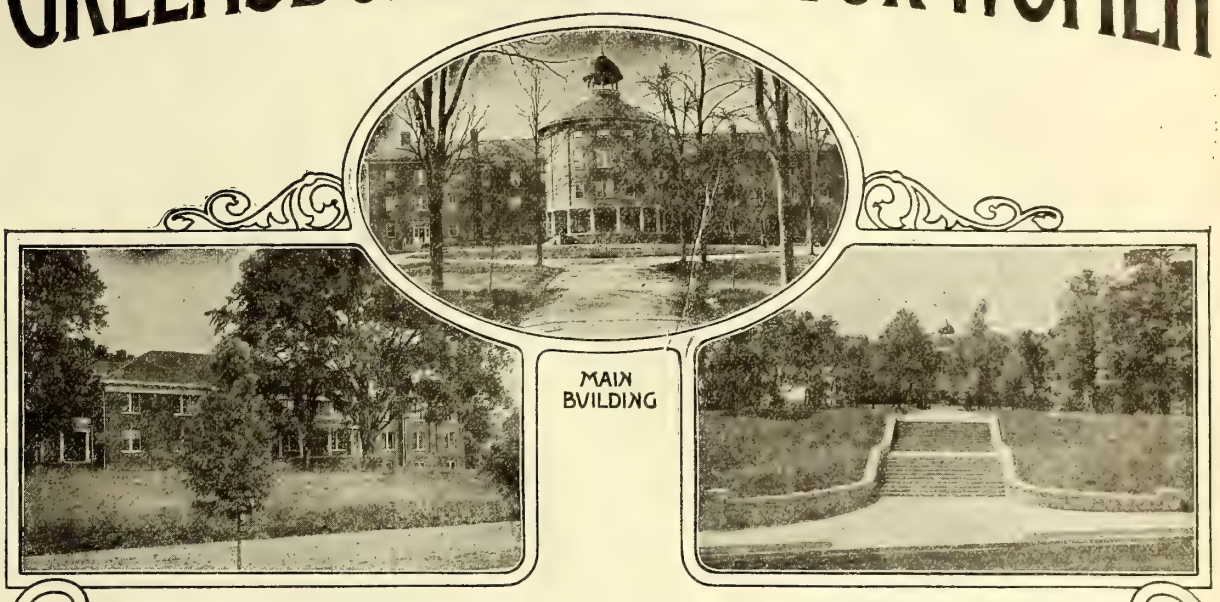
Fall meeting College of Bishops, Dallas, Texas, Oct. 28-31.

TRINITY COLLEGE NOTES

Preparations for commencement are about completed, and the entire community and town are looking forward to the occasion which promises to be one of the most enjoyable for many years. The annual alumni meeting and dinner on Tuesday, June 8, has come to be the feature event of commencement week, and plans are being perfected for a large gathering of the alumni. The alumni address at that time will be given by Mr. B. S. Womble, of the class of 1904, of Winston-Salem. Rev. L. S. Massey, of Raleigh, is president of the Alumni Association.

Miss Laura Drake Gill, of Trinity College, is in Greensboro to take part in the commencement exercises of the State Normal College. She will give an address on Monday before the alumnae upon the newer fields of work for women. As Miss Gill organized the first bureau for vocational guidance and placement of college women in other occupations than teaching, she speaks from a wide experience in the demand for trained women and the salaries which they may expect to receive in these new occupations.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Prof. R. C. Brooks, of the department of education, delivered the commencement address at Fremont last Thursday.

T. Kugimiya, of Japan, of the class of 1904, has presented to the Trinity College Library a number of recent books on Japan.

Mr. P. M. Hamer, Wofford, 1912, and a candidate for the degree of master of arts here in June, has been appointed Harrison Scholar in American history in the University of Pennsylvania, and will study in that institution next year. The scholarship carries a substantial honorarium and is quite a coveted appointment. Mr. Hamer taught in the schools of South Carolina two years after graduating from Wofford and has this year been working here in history under the direction of Dr. Boyd.



MAKE MONEY CANNING

Get an **"EL-FLO" Canner.** Enables you to put up fruits, vegetables, berries, etc., for yourself and neighbors. Make money selling Home canned goods—always top prices from stores. 3000 Government Agents and Tomato Club Members endorse the **"EL-FLO." Price $3.50 up.** Send stamp today for 1915 catalog. We also manufacture the Continuous Heating Capping Steel—Seals cans quicker, easier. Agents wanted.

HOME CANNER MFG. CO., Dept. 3, Hickory, N. C.

TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 : : : : CHARTERED 1859

A Southern institution of established national reputation. Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.



Large endowment fund makes possible complete, first-class equipment; full faculty of able, well-chosen instructors; beautiful campus, new buildings, modern laboratories, splendid library. Comfortable, inexpensive dormitories. For catalogue and illustrated booklet, address

R. L. Flowers, Sec. to the Corporation, Durham, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

The Sunday School Lesson

SECOND QUARTER—LESSON IX
MAY 30, 1915

David Brings the Ark to Jerusalem
2 Samuel 6:1-19; Psa. 24

Golden Text—I was glad when they said unto me, let us go unto the house of Jehovah. Psa. 122:1.

Summary of the Lesson

"Boston is not a place. It is a state of mind." So runs a bright saying ascribed to H. G. Wells. It is one of those observations which deserve careful thought. As a matter of fact you can say just this thing about many a city, and you can say it about any country which has a real and stable life of its own. A nation is not so much a place as a state of mind. Its psychology is more important than its geography.

Now, David may not have been of a very introspective or analytical temperament, but he was evidently a man of a good deal of insight in the matter of nation-building. He knew that to have a nation you must have a people possessed by the idea of nationality, and he set about creating national feeling among his people. The bringing of the ark to Jerusalem was the symbol of all the religious significance of national life. The people were to be cemented into solidarity by their national worship.

The Personal Center

"I am the state," declared a brilliant French monarch. This exponent of absolutism expressed in a sentence the secret of the appeal of monarchy. When you look upon the king you see in him the very embodiment of the national life. He is the personal center of the people's loyalty. He is the symbol of their patriotic devotion. He is a sort of living flag.

David was the personal center of the nation's life. His varied career, the strange vicissitudes through which he had passed, his high-hearted chivalry and all his vivid and vigorous human qualities made him a man it was easy to love. He captured men's imaginations; he compelled their enthusiastic admiration; he won their hearts; he was the dominant, outstanding figure in the nation's life; he was king not only in name, but in fact. Carlyle's idea of inherent kingliness is matched in the qualities which you find in David.

In truth no movement thrives until its spirit is expressed in the life of some person. No point of view comes to its full power until it is incarnated in some life as that life's commanding passion. Truth in the abstract has a lofty dignity. Truth alive in a human being is a practical power. The church is at its best when its loftiest ideals shine out of the eyes and speak in the voices of its leaders. The personal center of a movement is the point of power. The personal center of an organization is a point of peculiar strategy. The personal center of a nation is a point of patriotic power. No Englishman last August could read unmoved those words of stirring challenge, "Your king and country need you."

One of the questions of real importance in the life of a republic is to find the psychological equivalent of a king while preserving the form and the essence of democracy.

The Political Center

"All roads lead to Rome," says the old familiar sentence, and when we stop to think of it we know how difficult an achievement it is to build a Rome to which all roads will lead. We really do have to do with places as well as with states of mind. In fact, the places are to have a great deal to do with producing the state of mind. David wanted a city for a national center. When Jerusalem was secured he set about making it the place of which his people would always be thinking, the place to which their feet would turn.

When the invading forces seemed to have Paris almost within their grasp a shudder ran through France. The root of the feeling was deeper than the sense of the beauty and charm of this fascinating city. The national anxiety came from a profound feeling that in a sense Paris is France. It is the heart whose palpitation keeps the blood moving through the national life.

Little as the king who was once a shepherd boy knew these things, far beyond his ken as were the world's great capitals, he did have a sense of the significance of a national city. He determined to make Jerusalem such a city. He determined to make it the political center of his people's life. To David dreams of what might be often took the place of experiences of what had been, and this particular dream was capable of being made into very solid material by an empire-builder.

David was one of the warriors of the world. He was also one of the builders of the world. He was not content with the destructive work of battle. Warfare was to him the clearing away of the primeval forests and the slaying of the wild beasts. It was a making ready for the building of the structures of civilization and the flourishing of the arts of peace. The new capital at Jerusalem was symbolic of a new era.

A Religious Center

A gifted American writer has said: "Religion and life are one or neither is anything." David knew that in his word religion and nationality must be one or natioality would not be anything. His dream of a strongly unified people must be built upon a stable religious foundation. Jerusalem, the religious capital of the nation, would mean infinitely more than Jerusalem as merely the political capital. So it was that he planned the bringing of the ark, the precious symbol of Jehovah's actual presence, into the city which he wanted to build into the very imagitation and love of the people.

An untoward event temporarily frustrated the king's plan, but later he carried it out amid such religious enthusiasm and celebration as made the day memorable. The city of David was consecrated the city of Jehovah. It was the center of the nation's worship as well ae the dwelling place of its king. It was the home of an invisible lordship as well as the scene of the visible reign of an Oriental king. The ark was a sacred symbol, but it was the King of glory who was to come in. The gates might well lift up their heads and the everlasting doors prepare for this august entrance. All the solemn sanctions of religion and worship henceforth gave a unique glory to the hill city of Judah. The belief of David that religion has an important place in the building up of national life is a matter of great importance. The capital city to which the ark of God has never been brought does not promise very good or great things for the future. Every great and populous modern town needs to hear the challenging summons, "Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lifted up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory will come in." The promise of the future lies in His triumphal entry into the cities of the world. The hope of abiding national life is to be found in its foundation in ethical religion.

The Building of a Nation

James Russell Lowell has spoken of men

"Who pitched a state as other men pitch tents,
And led the march of time to great events."

David belongs by secure right to the company of nation-builders. Saul was not a builder. He ruled over loosely federated tribes. It was David's work to set about making a federation into a nation. He dreamed of having one people, one land, one king, one religion, one capital, and in his reign the dream came to genuine realization. If David's passion for unity had been kept in the place of command by kings and people there would have been no divided kingdom. In David's reign we learn how a kingdom is built up. In Rehoboam's reign we learn how a kingdom is torn down.

A live nation is always in the process of building. It is a structure at which men are always working, but which is never entirely completed. The citizens of a republic are every one of them nation builders. Each man may be a personal center of lofty patriotism. Each citizen may work to make his city, his town or his countryside the worthy expression of high national ideals. Each citizen may see to it that the ark of God is brought into his own life. By giving religion a dominant place in his own soul and his own activities he takes the first step toward making it powerful in the nation. Nationality dwells at last in the mind and the heart of the individual citizen.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in N. Y. Christian Advocate.

PANAMA—PACIFIC EXPOSITIONS, SAN FRANCISCO AND SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

SOUTHERN RAILWAY—PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Very Low Round Trip Fares

Dates of sale March 1st to November 30th, 1915. Final return limit three months from date of sale, except that these tickets will not be good to return later than December 31st, 1915.

Low round trip fares from principal points as follows:

Charlotte	$84.15
Salisbury	84.15
High Point	84.15
Greensboro	84.15
Mount Airy	86.25
Gastonia	84.15
North Wilkesboro	87.85
Statesville	84.15
Hickory	83.25
Morganton	82.20
Winston-Salem	84.15
Shelby	82.60

Fares from other points on same basis. Fares to Seattle or via Portland and Seattle at higher rate. These tickets will permit of diverse routing and will allow stop-overs on both going and return trip within limit of ticket.

Southern Railway offers choice of several routes of historic interest from which to select; going one way and returning another. Through connections and good service via Memphis, St. Louis, Chicago or New Orleans. Through cars daily via New Orleans and Sunset Route. Special car parties now being arranged, affording opportunity to make trip without change and with select company on outgoing trip; returning at leisure via any route you may choose, stopping off at your own pleasure, thereby avoiding all the discomforts of going and returning with large tour parties, being compelled to follow the crowd. In going individually or with special Pullman car parties you spend your own money, stop where you please and go and come to suit your own convenience and save money paid tourist agents for escorting you around.

For further information apply to Southern Railway Agents, or

R. H. DeButts, D. P. A.,
Charlotte, N. C.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION



BEAUTIFUL
FLORAL
DESIGNS
Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER
Proprietor
GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF
STOMACH AND INTESTINES
121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO
ROBT. W. MURRAY
GENERAL
INSURANCE
Greensboro, North Carolina
308½ South Elm St.
Phone 163

Our Little Folks' Department

SPRING

Spring, O Spring! Your mantle green,
O'er all the hills is plainly seen.
The buds have opened into flowers,
And birds are singing from their bowers.

Spring, O Spring! Your beauties come
Without the sound of horn or drum;
Your giving to the world is done,
As silently as rising sun.

Spring, O Spring! if you could stay,
Our hearts would e'er be light and gay,
But only once in each brief year,
To us you come our hearts to cheer.

Spring, O Spring! if you can talk,
Tell me, as through the fields I walk,
Why you do come and why you go,
And why so many beauties show?

Spring, O Spring! What did you say,
That this was God's own precious way,
That we, like thee, might rise and sing,
Our song in that eternal spring?

Spring, O Spring! Since this is true,
Help us our Master's work to do;
Then walking all life's pathways straight,
We'll enter at the pearly gate.

William E. Hauss.

AN INTERRUPTED FISHING TRIP

"Come and pick up your books, Scott."

Mother voice was low but clear, and Scott heard it very distinctly; but he pretended that he didn't. He kept right on out of the yard down the road at a very rapid rate. He wanted to get to Dick Wallingford's before he and his father went fishing.

O, yes, his mother had given her consent to his going. Scott never would have thought of doing such a thing as going without his mother's permission. He was usually a good boy to mind.

But about those books. Well, he thought that he could pick them up just as well after he got back from fishing. They wouldn't do any hurt staying on the floor a little while longer, he assured himself.

By the time Scott was well out of the sound of his mother's voice he somehow began to feel uncomfortable. He had heard his mother call to him and had pretended that he had not heard it. This was what troubled him. Still he kept right on, for he did not wish to keep Dick and his father waiting when they had been so kind as to invite him to join their little fishing trip.

By the time he reached Dick's house he was all out of breath, he had run so fast. Mr. Wallingford had three fishing poles all ready; and Dick had a tin pail with enough bait in it to last a week, he laughingly declared. All that seemed left for Scott to do was to shoulder one of the fishing poles.

"Just in time, my boy. I'm glad to see that you are so prompt. Punctuality is a good habit. I hope you will keep it up. Promptness makes the kind of boys that business men are looking for."

Now, although what Mr. Wallingford said was perfectly true and would have been gratifying to most boys, it somehow affected Scott differently. Instead of taking the fishing pole that Mr. Wallingford held out to him, Scott's hand hung limply at his side; his face grew red, and he managed to stammer out a reply that somehow surprised both Dick and his father.

"Thank you, Mr. Wallingford. But I—I think I won't go fishing with you today. I—I've left a job at home that ought to be attended to first." Scott had been tempted to say that it was something that he had forgotten; but that would have been a falsehood, and one fault was enough to be sorry for without trying to cover it up with another. So he straightened himself up and said: "My mother called me back to do something just as I started to come here, and I think I'd better go back and do it. I'll go fishing with you some other time, Mr. Wallingford."

Mr. Wallingford nodded just as if he understood. "Obedience is a virtue as much to be commended as punctuality," he said, with an approving smile, as he stood the fishing pole up against the barn.

Scott felt as if he had been suddenly let out of prison. He ran just as a person would be supposed to run who had just gained his freedom. He was breathless when he turned in at the gate and rushed up the steps.

"You were a long time coming back, son," his mother said in a reproving tone.

"Yes, mother. I tried to run away from my conscience, but it—caught me," Scott replied between gasps for breath.

His mother nodded approvingly, just as Mr. Wallingford had done, as she said, "Conscience is an opponent there is no merit in eluding I am certainly glad you were caught."

In less than five minutes the books were in their places upon the bookcase shelf, and Scott was on his way back to Wallingford's. He seized the fishing pole and overtook Dick and his father just as they had cast their lines into the brook.

"You had a pretty long run, lad; but I reckon it paid," Mr. Wallingford said in a whimsical tone as he baited Scott's hook.

A bright smile overspread Scott's face as he cast his line into the stream. This was Mr. Wallingford's only answer, but he seemed to understand what it meant.—Helen M. Richardson.

PRANKY PHIL

"Fun is a fine thing," said Uncle Tom Carter. "It brightens a fellow up as sunshine brightens a dark house. But we must always take care that nobody else suffers for our fun. Sometimes, though, a fellow who plays too many pranks falls into his own trap."

All this speech was delivered for the benefit of Phil Carter, who during his visit to his uncle had spent a part of his time playing pranks on his cousins, Henry and George and Mary Ann.

But Phil paid no heed; for he was just then hurrying upstairs to dress for a trip to the county seat, where the boys were to spend the day with relatives. He wanted to get dressed first, so as to get the front seat in the carriage beside old Mose, the driver. This was a much-disputed position amongst the boys, who regarded the coachman as a person of deep interest and vast knowledge. It never took Phil long to dress, so very soon he was into his fresh linen and ready for the trip. But just as he started downstairs he was inspired to play a trick upon George, who shared his room. This cousin was very deliberate in his movements and was generally the last one ready to start anywhere.

"He'll be up presently to dress," Phil chuckled, "and so I'll give him a nice souse." So saying, he took a pan of water from the washstand and, climbing onto a chair, placed it on top of the door, which was left slightly ajar. To the vessel he tied a string, which he fastened to a chair. This was done to prevent the pan's falling upon the lad entering the door. "Now it's ready for him," Phil observed delightfully as he climbed out the low gallery window. "Won't it be fun to see him come out dripping?"

Phil was happily established on the front seat beside Mose, waiting for his cousins, when he suddenly remembered that he had left his pocket-knife on the dresser when he had changed clothes. To go on a visit without a pocket-knife seemed well-nigh impossible; so even at the risk of losing the coveted seat, he bounced out of the carriage and rushed up the steps. He had forgotten, for the moment, all about the prank of which George was to be the object. So he dashed heedlessly into his room. But suddenly he felt a shower upon his head, and he stopped quite still in the doorway, startled and drenched.

"What's the matter?" called George, running out of the room across the hall, where he was dressing.

For a moment Phil made no reply. He was wiping water out of his eyes and viewing his wet linen gloomily. "What are you doing dressing in Uncle Tom's room?" he inquired at last.

"The new suit that Aunt Sue brought me from town yesterday was in there, so I was trying it on," George explained; and then, a light of understanding dawning upon his vision, he began to laugh heartily. "Why, kid, you've fallen into your own trap. You've played a prank on yourself."—Med Ransom.

THE DOLL PICNIC

This was no day for school and such stupid things as books. It was a day in early spring—a day when the butterflies and bees flitted in and out of the open windows, while the birds sang until their little throats were about to burst, and the perfume of the violets and daffodils made all of the third-grade pupils very restless.

A doll picnic had been planned by the three "best friends"—Sarah, Kate and Frances—and while their attention was seemingly fixed upon the blackboard and the teacher's pointer, three pairs of eyes were dancing in anticipation of the pleasure about to be theirs. Three well-dressed dolls had been carefully hidden in three desks; and Sarah, Kate and Frances felt that they had a secret in common; for as soon as the bell for recess was rung they were going to run down to the little brook which babbled past their favorite pine tree, and in this sheltered nook they were to spread their lunch and give the dolls a "sure enough" picnic. Each basket was well packed with lunch, and most wonderful lunches they were of sandwiches, cakes, and fruit, for this picnic had been well planned, and nothing should be lacking.

Now, talking was strictly forbidden in this third-grade room; for the teacher, Miss Graham, though kind, was firm, and she held her little pupils responsible for every idle word they might chance to speak without her permission. Notes, however, flew back and forth from Sarah to Kate and from Kate to Frances, for in respect to this amusement Miss Graham was more lenient. "Be sure not to miss your spelling," read Kate's note to Frances. "If you do, you will have to stay in." This was a startling fact, and so true that Frances devoted fully five minutes to that lesson, after which she gave Kate a gentle nudge and whispered triumphantly: "I've spelled every word over three times." Then her little face fell, for Kate, the conscientious, firmly closed her mouth and wrote the following answer: "Now you'll have to stay in at recess. I'm so sorry." This bit of news was soon communicated to Sarah, who at once sent back the tempting message: "Nobody saw you talk. Don't tell."

Poor Frances! For her the day was ruined. The birds outside seemed to be mocking her, and the very sight of her dear doll, Prudence, almost made the tears come. Prudence would be so much disappointed, and the other girls could not have half so much fun without her. It would really be selfish to make them unhappy. So she reasoned with herself as she read over and over the meaningless words in her grammar lesson: "A sentence is a group of words expressing a thought." At length she closed the book and, resting her head on her folded arms, she tried to figure the right and wrong of the matter. She had said only a few words, and maybe Miss Graham wouldn't count them. She had been talking about the lesson. Of course Miss Graham had said that all talking must be reported. O dear! It was time for recess, and the teacher was taking out her roll book!

"Now, children," she was saying, "as usual, you must report 'talked' or 'perfect' as you have deported yourselves this morning."

Frances had decided that her few words would not count and was sitting up straight, ready to march out when the order was given. She could not afford to make Kate and Sarah unhappy by staying in. Frances had talked only a few times before, and then she had always been quite truthful; but never had a doll picnic tempted her so sorely.

The teacher was calling Mary Jackson's name now, and Mary was answering "Perfect," when Frances had seen her talking. How wrong that was! Then Frances felt her face flush hotly, and her little hands were cold, for was she not preparing to tell just such a sinful story? Still, as Sarah had said, maybe nobody had seen her talking. What was that she had learned last Sunday? "Thou, God, seest me."

Miss Graham looked at the little girl with a smile and called: "Frances Norris."

"Talked," answered Frances in a quavering voice.

The bell rang, and the two chums went sadly out to their doll picnic, leaving behind a disappointed but a very brave little girl.—Selected.

WHERE DRUGS FAIL

Many chronic diseases fail to respond to drug treatment, even in the hands of the best physicians, whereas acute diseases usually respond readily. When a disease has become chronic, drugs often seem to do as much harm as they do good, for the system rebels against them. It is just this class of cases which derive the greatest benefit from Shivar Mineral Water. If you suffer with chronic dyspepsia, indigestion, sick headache, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney or liver disease, uric acid poisoning or other conditions due to impure blood, do not hesitate to accept Mr. Shivar's liberal offer as printed below. His records show that only two in a hundred on the average have reported "no beneficial results." This is a wonderful spring. Simply sign the following letter:

Shivar Spring,
Box 5F, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen:

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....

(Please write distinctly.)

Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You run no risk whatever in accepting his offer. I have personally witnessed the remarkable curative effects of this water in a very serious case.

DAISY FLY KILLER placed anywhere, attracts and kills allflies. Neat, clean, ornamental, convenient, cheap. Lasts all season. Made of metal, can't spill or tip over; will not soil or injure anything. Guaranteed effective. Sold by dealers, or 6 sent by express prepaid for $1.



HAROLD SOMERS, 150 DeKalb Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

SWEET POTATO PLANTS

Yellow and White Yams and Red Spanish at $1.50 per 1000. Address Mrs. M. E. V. Hines
Route 5, Box 46 Mt. Airy, N. C.

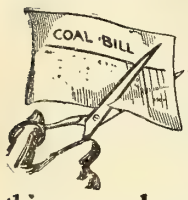
Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.——E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg.—W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller——C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg., M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.——J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg.—J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.——G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.——A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel—J. W. Ligon

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION



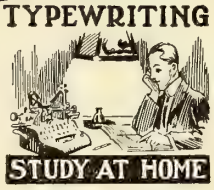
Cut Down Your Coal Bill

this season by placing your order now for Clinchfield Domestic Coal. Burns steadily with intense heat like a hickory back-log instead of wasting your money in a long flame up the chimney and in dense smoke and troublesome soot. By far the most economical and satisfactory fuel for open grates, stoves and residence furnaces of all types. Averages over 14,000 heat units to the pound and costs no more than the kind that burns like paper.

Leading railway systems, big cotton mills and factories use Clinchfield because it delivers more heat for less money. Follow their lead. Write for literature, freight rate and low summer prices on cars of from 35 to 50 tons each direct from the mines.

Clinchfield Fuel Co.
Desk 12 Spartanburg, S. C.
"THE COAL OF HIGH HEAT VALUE"

LEARN SHORTHAND AND TYPEWRITING



LEND spare time only. Give our Easy Home Method two hours a day. In one month become an expert stenographer—writing 100 words a minute and transcribing with speed and accuracy. Thousands of valuable openings. We qualify you for early entrance at good pay.

No long drawn out, expensive method or puzzling features. Plain, simple, quickly mastered.

SPECIAL REDUCED RATES.

Easy terms if you act now. Prepare now for a successful future and old age comfort. Drop us a postal today. We'll send nothing you need pay for—just full particulars of the course. **Write at once.** If interested in bookkeeping or business course, mention the fact.

SOUTHERN CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL,
8 College Park, Asheville, North Carolina.

Fanny Crosby's Story
OF NINETY-FOUR YEARS
Illustrated Cloth
$1.00 net

JUST READY
At All Booksellers



By S. TREVENA JACKSON

HERE the blind singer tells her own story, drawing on an extraordinary memory for the vivid recollections of nearly ninety years. The author knew "Aunt Fanny" intimately for more than twenty years, and it was during her numerous visits to his home that she dictated the material here brought together.

HER SONGS HAVE BELTED THE GLOBE

A book filled with memories, impressions and reminiscences never before related, forming a fascinating record of one whose name is known wherever the English tongue is spoken, and whose ministry of sacred song has belted the globe.

CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE

Recollections OF OVER Ninety Years

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A Wood, Presiding Elder Weaverville, N. C. Third Round

May
Leicester, Big Sandy 29-30
Weaverville, night 30
June
Brevard Station 4
Brevard Circuit, Conestee 5-6
Henderson Circuit, Reedy Patch ..12-13
Hendersonville, night 13
Mills River, Mills River 19-20
Central, night 20
Flat Rock, Upward 26-27
Tryon and Saluda 27
July
Spring Creek, Balm Grove 3-4
Fairview, Patty's 10
Haywood Street, 11 a. m. 11
West Asheville, night 11
Walnut, Chapel Hill 17-18
Marshall and Hot Springs, Marshall, night 18
Weaverville Ct., South Fork 24
Black Mountain, Tabernacle 25
Sulphur Springs, Pisgah 31-August 1
August
Biltmore, Mt. Pleasant 1
North Asheville, night 4
Swannanoa 7-8
Bethel, night 8

The District Conference will meet at Brevard, June 2nd, 8 p. m.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C. Second Round

May
Polkton, Mount Moriah 29-30

Third Round

June
Hickory Grove 5-6
Chadwick, night 6
Seversville Ct., Trinity 12-13
Brevard, night 13
Thrift Ct., Big Spring 19-20
Trinity, night 20
Pineville Ct., Marvin 26-27
Calvary, night 27
July
Tryon 4
Belmont, night 4
Weddington, Ct., Weddington 8
Waxhaw Ct., Pleasant Grove 9
Prospect Ct., Prospect 10
Monroe, Central 11
Matthews Ct., Bethel, 3 p. m. 11
Lilesville Ct., Shady Grove 14
Morven Ct., Union 16
Wadesboro 18
Ansonville Ct., Wightman 20
Polkton Ct. 23
Marshville Ct., Gilboa 24-25
North Monroe, night 25
Unionville Ct., Zion 26
Spencer Memorial 1
Dilworth, night 1
District Conference at Polkton, July 21-23

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—James H. Weaver, Presiding Elder Greensboro, N. C. Third Round

May
Wentworth, Bethlehem 29-30
Reidsville 30-31
June
West Market 12-13
Gibsonville, Gibsonville 13-14
Greensboro, Mt. Pleasant 19-20
Centenary 20-21
Pleasant Garden Ct., Bethlehem ..26-27
Spring Garden 27-28
July
West Greensboro, Grooms 3-4
Randolph, Pleasant Hill 10-11
Coleridge, Rehobeth 17-18
Ramseur & Franklinville, Ramseur, 18-19
Wesley Memorial, High Point 24-25
Main St., High Point 24-25
East End, High Point 24-25
Deep River Ct., White Hall 31-Aug. 1
August
Randleman 1-2
Asheboro 1-2
Denton, Siloam 7-8
Uwharrie, Salem 8-9

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C. Third Round

June
McDowell, Snow Hill 5-6
Old Fort, Providence 12-13
Marion Station 13-14
Thermal City, Trinity 19-20
Table Rock, Linville 26-27
Morganton Station 27-28
July
Broad River, Union 2
Green River, New Hope 3-4
Cliffside, Hollis 9
Forest City, Cedar Grove 10-11
Henrietta and Caroleen, Henrietta, 11-12
Rutherfordton, Gilkey 17-18
Morganton Ct., Denton 24-25
Connelly Springs, Warlicks ..31-Aug. 1
August
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Bakersville 7-8
Micaville, Shoal Creek 14-15
Bald Creek, Bald Creek 21-22
Burnsville 22-23
Marion Ct., Concord 28-29
District Conference at Gilkey, July 15-18

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C. Third Round

May
Madison & Stoneville, Price 29-30
June
Spray 6-7
Leaksville 11-12
Draper 12-13
Jonesville 19-20
Elkin 20-21
Danbury, Sandy Ridge 26-27
July
Dobson 3-4
Pilot Mountain 10-11
Rural Hall 17-18
Yadkinville 24-25
Ararat 31
August
Ararat 1
Mount Airy Circuit 7-8

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C. Second Round

May
Laurel Springs, Mt. Zion 29-30

Third Round

June
Wilkes, Millers Creek 5-6
Wilkesboro, Roaring River 13
North Wilkesboro Station 20
Elk Park, Elk Park 26-27
July
Avery, Pisgah 1
Boone, Hopewell 3-4
Watauga, Hensons Chapel 10-11
Creston, Sutherland 17-18
Helton, Methodist Chapel 24-25
August
Sparta .....July 31-1
Laurel Springs 7-8
Jefferson, Bethany 14-15
District Conference at Elk Park, June 24-27.

Revival Meetings
Watauga .....July 6-15
Sparta .....Juy 31-Aug. 6
Jefferson, Bethany .....Aug. 9-15

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C. Third Round

May
Woodleaf Circuit, South River 29-30
Salisbury, Holmes Memorial, night, 30
June
Concord, Forest Hill, 11 a. m. 6
West Concord, Harmony, night 6
Concord Circuit, Bogers 12-13
Epworth and Center, Center, 3 p. m., 13
Concord, Central, night 13
Cottonville and Oakboro, Cedar Grove 19-20
Norwood, Randalls 19-20
Albemarle, Central 27-28
Albemarle, First Street 27-28
Albemarle Circuit, Zoar, 3 p. m. ..26-27
July
China Grove, 11 a. m. 4
Spencer, night 4
Salem Circuit, Salem 10-11
Mt. Pleasant Circuit, Center Grove, 11-12
Concord, Westford, 11 a. m. 18
Kannapolis Station, night 18
Kannapolis Circuit, Unity 24-25
New London Circuit 31-Aug.-1
August
Gold Hill Circuit 1-2
Bethel and Loves Chapel 8-9

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C. Third Round

June
Lowell, South Side 5-6
Mt. Holly, Ebenezer 6-7
Bessemer, Bessemer 12
King's Mountain 13
Polkville, Lee's 19-20
Belwood, St. Peter's 26-27
July
Rock Spring, Rehobeth 3
Lincoln Ct., Ivey's Memorial 10
Lincolnton 11
Crouse 17
Stanly 18
South Fork 24
Lowesville, Hill's Chapel 27-29

District Conference at Lowesville July 27-29.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Lee T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C. Third Round

May
Catawba Ct., Concord, 11 a. m. 29-30
June
West Hickory, West Hickory, 11 a. m. 5-6
Rhodhiss St., Rhodhiss, night 6-7
North Lenoir Ct., Harpers Chapel 11 a. m. 12-13
Lenoir Sta., Lenoir, night 13-14
Granite Falls and Hudson, Granite Falls, 11 a. m. 19-20
Hickory, First Church, Hickory, night 20-21
Alexander Ct., Rocky Spring, 11 a. m. 26-27
Stony Point Ct., Midway, 3:30 p. m., 27-28
July
Maiden Ct., Friendship, 11 a. m., 3-4
Newton St., Newton, night 4-5
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 11 a. m., 10-11
Davidson St., Davidson, night 11-12
Troutman Ct., Knox Chapel, 11 a. m. 17-18
Mooresville St., Mooresville, night, 18-19
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 11 a. m., 24-25
Cool Spring Ct., Rose Chapel, 11 a. m. 24-25
Iredell Ct., Macedonia, 11 a. m. 25-26
Broad Street St., Broad St., 11 a. m. 25-26
Race Street St., Race St., 11 a. m., 25-27
August
Hickory Ct., Pisgah, 11 a. m., ...1-2

The Sunday School Institute and the District Conference of the Statesville District will be held in Broad Street church, Statesville, July 28-31. Wednesday, July 28th, will be devoted to the Sunday school institute. The institute will open promptly at 10 o'clock, a. m., on that day. We earnestly urge every Sunday school superintendent and every pastor in the district to be present at that hour. There will be something doing every minute. You cannot afford to miss a single item on this program.

The work of the district conference will follow that of the institute. Let every delegate, all the pastors, local preachers, and charge lay leaders be present when the roll is called; and we insist that all the members of the Conference remain until we adjourn on Saturday.

The congregations of Broad Street and Race Street churches will provide abundant entertainment, and we desire the fullest possible attendance.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, R. F. D. 2, Asheville, N. C. Second Round

May
Macon Ct., Asbury 19-20
Highlands, Flatts 22-23
Franklin Station 24

Third Round in Part

May
Bethel Ct., Pisgah 29-30
June
Haywood Ct., Davis Chapel 5-6
Fines Creek, Laurel Hill 8-9
Clyde, Maple Grove 12-13
Waynesville Station 13
Jonathan, Palmer Chapel 19-20
Webster, Dillsboro 26-27
Sylva Station 27

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C. Third Round

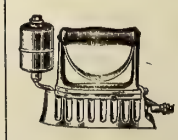
May
Thomasville Ct., Fairview 22-23
Thomasville, Main Street 21-23
Linwood, Wesley Chapel 29-30
Lexington 28-30
June
Walkertown, 11 a. m. 6
Centenary, night 6
Davidson, Good Hope 12-13
Southside, night 13
Forsyth, Crews 19-20
Liberty, night 20
Jackson Hill, Macedonia 26-27
July
Davie, Center 3-4
Mocksville 2-4
Advance, Advance 10-11
West End, night 11
Lewisville, Union 17-18
Salem, night 18
Farmington, Bethlehem 24-25
Cooleemee, night 25
Kernersville, Shady Grove 31-Aug. 1

EXPERT KODAK FINISHING

Developing and printing done by artists. Most beautiful work guaranteed at all times. Satisfaction or no charge. Developing, 10c per film. Printing: prints 2 1-4 x3 1-4, 3c; 2 1-2x4 1-4, 4c; 3 1-4x5 1-2, 5c. Quick delivery. Send one film to test our service. Agents wanted.
LIGON DRUG CO., Spartanburg, S. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland
108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

AGENTS $30 TO $50 WEEKLY MEN AND WOMEN



Selling the New Improved MONITOR Self Heating FLAT IRON. Positively the lowest priced and fastest selling Iron made. Over 650,000 in use. Evans, N. Car. sold 2 doz. on Sat. Mrs. Nixon, Vt., sold 8 first half day. No experience needed—sells itself. New Terms. Binding Guarantee. Exclusive territory. Sample free to workers. Write today.
MONITOR SAD IRON CO.
122 Orange Street Hickory, N. C.

He seemed to be a soul that by accident had met with a body and tried to make the best of it.—Joubert.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Trains leave Greensboro as follows:

N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information and are not guaranteed.

12:55 a. m.—No. 112, daily. Local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh which may be boarded at 9:30 p. m. and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m.

1:47 a. m.—No. 30, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars Birmingham and Augusta to New York, and Birmingham and Jacksonville to Washington. Observation sleeping car Atlanta to Richmond. Tourist sleeper for Washington from San Francisco. Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars New York to Birmingham and Augusta, and Washington to Jacksonville and Birmingham. Observation sleeping car Richmond to Atlanta. Tourist sleeping car Washington to San Francisco via Sunset Route. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:45 a. m.—No. 11, daily. Local for Atlanta and points south. Pullman sleepnig cars Richmond to Charlotte and Norfolk to Asheville. Coaches.

7:15 a. m.—No 37, daily. NEW YORK, ATLANTA AND NEW ORLEANS LIMITED. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section drawing room sleeping cars New York to New Orleans, Asheville and Macon. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service. No coaches.

7:30 a. m.—No 108, daily. Local for Raleigh and intermediate points.

7:30 a. m.—No. 154, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

8:10 a. m.—No. 44, daily. For Washington and points north.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily. For Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Handles Pullman sleeping car for Winston-Salem from Raleigh.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily. For Mt. Airy.

9:40 a. m.—No. 144 daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Free reclining chair car Charlotte to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily. For Salisbury, Statesville and Asheville. Connecting at Asheville with Carolina Special which handles through sleepers for Cincinnati and Chicago.

12:45 p. m.—No. 130, daily. For Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

12:50 p. m.—No. 45, daily. For Charlotte, connecting with trains for Columbia and Seneca.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Washington, New York and points north. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

2:00 p. m.—No. 207, daily. For Winston-Salem, connecting daily, except Sunday, with trains for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daiy except Sunday. For Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily. For Mt. Airy.

6:30 p. m.—No. 35, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham. Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham, and Charlotte to Atlanta. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily. For Winston-Salem.

6:40 p. m.—No. 46, daily. For Danville.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily. For Sanford.

7:24 p. m.—No. 43, daily. For Charlotte, connecting with No. 35 for the South.

10:15 p. m.—No. 12, daily. For Richmond and Norfolk. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Asheville to Norfolk.

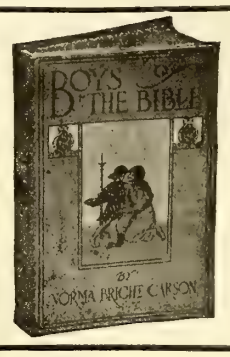
10:20 p. m.—No. 233, daily. For Winston-Salem.

11:20 p. m.—No. 38, daily. THE NEW YORK, ATLANTA AND NEW ORLEANS LIMITED. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section, drawing room and compartment sleeping cars New Orleans, Macon and Asheville to New York. Dining car service. No coaches.

E. H. COAPMAN, Vice-President and General Manager, Washington, D. C.
W. H. TAYLOE, Passenger Traffic Manager, Washington, D. C.
H. F. CARY, General Passenger Agent, Washington, D. C.
R. H. DeBUTTS, Division Passenger Agent, Charlotte, N. C.
C. G. PICKARD, Passenger and Ticket Agent, Greensboro, N. C.

Books for Children AND FOR WORK AMONG THEM

By NORMA BRIGHT CARSON *Editor of "Book News"*



Boys of the Bible
Illustrated, 12mo, cloth, net 75c.

In a chatty, informal way such as youngsters love, and in which all stories for children should be told. Mrs. Carson relates the outstanding incidents of the early years of the great Bible heroes. The idea is a capital one, which the author carries out in an able and interesting way.

By H. THISELTON MARK

The Bible for Children
Bible Stories in Bible Language
Illustrated, 12mo, cloth, net 50c.

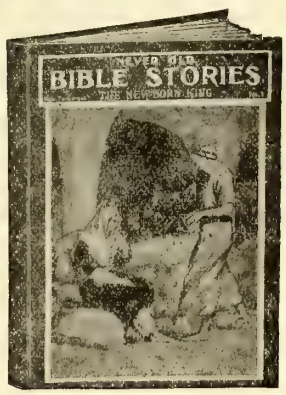
A selection of Bible stories, told in the language of the Bible itself, such as children up to ten or eleven years of age can readily understand. The stories are admirably chosen so as to give a general view of the leading incidents recorded in both the Old and New Testament, and illustrated by some pictures of artistic worth.

The Young People's Bible
Vol. I. Old Testament Stories. ***Illustrated, 12mo, cloth, net 50c.***
Vol. II. New Testament Stories. ***Illustrated, 12mo, cloth, net 50c.***

Prepared to be read after the stories contained in *The Bible for Children*. An aptly chosen series of word-pictures presenting a concise view of the history of the people of Israel as related in the Old Testament. Both in text and illustrations, this book will be found to stimulate a new zest in young people for ampler Bible study.

NEW TOY BOOKS FOR CHILDREN

"Never Old" Bible Stories
Illustrated, octavo boards, each, net 25c.



No. 1. Old Testament. The Lord Thy Maker.
No. 2. Old Testament. The Lord Thy Guide.
No. 1. New Testament. The New-Born King.
No. 2. New Testament. The Hidden Years of Jesus.

Old Testament Combined, or New Testament Combined may be had in one volume. ***Each, boards, net 50c.***

An attractive new quarto series (size 8x10 in.) of Bible Picture Books written in simple language that every child can understand and yet keeping to the Bible narrative.

By CHARLES LINCOLN WHITE

Prince and Uncle Billy
A First Reader in Home Missions
16mo, cloth, net 50c., or net 75c.

"Prince" is a pony, once owned by the Indians, and "Uncle Billy" an old horse, used formerly by a frontier missionary on his preaching journeys. These, too, and many other animals tell missionary stories and other incidents of their earlier lives.



By MARY LANE DWIGHT

Children of Labrador
Illustrated, 16mo, cloth, net 60c.

It is hard to picture a more delightful addition to "*The Children's Missionary Series*" than this vivid story of Dr. Grenfell's land. Its simplicity and clearness appeals to children, yet grown-ups will be equally fascinated in its descriptions of the children of the Eskimos and fishermen of this barren land, so pathetically described by an old native as "wonderful bleak and dreary."

Earlier Volumes in The Children's Missionary Series

Children of Africa	James M. Baird
Children of Arabia	John C. Young
Children of China	C. Campbell Brown
Children of India	Janet Harvey Kelman
Children of Ceylon	Thomas Moscrop
Children of Jamaica	Isabel C. Maclean
Children of Egypt	Miss L. Crowther
Children of Persia	Mrs. Napier Malcolm
Children of Japan	Janet Harvey Kelman

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

PELL'S BIBLE STORIES

FOR YOUNG FOLKS

By EDWARD LEIGH PELL

The Story of Joseph

"The Jewish shepherd lad who became prime minister of Egypt here lives in a very real way, his whole life being given in this lovely story, which is told by one who knows how to do it."
—*Religious Telescope.*

The Story of David

"These favorite Bible stories are retold by Dr. Pell in simple, reverent language—vividly, delightfully. Read it and become better acquainted with that most human, lovable character."
—*Day Star.*

FOR LITTLE PEOPLE

The Story of Jesus

"A very direct appeal is made to the child's mind. It seems as though the author was talking to the boy or girl on his knee and making him see the real Saviour as he appeared among men."
—*Heidelberg Teacher.*

Each, 35 cts. net

100 BIG RE-ROOTED TOMATO PLANTS

sent to you by prepaid post or express for $1.00; 600 for $5.00; 1000 for $9.00. Stocky seed-bed plants for one-half these prices. Summer cabbage plants ready late in June. Free pamphlet. Wakefield Plant Farm, Charlotte, N. C.

"The mere lapse of years is not life. To eat and drink and sleep, to be exposed to darkness and light, to pace round in the mill of habit, and to turn thought into habit, and to turn thought into an instrument of trade—this is not life. Knowledge, truth, love, beauty, goodness—alone can give true vitality to the mechanism of existence. The life of mirth that vibrates through the heart; the tears that freshen the dry wastes within; the music that brings childhood back; the doubt which makes us meditate; the death which startles us with mystery; the hardship which forces us to struggle; the anxiety that ends in trust, are the true nourishment of our natural being."—James Martineau.

An hour of solitude, passed in sincere and earnest prayer or conflict with, and conquest over, a single passion or subtle bosom sin, will teach us more of thought, will more effectually awaken the faculty, and form the habit of reflection than a year's study in the schools without them.—Coleridge.

NORMAL AND COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE

FOR YOUNG WOMEN — Asheville, N.C.

Offers a four years teachers' course and four year Collegiate Course at minimum rates. Splendid advantages in music. Practical training in sewing, cooking and household management. In "The Land of the Sky." Beautiful surroundings, magnificent equipment, perfect health conditions. 16 expert teachers. Board and tuition, per year, $100. Next session opens, Sept. . 1915. For Catalogue, address EDWARD P. CHILDS, Pres., Asheville, N. C.



THE GREATEST BIBLE BARGAIN

A GENUINE 7.50 { HOLMAN India Paper Self-Pronouncing BIBLE } FOR ONLY 4.25 Carefully Wrapped and sent Postpaid in a box

Authorized version, printed from the clearest type ever used in a Bible, large bold face open print with liberal spacing between the words and lines

PRINTED ON THE FINEST INDIA PAPER MADE

The Text is Self-Pronouncing with references. It has a new Concordance, alphabetically arranged and with analytical and comparative features and 50,000 References also New Biblical Atlas with Fifteen Colored Maps and Complete Index to Same.

BOUND IN GENUINE PERSIAN MOROCCO, divinity circuit, full leather linings, silk sewed, silk head bands and marker, special flat opening reinforced binding that will not break in the back.

The size is 5½ x 8 inches--only one inch thick.



This India Paper Bible Compared with one of ordinary paper, containing the same number of pages and same size type.

Easy to Read Type

Specimen of Type.

17 ¶ m From that time Jē´sus began to preach, and to say, n Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at

No. 700X Publisher's Price 7.50 Sent postpaid for 4.25

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

BARGAINS IN GOOD BOOKS

VALUABLE BOOKS FOR $1 PER VOLUME

The books selected for inclusion in this DOLLAR LIBRARY have stood all tests and have been acclaimed standard if not classic.

They are the necessary books in every well-balanced Ministerial Library.

The books are large octavo in size, each containing from 400 to 550 pages, printed on excellent paper and tastefully and substantially bound in dark green cloth with gold stamping.

The former selling price of these books ranges from $2.50 to $3.50 and these editions are complete and are printed from the plates of the original high-priced editions.

Price now $1.00 per volume by mail. Add ten cents for postage.

By Prin. A. M. Fairbairn, D. D., LL. D.
THE PHILOSOPHY OF THE CHRISTIAN RELIGION

This is one of the most scholarly and successful defenses and examinations of the Christian belief and its basis. Principal Fairbairn's fame is justly founded upon the profundity of his thought, the wide range of his erudition and the bell-like clarity of his style. This is a book which should be in every ministerial library.

By Charles Loring Brace
GESTA CHRISTI: A History of Humane Progress Under Christianity

A book which has no equal in its discussion of the teaching of Jesus or the character and personnel of the members of the Apostolic group. While on many other subjects connected with the life of Christ new books have become standards, this book remains the authority in its own field.

Rev. John Ker, D. D.
LECTURES ON THE HISTORY OF PREACHING: With Introduction by Rev. Wm. M. Taylor

While not in the strictest sense of the word a volume on homiletics, this is nevertheless one of the greatest and best recognized books in this realm. It has long served as a guide to all who wished to make any acquaintance with the theory or the history of the practice of preaching. In every sense of the word classic, not alone for the student, but for the seasoned preacher himself.

By Canon F. W. Farrar
THE LIFE OF CHRIST AS REPRESENTED IN ART

This may fairly be called a by-product of the author's monumental Life of Christ. It is a complete survey in his matchless prose of the whole subject of art in its relation to Christianity.

By Alexander Maclaren, D. D.
PULPIT PRAYERS

One of Dr. Maclaren's secrets of success was in the pains and reverent care he took to prepare his people for the message of his sermon—a care extending to hymns, the Scripture and the minor parts of the service, and especially to the prayer which preceded the sermon. They are alike inspirational in contents and models in manner.

By Prin. George Adam Smith, D. D.
THE LIFE OF HENRY DRUMMOND

This is one of the greatest of religious biographies, for it is not only the story of a career alike distinguished for deep piety and a singular brilliance of achievement, but it is written by one himself a considerable figure in the movements associated with Drummond's name, and a close and lifelong friend. It touches with deep insight the movements with which Drummond's name will ever be associated.

By J. deQuincey Donehoo
THE APOCRYPHAL AND LEGENDARY LIFE OF CHRIST

Mr. Donehoo has gathered together with incredibly painstaking care all the legendary and apocryphal material concerning the life of Christ, scattered as it is through a countless number of volumes, most of which are rare and inaccessible to the average reader or student. While of course apocryphal, this collection is of immense aid to the student of doctrine as showing the place Christ came to hold in the early belief and worship of the Church.

By John P. Jones
INDIA: ITS LIFE AND THOUGHT

Mr. Jones, through many years' residence in India, has come to a knowledge of India which, coupled with his sympathetic insight into the native character, has enabled him to write what is perhaps the most comprehensive single sketch of India yet written.

By Prof. A. B. Bruce, D. D.
THE TRAINING OF THE TWELVE

An apologetic for the Christian faith which now as in the day it was written remains unanswerable. What Buckle did in his "History of Civilization" from the standpoint of materialism, has been done in this book from the standpoint of belief. It is in every way a notable book, alike from the standpoint of Christian apologetics and from the standpoint of history. It is the kind of book which belongs in every library, and because written always with a human interest, it is in the best sense popular.

THE MIRACULOUS ELEMENT IN THE GOSPELS

Professor Bruce was one of the most literal-minded of the evangelical school to which he belonged. It is a tribute to the scholar's profundity of thought and his grip of the heart of his subject that he was able to anticipate the line of attack on the supernatural so that his book still remains the ablest defense of the miracles extant. He has been followed but never supplanted.

THE PARABOLIC TEACHING OF CHRIST

The parables, admittedly one of the most important and one of the most difficult aspects of Christ's teaching, have here been treated in a manner characterized by sanity and scholarly insight. From the first this book took rank as among the ablest expositions of the parables, as well as one of the best books in English on the teaching of Jesus.

THE HUMILIATION OF CHRIST
In Its Physical, Ethical and Official Aspects

The whole theme of Dr. Bruce's work is to show that the cross is as completely the central point in the life of Christ in the light of which the whole incarnation must be understood as is the atonement in the doctrine of Christianity. It remains in a place alone as a statement of the doctrines of the incarnation and the atonement.

SEND YOUR ORDERS FOR THESE OR ANY OTHER BOOKS YOU MAY WANT TO

Board of Publication

Greensboro, N. C.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, June 3, 19[illegible] | Number 22

Reading Room Trinity College

This is My Task

"To love some one more dearly every day;
To help some wandering child to find the way;
To ponder on some noble thought and pray,
And smile when evening falls—
This is my task.

To follow truth as blind men long for light;
To do my best from dawn of day till night;
To keep my heart fit for His holy sight,
And answer when he calls—
This is my task."—Anonymous.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

BISHOP WATERHOUSE

The readers of the Advocate we are sure have learned with great pleasure that Bishop Waterhouse is assigned to the Western North Carolina Conference again. His administration last year was universally satisfactory and we feel assured that his return to us is universally pleasing.

It is generally known that the Bishop has not been in the best of health for several weeks and it is hoped that all will be considerate of this. We are glad to know that with rest there is good hope of early restoration. The Midland Methodist last week had the following note:

Bishop Waterhouse was a visitor to Sullins College commencement, sat in a layman's seat Sunday morning, and came out Monday to hear the address. The doctors at Johns Hopkins told him that he must rest all summer, take things easy, get under no burdens, and thus be ready to hold his Annual Conferences in the fall. They gave him encouragement. The church at large, and Holston in particular, will not forget to pray that he may be given strength for many more years of useful service in the church which he loves so truly, and to which he is so unselfishly devoted.

DIAMOND ANNIVERSARY

The issue of the Christian Advocate (Nashville) dated May 28th, is one to be carefully filed and preserved, not only as a souvenir, but as a very valuable collection of data that will serve a good purpose many a time in the future. We congratulate Dr. Thos. N. Ivey, the editor, and Smith & Lamar, the publishers, on the brilliant success they have achieved in giving this suitable celebration of the seventy-fifth, or Diamond, Anniversary of our great paper. Not only do the illustrated covers and the sixty attractive pages do credit to the men of our House as masters of the printer's art, but the contents are of abiding interest and will grow richer and more precious as the years go by. We say here and now to all readers of the "Nashville" not to let the issue of May 28, 1915, get misplaced.

In this matter the editor of the North Carolina Christian Advocate has one rather painful regret and must be allowed to explain and apologize. A letter lies on his desk received from Dr. Ivey some weeks ago requesting an appropriate message to be printed in this Anniversary issue. Wishing to communicate with Dr. Ivey a little further as to just what was desired and also the date of issue, the letter was side-tracked and overlooked, much to our regret. Even at this late hour, too late to appear as anticipated, the North Carolina Christian Advocate wishes to be numbered among those who extend hearty congratulations to our great central organ on this happy Diamond Anniversary. The more so because its latest, and one among its most brilliant and distinguished editors, is a son of North Carolina and began life amid the same hills and valleys that greeted our eyes when we came into the world. Long live our great Central Organ!

DEATH OF MRS. JAMES H. McCOY

Hundreds of admiring friends of Bishop James H. McCoy in North Carolina were greatly saddened to learn of the death of his wife, which occurred at their home in Birmingham, Ala., on Wednesday night of last week. The Bishop left this city on Sunday night, after preaching the baccalaurate sermon for the Greensboro College in the morning, explaining to his friends here that the illness of his mother who was then in a hospital in Birmingham made it necessary that he hasten home. The friends here would not have been surprised to have heard of the death of his mother, but were not prepared to hear of the death of his wife.

Many prayers will ascend from friends in North Carolina as well as throughout the South that sustaining grace may be given to the good Bishop and family in this sad hour.

The Alabama Christian Advocate of last week had the following note with reference to Mrs. McCoy's death.

"The press is being held long enough to convey to the readers of the Advocate the sad news of the death of Sister McCoy, wife of Bishop J. H. McCoy. Her death was from heart failure, being without a moment's warning, and occurred at the family residence in this city Wednesday night, May 26th, about 10 o'clock. Fortunately Bishop McCoy was at home at the time, but was due to leave for North Carolina in a day or two. His mother is at present in a hospital in this city, and he and his four motherless children have the very deepest sympathy of all. The burial services are to be conducted Friday morning at 10 o'clock, from the residence, corner 13th street and 12th avenue, north. May God comfort the bereaved family in this hour of their deep sorrow."

Bishop McCoy was to have preached the baccalaurate sermon at the State University at Chapel Hill on last Sunday morning. The beautiful little sentiment on our first page this week was the conclusion of his sermon to the graduates here on Sunday before. Nothing could more truly represent the faith of this good man and he will not falter in this time of supreme test.

WEAVER COLLEGE

The commencement exercises of Weaver College came to a close on Wednesday of last week. We understand that the college has had a most successful year, and that, like all our schools, the crying need is for more room to accommodate the growing demand.

In many respects Weaver is in a position to grow, at an early day, into one of the leading educational institutions of Southern Methodism. Besides a history of service rendered to the church through many years, it has an outlook of unusual promise because of its location. Since its trolley connection with Asheville it is practically a suburb and is in close touch with all the trans-mountain section included in the Asheville and Waynesville Districts. This is a great section and has a growing population of the very highest type of the American people. Weaver College is bound to hold a leading position in the educational work of this very important section of the state and it will be a very short-sighted policy on the part of Methodism not to make it strong. President Newell has been working for the enlargement of the school and for the extension of its influence in Western North Carolina, and we hope to see the people rally and hold up his hands.

The press correspondent writing from Asheville under date of May 27th, says:

With the address of Dr. Charles C. Weaver and the formation of the Weaver College Alumni Association, the annual commencement exercises of the Methodist institution at Weaverville were brought to a close yesterday. Doctor Weaver, the president of Emory and Henry College, is an alumnus of Weaver and his appearance at the final closing exercises held much interest by reason of that fact. He delivered a strong address and was heard by a large audience.

Zeb F. Curtis, of this city, was chosen as president of the Alumni Association and the former students, at their meeting yesterday, decided to hold banquets annually. The spreads probably will be held during the commencement seasons.

The annual declamation contest of the institution was won by Reid Harris, while Miss Margaret Wood was the winner of the Gudger essay medal. Henegar Shelton was awarded the Moore oratorical medal. In the annual inter-society debate the representatives of the Cliosophic Society, Dennis Leatherwood and Lowery Allison won from the speakers who represented the Delphian Society, Wade Lefler and Lawrence Presson.

Charles G. Lee, of this city, delivered the annual address to the alumni at the meeting of the former students of Weaver. The graduating class was the largest in the history of the school, being composed of eight young women and ten young men.

EDITORIAL NOTES

"And his countenance fell." These are the words describing the malevolent feeling which took possession of Cain when he became angered at his brother. The facial expression will surely reveal the state of mind in the individual. Hate can not wrankle in the heart without casting its gloomy shadow over the countenance. There are men going about today nursing grievances, real or imaginary, who, like Cain, are in danger of being swept away from the peaceful haven of moral righteousness, and of going down in a tempest of crime. The spirit of revenge is nurtured in an atmosphere of suspicion and envy. Better go and ask God to help you unload such a spirit and get an entirely new perspective of life. Even a preacher is in danger here.

* * * *

St. Paul said, "Be ye followers of me." Let us note, however, that he qualified this by saying "even as I also am of Christ." No man can hold himself up as an example to be imitated save as he is himself an imitator of his Lord. Most men of this type seem rather unconscious of their beauty of character and conduct. "Moses wist not that the skin of his face shone" when he came from his interview with the Lord in the mount. Just so, the beauty of holiness expresses itself most in the life that is without ostentation.

* * * *

In our issue of last week we stated that the Reformed Church Classis of North Carolina in their annual meeting at Newton had decided that Claremont College should hereafter be the girl's school and Catawba College should be exclusively a school for boys. We have been informed that while that action was taken it was afterwards rescinded and that Catawba College will still be co-educational. We make this note here so that no one may be misled by our former statement.

* * * *

Even the Japanese statesmen are giving Christian nations lessons on a proper conception of God. An exchange says: "Count Okuma, in an address before a meeting of Japanese and foreign Christians in the city of Tokyo, held for the purpose of inaugurating an evangelistic movement preparatory to the International Sunday School Convention of 1916, said among other things, in reference to the European war: 'There must be a wrong conception of the Deity in Germany, otherwise this war could not have come.' This failure to understand the character of God is not limited to Germany. There is no person in the universe more generally misunderstood than the God who made it."

* * * *

Methodists in America might do well to inaugurate the system which has always been followed by the Wesleyan Methodists. Referring to this one of our exchanges says: "The Wesleyan Methodist Church of England has 20,000 lay preachers, without the title of 'Reverend,' who deliver three-fifths of all the sermons preached by the Wesleyans. These men are leading lawyers, physicians, teachers and business men. This great company of devoted men, ready for service, insure public service in every Wesleyan chapel every Sunday. That church has no stations; but all their pastoral charges are circuits, and many of them are large, containing frequently forty or more appointments with a pastor and one to four assistants and as many as one hundred and fifty lay preachers." A system like this would put many more capable men to work.

NOTE AND COMMENT

Germany is Justified, says her government, in torpedoing the Lusitania, and in its reply to the note of the United States declares it is not its intention to submit neutral ships in the war zone, which are guilty of no hostile acts, to attacks by submarines or aeroplanes. Also the note asserts that the Imperial Government is investigating the circumstances in connection with the attacks on the American steamers Cushing and Gulflight, and that in all cases where neutral vessels, through no fault of their own have been damaged, Germany will pay indemnification.

The reply urges that in the case of the Lusitania, which Germany alleges was armed and carried large stores of war munitions, "it was acting in justified self-defense in seeking with all the means of warfare at its disposition to protect the lives of its soldiers by destroying ammunition intended for the enemy."

The second paragraph of the reply seems to indicate the Imperial Government's fairness. It reads: "The Imperial Government entertains also a keen wish to co-operate in a frank and friendly way in clearing up a possible misunderstanding which may have arisen in the relations between the two governments through the events mentioned by the American government."

It is said the German reply has produced a profound feeling of disappointment in Washington official circles. Press despatches remarked: "Dissatisfaction at the failure of Germany to answer the demands of the United States was reflected in government circles generally."

Governor Craig's telegram to the Washington Post last Sunday is to the point in this matter. That paper had asked the Governor his views in the present crisis with Germany. His reply was: "We can with confidence trust the President and his administration in this crisis, with a clear conception of the whole situation. He will discharge his sacred obligation to the people of the United States and to the world. He will maintain the high place of this nation for the protection of her citizens and for the honor of her flag with just regard for the rights of other nations and for humanity. We do not want war if honorable peace be possible, and I believe that it is. I believe that the President will be guided and sustained by that wisdom and strength vouchsafed to him who is steadfast in the resolve to do right. I believe that our one clear duty is to sustain the President with unfaltering determination."

* * * *

The Twenty-Fifth Annual Reunion of the United Confederate Veterans convened day before yesterday in Richmond, being called to order by George P. Harrison, of Opelika, Ala., who was appointed to preside in the enforced absence of General Bennett H. Young, commander-in-chief, now in a hospital. The veterans were welcomed by Governor Henry C. Stuart and Mayor Ainslie, and by Judge D. Gardiner Tyler, son of President John Tyler. Today, Thursday, is held the reunion parade and this afternoon will be laid the cornerstone of the equestrian statue to General Stonewall Jackson, the site for which is located in Richmond's most beautiful avenue and not far from the monuments to Davis, Lee and Stuart. For the first time in the history of Confederate reunions a Northern military organization will take part in the military pageant and occupy a position of honor.

Among other features of the convention is the unveiling of a tablet in Hollywood Cemetery to the women of the South. Yesterday at noon memorial exercises for veterans who died within the past year were conducted under the joint control of the United Confederate Veterans and the Confederated Memorial Association.

* * * *

A New Conquest by Kindness, it is said, is to be substituted for the old policy of "watchful waiting" in regard to Mexico. The President has already issued an appeal to the American public to relieve the distress and suffering in Mexico caused by starvation. It is believed that if the President succeeds in getting into that distressed country the enormous amount of food which will be necessary to prevent its being ruined by irresponsible leaders there will be a strong pro-American feeling aroused among the inhabitants of the Southern Republic. The great gratitude now being manifested toward the United States government by the rulers and the starving millions of Belgium and Poland has led the administration to hope that a similar feeling of friendship would be created in Mexico.

* * * *

The Southern Retail Furniture Association, which is made up of members engaged in business in Virginia, the Carolinas and Georgia, will gather in annual convention in Columbia, S. C., June 23-24. The indications this year point to a very large attendance, something in the neighborhood of 300 or 400 furniture dealers. Among the subjects to come up for deliberation will be: Possibilities of the retail furniture business, the ten per cent. sale and the evening up of profits, the open show room, nationally advertised goods, profitable advertising, advertising that does pay, the giving of premiums and its influence upon trade, service, and the cost of business and special discount sales.

* * * *

A Wheat Crop of Only 619,000,000 Bushels is now expected by the Department of Agriculture. This is a great crop, although 65,000,000 bushels less than the record-breaking crop of last year. The falling off in the crop estimated is due to bad weather in the winter wheat region. A dry, windy March with very little snow to protect the crop hurt the wheat badly, blowing much of it out of the ground. The area in winter wheat is 11 per cent. greater than last year, yet the expected crop is smaller.

* * * *

The British Cabinet has been reorganized in order to give parties other than the Liberal a representation in the government during the war. The old cabinet, excepting Lord Kitchener, Secretary of War, took office before the war began. Mr. Asquith remains as Prime Minister and is also first Lord of the Treasury. Mr. Balfour, Unionist, formerly Prime Minister, gets Winston Spencer Churchill's place as First Lord of the Admiralty. Mr. Churchill is transferred to a minor place. David Lloyd-George is shifted from the post of Chancellor of the Exchequer to Minister of Munitions. In all, eight Unionists, or Conservatives, enter the cabinet. Among the more famous are Lord Curzon, A Bonar Law, Austen Chamberlain, Sir Edward Carson, and the Marquis of Landsdowne. The Labor party is represented by Arthur Henderson, who becomes President of the Board of Education.

* * * *

The "Balance of Trade" continues to be enormous in favor of the United States. Figures just issued by the Treasury Department indicate that the balance will reach a billion dollars for the fiscal year ending June 30. That is to say we shall have exported during the year goods to the value of a billion dollars more than we imported in the same time. This is far beyond anything this country has ever known in its most prosperous times in the past, and it should make for great prosperity now. The swelling tide of exports shows no sign of having reached its flood stage. The Treasury figures for April, just published, show that it was by far the best April this country has ever had as to its foreign trade. Exports amounted to $294,470,199, which is $94,656,761 better than the best previous April. While exports have so wonderfully increased, imports have fallen off. This gives under "free trade" what protectionists have always regarded as the ideal condition—large exports and small imports. Never under protection was the declared purpose of protection so well accomplished. In spite of the low tariff which it was feared would flood our markets with foreign goods, imports for ten months have fallen off 12.6 per cent. as compared with the same ten months of 1914. Imports were 160 millions in April, 1915, and 173 millions in 1914.

* * * *

God Has Certainly Been Good to America in keeping her head cool. Italy, with her army of 3,150,000 men, has made the plunge. Already the country is said to be indignant over the retention of 30,000 Italians in the dual monarchies. That is only a beginning. There will be such a marvellous amount of other things over which to be indignant that the hot head will become addled and so full of hate as to bring destruction. The seeming going-back on the Triple Alliance, the turning against her friends, the grasping for territory—these are some of the inheritances of a race which, even with the stiletto, strikes underhandedly instead of overhand.

Of her 3,150,000 men, 800,000 troops are of the first line, or regular standing army, and there are over 1,200,000 in the second line. The third line, consisting of over 1,000,000 men, are somewhat older and would not be called upon unless in case of dire need.

And, too, the entry of Italy into the war completes the array of all the important navies of the world, excepting that of the United States, against the Dual monarchies. It is said to rank fifth among the world's navies, being surpassed only by those of Great Britain, the United States, Germany and France. It has 150 warships of all classes now in commission, and there are 78,600 men in the naval service.

* * * *

More Than 50,000 School Boys and Girls went aboard the warships of the Atlantic fleet at the recent naval review as the ships lay at anchor in North river near New York. The "freedom of the ships" was given to the boys and girls and they were welcomed everywhere. One enthusiastic youngster crawled into the muzzle of one of the after-turret guns on the Wyoming where he was discovered by a marine guard and gently but firmly withdrawn.

Amid all the criticisms of Josephus Daniels and of the flings at our navy, the words of President Wilson at the review are refreshing and are calculated to restore much confidence:

"I was greatly struck by the appearance of the fleet," he said, "and the quiet efficiency shown by the officers and men, as I am sure everyone must have been who had the pleasure of seeing it assembled at New York. There could have been no more interesting verification of Admiral Dewey's statement that the navy was never in a better or more efficient condition, and that the country has every reason not only to be proud of it, but every reason to wish to go forward in its policy of steadily adding to its strength and equipment."

* * * *

More than Fifty Million Dollars was left by Alfred G. Vanderbilt, who perished on the Lusitania, all of which, according to press despatches, is left in trust under his will to his infant sons by his second wife, Margaret Emerson Vanderbilt. They are Alfred G., Jr., and George. William H. Vanderbilt, his son by his first wife, Elsie French Vanderbilt, who was divorced, receives a trust fund of $5,000,000, and the Vanderbilt properties, known as Oakland Farm, near Newport, R. I., the portraits and busts of Cornelius Vanderbilt, his grandfather, and a gold medal voted by Congress to Cornelius Vanderbilt, his great, great grandfather. This legacy is in addition to a liberal settlement which his father gave him before his death. This son, William H., is now thirteen years old.

Relatives and friends, according to the will, receive bequests ranging from $1,000 to $500,000. The infant sons share in the rest. The legacies will be held in trust for them until they are 21, when each is to receive outright the accumulated income and one-fourth the principal. At the ages of 25, 30, and 35 years each son is to receive a quarter of the principal, the trusts, therefore, terminating when each is 35 years old.

Writing this reminds us of the story of the London millionaire, who, upon being told by his physician he had less than six hours to live, exclaimed: "Oh, doctor, I'll give you half a million dollars to lengthen my life two more days so I can straighten out my affairs." "Why, my dear sir," replied the physician, I have all kinds of medicines to sell, but I can not sell time; that belongs to God."

Certainly Alfred G. Vanderbilt was called away suddenly, and we are moved to remark that it is much more difficult to make a violet than a million dollars.

A VISIT TO SMYRNA

J. M. Rowland

AN EIGHTEEN HOUR RIDE on the Agean Sea by islands that were old before our country had written a line of history, brought us through the Dardanelles from Constantinople to the bay of Smyrna. The boat was rough, the odor bad, the food smacked too much of goat and there were too many Turks along; but above all this were the soft blue skies, below us the blue waters, and all about us that wonderful heavenly night with the moonlight upon the waters.

I shared my little room with a Methodist preacher, a Baptist preacher and a Mohammedan cat. The Baptist and the cat were very sea sick and kept us from sleeping well. My place at the table was between two Turks, whose main diet was a big bowl of sphagetti cooked with an abundance of goat grease. There didn't seem to be any beginning or ending to the snaky looking dough. They ate it by suction. Getting their mouths near enough to the dish they guide it with a spoon and keep a perfect stream of the greasy stuff going to their mouths like cotton in the cotton mills running through the spinners, while the goat grease goes where it may. I was reminded of the Southern belle of dusky color who informed her beau at supper that she did not like to eat watermelons. When, with great astonishment, he asked the reason why, she said, "'Cause I don't like to git de juice in mah years." Try our best, we could not eat sphagetti like the Turks. It is a distinct privilege, however, to sit between two and see them eat it, especially when you have seen the sphagetti hanging up in the back yards to dry where it is made, and the goat meat that is cooked with it, hanging in their markets. This was not the first nor the last time we had to eat what was set before us and ask no questions for conscience' sake and other reasons.

Our boat cast anchor in the beautiful harbor of Smyrna, which is also a great one, and we prepared to go ashore. Several boats from different nations were hung up at the dock and we had to stop several yards from the shore and be transferred by little row boats. It seemed that from every quarter these little boats came—about two hundred of them—with the skill and speed of birds to our boatside, while their owners set up an awful howl and jabber as they quarreled with one another for the best positions and called to us at the top of their voices for our patronage. All of this in a general mixture of broken English—badly broken—French and German at the rate of about ten per cent., with the rest in Arabic, all made emphatic with jerks and jestures astonishing to see. A crowd of hungry geese at feeding time would not have set up a more lively scramble and their talk would have been about as much understood. We were soon landed on the main street that runs along the water front, where a little car, drawn by donkeys, seemed determined to run over us. The street was crowded with camels from afar, bringing figs, rugs and other native products to the sea to exchange for other things they needed. Nearby was the fish market which needed no sign to advertise itself; also the packing places for the celebrated Smyrna figs, and a short distance up the street the bazaars.

One of the greatest things in the East is the bazaars. No tongue or pen could justly describe the wonderful sight produced by this great mixture of men with the still greater mixture of native products, all blended in endless confusion of styles, costumes and colors, while the black men and still blacker men (for now and then among the other hues you run upon a Kaifer, Nubian, or a Sudanese, black enough to make a common negro look pale), brown men and yellow men, all clattering, jabbering, sputtering, gurgling sounds at you which vary in sound from the roar of a lion to the mixing of a Seidlitz powder. To go through the bazaars of Smyrna, Constantinople and Cairo, to be pulled and jerked, sputtered and hissed at with an endless array of goods of every color of the rainbow and several that have never been hung up in the sky before you, while from hundreds of figures of every countenance and costume known to man on exhibit in the little half-lighted booths, with as many odors as they have colors, has the effect upon the sub-consciousness something akin to the jim jams, but more pleasant. In these famous trading places you can buy the finest products of the East at almost your own price.

Smyrna is of great interest to the traveler because it has long been the second great city of the Turkish Empire. It has a fine location and from any point of view produces a most pleasing impression. Before it lies one of the greatest harbors of the earth and on beyond the blue waters of the Agean sea. The city sits upon the side of a commanding hill, while behind it are great and imposing mountains, among which old Mount Pagus raises his lofty head, speaking of the distant time when about him the proud old city surged, while upon his crest rested the crown of Roman life and glory. Smyrna claims an unbroken history of three thousand and five hundred years, and is now one of the greatest cities of the country, pouring from the regions beyond into her harbor a wonderful stream of commerce. Another great honor claimed by Smyrna is being one of the seven cities in which Homer was born.

But the point of greatest interest to the Christian is that Smyrna was the home of one of the Seven Churches of Asia, to which God, through Saint John, on the Isle of Patmos, not far away, sent those messages which were to come with light and life to all churches for all time. This is the only one of the seven cities in which those early churches were located that is great and prosperous, the others long ago having gone to dust through the wear of the ages and the vandalism of man. The church at Smyrna claimed another distinction in that it and the church at Philadelphia were the only two out of the seven that received only words of praise in those letters. In all the others when the good points had been recounted the Almighty voice spoke to the Revelator these awful words: "Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee." How many churches and how many souls our Lord will thus address when he writes our record is sad to contemplate. When God spoke the good deeds of the church at Smyrna there was no "nevertheless."

You surely feel linked to the past in Smyrna. The missionary links in the chain of the years is gone and the Dark Ages glow with heaven's light. You are at the site of the church of Smyrna with the second chapter of Revelations before you, and the history of Irenaeus, who was bishop of Lyons at the close of the second century. He was the pupil of Polycarp, bishop of the church at Smyrna, and has written things about him that have come down through the years to us. Polycarp was the disciple of Saint John and John was the disciple of Jesus. So that morning as we stood in Smyrna we felt our hands were holding the unbroken chain of history back to Jesus, which gave us strange feelings as we looked at the links—Irenaeus, Polycarp, John, Jesus.

It was here in the market place of the city one Saturday afternoon that the great and good old Polycarp was fed to the flames when the devil and his angels tried so hard to destroy the faith of the early Christians by burning their bodies. Little did they think those martyr fires were starting a light that would outshine the stars, and that by the aid of that light that shone on the world of sin and darkness so many souls would be able to see the face of Christ. They wrought more for the Lord in their death than they could possibly have done in their lives. Truly does the Scripture speak of all such "Of whom the world was not worthy." Polycarp was offered freedom if he would deny his Lord. The old saint's answer was, "Eighty and six years have I served Him and He has done me no ill; how then can I blaspheme my king who has saved me?" He fed the soldiers who came to take him and requested of them an hour for prayer. As they saw him praying a strange awe came over them and they repented they had arrested him, but led him to the Roman Court which sentenced him to death. They burned him and his friends gathered up the old man's ashes and buried them, overlooking the beautiful bay. Heathen Turks tramp the sacred spot, crying, "Polycarp toomba! backsheesh" (all they know of English), little knowing what that spot means to the Christian's heart.

The church of Smyrna is gone. The congregation is gone. The Turks hold fort where the glorious light of this spotless church shone long ago. But the faith they had is not dead; the flowers they planted have not withered, nor is the vine they planted by the wall of that church blighted. Across many seas and into many lands the fragrance and the fruit of that early religion has gone and lives to the glory of God. Standing in these ruins where heathenism has followed Christianity, some ask, Isn't religion a failure? Because the sun goes down does it go out? It goes beyond our vision to shine on the other lands, and so the glorious Sun of Righteousness went beyond the view of some of those people who would not open their eyes to His saving light, but the light of that Sun did not go out. On those people who opened their eyes to His light He is shining with ever increasing splendor and there is healing in His wings.

One of my favorite texts to preach from has long been Rev. 2:10, "Be thou faithful unto death and I will give thee a crown of life." My visit to the Bible lands opened many texts in ways I never dreamed of and this was one of them. This text was to the church at Smyrna. All the commercial and social glory that crowned Mt. Pagus in the height of her Roman splendor made Smyrna appear as the queen of the world sitting on her throne above the sea. So the ancients regarded her. They referred to her crown of life and glory. If the Roman life of that city could be called a crown what a crown the life to come would be to those in the church at Smyrna who, in the persecutions to follow, were faithful unto death! How that life—pure, endless, sinless, painless—compares with the life of Rome at her highest! What an exchange, death for life; Smyrna for heaven! But I will just mention the fact and not preach the sermon.

Being very anxious to visit all the scenes of this sacred history in and beyond the city, we soon had a dozen carriages in line, driven by as many treacherous looking Turks, and drawn by horses small and ugly, but tough and fast. It is amazing how much hard driving and rough treatment these little horses will stand. The Turks—in fact nearly all the drivers we saw—have a recklessness and speed in their driving that would make Jehu take a back seat. Numbers of times we held our breath and closed our eyes as we furiously drove through narrow streets crowded with venders, camels, donkeys, people and dogs, and through the whole summer, with many hairbreath misses, we had only two minor accidents. In Athens we upset a fruit peddler with no damage save a few spilt apples and lingual explosion that sounded like a pot full of Heroditus, Livy and Modern Eloquence boiling over. The other was in Damascus in the street called Straight, where through the crowded market and hundreds of dogs, we made schedule time with no mishap save running over the left hind leg of one of the Sultan's Fidos. It should be remembered that these European carriages are the only wheeled vehicles found in Turkey and Palestine.

Up the narrow, crowded streets of Smyrna our carriages went for Mt. Pagus. The streets are only a few feet wide and are full of venders, basket-makers, shoe-makers, coppersmiths, etc., the most of whom sit flat upon the ground. Our horses dashed along, sometimes brushing against them, but they seemed too busy or too lazy to notice us. Streams of dirty beggars of every age followed us with the cry of "backsheesh," which is ever in your ears.

Deep in thought and meditation on the sacred history born here, we almost forgot the degradation about us. Higher we climbed until we had a wonderful view of the city below with the ships of many nations swinging on their anchors at her quay and the waters of the

Agean sea stretching on until they touched the blue Mediterranean. To our left herds of goats browsed about the base of the old Roman bridge over which the splendor of the empire went in the days of Jesus. Up ahead of us was the site of the church of Smyrna and still beyond the tomb of Polycarp. Our little horses settled down to their up-hill pull while we settled still deeper into meditation. The beautiful morning, and the sacred scenes made a day seldom equalled in a lifetime. But how soon were we to be served with one of those sudden changes these folks thrust upon you as they sweep you through centuries of time from the things that used to be to the things that are now.

In the midst of our deepest and most profitable meditations some of the horses balked—how many I don't know; really I am not sure that any balked at all—anyway that or something else caused us to presently be served free of charge with one of the greatest shows which in all my life I have ever seen or heard. I would give a good price if I had the power to produce with word or pen or motion picture what followed. I hesitate to try for I know I will fall so far short of doing it justice. I am sure no member of our party can ever forget it but all will ever consider it one of the richest experiences that was ours—something that was not on the regular program and for which there was no extra charge whatever.

Our carriages all came to a standstill and the Turkey drivers began to gobble at one another and to make signs. At first it was mild and slow but soon the grindings and the gratings that came from their throats grew faster and louder while gesticulations, gyrations and contortions became more violent, increasing every second in rapidity and force. They let go their lines and stood up that they might be freer to practice their bodily and gutteral performances, all of which increased in volume and movement like a gasoline engine getting under way. Presently they all went down upon the ground where they could have still more room and get at one another better. They met face to face, and glowered at one another until their eyes, aflame with Satanic fire, seemed to bulge from their heads. Their faces were so contorted that their noses, eyes, ears and mouths seemed to rapidly change places like the letters of an electric sign on the street in the night. They trembled, stamped their feet, rubbed their fists in one another's faces. They stood straight up with their hands and faces lifted high toward heaven calling upon their God with more vehemence than the prophet of Baal on Mt. Carmel. Then they went down upon the earth and prostrated themselves with their faces near the earth and the palms of their hands upon the ground, and prayed. Then they rose and swore. It will help to picture this scene when you think of the pants these Turks wear. It seems they can't be mean enough in their nature and conduct but must add to it by the abominable clothes they wear. Their pants are full in the hips with legs dwindling down on the mutton leg plan until they are tight at the ankles with a seat that bags down about two feet. It produces the most grotesque costume ever designed by the children of men. The actions of these fellows in those breeches were something not soon forgotten. This went on until every condition known to the body had been gone through with while all the time a noise as loud as lungs and throats could make it rolled from their throats with a swiftness that would make an auctioneer or a lady at a tea party green with envy. This stuff could not have been talk. They could not have understood one another. A cat serenade in the back yard at midnight was Shakespearean Rhetoric compared to this. Mark Twain said when he heard cats fighting at night it wasn't the fuss that bothered him but the fact that "they used such miserable bad grammar." If catawailing is bad grammar I don't know what this was. It varied in sound from the boiling of much to the grinding of glass, with constant explosions from their internal regions as though they had swallowed several packs of firecrackers each and they were going off.

Why they were thus giving their attention to one another and not to the horses if they had balked was strange, and led us to think the horses had not balked. And yet if that was not the cause I don't know what it was. The whole thing will remain a mystery. Some thought it was a little side show they were serving to us with the hope of some extra backsheesh. Others thought it was a plot to get us out of the city in this lonely place and rob us and they were merely debating how they should proceed and how they would divide us up. When this theory was advanced some of our men became alarmed and our ladies began to cry. As for me I did not think of danger. I forgot all about the sacred spot and its history. I almost forgot who I was and where I was. I could not even be a knight to the hysterical ladies. I sat back in that carriage looking upon the greatest circus I had ever seen and it was not costing me a cent. After awhile about the tomb of Polycarp I tried to brush all these things away and enter into the spirit I expected to find up there. I often close my eyes and stand there again. I see Mt. Pagus and the city below, the boats in the harbor and the blue sea beyond. I see the teeming life of Rome in the height of her glory surging about that proud old city. I see Polycarp going to the flames. I see the messengers coming from Patmos with John's letter to the church at Smyrna. I see the angel coming down from heaven with the crown of life to put upon the heads of those who in the midst of trials we can never realize were faithful unto death. At other times in other moods I close my eyes to things about me and see that circus over again, and I cannot keep from wishing I could, by tongue or pen or artist's brush, put it in a living picture. When the performance was at its height our horses started to run with all their might, without any drivers to stop them. I had listened to some strange thing they often said to the horses, and realizing something had to be said and done, I yelled at the horses as near as I could that thing I had heard them say. I don't know how near I came to it. I don't know whether I was swearing or not, or whether I was praying to Mohammed, but it answered the purpose, the horses stopped, and we got the lines and held them until the performance was over.

When we reached the boat our ladies fixed their hair and otherwise adjusted their disordered looks as they almost cried again for joy, while the men smiled and sighed for the same reason. Some lady said to our guide: "Oh, wasn't it awful? Did you ever see anything like it?" The guide looked at her with a smile and said, "Madam, I have been going through that every day for twenty years."

BOOK REVIEWS

Harper and Brothers of New York have for some time been publishing a library of very valuable and informative books at fifty cents each. These include, among a great many others, the "A B C of Gardening," by Eben E. Rexford; the "A B C of Housekeeping, by Christine Terhune; the "A B C of Electricity," by William H. Meadowcroft; the "A B C of Manners," by Anne Seymour; "Imagination in Business," by Lorin F. Deland, "The Road to Joy," by Louise Collier Willcox; "The American Girl," by Anne Morgan.

This latter little book, by the daughter of the great financier, is filled with helpful suggestions to her young countrywomen concerning the four points of her life's highroad: her education, her responsibilities, her recreations, and her future. Miss Morgan is a woman of wide mental vision and warm sympathies, and her advice is founded on mature thought and experience.

"The Road to Joy" of this excellent series of fifty-cent volumes is very attractively made up as a guide to contentment and as such will meet the need of semi-devotional manual for birthday and Christmas gifts. It is truly a guide-book on the road to joy and peace. It has illuminated vellum cover and illuminated title page.

This is one of the most entertaining and economical libraries appearing in a long time. Included in it is Abbott's Biographical Histories of all the great characters from beyond Alexander the Great and Xerxes down to the present. These biographies are the books of which Abraham Lincoln wrote: "I have not education enough to appreciate the profound works of voluminous historians, and if I had, I have no time to read them. But your series of histories gives me, in brief compass, just the knowledge of past men and events which I need. I have read them with the greatest interest. To them I am indebted for about all the historical knowledge I have."

* * * *

McBride, Nast and Company, of 31 Union Square, New York City, furnish free a spring catalogue of some very desirable and attractive books. Among them is "An Interpretation of the Russian People," by Leo Weiner, Professor of Slavic Language and Literature at Harvard University. In this book Professor Weiner strives to weigh the sum total of facts independent of personal opinion and the transient factor of changing historical background. He studies the Russian soul in diplomacy, in art, in literature, in music, and under revolt. It is altogether an attractive 12 mo. volume selling for $1.50 with twelve cents additional for postage if ordered by mail.

Another new book from the press of McBride, Nast and Company, and selling at the same price, is "The Truth About Twilight Sleep," by Hannah Rion (Mrs. Ver Beck) who is also the author of "The Garden in the Wilderness," "Let's Make a Flower Garden," etc. This book, "The Truth About Twilight Sleep," is one wherein an American mother presents with authority and deep human interest the conclusive evidence of a personal investigation of the Freiburg method of painless childbirth.

Recent fiction from McBride, Nast and Company include "The Yellow Claw," by Sax Rohmer, at $1.35; "The Bride of the Sun," by Gaston Leroux, at $1.25, and "Marriage by Conquest," by Warwick Deeping, at $1.25, each volume requiring ten cents postage.

* * * *

Doubleday, Page and Company, of New York City, have recently issued a thrilling dollar and thirty-five cent piece of fiction, "Victory," by Joseph Conrad. The comments on this new book would lead one to believe it is far above the average, in fact "the book that will easily win America for Joseph Conrad." Here is certainly an entirely new Conrad, and yet the old Conrad "with all his compelling power of the drama life, all his magic of distant scene and atmosphere, all his wondrous insight of character." In speaking of the hero of the story one critic says, "Conrad has out-borrowed Shakespeare by 'lifting' his noble Dane bodily and setting him with self-distrust, melancholy, acute sense of beauty, and all on a lovely island in the South Sea." Another critic remarks that "Viewed as a whole, 'Victory' presents that curious and vital mingling of strong, crude action and of delicate psychology, the secret of which has been lost for a good three hundred years."

* * * *

The Page Company, of 53 Beacon Street, Boston, are doing a distinct service to young people and educators by printing "The Little Cousins of Long Ago" series. The volumes describe the boys and girls of ancient times and give insights into their lives, their manner of play, study, work, recreation, home life and how they looked and how they behaved. The information is drawn from the best sources in history and are absolutely correct. Already three volumes of the series have appeared, the first being "Our Little Roman Cousin of Long Ago," which was followed by "Our Little Athenian Cousin of Long Ago," and now comes "Our Little Spartan Cousin." In preparation and to appear soon are "Our Little Macedonian Cousin," Carthaginian, Viking, Norman and Saxon. The author is Julia Darrow Cowles, and she writes most entertainingly, interestingly and delightfully for the juvenile mind. The entire collection would be a valuable possession for any boy or girl. Each volume is 12 mo. cloth, with special reinforced library binding and is illustrated, costing sixty cents. Of this series the Page Company would be glad to send announcements to any one writing for such. Altogether, there are forty-nine vloumes, with accurate accounts of the present day life of children of other countries.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS

On page 11 you will find a renewal subscription order blank. If your subscription has expired please clip out the blank, pin check or money order to same and mail to us. We can not come after this. You can send it for only two cents. Please attend to it today. The matter is urgent.

STATEMENTS! STATEMENTS!

We are sending statements to many this week. We send these statements with the hope that our friends will kindly respond. The amount may seem small to you, but the sum of all these small accounts means much to us. Please let us hear from you by return mail.

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—The Methodist Sunday schools of Charlotte went on an excursion to the Children's Home at Winston-Salem last week.

—Rev. L. P. Bogle, pastor of the Ruffin circuit, began revival services at Sadler Schoolhouse last Sunday night.

—Rev. Hight C. Moore, editor of the Biblical Recorder, was honored with the degree of Doctor of Divinity by Wake Forest College at the recent commencement.

—Rev. Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe preached the sermon before the Young Men's Christian Association of the State University at Chapel Hill last Sunday evening.

—A revival meeting is in progress in our church at Taylorsville this week. The pastor, Rev. R. E. Hunt, is assisted by Rev. Z. E. Barnhardt, of Lenoir.

—Beautiful and appropriate memorial services were held in the Methodist church at Glen Alpine on Saturday, May 29th. Rev. E. E. Williamson, pastor of the First church, Morganton, preached the sermon.

—Rev. R. M. Taylor, of Norwood, passed through the city on Monday on his way to the commencement at Chapel Hill, where his son is among the graduates. He made the Advocate office a pleasant call.

—Rev. R. M. Taylor, pastor of our church in Norwood, exchanged pulpits with Rev. R. G. Tuttle, pastor of Central church, Albemarle, last Sunday. We have no doubt the pastors and congregations both enjoyed the exchange. Brother Taylor was pastor of the church in Albemarle several years ago.

—Rev. W. R. Ware, presiding elder of the Salisbury District, was honored with the degree of Doctor of Divinity by Catawba College at the commencement last week. Dr. Ware was once a student of the college and has made a record of which the college is proud. A friend and minister of the Reformed church who heard his address says that it was such as one might expect of a man eminently worthy of such a high honor.

—The gift of $500.00 to the memory of the late Mrs. K. J. Craven, of Coleridge, to our Conference Mission Emergency Fund is a fitting tribute to a truly good woman. Her son, Mr. I. F. Craven, of Ramseur, gave $80.00. Mrs. Hugh Parks, Jr., of Franklinville, gave $60.00. Several others made handsome contributions. But none more sacred than the one dollar of Mrs. Celia A. Marley, the originator of the memorial.

—The Epworth League of West Market Street church held a very interesting anniversary meeting last Sunday evening. Rev. Dr. E. L. Bain, pastor of Centenary church, Winston Salem was the speaker and made a very appropriate address. Rev. R. M. Courtney, pastor of West End, Winston-Salem, was also present and took part in the service.

—Bishop A. W. Wilson preached the annual sermon at Littleton Female College on Sunday May 23. The press correspondent says: "He preached a grand sermon, so beautiful in its simplicity that even a child could understand every word." Rev. R. C. Craven, of Rocky Mount, delivered the literary address on Tuesday.

—Captain Marcellus Jordan, the oldest member of West Market Street church, died at the home of his son, Mr. W. M. Jordan, at Mount Airy, on last Sunday night. Captain Jordan was eighty years old and had been a member of West Market Street church since boyhood. The funeral service was conducted from West Market Street church on Monday afternoon by the pastor, Rev. C. W. Byrd, assisted by Rev. W. H. Willis, pastor of Central church, Mt. Airy.

—Many friends and acquaintances in our Conference will regret to learn of the death of Rev. W. O. Davis, which occurred at his home in Kinston on Tuesday, May 25th, of acute indigestion. Brother Davis was transferred from this to the North Carolina Conference in November, 1914. He is survived by a wife and six children. He has not had a charge since he left here on account of ill health.

—At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Trustees of Davenport College held at Statesville last week, Rev. W. L. Sherrill tendered his resignation as Secretary and Treasurer of the College. Brother Sherrill had been employed in this capacity about two years and did fine work in securing funds to cancel the old debt, also to furnish the new Cornelius Hall. The Committee accepted his resignation with strong resolutions of thanks for his efficient work and for the clear and business-like manner in which he submitted his report. Brother Sherrill gave up one of the most pleasant pastoral charges in our Conference at Pineville in order to do this work.

Gastonia.—We began a series of meetings in Main Street church the second Sunday in May and cotinued for two weeks, which resulted in a genuine revival in the church, and a goodly number of professions of faith, and some backsliders reclaimed. As a result of the meeting twenty-nine have been received, by vows, and others will be received later. We have received, since Conference, by vows and certificate one hundred and seven members, and I hope to add a great many more before our Annual Conference meets this fall. There has been a very large increase in the attendance at Sunday school, and we hope to make this the greatest year in the history of our school. Our Sunday school enrollment, not including the Cradle Roll, is now four hundred and sixty-five, and we hope to make it five hundred very soon.

The outlook is hopeful for all departments of our work, and I am greatly encouraged by the way, because I feel that God is with us, and there are better things just ahead, to which we aspire. Fraternally,

H. H. Jordan.

Ramseur and Franklinville.—I have just closed a most glorious meeting in our new church in Franklinville. It was an old-time revival. The attendance was large and the interest good from the beginning. More than a hundred professed faith in Christ at the altar and fifty-two have given their names to join our church, with others to follow. Quite a number will unite with other churches. This will make seventy who have joined since Conference. We are hopeful for a good year. Pray for us. T. J. Rogers.

Southside, Winston-Salem.—Rev. D. H. Comann, Conference Evangelist, has been with the people of Southside, Winston, for the past week in revival services. Irrespective of church affiliation, the people have expressed great delight in having him in their midst. Brother Comann is acquainted with the contents of the Bible as are but few men. Here he finds his theme and also the proof for his arguments. The results of his labor can not be tabulated by counting noses, although quite a number of accessions to the church will be made. These will be furnished the Advocate next week. Yours respectfully,

L. F. Brothers, Pastor.

Lilesville Circuit.—As you have thus far had no communication from Lilesville circuit since our last Conference perhaps this communication will not be amiss. On coming to this work we found the people very much discouraged financially, owing to the depression in the cotton market, as they are almost entirely dependent on cotton for their finances. Our churches in this country have suffered a great deal on this account. Our finances to date are in fair shape considering the general financial condition. We find the church attendance in this part of the state very small as compared to the Piedmont section of the State. This is partly owning to the fact that a large number of the land owners have moved into the towns in order to obtain better educational advantages for their children, while many others seem absolutely indifferent and unconcerned. We have Sunday schools in all of our churches which are doing fair work, but could be made a great deal more efficient if the fathers and mothers could be induced to take hold of the schools. Our church in the town of Lilesville seems to be moving along very nicely. We have just recently closed a great revival in our church here which continued for nearly three weeks resulting in fifty or sixty professions and reclamations, and a result of fifteen or twenty persons uniting with the churches. This meeting has been pronounced by some as one of the best meetings ever held in Lilesville. I was assisted in this meeting by Rev. Mr. Justice, of the Baptist church, and Rev. Mr. Gill, of the Presbyterian, both of which did very efficient work and contributed greatly to the success of our meeting. We will not hold our revival services in the country churches until during the months of July and August.

Yours fraternally, J. A. Sharp.

Franklin Station.—The evening service on Saturday, the 22nd inst., concluded the revival which had been in progress at our church here for three weeks. The service the following Sunday morning was devoted to the reception of new members, of which there were more than seventy, and it was indeed an inspiring sight to witness that throng of men and women, boys and girls, standing around the altar, taking the church vows as evidence of their stand for God and righteousness. The service Sunday evening was a union service, participated in by congregations from all the other churches in town. At this service Brother Daugherty delivered a most helpful and interesting discourse for the benefit of the new converts, after which Rev. J. M. Bennett, pastor of the Franklin Baptist church, made a most interesting talk in which he commended the Christian people of Franklin for their consecrated work during this revival, and stated that the coming of the Holy Spirit in such power was, he felt sure, due to the harmony and unity of spirit in which the people of the several churches of Franklin had labored.

Thus ended a great revival, the like of which, the oldest citizens of Franklin tell us, has not been seen here for a quarter of a century, a revival that is a tribute to the consecration and personal effort of the pastors and the Christian people of the town among their people.

The conversions of the meeting numbered eighty-four and there were ninety-five accessions to the various churches (quite a number presenting their letters) and the spiritual condition of the church was greatly strengthened.

Two or three days after the conclusion of the revival services our pastor was presented with a purse containing $150.00 in gold, which was given to him by the citizens of Franklin in recognition of his tireless work among them, hoping he would use it at his convenience to defray the expenses of a much needed rest.

The District Conference of the Waynesville District convened with the Franklin church May 25-27, presided over by Brother Cordell. The attendance was not what was desired or expected, but the session, withal, was a very successful one, showing considerable progress among all the churches and developing a desire on the part of the pastors for greater things in the church interests. The homes

and hearts of the people of Franklin were open to the visiting ministers and delegates and they enjoyed having them.

S. W. Bowen.

Thomasville Circuit.—The Conference year is more than half gone. Our third quarterly meeting has just been held. While the reports showed gain over last year, yet the work is still behind. Failure in crops for the past two years and factories not running on full time has paralized not only business but church work as well. With business improving and prospect for good crops, the people seem more hopeful. One draw back to the work is a debt on the parsonage of nearly $500.00. This has been a heavy weight to the work ever since the parsonage was built, nearly six years ago. But now I think we will succeed in removing this weight. The Saturday before the fourth Sunday in June the circuit will hold an all day rally and basket picnic in the interest of the debt. It will be held at Unity church, near the center of the work and in the edge of Thomasville, making it convenient for both town and country to attend. We hope to make this rally day helpful to every interest of the church. The social feature in bringing the people together and getting better acquainted will be worth a great deal, aside from the financial consideration. The dinner will be free for all. Refreshments will be sold for the benefit of the parsonage. There will be several addresses by the most popular speakers that can be secured. Dr. Boyer, our efficient presiding elder, gives his endorsement to the movement and only regrets that other engagements make it impossible for him to attend and assist in making the occasion helpful. Dr. Boyer does not spare himself. He is not afraid of hard work. After making a talk to the Sunday school on Sunday he preached at 11 a. m., administered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, preached at Unity at 3 p. m., and at Main Street, Thomasville, at night. This is only a sample of the kind of work he is doing all the year.

Our parsonage is a valuable piece of property, located near the center of town, convenient to depot, post office, church, school house and stores, surrounded by kind, peaceful neighbors. It is a large two story, nine room building. I had Dr. Boyer to examine the title. He pronounced it genuine. It contains the trust clause required by the discipline. When free from debt and better furnished it will make a desirable home for the preacher and family that may be appointed here from time to time. The garden is not as large as I have been used to, but it is productive and I can get as much land joining the parsonage as I care to work, especially as this Burmuda grass makes cultivation rather burdensome, as I have discovered recently. Chickens do not thrive so well if too closely confined, but I have something over one hundred now ranging about on the parsonage lot and lots adjoining. The neighbors do not seem to seriously object and I am sure I do not. So we are having our usual garden and chickens if we do live in town. The only things we are deprived of is our cow and pigs, so we have our butter and milk and meat to buy. This reminds me of P. F. Stamey, of precious memory. Mrs. Stamey insisted that they buy a horse and buggy so they could ride. "No," Brother Stamey said, "it is cheaper to hire than to feed a horse. "Yes," Sister Stamey said, "it might be cheaper, but they won't ride much." It may be cheaper to buy your butter and milk and meat than to feed a cow and hog, but we are not apt to eat quite so much. J. B. Tabor.

Walnut Cove Revival

We began a meeting in the new ware house in Walnut Cove on Sunday night, May 16th, and closed Friday night, May 28th, having continued thirteen days. Our presiding elder, Rev. H. C. Sprinkle, did the preaching from start to finish. There is no dissent from the position that the preaching was strong and of a high order. The night congregations, I think, on an average, would have filled our church here twice or more. The day services were remarkably well attended. There were some twenty or more professions of faith. I have received to date, 25 members, 17 on profession of faith and 8 by certificates, as a result of the meeting. Some few will join other churches. One feature of the meeting, worthy of note, is that each one who came forward was converted almost immediately. One leading merchant was converted in his store and came out to the meeting and made public confession of it. Our faithful band here has been encouraged and heartened by this work of grace.

E. J. Poe, P. C.

Missionary Notes from Field Secretary

Ramseur and Franklin, T. J. Rogers, P. C.—Brother Rogers and his committees have the Conference collections well in hand. At Ramseur $172.00 has been paid. I preached at Franklinville, met with missionary committee who said they would make the every member canvass and raise their assessments in full. The church here is splendidly adapted to preaching and Sunday school work.

The Ramseur-Franklinville and Coleridge charges have pledged $500.00 Conference Mission Special as a memorial to Mrs. Keziah Jane Craven, a former member of the Coleridge church, born July 17, 1828, died March 17, 1915. Soon after Sister Craven's death Mrs. Celia A. Marley, an elect member of the Ramseur church, handed Brother I. F. Craven, of Ramseur, son of Sister Craven, one dollar as a memorial for missions sacred to the memory of his mother. Brother Craven, in casting about for a proper object to direct this to, selected our Conference Mission Emergency Fund. He personally pledged $80.00. These two subsecriptions were quickly and cheerfully followed by others which, with a sacred amount set aside for missions by Sister Craven before her death, brought the amount to $500.00. Sister Craven's faith spoke in life. By it she still speaks. The one dollar added by a friend quickened into a larger life of faith many others. Who can estimate the good that will follow? Better than marble or granite are memorials like this.

Coleridge, J. E. Womack, P. C.—At Rehobeth there was no congregation. At Mt. Olivet a down pouring rain. At Coleridge I spoke to a good audience in the new $5,500.00 church. $56.75 on Conference assessments was pledged. I met with committee who, with pastor, will make an every-member canvass. Brother Womack expects to bring everything up in full.

Brother Rogers' meeting just closed at Franklinville is spoken of in the highest terms. . .Randolph Ct., E. N. Crowder, P. C.—Trinity, Conference collections in budget, will be paid in full. $146.00 Conference Mission Special. W. F. Ellis gave $100.00; Mrs. Bruce Craven, $32.00. Pleasant Hill, $50.00 on assessments. Hopewell: Largely attended Children's Day service. I gave missionary address; met with pastor, stewards and missionary committee. T. J. Finch, church leader, says the $100.00 assessment will be paid. $50.00 check Conference Mission Special by T. J. Finch.

Mt. Vernon.—$25.75 on assessments. Met with committee who promised to make every-member canvass.

The Randolph circuit will pay out this year, so Brother Crowder earnestly believes.

OUR CHILDREN'S HOME REPORT

By Walter Thompson, Supt.

Home Notes

It may be of interest to many readers of the Advocate to know that the grounds of the Home are undergoing such improvement as will make them one of the beauty spots of the beautiful city of Winston-Salem. Since the opening of the season suitable for work of that kind, there has been a transformation of appearance that seems almost magical to those who remember the grounds as they formerly were and see them now. Nature has done much in the way of providing a contour that lends itself kindly to the touch of the landscape gardener, and has furnished a very beautiful background of wooded hills to complete the picture. The work has been done by our own farm and Home force in the intervals of active farm work, and all who have had a hand in it, big and little, feel considerable pride in the results accomplished, and look on their handiwork with pleasure. There is no reason why the Home should not be an inspiration to the love of the beautiful, as well as the good, for both have the same Author and lead the same way.

* * * *

A notably pleasant event in the Home life was the coming of so many of our Charlotte friends last Thursday. Representatives of the Methodist Sunday schools of that city, to the number of nearly two hundred and fifty, spent as much of the day with us as their long ride coming and returning left them, and if the pleasure their visit gave them equalled ours they will long remember their stay with us. Tables were spread under the trees on the play ground, and the contents of many baskets filled with samples of Charlotte housewives' good cookery, supplemented with Home coffee, were butchered to make a Roman holiday. After dinner our visitors sang us "Shine where you are," and the children returned the compliment with several songs and a recitation. All the places of interest about the Home were visited, and all seemed pleased and proud to know how well the church is caring for so many of her homeless children. Much interest was shown in our printing department, and many carried away sample copies of the Home Chronicle for the first half of June, just off the press, as a souvenir of their first visit to the Home.

* * * *

It is greatly to be wished that all the Sunday schools of the Conference could make such a visit to the Home, and acquire such a knowledge of what the Home is, and is doing, as did our Charlotte friends. An hour spent here will do more to interest and inspire the heart in the work the church is doing here than all that can be said or written about it. Many a father and mother got new views of the importance of orphanage work last Thursday when they looked at this salvage of shipwrecked homes and thought of their own households and what it would mean if one of these little ones were theirs. In the March number of the Home Chronicle Brother Ireland, writing his impressions after a visit to the Home, said: "As I thought of these things it occurred to me what a splendid thing it would be for our Sunday schools to arrange for picnics from different parts of the Conference to the Children's Home this summer, in order that our people might become informed at first hand of what a wonderful plant we have at Winston," and it would, indeed, be a splendid thing for the Home, and for the church.

* * * *

Amount Received on Special and General Support and Ten Per Cent. Assessment

Summerfield charge, Summerfield, Rev. T. B. Johnson	$ 5.00
Rock Springs Ct., Denver, Rev. Jim Green	7.00
Macon Ct., Waynesville Dist., Franklin, Rev. J. L. Teague	3.00
Unity Chapel, N. Thomasville, Thomasville, G. V. Bodenheimer	10.50
Rocky Ridge, Concord, Rev. W. T. Albright	2.33
Mrs. Etta Parlier, Winston	5.00
Mt. Zion church, Cornelius, A. F. Torrence	25.26
A friend	5.00
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn's church, Lenoir, Rev. T. S. Coble	5.00
Catawba Ct., Catawba, Rev. A. G. Loftin	5.75
Wentworth Ct., Reidsville, Rev. T. C. Jordon	44.19
Mt. Pleasant. Rev. G. A .Stamper	10.00
Statesville, Rev. C. M. Campbell	10.00
Rock Springs Ct., Webb's church, Denver, Rev. J. H. Green	13.10
Farm	2.50
Six friends, Charlotte	6.00
Total	$159.65

Fifth Sunday Collections

Center S. S., Yadkinville, Rev. W. M. Boring, $1.25.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

CONFERENCE OFFICERS

President
Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson ..Greensboro
First Vice-President
Mrs. H. K. Boyer ....Winston-Salem
Second Vice-President
Mrs. Mattie H. Stewart ....Charlotte
Recording Secretary
Mrs. E. L. Bain .....Winston-Salem
Corresponding Secretary
Mrs. H. A. Dunham .....Asheville
Treasurer
Mrs. P. N. Peacock .....Salisbury
Supt. Mission Study and Publicity
Mrs. W. R. Harris .....Asheville
Supt. Social Service
Mrs. T. F. Marr .....Charlotte
Supt. Supplies
Mrs. J. N. Hauss .....Thomasville
Distributor of Literature
Mrs. W. C. Houston .....Concord

THE SPIRIT'S WHISPER

Not in the wanton crown, so gay and garish,
Where all is tinsel, trumpery, pomp and show,
Not in the haggling mart, where only flourish
Man's over-reaching powers, mean and low,
Do you hear the Spirit's whisper in the heart.

Not when the soul is all self-centered;
Its orbit but one weary, dreary round;
Blind to the beauty God's profusely scattered,
Deaf to the cries of misery that abound,
Do you hear the Spirit's whisper in the heart.

When round your heaven reverberates God's thunder,
Your sheltering gourds have parched and pined away;
Alone in a soul-wilderness you wander,
Wounded and pierced from out the mad world's fray,
Can you hear the Spirit's whisper in your heart!

Back to the world, God's poor and sick to cherish,
Back to its busy workshop, field and plow,
Where lacking loving kindness, many perish,
At leisure from yourself and listening now,
You hear the Spirit's whisper in your heart! —Sel.

MRS. H. A. DUNHAM

The announcement that Mrs. H. A. Dunham, our Conference Corresponding Secretary, is improving after a recent serious illness, will be glad news to her numerous friends throughout the conference. We are sure many prayers will ascend for her speedy restoration to health.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT MEETING

The second annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Waynesville District was held at Bryson City, N. C., May 11, 1915. Mrs. M. D. Cowan, district secretary, presided. Seven auxiliaries were represented. Rev. E. M. Hoyle, of Haywood Street church, Asheville, N. C., and Mrs. H. A. Dunham, Conference Corresponding Secretary, also of Asheville, were present and added much to the life of the meetings.

Much interest was manifested throughout the entire session. The people of Bryson City were unstinted in their hospitality to the visitors and gave many expressions of their cordiality during the meeting. The next meeting will be held at Murphy.

Miss Helen Cathey, Sec.

DEDICATION OF NEW ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

Wednesday, May 26th, was a great day at Brevard for on that day was the formal dedication of the new Administration Building held. To Mrs. Julia Trowbridge, superintendent of publicity of the Brevard auxiliary, we are indebted for the report of the day's sevices.

"The unavoidable absence of Bishop James Atkins, Miss Belle Bennett, President of the Council, and Mrs. H. A. Dunham, Conference Corresponding Secretary, was greatly regretted. Each of these was to have taken a prominent part in the day's exercises.

After a voluntary, song, and prayer by Prof. C. H. Trowbridge, a lesson from the Old Testament, Joshua 1, was read by Mrs. B. F. Edgerton, president of the Brevard auxiliary, followed by a lesson from the New Testament, John 17th, read by Mrs. Miles Reece, dean of the young women of the institute. This selection was from the edition of the gospel of John rendered into modern English, which was very impressive in its simplicity.

The address of Miss Belle Bennett was substituted most ably by Mrs. F. H. E. Ross, Council Treasurer, and Mrs. R. W. MacDonnell, Corresponding Secretary of the Council (Home).

Mrs. Ross spoke of the twenty-one years of history connected with Brevard Institute, beginning with the time (1893) when Mr. and Mrs. Fitch Taylor, appreciating the necessities of education for the mountain girls of Western North Carolina, started a little school in Brevard, in a rented private residence. The first pupil was a little girl, who came in answer to their prayers. But she was paid for coming. Slowly a few others followed and Miss Bennett, after a time, sent them one teacher. Here those faithful workers remained and toiled for seven years. Mrs. Ross happily spoke on this little school as the "Baby of the M. E. Church, South, now twenty-one years old."

In 1903 the Woman's Missionary Board took charge of the school and moved it to its present site on the outskirts of the town. Since then, like most schools, the Institute has had "its ups and downs" and today, with this new Administration Building, its rejuvenated main building, its added acres and numerous cottages, it stands a monument to the patience, fidelity and devotion of those who have helped to rear it.

Mrs. MacDonnell spoke earnestly of the value of education and the impulse of vision. Education separates truth from error; is identified with national life; fits for citizenship; dignifies manual labor; builds character; creates a new environment.

Education prepares one for a broader life and greater usefulness. To be prepared for some great enterprise eventually leads to some great undertaking.

Mrs. MacDonnell concluded with a plea to the student body to continue to carry out God's purposes. God's kingdom must come first in our own hearts then we may place our hands in God's hands and let Him lead us.

Rev. H. H. Robbins, pastor of the Brevard church, officiated in the dedicatory service. The music and hymns were appropriate to the occasion and were led by the Institute Glee Club, under the direction of Miss Mary Stewart Blair.

After the close of this impressive service the audience visited the various laboratory rooms, where members of the different departments were at work, cooking, sewing, dressmaking, etc., or were engaged in mechanical and agricultural demonstrations.

CAMPAIGN OF MEMBERSHIP AND ORGANIZATION

The last issue of the Bulletin for June, 1915, is devoted largely to promoting the membership and organization campaign inaugurated by the Council at the recent session in Little Rock, Ark. This is to be a church-wide campaign, the object of which is an auxiliary in every church and every woman and child a member.

Why shall we have this campaign? When we realize the appalling fact that there are in the nineteen thousand churches in Southern Methodism, twelve thousand that have no missionary organization and that only two hundred thousand of the one million, three hundred thousand women and children in our church belong to the missionary society we can see the great importance of a movement like this. We must go forward. Every mission station is needing enlargement and re-enforcements; every field calls for more workers; numberless doors are open into which we could enter; we cannot measure up to the opportunity of today unless we increase our membersnip funds. Every member gained will aid in strengthening the work already established and in enlarging our field of service. Other organizations are enlisting the women and children. Shall we not press upon their attention these higher and holier interests—that for which the Church of Christ exists and for which they stand as members of that church?

How shall we secure these members. By sermons and addresses from the pulpits; by all day meetings, for instruction and education; by visits of enthusiastic, well-informed women to churches where there are no societies, and by personal, prayerful presentation of the claims of the missionary society. Many of these unenlisted ones are our neighbors and friends. Can we not put forth a special effort to interest them in this great work? We can greatly aid the district secretaries by visiting the unorganized churches and presenting the work to the women and children of these congregations. A day of our time, as a freewill offering for this service, will be a beautiful gift to the Master.

Much enthusiasm and strength would be injected into this campaign if every pastor would name a day for the presentation of the work. Let the district secretaries appoint a day to be observed by all the churches in their districts in behalf of this campaign. Let a mighty volume of prayer go up from the hearts of the women who love Jesus and desire the coming of His Kingdom, that He may take the leadership of this movement and bring it to a glorious victory!

COMPARATIVE REPORT OF COUNCIL TREASURER FOR THE FIRST QUARTERS OF 1913, 1914, 1915

Western North Carolina Conference

1913—Home, $644.75; Foreign, $2,514.14. Total, $3.185.89.
1914—Home, $782.37; Foreign, $2,278.88. Total, $3,060.95.
1915—Total, $3,141.09.

A TRIBUTE OF LOVE

"Yet why should death be linked with fear?
A single breath—low drawn sigh—
Can break the ties that bind us here,
And waft the spirit to the sky."

Eighty-three years, six months and eleven days covered the human life of her whose memory we would honor. More than three score of these years have been counted in the record of the Church of God, more than two score years were devoted to the holy offices of wife and mother and have been crowned with the devotion of children who rise up and call her blessed.

The life of our friend was not given to the world, nor seen by the world, but from all testimony it was a beautiful life, every year of which was fragrant with love and beauty. It was not perfect; no human life can be. Its sky was sometimes veiled with clouds, but they were summer clouds. Along and across its pathway shadows fell, but they did not blight. There were doubts in it but they paled and fled before the light of her unfaltering faith. There were crosses in it, but they did not discourage the soul that had drunk of the water of the river of life. There were sorrows in it but they were healed.

It was in the simple, quiet life in her home that her virtues shone with brightest luster.

Although for a number of years she had been in feeble health, her faith and confidence in her Master never wavered. Hers was a beautiful Christian character, strong in faith, gentle in manner.

During her last illness of five months following a fall which she sustained, she suffered much but bore it patiently, having her soul refreshed by prayer and nourished by the Holy Spirit. On Friday, May 21st, at one o'clock p. m., the silver cord was loosed and the golden bowl was broken and her pure spirit returned to God who gave it. In the quiet family burying ground of Fort Mill, S. C., her body was laid to rest to await the resurrection morn.

"Servant of God, well done,
Rest from thy loved employ;
The battle's fought, the victory's won;
Enter the Master's joy."

A friend.

PANAMA—PACIFIC EXPOSITIONS, SAN FRANCISCO AND SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

SOUTHERN RAILWAY—PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Very Low Round Trip Fares

Dates of sale March 1st to November 30th, 1915. Final return limit three months from date of sale, except that these tickets will not be good to return later than December 31st, 1915.

Low round trip fares from principal points as follows:

Charlotte	$84.15
Salisbury	84.15
High Point	84.15
Greensboro	84.15
Mount Airy	86.25
Gastonia	84.15
North Wilkesboro	87.85
Statesville	84.15
Hickory	83.25
Morganton	82.20
Winston-Salem	84.15
Shelby	82.60

Fares from other points on same basis. Fares to Seattle or via Portland and Seattle at higher rate. These tickets will permit of diverse routing and will allow stop-overs on both going and return trip within limit of ticket.

Southern Railway offers choice of several routes of historic interest from which to select; going one way and returning another. Through connections and good service via Memphis, St. Louis, Chicago or New Orleans. Through cars daily via New Orleans and Sunset Route. Special car parties now being arranged, affording opportunity to make trip without change and with select company on outgoing trip; returning at leisure via any route you may choose, stopping off at your own pleasure, thereby avoiding all the discomforts of going and returning with large tour parties, being compelled to follow the crowd. In going individually or with special Pullman car parties you spend your own money, stop where you please and go and come to suit your own convenience and save money paid tourist agents for escorting you around.

For further information apply to Southern Railway Agents, or

R. H. DeButts, D. P. A.,
Charlotte, N. C.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

Just about two months before our Conference at Junaluska. Are you ready for it? If not, get busy and make good use of these two months. **Meet us at Junaluska.**

We received program of the North Carolina Conference Epworth League Convention which will be held at Hamlet June 9th to 13th. It is an especially good program and we are sure that any of our Leaguers who are in reach of this Conference would be well paid to attend part or all of this Conference. We are giving below the program.

PROGRAM OF THE NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE EPWORTH LEAGUE, HAMLET, N. C., JUNE 9-13, 1915

Wednesday Evening, June 9th

8:45-9:00—Devotional Exercises.

9:00-9:30—Addresses of Welcome. For the City, Hon. H. D. Hatch, Mayor of Hamlet. For the Church, Rev. M. H. Tuttle. For the League, Mr. Edwin H. Fuller.

9:30-9:45—Response, by Mr. I. W. Medlin.

9:45—Enrollment of Delegates.

Announcements and Adjournment.

Social Hour.

Thursday Morning, June 10th

6:30—Prayer Service, conducted by Rev. D. H. Tuttle, of Burlington, N. C.

9:30-9:45—Devotional Exercises.

9:45-10:00—League Problems, by Miss Lizzie Hancock.

10:00-10:45—Institute for Devotional Department, conducted by Rev. J. H. Buffaloe, Conference First Vice-President.

10:45-11:15—Reports from Elizabeth City, New Bern, Rockingham, Fayetteville and Washington Districts.

11:15-12:00—Institute on "Culture and Recreation" Department, conducted by Miss Gertrude Royster, Conference Third Vice-President.

12:00-12:10—Intermission.

12:10—Address.

Announcements and Adjournment.

Thursday Evening, June 10th

8:30-8:45—Devotional Exercises.

8:45—Address, by Dr. C. G. Hounshell, Secretary of the Student Volunteer Movement.

Announcements and Adjournment.

Friday Morning, June 10th

6:30—Prayer Service, conducted by Rev. D. H. Tuttle.

9:30-9:45—Devotional Exercises.

9:45-10:00—League Problems, by Miss Lizzie Hancock.

10:00-10:45—Institute for Social Service Department, conducted by Rev. J. M. Ormond, Conference Second Vice-President.

10:45-11:15—Reports from Warrenton, Wilmington, Raleigh and Durham Districts.

11:15-12:00—Institute on Junior League, conducted by Mrs. W. A. Cade, Conference Junior Superintendent.

12:00-12:10—Intermission.

12:10—Address, by Prof. W. W. Peele, Durham, N. C.

Announcements and Adjournment.

Friday Evening, June 11th

8:30-8:45—Devotional Exercises.

8:45—Address, by Rev. Paul Kern, Murfreesboro, Tenn.

Announcements and Adjournment.

Saturday Morning, June 12th

6:30—Prayer Service, conducted by Rev. D. H. Tuttle.

9:30-9:45—Devotional Exercises.

9:45-10:00—League Problems, by Miss Lizzie Hancock.

10:00-10:45—Institute for Missionary Department, conducted by Prof. W. A. Bryan, Conference Fourth Vice-President.

10:45-12:15—Annual Business Session.

12:15—Address, by Rev. Paul Kern.

Announcements and Adjournment.

Saturday Evening, June 12th

8:30-8:45—Devotional Exercises.

8:45—Illustrated Lecture on Africa, by Rev. J. M. Ormond.

Announcements and Adjournment.

Sunday Morning, June 13th

11:00—Annual Sermon, by Dr. R. H. Bennett, of Atlanta, Ga.

Installation Service, conducted by Rev. Paul Kern.

Sunday Evening, June 13th

8:30—Annual Consecration Service, conducted by Prof. W. W. Peele.

We have heard of a new League in the Newton District but have had no official notice of same. It is at one of the country churches. We wish it much success and pray that it may prove a blessing in the church and community.

Have you paid your Africa Special? If not, let's pay it before our Conference in August.

WON BY LOVE

(Alliance Weekly)

A German artist, redeemed from the life of a debauchee, painted a picture of Christ. His heart was so filled with love for his dying Saviour that every line, shading and color blended into an incomparable expression of the love of Jesus for the lost. The picture was hung in the village church. Underneath was inscribed:

"All this I did for thee;
What hast thou done for Me?"

This painting attracted many people. One fine morning a young scion of nobility sauntered up the aisle until his eye fell upon that Christ-face, wrought by the Spirit of God through the heart, head and hand of the converted artist. Surpassing love shone in every feature. Blood flowed from the riven side, thorn-pierced brow and lacerated hands and feet. As he read the inscription and looked again with eager curiosity at the tender compassion of that love-lit face, a new conception of the suffering love of Jesus was born within him. Surely He who had thus died had a claim upon his careless life.

Thus he sat for hours, and never took his eyes from that wonderful face. The day was nearly spent, and the twilight found Count Zinzendorf on his face, with broken heart confessing his sins, and with streaming eyes yielding his life to the Saviour of his soul and the Conqueror of his heart. Forth from that Bethel, saved by grace and uplifted by love, went a spiritual force which for nearly two hundred years has belted the globe with the many devoted missionaries of the Moravians.

Charles Simeon kept a portrait of Henry Martyn hanging in his study, and it continually said to him: "Don't trifle, be earnest." But better still it kept the vision of Christ in the soul, for no one could face that picture, that lofty character, that self-sacrificing devotion, without having his own heart touched. If we are to become like Christ we must think about him, for we unconsciously changed into the image of those things about which we constantly think. Blessed the man who can say: "My meditation of him is sweet."

"Jesus, the very thought of thee,
With sweetness fills my breast."

WORTH COMMITTING TO MEMORY

Gracious Spirit, dwell with me—I myself would gracious be;
And with words that help and heal, would thy life in mine reveal;
And with actions bold and meek, would for Christ my Saviour speak.

Truthful Spirit, dwell with me—I myself would truthful be;
And with wisdom kind and clear, let Thy life in mine appear;
And with actions brotherly, speak my Lord's sincerity.

Tender Spirit, dwell in me—I myself would tender be:
Shut my heart up like a bower in temptation's darksome hour;
Open it when shines the sun, and His love by fragrance own.

Silent Spirit, dwell with me—I myself would quiet be,
Quiet as the growing blade, which through earth its way hath made;
Silent, like morning light, putting mists and chills to flight.

Mighty Spirit, dwell with me—I myself would mighty be:
Mighty so as to prevail where unaided man must fail;
Ever by a mighty hope pressing on and bearing up.

Holy Spirit, dwell with me—I myself would holy be:
Separate from sin, I would choose and cherish all things good;
And whatever I can be, give to Him who gave me Thee.

—T. T. Lynch.

This Is Top Dresser Year

If you have fertilized your crops, lightly at planting time, or used fertilizer lacking in potash, it is not too late to remedy this, provided you Top or Side dress with a fertilizer containing sufficient proportions of all three necessary elements of plant food—Phosphoric Acid, Ammonia and Potash. Do not make the mistake of using a material that contains Nitrogen (Ammonia) only, such as Nitrate of Soda. To get the increase in fruitage as well as stalk and foliage, use ROYSTER'S TOP DRESSERS, which not only provide ammonia in quickly available form, but also phosphoric acid and POTASH.

ROYSTER'S TOP-DRESSERS

TRADE MARK F. S. R. REGISTERED.

Will stimulate the growth of your crop, increase the yield, overcome unfavorable seasonal conditions, and check the tendency in cotton to blight and shed.

BRANDS

	Available	Ammonia	Potash
PRESTO TOP DRESSER, - -	4.	10.	4.
ROYSTER'S SPECIAL TOP DRESSER,	4.	7.50	2.50
MAGIC TOP DRESSER, - -	--	9.	3.

Royster top dressers, like all Royster Fertilizers, are backed by experience: compounded on scientific principles: plant-food for the plant at just the proper time and in right proportions: mechanical condition perfect. Look for the trade-mark on every bag.

Send postal for book on Top Dressing and name of nearest Royster Dealer.

F. S. ROYSTER GUANO COMPANY,

Norfolk, Va. Charlotte, N. C. Tarboro, N. C. Columbia, S. C.
Spartanburg, S. C. Atlanta, Ga. Macon, Ga. Columbus, Ga.
Montgomery, Ala. Baltimore, Md.

It Is a Burning Shame

that so many Churches are without sufficient insurance, and not properly safe-guarded against fire.

The National Mutual Church Insurance Co., of Chicago—The Methodist Mutual



furnishes protection and assists in prevention. Also writes tornado insurance. Take part and you can save money.

Advantageous rates; easy payments; profits to policy holders. And your Church is entitled to share in these benefits. IT IS UP TO YOU.

For applications and particulars address

HENRY P. MAGILL, Sec. and Manager
Insurance Exchange, Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. Alice Hargrove Barclay, Agent M. E. Church South
614 Norton Building, Fourth and Jefferson, Louisville, Ky.

Blackman's Medicated Salt Brick

Saves Time, Labor and Veterinary Bills
Stock Lick It—Stock Like It
A Handy Medicine—It Salts 'em Too
Drop Brick in Feed Box—It Will Do The Rest
No Dosing—No Drenching
Best Worm Medicine and Tonic Ever Produced
Every Animal Its Own Doctor
Sold and Guaranteed by Best Dealers Everywhere

BLACKMAN STOCK REMEDY COMPANY, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.——E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg.—W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller——C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg., M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.——J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg.—J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.——G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.——A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel—J. W. Ligon

From the Field

HICKORY

Just a few lines from Hickory. Because I seldom write is no evidence that I am not deeply interested in my people and trying to serve them faithfully. Two years will have passed by very soon since I was appointed to this charge. How rapidly time passes!

Some of our substantial members have moved away, while others have died and gone to their reward. How we miss them! While our ranks are often thinned a little by death yet it is very gratifying to know that a host of promising young people are coming in to take their places. It is indeed a great privilege to serve a charge like this. To say all the good things which I should like to say about this charge would lengthen this letter beyond endurance.

We have a Sunday school of which we are pretty proud. Brother G. F. Ivey, superintendent, is punctual, interested and alert. Seldom do we find a business man giving more time and thought to the business of the Kingdom. Our teachers are as faithful as can be found. Nearly all of them open their class with prayer. They realize that to be a teacher means infinitely more than asking a few questions—it means leading their class to Christ. Our average attendance ranges from 420 to 460 and still growing.

Our prayer meetings are interesting. The attendance is one of the most encouraging features of our wok. I have never known a real live, soul-saving church whose prayer meetings and Sunday evening services were poorly attended. Any one can attend a pretty Sunday morning, but to stop work a bit earlier Wednesday evening for prayer meeing and then go on Sunday evening is a different proposition. It is a sad fact that many members of the church walk by the prayer meeting room on Wednesday evening to attend a picture show. A prominent minister told me that he was pastor in a large city for a number of years. In that city lived many ministers prominent in the church, the majority of whom never attended a mid-week service. I have often thought that one of the best ways to "renew the kingdom," to have a genuine revival among our members, is to begin with us who stand as watchmen upon the walls of zion. Let our strongest men—bishops, college men, presiding elders and station preachers, lead the procession in personal evangelism and we who constitute the rank and file will follow or surrender our commission. Let it be noised that the unsaved are finding God at our prayer meetings, quarterly meetings—they used to do it—and our regular Sunday morning and night service, and then we will have no need to resort to so many methods—some of them wise, but most of them otherwise—to get the crowds. When it was noised that Jesus was in Capernaum the multitudes came together, Mark 2:1-12. The same will obtain today. Multitudes will flock to that church where the sorrowing are comforted, Christians are fed and sinners converted to God. If all of us preachers would prostrate ourselves before God and repent for having to some extent at least lost the evangelistic note in our preaching and a burning desire for the salvation of the lost about us, our reports at Conference would be worthy a great church like ours.

But the thing about which I began to write was the gracious revival we recently closed on May 9th. We began April 25th, after having held cottage prayer meetings the week before. Dr. Byrd came to us on Monday and remained until the following Saturday week. Never has Hickory heard a greater series of sermons delivered. He has a wonderful insight into the Book. He presented the truth with such clearness, power and love that young and old alike believed and accepted it. Long may this prophet of the Lord live to preach such a virile gospel! Brother K. A. J. Ljung, of Greensboro, also spent one week with us and his singing was simply superb. He is one man who sings for the glory of God. Never will our people forget those two men. There were a great many converted and reclaimed. I have received 61 into the church, with several others still to join. About 190 have been received into the church during my pastorate.

I had best stop lest some good brother, seeing these lines, might desire my job this fall. If there be any such just let me say "there is nothing doing."

A. L. Stanford.

ALUMNAE OF GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN

The annual meeting of the Alumnae of the Greensboro College for Women was held on May 25th, during the regular commencemnt exercises of the college, and brought together from different parts of the state and of the city loyal daughters of the institution who gathered to renew old friendships and to pledge again their love and devotion to their Alma Mater.

The session of the business meeting was presided over by Mrs. W. R. Odell, of Concord, the president of the association, who delivered her annual message with gracious dignity, sounding a note of cheer and suggesting new plans for the future.

The devotions were led by Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, President Emeritus of the college and an honorary member of the association.

All the members of the graduating class of 1915 were enrolled as members of the Alumnae Association, and they brought with them the pledge of a gift of $500 for the new Music Building. This generous act was an incentive to the alumnae to plan to raise the first $10,000 on this building. Further pledges were made at the meeting, and plans made to put a representative in the field to help raise the amount.

The plans for the new Music Building were before the alumnae. They call for an auditorium, seating 800 people, thirty practice rooms, several recitation rooms, and two society halls. The class of 1915 wish their gift to be used for building the room for the Director of Music, and this year's music class made a pledge to build a practice room.

Mrs. Hill Parham, of Henderson, who presented the portrait of Dr. F. L. Reid to the college in behalf of the alumnae at the graduating exercises in the morning, was presented to the meeting and enrolled as a member. Mrs. Parham also made a gift of $25.00 to the new building.

A very interesting report of the year's work and plans for the future was given by Dr. S. B. Turrentine. He stated that the Trustees expect as soon as possible to build a new dormitory to relieve the congested conditions which now exist.

Mrs. Chas. W. Byrd, chairman of the committee on memoirs, paid a tender tribute to each of the three members of the association who have died within the past year: Mrs. G. G. Guthrie of Durham, Mrs. John J. Crow of Monroe, and Mrs. Frank McNish of Charlotte. Resolutions were passed regarding the loss of Hon. J. A. Long, of Roxboro, who had served as president of the Board of Trustees of the college for several years.

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective April 18th, 1915

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester——Lv.	7 43 a m	12 05 p m			
Yorkville——"	8 29	1 55			
Gastonia——"	9 24!	4 00			
Gastonia——"					
Lincolnton——"	10 15	5 30			
Newton——"	10 55	6 15			
Hickory——"	12 05 p m	7 05	1 00 p m	6 45 a m	
Lenoir——"	1 08	8 20	2 04	8 30	
Lenoir——"	2 00x				
Mortimer——"	3 17				
Edgemont——Ar.	3 27				

Southbound	NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Edgemont——Lv.	10 00 a m				
Mortimer——"	10 08				
Lenoir——"	11 20!				
Lenoir——"	1 35 p m	6 00 a m	8 15 a m		
Hickory——"	2 35	7 15	9 12		
Newton——"	3 05	8 00			
Lincolnton——"	3 43	8 55			
Gastonia——"	4 30	10 23			
Gastonia——"	5 00x	11 00			
Yorkville——"	5 47	12 28 p m			
Chester——Ar.	6 35	2 15			

x Leave ! Arrive

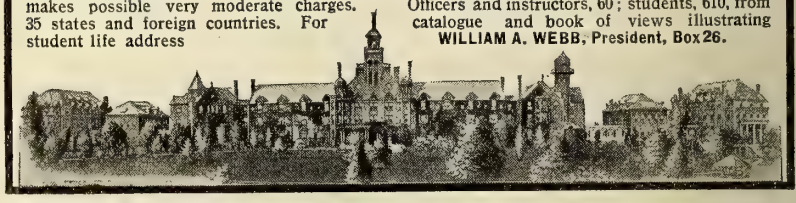
CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. **CHESTER, S. C.**

Randolph-Macon Woman's College

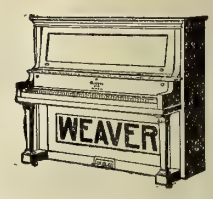
Lynchburg, Va. One of the leading colleges for women in the United States, offering courses for A. B. and A. M.; also Music and Art. Four laboratories, library, astronomical observatory, new and modern residence halls. Scientific course in physical development. $20,000 gymnasium with swimming pool; large athletic field. Fifty acres in college grounds. Healthful climate free from extremes of temperature. Endowment, recently increased by $250,000, makes possible very moderate charges. Officers and instructors, 60; students, 610, from 35 states and foreign countries. For catalogue and book of views illustrating student life address **WILLIAM A. WEBB, President, Box 26.**



The Weaver Piano



Grand and Upright



Which has rapidly forged ahead of the old-time leaders of the Artistic Pianos of past years, is now distributed in North Carolina by the following representatives:

William Eanes, Apex
S. H. Friedman, Asheville
Ellis Machine & Music Co., Burlington
Blanton & Owens, Crroleen
Langley & Perry, Durham
W. B. Michael, East Flat Rock
W. H. Allen & Co., Enfield
Joseph Isaacs, Goldsboro
John A. Hodgin & Co., Greensboro
J. F. Moore, Hiddenite
D. D. Hilburn, La Grange
W. E. White Furniture Co., Louisburg
J. Q. A. Michael, Marion
Roy J. Wall, Mars Hill
Geo. D. Meares, Raleigh
W. H. Mizelle, Robersonville
W. R. Lancaster Furniture Co., Rocky Mount
James G. Mehegan, Silver City
W. C. Weatherman, Statesville
S. L. Gillespie, Shelby
T. G. Rhyne, Stanley
W. F. Cox, Tabor
A. N. Cullom, Troy
Paul & Drake, Wilson

The Weaver is not a cheap Piano, but one that more completely satisfies the cultured musician than any other. The price, however, is as low as is consistent with its superior quality. The nearest representative above mentioned will give you the benefit of factory prices and terms. Ask them or us for free Catalogue.

Weaver Organ & Piano Company

Manufacturers **York, Pa.**

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Miss Martha Dozier, Greensboro; first vice-president, Mrs. W. R. Odell, Concord; second vice-president, Mrs. D.M. Garrison, Gastonia; third vice-president, Mrs. W. C. Tucker, Pleasant Garden; recording secretary, Miss Nannie Lee Smith; corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. M. Stone; treasurer, Mrs. E. L. Sides; treasurer presidential funds, Mrs. W. M. Curtis; recorder, Mrs. Harry Cunningham.

At the close of the business meeting the alumnae were invited into the dining room where a delightful repast was served. There were a number of greetings from alumnae in different parts of the United States and several informal talks were made by those present.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN

The sixty-seventh annual commencement of Greensboro College for Women, which came to a close Tuesday, May 25th, marked the completion of one of the most successful years in the history of the institution. The commencement program was of the highest order of excellence throughout, and great interest was shown by the public in the various exercises of this annual occasion.

The commencement began Sunday morning with the baccalaurate sermon, which was preached by Bishop McCoy in West Market Street Methodist church, before a great congregation. The sermon was an earnest and effective appeal to the hearts of the graduates for the following of Christ in the common walks of life. The text was Isaiah 40:30-31: "Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall; but they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint." The theme of the sermon was the glory of the commonplace when transfigured by the love of God.

Sunday evening Bishop James Atkins preached the annual sermon to the Young Women's Christian Association of the college. His appeal was for greater and more personal service in the Kingdom of Christ. He used for his text, Matthew 10:8: "Freely ye have received; freely give." The Bishop spoke in a plain and direct manner, and delivered a sermon admirably suited to the occasion, and one which will have its effect on those who heard him.

Both the Sunday services were accompanied by special music, furnished by a large chorus of college girls, local soloists, and by the church orchestra, and the organist. Especially attractive and impressive was the processional hymn sung by the student body of the college on entering the church Sunday morning.

Monday afternoon the class day exercises were held on the college campus before a large gathering of students and friends of the college. These exercises are prepared by the graduates themselves and are always original and entertaining. The program this year was unusually attractive, and highly creditable to those who participated.

Monday evening the dramatic recital was given by students of the department of Expression. The program was well varied and entertaining throughout; it gave evidence of considerable ability on the part of the students, and of efficient work by this department of the college.

The graduation exercises proper were held Tuesday morning. After the invocation was given by Dr. Chas. W. Byrd, chaplain of the college, President S. B. Turrentine presented the diplomas and certificates and conferred the degrees.

Those receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts were: Misses Aleez Aycock, Laura Clement, Sybil Cox, Hilda Crawford, Hazel Denny, Anna Neal Fuller, Jennie Hunter, Jeannette Pearce, Ina Pegram, Edith Petree, Hettie Rochelle, Lucy Belle Totten, Helen Weaver, Vada Wynne. The graduates of School of Music were: Misses Etnel Barbour, Martha Clement, Hilda Crawford, Lillian Pritchett, Alma Richardson, Myrtle Sherrill. Those receiving diplomas in domestic science and domestic art: Misses Katheryn White and Edelweiss King; certificates in domestic science were presented to Misses Katheryn Crowell, Temperance Aycock and Elizabeth Andrews. Certificates in stenography and typewriting were given Misses Clara Glenn, Martha Rawls, Dolores Miranda, Grace Price, Mary Malissa Eldridge, and Lottie Brockman.

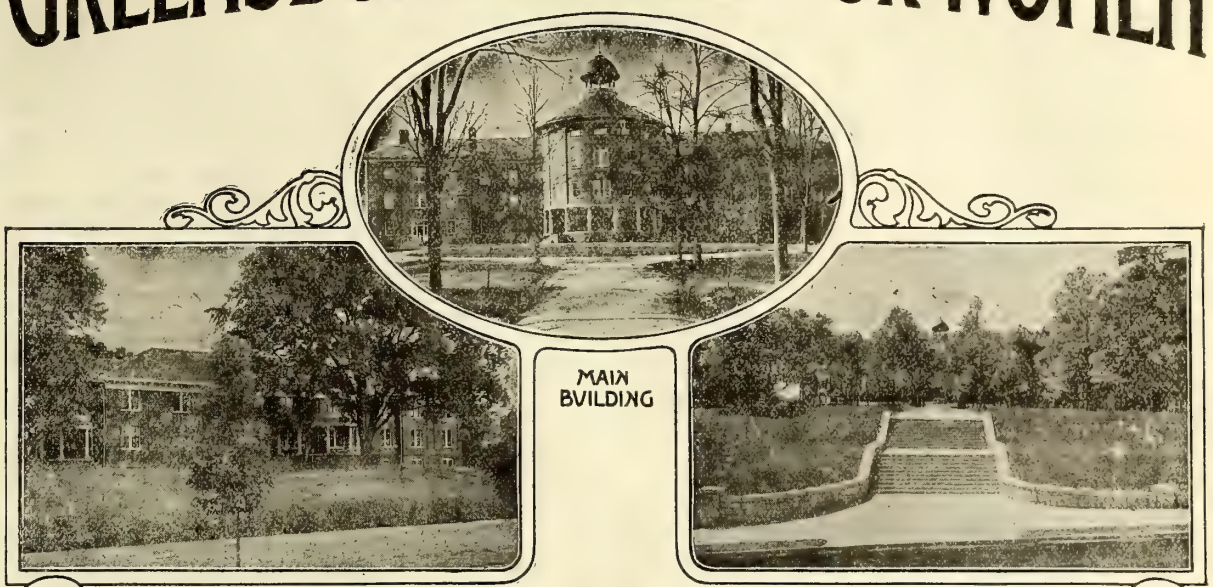
Rev. W. M. Curtis presented the Bibles to the graduates, following which the literary address was delivered by Dr. Henry Louis Smith, President of Washington and Lee University, Lexington, Va. The subject of Dr. Smith's address was "The expanding life," and the address was a clear, forceful and scholarly warning against narrowness, shallowness and pettiness of life, and an exhortation to a life of rich fullness and of unimpeded and unprejudiced vision.

Following the address by Dr. Smith, the portrait of Dr. Frank L. Reid, former president of the institution, was unveiled and presented to the college by the alumnae. Mrs. Hill Parham, of Henderson, read the speech of presentation, a fine appreciation of the life and service of Dr. Reid; Miss Marion Gilmer, of Greensboro, granddaughter of Dr. Reid, drew away the veil from the portrait; and Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe, pastor of Wesley Memorial church, High Point, accepted the portrait on behalf of the trustees of the college.

At the close of the meeting the president of the college announced the pledge of $500 by the A. B. graduates, to be used in furnishing the director's room of the proposed new music building; the gift of $500 by Mr. J. W. Harris, of High Point, a member of the Board of Trustees of the college, which will be used toward building a dormitory for the college; and the gift of Mr. B. L. Duke, of Durham, of $1,000 to be used toward the erection of the new dormitory. Announcement was also made of the fact that because of the growth of the music department of

(Continued on page 15)

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY – FITZGERALD HALL

ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

The Sunday School Lesson

SECOND QUARTER—LESSON X
June 6, 1915

Nathan Rebukes David. 2 Sam. 11:1 to 12:7a

Golden Text—Create in me a clean heart, O God. Psa. 51:10.

Summary of the Lesson

John Masefield's poem "Daffodil Fields" tells a story of the havoc wrought by unbridled indulgence. The facts are not all set forth with the clearest ethical perspective, but you do get a sense of the tragedy involved in moral lawlessness.

When David became the source of law he was tempted to forget the fact that law must be binding for him as well as for his subjects. He allowed desire to take the place of duty. One sin led to another and the king found himself stained with the blood of one of his own subjects. A stern and powerful prophet called the lawless monarch to account. He repented deeply and bent his head to meet the storm of suffering which came upon him.

The Way of Indulgence

Sir Gilbert Parker's story "The Judgment House" presents the experiences of a woman to whom life had no law but her own imperious desires. Beauty, charm and a brilliant intellect were all the servants of a lawless will. Through the chastening of suffering at last the woman's soul passed to a new life. She learned the folly, the futility and the tragedy of the way of life which ignores the higher behests. She learned that a gratification is too costly which inflicts a terrible wound upon your own soul.

The very temperament of David laid him open to certain temptations. The quick play of emotions, the instant response to human joy or sorrow, the immediate susceptibility—all these could eventuate in high-hearted chivalry and could also express themselves in sudden gusts of passion. As king he found that in many matters his desires were his rights. To express a wish was to have it gratified. He was all the while receiving. His country was all the while giving. The tragedy of it all came when, dazzled by his possession of so much power, he forgot its limitations. He did not restrain himself according to the sanctions of the moral law.

In the presence of physical beauty David forgot the higher meaning of moral beauty. In the presence of charm of body he forgot the summons to strength of soul. So he joined that ancient company of men who have been beguiled into tragic indulgence. "At length there met me one—within her eyes oblivion, and on her lips delirious dreams, and I forgot the way."

When we study the frank Old Testament account of David's tragic lapse into vice a sad sense of the continuity of life's moral problems forces itself upon us. The modern city and the modern countryside know the story of the same temptations and the same failures. With this problem vice commissions are grappling and reformers are struggling.

The other side of the story is the continuity of the history of strength and moral victory. All through the centuries the men who have been strong when they might have been weak, who have placed duty above desire, who have achieved a stern and noble self-mastery have constituted the moral capital of the world.

The Way of Cruelty

In the most powerful section of Robert Browning's poem "Pippa Passes" there is a dramatic and terrible account of the way in which lust and murder met together in two human lives. The man who will have lawless indulgence for himself must be cruel to others.

David, plotting to secure the death of Uriah, scarcely seems the same man whose noble chivalry spared the life of Saul. As king David was the protector and defender of his subjects. Through him their rights were to be secured. He held the prosperity and the security and the happiness of his people in his hand. Uriah had sacred rights which David was to uphold, and by dastardly plotting we find the king arranging to have this loyal subject so placed in battle that he would surely be killed. So, secure in his patriotism and little thinking of the fate which awaits him, Uriah goes forth to meet his death.

The cruelty of vice is one of the most terrible things about it. Weak in the presence of its own desires, it is strong to inflict the most terrible wounds. Hard and relentless it moves onward, leaving a path of devastation behind. Broken-hearted women, children robbed of their rightful birthright, friends treated with remorseless faithlessness—all tell the tale of the cruel ravages of vice. No tie is too sacred to be broken, no obligation so solemnly binding that it is not insolently repudiated when a man surrenders to the dominion of evil desire.

David waited to hear the news from the field of battle. At length it came. His hard and cruel purpose had secured its end. Uriah lay dead upon the battlefield. David had had many triumphs. He had been a popular idol even in his days of exile. He had come at last to the crown and reigned undisputed king over his people. The saddest, most terrible and evil triumph of David was the success of his plan to end the life of Uriah. After succeeding in many noble things he had now succeeded in being a murderer.

The Way of Repentance

In the prophet Nathan the king's conscience became articulate. That dauntless messenger of Jehovah came to David with the story of a rich man owning many flocks and herds, who had cruelly killed a poor man's one pet lamb. The chivalrous anger of David was so kindled that he declared that this man deserved to die. He would see to it that the man made fourfold restoration to the poor and defenseless man whose lamb he had killed.

Nathan fixed the king with his eye and declared, "Thou art the man." Then the stern prophet's words came forth like stinging whips to scourge the king. David could not fail to recognize their justice. He bowed before them and at last the words of bitter humiliation and penitence came forth, "I have sinned against Jehovah."

Now David saw his evil doing with the light of God playing upon it. He did not try to evade the meaning of it. He drank the whole cup of repentance. He saw himself as he was before God and it was an hour of humiliation never to be forgotten.

There is a careless and easy-going repentance which does not promise much for the future or for the moral rehabilitation of a life. There is a terrible self-condemnation in the presence of God which is the very baring of the life to that powerful surgery which will remove the malignant growth. If David's sin had been headlong, and passionate, and cruel, his repentance was deep and sincere and without an element of moral erosion in it.

The Way of Suffering

David was not to escape, however, without a burning grief which would leave a life-long scar. The sickness and death of his little child seemed like the tearing out of the king's heart. He had known what it was to inflict. Now he learned what it was to endure, and in the hours drawn tense with anxiety and pain he learned much about those sacred ties of life against which he had sinned. He faced the meaning of life's deep and abiding relations with a new understanding. Under the shadow of a devastating grief he came to distinguish between the gusts of transient emotion and the abiding moral and spiritual meanings of life. Out of his baptism of suffering he came a renewed and ennobled man.

"Pain, the musician, the soul refiner,
Restrung the strings of his quivering heart."

David might have hardened himself into a cold and misanthropic cynicism in all this suffering. He might have refused its powerful and bitter ministry, but he did not do that. He humbled himself under the mighty hand of God. He accepted the ministry nd suffering and by the strange and perennially wonderful paradox of the inner life, through the way of suffering he walked out upon the tablelands of peace.

A man may attain great heights of moral and spiritual life in spite of sin, when that sin has been forgiven and put away forever, but a true man never becomes reconciled to his sin, even though it has been forgiven. The memory of Uriah was enough to bring a shadow across the face of David as long as he lived.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in New York Christian Advocate.

CONVENTION OF THE ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE

To the Pastors and other Friends of Prohibition:—

I want to call your attention to the Sixteenth National Convention of the Anti-Saloon League of America, which will be held in Atlantic City, New Jersey, July 6-9, 1915. This will be a great convention, with a great program on the greatest American Issue, National Prohibition. To this convention, all churches, Sunday schools, young people's societies, and other temperance organizations are invited to send delegates and all friends and well-wishers are entitled to membership. I want to urge upon our churches and Sunday schools the necessity of electing delegates. This convention will go down in history as one of the most historic gatherings ever held in the United States, and your church should be in it.

The North Carolina Anti-Saloon League has arranged for headquarters at the Monticello Hotel, on Kentucky Avenue. This hotel makes us a special rate on the American plan of $2 a day and upward. Other hotels and boarding houses will give you American rate of $1.50 or European rate of $1.00.

On the adjournment of this convention, a committee of five thousand will, on July 10th, visit the White House to convey to the President the resolutions passed by this convention and Southern delegates may be members of this committee.

I want to ask that churches, Sunday schools and other organizations elect delegates and notify this office immediately of such election so that we may send literature and other information to such delegates. We will be glad, also, to hear from any that intend going, that we may give them information.

This convention will be held at the greatest summer resort in the United States, to which reduced rates can be had any time during the summer and all tickets from this state will allow, if requested, a stop over at Washington. A little later, we will give further and more definite information about rates. In the meantime, let our organizations be electing delegates and our people arranging to go. To have even the humblest part in this convention will be considered quite an honor by any of us ten years in the future.

R. L. Davis, Supt.,
N. C. Anti-Saloon League.

This Hose Lasts Longer Than Others

Goodyear-Akron Lawn Hose lasts longer than others because it is made to do that. It is made by the makers of the famous Goodyear Automobile Tires. Composed of five layers of alternate new, live rubber and strongest braided cotton. Absolutely seamless. The thick corrugated outer coat, with its six extra large rubber ribs, does away with twisting and kinking. They add immensely to its life.

GOODYEAR AKRON
Lawn Hose

Buy Your Garden Tools Here

We Have Everything You Need

ODELL
Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL
FLORAL
DESIGNS
Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER
Proprietor
GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF
STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

BLYMYER CHURCH BELLS.
UNLIKE OTHER BELLS SWEETER, MORE DURABLE, LOWER PRICE. OUR FREE CATALOGUE TELLS WHY.
Write to Cincinnati Bell Foundry Co., Cincinnati, O.

Our Little Folks' Department

TREES TO LET

Now the birds are northward winging;
All the lisping leaves are singing:
"Trees, trees to let!
Here's a home for every comer,
Share with us the happy summer;
Trees, trees to let!

"Build not in the waving grasses,
They must fall ere summer passes,
Trees, trees to let!
In the bushes snakes may harm you,
Cruel cats or dogs alarm you;
Trees, trees to let!

"We will guard your nests so surely,
Rock your little ones securely;
Trees, trees to let!
You shall have, from our cool shadow,
Splendid views o'er wood and meadow;
Trees, trees to let!

"Come! We spread our arms to meet you,
Sing our leafy song to greet you;
Trees, trees to let!
Here's a home for every comer,
Spend with us the happy summer;
Trees, trees to let!"

—Hannah G. Ferland, in Every Other Sunday.

WHAT THERE IS TIME FOR

Lots of time for lots of things
Though it's said that time has wings;
There is always time to find
Ways of being sweet and kind,
There is always time to share
Smiles and goodness everywhere;
Time to send the frowns away,
Time a gentle word to say,
Time for helpfulness, and time
To assist the weak to climb;
Time to give a little flower,
Time for friendship any hour;
But there is no time to spare
For unkindness anywhere.—Jewels.

THE HOUSE IN THE LILIES

"Pink's lost!" Harry was beginning to be frightened as he stood in the back door of the empty house to look up the long field. "There's a big shower coming," he said to himself; "but I must go up in the field, no matter how wet I get. I promised mother that I'd take care of Pink. But first I must go out and look in the barn just once more, to make sure that she isn't hiding there."

He did not find his little sister in the barn, but he made another discovery: Polly, the pet lamb, was missing.

"Here's a scrape!" thought Harry, almost ready to cry, though he was nine years old. "I forgot to shut her in, and she must have followed mother way down to the village. She'll get run over by a car, just as likely as not, and it'll be all my fault, besides letting Pink get lost."

Harry's heart felt as heavy as lead when he started up the long field. The black cloud was bigger than ever, and a few drops of rain were falling already. Pink was only four years old, but she might have strayed a long way by this time.

"I think she went this way," the boy said to himself. "I was telling her a story this morning about the gold lilies that grew up here. I guess she liked it so well that she thought she would go and find some."

There was a road through the tall grass, and on each side of the way the yellow field lilies were swinging their gold bells just as Harry had told Pink. He followed the road to the end of the field, but found no trace of the lost child. It was raining hard now, but the boy hardly noticed it as he stood looking back by the way he had come.

The field was narrow, with thick woods on one side and the river on the other. Either side was a dangerous place for a four-year-old child, and as Pink was nowhere in sight it seemed that she must have gone to one or the other. Harry was sobbing at last when he ran to the river and went looking all along the edge of the water for the print of Pink's little feet.

"Why didn't I keep watch of her? O, why didn't I? Mother will never let Pink stay with me again."

There were no prints of feet along the river edge, so Harry turned toward the woods. They were dark and lonely, and the boy did not know his way about among the thick trees.

"I can't help it; I must go," he cried. "If Pink's lost, I must be lost too. I can't go home without her."

He started running straight across the field through grass as high as his shoulders. It rained so hard that he could not see plainly, and all at once he stumbled against something in the grass and tumbled headlong. "It's the old hogshead that father pulled out of the river and meant to have taken down to the barn," Harry said as he picked himself up.

And then he rubbed the rain out of his eyes and stared, for from the inside of the big empty hogshead came a voice that said: "Baa!"

"It's that lamb. She didn't go with mother, after all. She just ran away up here and hid in the hogshead to get out of the rain. Hi, Polly, are you all right?"

"Baa!" answered Polly.

Harry stopped to peep into the hogshead, which was lying on its side, with one end open. Then he gave a shout, for Polly was not alone in the old shelter. Pink was there too, fast asleep, with her head on the lamb's woolly coat and a great bunch of "gold" lilies in her hand.

"I have found both of the runaways, so I might as well go in out of the rain," laughed Harry as he crept quickly in beside Pink.

The rain was pattering merrily over their heads, but the hogshead was quite dry inside.

"'Tis a house," said Pink drowsily. "I finded this little house all down in the lilies, an' I've come to live here."

"All right," said Harry, feeling quite light-hearted after all his troubles; "but we'd better go home to dinner when the rain stops, because mother said she'd make strawberry shortcake when she got back from the village."—Mabel S. Merrill.

LITTLE FRIENDLY

Cora's gone to play with Evelyn, and she never invited me at all," sobbed Doris Lee. "Just 'cause Cora's got long curls and blue eyes and has such pretty dresses she can have all the good times." And sorrowful tears chased each other down her rosy cheeks at the thought of all her woes, and there were little puckers in her forehead that did not belong there, she was so unhappy.

"Perhaps Evelyn would like to come and play with your things sometimes," said her mother meaningly. "It is a good while since she has been here, it seems to me."

"Well, it's lots more fun to go to her house. She has so many nice things, and then she always has a tea party too; and, besides, I don't like to have my dolls all mixed up and everything left in a mess," replied Doris, making excuses for her selfishness, though she did not like the sound of them when spoken aloud.

"I do not believe Cora's curls and pretty dresses have anything to do with Evelyn's invitation. 'If you would have friends, you must show yourself friendly,'" quoted Mrs. Lee, smiling down at her small daughter, who gave an impatient twitch just then. "Come here, dear, and let me tell you a story." And she seated herself in the big armchair and held out open arms.

Doris was always ready for a story and was glad to cuddle down in mother's arms and listen and forget her troubles. There was always somebody to love her, anyway, and she drew a sigh of contentment and dried her tears.

"When I was a little girl," the story began (and that was the way Doris liked best), "I went to my grandma's in the country to spend the summer. There were so many animals on the farm—chickens, ducks, kittens, a big shepherd dog, two bossies, and some funny turkeys—that I never was tired of watching them and did not mind having no other children to play with. Grandma said that I might choose something for a pet, and I tried to decide what it should be. I was on the best of terms with Rover, but he was so busy looking after the cows most of the time that he couldn't play with me very much; and the kittens were so full of fun that they scratched me with their sharp claws till I was glad to let them go. I'm sure you can't guess what pet I finally chose."

"I think I should have taken a bossy," Doris spoke up eagerly.

"The bossies were cute little fellows, but I couldn't take them in my arms and pet them," laughed Mrs. Lee.

And Doris laughed too at the absurd idea.

"A funny little brown chicken with long legs seemed to like me best of all. He had never been very strong, and when he was little grandma had to make a bed for him in cotton wool to keep him warm. They thought he would not live. But now he could hop about and pick up corn as fast as any of the chickens. He was the homeliest fellow in the lot, with hardly feathers enough to cover his thin little body and a long, skinny neck that stretched out eagerly after food. He was hungry all the time; but when the others scampered after the dough I threw down for them and took little notice of me, he would want to come close and eat from my hand. He would hop up on my knee if he got a chance, and he followed me all about the yard. I laughed at him and made fun of his awkward ways at first, but he was so friendly and sociable that I couldn't help liking him, and I named him 'Friendly.' Before the summer was gone he had grown to be a fine, large chicken; but Friendly and I were still the best of friends, and I forgot all about how homely he had been, I loved him so much."

When her mother finished, Doris was thinking hard. Suddenly she turned with a bright smile. "Mother Lee, I do b'lieve"—

Mother nodded understandingly.

"Do you s'pose it would be more friendly to have the girls here sometimes? I never thought of that. I'll plan a nice party for tomorrow, and they shall play with every one of my dolls, Lady Bess and all, and I'll go this minute to fix up my playroom."

And away she ran, full of plans to please not herself but her friends—to make herself a "little Friendly" as the homely little chicken had done to mother.—M. Louise Ford.

Great Sport This Summer at the ALTAPASS INN



ON THE TOP OF THE WORLD

SPEND your vacation at the Altapass Inn on the Crest of the Blue Ridge Mountains—the Summitland of Eastern America—looking down upon all the World. Explore the Appalachian Wonderland, the tallest mountain peak, the deepest canyon, the most beautiful waterfalls and picturesque river gorges in the Eastern Half of the Continent. This wonderful New Playground Above the Clouds, with a thousand revelations in store for you, now lies at your very door and is now quite as accessible as the lower resorts in the foothills of the Blue Ridge.

Fast trains over The Clinchfield Railway, the scenic route through the Appalachian Wonderland and the marvel of modern railway science, now render Altapass and the Summitland quickly accessible from every point in the South. Special Vacation Rates, June 1—Sept. 30.

THE ALTAPASS INN—QUEEN OF THE SUMMITLAND

Offers you a thoroughly efficient hotel service, affording every comfort, convenience and pleasure, with no useless expense for luxuries and mere ostentation.

The most delightful and invigorating summer climate amid the highest altitudes in the Eastern half of the Continent.

Mountain scenery, which for beauty, variety and grandeur, has no superior in all the world. Convenient to the Natural Wonders of the Appalachian Summitland. Mt. Mitchell, Linville Falls, Gorge of the Nolichucky, the Linville Canyon, etc.



Fast trains, good connections, excellent telephone, telegraph and mail service, livery, saddle horses, guides, coaching roads, mountain trails and bridle paths.

Neat, clean and attractively furnished rooms, with, or without private baths, spotless linen, comfortable beds and efficient maid service.

A bountiful table supplying a menu of wholesome and inviting food tastefully prepared and artfully served.

Steam heat, electric light and model water and drainage systems that make the health record of Altapass unparalleled.

No mosquitoes, malaria, typhoid or flies. All apartments thoroughly screened and the utmost sanitation enforced. Resident physician.

Special rates for children and servants. Comfortable accommodations for colored as well as white nurses and attendants.

A courteous and efficient management that has attracted the most desirable and congenial patronage. An ideal social environment.

Write for illustrated booklet, rates, timetables and connections. Address,

THE ALTAPASS INN,
Box 33 Altapass, North Carolina.

MENTHOLATUM—
Cooling, Soothing, Antiseptic, Healing

Effective for external application in cases of inflammation of various kinds, such as insect stings, sunburn, burns, chapped skin, poison oak, sores, sprains, Mentholatum is cleanly and safe—an indispensable home remedy.

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A Wood, Presiding Elder Weaverville, N. C. Third Round

June

Brevard Station 4
Brevard Circuit, Conestee 5-6
Henderson Circuit, Reedy Patch ..12-13
Hendersonville, night 13
Mills River, Mills River 19-20
Central, night 20
Flat Rock, Upward 26-27
Tryon and Saluda 27

July

Spring Creek, Balm Grove 3-4
Fairview, Patty's 10
Haywood Street, 11 a. m. 11
West Asheville, night 11
Walnut, Chapel Hill 17-18
Marshall and Hot Springs, Marshall, night 18
Weaverville Ct., South Fork 24
Black Mountain, Tabernacle 25
Sulphur Springs, Pisgah 31-August 1

August

Biltmore, Mt. Pleasant 1
North Asheville, night 4
Swannanoa 7-8
Bethel, night 8

The District Conference will meet at Brevard, June 2nd, 8 p. m.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C. Third Round

June

Hickory Grove 5-6
Chadwick, night 6
Seversville Ct., Trinity 12-13
Brevard, night 13
Thrift Ct., Big Spring 19-20
Trinity, night 20
Pineville Ct., Marvin 26-27
Calvary, night 27

July

Tryon 4
Belmont, night 4
Weddington, Ct., Weddington 8
Waxhaw Ct., Pleasant Grove 9
Prospect Ct., Prospect 10
Monroe, Central 11
Matthews Ct., Bethel, 3 p. m. 11
Lilesville Ct., Shady Grove 14
Morven Ct., Union 16
Wadesboro 18
Ansonville Ct., Wightman 20
Polkton Ct. 23
Marshville Ct., Gilboa 24-25
North Monroe, night 25
Unionville Ct., Zion 26
Spencer Memorial 1
Dilworth, night 1
District Conference at Polkton, July 21-23

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—James H. Weaver, Presiding Elder Greensboro, N. C. Third Round

June

West Market 12-13
Gibsonville, Gibsonville 13-14
Greensboro, Mt. Pleasant 19-20
Centenary 20-21
Pleasant Garden Ct., Bethlehem ..26-27
Spring Garden 27-28

July

West Greensboro, Grooms 3-4
Randolph, Pleasant Hill 10-11
Coleridge, Rehobeth 17-18
Ramseur & Franklinville, Ramseur, 18-19
Wesley Memorial, High Point 24-25
Main St., High Point 24-25
East End, High Point 24-25
Deep River Ct., White Hall 31-Aug. 1

August

Randleman 1-2
Asheboro 1-2
Denton, Siloam 7-8
Uwharrie, Salem 8-9

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C. Third Round

June

McDowell, Snow Hill 5-6
Old Fort, Providence 12-13
Marion Station 13-14
Thermal City, Trinity 19-20
Table Rock, Linville 26-27
Morganton Station 27-28

July

Broad River, Union 2
Green River, New Hope 3-4
Cliffside, Hollis 9
Forest City, Cedar Grove 10-11
Henrietta and Caroleen, Henrietta, 11-12
Rutherfordton, Gilkey 17-18
Morganton Ct., Denton 24-25
Connelly Springs, Warlicks ..31-Aug. 1

August

Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Bakersville 7-8
Micaville, Shoal Creek 14-15
Bald Creek, Bald Creek 21-22
Burnsville 22-23
Marion Ct., Concord 28-29
District Conference at Gilkey, July 15-18

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C. Third Round

June

Spray 6-7
Leaksville 11-12
Draper 12-13
Jonesville 19-20
Elkin 20-21
Danbury, Sandy Ridge 26-27

July

Dobson 3-4
Pilot Mountain 10-11
Rural Hall 17-18
Yadkinville 24-25
Ararat 31

August

Ararat 1
Mount Airy Circuit 7-8

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C. Third Round

June

Wilkes, Millers Creek 5-6
Wilkesboro, Roaring River 13
North Wilkesboro Station 20
Elk Park, Elk Park 26-27

July

Avery, Pisgah 1
Boone, Hopewell 3-4
Watauga, Hensons Chapel 10-11
Creston, Sutherland 17-18
Helton, Methodist Chapel 24-25

August

Sparta .....July 31-1
Laurel Springs 7-8
Jefferson, Bethany 14-15
District Conference at Elk Park, June 24-27.

Revival Meetings

Watauga .....July 6-15
Sparta .....Juy 31-Aug. 6
Jefferson, Bethany .....Aug. 9-15

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C. Third Round

June

Concord, Forest Hill, 11 a. m. 6
West Concord, Harmony, night 6
Concord Circuit, Bogers 12-13
Epworth and Center, Center, 3 p. m., 13
Concord, Central, night 13
Cottonville and Oakboro, Cedar Grove 19-20
Norwood, Randalls 19-20
Albemarle, Central 27-28
Albemarle, First Street 27-28
Albemarle Circuit, Zoar, 3 p. m. ..26-27

July

China Grove, 11 a. m. 4
Spencer, night 4
Salem Circuit, Salem 10-11
Mt. Pleasant Circuit, Center Grove, 11-12
Concord, Westford, 11 a. m. 18
Kannapolis Station, night 18
Kannapolis Circuit, Unity 24-25
New London Circuit 31-Aug.-1

August

Gold Hill Circuit 1-2
Bethel and Loves Chapel 8-9

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C. Third Round

June

Lowell, South Side 5-6
Mt. Holly, Ebenezer 6-7
Bessemer, Bessemer 12
King's Mountain 13
Polkville, Lee's 19-20
Belwood, St. Peter's 26-27

July

Rock Spring, Rehobeth 3
Lincoln Ct., Ivey's Memorial 10
Lincolnton 11
Crouse 17
Stanly 18
South Fork 24
Lowesville, Hill's Chapel 27-29
District Conference at Lowesville July 27-29.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Lee T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C. Third Round

June

West Hickory, West Hickory, 11 a. m. 5-6
Rhodhiss St., Rhodhiss, night 6-7
North Lenoir Ct., Harpers Chapel 11 a. m. 12-13
Lenoir Sta., Lenoir, night 13-14
Granite Falls and Hudson, Granite Falls, 11 a. m. 19-20
Hickory, First Church, Hickory, night 20-21
Alexander Ct., Rocky Spring, 11 a. m. 26-27
Stony Point Ct., Midway, 3:30 p. m., 27-28

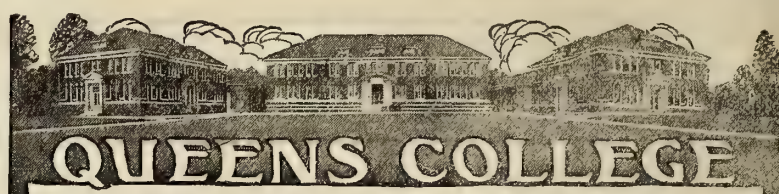
July

Maiden Ct., Friendship, 11 a. m., 3-4
Newton St., Newton, night 4-5
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 11 a. m., 10-11
Davidson St., Davidson, night 11-12
Troutman Ct., Knox Chapel, 11 a. m. 17-18
Mooresville St., Mooresville, night, 18-19
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 11 a. m., 24-25
Cool Spring Ct., Rose Chapel, 11 a. m. 24-25
Iredell Ct., Macedonia, 11 a. m. 25-26
Broad Street St., Broad St., 11 a. m. 25-26
Race Street St., Race St., 11 a. m., 25-27

August

Hickory Ct., Pisgah, 11 a. m., ...1-2

The Sunday School Institute and the District Conference of the Statesville District will be held in Broad Street church, Statesville, July 28-31. Wednesday, July 28th, will be devoted to the Sunday school institute. The institute will open promptly at 10 o'clock, a. m., on that day. We earnestly urge every Sunday school superintendent and every pastor in the district to be present at that hour. There will be something doing every minute. You cannot afford to miss a single item on this program.



QUEENS COLLEGE

FOR YOUNG WOMEN CHARLOTTE, N. C.

Delightfully located in Myers Park, suburban Charlotte. Five new buildings of tapestry brick and limestone; two stories high, fireproof throughout. Confortable and convenient dormitories; baths adjoining each room; hot and cold water. Extensive 50 acre campus. One of the best equipped woman's colleges in the South.

Standard college courses leading to B. A. degree. Special fitting course. 22 trained instructors. Complete laboratory equipment, gymnasium, library. *Splendid Musical Advantages:* 3 manual pipe organ; 22 piano practice rooms containing all new instruments. *Diplomas in Voice, Violin, Piano, Organ, Art and Expression.*

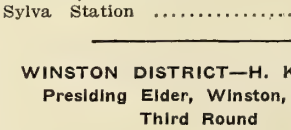
Non-sectarian but distinctly Christian. Terms per session $300. For catalog address

JOHN L. CALDWELL, M. A., D. D., President CHARLOTTE, N. C.

TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 : : : : CHARTERED 1859

A Southern institution of established national reputation. Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.



Large endowment fund makes possible complete, first-class equipment; full faculty of able, well-chosen instructors; beautiful campus, new buildings, modern laboratories, splendid library. Comfortable, inexpensive dormitories. For catalogue and illustrated booklet, address

R. L. Flowers, Sec. to the Corporation, Durham, N. C.

The work of the district conference will follow that of the institute. Let every delegate, all the pastors, local preachers, and charge lay leaders be present when the roll is called; and we insist that all the members of the Conference remain until we adjourn on Saturday.

The congregations of Broad Street and Race Street churches will provide abundant entertainment, and we desire the fullest possible attendance.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, R. F. D. 2, Asheville, N. C. Third Round In Part

June

Haywood Ct., Davis Chapel 5-6
Fines Creek, Laurel Hill 8-9
Clyde, Maple Grove 12-13
Waynesville Station 13
Jonathan, Palmer Chapel 19-20
Webster, Dillsboro 26-27
Sylva Station 27

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C. Third Round

June

Walkertown, 11 a. m. 6
Centenary, night 6
Davidson, Good Hope 12-13
Southside, night 13
Forsyth, Crews 19-20
Liberty, night 20
Jackson Hill, Macedonia 26-27

July

Davie, Center 3-4
Mocksville 2-4
Advance, Advance 10-11
West End, night 11
Lewisville, Union 17-18
Salem, night 18
Farmington, Bethlehem 24-25
Cooleemee, night 25
Kernersville, Shady Grove 31-Aug. 1

THE IDEAL POLICY FOR MINISTERS

Here is an insurance policy especially designed to meet the needs of the minister of the gospel. It is extremely low in cost, liberal in its provisions, and not only protects in event of death but provides a Retirement Fund for the minister himself in old age. This is the "Endowment at 65" issued by the Methodist Ministers' Relief Insurance and Trust Association of Boston. This policy may be fully paid up in twenty years, thus completing premium payments in the years of greatest earning capacity. If death occurs before age 65, the full amount of policy is paid to beneficiary. If insured lives to 65 the policy is payable in full, or it provides for a definite life income beginning at 65. It is the prettiest policy for ministers ever issued by any company. It is a legal reserve association chartered under the laws of Massachusetts, and now in its 38th year. Besides this "Endowment at 65" it issues all the usual forms of Life Endowment policies at much lower premium rates than are charged by the agency companies. It insures only ministers well known to be the best class of risks, and all its business i conducted by mail. Write for liter ture and rates giving date of birt Address Methodist Ministers Relief I surance and Trust Association, Wesle an Building, Boston, Mass.

EXPERT KODAK FINISHIN

Developing and printing done by artis Most beautiful work guaranteed at a times. Satisfaction or no charge. Deve oping, 10c per film. Printing: prints 2 1 x3 1-4, 3c; 2 1-2x4 1-4, 4c; 3 1-4x5 1-2, 5 Quick delivery. Send one film to te our service. Agents wanted.
LIGON DRUG CO., Spartanburg, S.

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO

ROBT. W. MURRAY

GENERAL INSURANCE

Greensboro, North Carolina

308½ South Elm St.

Phone 163

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL

General Insurance

General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland

108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

LEARN SHORTHAND AND TYPEWRITIN

LEND spare time only. Give our Easy Home Method two hours a day. In one month become an expert stenographer—writing 100 words a minute and transcribing with speed and accuracy. Thousands of valuable openings. We qualify you for early trance at good pay.



No long drawn out, expensive method or puzzl features. Plain, simple, quickly mastered.

SPECIAL REDUCED RATES.

Easy terms if you act now. Prepare now fo successful future and old age comfort. Drop postal today. We'll send nothing you need pay f just full particulars of the course. Write at o If interested in bookkeeping or business cou mention the fact.

SOUTHERN CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL 8 College Park, Asheville, North Carol



TAKE A KODAK WITH YO and MAIL YOUR FILM TO M I do Developing, Printing an Enlarging, returning all wor within the shortest possib time. I give coupons for FRE enlargements. Send a trial o der today. Write for samp prints and prices.

D. AUDLEY GOLD, Box C Blacksburg, S. C

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Trains leave Greensboro as follows:

N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information and are not guaranteed.

12:55 a. m.—No. 112, daily. Local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh which may be boarded at 9:30 p. m. and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m.

1:47 a. m.—No. 30, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars Birmingham and Augusta to New York, and Birmingham and Jacksonville to Washington. Observation sleeping car Atlanta to Richmond. Tourist sleeper for Washington from San Francisco. Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars New York to Birmingham and Augusta, and Washington to Jacksonville and Birmingham. Observation sleeping car Richmond to Atlanta. Tourist sleeping car Washington to San Francisco via Sunset Route. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:45 a. m.—No. 11, daily. Local for Atlanta and points south. Pullman sleeping cars Richmond to Charlotte and Norfolk to Asheville. Coaches.

7:15 a. m.—No 37, daily. NEW YORK, ATLANTA AND NEW ORLEANS LIMITED. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section drawing room sleeping cars New York to New Orleans, Asheville and Macon. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service. No coaches.

7:30 a. m.—No 108, daily. Local for Raleigh and intermediate points.

7:30 a. m.—No. 154, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

8:10 a. m.—No. 44, daily. For Washington and points north.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily. For Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Handles Pullman sleeping car for Winston-Salem from Raleigh.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily. For Mt. Airy.

9:40 a. m.—No. 144 daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Free reclining chair car Charlotte to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily. For Salisbury, Statesville and Asheville. Connecting at Asheville with Carolina Special which handles through sleepers for Cincinnati and Chicago.

12:45 p. m.—No. 130, daily. For Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

12:50 p. m.—No. 45, daily. For Charlotte, connecting with trains for Columbia and Seneca.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Washington, New York and points north. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

2:00 p. m.—No. 207, daily. For Winston-Salem, connecting daily, except Sunday, with trains for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daiy except Sunday. For Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily. For Mt. Airy.

6:30 p. m.—No. 35, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham. Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham, and Charlotte to Atlanta. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily. For Winston-Salem.

6:40 p. m.—No. 46, daily. For Danville.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily. For Sanford.

7:24 p. m.—No. 43, daily. For Charlotte, connecting with No. 35 for the South.

10:15 p. m.—No. 12, daily. For Richmond and Norfolk. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Asheville to Norfolk.

10:20 p. m.—No. 233, daily. For Winston-Salem.

11:20 p. m.—No. 38, daily. THE NEW YORK, ATLANTA AND NEW ORLEANS LIMITED. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section, drawing room and compartment sleeping cars New Orleans, Macon and Asheville to New York. Dining car service. No coaches.

E. H. COAPMAN, Vice-President and General Manager, Washington, D. C.
W. H. TAYLOE, Passenger Traffic Manager, Washington, D. C.
H. F. CARY, General Passenger Agent, Washington, D. C.
R. H. DeBUTTS, Division Passenger Agent, Charlotte, N. C.
C. G. PICKARD, Passenger and Ticket Agent, Greensboro, N. C.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN

(Continued from page 11)

the college, it had been found advisable to establish a preparatory department of music for the coming year.

The annual business session of the Alumnae Association was held Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. W. R. Odell presiding. At this meeting the reports on the year's work were read; memorials to three deceased members were presented; plans made for the coming year, and officers elected. It was announced that in addition to the gift of $500 by the A. B. graduates, the six graduates of the school of music had pledged $180 to be used in furnishing a senior practice room in the projected music building. It was also announced that $6,000 had been raised of the proposed $10,000 for the endowment of the Chair of English of the college.

The chief officers of the Association for the coming year are as follows: president, Miss Martha Dozier, Greensboro; first vice-president, Mrs. W. R. Odell, Concord; second vice-president, Mrs. D. A. Garrison, Gastonia; third vice-president, Mrs. W. C. Tucker, Pleasant Garden; recording secretary, Miss Nannie Lee Smith; corresponding secretary, Mrs. John M. Stone; treasurer, Mrs. E. L. Sides; treasurer of the presidential fund, Mrs. W. M. Curtis; recorder, Mrs. Harry Cunningham.

After the business meeting the alumnae attended luncheon at the college, where a number of interesting talks were made, full of loyalty and of inspiration to the work of advancing every interest of the college. Greetings were brought from a number absent alumnae, including Mrs. Laura Patrick, Danville, Va., and Mrs. Mary T. Hudson, Shelby, N. C., two of oldest living alumnae.

The final occasion of the commencement was the concert given by students of the department of music Tuesday evening. A large audience heard this excellent musical program.

The entire commencement was of the high order of excellence befitting the close of a remarkable year for the college. At no time in its history have there been brighter prospects for future success and healthy development than at present.

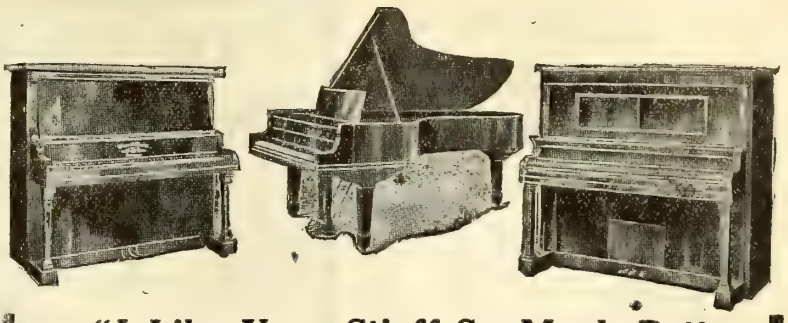
IMPORTANT MEETING IN SPARTANBURG

The Wesley Bible Class Federation Institute of all the organized Bible Classes of South Carolina Methodism will be held in the city of Spartanburg, July 19th to the 21st. Plans are being laid for very very large delegation from all over the state. The institute will open with an address on Monday night, the 19th, by Bishop Atkins and will close Wednesday at noon in time for the speakers and others to get to Junaluska for the Conference there. We shall have with us also Mr. Pepper, Miss Kilpatrick, Dr. Bulla, Mr. Brabham, Mr. H. H. Therrell, of Georgia, Mr. Dietrich, Divisional Secretary, and we trust Mr. Brabham, of the North Carolina Board, and our own Mr. Way, Divisional Field Secretary of the Atlantic Division. Besides these a number of the very best speakers and most enthusiastic Bible class workers in our own state.

This is to extend a hearty invitation to the delegates from the Western North Carolina Conference who expect to go to Junaluska to come by Spartanburg and stop over for this Federation Meeting. Very cheap rates will be on and regular stop over privileges will be granted, and Spartanburg is certainly "The Gateway to the Land of the Sky." A most hearty welcome awaits you and a most profitable and inspiring occasion is promised you.

W. C. Owen,
S. S. Field Sec. S. C. Conferences.

"A man's as good as he makes himself."



"I Like Your Stieff So Much Better Than My Piano."

As a rule, where a person is dissatisfied with a piano, you may be sure that it probably was bought, simply because "it was cheap." When you buy a piano, you buy for a lifetime.

There's satisfaction for years to come when you buy a STIEFF

First of all, the rich singing tone is BUILT IN. The construction is such that your Stieff will never sound "tin-panny" even after years of use. Another thing, the Stieff Factory and Stieff's 73 years of experience stand back of your piano with guarantee in writing THAT MEANS ALL IT SAYS. Write for our free book containing cuts and prices of our instruments.

Charlotte, N. C. **Stieff** 721 S. Tryon St.

Methodist Benevolent Association

A Mutual Benefit Brotherhood for Southern Methodists. Issues Whole Life, 20-Premium Life, Term to 60, and Disability Certificates. **Benefits** payable at **death, old age, or disability.** Over $152,000.00 paid to **widows, orphans,** and **disabled.** Over $40,000.00 reserve fund. Write for rates, blanks, etc. ***J. H. Shumaker, Secretary, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.***

GREENSBORO NURSERIES
AGENTS WANTED
For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.
JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.



"I know what Father likes best"

EVEN the children know that Arbuckles' Coffee gets the biggest welcome at the breakfast table.

It is the popular favorite everywhere. More of it is used than any other packaged coffee. Think what this means.

In America we drink more coffee than does any other nation. Last year 900,000,000 lbs. of coffee were brought here. Think of all the different kinds of coffee—the different varieties of flavor this represents.

For their favorite coffee, the people of this country have chosen Arbuckles'. For nearly fifty years they have shown their preference for this coffee. In one state last year four times as many pounds of Arbuckles' were used during the year as there were men, women and children in the state. And the demand is constantly increasing.

Have *you* tried it lately? Before you serve another breakfast, go to your grocer's and get a package of Arbuckles' Coffee. Taste its rich, satisfying flavor and know why more of it is used than any other packaged coffee.

Make your coffee earn lovely gifts

Save the signature on every Arbuckle wrapper. Get beautiful, useful gifts—articles you have always wanted. Arbuckles' premiums are almost as famous as Arbuckles' Coffee. In one year we gave away over a million of *one* premium alone! Send for our big Premium Catalog showing 150 of our most popular premiums. Write today to Arbuckle Bros., 71-153 Water St., N. Y.

Better than ever

This is the signature you save



EXCHANGE YOUR OLD BODY FOR A NEW ONE

You can do it in three weeks and thereby renew your health. This article is written by a physician who has seen it demonstrated in numerous cases and explains how it is done.

Listen: If your weight is one hundred and thirty-three pounds your body contains eighty pounds of water, for, according to standard medical books, the human body contains sixty-seven and one-half per cent. of water. Now disease is invariably caused by impurities which we call poison, and these are readily dissolved by the right kind of natural mineral water. Drink ten gallons (eighty pounds) of Shivar Mineral Water (use no other water for twenty-one days), and you will have exchanged your old body for a new one, so far as the soluble part of it is concerned. The impurities will be dissolved and pass away. If you suffer with dyspepsia, indigestion, sick headache, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney or liver disease, uric acid poisoning, or other conditions due to impure blood, accept Mr. Shivar's liberal offer which appears below. Read the following letter carefully; then sign and mail it:

Shivar Spring,
Box 5G, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen:

I accept you guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)

Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You run no risk whatever in accepting his offer. I have personally witnessed the remarkable curative effects of this water in a very serious case.

GRAND EXCURSION TO WASHINGTON, D. C., AND RETURN, VIA SOUTHERN RAILWAY, THURSDAY, JUNE 10, 1915

Special train will leave Salisbury at 7:55 a. m., returning, will leave Washington at 9 a. m., Saturday, June 12, 1915.

Passengers from branch line points will use regular trains to the various junction points connecting with the special train, and returning will use regular trains from such junction points to the home stations.

Tickets good going and returning on special train only and cannot be extended.

Special train will consist of first class coaches only.

Daylight trip through Virginia returning.

A rare opportunity to spend twenty-five hours in Washington, giving ample time to visit the many points of interest in the Capital City.

Low round trip fares from stations named as follows:

Salisbury	$5.00
Albemarle	5.00
Lexington	5.00
High Point	5.00
Reidsville	4.50
Burlington	5.00
Greensboro	5.00
Spencer	5.00
Thomasville	5.00
Asheboro	5.00
Siler City	5.00
Gibsonville	5.00

Low round trip fares from all other points on same basis.

For further information, tickets, etc., call on any agent Southern Railway, or, R. H. DeButts, D. P. A., Charlotte, N. C.

100 BIG RE-ROOTED TOMATO PLANTS

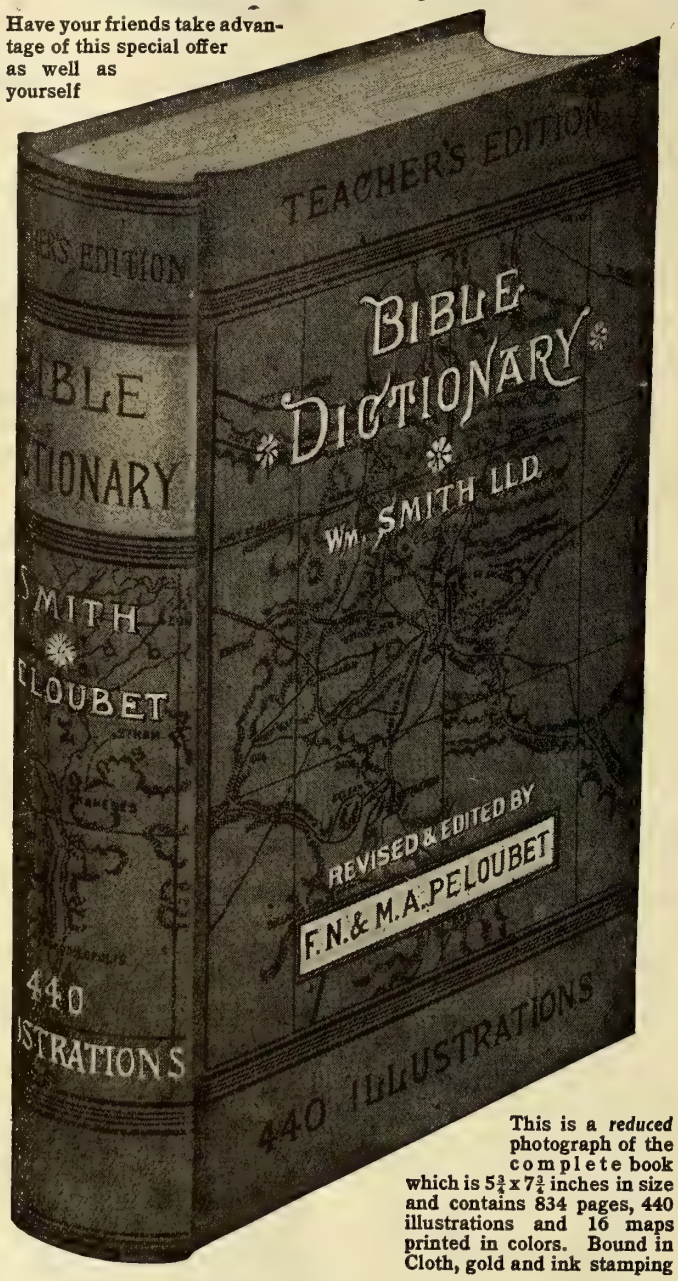
sent to you by prepaid post or express for $1.00; 600 for $5.00; 1000 for $9.00. Stocky seed-bed plants for one-half these prices. Summer cabbage plants ready late in June. Free pamphlet. Wakefield Plant Farm, Charlotte, N. C.

The Christian Advocate Offers You This Well Known Bible Dictionary

SEE SPECIAL OFFER BELOW

Realizing the wide demand that exists among our constituents for this Bible Dictionary, we have made a special arrangement with the publishers of the work by which they agreed to supply it to us on exceptional terms, provided we would widely advertise it, and this enables us to offer this **well-known Bible Dictionary in its original form** and with all its important features, including over 400 illustrations and maps in colors, at **less than half the regular price.**

Have your friends take advantage of this special offer as well as yourself



This is a *reduced* photograph of the complete book which is 5¾ x 7¾ inches in size and contains 834 pages, 440 illustrations and 16 maps printed in colors. Bound in Cloth, gold and ink stamping

THE FATHER OF ALL BIBLE DICTIONARIES

Everyone acknowledges the superior value of Dr. William Smith's Bible Dictionary, as containing the fruit of the ripest Biblical scholarship. It is practically the foundation, or father, of all other Bible Dictionaries. This late edition is brought down to the twentieth century and thoroughly revised to incorporate modern research and discoveries in Bible lands. It has been adapted in its present form to the convenience of teachers and scholars.

MAKES BIBLE STUDY EASY. MAKES THE BIBLE PLAIN TO EVERY READER

This Bible Dictionary is a veritable treasure to Christian Workers. It contains in the simplest language a full explanation of all topics mentioned in the Bible—every place, nation, tribe, person, and historical event; every custom and rite; every instrument and implement; every animal, plant, flower, mineral, metal, etc. It is a systematic collation of all the facts recorded in the Bible, supplemented and explained by materials supplied from authentic records of Biblical times. It gives in compact and lucid form the substance of the result of profound Biblical scholarship and research. IT OPENS A NEW UNDERSTANDING AND APPRECIATION OF THE BIBLE IN A WAY THAT NO OTHER BOOK DOES.

Our Special Offer

From this till July first we offer the Advocate one year and this dictionary for

$2.50

This applies to new subscribers and renewals.

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, GREENSBORO, N. C.

HISTORIC SECTION OF RAILROAD

Greensboro, N. C., May 23.—Among the lines now being double tracked by Southern Railway, one stretch, 36 miles in length, between Greensboro and Pelham, was originally constructed under the direction of the Confederate government and has remained as perhaps the most permanent monument of any work done by the Confederacy. Veterans from states south of Virginia, who go to the reunion at Richmond over the Southern will have an opportunity to travel over this line and to see the work of double tracking now in progress.

The entire line from Greensboro to Danville, Va., was constructed by the Richmond and Danville for the Confederate government as a war measure. Some years ago this line was double tracked from Danville to Pelham, N. C., 9 miles. Despite the many improvements that have been made, the location of this line, as determined by the war-time engineers, has never been changed and so well did they do their work that when the double tracking was undertaken very few changes were found necessary and, in the main, the work has been simply the construction of a parallel track.

The Confederate authorities saw the strategic value of a line connecting the R. & D. with the North Carolina Railroad and were able to bring to bear sufficient pressure to overcome the obstacles which had previously stood in the way of its construction owing to the rivalry of North Carolina and Virginia, each state seeking to protect its own railway interests. The necessary rail was procured by tearing up other roads and when at the close of the war the line was confiscated by the United States as one of the assets of the Confederacy, there was prolonged litigation before the Richmond and Danville secured undisputed title.

The origin of this line is remembered, in many local traditions and names, among them "Tennessee Curve," said to have been so called because the grading at this point was done by men of a Tennessee regiment.

SEND US YOUR FILMS

for prompt, highest grade developing and printing at lowest prices. KODAK WORK A SPECIALITY. Personal attention given to all orders. Results guaranteed. Write

W. I. VAN NESS & CO., Charlotte, N. C.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS



BLUE RIDGE INN
Mount Airy, N. C. W. M. Jordan, Prop.
Mount Airy's Leading Hotel

Rates $2.00 and $2.50—All meals 50 cents—Electric Lights, Steam Heat, Electric Bell System, Hot and Cold Baths—American plan—A clean up-to-date home for the tourist or traveling man, in a beautiful mountain city

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, June 10, 19[illegible] | Number 23

Headley Hooper Theology College

LIFT UP YOUR HEADS

HOMER BUSH

(Luke XXI. 28, I Peter 1. 3-25.)

Lift up your heads;—
His promises, exceeding great
And precious, brighter shine,
Though darkness deepens, while we wait,
And watch the plan divine.

Lift up your heads;—
Look up; the night has not outrun
The rising of His star;
Nor has the storm our barks begun
To sweep beyond His bar.

Lift up your heads;—
Neither hath He forgot nor slept,
While we groped on alone;
Untiring vigil He hath kept
Always above His own.

Lift up your heads;—
The signs He gave at length appear;—
The darkness heralds light;—
Behold! the King of kings is near
To vanquish death and night.

Lift up your heads;—
Soon we shall hear the Bridegroom's voice;
Lift up your hearts on high;
Love's goal lies just beyond; rejoice,
Redemption draweth nigh.

Barnesville, Ga.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

UNDER THE SHADOW

A shadow has fallen across the Advocate family. Mrs. Coltrane, wife of Mr. D. B. Coltrane, of Concord, chairman of our Board of Publication, passed peacefully to her reward on Tuesday of last week. Our last issue had gone to press when the news came. The whole Advocate family is sad because Brother Coltrane is sad. We are invoking for our brother the presence of Him who spoke to Mary in Gethsemane. There will be no grudge among our readers for the large amount of space we give to the memory of her who has been translated. May there be a glorious sunrise which shall break with splendor upon the darkness of this home.

DEATH OF MRS. D. B. COLTRANE

Death always smites cruelly, apparently never more than when a fond wife and mother is suddenly snatched away from a happy household. It is as if, suddenly, at noonday, the light of the sun had gone out and left us to grope in darkness. It is as if, in a moment, all the flowers had faded, the green grass had withered and died and all the earth had suddenly become a desert. Such it only seems, for in the midst of the desolation, while the storm and stress are upon us, there comes a voice to comfort and stay the soul, saying, "I am the resurrection and the life, * * * whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die."

In a peculiar sense the Advocate enters into the sorrow which has come to the home of our dear Brother D. B. Coltrane, of Concord, who for nearly fourteen years has been chairman, first of the Board of Directors of the Christian Advocate Publishing Company, and later of the Board of Publication of the Western North Carolina Conference. Mrs. Coltrane passed to her reward after a brief illness on Tuesday morning, June 1st. She died in the bosom of her family, giving most assuring testimony of her readiness to depart and be with her Lord.

Mrs. Coltrane's life was one of most beautiful devotion to all that is lovely and true, and the record she made will be cherished as a most precious treasure by the husband and children left behind. Praying that the divine Comforter may abide with the stricken family, we give below the tribute paid to the deceased by her pastor, Rev. M. F. Moores, at the funeral, in which he was assisted by Rev. E. K. McLarty, a former pastor, on Thursday afternoon. Brother Moores said:

I bring a pastor's tribute today. It is almost presumption on the part of a comparative stranger to venture to tell you about the character of one who was for so many years such a vital part of your inmost life; one who was not simply an adjunct, but an essential part of the very stream of Concord's life; one who so naturally occupied a place in the higher plans and purposes of the city as to give it a mighty ruptive shock when she left it. But some lives have only to be touched to be felt, and to give an index of their source and their qualities. "Did not our heart burn within us while he talked with us by the way?" There was the touch of a great, superior personality. It does not take long to discover the strong personality of such a character as that of Mrs. D. B. Coltrane. The inexplicable power that goes out from the mysterious something called personality was a silent but persuasive force in her life. And the secret of the beauty of that personality could have been expressed by her in the words, "All my springs are in thee." Finding the springs of her life, comfort, peace and joy in God, there went forth from her abiding trustfulness refreshing influences, making it easier for others to live.

Ancestral forces united to make her great; but as one says, "There is in every great soul an unexplained remainder which must be referred to God alone. The secret of greatness is in part ancestral, but chiefly divine." "Thy gentleness hath made me great," truly applies in this case.

She was blessed with a fine physique, and in that body was a mind of superior natural endowments, which was early, and always under proper educational stimuli, producing a well-poised, well-rounded life. Her mind showed no adaptation to eccentricities, neither did her heart respond to the ultra in social or religious life. She did not choose to flash, meteor-like, in the view of the curious, or to gain the admiration of the fanciful or whimsical, but she prized that equipoise which manifests itself in a constant, steady bearing of a self possessed, rightly adjusted spirit. And thus, by those qualities which are the admiration of the thoughtful, she was held in the highest esteem by all. She did not estimate life by its measure of worldly joys, neither did her conceptions of life consist in the vain or frivolous, or superficial, but beneath a countenance beaming with light, and back of words ever sparkling with cheer was a constant, abiding sense of the real worth of the things of depth, and to which attaches permanency. She was a woman of strong, positive convictions.

One of the most beautiful things in her character was her unselfishness. Her ministry was ever active for the happiness of others, and in thousands of ways she gave cheer and comfort—visiting the sick, sitting at the bedside of the dying, and going as an angel of light into the homes of sorrow. Besides, she found herself given to the little attentions which count so much and make life happier.

She loved her church and was most active in it. It was a part of her very life. It was on her heart. Even the last Sabbath that she spent on earth she would have the loveliest lilies which were given to her brought to the church.

She was for twenty-one years, consecutively, president of the Woman's Missionary Society of Central church. She was closely identified with the work of the Conference Missionary Societies, being a leader among the women of the Conference, and did much to carry forward the work that was committed to them, and was greatly loved by her co-laborers.

But it was in the home that the beauty of her character shone most brightly. A kind, patient, loving mother, and a faithful, loyal wife, she created an atmosphere that was very cheering and helpful. Here "she was mistress of the melody of life." The bereaved husband said, "Her unwavering faith has been a great stay to me." It was also to those who knew her best. And many knew her, because it was her delight to open the doors and share the hospitality of the home with others. She possessed those qualities that constitute true womanhood, and which are necessary to make a true mother.

And now, while we sorrow, we also rejoice that the sunset of her day was so peaceful, and that there is no sad memory connected with her earthly career, but that it was simply one beautiful walk from the innocency of childhood through all the years of her pilgrimage; that she was so ready to meet her Lord, only passing from earthly environment, that had much to contribute to her happiness, into an infinitely richer, comprehending the perfection of all possessions, and with nothing to interrupt or break into the joys of eternity.

Her calmness during the last days of her illness can only be explained on the basis of the "strength of the invisible," and as the result of her beautiful Christian life.

In connection with her going away she talked as calmly with her family as if she had been only preparing to take a journey... And she said, "If I do not get well, and God calls for me, I am resigned; I am ready."

"Why should our tears in sorrow flow,
When God recalls his own,
And bids them leave a world of woe
For an immortal crown?

Is not e'en death a gain to those
Whose life to God was given?
Gladly to earth their eyes they close
To open them in heaven.

Their toil is past, their work is done,
And they are fully blest;
They fought the fight, the victory won,
And entered into rest.

Then let our sorrows cease to flow;
God has recalled his own;
But let our hearts in every woe,
Still say, "Thy will be done."

We can do no better than reproduce here th following sketch which appeared in the Con cord Times:

Mrs. Coltrane was born at Carrollton, Ky August 27, 1857, and was, therefore, in he fifty-eighth year. Her maiden name was Mis Mariam Smith Winslow, and she was marrie on October 15, 1884. She has four brother and two sisters living, namely: Henry M. Win slow, of Harriman, Tenn.; George B. Winslow of Carrollton, Ky.; Pierce G. Winslow, of Ohio Wm. B. Winslow, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mrs. W F. Howe, and Mrs. Janie Martin, of Carroll ton.

Mrs. Coltrane moved to Concord with he husband on May 24, 1888, and had made he home here since that time. To her were bor four daughters, all of whom survive, namely Miss Jenn Coltrane, Mrs. Charles Cannon Misses Elizabeth and Mary Branson Coltran

Mrs. Coltrane was for twenty-one years, con secutively, president of the Woman's Mission ary Society of Concord Methodist church, an only recently resigned on account of her failin health. During all these years she directed th work of this society with that energy and wis dom for which she was noted, and it was know throughout the bounds of the Conference a one of its most wide-awake societies.

Mrs. Coltrane was a loyal and true membe of the Methodist church, and was foremost i every good work which her church had for he to do. It is but just to say that no member c Central church had a larger part in its work c performed that work with a more cheerfu spirit.

Mrs. Coltrane was not only active in th work of her church, but she was at all time foremost in efforts for the public welfare. Ever movement which had for its object the bette ment of the city's interests had her strong an unqualified support.

IN DUE SEASON WE SHALL REAP

It is not well to place large emphasis upon s called visible results. Such things are indee gratifying, but not always reliable. The result of one's work can not be tabulated until su ficient time elapses for seed to germinate an the stalk to grow.

In another column this week Rev. S. M. Da vis tells of a series of meetings which ende in what seemed a dreary failure, but whic happily turned out to have had very gratify ing invisible results. These invisible result became visible when some two weeks late fourteen young men came forward to assum the vows of church membership. It is safe t assume that some of these are already in hea en and will be at the beautiful gate to we come Brother Davis when the Master calls hi to his reward. It is also safe to assume tha out of that fourteen have come some of th pillars of the church in that community an that Brother Davis is still preaching throug the fruits of the messages of that trying week "He that goeth forth and weepeth bearing pre ious seed shall doubtless come again with re joicing bringing his sheaves with him."

The editor of the New York Christian Ad vocate told us last week of the remarkable ex perience of the late Daniel S. Gregory, as fo lows:

"His health was delicate, and his body wa but a frail alabaster case, scarcely veiling th spirit that glowed with heavenly fires. Hi work day was closing, but rose-tinted cloud still glorified the western sky. He loved to re call an evening when he was sent to Miller burg, O., to lecture on Education to young me

in a lyceum course. It was a dull night, and the straggling audience of boys showed little interest. The lecturer set the affair down as a failure, and went on to the next duty. Twenty-five years later William Fraser McDowell (then Secretary of the Board of Education and now a Bishop) reminded him of that dreary lecture appointment. 'I was one of those village lads you talked to that night,' he said, 'and from that night I date my purpose to get an education!'

"When Dr. Gregory was president of Wooster University, a woman in widow's weeds came to unfold before him her problem—the problem of many a Christian mother—how to secure to her sons and daughters the benefits of a college course. Through her eager appeal the way was cleared—as it usually can be— and to his dying day it was one of the high satisfactions of Dr. Gregory's life that he was the instrument in opening the door of a Christian college to that little family group, now widely known under the names of Dr. Wilbert W. White, of the Bible Teachers Training School; J. Campbell White, missionary and leader of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, and Leila Ada White, herself a Christian worker of worth in many fields, but more widely known as the sympathetic companion of her apostolic husband, Dr. John R. Mott."

Let pastors and all Christian workers (and this should include all Christians) listen to the voice of Holy Inspiration which bids us "sow beside all waters," reminding us that we can not tell which shall thrive, and that, for this reason, the matter of prime concern to us is that we sow, and keep on sowing, leaving the results to God who has promised to water the precious seed.

Few preachers have passed the meridian without being able to point here and there to the men whom they proudly call their spiritual children. They point with swelling hearts to the men, now working in large places, whom they discovered it may be in obscure places and in whose hearts they kindled the unquenchable fires of a holy zeal for God and humanity. There is no richer reward that can come to any man than to be permitted, long after the time of his dreary sowing, to see such rewards of his labors. Only such can know what it means to "come with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him."

"Let us not be weary in well doing for in due season we shall reap if we faint not."

TRINITY COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT

The commencement at Trinity College is in full swing as we go to press, Tuesday afternoon. It is impossible for us to give any extended account this week. The baccalaurate address was delivered on Sunday evening by Rev. Dr. F. N. Parker, who for four years has been at the head of the Biblical department, and who has recently accepted the chair of Systematic Theology in the new Emory University at Atlanta. His address was in every way worthy of the occasion and of the man.

The trustees met on Monday and the press report referring to President Few's report says:

"Again this year I am able to report important additions to the college plant. The old dormitory popularly known as the Inn, built in 1892, and dear to so many generations of Trinity men, was remodled and completely renovated during the summer and was ready for occupancy at the opening of college in September. It is now a two-story dormitory of four sections, and contains 45 rooms. It is as handsome and well equipped as any dormitory we have, and in some respects is, as a place of residence, the most desirable of them all."

The report makes appreciative reference to the long residence of Bishop Kilgo, former president, who will soon remove his residence to Charlotte. It also speaks in encouraging terms of the healthy spirit dominating athletic sports, and heartily commends the Board of Trustees for its firm stand against college football.

We hope next week to give a full account of the commencement.

NOTE AND COMMENT

The Department of State at Washington has issued what has popularly become known as the "White Book" of the United States. It is the first volume of a series of papers and notes comprising diplomatic correspondence with belligerent governments relating to neutral rights and commerce. In it is printed the text of all telegrams between the United States and foreign governments since the outbreak of the war and general correspondence with reference to restraints on commerce, including the notes exchanged between the United States and the Allies and Germany. As the correspondence develops, additional volumes will be issued or the present number revised.

* * * *

North Carolina Delegates to the National Travelers' Protective Association convention, to be held in Omaha start tomorrow. The delegates from the eastern posts meet at Goldsboro, the car being routed by way of Raleigh, Greensboro, Salisbury and Asheville. Leaving the latter city at 8 p. m. tomorrow evening the route will be by way of Cincinnati, Chicago, Rock Island, and to Omaha on Monday morning. Sunday will be spent in Chicago, as it is one of the traveling man's insistences that he have a rest from "the road" on the Sabbath.

The special car will be appropriately decorated and will be known as the "Carolina Special," and among other celebrities it will bear the favorite candidate for T. P. A's next national president, Mr. Charles F. Tomlinson, of High Point.

* * * *

Informal Efforts, as yet without official sanction, are being made, say press dispatches, by Mexicans identified with the Villa-Zapata movement to bring about a reconciliation with the Caranza faction for the purpose of establishing a government that could claim recognition by the United States. However slowly may eventuate the President's hope that life-long and daily new-made enemies in Mexico will fall on one another's necks and weep tears of joy, the American Red Cross officials go bravely forward in perfecting their plans for relieving starving Mexican non-combatants so that finally they may furnish food for the rifle. An army transport left Galveston for Vera Cruz last Monday with a large consignment of corn and beans for Mexico City, arrangements having been made for safe passage of supplies through the Carranza lines. On its return trip the transport will bring back any Americans or other foreigners who may have reached Vera Cruz from the interior and who desire to leave the country.

* * * *

The Christian Endeavor State Union has just closed its annual meeting in Wilmington with the decision that Charlotte will be the meeting place next year. The contest for the state banner resulted in a tie between Kenansville and Asheboro Street Friends church, Greensboro. It was decided to allow each society to keep it six months. St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church Junior Society, Wilmington, received the Junior banner, and the Spanish banner for the society having most efficiency goes to St. Andrew's Senior Society. All old officers were re-elected with exceptions of the new vice-presidents, H. G. Braxton, of Kinston, and C. E. Newman, of Raleigh. Officers for next year are as follows: President, George L. Mitchell, Wilmington; vice presidents and district superintendents: Rev. J. D. Andrews, Newton; E. P. Barker, Greensboro; Rev. William H. Adams, Charlotte; Rev. P. L. Clark, Burgaw; secretary, Miss Isabella McDougall, Wilmington; treasurer, Newton Fisher, Wilmington; extension secretary, Captain J. P. Russell, Lumberton; press correspondent, Miss Florence T. Ledbetter, Greensboro; educational superintendent, Rev. E. J. Harold, Greensboro.

* * * *

Secretary McAdoo Is Much Pleased with the result of the recent Pan-American Conference held in Washington and thinks one should be held each year. He said: "Some of the governments in South America have, I am told, already made financial arrangements with some of our bankers, and negotiations are pending between other South American governments and our bankers with every prospect of consummation. One very important practical step was the adoption of the report of the committee on uniform laws, recommending the appointment of a joint high commission to cooperate with the Pan-American union for the purpose of bringing about the great reforms outlined in that report. I shall suggest to the President that in his next message to Congress he refer to the work of this Pan-American financial conference and make appropriate recommendations for carrying on the work, and that sufficient appropriations be made for the purpose. If that can be done we can give a great impulse to the work in this country, and I sincerely hope that the Central and South American delegates will on their part make similar recommendations to their governments and induce them to take similar action."

* * * *

The North American Review for June, among its nowadays most readable pages, carries a short article by David Jayne Hill on "International Morality," wherein is an explanation why sovereign states at present do not recognize in their outward relations the moral principles which they profess to respect and try to enforce in their internal affairs. This explanation, why a state is not a moral organism, as is the individual person, is not to be sought, says Dr. Hill, in the realm of ethical theory, for it is sufficiently apparent that the origin of the distinction between public and private morality is not to be traced to any reasoned discussion about them.

So the explanation why individuals are responsible for their conduct while the state regards itself as irresponsible, and does not as a state even admit any knowledge of moral good or evil, is to be sought in the origin of the state, which was not in the beginning an institution of justice but an established agency of injustice. "We may dismiss as purely fanciful the idea that half-naked savages, emerging from a state of nature, were at any time suddenly transformed into political philosophers, and as a result of their deliberations, proceeded to evolve the notion of a 'social contract,' as imagined by Rousseau, voluntarily surrendering to freely chosen public powers the authority to command their obedience as a means of preserving their lives and property."

Few readers at present are not interested in international law. This article by Dr. Hill is much and interestingly in consonance therewith. It will be remembered that Dr. Hill is the author of numerous volumes dealing with literature, philosophy and diplomacy, besides being our ex-ambassador to Germany, and former minister to Switzerland and the Netherlands, and serving his country as Assistant Secretary of State from 1898 to 1903.

* * * *

At the Guilford Battle Ground on July 3, when the magnificent statue to General Nathaniel Greene and his generals will be unveiled in connection with the usual fourth of July celebration, all of the original thirteen states will be represented by their governors or other state officials. This statue is being erected by an appropriation of $30,000 by the Federal Government, and will be one of the most magnificent memorials to be found on any American battlefield. Historians have it that "the Guilford Courthouse battlefield is the only scene of any Revolutionary conflict that is preserved in its entirety." A bill is now pending in Congress to make the battlefield a public park.

One of the attractive features of the coming celebration will be thirteen young ladies on horseback to represent the thirteen different states. These young ladies will be dressed in costumes with red and white striped skirts, waists of blue, with white stars and Columbia caps. Each rider will wear a regalia bearing the name of her state, and small flags of the state will decorate the bridle of the horse and the saddle blanket. These charming riders will lead the procession, and will be given places of honor on the program. Their official commissions will be received by the governors of the respective states.

Religion is the expansion and most perfect form of the moral faculty of man. What is religion? It is the soul lifting itself up to its maker.—Willian Ellery Channing.

CONTRIBUTIONS

PREACH THE WORD

S. M. Davis

During my pastorate at Plymouth, 1877-8, on one occasion after hearing my presiding elder, Dr. Closs, preach one of his strong soul-stirring sermons, which for depth, power and word grasp were not surpassed in those days, nor in these days. I referred to the sermon, and the Doctor said to me, "Brother, preach the Word, and the Christ will look after the results." The same year I held a meeting in my church, preaching every night for near two weeks and closed the services with no visible results, except the congregations had been large and earnest. I did not know which would prosper this or that; nor whether or not some seed I had sown with faithful and trembling hand had fallen on good ground. Two weeks after the close of my meeting, after preaching on Sunday morning, I opened the doors of the church and fourteen most excellent young men of the town came forward, took the vows and united with the church. They had heard the Word and the Word ran and was glorified in their religious experience.

Looking back over the fields and the period of my active ministry in North and South Carolina, since 1868, I reach the conclusion that my presiding elders have been the strongest Holy Ghost preachers of the half century of Southern Methodism, all the highway from the gentle and powerful Dr. R. J. Boyd and Dr. William Closs, to the genial and able Gay, of this good day. I may here mention the names of Dr. North and Dr. Closs as great proclaimers of the Word. By preaching the Word let us mean not merely quoting detached passages of Scripture, but the Word in its fullness and power, assimilated with Spirit-filled St. Paul preacher souls.

Brother Clegg has closed his meeting in the Caroleen Methodist church and there will be spiritual fruit. Seldom do we hear stronger gospel sermons than those he brought to his people. Clegg is a capital preacher, sound, solid, sensible, and the Bishops and city Methodists will find it out.

The editor of our Advocate has, during the year, said some strong, urgent and timely things in behalf of our superannuates. And may one of them be permitted to exhort a moment? Just a little better care of the superannuates of our Conference will enable them and encourage them when able to do more local church, Sunday school and church paper work. Again, our well equipped young men seeing the old soldiers of the Christ well and lovingly cared for will yield more readily and cheerfully to the call from the Master to enter the ranks of itinerant Methodism. While those on the shelf should be the last class to complain, yet how much more beautiful and comfortable the feet of those who have brought to thousands of souls glad tidings will be if the shelf should be made a little broader. Yes, these two things will come to pass when the ways of our veterans are made just a little smoother—more and better superannuate work, and a larger number of our strongest young men will fill up our broken ranks. Best of all will be the joy in the presence of the angels, and better than this best will be the joy of the Master.

Caroleen, N. C.

SOUTH CAROLINA LETTER

Samuel A. Weber

The regular visits of the North Carolina Christian Advocate give me weekly (not weakly) evidence of how fortunate my native section of the Old North State is in her Christian and Methodist hebdomadal. They say that poets are born, not made. I think I have an experience of that's being so—and no little observation. But editors, I insistently affirm, are both born and made, and a good proof of this is in the fact and circumstance that some editors I wot of not only show that they are "to manner born" (not Manor, as I see it frequently misquoted), but constantly improve in their authorial and editorial work—in the facility with which they do it and in the fruits meet for usefulness which they bring forth. Enough said? No, not until I exemplify my meaning by, as gracefully as I know how, referring by name to two Western North Carolina boys whom I used to know when they were boys, and who today are making good on the tripod—the one at Greensboro, and the other at Nashville. Brother Tom Ivey is an editor right and has given and is giving marked evidence of improvement in his work. I am too old a man and too venerable a writer for the press to be trifled with, and so my dear younger brother, Editor Blair, will allow me to say, because I ought, that I have been delighted and am delighted at the improvement in many ways of the excellent Christian journal with which his name is so honorably identified. Enough said,—and with no interrogation point this time.

Speaking of editors, let me tell you of another of whom Brother Blair knows something. We have down here in South Carolina a new editor who came in with the beginning of the current year. I refer to the beloved editor of the continnually improving Southern Christian Advocate—a newspaper which is the very apple of my eye. At different times I have been its editor, its assistant editor, its associate editor, its corresponding and contributing editor (so to speak), and now in my declining years I look on the face of each new isssue somehow as a young father I used to look into the face of each new baby our Heavenly Father sent into our sweet home. Glory be to God! for W. C. Kirkland. He and his wife come from first class South Carolina Methodist stock. Kirkland, Lawton, Stokes, Capers are names to conjure with in South Carolina, and especially in South Carolina Methodism. I am not an aristocrat to hurt. If my new editor were ycleped John Doe or Richard Roe I would love him all the same and think just as much of him (and not more) as I do under his own proper name. Getting off my Pegasus and astride my good Rocinaute, I proceed in more becoming gait. It is so comfortable to feel that you can write just as you please with no possible fear of being misunderstood by those of whom you write. I have faith to believe that my dear son-in-the-gospel, Editor Kirkland, rarely goes to his knees in private prayer that he does not, along with his wife and child and venerable father, mention the Southern Christian Advocate.

We are having this week in our state two distinguished North Carolina Methodist preachers. Each will have an enthusiastic welcome. Bishop Kilgo, along with Dr. Sam Steel, will serve at the commencement occasion of the Carlisle Fitting School at Bamberg, and Drs. Plato Durham and Mark L. Carlisle will preach the two sermons at Columbia College commencement—all this at the close of the present week. You seldom find four more accomplished men. About three of them I write from personal knowledge, but I have never met Dr. Durham. He has preached here and addressed the Charleston Y. M. C. A., and is much admired and highly appreciated. And his recent reputation is coterminous with Southern Methodism in connection with actual service and with the probable work to be done in the department of Theology at the Emory University.

But the idea of billing Bishop Kilgo for a South Carolina occasion! I venture to say that he is more at home on our side of the state line than on yours. He draws as perhaps no other Methodist does in his native state. The Literary Society of the Institution where he serves this week in compliment to him is named the Kilgo Literary Society. I have heard four Kilgos preach the gospel—a father and three sons. The father was once my pastor. I remember his preaching as I heard it sixty years ago, or nearly so long. He was our pastor in 1856 in Shelby.

By the way, I have been enjoying a recent find, namely, Deems' Annals of Southern Methodism for 1856. I have been living over our great and secure past under the suggestion of this suggestive volume. Among other things he claims that our denominational name, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was adopted at the Convention of 1845 on the motion of Hesekiah G. Leigh—a great leader in those days—and not on the motion of Dr. Peter Doub, as claimed by Dr. Plyler in a recent fine article in our Review. I had long thought of Dr. Leigh as the first to suggest our name as we now have it..

I can't consent to close this already long letter without personal memorial reference to our recent dead in the South Carolina (now Upper S. C.) Conference. Five beloved brethren have gone to their reward since our last Conference session—good men and true. They lived well and died as they lived. One of these, Dr. Rufus A. Child, spent the last several years of his life at Hendersonville, in your state. He was, as you know, a many-sided man, and was remarkable in many respects. He was a successful lawyer before he became a most accomplished and a very useful preacher. I have heard him preach as I have rarely heard anybody preach. I just now recall a sermon on the "Judgment Day," which he preached at one of my meetings while I was pastor. It was a master-piece of pulpit eloquence and of gospel truth and of spiritual power. He conscientiously prepared himself well for the pulpit. But I am at the close of my page. God bless you and the Advocate!

Charleston, S. C.

ECHOES FROM THE ANNUAL MEETING

The assessment for Church Extension for the fiscal year 1915-1916 remains the same as last year—$300,000.00.

* * * *

Every member of the Board was present at the opening session, Thursday morning, May 6th, in St. John's church, St. Louis, Mo.

* * * *

The Board by formal action requested a full meeting of the Conference Board of representatives in connection with the Annual Meeting of 1916.

* * * *

There have been distributed during the year from the office of the Board, and without charge, 132,395 copies, or 5,375,905 pages of printed matter.

* * * *

There were applications for about five times as much money as the Board could grant, and the sifting process, though painful and tedious, was conscientiously performed.

* * * *

A committee of one was appointed to meet a like committee from the other connectional boards and committees meeting in the spring, and from the College of Bishops, to fix a schedule of dates for the spring meetings. The next Annual Meeting of the Board of Church Extension will be held May 6th, 1916.

* * * *

The Board expressed a desire that the other connectional boards and committees, meeting in the spring, hold their annual meetings in 1916 in Louisville, Kentucky, and participate in the ceremonies of the dedication of the new Church Extension building. The preparation of the program was placed in the hands of the Executive and Finance Committee.

* * * *

A cordial invitation was extended by the Preachers' Association of Little Rock Arkansas, through Rev. James Thomas, D. D., to hold the next Annual Meeting of the Board in that city. The Board was under the necessity of declining the invitation with thanks, as it desires to hold its next Annual Meeting in ehe new building at Louisville, Kentucky.

* * * *

The importance of District and City Boards of Church Extension was recognized by the adoption of the following: "As to District and City Boards of Church Extension we find this important interest is covered by General Conference action. We would urge upon the Presiding Elders and Bishops to give this department of our work their earnest attention so that these boards may be organized wherever practicable."

* * * *

When the Board concluded its work it had created a docket of donation grants amounting

to $125,642.27 and of loan grants amounting to $141,950.00, or a total in grants to churches and parsonages of $267,592.27. To take care of this docket it will be necessary for every church to pay its assessment on Church Extension in full, and for those churches who have been favored with loans which fall due during the present year to pay same.

* * * *

The plans and specifications for the new building now under construction at 1115 South Fourth Street, Louisville, Kentucky, were before the Board and carefully examined by a committee. The Board in adopting the report of the Committee said: "We are very much pleased with the plans for our new building. The Executive Committee and the Architect, Capt. B. B. Davis, have shown good taste and skill in arranging this excellent plan for our future home."

* * * *

The receipts on assessment for the fiscal year showed a slight decrease. Concerning this the Board spoke as follows: "We are sorry to notice that $13,217.02 less was received on assessments than last year. We are sure the financial stringency accounts for this. Your Committee most respectfully requests all who deal with the collections to see that there is no discrimination made in favor of any of our collections. If taken in budget, let them share pro rata."

* * * *

The Board was comfortably entertained at the Washington Hotel, diagonally across the street from St. John's church, and received at the hands of Rev. J. W. Lee, D. D., Presiding Elder; Dr. John A. Rice, pastor of St. John's church, and the Local Committee on Entertainment, consisting of Rev. L. E. Todd, D. D., chairman, Dr. A. F. Smith, Dr. M. T. Haw and Dr. C. W. Tadlock, every courtesy. The banquet in the dining room of St. John's church on Friday evening, given by the official members of our churches in the city of St. Louis, was an enjoyable occasion.

* * * *

Gratification was expressed on every hand over the unusual increase of $110,853.56 in the Loan Fund Capital for the year, which is now $671,436.19. On account of the increasing demand for loans, and recognizing the fact that this claim has never been pressed upon the church as a whole, the Board provided for a Loan Fund Campaign to be conducted by the Corresponding Secretary, assisted by a special committee of seven, as follows: Bishop John C. Kilgo, D. D.; Bishop A. W. Wilson, D. D.; Bishop James Atkins, D. D.; Bishop W. R. Lambuth, D. D.; Rev. R. H. Cooper; Rev. S. H. C. Burgin, D. D.; Rev. James Thomas, D. D. It is the purpose of the Board to secure the presentation of this great interest in every congregation. This Committee will be heard from a little later on.

* * * *

Looking to the establishment of a Department of Architecture, which was recommended by the Corresponding Secretary, the Board unanimously said: "We most heartily approve the recommendation of the Corresponding Secretary looking to the establishment of a Department of Architecture in connection with our work. We are sure there is a crying need for relief along this line. Our people are asking for something of this character which will be of material benefit. We therefore recommend that the Corresponding Secretary and Executive and Finance Committee secure such information from competent architects, and all other data needed, as will warrant the Board in establishing this department. In this work we request the co-operation of the Sunday School Board."

* * * *

The biography of the late Rev. David Morton, D. D., the first Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, has been written by Bishop E. E. Hoss, D. D. Information reached the Board through Dr. Daniel Morton, of St. Joseph, Mo., a son of the late Dr. Morton, that his mother, Mrs. Hannah Morton, desired to issue an edition of the biography, and, after reserving such copies as she might need for personal distribution, to turn the remainder over to the Board of Church Extension. The Board recognized by appropriate resolutions the thoughtful interest of Mrs. Morton in its work, and recommended to the Corresponding Secretary and the Loan Fund Campaign Committee that they consider the advisability of using the publication as an agency in the work of increasing the Loan Fund Capital.

* * * *

The instruction of the last General Conference to the Board of Church Extension to make a study of the subject of Church Insurance and bring to the next General Conference a plan for the insurance of church, parsonage and school property was considered by the Board, and the following action recorded: "The action of the General Conference with reference to formulating some plan for insuring our church and parsonage property is mandatory upon this Board. We deem it best for this important matter to be handled by the Secretary and the Executive and Finance Committee. We suggest that a study of the question, in an average conference or small group of conferences, be made, and that such necessary data be gathered as in the judgment of the Committee will be needed to guide the Board in reaching a wise conclusion for recommendations to the General Conference."

* * * *

The Corresponding Secretary called attention in his report to the embarrassments and disadvantages of making grants to churches and parsonages only once a year, and requested a careful study of the situation with the hope that the Board might agree upon some plan for doing this work at shorter intervals. This suggestion was placed in the hands of a strong committee which gave it special attention, and the action of the Board is as follows: "As to the suggestion of the Secretary referring to the making of grants to needy churches oftener than once a year, your Committee does not feel disposed at this time to make any recommendations. This matter is of unquestionable importance, but is surrounded by so many difficulties which we have not the time to dispose of, that we suggest that the Executive and Finance Committee be instructed to bring to our attention at the next Annual Meeting a plan or plans for our consideration."

* * * *

Notice was taken of the fact that not a few of the churches receiving aid in the form of loan grants are indifferent and careless in the performance of their part of the contract when it comes to the re-payment of loans. The Board instructed the Executive and Finance Committee to prepare a contract making the rate of interest 6 per cent. and collecting only 4 per cent. when interest is paid promptly, except in the case of overdue principal. The official action is as follows: "Believing that the greater purpose of the Loan Fund is not simply to make safe investments, but to help the greatest number of churches possible, we therefore recommend that hereafter all loans shall bear six per cent. interest and that the contract shall contain the provision that at the end of six months after interest is due and unpaid, this overdue interest shall be added to the principal, and shall bear six per cent. interest from the time it is added to the principal. But should the interest be paid at any time prior to six months after maturity, then no interest shall be charged on interest, and the interest on the loan shall not exceed four per cent., except in cases where the principal of the loan is not paid when due. In all such cases interest shall be six per cent. and compounded as outlined above."

EVANGELISM

By Evangelist Rev. J. V. Williams

This Southland seems to be alive with the old-time spirit of the fathers. The revival seems to break forth with the spring-tide. and the singing of the saints with the singing of the birds. We hear of revivals everywhere. God is pouring out His Spirit copiously in these days. Have you read "the signs of the times?" God wants to wake up a sleeping church and has called strong men to preach a strong gospel.

The regular evangelist is everywhere. The people are flocking to hear the message of salvation as they have not done for years, and thousands are being saved.

The churches are loaded down with unconverted members. What shall be done? Everywhere I go they tell me that church members live just like sinners. They play cards, dance, attend theaters, Sunday baseball and Sunday picture shows. Worse, many drink liquor and swear. What must be done?

The old gospel is sufficient, thank God. Preach it. Let the world know of the power to save. Our evangelists are busy holding meetings in towns and cities. They cannot go to the country church except in rare cases. What about the country church? Don't they need a revival? Yes, and they are having it. Our faithful pastors are doing evangelistic work as never before. They are traveling everywhere helping other pastors in meetings. What a noble band of brothers! We hear of real Holy Ghost revivals at the country church, and when the history of 1915 is written, we will see more souls won to Christ in this Southland than ever before.

Let us "awake to righteousness and sin not, for some have not the knowledge of God."

Raleigh, N. C.

OUR ROLLER SKATES

We have not purchased a pair of roller skates. The price is within our reach, but we have no such assurance of handling resulting doctor bills. Yet we have no objection to other people skimming past and flinging their arms around in dangerous proximity to where we breathe.

The Lord did well when he made man a finished creature, and man has not yet been able to add anything to his body, at the same time giving surgeons all the opportunity to subtract from his physical self. It is an art to add valuable equipment to the endowment of nature, and perhaps eight wheels under two soles should be accounted a valuable acquisition.

We have no objection whatever to roller skaters, individually or collectively, bent on business or frolic, men or women, boys or girls. We succeeded in dodging fifty-six of them the other afternoon in less than half a block. It looks nice to us when a crowd of forty boys in their teens run around a cement corner, tied up together after the order of the lock step of convicts. It is a beautiful sight, provided one is on the other side of the street.

Boys and girls need exercises. They ought to take it in the open air, and in the glorious sunshine of the Lord. In the cities, too many of high-school age board the street car, breathe its stuffy atmosphere, and manifest mental deficiency on that account all day. They follow the same course homeward bound, and suffer the same consequences. They could walk if they would, but they wouldn't. When a contrivance makes its appearance which will afford exercise, and cause those who exercise to think it is sport, they take the exercises. The lungs get filled up with fresh air, the oxygen purifies the blood, the good blood, thus vitalized, builds up tissue, and a boy becomes a man and a girl becomes a woman worth while. The pale face becomes rosy. The powder bag lies on the girl's dresser untouched and unneeded, for her cheeks flush up with roller-skate health, and she doesn't need patent fixings to pass at par.

The roller skating affair became common, then general, then epidemic, then a craze. What it will be next week, we don't know; perhaps the Lord does. Anyway, we are glad to see it. Nothing has struck the country in the last hundred years, beyond which period our memory doesn't go, which is calculated to make such strong, vigorous health as the roller skating on the streets. We hope it will continue in the open air, and keep out of the rinks.

The other day a Sunday school class of girls from our First Church, Dayton, had its outing, along with its woman teacher, and all went on skates. Why not? There is nothing out of the way, nothing immodest, nothing immoral, but advantages great and many.

We have almost concluded to buy some roller skates.—Religious Telescope.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

DISTRICT CONFERENCE DIRECTORY

North Wilkesboro, Elk Park .....June 24-27
Greensboro, Asheboro .....July 13-15
Morganton, at Gilkey .....July 15-18
Salisbury, Kannapolis .....July 21-23
Charlotte .....July 21-23
Shelby, at Lowesville .....July 27-29
Statesville, at Broad Street .....July 28-31

STATEMENTS! STATEMENTS!

We are sending statements to many this week. We send these statements with the hope that our friends will kindly respond. The amount may seem small to you, but the sum of all these small accounts means much to us. Please let us hear from you by return mail.

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. J. W. Williams, pastor of the Marshville charge, assisted in revival services at East Bend, which came to a close last week.

—We regret to learn that Mrs. Routh, wife of Rev. O. P. Routh, pastor of Danbury circuit, has been quite ill. Glad to hear that she is now much improved.

—The people of the North Wilkesboro District speak in high praise of Rev. J. H. Bennett, presiding elder of that district. He is in labors abundant and his preaching makes an abiding impression.

—Dr. Joy, the new editor of the New York Christian Advocate, to succeed Dr. Eckman, who resigns to take a pastorate, is the first layman ever chosen to edit the oldest of the family of Advocates of that church.

—The Sunday school of Central church, Mt. Airy, will hold its annual picnic at Brower's Spring on Thursday, June 17th. The entire membership is asked to join and make it an occasion of great pleasure and profit.

—Many friends will sympathize with Mr. J. W. McCrary, one of the oldest members of our church in Lexington, in the death of his wife, which occurred at their home in that place on Wednesday of last week. May God comfort the bereaved.

—Referring to the work of Prof. J. B. Craven at Davenport College, the Asheboro Courier speaks of him as the son of the late Dr. Braxton Craven. This is a mistake, though he is a grandson and in many respects a chip off the old block.

—Dr. S. H. Wainright, for a long time an efficient missionary in Japan, and who has been in this country for some months, will in a few more weeks return to Japan, where he is doing the work of Secretary of the Christian Literature Society of Japan.

—Rev. H. H. Jordan and his congregation at Main Street church, Gastonia, held a Go to Church rally last Sunday. Special arrangements were made to bring out the aged and infirm, and the pastor preached a special sermon and administered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

—Mrs. Lizzie Webster, a devoted member of our church at Walnut Cove, died at the home of her nephew, Mr. Alf. Webster, in that place, on Sunday, May 30th. The funeral services were conducted in the Stokesburg church on Monday afternoon by her pastor, Rev. E. J. Poe, assisted by Rev. C. R. Hutcherson.

—The friends of Rev. F. K. Dibble, formerly of our Conference, but now a member of the South Carolina Conference, will learn with interest that he was married on Wednesday, June 2nd, to Miss Lapp, of Columbia. Brother Dibble is pastor of our church at Clover, S. C., and we have no doubt that the proverbial saying "he is now in Clover" will apply to him. We extend hearty congratulations.

—Rev. J. N. Payne, an aged and highly respected local preacher of our church at Morganton, passed away Monday morning about nine o'clock. He was the father of Dr. Bruce R. Payne, President of Peabody College for Teachers, Nashville, Tenn., and Mrs. J. Ed Albright, of this city. Mr. Payne was a native of Alexander county and began his ministry about the time of the Civil War. He was a good business man and, in the days of his strength, was a man of affairs in his community. For some years he had been in failing health, but was in his place at the church to the end. We hope to have a full memoir at an early day.

—The Methodist Corner in the Mount Airy Times-Leader last week had the following interesting item: The treasurer's report made Sunday morning showed the amount raised for all purposes for quarter, $1,237.75, and for the half year, $1,815.73. The salaries are all paid in full to date. Of the 321 persons assessed, 188 have paid nothing, 100 have made payments in part, and 43 are paid in full to date. Upon the whole this is a good showing.

—We have learned with deep regret that Prof. W. M. Cundiff, formerly of Siloam, but recently removed to Elkin, had to be carried to Winston-Salem last week for a surgical operation. Many readers of the Advocate will learn of Prof. Cundiff's affliction with deep regret and many prayers will go up for God's blessing upon him in his affliction. Brother Cundiff's home has always been a preacher's home and he and his wife are held in very high esteem by many preachers' families.

Western North Carolina Epworth League Conference

The Western North Carolina Epworth League Conference will be held at Lake Junaluska on August 20th and 21st.

E. L. Bain, Pres.

Preachers and Laymen of the North Wilkesboro District, Attention!

If you are going to attend the District Conference at Elk Park June 24-27, please notify Rev. L. B. Hayes, Elk Park, N. C. Tell him how many and who will be in your party, whether or not you will travel by private conveyance, how many horses you will have, and when you will arrive. A postal card is sufficient. Do it now. J. H. Bennett, P. E.

From Conference Evangelist

We have just held a meeting with Brother S. E. Richardson at East Spencer, which resulted in much good. There were about 92 professions and 30 accessions to our church, and about 17 to join other churches. The interest grew from the beginning. Brother Richardson is in great favor with his people. They gave him a generous pounding during the meeting. I suppose they thought he needed it after entertaining the writer in his home for ten days. We are now with Brother G. H. Christenberry at Randleman. W. L. Dawson.

First Street, Albemarle.—Our meeting at First Street church, Albemarle, began April 25th ,and continued until May 6th. The pastor was assisted by Rev. G. W. Fink, of Rhodhiss. While the meeting did not, in every way, prove as great a success as we have often had, when Brother Fink has helped us in the past, still there were about sixty conversions and reclamations, and, from time to time, we hear of good accomplished during the meeting, which did not come out at the time.

R. A. Taylor, P. C.

Madison and Stoneville.—We are in the third week of perhaps the best meeting ever held in Mayodan. I think more than a hundred have professed religion at the altar, and fifty odd have given their names for membership in the churches at Mayodan. Rev. W. M. Smith, one of our consecrated young preachers, pastor of Salem Methodist church, was with us nearly two weeks. He preaches well for a young man. I bespeak success for him.

I closed a good meeting at another place on this charge. It now looks as if Madison and Stoneville will have a great year. I am winding up my fourth year among tip top people. I know of no charge any kinder than these people to their pastor. The Lord bless them.

A. R. Surratt.

Belmont Park, Charlotte.—On the 9th day of May we began a special meeting. We were fortunate in securing the help of Rev. W. M. Biles, of Newton. He rendered us most excellent service. The men of the church say it was the best meeting ever held in the church. Brother Biles won the confidence and secured the co-operation of the congregation in the first service. There were about one hundred and seventy-five conversions and reclamations at the altar. We have received forty-seven members since the meeting began, with others yet to join. Several have joined other churches. There has been a revival spirit in the church all the year. It is a common thing to see conversions at the regular services. We have had one hundred and forty-seven additions to the church this year. We have over three hundred and fifty in Sunday school. Pray for us that our church may be a great soul-saving agency. John H. Bradley.

Caroleen.—Brother Clegg is now serving his charge in a handsome automobile. Why not? This writer believes that our pastors may well nigh double their pastoral work in country and cities by the use of autos.

Children's Day will be held in the Caroleen Methodist church July 4th, teaching the children to be first Christians, then Southland patriots. It is said that Children's Day as observed last Sabbath in the Henrietta Methodist church was the most entertaining and profitable ever held in the church. The occasion was featured by the finest of music, in charge of Miss Eva Blair, music teacher from Greensboro. Getting ready is the main thing in everything, especially in doing for children who are the closest observers and cleverest critics we have.

The writer up on the shelf strives from that superannuate eminence to do service by Sunday school work and teaching in private school and kindergarten for these bright children. Let there never be any rust on the smallest wheel of our Methodist machine. Let preachers, editors and the children be ever watchful and not grow lean. S. M. Davis.

Kannapolis.—On May 2, a series of services started in our church, conducted by Rev. Jim Green, of the Rock Springs circuit, assisted by our worthy pastor, Rev. P. W. Tucker. The meeting continued three weeks. Owing to the good work done by the evangelistic committee three or four weeks prior to the meeting, we had one of the greatest revivals that has ever been in the town of Kannapolis. Brother Green did some fine preaching, and Prof. Newsom lead the singing. As a result of the meeting there were 378 professions. Eighty joined our church by profession of faith and forty by letter. Quite a number went to the other churches in the town. During the meeting we had street services at 7 p. m. and prayer meeting at 9:30 a. m. in some of the business houses, cafes and barber shops. Although Brother Green has been gone several weeks, the work is going on. Had four professions Sunday night, May 30, and we still have a prayer service every Sunday morning at 9 a. m. on the street just before we go to Sunday school, and invite everybody to the different Sunday schools in this town. We hope Brother Green will live to have many more just such meetings as this, and at any time he can do so we will be glad to have him with us. May the good Lord continue to guide and lead him in this great work, is our prayer. J. S. Brawley.

Morganton Circuit.—Last Sunday, May 30, we laid the cornerstone for our new church in South Morganton, known as Oak Forest congregation. The church takes its name from the Sunday school that has been conducted by Rev. W. K. Houk, L. D., and his helpers for thirty years in a little chapel near the state hospital. It was a happy coincidence that on the day of the thirtieth anniversary of the organization of the Sunday school we laid the cornerstone of the new church, though an organized church it

dates back but a few months. The exercises were as follows:

The Sunday school children's song, "My heart o'erflows with love," and "Praise God from whom all blessings flow." We were led in prayer by our presiding elder, Rev. J. E. Gay, then followed Hwmn No. 208. Rev. W. K. Houk gave a history of the work, and Rev. E. E. Williamson, of the Morganton station church, delivered the principal address, the subject, "Christ the one foundation." It was indeed a most fitting address for the occasion.

We deposited in the cornerstone a Bible, Discipline, hymn book, North Carolina Christian Advocate, Christian Advocate (Nashville), S. S. Magazine, Visitor, Morganton Herald and Morganton Messenger and a history of the church. Brother Gay then placed the stone in position. It was, all through, a most impressive service and made a profound impression upon the several hundred that witnessed the ceremony. A. C. Swafford.

McDowell Circuit.—I wish to take this opportunity to thank the good people of one of the churches on my circuit for a great kindness that was done, which serves as an inspiration to me. In the third week of May my wife received a letter from one of our members at Glenwood church, namely, Mrs. T. W. Wilson, and she insisted that we come to her home to spend Saturday night. This invitation was highly appreciated by us both and was accepted. Saturday afternoon we went over to Brother Wilson's, and as usual, all things had been made ready for our entertainment. Supper was served, after which we went to the piazza to rest awhile, but after a short time, at a distance we saw men, women, boys and girls and children coming—some were carrying bags of flour, others canned goods, others meat and others various things too numerous to mention. They kept coming until something like one hundred had arrived. I noticed that some of this number were members of the Methodist church, but others were Episcopalians, Presbyterians, Baptists, etc., representing every denomination in Glenwood.

Then we were invited into the reception hall and parlor, where we had instrumental and vocal music for a while. Brother Wilson then conducted us to the place where the visitors had deposited their bundles. A pounding had we received, and one of the most liberal I have ever seen a church on a circuit give. These gifts were worth something to me (I had to secure a wagon in order to get them to the parsonage). They help me in a financial way, but the motives prompting the gifts are worth more to me than tongue can tell. I would like to thank these people for their kindness. I wish I could express my appreciation in words. I cannot, but I say to the people of Glenwood, God bless you; may He prosper you, and may He cause His face to shine upon us as we try to press forward to the mark of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. M. W. Mann.

Report of Treasurer of Board of Missions for May, 1915

Received on Assessment

	Foreign	H. & C.
Canton, H. D. Secrest		$ 70.00
Andrews S. S., W. H. Crawford	2.00	
Bald Creek, J. A. Fry	7.00	7.00
Asheville, Bethel, J. C. Harmon	14.16	15.00
Mt. Zion, T. J. Ogburn	2.25	3.50
Winston-Salem, Burkhead, W. L. Hutchins	103.00	130.00
Salem Ct., A. L. Coburn	21.00	22.00
Concord, Forest Hill, J. C. Fink	25.00	25.00
Rural Hall, C. R. Allison	15.00	12.00
Biltmore, J. W. Campbell	20.00	30.00
Elkin, Mason Lillard	105.00	
Linwood, J. W. Ingle		10.00
Summerfield, T. B. Johnson	4.00	4.00
Farmington, D. C. Ballard		13.40
Jonesville ,D. A. Oakley	2.50	
Highlands, W. C. Bowden	36.00	
Mocksville, Z. N. Anderson	74.00	90.00
Concord Ct., W. T. Albright	80.00	
Gold Hill, J. M. Price	10.00	
Total on assessments for May	$520.91	$431.90

Received on Specials

	Foreign	H. & C.
Winston-Salem, West End, N. V. Stockton, Tr.		19.17
Concord, Central		17.50
Winston-Salem, Centenary, Z. T. Bynum, Tr.		61.33
Mt. Airy, W. H. Willis		12.75
Asheville, Haywood St. S. S., H. A. Dunham	12.40	
Hickory, First, W. A. Rudisill		16.75
Hendersonville, H. F. Stewart	50.00	
Advance, Miss Ella Smith		1.00
Franklin, F. S. Johnson		5.00
Morganton Sta., Mrs. A. R. Collett		10.00
West Market, Fred C. Odell		12.50
Brevard S. S., C. D. Douglass	11.99	
Bakersville, M. T. Young		7.50
Frank Siler		10.00
Wesley Memorial, J. E. Marsh	400.00	
Asheboro, Frank Siler		13.00
Ramseur and Franklinville, Frank Siler		145.75
Coleridge, Frank Siler		6.00
Total specials for May	$474.39	$337.75
Total receipts for May		$1764.95
Previously reported on—		
Foreign assessment		984.65
Home and Conference assessment		1006.71
Foreign specials		1703.19
Home and Conference specials		2257.56
Total receipts to June 1, 1915		$7717.06
Total receipts to June 1, 1914		6421.78
An increase of		$1295.28

R. M. Courtney, Treas.

Winston-Salem, N. C.

Wentworth Circuit.—Saturday, May 29, the third quarterly conference for Wentworth circuit was held in the M. E. church at Bethlehem. Rev. J. H. Weaver, D. D., the much loved presiding elder of Greensboro District, was present and opened the conference by delivering a forceful sermon from the text: "If thy brother be overtaken in a fault, ye who are spiritual, restore such an one." After the sermon an appetizing and bountiful dinner was served by the good ladies of Bethlehem. Reassembling, conference was organized, with Dr. Weaver in the chair, and Brother James T. Smith, of Wentworth, secretary.

Rev. T. C. Jordan, preacher in charge, made interesting reports regarding the work on the circuit. It was developed that all four of the churches on the circuit are cheerfully responding to all demands made upon them. The Wentworth Ladies' Aid Society has just finished a room at the parsonage handsomely, at a cost of nearly eighty dollars, and the church society at Lowe's Bethlehem and Salem will each select a room at the parsonage for their especial care.

Pastor Jordan said it afforded him much pleasure to report the needed repairs having been made at the parsonage—two rooms having been added and the parsonage connected with water, lights and sewerage, all totaling a cost of less than three hundred dollars. Many of the active and interested members of the churches of the circuit contributed their labor and the pastor did much of the work, all of it evidencing great interest in the church's affairs.

The financial reports disclosed that during the last three months the amount paid pastor was as follows: Salem church, $17.50; Bethlehem church, $56.00; Lowe's church, $19.40; Wentworth church, $33.90. Total, $126.80. Amount paid heretofore this year from all four churches, $341.85. Total first six months, $468.65. Although money matters have been pressing the people during the past year, this report evidences fine interest and gives assurance of a good closing to the year's labors.

The conference welcomed Rev. A. L. Aycock, pastor of Leaksville M. E. church, and member of the Mt. Airy district, as a visitor, whose presence was enjoyed.

The delegates who will represent Wentworth circuit at the District Conference, to be held at Asheboro, July 13-15, are as follows: Lowe's Jesse C. Turner; Wentworth, Numa R. Reid; Bethlehem, John R. Moore; Salem, Eugene McDonald. The lay leader of the circuit, Mr. T. A. Moore, of Bethlehem, and the recording steward, Mr. W. S. Somers, of Salem, are also, by church law, made delegates to the conference.

The many admirers and friends of Dr. Weaver are indeed glad to see him regaining rapidly his usually robust health.

Pastor Jordan is winning golden opinions from all who meet him and hear him preach the Word. He is putting new life in the Wentworth circuit, and the close of the Conference year will demonstrate the wisdom of sending him to this work.

The fourth and last quarterly meeting for 1915 will be held at Wentworth sometime in the autumn. Sincerely yours,

Corresponding Secretary.

Bethel and Love's Chapel.—We are moving forward down here. Our second quarterly conference, held May 8-9, revealed some encouraging facts. Advancement had been made along different lines of church work. Children's Day has and will have been observed soon. Our Sunday schools are well organized, and have a fine attendance. Missionary in spirit, they have vouched a special, and are paying it. Bethel Sunday school has determined to send a delegate to Sunday School Conference to be held at Lake Junaluska this summer, paying all expenses of the delegate, who is to be elected by the Sunday school.

Missionary, social and evangelistic committees are taking hold of their respective obligations. Already preparations are being made for camp meeting. We are planning for an "Old Folks Day" this autumn. Rev. T. M. Wiley came to us and made a date for Dr. A. V. Gorden, of London, England, to deliver four lectures, viz., Traps for Boys, A Plain Subject (to men only), The Power of the Church Over Men, and Snares for Girls. He surpassed our expectations, and his great sermon Sunday morning on The New Testament is beyond description. He showed how that it was our Lord's last will and testament, and that the Holy Ghost was the administrator or witness of the rich inheritance of all things through Christ to them that believe. Truly it was good to be there and listen to our Lord's message of love by this humble, consecrated man. Rain kept the great crowd indoors Monday night, so Dr. Gorden fixed Wednesday, June 9th, to return and deliver his lecture on Snares for Girls.

We have been delighted with the glowing accounts of the many great meetings held throughout the country, and judging by awakened interest in the bounds of this charge, such will be reported from this field before frost. Spiritually, our people have made advancement, signs of hopefulness abound, and naturally we are better satisfied than at first with our new field. New field? Yes, because customs are so different here to what we had been accustomed to elsewhere. We have a good people to serve, and our congregations represent far greater wealth than does Concord, Central, hence the vast possibilities of Bethel and Love's Chapel charge.

Bethel by all means ought to become a station, and with a needed modern building would soon take her place with important stations. Unlike mill towns, our congregation is fixed, numbering over 300. That portion of Stanly county affected by this charge is taking on new life. The church work there is in equal, if not greater advancement than here at Cabarrus, and adds to the membership until we have almost 500 on roll. Mr. D. B. Coltrane, of Concord, accompanied by Sister and Rev. M. F. Moores, greatly assisted us by taking part on program for Children's Day here at Bethel recently. While Sister Moores did not take part on program, her presence was greatly enjoyed.

This is a good farming section and a fairly good fruit country. The parsonage can boast of a half acre of fine strawberries, besides ample farming lands, and pasture. We have a splendid garden, so you need have no fears to visit us at any time, and of course you will come to our great meeting and enjoy "camping in the wilderness for a while," beginning the second Sunday in August.

Fraternally, W. I. Hughes, P. C.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

CONFERENCE OFFICERS

President
Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson ..Greensboro
First Vice-President
Mrs. H. K. Boyer ....Winston-Salem
Second Vice-President
Mrs. Mattie H. Stewart ....Charlotte
Recording Secretary
Mrs. E. L. Bain .....Winston-Salem
Corresponding Secretary
Mrs. H. A. Dunham .....Asheville
Treasurer
Mrs. P. N. Peacock .....Salisbury
Supt. Mission Study and Publicity
Mrs. W. R. Harris .....Asheville
Supt. Social Service
Mrs. T. F. Marr .....Charlotte
Supt. Supplies
Mrs. J. N. Hauss .....Thomasville
Distributor of Literature
Mrs. W. C. Houston .....Concord

GOD'S WAYS

God moves in a mysterious way
His wonders to perform;
He plants his footsteps in the sea,
And rides upon the storm.

Deep in unfathomable mines
Of never failing skill,
He treasures up his bright designs
And works his sovereign will.

Judge not the Lord by feeble sense,
But trust him for his grace;
Behind a frowning providence
He hides a smiling face.

His purposes will unripen fast,
Unfolding every hour;
The bud may have a bitter taste,
But sweet will be the flower.

Blind unbelief is sure to err,
And scan his work in vain;
God is his own interpreter,
And he will make it plain.
—William Cowper.

We are just in receipt of a program of the Southern Summer School for Social Service and Christian Workers, which will be held at the Robert E. Lee Hall, at Blue Ridge, N. C., August 3-30.

This is the second meeting of the kind that has been held there, and because of the success of the first held in August, 1914, and in response to urgent requests of those who were present and of others who have learned of the work, the school is being continued this year for the purpose of giving scientific training in applied sociology and the theory of social service, with special reference to Southern problems.

Twenty of the most prominent Social and Christian workers for the South and other sections of America are to be present as teachers and lecturers.

Reduced railroad rates have been secured. For full information write W. D. Weatherford, Secretary, Blue Ridge, N. C.

MRS. D. B. COLTRANE

The announcement of the death of Mrs. Mariam Winslow Coltrane, which occurred at her home in Concord, N. C., on the morning of June 1st, 1915, came as a distinct shock to hosts of friends throughout North Carolina, who knew and loved her. Her death followed an illness of two weeks of pneumonia.

In spite of the untireing efforts of skilled physicians, the faithful ministrations of gentle trained nurses, the devoted and tender care of loved ones, her gentle spirit took its flight and left many hearts in sorrow and sadness, to mourn her passing.

In 1884 she was happily married to Mr. D. B. Coltrane and for more than thirty years was his faithful helpmeet and companion on life's journey.

In early childhood Mrs. Coltrane accepted Christ as her Saviour and to Him she gave the very best of her life—doing all she could for the promotion of God's kingdom. Were her earthly record unfolded to us, it would contain a continuous narrative of good deeds well and joyously done. She lived not for herself, but for others, and there were poise of character and grace of beauty in her life that enforced her personality as one of strength and vlaue.

She was closely identified in her home town with all the organizations that tend to the uplift and betterment of humanity. In the missionary work she was especially valuable and greatly interested. At one time she was fourth vice-president of the Home Mission Conference, and in the local auxiliary at Central church, Concord, she served as president for twenty-one years, consecutively. Under her wise and efficient leadership this easily became one of the leading societies in our Conference.

An exemplary Christian, a life abounding in good works, what a glorious reward must be hers! A fond and devoted wife, earnest and untiring mother, a faithful and true friend! We shall miss her sadly but the influence of her pure, beautiful life will live on in our hearts. We deeply sympathize with the grief-stricken husband and daughters in this great bereavement. May God comfort their sorrowing hearts!

At the crystal river's brink,
Some sweet day, by and by;
We shall find each broken link,
Some sweet day, by and by.
Then the star that, fading here,
Left our hearts and homes so drear,
We shall see more bright and clear,
Some sweet day, by and by.

O these parting scenes will end,
Some sweet day, by and by;
We shall gather friend with friend,
Some sweet day, by and by.
There before our Father's throne,
When the mists and clouds have flown,
We shall know as we are known,
Some sweet day, by and by.

UNION MISSION STUDY MEETING AT WADESBORO

On Monday afternoon, May 17th, the mission study classes of the Methodist and Baptist auxiliaries held a union meeting in the Methodist church in Wadesboro. Both classes had just completed the study of "The Child in the Midst." A synopsis of each chapter of this interesting book was given either verbally or in the form of a paper, by members of each class in turn.

All the members of both missionary societies had been invited but only forty were in attendance. Devotional exercises were conducted by Mesdames W. H. Reddish and G. D. Herman, wives of the Baptist and Methodist ministers, respectively.

Refreshments were served in the Sunday school room after the service and all enjoyed a social hour together. We feel that we derived great benefit from this union service and hope the study classes in both auxiliaries were inspired sufficiently to work for a larger membership for our new study in the fall.

The missionary societies and study classes of all the churches in our town are held on Monday, and it is such a joyous and harmonious feeling to meet our friends on the street and know that they, whatever the denomination, all are bent on the same mission. Enthusiasm certainly comes with large numbers studying the same subject at the same time.

Mrs. C. M. Burns, Jr.,
Supt. Mission Study and Publicity.

HAYWOOD ST. (ASHEVILLE) MISSION STUDY CLASS

Mrs. R. W. Betts

Just a little news from the Haywood Street study class, an organization which is meaning so much to the members of our missionary society and in which we have become greatly interested. On Tuesday, May 25th, our meeting was held with our pastor and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Hoyle, whom we all love and with whom we are always glad to meet, because their kindness and cordiality give us that "at home" feeling with them. Mr. Hoyle gave us a splendid talk, encouraging us in the work we are doing and making us feel that our labor is not in vain.

There were thirty-two in attendance. We have a membership of forty-five and at each meeting we have at least five new members. We have reached through this agency so many that have never been active workers in our church, including a number of young people who have joined us. God has blessed us and we know that his loving eye is watching over us and we expect great things from Him and shall attempt great things for Him during the remainder of the year.

At our next meeting we will finish our study of Mexico and then we will take up some book dealing with the work in our home land.

We have been very greatly gratified during this year to have so many splendid, well-written articles relative to our missionary work in every department, sent us by the various auxiliaries and we feel that these papers are calculated to do a vast amount of good, not only in creating an interest in our work and increasing enthusiasm, but our workers are beginning to realize the great importance of the publicity department as well. We will gladly give space to any article from any auxiliary as to the work.

The following paper was contributed by Mrs. Fred Felmet, one of the leading spirits in the auxiliary of Haywood Street auxiliary of Asheville.

OUR DUTY AS NEIGHBORS

This article was called for in our mission study class particularly with reference to our Mexican neighbor, but our Chinese, Japanese, African and Korean neighbors, as well are looking to us to place before them that which is best for them since they have determined to leave behind the old and appropriate for themselves the new, whatever that may be. We are told that in their eagerness for a change, they will probably grasp for the first thing which presents itself. Let us be right on the field ready and anxious to give them—what? Nothing less than the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, for this alone can compensate for their years of bondage to sin in the many forms in which it has been presented to them for centuries past.

Shall we lose the golden opportunity as we did in Japan forty years ago when we failed to present them the gospel when they were ready for it? Shall we, like so many others are doing, shut our lives in from the prying eyes of the world? Nay, verily, for in doing this we are doing that which is detrimental to the broadening of our little spark of enthusiasm that some of us have left.

If we desire inspiration there is no surer way of finding it than in service; if we desire fame, the path of service leads to fame; if we desire happiness, only those who serve are happy. It is ours to teach our neighbors of foreign lands the way to happiness. We should teach them as though they were little children, which they are, in a sense. We, who have enjoyed the blessings of the gospel of our Lord for so long, shall we longer withhold from them that which is vital to their spiritual life?

I feel that it is not necessary to ask your pardon for quoting from several of our higher officers, for who can know the conditions of our land today better than those who have made a study of them? The Sunday School Times says, "The people of the far East are nearer today than some of us may suppose. The spirit of world brotherhood is abroad on the face of the earth." This should be an encouraging fact to us. Then let us not falter in the work that is before us. Let us not have it said of us that because of our failure as a Christian church to carry out faithfully our Lord's commission to preach the gospel to every creature that any of the "little ones should perish."

Dr. John R. Mott, in his book on the present situation says that "the fear is not lest the peoples of the East fail to receive Christ, but lest the Christians of the West lose Christ as a result of not passing on the knowledge to Him." Is it not true that the sweetness of our lives kept within becomes as "wormwood and gall?" Dr. Mott goes on to say that "The Christians now living in Western lands should have a realizing sense that this present unparalelled world situation affords not only the greatest opportunity the church has ever known, but also, as far as they are concerned, their best and their only opportunity."

There has been some criticism of the church's great writers and speakers of the present day that there is too much of sameness in their sermons and discourses, but as a great preacher said recently, "Really missions is all there is in Christianity." We find the commission to preach the gospel given to us by Christ many times in his life. "Go, preach, teach all nations." Would you not rather be a fanatic on the subject of missions than to freeze out? If we told the story of God's love with half as much enthusiasm as we discuss our household affairs and other matters of minor importance, the world would have been evangelized in half the time that we have already taken to do it. These lines have been running in my mind for several days, "For my life and yours is only helping others on their way."

The world is going to be evangelized. This is inevitable because it is God's plan, but the question is, are we going to have a part in this great work? There are so many compensations to us for our service rendered. One is that in telling the story over and over it becomes more real to us and by letting the fountains of our love flow out our own lives become fuller and sweeter.

The subject of our duty as neighbors covers a broad field—but speaking only from a missionary standpoint, what is our duty here? I can find no better answer than to quote from Miss Bennett our Council President, who in her address to the Council recently, says, "We have entered upon the second quarter of our year's work facing a world crisis, this great tragedy that is now drenching Europe with blood. Our missionaries are on the field at home and abroad. The missionaries of the nations at war are at their posts in the non-Christian lands confronting famine, sickness and death, with no home base to which they may look for succor. The great mission boards of the U. S. and Canada, the Woman's organizations, the Council are facing financial disaster and can maintain and support the work they have already established only as the churches they serve make it possible by increased contributions."

Here we have the precious opportunity to be servants of all. We are a necessary part of this great work. We cannot all be great but would you not rather be, as Miss Tuttle said, "a little part of a big thing than a big

(Continued on page 14)

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

Let every League pray that God may guide our president during this critical time in the history of our nation. He needs the prayers of all the American people, as well as their confidence and trust. Let us as Leaguers send up our united prayers that our country may be spared the horrors of war.

All Leagues should be turning their thoughts toward Junaluska. Let's meet there in full force and with hearts attuned to the work of our Master. Let's live up to our motto, "All for Christ," and determine to enlist all young people in our Conference for the work of Christ through our League.

When you receive this paper our brother Leaguers of the North Carolina Conference will be in session at Hamlet. We extend to them our best wishes for their work and our prayers that they may have the best convention in the history of their League.

TO BE A CHRISTIAN

What is it to be a Christian? Ask the average man on the street, "Are you a Christian?" and he will answer with an apologetic smile: "Well, I'm trying to do the best I can." But no man ever made himself a Christian or won his way into eternal life by trying to do the best he could. Our individual Christianity depends not upon what we do for God, but upon what we let God do for us. To be a Christian is to receive in gratitude and in conscious need God's gift of his Son Jesus Christ as our Saviour. The voluntary receiving of Jesus as Saviour is the only thing that ever makes a Christian of any human being. Then, and for the first time, the saved man can begin "to do the best he can" by letting God's best, even Christ himself, commence to work out God's will in his life.—Sunday School Times.

THE REAL BUSINESS

The business of life is making character. A man may acquire great wealth; but if in the process his moral nature has become warped and twisted, he has failed. He may gain a reputation for some great achievement; but if he has not at the same time achieved a higher manhood for himself, he is to be pitied rather than congratulated. He may enjoy existence to the utmost, drinking his fill of pleasure; but if his sympathies are gradually attrophying, if he is increasingly indifferent to the obligations of helpfulness, he is preparing for the supreme failure. Make no mistake about it. The occupation by which you earn your living is merely incidental. Your business in this world is character making. —The Visitor.

THE ONE SAFE LEADER

Christ's example stands out before us as the one great rule of life. He never lost his head, never spoke unadvisedly with his lips, never returned evil for evil, never indulged in excess of temper; but at all times so lived and acted that men could see that he had come down from above and manifested the life and disposition of a man who walked with God.—Texas Christian Advocate.

JUNALUSKA MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

Plans are progressing for our annual missionary conference at beautiful Junaluska, July 9-20. It will be held on lines similar to those of last year; study classes for those who desire to prepare such work in their home churches; institutions for all who desire to help and be helped in solving the practical difficulties and doing the real work of missionary cultivation and promotion in the home base; the devotional half hour for all who need a deepening of the prayer life; and platform lectures for the information and inspiration of all sorts, ages and conditions.

The management promises more extended preparations for entertainment and we trust there will be more to entertain. Let it be remembered that this is our annual Workers' Conference, and takes the place of the Midwinter Institute, and that it is meant for all our missionary leaders, secretaries, presiding elders, pastors, layleaders, representatives of women's missionary societies, and all others who work at the missionary task.

Bishop J. W. Bashford, of China, well and widely known as a great missionary leader, writer and speaker, will deliver three addresses. Dr. Wainright, of Japan, will speak on that field, Bishop James Atkins and Dr. Cook will bring fresh messages from the Orient. We hope to hear of "What a Layman Saw in the Orient" from Rev. C. A. Rowland, recently returned from the East. We expect to hear also from Miss Belle H. Bennett, Mrs. J. D. Hammond, Miss Daisy Davies, Dr. W. J. Young, Dr. W. B. Beauchamp, and others.

One of the features of the evening hours will be moving pictures of Oriental and African life and mission work. These scenes are new and very impressive.

The two closing days, July 19 and 20, will be devoted to the Conference of Missionary Secretaries. This Conference is provided for in paragraph 416 of the Discipline and it is important that secretaries be present. We shall hope to plan with them for a forward movement.

The conditions call loudly for a vigorous and united missionary policy. It is not a time for complacency, but for our best planning and most energetic execution.

GRAND EXCURSION TO WASHINGTON, D. C., AND RETURN, VIA SOUTHERN RAILWAY, THURSDAY, JUNE 10, 1915

Special train will leave Salisbury at 7:55 a. m., returning, will leave Washington at 9 a. m., Saturday, June 12, 1915.

Passengers from branch line points will use regular trains to the various junction points connecting with the special train, and returning will use regular trains from such junction points to the home stations.

Tickets good going and returning on special train only and cannot be extended.

Special train will consist of first class coaches only.

Daylight trip through Virginia returning.

A rare opportunity to spend twenty-five hours in Washington, giving ample time to visit the many points of interest in the Capital City.

Low round trip fares from stations named as follows:

Salisbury	$5.00
Albemarle	5.00
Lexington	5.00
High Point	5.00
Reidsville	4.50
Burlington	5.00
Greensboro	5.00
Spencer	5.00
Thomasville	5.00
Asheboro	5.00
Siler City	5.00
Gibsonville	5.00

Low round trip fares from all other points on same basis.

For further information, tickets, etc., call on any agent Southern Railway, or, R. H. DeButts, D. P. A., Charlotte, N. C.

Williams Private Sanatorium FOR DRUGS and WHISKEY
TERMS: Drugs $125 Flat. Whiskey $100 Flat. Women patients pay a small sum extra for nurse. B. M. WILLIAMS, M. D., Greensboro, N. C. Reference, Amr Exchange Nat'l Bank, Greensboro, N. C.

This Is Top Dresser Year

If you have fertilized your crops, lightly at planting time, or used fertilizer lacking in potash, it is not too late to remedy this, provided you Top or Side dress with a fertilizer containing sufficient proportions of all three necessary elements of plant food—Phosphoric Acid, Ammonia and Potash. Do not make the mistake of using a material that contains Nitrogen (Ammonia) only, such as Nitrate of Soda. To get the increase in fruitage as well as stalk and foliage, use ROYSTER'S TOP DRESSERS, which not only provide ammonia in quickly available form, but also phosphoric acid and POTASH.

ROYSTER'S TOP-DRESSERS

TRADE MARK F. S. R. REGISTERED.

Will stimulate the growth of your crop, increase the yield, overcome unfavorable seasonal conditions, and check the tendency in cotton to blight and shed.

BRANDS

	Available	Ammonia	Potash
PRESTO TOP DRESSER,	4.	10.	4.
ROYSTER'S SPECIAL TOP DRESSER,	4.	7.50	2.50
MAGIC TOP DRESSER,	--	9.	3.

Royster top dressers, like all Royster Fertilizers, are backed by experience: compounded on scientific principles: plant-food for the plant at just the proper time and in right proportions: mechanical condition perfect. Look for the trade-mark on every bag.

Send postal for book on Top Dressing and name of nearest Royster Dealer.

F. S. ROYSTER GUANO COMPANY,

Norfolk, Va. Charlotte, N. C. Tarboro, N. C. Columbia, S. C.
Spartanburg, S. C. Atlanta, Ga. Macon, Ga. Columbus, Ga.
Montgomery, Ala. Baltimore, Md.



PEACE INSTITUTE RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

FOR THE EDUCATION OF YOUNG WOMEN

Classical, literary and scientific courses leading to diplomas. Special courses. Preparatory department. Conservatory of Music. Best advantages in Art, Expression, Domestic Science, Business, Physical Culture. Large faculty of College and University trained experts.

Beautiful semi-suburban property. Modern equipment and sanitation. Boarding students limited to 100. Usually a waiting list. Cultural advantages of the Capital City. Wholesome home atmosphere. Cost low considering advantages offered.

For Illustrated Catalogue and Rates Address

GEO. J. RAMSEY, M. A., LL. D., President, - - RALEIGH, N. C.

NORMAL AND COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE
FOR YOUNG WOMEN—Asheville, N. C.



Offers a four years teachers' course and four year Collegiate Course at minimum rates. Splendid advantages in music. Practical training in sewing, cooking and household management. In "The Land of the Sky." Beautiful surroundings, magnificent equipment, perfect health conditions. 16 expert teachers. Board and tuition, per year, $100. Next session opens Sept. , 1915. For Catalogue, address EDWARD P. CHILDS, Pres., Asheville, N. C.

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.....E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg...W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller.....C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg.,
M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.....J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg...J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.....G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.....A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel...J. W. Ligon

From the Field

MISSIONARY NOTES FROM FIELD SECRETARY

Uwharrie Ct., C. E. Steadman, P. C. Concord, $55.00 on assessments; Salem, $25.00 on assessments; Oak Grove, $26.50 on assessments; Union, $13.00 on assessments; Shepherd, $18.25 on assessments.

Following sermon and public pledges Brother Steadman called at each church a church conference which elected a missionary committee to conduct the every member canvass. Canvass will be launched at his next appointment at each church to be completed in one week.

Pledges are to be paid by September first to prevent conflict of stewards' and committees' work in the final round-up for Conference. Bro. Steadman stated publicly with confidence that the charge will pay everything in full.

And why not? Such wheat crops as I saw in Randolph County I have seen no where else outside of Kansas.

Denton Ct., J. M. Varner, P. C. Tabernacle, $9.55 on assessments; Clarksbury, $21.00 on assessments; Siloam, $32.75, assessments in full and $2.75 surplus; Denton, $55.31, assessments in full and $15.31 surplus.

Brother Varner is a trained school teacher and methodical. He handed me at our first meeting on his charge a plainly written financial exhibit of Denton Circuit for each church covering support of the ministry and conference collections since the circuit was formed. On another sheet he had the exhibit for the present year to date. The reading of both these exhibits just before I spoke in the several churches proved of interest and profit.

Being a good preacher, a good business man, and with the confidence of the people among whom he has spent over forty years, I consider that Denton Circuit is in safe hands.

On Sunday night at Denton Brother Reynolds, Methodist Protestant pastor and principal of Methodist Protestant school, brought his congregation to the Methodist Church. Greeting me after the service, I told him that I had stood all my life for a united Methodism. He agreed with me, but expressed the opinion that it was a long way off. I hope it is not. Why two Methodist Churches with identically the same doctrines occupying the same field where one would better express Christ to the world and save men and money for places with no church or preacher?

Brother Steadman has lumber on ground for a new church at Farmer's (Concord church).

Appointments for June and July

June 13—Haywood Circuit.
June 19-20—Bethel Circuit.
June 21-23—McDowell Circuit.
June 24-26—Marion Circuit.
June 27-28—Spruce Pine and Bakersville.
June 29-30—Bald Creek Circuit.
July 1-4—Burnsville.
July 5-6—Thermal City Circuit.
July 7-8—Green River Circuit.
July 9-10—Broad River Circuit.
July 11-12—Lenoir Station.
July 13-14—Lenoir Circuit.
July 15-16—11 a. m., North Lenoir Circuit.
July 16—3 p. m., Hudson.
July 16—8 p. m., Granite Falls.
July 17-18—Maiden Circuit.
July 19—Lincoln Circuit.
July 20—Crouse Circuit.
July 21-22—Lowell-Dallas.
July 23—McAdenville.
July 24-25—Gastonia.
July 26—King's Mountain.
July 27, Lowesville.
July 28—Pineville.
July 29-30—Monroe.
July 31-August 1st—Wadesboro.

A FEW FACTS ABOUT THE DISTRICT CONFERENCE OF THE WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

The District Conference of the Waynesville District met in Franklin, N. C., May 25th and continued in session until noon, May 27th. The conference was presided over by Rev L. T. Cordell. The members of the conference, as well as all the people of the district, have learned to love Bro. Cordell and regret to know that this is the last year he can serve them, having been on the district four years.

The members of a conference were never more graciously or royally entertained than were the members of this conference by the people of Franklin. They seemed to enjoy having us with them and expressed the hope that we would return again in the near future. They went so far as to extend an invitation to the conference to return next year; but as they had entertained the conference this year, it was decided to let it go to Andrews, N. C., for the next year.

The people of Franklin had just gone through a glorious revival and a general spiritual awakening, and the conference in their midst helped to deepen and strengthen this.

The reports of the pastors from the different charges in the district showed a healthy condition spiritually and a decided increase in numbers in church membership. The financial conditions were as good as could be expected in the district.

There were some interesting and inspiring discussions on the Sunday school work of the district.

The conference raised $40 for Paine College for education of negro ministers and $75.00 for the education of young men for the ministry in the district.

The committee on orders recommended Roy L. Foster for license to preach. Thos. L. Noble, H. C. Otte, and C. A. Johnson were recommended to the Annual Conference for admission on trial. A vote was taken by the conference and the recommendations were sustained.

Prof. A. C. Reynolds, of the Cullowhee Normal and Industrial School, was elected lay leader for the district.

The conference elected the following as delegates to the Annual Conference: J. Robt. Long, A. C. Reynolds, J. A. Porter, and E. H. Howell. The alternates elected were T. J. Johnson, R. J. Roane, A. E. Ward, and W. H. Crawford.

The conference passed a resolution of appreciation of the services of the presiding elder, L. T. Cordell, which is given in full below.

After being together for three days discussing the problems of the church and praying together over them, the conference closed with every member feeling that he had been benefited and with a determination to go back to his work and inspire his people with the same zeal.

W. H. Crawford, Sec.

Resolutions Adopted by Waynesville District Conference

Whereas, our beloved presiding elder has labored so faithfully, so efficiently, and so successfully in our midst for four years, and

Whereas, the law of the church makes it necessary for him to move into another field of labor after the next Annual Conference;

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective April 18th, 1915

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester.....Lv.	7 43 a m	12 05 p m			
Yorkville.....“	8 29	1 55			
Gastonia.....“	9 24!	4 00			
Gastonia.....“					
Lincolnton.....“	10 15	5 30			
Newton.....“	10 55	6 15			
Hickory.....“	12 05 p m	7 05	1 00 p m	6 45 a m	
Lenoir.....“	1 08	8 20	2 04	8 30	
Lenoir.....“	2 00x				
Mortimer.....“	3 17				
Edgemont.....Ar.	3 27				

Southbound	NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Edgemont.....Lv.	10 00 a m				
Mortimer.....“	10 08				
Lenoir.....“	11 20!				
Lenoir.....“	1 35 p m	6 00 a m	8 15 a m		
Hickory.....“	2 35	7 15	9 12		
Newton.....“	3 05	8 00			
Lincolnton.....“	3 43	8 55			
Gastonia.....“	4 30	10 23			
Gastonia.....“	5 00x	11 00			
Yorkville.....“	5 47	12 28 p m			
Chester.....Ar.	6 35	2 15			

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. **CHESTER, S. C.**

TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 : : : : CHARTERED 1859

A Southern institution of established national reputation. Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.

Large endowment fund makes possible complete, first-class equipment; full faculty of able, well-chosen instructors; beautiful campus, new buildings, modern laboratories, splendid library. Comfortable, inexpensive dormitories. For catalogue and illustrated booklet, address

R. L. Flowers, Sec. to the Corporation, Durham, N. C.

Spend Your Vacation in the Appalachian Summitland

Now Rendered Accessible By The CAROLINA, CLINCHFIELD & OHIO RY.



The highest altitudes east of the Rockies, the most delightful and invigorating summer climate in Eastern America, and scenery which for beauty, variety and grandeur, has no superior in all the world,—these invite you to the New Play Ground above the Clouds where comfort, recreation and renewed vitality await the summer visitor.

ATTRACTIVE RESORTS IN THE SUMMITLAND

Altapass, North Carolina, the highest point on The Clinchfield Route, offers you at moderate rates all the attractions of a delightful and informal country club life combined with the comforts and conveniences of a thoroughly equipped and modern hotel. The Altapass Inn, is located on the Crest of the Blue Ridge Mountains, looking down upon all the world. The scenery is magnificient, and to its splendid transportation and wire facilities Altapass adds unparalleled opportunities for the enjoyment of all the outdoor and indoor sports and amusements, including golf, tennis, coaching, horseback riding, hunting, fishing, mountain climbing, bowling, music, etc. The social environment is ideal. Convenient railway schedules and excellent livery service facilitate the exploration of the Appalachian Wonderland by short side-trips to such points of interest as Mt. Mitchell, the tallest peak east of the Rockies; Linville Falls, the Little Niagara of the Mountains; the Linville Canyon, deepest in eastern America; the famous Gorge of the Nolichucky River, etc.



Other attractive mountain resorts in the Summitland of Western North Carolina and Eastern Tennessee are The Little Switzerland Inn, Mt. Mitchel, N. C., beautifully located on the Crest of the Blue Ridge near Altapass and surrounded by a delightful summer colony; Burnsville and Murchison, N. C., near the foot of Mt. Mitchell; Unaka Springs, Tenn., the well known health resort at the northern entrance to The Gorge of The Nolichucky; Pineola, Linville and Linville Falls, N. C., the last three being reached via The Clinchfield Route through Johnson City, thence over The E. T. & W. N. C. Ry,

Write for illustrated booklets and time tables, also for list and rates of over 200 hotels, inns, summer boarding houses and cottages for rent in The Appalachian Summitland, on or adjacent to The Clinchfield Route,

Special Vacation Rates, June 1st., to Sept. 30th.

Address

Chas. T. Mandel, A. G. P. A., Carolina, Clinchfield & Ohio Railway
JOHNSON CITY, TENN.

Resolved, first, that we express our love for him and our appreciation of the great work that he has done in supplying efficient pastors for the several charges and for the enlargement of the work in going out and taking in uncultivated fields.

Second, that we commend him to those who wish a leader of deep spiritual life, strong preaching ability, untiring devotion to his duties, and who has the strength of personality to influence people for good wherever he touches life.

Third, that a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of this conference and a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

A. C. Reynolds,
Jos. A. Porter,
Holmes Bryson,
J. Robt. Long,
Lee Crawford,
R. J. Roane,
David H. Brown,
W. A. Gibson.

WEAVER COLLEGE

This is one of the few junior colleges of our church and therefore demands more than a passing notice in our educational work. As a junior college, it confers no degrees, but its course of study fits in with our best A grade colleges so that graduates from Weaver College are admitted without examination or condition to the third year at Trinity and other colleges of like grade.

Weaverville, nine miles north of Asheville, with which it is connected by electric car line, is one of the most beautiful and healthful small towns in the "Land of the Sky."

Weaver College is not a local school, but students have been here during the past year from as far south as Florida and as far east as Hyde county, N. C.

The graduating class at the recent commencement was composed of ten young men and eight young women, and was of unusual strength in scholarship and character. The commencement program was stroong in every way. On Sunday, May 23rd, Dr. Stonewall Anderson, Secretary of the Genral Board of Education, preached a great sermon, and this was followed at night by a strong, practical address by the brilliant and big-hearted president, Rev. W. A. Newell. The annual literary address was delivered on Wednesday, the 26th, by Dr. C. C. Weaver, president of Emory and Henry College. Dr. Weaver, who is an alumnus of the school, was at his best and his address was inspiringly strong. The fine tribute which he paid to the ability and character of Prof. M. A. Yost and Mrs. Nannie B. McDowell, of the faculty, was beautiful and met with a hearty response from the large audience present.

The medals in the graduating class were won by Mr. H. Shelton as orator, Miss Margaret Wood as essayist, and Mr. C. A. Reep for work in Bible.

Ernest W. Fox.

FRECKLES

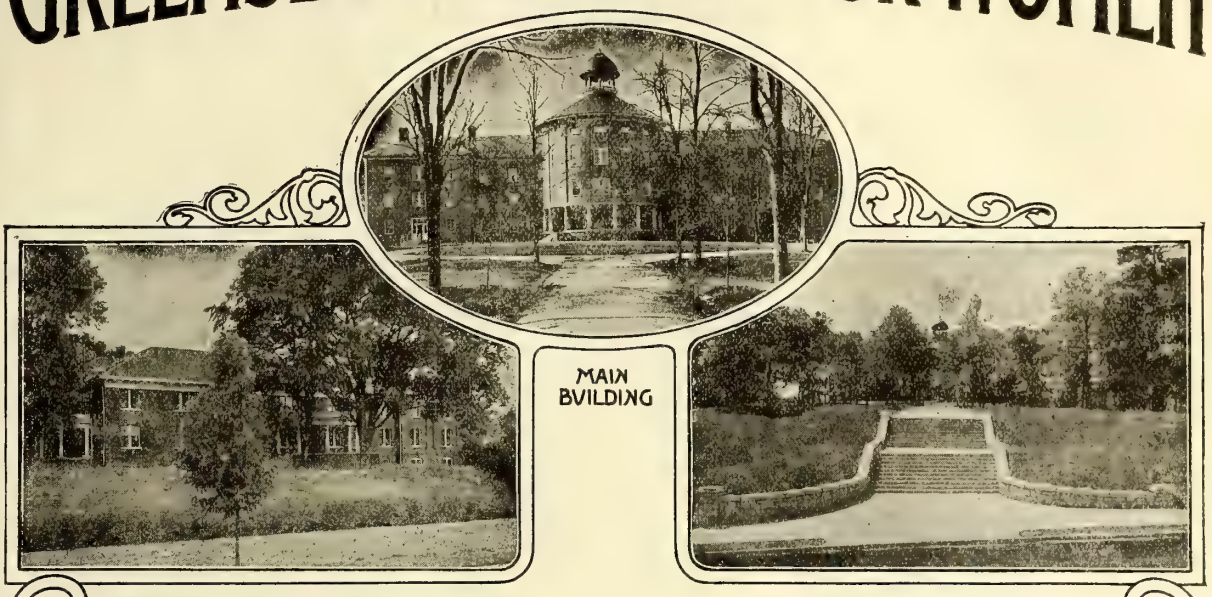
Don't Hide Them With a Veil; Remove Them With The Othine Prescription

This prescription for the removal of freckles was written by a prominent physician and is usually so successful in removing freckles and giving a clear, beautiful complexion that it is sold by druggists under guarantee to refund the money if it fails.

Don't hide your freckles under a veil; get an ounce of othine and remove them. Even the first few applications should show a wonderful improvement, some of the lighter freckles vanishing entirely.

Be sure to ask the druggist for the double strength othine; it is this that is sold on the money-back guarantee.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

PANAMA—PACIFIC EXPOSITIONS, SAN FRANCISCO AND SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

SOUTHERN RAILWAY—PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Very Low Round Trip Fares

Dates of sale March 1st to November 30th, 1915. Final return limit three months from date of sale, except that these tickets will not be good to return later than December 31st, 1915.

Low round trip fares from principal points as follows:

Charlotte	$84.15
Salisbury	84.15
High Point	84.15
Greensboro	84.15
Mount Airy	86.25
Gastonia	84.15
North Wilkesboro	87.85
Statesville	84.15
Hickory	83.25
Morganton	82.20
Winston-Salem	84.15
Shelby	82.60

Fares from other points on same basis. Fares to Seattle or via Portland and Seattle at higher rate. These tickets will permit of diverse routing and will allow stop-overs on both going and return trip within limit of ticket.

Southern Railway offers choice of several routes of historic interest from which to select; going one way and returning another. Through connections and good service via Memphis, St. Louis, Chicago or New Orleans. Through cars daily via New Orleans and Sunset Route. Special car parties now being arranged, affording opportunity to make trip without change and with select company on outgoing trip; returning at leisure via any route you may choose, stopping off at your own pleasure, thereby avoiding all the discomforts of going and returning with large tour parties, being compelled to follow the crowd. In going individually or with special Pullman car parties you spend your own money, stop where you please and go and come to suit your own convenience and save money paid tourist agents for escorting you around.

For further information apply to Southern Railway Agents, or

R. H. DeButts, D. P. A.,
Charlotte, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

.....

.....

The Sunday School Lesson

SECOND QUARTER—LESSON XI
June 13, 1915

The Blessedness of Forgiveness
Psalm 32

Golden Text—Blessed is he whose transgression is foriven, whose sin is covered. Psa. 32:1.

Summary of the Lesson

The thirty-second Psalm is said to have been a favorite with Saint Augustine. He "often read this Psalm with weeping heart and eyes, and before his death had it written upon the wall which was over against his sick-bed, that he might be exercised and comforted by it in his sickness." This Psalm is a bit of spiritual autobiography. It has the pang of the author's suffering and it rings with the joy of his sense of forgiveness. It is a document which comes right out of the life of the soul. A great sin was followed by a period of hard and sullen suffering. Then came penitence and confession. Then the joy of forgiveness flooded the man's soul. A new view of life, a new view of God, and a new view of himself came with the gladness of the new experience. With quick joyous sentences he sends these things forth in song.

The Tragedy of Unforgiven Sin

That weird and terrible poem "The Ancient Mariner," tells in striking symbolic fashion the story of the meaning of unforgiven sin. The man who had slain the albatross was pursued relentlessly by this one hard and ugly fact. From out of the past it came settling down over his future. It was a dark storm cloud filled with cutting lightnings and beating rain. It froze the hopes which tried to spring up in his heart. It closed the door in the face of glad experiences which might have been his. It shut him off from human comradeship, a haunted and furtive creature. It walled him in with the memory of one terrible sin as the defining fact of his life.

Modern science has taught us much of the physiology of sin, when sin happens to be synonymous with vice. We know much of how wrong doing affects the body. A study of the psychology of sin will teach something of the scars which sin leaves upon the soul. The last thing about which a man is frank with his most intimate friends is the matter of the pangs of conscience, the sword thrusts of remorse, the dull and heavy misanthropy, the lethargy of spirit, and the cruel emptyness of soul which tell the story of his inner life as a sinner. The paralyzing blight of a sense of unforgiven sin lies heavy upon the lives of multitudes of men, however, and little as they say about it, this is the thing from which they need to be delivered. Sometimes they so feel the strain of it all that they seek a change of climate for the body. They try to find physical recuperation in travel. What they need is that moral recuperation which would come from a change of the climate of the soul. We may change phrases, but we cannot change facts. The fact of sin eating away at the inner life is the most deadly peril of mankind. The author of the thirty-second Psalm looks back to a time when he languished under the sense of unforgiven sin. That memory is the dark background to the dazzling gladness which now shines in his heart.

The Joy of Forgiveness

Methodism was born on the night when John Wesley felt his heart "strangely warmed." The experience of forgiveness made a new man of him. The gladness of a conscious salvation spread over England like a bright sunrise. The church of the kindled heart became one of the great religious forces of the English-speaking world. The new joy burst forth into song, and the contagion of music carried the message to multitudes of other lives. The whole world felt the warming influence which moved out from the multitude of Methodists who know the happiness of deliverance from the sense of guilt.

But long before the cold and passionless age upon which Methodism burst like a flame, the gladness of forgiveness had been felt in human hearts. Even the Old Testament has its voices of peace as well as its voices of law. The author of the thirty-second Psalm was a Methodist centuries before the day of Methodists. He was a kindred spirit of Charles Wesley, in whose heart the divine forgiveness had brought such joy that he could not be content until it was sent forth on wings of song. It is not the poetry of self-conscious literary age, daintily feeling for some phrase in which distinction of style will combine with delicate and evasive feeling. This Psalm represents the poetry of such titanic gladness that it must beat itself out in bars of music. It has the one note which secures immortality for writing; an authenticity of feeling which bends words to its own uses and creates phrases throbbing with its own life.

You can tell a great deal about a man if you know whether he has a place in his life for the thirty-second Psalm. Several kinds of people read it. Some wonder what it is all about. Some wish they could experience the gladness of which it tells. Some read it with quickened pulse because it seems a bit of their own life history poured forth in exultant speech.

The Contrast Between Beasts and Men

Rosa Bonheur's remarkable picture "The Horse Fair" brings to our minds at once the strength and power of finely developed horses. What magnificent beasts—all alive with strength of muscle and energy of animal life—she portrayed. But fine as they are, the feelings which they arouse are by no means those with which you gaze upon the portrait of a man, in whose picture the strong human element comes to its own. "Be ye not as the horse," cries the psalmist—driven by a power outside yourself, controlled by mechanical devices. Do not be a beast. Be a person. Freely choose a noble allegiance. Freely come to God in penitence and prayer. Freely confess your sin and enter upon that new relation to God which will come with penitence and confession.

A horse never has to repent. A mule is not particularly troubled by a sense of guilt. The world of beasts is not a world of personal freedom and choice and responsibility. The glory and the tragedy of manhood lies in the fact that men—to use Longfellow's fine phrase—are "architects of fate."

In the joy of a new relation to God there comes to the psalmist a great sense of the dignity of man. He sees him towering above the lower creation, exercising lofty functions, the possessor of lofty prerogatives, lordly in freedom, and he calls out his word of challenge to be worthy of this high dignity.

Some dawning sense of the significance of personality breathes itself in these words which contrast the behavior of a horse and the behavior which should characterize a man. The bit of his own will, the bridle of his own intention, should turn a man to God. The service of the Most High is the truest freedom because it is a service which a man himself chooses.

The Kindness of God

It has been said that the real hero of Milton's "Paradise Lost" is Satan. The real hero of the thirty-second Psalm is Jehovah. This Old Testament poem is not a song about the man who is forgiven, so much as an outburst of praise to the God who forgives.

In one of his poems Arthur O'Shaughnessey describes that time in the religious life of a great man when "the thought of God took hold on him." The thought of God has taken hold of the author of this Psalm. God is not merely an idea. He is not merely a great deity. He is a personal experience. He is the author of the gift of forgiveness and peace.

In the great days of religion a man always seeks a definition of God in his heart. If he cannot find it there, he can never make it by means of his head. It is the business of the head to formulate what it finds in the heart, and if it finds nothing there it can only give limping and inadequate words. Religion is something experienced first and formulated afterward. When formulas are put in the place of experiences you have a day of arid and lifeless deserts in the country of the soul.

The central matter in the philosophy of religion is found in the thirty-second Psalm. That central matter is the appearance of a man with a personal experience of the divine forgiveness. Wherever you find that man religion is alive. Wherever you cannot find him religion is perishing. Wherever you find him you have the materials which may work out in a noble activity—and a large interpretation of life. Whenever you cannot find him there is wanting inspiration both for life and thought. The fact of forgiveness is the dynamic of religion. The kindness of God is the great discovery of man.—New York Christian Advocate.

A HEALING SPRING AT YOUR DOOR

Here is a very unusual and peculiar offer—one that you rarely meet with. It evidences the greatest faith on the part of its maker and inspires confidence. It is made by an earnest and enthusiastic man who not only thinks but knows from personal experience that he is right. He proposes to give you the equivalent of a three weeks' visit to a Mineral Spring of most remarkable restorative powers and make no charge if you are not benefited. His offer has been accepted by several thousands of sufferers in all parts of the United States and his records show that only two in a hundred, on the average, report no benefit.

If you suffer with dyspepsia, indigestion, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney, bladder or liver disease, uric acid poisoning, or other condition caused by impure blood, take Mr. Shivar at his word and sign and mail the following letter:

Shivar Spring,
Box 5H, Shelton, S. C.

Gentlemen.

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Spring Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns, which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)

Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You run no risk whatever in accepting his offer. I have personally witnessed the remarkable curative effects of this water in a very serious case.

AGENTS **$30 TO $50 WEEKLY MEN AND WOMEN**



Selling the New Improved MONITOR Self Heating FLAT IRON. Positively the lowest priced and fastest selling Iron made. Over 650,000 in use. Evans, N. Car. sold 2 doz. on Sat. Mrs. Nixon, Vt., sold 8 first half day. No experience needed—sells itself. New Terms. Binding Guarantee. Exclusive territory. Sample free to workers. Write today.
MONITOR SAD IRON CO.
122 Orange Street Hickory, N. C.

This Hose Lasts Longer Than Others

Goodyear-Akron Lawn Hose lasts longer than others because it is made to do that. It is made by the makers of the famous Goodyear Automobile Tires. Composed of five layers of alternate new, live rubber and strongest braided cotton. Absolutely seamless. The thick corrugated outer coat, with its six extra large rubber ribs, does away with twisting and kinking. They add immensely to its life.

GOODYEAR AKRON Lawn Hose

Buy Your Garden Tools Here

We Have Everything You Need

ODELL Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER
Proprietor
GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF STOMACH AND INTESTINES
121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland
108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

Our Little Folks' Department

AN ELEPHANT AND HIS MOTHER

Elephants dearly love a joke. When engaged in the timber trade in Burma I observed some queer pranks played by them. On one occasion I saw a calf play a most ludicrous trick on its mother. The older animal was hauling a log, which fifty collies could not move, from a river to the saw mill, quite unconscious of any guile in the bosom of her offspring. The youngster took a turn with her trunk around one of the chain traces, and pulled back with all his might. The additional weight caused the mother caused the mother to stop and look behind her; but on discovering the cause, she gravely shook her head and prepared to resume her task of drawing the log to the mill. This was just what the little imp expected, and, before the strain was put on again, he kicked out the iron hook which fastened the long chain to the log. As the mother again began to pull, he held back with all his strength on the chain until her muscles were in full play, and then suddenly let go.

The effect was disastrous in the extreme. Down went the old elephant on her knees, and her driver described a most graceful and prolonged curve before he landed on the ground. But like a cat, he struck on his feet, and, blurting out some heavy Burmese exclamations of wrath, he whispered a few words into the ear of the amazed victim of this unfilial practical joke. She seemed to understand him at once, and there ensued one of the most exciting chases it has ever been my good fortune to witness.

The calf scented danger the moment he saw the driver whisper to his mother, and he placed a large stack of timber between the enraged animal and himself as speedily as possible.

Elephants seem too clumsy to do much running, but these two coursed up and down the yard in a manner which astonished me.

The youngster was more quick in turning, but at last he was cornered. The maternal trunk smote him on the loins. He gave a shriek; at a second stroke he dropped to his knees, and took his punishment bravely and patiently. A few minutes later he walked past us to his shed; but his trunk was drooping, and the great tears were coursing silently down his great India-rubber cheeks.

I was sorry for the poor little fellow, and I noticed that at dinner time his mother was gently rubbing him down with her trunk and manifesting many signs of affection.—Chums.

WHEN THE BIRDS LEARN TO SING

Mother Redbreast and Mother Bluebird are about the first to get their children ready for singing school. You see, they are among the earliest arrivals from the South. They hasten to repair their old nests, or build new ones, and their first broods are half fledged by the time most of the other birds from the South begin to plan their summer's work.

In the Forest Singing School there are many teachers. Each one has only a few scholars—his own boys, for among the wood folk 'tis not thought necessary that girls should know how to sing. A few little chirping notes and an alarm cry are all they need. But the bird boys—every one of them—must be well educated in music. Hark! That is a song sparrow trilling for joy that summer has come. His children are not yet old enough for music lessons, but he is one of the birds that sings all summer for pure love of song.

"Cheer up, cheerily, cheerily!" carols Father Robin. Now comes a faint echo, "Che-e-r, che-e-r!" from his little son. Another youngster, more forward than his brother, succeeds in singing the whole phrase in a thin, piping voice.

A week later you will hear Father Bluebird training his children. They will all sing alto. Again and again their father warbles, while they try to imitate him as best they can.

By the middle of June the Forest Singing School is in full swing. In the pine grove the hermit thrush, our finest woodland singer, is teaching the little thrushes his exquisite bell-like notes. On the top of a laurel bush his cousin, the wood thrush, is perched, with his brood clustered about him. "I love thee; come to me," he patiently sings over and over.—Margaret L. Leighton.

FLAX

June is the month of brides. Cousin Nellie is going to be married, and mother has bought a tablecloth and a dozen napkins to give her. Sister and I hemmed them, and, O, such a beautiful cloth it is! All over it are thistles, shining like silver, and around the edge is a border of little shamrocks. Cousin Nellie is Scotch, and the man she is going to marry is Irish; so mother said it would be nice to give them the emblems of their countries combined in their table linen.

When sister and I had finished our hemming, mother took us for a ride out into the country to see a flax field. It spread out ever and ever so far—a cloud of heavenly blue. At the tip of each stem swayed a delicate blossom, a little blue cup.

"This," said mother, "is where the bridal linen came from. For hundreds, even thousands, of years men have been cultivating these plants for their fibers and their seeds. The fibers from which linen is made form a covering for the stems of the flax plants, and the seeds come in little balls at the top of each stem when the flowers have faded. Flax was cultivated in Egypt long years before our Saviour's birth. The wrappings of the mummies in the pyramids are of linen. Almost three hundred years ago the Dutch people who settled in what is now New York State and the Puritans in New England sowed flaxseed. Now, if you travel around the world, you will find flax growing in almost every country you visit. You remember last winter, when you had that bad cough, how I made flaxseed tea for you and it helped you to get well. Flaxseed is used a great deal to make oil and ground up into meal for other purposes. Now, while we are riding home, I will repeat to you some pretty verses on the flax flowers:

Blue as heaven, light as air,
All their slender stems can bear;

Nodding, swaying as they float,
Each one like a restless boat;

One would think they'd anchored there
Just to wait till winds were fair.

On their stems they tug and strain,
Longing to be off again.

If the wind that murmurs sweet
Would but start the tiny fleet,

Surely their light keels could pass
Over seas of meadow grass;

Safely they could sail and steer
Round the islands of the air,

Trees and bushes growing low,
Where the rippling wind does blow,

Over waves of bold sunshine,
Down the moonbeams pale and fine.

—Margaret Deland.

NELLIE BROWN

Nellie Brown was a plump little Scotch collie puppy; and she loved her little master, Donald, better than any one else in the world. She minded very nicely, too, and would sit up and shake hands when he told her to or turn around and trot back home when he said: "Go home, doggy." He was very proud of her and said she had almost as much sense as a "real person," and Donald's mother said she minded better than some "real persons" she had seen.

One day Donald's auntie came to spend the day with them, and in the afternoon she wanted to take Donald with her to the public library to hear some stories. Donald was very glad to go, for he loved stories; and mother was glad to let him go, because auntie always found so many interesting things to show him.

Nellie Brown wanted to go too, thought, and when auntie and Donald were just ready to get on the street car here came the little doggy, chasing after them as fast as she could.

"No, no, little doggy; you can't go this time," said auntie; "and I suppose we will have to miss this car and run take her home."

"O, no, auntie," said Donald. "We won't have to do that, because she minds me just perfectly. You just watch me send her home."

So Donald said very grandly: "Go home, Nellie Brown; go home, doggy."

And, sure enough, Nellie Brown turned around the other way and began trotting sadly back home.

"You see," said Donald, "how well she minds."

And he and auntie went on to town quite satisfied about Nellie Brown.

That little creature changed her mind, though, as soon as Donald was out of sight and thought she'd do as she pleased a while. She made her two ears into two sharp points and curled up her friendly little tail into an inquisitive question mark and followed the street car as hard as she could. She didn't follow it far, though, because it went so fast that she had to give it up.

She wasn't afraid, though, because she saw some butterflies fluttering about over the grass, and she knew about butterflies. They were made to be chased, and so she chased them here and there and around this block and across that one until she was tired of butterflies.

Then she saw a little gray pussy; and while of course she knew it was wrong to frighten a pussy, she wanted something to play with, so she chased the kitty up a tree and then laughed a puppy laugh because the kitty was afraid.

By this time Nellie Brown was just a little bit afraid herself, so she put her nose to the ground and tried to follow the trail back home; and when she couldn't do it she was very much afraid and very sorry indeed that she had disobeyed Donald.

By and by it grew dark, and poor little lost, wandering Nelly Brown ran into a friendly policeman, who took her home with him.

When Donald got home he looked and called and called and looked for his little dog until he was almost too sad to eat his supper or go to sleep, and he could hardly wait for daylight, so that he could go out and look for his pet.

Before time for him to start, though, the friendly policeman had telephoned to Donald's father that he had a little dog at his house with Donald's name and address on her collar, and after they had eaten their breakfast Donald and his father went to find the house and bring the disobedient doggy home. She was so glad to get home that she didn't try to follow the street car any more, and she learned that it was better to obey her kind little master's voice.—Francis M'Kinnon Morton.

DOLLY'S PETS

(A True Story)

Dolly had just two pets. One was a puppy, and the other was a duck. Dolly never could decide which she loved the best.

Billy, the duck, was very beautiful. He had feathers that shone like gold in the sunshine and such a smooth yellow bill.

Prince, the puppy, was black and white and the best playmate in the world. He would run and play until he was quite out of breath, and he was never cross; perhaps that was because Dolly always treated him kindly.

It was summer, and Prince and Billy lived out of doors. They did not have any regular houses to sleep in, so at night Dolly put them to sleep in a new way she had thought of. She spread a soft blanket on the grass for Prince to lie on, then covered him over with a large clothes basket. So, you see, he had a house, after all, though it was different from most dogs. Billy was put to bed in the same way, but his basket was very old, and there was a large hole in one corner of it. Billy didn't mind that, however, and, tucking his head under his wing, he was soon sound asleep.

It was very dark and still when Prince awoke after his first short nap, and, being a very young puppy, he felt lonely. Softly he began to cry, then louder and louder; but still no one came. Prince suddenly decided what he would do. He jumped up, overturning his basket, and trotted over to Billy's "house." Seeing the large hole in the corner of Billy's basket, he peeped in. There was Billy sound asleep. Softly Prince put his small paws through the opening; then, scrambling and kicking, he crowded his small body through. Billy awoke suddenly, but seeing that it was only his little playfellow, he tucked his bill under his warm feathers again and fell asleep. Prince curled up close to Billy, and that was where Dolly found him the next morning.

When breakfast time came, Dolly would carry a large bowl of bread and milk out to the yard; and Prince and Billy would divide their fare, Billy eating all the bread and Prince drinking the nice warm milk.

One day a strange puppy wandered into the yard and thought he would like some breakfast, but Billy angrily pecked him when he tried to take Prince's share.

These two pets of Dolly's attracted a great deal of attention. Sometimes Prince would grab Billy by the tail feathers, holding on with his little white teeth, while Billy would prance up and down in a vain attempt to escape; or perhaps they would sit side by side on the front doorsteps and watch the passers-by, Billy quacking very softly.

One day Dolly's daddy said that as winter was coming they would have to give Prince away, as mother could not keep him in the house. Dolly cried a great deal when she said good-by to her jolly playfellow, and poor Billy missed him also.

Billy would waddle around the yard, calling "Quack! quack! quack!" unable to understand why his playmate did not come. One cold morning Billy was missing. Dolly looked everywhere, but could not find him. Suddenly she remembered a neighbor who had a large flock of ducks on the next street. Hurrying over, Dolly discovered her Billy, happy and contented, waddling about with his new friends. She did not take him home again, for she knew how lonely he would be without Prince.—C. Elliott Paige.

SEND US YOUR FILMS

for prompt, highest grade developing and printing at lowest prices. KODAK WORK A SPECIALITY. Personal attention given to all orders. Results guaranteed. Write
W. I. VAN NESS & CO., Charlotte, N. C.

100 BIG RE-ROOTED TOMATO PLANTS

sent to you by prepaid post or express for $1.00; 600 for $5.00; 1000 for $9.00. Stocky seed-bed plants for one-half these prices. Summer cabbage plants ready late in June. Free pamphlet. Wakefield Plant Farm, Charlotte, N. C.

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A Wood, Presiding Elder Weaverville, N. C. Third Round

June
Henderson Circuit, Reedy Patch ..12-13
Hendersonville, night 13
Mills River, Mills River 19-20
Central, night 20
Flat Rock, Upward 26-27
Tryon and Saluda 27
July
Spring Creek, Balm Grove 3-4
Fairview, Patty's 10
Haywood Street, 11 a. m. 11
West Asheville, night 11
Walnut, Chapel Hill 17-18
Marshall and Hot Springs, Marshall, night 18
Weaverville Ct., South Fork 24
Black Mountain, Tabernacle 25
Sulphur Springs, Pisgah 31-August 1
August
Biltmore, Mt. Pleasant 1
North Asheville, night 4
Swannanoa 7-8
Bethel, night 8
The District Conference will meet at Brevard, June 2nd, 8 p. m.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C. Third Round

June
Seversville Ct., Trinity 12-13
Brevard, night 13
Thrift Ct., Big Spring 19-20
Trinity, night 20
Pineville Ct., Marvin 26-27
Calvary, night 27
July
Tryon 4
Belmont, night 4
Weddington, Ct., Weddington 8
Waxhaw Ct., Pleasant Grove 9
Prospect Ct., Prospect 10
Monroe, Central 11
Matthews Ct., Bethel, 3 p. m. 11
Lilesville Ct., Shady Grove 14
Morven Ct., Union 16
Wadesboro 18
Ansonville Ct., Wightman 20
Polkton Ct. 23
Marshville Ct., Gilboa 24-25
North Monroe, night 25
Unionville Ct., Zion 26
Spencer Memorial 1
Dilworth, night 1
District Conference at Polkton, July 21-23

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—James H. Weaver, Presiding Elder Greensboro, N. C. Third Round

June
West Market 12-13
Gibsonville, Gibsonville 13-14
Greensboro, Mt. Pleasant 19-20
Centenary 20-21
Pleasant Garden Ct., Bethlehem ..26-27
Spring Garden 27-28
July
West Greensboro, Grooms 3-4
Randolph, Pleasant Hill 10-11
Coleridge, Rehobeth 17-18
Ramseur & Franklinville, Ramseur, 18-19
Wesley Memorial, High Point 24-25
Main St., High Point 24-25
East End, High Point 24-25
Deep River Ct., White Hall 31-Aug. 1
August
Randleman 1-2
Asheboro 1-2
Denton, Siloam 7-8
Uwharrie, Salem 8-9

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C. Third Round

June
Old Fort, Providence 12-13
Marion Station 13-14
Thermal City, Trinity 19-20
Table Rock, Linville 26-27
Morganton Station 27-28
July
Broad River, Union 2
Green River, New Hope 3-4
Cliffside, Hollis 9
Forest City, Cedar Grove 10-11
Henrietta and Caroleen, Henrietta, 11-12
Rutherfordton, Gilkey 17-18
Morganton Ct., Denton 24-25
Connelly Springs, Warlicks ..31-Aug. 1
August
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Bakersville 7-8
Micaville, Shoal Creek 14-15
Bald Creek, Bald Creek 21-22
Burnsville 22-23
Marion Ct., Concord 28-29
District Conference at Gilkey, July 15-18

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C. Third Round

June
Leaksville 11-12
Draper 12-13
Jonesville 19-20
Elkin 20-21
Danbury, Sandy Ridge 26-27
July
Dobson 3-4
Pilot Mountain 10-11
Rural Hall 17-18
Yadkinville 24-25
Ararat 31
August
Ararat 1
Mount Airy Circuit 7-8

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C. Third Round

June
Wilkesboro, Roaring River 13
North Wilkesboro Station 20
Elk Park, Elk Park 26-27
July
Avery, Pisgah 1
Boone, Hopewell 3-4
Watauga, Hensons Chapel 10-11
Creston, Sutherland 17-18
Helton, Methodist Chapel 24-25
August
Sparta, Cox's Chapel .....July 31-1
Laurel Springs, Chestnut Hill 7-8
Jefferson, Bethany 14-15
District Conference at Elk Park, June 24-27.

Revival Meetings
Watauga .....July 6-15
Sparta .....Juy 31-Aug. 6
Jefferson, Bethany .....Aug. 9-15

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C. Third Round

June
Concord Circuit, Bogers 12-13
Epworth and Center, Center, 3 p. m., 13
Concord, Central, night 13
Cottonville and Oakboro, Cedar Grove 19-20
Norwood, Randalls 19-20
Albemarle, Central 27-28
Albemarle, First Street 27-28
Albemarle Circuit, Zoar, 3 p. m. ..26-27
July
China Grove, 11 a. m. 4
Spencer, night 4
Salem Circuit, Salem 10-11
Mt. Pleasant Circuit, Center Grove, 11-12
Concord, Westford, 11 a. m. 18
Kannapolis Station, night 18
Kannapolis Circuit, Unity 24-25
New London Circuit 31-Aug.-1
August
Gold Hill Circuit 1-2
Bethel and Loves Chapel 8-9

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C. Third Round

June
Bessemer, Bessemer 12
King's Mountain 13
Polkville, Lee's 19-20
Belwood, St. Peter's 26-27
July
Rock Spring, Rehobeth 3
Lincoln Ct., Ivey's Memorial 10
Lincolnton 11
Crouse 17
Stanly 18
South Fork 24
Lowesville, Hill's Chapel 27-29
District Conference at Lowesville July 27-29.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Lee T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C. Third Round

June
North Lenoir Ct., Harpers Chapel 11 a. m. 12-13
Lenoir Sta., Lenoir, night 13-14
Granite Falls and Hudson, Granite Falls, 11 a. m. 19-20
Hickory, First Church, Hickory, night 20-21
Alexander Ct., Rocky Spring, 11 a. m. 26-27
Stony Point Ct., Midway, 3:30 p. m., 27-28
July
Maiden Ct., Friendship, 11 a. m., 3-4
Newton St., Newton, night 4-5
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 11 a. m., 10-11
Davidson St., Davidson, night 11-12
Troutman Ct., Knox Chapel, 11 a. m. 17-18
Mooresville St., Mooresville, night, 18-19
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 11 a. m., 24-25
Cool Spring Ct., Rose Chapel, 11 a. m. 24-25
Iredell Ct., Macedonia, 11 a. m. 25-26
Broad Street St., Broad St., 11 a. m. 25-26
Race Street St., Race St., 11 a. m., 25-27
August
Hickory Ct., Pisgah, 11 a. m., ...1-2

The Sunday School Institute and the District Conference of the Statesville District will be held in Broad Street church, Statesville, July 28-31. Wednesday, July 28th, will be devoted to the Sunday school institute. The institute will open promptly at 10 o'clock, a. m., on that day. We earnestly urge every Sunday school superintendent and every pastor in the district to be present at that hour. There will be something doing every minute. You cannot afford to miss a single item on this program.

The work of the district conference will follow that of the institute. Let every delegate, all the pastors, local preachers, and charge lay leaders be present when the roll is called; and we insist that all the members of the Conference remain until we adjourn on Saturday.

The congregations of Broad Street and Race Street churches will provide abundant entertainment, and we desire the fullest possible attendance.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, R. F. D. 2, Asheville, N. C. Third Round In Part

June
Haywood Ct., Davis Chapel 5-6
Fines Creek, Laurel Hill 8-9
Clyde, Maple Grove 12-13
Waynesville Station 13
Jonathan, Palmer Chapel 19-20
Webster, Dillsboro 26-27
Sylva Station 27

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C. Third Round

June
Walkertown, 11 a. m. 6
Centenary, night 6
Davidson, Good Hope 12-13
Southside, night 13
Forsyth, Crews 19-20
Liberty, night 20
Jackson Hill, Macedonia 26-27
July
Davie, Center 3-4
Mocksville 2-4
Advance, Advance 10-11
West End, night 11
Lewisville, Union 17-18
Salem, night 18
Farmington, Bethlehem 24-25
Cooleemee, night 25
Kernersville, Shady Grove 31-Aug. 1

WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT

(Continued from Page 8)

part of a little thing?" So many of us feel that the nations of the world are indebted to us in giving them the gospel, which indeed they are, and yet as a pastor said recently we are indebted to them for the opportunity to work. How many of us ever think of this as being a fact? Let us not, as President Wilson says the danger is, get centered on ourselves and become less interested in our neighbors than we are in ourselves, but let us constantly give out of our resources and thus save ourselves from the certainty of narrowness and prejudice. We want to become one big family in the interest of missions.

Realizing as we cannot help doing, friends, the urgent need in home and foreign lands today, how can we withhold that which is our duty to give? We ask what we can do. "O, if I only had talent like some." We can give our time and our money. We can all pray. We can all love. Truly I am persuaded to believe that it is not talent we lack, but consecration. Again let us set for our children and those who observe us an example of devotion and enthusiasm that through us they may catch a vision of a land of need.

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO

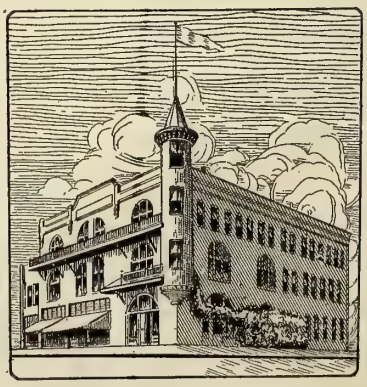
ROBT. W. MURRAY

GENERAL INSURANCE

Greensboro, North Carolina

308½ South Elm St.

Phone 163



BLUE RIDGE INN
Mount Airy, N. C. W. M. Jordan, Prop.
Mount Airy's Leading Hotel

Rates $2.00 and $2.50—All meals 50 cents—Electric Lights, Steam Heat, Electric Bell System, Hot and Cold Baths—American plan—A clean up-to-date home for the tourist or traveling man, in a beautiful mountain city.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN

The Greensboro College for Women will open with the beginning of the scholastic year in September a preparatory department of piano instruction. This department will be conducted by thoroughly trained teachers who have had wide experience along this line.

The opening of this department gives the student from the very beginning of her music course the advantages of a completely organized school of music, together with the influence of the collegiate atmosphere and those associations which make for genuine culture.

There will be four grades of advancement. Starting from the very beginning and leading to entrance into the Freshman class of the collegiate music school. A student may enter any one of the higher grades provided her previous training and presen standing entitles her to do so.

Together with the third and fourth grades, courses in sight singing, ea training and theory will be given t the student in order that her musica development may be along a broad an thoroughly musical as well as theoret ical outline of studies.

The cost of tuition for the piano in struction in this department will b $25 for the school term of half a yea This will entitle the student to tw half-hour lessons per week through out the term. The tuition for the the oretical branches, ear training, theor —will be $5 per term of half a yea for each study.

This is a great step forward towar the realization of the plan of th college authorities to bring the musi school with its advantages into close touch with its patrons. A more com plete outline may be had from th college upon application to the regis trar or direct to the president, D S. B. Turrentine. The school year be gins Wednesday, September 8th. I will be an advantage to the student t make very early application for ad mission.

BASEBALL

Dear Editor:—I wish through you paper to say a word in regard to th above. Having observed for som time the place baseball holds in th minds and hearts of our people an noticed something of its influence up on us as a community and as a na tion, I am convinced that under th present management and conditions i is the crowning evil of our day. A least it is one of them. I believ I appreciate the position the majorit of church folk take in regard to i that it is a splendid physical and men tal exercise, that the people nee some diversion. I agree with them but is the church so much aslee that she doesn't see what she is san tioning? Can't she see the gamblin society she is supporting? Can't sh notice the booze artists engaged i this sport that she is championing? I may not be so in larger places, bu in small towns the baseball ground are almost places of training in th art of cursing. I have observed tha some young men have made brigh professions of religion and by contin uing in the games have soon falle away. Are the pastors and th church losing sight of these facts an do we expect anything to follow but generation of gamblers and blasphem ers if we support and sanction thi most prominent thing in our country It seems to me this will result unles the tide of Christian sentiment i turned against it the present manage ment of baseball. I ask these ques tions that others more competent tha I may take the subject up and give u some light. Yours sincerely,

V. C. Marley.

EXPERT KODAK FINISHIN

Developing and printing done by artist Most beautiful work guaranteed at s times. Satisfaction or no charge. Deve oping, 10c per film. Printing: prints 2 1 x3 1-4, 3c; 2 1-2x4 1-4, 4c; 3 1-4x5 1-2, 5 Quick delivery. Send one film to te our service. Agents wanted.
LIGON DRUG CO., Spartanburg, S.

Our Children's Home

Conducted by Walter Thompson, Supt.

HOME NOTES

We have received recently a gift of quilts from an old friend of the Home, a member of West Market Street church in Greensboro, who frequently remembers us in that way, Mrs. Nancy E. Hood. The work is neatly and skilfully done, though the hands that held the needle are distorted with rheumatism, and the eyes which guided it are dimmed with age. She is one of the "shut-ins" who help to bear the burdens of others, and it is with peculiar pleasure that we make this acknowledgement of her loving service.

* * * *

Our thanks are due the Woman's Missionary Society of Muir's Chapel, Mrs. E. C. Ruffin, president, for three quilts recently sent us, from Guilford College.

* * * *

Grateful acknowledgement is made of the receipt of a box of clothing and other articles, from the ladies of Tryon Street church, Charlotte. This was a gift in honor of the birthday of Mrs. Wriston, the oldest member of the society.

FIFTH SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

New Hope S. S., Winston-Salem, $1.10; Brevard St. S. S., Charlotte, W. T. Green, $5.32; Marven S. S., Marven; Cliff Ratcliff, $8.39; Rural Hall S. S., Rural Hall, A. L. Payne, $1.00; Dobson S. S., Dobson, 83c; Morganton Ct., Jacob P. Stacey, $3.30; Wentworth S. S, Jas. T. Smith, $4.20; Mayodan S. S., Mayodan, T. H. Price, $2.80; Turnersburg S. S., Miss Clem Moxley, $1.22; Madison S. S., Madison, G. W. Martin, $2.00; Bethel S. S., Cullasaja, A. W. Jacobs, $1.26; Centenary S. S., Clemons, J. E. Brewer, 63c; Mt. Pleasant S. S., Greensboro, P. C. Clapp, $1.60; Mooresville S. S., Mooresville, G. G. Adams, $10.00; Centenary S. S., Winston-Salem, J. F. Morris, $22.46; Marvin S. S., Winston-Salem, C. C. Armfield, $1.10; West End S. S., Winston-Salem, Eugene Simpson, $10.91; Fairgrove S. S., Newton, J. F. Punch, $1.00; Antioch S. S., Rural Hall, W. E. Kreeger, $2.35; Troutman S. S., Troutman, E. M. Wagner, $1.05; Goshen S. S., Stokesdale, J. M. McMichael, $2.00; Race St. S. S., Statesville, Rev. C. M. Campbell, $3.00; Shady Grove S. S., Kernersville, R. H. Stone, $1.64; Salem S. S., Morganton Ct., Rev. A. C. Swafford, $1.82; Rehobeth S. S., Greensboro Ct., W. M. Clark, 50c; Plateau S. S., Newton, D. A. Chapman, $1.00; East Flat Rock S. S., C. K. Rogers, $5.00; Salem S. S., Statesville, J. E. Webb, $1.34; Palmyra S. S., Walnut Cove, Greene, $1.75; Concord S. S., Monbo, Samuel Turner, $3.79; North Wilkesboro S. S., Frank D. Hackett, $4.96; Advance S. S., F. M. Markland, $3.10; Pilot Mountain S. S., W. J. Swanson, $1.51; West Market S. S., Greensboro, W. H. Reece, $13.25; Love's Chapel, Walkertown, D. C. Moir, $8.22; Wesley Chapel S. S., Statesville, J. S. Mitchell, $1.00; Mount Holly S. S., C. B. Howard, $5.95; Central S. S., Concord, K. L. Craven, $6.65; Tabernacle S. S., Black Mountain, Elmer E. Gustafson, $1.70; Stoneville S. S., S. T. Hodges, $1.00; Mt. Pleasant S. S., Asheville, H. L. King, $8.27; Pine Hill S. S., J. C. Flinn, $2.00; Main St. S. S., High Point, Chas. Osborne, $6.94; McAdensville S. S., Dwight W. Brown, $2.83; Farmer S. S., Farmer, G. T. Macon, $1.68; Wilkesboro S. S., Wilkesboro, C. F. Morrison, $1.51; Laboratory S. S., Lincolnton, M. J. Lynch, $2.00; Lowell S. S., Lowell, B. F. Leonhardt, $2.25; Central S. S., Mount Airy, E. C. Fry, $14.08; Spray S. S., Spray, W. S. Hodges, $1.56; Wesley Memorial S. S., High Point, V. A. J. Idol, $14.81; Ruffin S. S., Mrs. W. J. Worsham, $1.15; Walnut St. S. S., Greensboro, E. D. Grubb, $2.25; Gilkey S. S., C. F. Cline, $5.55; Old Fort S. S., Miss Maggie Bradley, $1.00; Central S. S., Shelby, J. F. Roberts, $10.61; Rockford S. S., Rockford, J. M. Dunn, 90c; Acton S. S., Acton, Rev. J. M. Hawkins, $1.85; West Chapel S. S., Biltmore, R. J. Roberts, $2.46; Main St. S. S., Gastonia, R. B. Babington, $10.01; Draper S. S., James Slattery, $2.61; Peachland S. S., M. W. Lee, $2.25; Shady Grove S. S., Waynesville, E. H. Howell, $1.00; Waxhaw S. S., Murray Clark, $1.53; Ramseur S. S., Chas. A. Reece, $10.37; Boone S. S., Boone, J. F. Hardin, $6.00; Miss Ida Trollinger, Newton, $5.00; Mt. Harmony S. S., Connelly Springs, Eli Taylor, $2.56; Macedonia S. S., Eldorado, I. G. Harris, $1.42; Pleasant Grove S. S., Charlotte, Jas. D. Kelley, $2.26; Centenary S. S., Mt. Ulla, F. J. Wilson, $3.20; Fairview S. S., Mooresville, W. C. Thompson, $2.33; Gilboa S. S., Marshville, Howard Marsh, $1.00; Patton church, Franklin, E. Patton, 50c; Uwharrie church, Col. J. C. Loftin, $2.27; Mils River S. S., Fletcher, Floyd E. Osborne, $1.20; Stanley Creek S. S., Stanley, Miss Bessie Morris, $1.00; Salem S. S., Bostic, George P. Green, $1.00; Chestnut Grove church, King, M. D. Ham, $1.00; Zion S. S., Richfield, Wm. A. Kirk, $1.42; Trinity S. S., King, S. M. Goff, 50c; Pinnacle S. S., Pinnacle, M. L. Wall, 35c; Liberty S. S., Mocksville, W. H. Hobson, $1.43; Concord S. S., Mocksville, P. R. Davis, $1.00; Woodleaf S. S., R. M. Seamsne, $1.76; Marvin S. S., Lincolnton, A. S. Cline, $1.32; Wadesboro S. S., H. S. McLenden, $2.70; Waxhaw S. S., J. C. Haywood, $1.30; Union S. S., Wadesboro, G. K. Little, $2.00; Monroe S. S., Joe Hunnycutt, 64c; Prospect S. S., Monroe, H. L. Yarborough, 85c; Pleasant Grove S. S., Forest City, J. I. Grose, $1.11; Weddington S. S., Matthews, L. C. Kimball, $2.06; Waynesville S. S., Rev. O. P. Ader, $7.50; Cleveland S. S., J. W. Brewer, $2.75; Marshall S. S., Marshall, $2.00; Pleasant Hill, Chandler, J. C. Curtis, $3.50; Chapel S. S., Waynesville, R. M. Ferguson, $2.60; Mt. Zion S. S., Lenoir, H. D. Hoover, 45c; Oak Hill S. S., Candler, A. H. Starnes, $1.67; Bethel S. S., Salisbury, F. B. Miller. $3.06; Cedar Valley S. S., Lenoir, D. C. Flowers, $2.00; Elk Park S. S., Elk Park, W. W. Stedman, $3.76; Reidsville S. S., M. W. Pleasants, $35.09; Gold Hill S. S., Chas. C. McHargue, 60c; Lebanon S. S., Mill Spring, J. C. Powell, $1.00; Unionville S. S., T. L. A. Helms, $1.00; Oak Grove S. S., Mt. Airy, W. M. Wall, $1.56; Panther Creek S. S., Crabtree, T. L. McElrath, 80c; Murphy S. S., Geo. B. Strickland, $2.05; Old Fort S. S., A. L. Sherrill, $2.00; W. T. Penry, for Capt. T. L. Rawley's Bible class, Winston-Salem, $83.34; Morehead's Chapel S. S., Guilford College, Clark Paschal, 43c; Randall S. S., Norwood, T. P. Snuggs, $1.48; Bethlehem S. S., Advance, Sanford Foster, $1.22; Wesley Chapel S. S., Mocksville, L. L. Miller, $1.26; Whitnel S. S., Lenoir, R. W. Shell, $1.32; New Hope S. S., Pipe, R. H. Lassiter, $3.00; Trinity S. S., Dysortsville, J. M. Gofort, $2.31; Mt. Olivet S. S., Kannapolis, H. A. Scott, $7.15; Wesley Chapel S. S., Linwood, W. M. Meacham, $1.11; May's Chapel S. S., Maiden, Robert E. Keener, $1.25; Mt. Tabor S. S., Winston-Salem, Ellis L. Miller, $3.28; Holt's Chapel S. S., Greensboro, Dred C. Ward, $1.71; Seversville S. S., Charlotte, Harry Kistler, $2.29; Central S. S., Albemarle, H. L. Horton, $8.43; Cotton Grove S. S., Linwood, Leroy Miller, $1.50; Boonville S. S., C. F. Amburn, $1.00; Bethesda S. S., Madison, Miss Ida Lee Wall, 80c; Crews S. S., Walkertown, Miss Emma Beeson, 75c; Bethlehem S. S., Walnut Cove, R. B. Bowman, $1.00; Rutherford College S. S., Miss Bessie Havner, $3.30; Pisgah S. S., Candler, J. W. Howell, $2.00; Trinity S. S., Trinity, W. C. Massey, $7.23; Moore's Grove S. S., Hendersonville, Miss J. D. Love, 79c; Rocky Ridge S. S., Concord, Rev. W. T. Albright, $1.32; Mt. Zion S. S., Franklin, J. C. Weaver, $1.00; Hendersonville S. S., H. M. Whitfield, $10.55; Salem S. S., Mount Airy, W. L. Gwynn, $1.20; Tryon St. S. S., Charlotte, F. H. Washburn, $21.84; Summerfield S. S., R. O. Gamble, $3.00; Asbury S. S., Lincolnton, G. B. Goodson, $2.00; Connelly Springs S. S., D. W. Alexander, $3.13; Lexington S. S., Geo. L. Hackney, $43.07; Wentworth Ct., Reidsville, R. L. Pearson, $1.50; Hatcher's Chapel S. S., Brim, J. Frank Bishop, $1.00; Elkin S. S., J. S. Bell, $6.61; Horton Hill S. S., Relief, M. C. Renfro, $1.35; Bethany S. S., Sherrills Ford, F. R. Howard, 96c; Cottage S. S., Stoneville, Mrs. M. A. Irving, 51c; Pisgah S. S., Lincolnton, R. C. Lynch, $1.25; Blackburn's Chapel S. S., Todd, E. E. Hauck, 75c; Hiddenite S. S., Pattie Beckham, $1.20; Gay's Chapel S. S., Woodleaf, Rev. J. W. Kennedy, 91c; Sharon S. S., Winston-Salem, M. S. Speas, $1.00; Bethlehem S. S., Reidsville, Russell Dallas, $4.00; Forest Hill S. S., Concord, J. W. Kime, $5.20; Linwood S. S., Linwood, J. R. Raper, $5.72; Fairview S. S., Boone, J. A. Norris, $1.05; New Mt. Tabor S. S., Richfield, H. E. Rogers, 85c; S. S. not given, Asheville, C. L. Rice, $1.50; S. S. not given, High Point, J. E. Taylor, 46c; Greenlee S. S., Marion, Mrs. R. L. Padgett, $1.00. Total, $647.17.

Amount Received on Ten Per Cent. Assessment

Franklin church, Ramseur, Chas. A. Reece, $4.21; Ramseur S. S., Chas. A. Reece, $12.50; Race St. church, Statesville, Rev. C. M. Campbell, $13.75; Franklin church, R. H. Daugherty, $22.05; Woodleaf Ct., Rev. J. W. Kennedy, $15.76; Belmont Park S. S., Charlotte, F. S. Rich, $6.06. Total, $74.33.

Building Fund—Rev. J. H. West, Agent

Elkin church, J. S. Bell, $3.00; Norwood S. S., $25.00; Main St. S. S., Gastonia, $21.78; V. A. J. Idol, High Point, $5.00; R. D. McLaughlin, Mt. Ulla, $2.00; P. V. Brawley, Mt. Ulla, $1.00; Dred Peacock, High Point, $10.00; Rev. C. R. Allison, Rural Hall, $28.50; two Salisbury friends, $2.00. Total, $98.28.

LOW SUMMER RATES

King's Business College
INCORPORATED



$40 Pays for an unlimited life scholarship in either the Commercial, Shorthand or Stenotypy Department. Enter now and **save $10** on one course or **$17** on the combined course. This is not commonplace exaggeration, but emphasis on the already well known fact that this is the *most representative, most reliable* business college in North Carolina—*backed by skill, honor, merit and capital.* A licensed business College—vouched for by the State.

Write for free catalog and new College Journal.

KING'S BUSINESS COLLEGE

RALEIGH, N. C. CHARLOTTE, N. C.

DAVIDSON COLLEGE



A First Rank College For Men

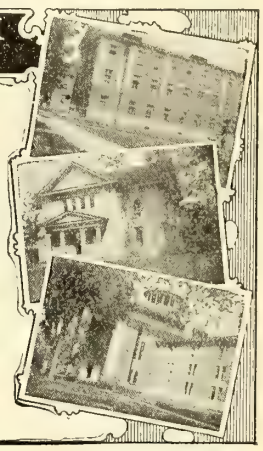
Davidson, N. C.

Established in 1837. Highly advanced in work and equipment. Places profound emphasis on thorough scholarship, clean manhood and Christian character. Offers young men unusual opportunity for educational development.

$650,000 resources. 13 modern buildings. Library of 24,586 volumes. Five laboratories. Infirmary. Commodious dormitories. Ideally located for health, social life and freedom from undesirable influences.

High standard courses leading to degrees of B. A., B. S. and M. A. Instructors of character and learning. Physical training part of course, prescribed to rectify individual faults. Attendance over 300. 14 States represented. 1915 Session opens Sept. 2nd. For Catalogue, address

The Registrar, Davidson College, Davidson, N. C.



GREENSBORO NURSERIES

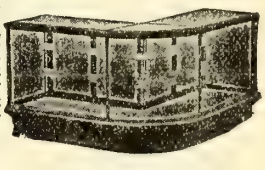
AGENTS WANTED

For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.

JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

Show Cases Direct From Factory

The Famous Gurley Show Cases cannot be had from any other manufacturer in America. Our goods received double award at the Jamestown Exposition. A jobber who has been selling Gurley Show Cases for nine years, says that only one customer has made any complaint of our goods, and only one small case was involved in his complaint. This is a wonderful record. We sell direct to the merchant. Drug store outfits a specialty. For drug store outfits ask for catalogue "V"; for wall or street cases ask for catalogue "W"; for general line ask for catalogue "Y."



HIGH POINT SHOW CASE WORKS High Point, North Carolina

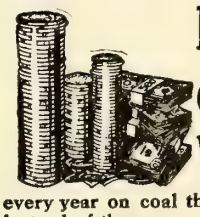
The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.

LEADING JEWELERS



MILLIONS of Dollars WASTED

every year on coal that heats the *chimney* instead of the *room*. Many soft coals burn riotously like shavings, wasting their heat in a long flame up the chimney and in dense smoke and troublesome soot and are quickly reduced to ashes and clinkers. Save big money on your next winter's coal bill by burning Clinchfield—the coal that burns like a hickory back-log—with a short flame and a big bed of intensely hot coals of wonderful *lasting* quality, that radiate their heat into every nook and corner of the room. Clinchfield holds fire over night, saving labor and kindling bills. Hard, clean, lumpy, readily kindled. By far the most *economical* and satisfactory fuel for open grates, stoves and residence furnaces of all types. No trouble with clinkers or choked flues.

Write for literature, freight rate and low summer prices on cars of from 30 to 50 tons each direct from the mines.

Clinchfield Fuel Co.

Desk 12 Spartanburg, S. C.

"THE COAL OF HIGH HEAT VALUE"

HIGH TRIBUTE TO COLONEL ANDREWS PAID BY DIRECTORS OF SOUTHERN RAILWAY

New York.—The board of directors of the Southern Railway company paid a high tribute to the memory of the late Colonel A. B. Andrews, first vice-president and for many years a member of the board, who died at his home in Raleigh, N. C., on April 17, 1915, in the following resolutions:

"In memoriam, Alexander Boyd Andrews.

"Alexander Boyd Andrews was born in Franklin county, N. C., on the 23rd day of July, 1841. He tendered his services to the Confederacy in April, 1861, and in June of that year, before he was twenty years of age, was made a second lieutenant in Company E of the First Regiment of North Carolina cavalry, Confederate States army. He served with distinguished gallantry until, in September, 1863, he was shot through the chest and lung by the fragment of a shell at Jack's Shop, near Gordonsville, Va. After recovering from this serious wound he found when peace was re-established the whole industrial life of the South prostrate as a result of war and the people among whom he lived confronted with the task of rebuilding their social and of creating an industrial system on new lines. He became a factor of prime importance in this creative and constructive work. Realizing the necessity for transportation in any plan of reorganization and reconstruction, he entered railroad life. His first service was with the Raleigh and Gaston and with the Raleigh and Augusta railroads, and as their superintendent for eight years he was the principal factor in their rehabilitation after the ravages of war.

With the R. and D.

"His efficiency in this work brought him an offer of promotion from the Richmond and Danville Railroad company, and in 1875 he became superintendent of its North Carolina division. He remained with this and other predecessors of the Southern Railway company and with the Southern itself uninterruptedly until his death, a period of forty years. Beginning with the office of superintendent, he worked his way up through various intermediate grades until he became first vice-president and a director of this company, which position he held for many years.

"His active railroad work had thus extended over a period little short of half a century.

"During that time the principal construction and organization work of the railroads of the South has been, and the industrial life of the South itself has been reorganized and rebuilt. In this accomplishment Colonel Andrews was a vital force. Possessing a strong and dominating personality, virile and commanding in character and intellect, he threw himself into his great work with irresistible will and purpose. His achievements, which were many, richly entitle him to a place among the great constructive forces of his state and section.

Completed Western Road

"Among these achievements was the completion of the Western North Carolina railroad, from Old Fort, over the mountains, through Asheville, to Paint Rock, and its branches. Thus through his efforts was opened up the great industrial section of western North Carolina. Population and development and industries followed his pioneer act, and every person in that rich and inviting territory is now and their descendants through all the coming years will be enjoying the conveniences, the opportunities and the blessings made possible by this great piece of constructive work. The Western North Carolina railroad will remain a monument to the useful and honorable achievements of Colonel Andrews, who was its builder.

"His life was not an easy one, for it was his lot to encounter and overcome great difficulties. His activity, his positive and purposeful character and his touch with great things brought him into sharp conflicts with important forces. In the midst of them all he bore himself with a courage and virility which commanded universal respect and enabled him to crown his efforts with notable success. In every trust and in every relation of life he was loyal and faithful and true.

On The Personal Side

"On his personal side he was a man of compelling and attractive personality and was greatly honored and beloved. He married in 1869 Miss Julia M. Johnston, daughter of Colonel William Johnston, of Charlotte, N. C., who was president of the Charlotte, Columbia and Augusta Railroad company. With her as his helpmate he built up an exceptionally happy and beautiful home life, which he distinguished by the most cordial and liberal hospitality.

"He was a devoted husband and father and followed his children, even after they were grown, with undiminished parental tenderness and solicitude.

He took a deep interest in the welfare of Confederate veterans and in the establishment and maintenance for them of the Confederate Soldiers' Home in Raleigh.

"Although himself deprived of the benefits of a college education, he was an earnest friend and supporter of the University of North Carolina, being for many years a member of its board of trustees and of its executive committee.

"He came to realize the value of a religious life and connected himself as a communicant with the Protestant Episcopal church, being an active and zealous member of the church of the Good Shepherd of Raleigh, for which in the latter years of his life his munificence helped to provide a new and stately place of worship.

Devoted to Native State

"He was devoted in his attachment to the state of North Carolina. No exigency of business or of persona linterest was strong enough to persuade him to make his home elsewhere. He believed in the sturdiness, the sense of justice and the patriotism of its people, and if at any time they, in his judgment, erred, his faith in the ultimate triumph of their sense of right was unwavering and supreme. He was always willing to leave his name and fame in their keeping, in the confidence that their ultimate judgment would correctly appraise and appreciate his purposes and his work.

"His death has brought universal sorrow and regret wherever he was known, but especially in the South, where his life was spent and his work most largely done.

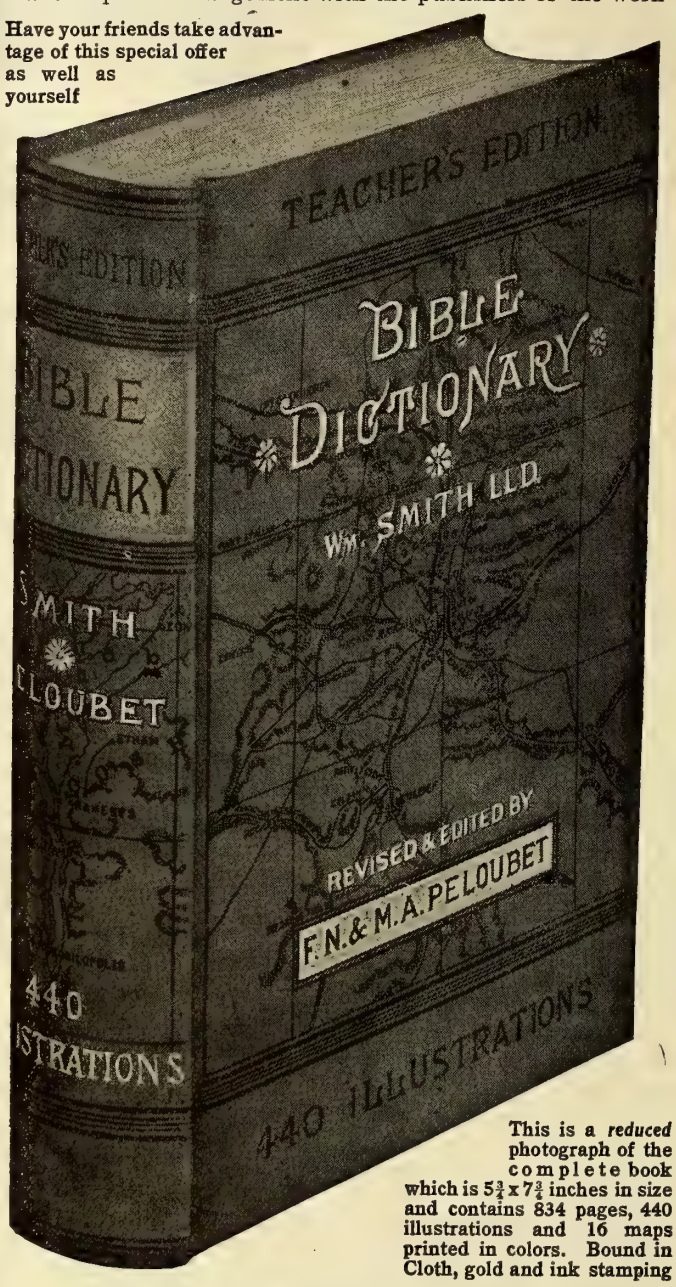
"The secretary is directed to express to the surviving members of Colonel Andrews' family the respectful sympathy of this board and to transmit to them a suitably engrossed and attested transcript of this minute."

The Christian Advocate Offers You This Well Known Bible Dictionary

SEE SPECIAL OFFER BELOW

Realizing the wide demand that exists among our constituents for this Bible Dictionary, we have made a special arrangement with the publishers of the work by which they agreed to supply it to us on exceptional terms, provided we would widely advertise it, and this enables us to offer this **well-known Bible Dictionary in its original form** and with all its important features, including over 400 illustrations and maps in colors, at **less than half the regular price.**

Have your friends take advantage of this special offer as well as yourself



This is a *reduced* photograph of the complete book which is 5¾ x 7¾ inches in size and contains 834 pages, 440 illustrations and 16 maps printed in colors. Bound in Cloth, gold and ink stamping

THE FATHER OF ALL BIBLE DICTIONARIES

Everyone acknowledges the superior value of Dr. William Smith's Bible Dictionary, as containing the fruit of the ripest Biblical scholarship. It is practically the foundation, or father, of all other Bible Dictionaries. This late edition is brought down to the twentieth century and thoroughly revised to incorporate modern research and discoveries in Bible lands. It has been adapted in its present form to the convenience of teachers and scholars.

MAKES BIBLE STUDY EASY. MAKES THE BIBLE PLAIN TO EVERY READER

This Bible Dictionary is a veritable treasure to Christian Workers. It contains in the simplest language a full explanation of all topics mentioned in the Bible—every place, nation, tribe, person, and historical event; every custom and rite; every instrument and implement; every animal, plant, flower, mineral, metal, etc. It is a systematic collation of all the facts recorded in the Bible, supplemented and explained by materials supplied from authentic records of Biblical times. It gives in compact and lucid form the substance of the result of profound Biblical scholarship and research. IT OPENS A NEW UNDERSTANDING AND APPRECIATION OF THE BIBLE IN A WAY THAT NO OTHER BOOK DOES.

Our Special Offer

From this till July first we offer the Advocate one year and this dictionary for

$2.50

This applies to new subscribers and renewals.

Address **CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, GREENSBORO, N. C.**



***Standard* Memorial Windows**

Made in High Point

Beautiful in design—strong in construction. Largest and oldest glass plant in the South. Capacity for any and all orders and prompt delivery. Satisfaction guaranteed. References—any of our old customers or any bank or banker in High Point. Write for catalog.

Standard Mirror Co.
High Point, N. C.

DAISY FLY KILLER placed anywhere, attracts and kills allflies. Neat, clean, ornamental, convenient, cheap. Lasts all season. Made of metal, can't spill or tip over; will not soil or injure anything. Guaranteed effective. Sold by dealers, or 6 sent by express prepaid for $1.



HAROLD SOMERS, 150 DeKalb Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, June 1[illegible]15 | Number 24

Reading Room Trinity College

Our Precious Hope

Upon the tomb's dark walls bereavement reads: "I am the resurrection and the life; he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live;" "Marvel not at this, for the hour is coming in which all that are in the grave shall hear his voice, and come forth;" "Now is Christ risen from the dead and become the first-fruits of them that slept." How beautiful do these words make graves appear! Mother, father, could all the floral charms of nature add such a glory to the little mound? Mourning children, could garlands of lilies and roses so beautify the resting-place of sainted mother as these heavenly words of hope and promise? To-day why should we seek the living among the dead? Our vanished loved ones are not in the dust of our cemeteries; they walk with God in white. As shone the angel faces and the angel robes, so shine their faces and their white-robed forms in light. We walk alone for a while. There are empty places in home and church; there are empty chairs and empty arms; but there is a light still burning where they were; a light in the mourning mother's arms, a strange, sweet light in the home; something like a glory in the very air, as though angels had swept past on gleaming wings, and left a trail of light from earth to heaven. Oh, seek ye the living among the living! Lift up your sad faces toward the light, toward the smiles which are falling from heaven, and let the days be full of faith and hope and praise! "Why seek ye the living among the dead?" "Jesus and his own are alive forevermore."—*Bishop F. M. Bristol.*

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS

The label on your paper shows the date to which your subscription has been paid. You should send in your renewal promptly when time expires or write expressing your desire to be continued or discontinued as the case may be. Do not wait for your pastor or other agent of the paper to call on you, but enclose check or money order for renewal. You will find a renewal order blank on page 11. We are mailing statements to many now. If you receive a statement please be kind enough to reply to it promptly. We are very grateful to those who have responded promptly. At least 3,000 on our list are now past due for renewal and their delay makes it hard on us. A word to the wise is sufficient.

CHIEF ASSET OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

In spite of all our parleying about teacher-training and up-to-date methods of work in the Sunday school, the chief thing is its ability to stimulate Bible reading and familiarity with the Word of God. As a rule those who read the Bible habitually and consecutively are the ones who are always armed with the sword of the Spirit and safely grounded upon the solid rock of that faith once delivered to the saints.

A great deal of the work done in the Sunday school is superficial for the reason that the teacher begins his work with the false assumption that children can have no interest in the mere text of a scripture lesson. He therefore, substitutes, either some sentimental story supposed to carry the essence of the Scripture lesson in diluted form, suited to tender years, or he delivers a lecture on the truths contained in the lesson. The former proves a disappointment to the child, eager always to get at the very heart of the lesson story, while the latter proves to be mostly the scattering of seed on stony ground. Any system of teaching which is undertaken with the supposition that the pupil is not capable of preparation and is not supposed to make any preparation is doomed to failure, whether in the Sunday school or elsewhere. The story teller or lecturer can be sure that he is hitting the mark only when he is before a class that has been prepared for the story or lecture by either reading the text or having it read beforehand.

Nothing better can be done by way of preparation for the class exercise than the committing to memory of the text. No matter whether the child understands what he has committed to memory or not, the knowledge of the text is essential to the successful work of the teacher, and we do not hesitate to say that the greatest need of our Sunday schools today is the inauguration of some system by which the scholars may be induced to memorize the lesson text. This would mean work, you say? To be sure; but no excessive amount, and a system of rewards could easily be introduced that would put the great majority of the scholars to work. This done, the teacher could go before his class with some hope of doing something more than simply delivering a dull and perfunctory message to a company of empty heads.

By the way, why has the modern Sunday school lost the art of memorizing the Word of God? Is it not, to speak with real frankness, a sort of concession to indolence? No amount of lecturing and story telling can take the place of real, downright work on the part of those who are to achieve anything in the mastery of any great system of truth, and it is time for parents and teachers to face this fact seriously and co-operate in an effort to put vertebrae into the framework of our system of religious education.

We are pleased to find the following editorial in the current number of our splendid Sunday School Magazine:

We recently had the privilege of attending a session of an afternoon Sunday school connected with a small church in a remote rural section. We were delighted with the enthusiasm that was manifest in the little company and with the orderly and intelligent way in which the school was conducted. But when the report was read, we felt sure that there must be something wrong with our hearing. "Number of chapters in the Bible read during the week, 1,574." Surely, we thought, there must be some mistake, for there were only fifty-four members present. But the secretary assured us that that was just what she said. Further inquiry revealed the fact that a report on Bible reading had been made in the school every week for a number of years and that the report for that particular day was in no way exceptional.

With perfect sincerity we told those good people that that was the best Sunday school report we had ever heard. We believe in graded lessons, the best pedagogical methods, and the rest; but the school that succeeds in inducing its members to read twenty or thirty chapters of the Bible each a week beats all the modern methods put together. We commend the example of this country school to other country schools and to town schools and city schools all over the land.

A CONSPICUOUS SUCCESS

Such we feel constrained to say of Miss Flossie A. Byrd, the retiring editor of the Baraca-Philathea Herald. Miss Byrd began her work as the Managing Editor of this publication four years ago. At that time the paper had a circulation of about 3,000. For the last year or more the monthly editions have averaged about 10,000, besides, the paper has been enlarged.

We can speak with confidence as to this for the reason that for about three years the Herald has been issued from the presses of the Christian Advocate. Miss Byrd is a tireless worker and has shown great tact and skill in making and promoting the circulation of the Herald. Our relations as publisher and editor have been exceedingly pleasant and it is with sincere regret that we have to sever these relations.

The new editor, Mr. A. R. Williams, who has been chosen as Miss Byrd's successor, has taken charge and will have his office in the Advocate building. We have no doubt that the new editor will fit in at once and that he will make good use of this fine opportunity for success and usefulness. The publication is no longer an experiment and we look for its circulation to be greatly increased in the near future. While regretting to bid farewell to Miss Byrd, we welcome Mr. Williams and bespeak for him large success.

IS THIS A PRODUCT OF THE NEW ORDER?

For some years the Laymen's Movement and other interdenominational organizations have stressed the evil of so-called denominationalism, decrying the building of altar against altar, etc. In theory we have been in hearty agreement. We have observed, however, a tendency among representatives of certain denominations to be more aggressive than others in advocating a policy of federation while on the platform, and yet to strangely forget when they have a concrete case to deal with.

As we write there comes to mind a community in which a well known denomination is strong and has always occupied the field. Recently a minister of another denomination having less than a dozen members in the community and no organization has been so persistent in his purpose to divide this congregation as to thoroughly sow the seeds of discord and make an exceedingly delicate situation for the pastor.

Is this a product of the new order of things, and will we, in the next great interdenominational convention, have to listen to some of these same men lecture us on the sin of narrowness and denominationalism? May the good Lord deliver us from this sort of fraternalism.

Recently we have read a vigorous discussion of the evils of denominationalism by a prominent layman. He takes the position that denominationalism is more in the way of the progress of the Kingdom of God than anything else. He also deplores the fact that denominationalism is about to destroy our work in the foreign field. This is all strange talk for a man who is himself largely the product of denominationalism, and who has been permitted to witness the most remarkable development of the Kingdom of God in the history of the church under denominationalism. Why knock down the ladder upon which we have ascended? Why destroy a system which has demonstrated its efficiency? Denominationalism has afforded the opportunity for the normal and unhampered development of the Kingdom of God. In our opinion the least of the perils now confronting the Kingdom of God is denominationalism. Much that goes in the name of broadness is very thin and sleazy—absolutely superficial.

OUR PUBLISHING HOUSE IN GOOD SHAPE

At a regular meeting of the Book Committee at Richmond, Va., the following gratifying condition of the business of our Publishing House was reported for the last fiscal year: The sales at Richmond were $101,474.83; at Dallas, $232,685.96; at Nashville, $658,975.32; total sales, $993,136.11, as against sales for the year ending February, 1914, of $996,588.10—making the sales for 1915 only $3,449.99 less than for 1914. The profits were: Richmond, $14,257.61; Dallas, $19,840.35; Nashville, $90,932.12; total profits, $125,030.08. There were losses on the Epworth Era, Review, Christian Advocate, and the Pacific Methodist Advocate. These losses amounted to something above $13,000. The total net gain in the business for the year was $111,532.11, while the total assets of the business are $1,464,009.84. Fifteen thousand dollars were set aside from the profits for the superannuated preachers and the widows and orphans of preachers, an increase on the amount appropriated for this purpose the year before.

GOOD SERMON BY SECRETARY DANIELS

Hon. Josephus Daniels, Secretary of the United States Navy, preached a good sermon to Methodist preachers in Washington City recently. Among other things he spoke frankly as follows:

"I regret that the Methodists haven't the vision to see that they must mobilize. They have not been able to take the ramparts of sin because of their divisions. Now when I see in Seattle Southern Methodists building a church where they have no business to build, and when I see in Atlanta your Church building where you have no business to build, I say it is wrong. Methodists should mobilize. What we need is unity."

When we recall that Mr. Daniels spoke thus to two hundred Methodist preachers of the M. E. (Northern) Church and that he has been quoted among them with approval it looks like our advocacy of the organic union of the two great bodies of Methodism is not so far-fetched after all. It is coming along and when it arrives we shall see some hitherto vexatious problems vanish away.

TRINITY COMMENCEMENT NOTES

The class of 1915 is the largest in the history of the college, eighty-two receiving the degree of A. B. The college had the largest enrollment also in its history.

* * * *

Owen Wister, the American novelist, spoke on Germany's Dual Personality. A writer of world-wide fame, with a subject of world-wide interest, he drew the largest commencement audience that ever assembled in Craven Memorial Hall. He made a most brilliant address which will be published in full this week in the Saturday Evening Post.

Mr. B. S. Womble, of the class of 1904 at the alumni dinner made a particularly fitting address. Mr. Womble is an extraordinarily promising young lawyer of Winston-Salem.

* * * *

During the year three trustees have died: Rev. J. N. Cole, Mr. J. A. Long and Mr. H. B. Adams. To fill these vacancies and one other the trustees nominated J. C. Wooten, '98; C. F. Lambeth, '03; B. S. Womble, '04, and J. A. Long, '05.

* * * *

With the most successful year in its history just closed, with the college at the top notch of efficiency, there is every reason to expect that next year the college will go forward in its onward course of usefulness to church and state.

* * * *

The friends of Rev. John Wesley Bennett will be pleased to know that he is the honor man in the Department of Biblical Literature at Trinity College this year. Mr. Bennett is the son of Mr. I. F. Bennett, of Guilford, whose residence is near the Guilford Battle Ground.

* * * *

Mr. Bascom Weaver Barnard, of sAheville, won the scholarship medal, having made the highest record in the class of 1915, the largest class ever graduated numbering 82.

* * * *

Many friends in Greensboro will be interested to know that Mr. Edgar Ray Bond graduated with special honor in Chemistry. Mr. Bond is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Y. Bond, of Greensboro.

NOTE AND COMMENT

Intolerance is a Great Sin. Gerhardt Hauptman says it is the greatest sin of the age. The recent resignation of William Jennings Bryan as Secretary of State is denounced by many, while President Wilson is greatly praised. Others denounce Mr. Wilson, claiming he should not have disregarded the wishes of the man who had made him President. Tolerance would teach us differently. To possess a great admiration for one man does not mean we should denounce another man. When ever will our hearts grow big enough to love everybody? Though many claim to see ulterior motives in Mr. Bryan's resignation, such as becoming later the head of a peace, prohibition, and woman suffrage party, let us still award him honesty of heart and purpose, and admit he is one of the world's great and good men.

* * * *

Germany's Editorial Expression over President Wilson's latest note seems sanguine, though the press, according to despatches, is roughly divided into two parties: one disposed to enter into negotiations looking to a compromise on a new basis, while the other, either by implication or directly, rejects any departure from the course heretofore pursued. Among the representatives of the latter idea is the Tagliche Rundschau, which declares that while the note seeks a way to a compromise, it seeks it along lines "which must result to the disadvantage of Germany." The Kreuz Zeitung emphasizes Germany's right to prevent the shipment of ammunition to an enemy by every means. It also is unable to see what England can offer in return for the abandonment of the submarine campaign "since the plan to starve Germany has finally failed." Count Von Reventlow in the Tages Zeitung says: "If President Wilson persists in his refusal to recognize the German declaration of war zone, we are not able to conceive of an agreement, or even a real understanding."

Other papers praise the uprightness of the United States and hope that it will be possible to demonstrate Germany's purpose to act within her rights. The expression of Die Post is especially frank: "The note sails the old course and demands the cessation of our submarine campaign and again emphasizes the remarkable special right of American citizens to voyage through a war zone as passengers on ships belonging to belligerent powers. Negotiations will continue but whether a real result can be obtained is unquestionabe, since the demand of the 'Anglo-Americans' that the submarine warfare be stopped lies outside the scope of practical discussion."

The Great Triumph of Diplomacy is to secure one's rights by means which will not bring greater calamities upon us than the calamity which the diplomacy attempts to rectify. War would seem to be much worse than the sinking of the Lusitania. Therefore, in settling such a matter, a diplomacy which would lead us into war would be exceedingly poor statesmanship. Also that diplomacy is bad which places a nation in a position from which it can not extricate itself honorably. And, too, it would appear very simple statesmanship which would give another nation the option to decide whether we would go to war or not. We are not for "peace at any price," nor are we for war. However, if we fight because we fear other people may think we are cowards, then, indeed, we are the worst of cowards, for is not the fear of other people's opinion the most malignant and despicable kind of cowardice?

* * * *

After Leaving Office, Mr. Bryan issued a remarkable "Address to the American People." It is a passionate plea for peace:

"I am sure," he says, "you will credit me with honorable motives, but that is not enough. Good intentions could not atone for a mistake at such a time, on such a subject, and under such circumstances. If your verdict is against me, I ask no mercy; I desire none if I have acted unwisely. A man in public life must act according to his conscience. But however conscientiously he acts, he must be prepared to accept without complaint any condemnation which his own errors may bring upon him. He must be willing to bear any punishment, from ostracism to execution. But hear me before you pass sentence."

The real issue, he said, is not between persons; it is between systems. Governments deal with each other in two ways, by force and by persuasion. "Force speaks with 'firmness' and acts through the ultimatum; persuasion employs argument, courts investigation, and depends upon negotiation. Force represents the old system, the system which must pass away. Persuasion represents the new system, the system which has been growing, all to slowly it is true, for 1900 years. . . . . In the old system war is the cornerstone. The new system contemplates a universal brotherhood established through the uplifting power of example."

* * * *

Of Mexico's 15,600,000 Population less than 150,000 are in arms; the remainder is facing starvation. Three revolutionary armies are in the field: Villa and Zapata supporting the "Convention" rule, and Caranza, with Obregon as his chief lieutenant, opposing the Convention. Caranza's provisional capital is Vera Cruz; the Convention capital is Mexico City where Zapata is in command. Villa commands at Chihuahua and Aguascalientes, and Obregon near Leon and Victoria. Latest reports show there are less than 50,000 foreigners in the war-torn Republic.

* * * *

Crocker Land is a Myth is the announcement recently made by Donald B. MacMillan, the Arctic explorer who was sent in 1913 by the American Museum of Natural History to find it. It was Peary who in 1906 reported the discovery of Crocker Land. He did not visit it, but thought he saw it in the distance. MacMillan thinks it was a mirage. There was every appearance of land, he says, but in traveling 1200 miles he could not get any nearer to it. It constantly shifted its position with the sun and finally disappeared altogether. MacMillan himself is now lost, and the American Museum is sending a relief expedition.

* * * *

Until Mr. Bryan's Successor is Appointed Robert Lansing will be Acting Secretary of State. It was he who signed the new note to Germany which Mr. Bryan refused to sign. Mr. Lansing is regarded as one of the highest authorities on international law. He followed Prof. John Bassett Moore as expert legal adviser to the State Department. He is fifty years of age and from early manhood has been employed as counsel for the government in the most important international disputes—notably the Bering Sea controversy and the Alaska boundary dispute. He is Associate Editor of the American Journal of International Law, and joint author of "Government; Its Origin, Growth and Form in the United States."

A permanent appointment of Secretary of State must be made within thirty days, and some think Mr. Wilson may choose Mr. Lansing. Others believe it would be good administration policy to form something like a coalition cabinet by appointing some Republican such as perhaps Mr. Knox. No one has as yet mentioned "Teddy" in this connection.

* * * *

The Public Health Officers of the North Carolina Medical Society today closed a three days' convention which has been held in Greensboro. One of the features of this meeting has been the health exhibits from North Carolina, Georgia, South Carolina, Jacksonville and Asheville Board of Health. This illustrated diseases, their ways and manners of communication and means of prevention, showing clearly the science of disease prevention by means of illustration and models. During these three days the moving picture theaters in Greensboro have carried special films emphasizing health preservation. Some of the subjects discussed by eminent physicians were: "The Sick Boy in the Family," "The First Essential in Fighting the Great White Plague," "What the State and You Can Do for the Consumptive," "Chemistry of Patent Medicines," "State Laws Needed," "Percentage of Crime and Insanity Caused by Narcotics, Including Whiskey."

* * * *

General Julius S. Carr has been often spoken of as a candidate for governor, but a recent card from him to the press of the state makes it plain that he will not allow his name to be used in this connection. General belief has been expressed that if General Carr had decided to enter the race for nomination he would have proven a strong man in the contest for there is a great desire on the part of the people of North Carolina to honor the General. He is a Democrat who is patriotic, able and farseeing. His charities in many causes have endeared him to the members of all parties in the old North State, whether political or religious. He has proven a great factor in the commercial, industrial, agricultural, educational and religious life of the state.

* * * *

The Russian Government is just now offering great prizes for processes that will make alcohol impossible as a drink and widen its possibilities in commerce and industry. Probably the first object is to find a use for the alcohol which is released by the vodka decree, but the conditions laid down for a prize-winning process to make liquid alcohol distasteful are so stringent that it is obviously a determined temperance as well as a commercial movement.

In referring to this the Manchester Guardian remarks that no successful effort has ever been made to treat alcohol in this way, and though methylated spirits is alcohol with the addition of methyl, resulting in a disagreeable taste, it is by no means impossible. It does not possess properties that make alcohol so nauseating as Russians would have it be, and it is frequently taken as a drink. There are many patent medicines for the cure of alcoholism but none of them consist of a treatment of alcohol itself. They either take the form of drugs administered separately as a medicine or of tablets dissolved in tea or coffee.

* * * *

The Scientific American Celebrates its seventieth anniversary with the issue of a special edition which, containing as it does a survey of the progress of the scientific world during the last seven decades, is little short of a liberal education in itself. During the period covered the forward strides of science and invention have been amazing beyond the conception of the human imagination three-quarters of a century ago, and yet science and invention are still in their infancy. And we can not restrain from joining in the praise of an able editor that because it is the mission of the Scientific American to record the achievements in the scientific field —a mission which it is well and worthily performing—this publication, though it has already attained the full measure of years allotted by the Psalmist, must remain perennially young. Surely it is a publication which no up-to-date American citizen should be without.

TRINITY COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT

By the Editor

The Methodist church in North Carolina early in its history, recognized its responsibility in the matter of education. In fact, it was here in North Carolina on the banks of the Yadkin that Bishop Asbury appointed James Parks, a pioneer educator as well as minister to the first Conference School in America. This was in December, 1793. In his journal, giving account of his visit to this school early in 1794, the Bishop says, "After preaching (at E's meetinghouse and at Whitaker's) I came to Cokesbury School at Hardy Jones's; it is twenty feet square, two stories high, well set out with doors and windows; this house is not too large as some others are; it stands on a beautiful eminence, and overlooks the lowlands and river Yadkin."

This was the small beginning of Methodist educational work in North Carolina and the Bishop's minute description of the physical plant is in striking contrast to what one sees on the campus of Trinity College today. But who can say that this beginning of things under the pioneer Bishop's supervision, was not as significant as the things taking place at our great college today? Can it be said that the visit of Dr. Lee or of Owen Wister is of more significance than the visit of Bishop Asbury; although these are to great audiences in a great auditorium surrounded by piles of splendid architecture, while that was to a small company, gathered in the little cabin in the wilderness? Bishop Asbury was ever true to the pole star of the great Methodist movement; therefore, keeping his hand ever firmly grasped on the mourner's bench and the altar service, he did not forget that to be permanent any great religious movement must root itself in consecrated intelligence. It is matter for gratitude that his successor in the Episcopacy, who has had so much to do with the development of our great Trinity College, and who has had his Episcopal residence hard by, a century later, lives up to these same conceptions of the mission of Methodism. The little cabin on the Yadkin stood for the training of the heart and the intellect—the exponent of the purpose of Methodism to conserve the achievements of evangelism. The Trinity College of today stands for the same thing. It can stand for no more. It must not stand for less. The only peril may be in what one can read between the lines where the good Bishop says, describing Cokesbury, "this house is not too large as some others are." We have grown at Trinity until our very bigness may possibly be our peril. But we maintain that as long as men who hold the ideals of Methodism and are true to her teachings and traditions, are in the lead, bigness can be turned to good account. Those of us who know President Few intimately are not afraid to trust him.

But we started to give some account of the recent commencement. As stated last week the exercises began with the

Baccalaurate Address

delivered on Sunday evening by Rev. Dr. F. N. Parker. Peculiar interest attached to this address for the reason that Dr. Parker is leaving the institution after four years of great service at the head of the Biblical Department. Dr. Parker is greatly esteemed, and as a slight token of this esteem a loving cup was presented to him by the student body, the speech of presentation being made immediately following his address by Mr. B. H. Siler, president of the class of 1915. Dr. Parker spoke on "Service as the Ideal of Life," the subject being suggested by the words of the Saviour, "I am among you as one that serveth." Dr. Parker said in part:

"These words have an inexhaustible meaning—words which challenge consideration whenever heard. All our lives are just as His was—one of preparatory training. In our early lives we are getting ready to do something. For this reason we have to submit to a kind of despotism in our first stages of preparation.

Before entering upon any plan we should first consider whether or not it will help us to achieve anything. In our early development we should submit to the authority of our teachers. By and by we will begin to learn by facts, by events, and by people. This is the time when we must choose; this is the time when we do not have any one to fall back on. We are face to face with the great fact of choice. This is the greatest educator in human life. This is the force which makes us reach out and grasp that something which is beyond us.

Christ came and made His life responsive to events, to people, and to the needs of the time. He came to be a Saviour of people. That was His nature, His service. Just as Christ was, every one of us is constituted to do service in the world, perhaps not to save people as He did, but to serve according to our own peculiar temperament. We must find ourselves, that is, find out what we are fit for; and that is finding what God Almighty wants us to find. None of us, perhaps, has the same individuality, the same service to render; but we all have our own peculiar service which we are to render to the world.

At one time vocations were scant. There was scarcely room for college graduates in the business world. But now that time has passed. The greatest avenue in the history of the world is open to every one of us. The rapid development of our age has created and is creating different and manifold activities for the human soul. The world is ours today, just as Saint Paul said to the Christians, "All things are yours." Our task is to come to get them in the spirit of serving.

Jesus discovered in the matter of serving the consciousness of power. All things that come to men and women come through this God-given consciousness of power; that is, all different kinds of power brought into the capacity of serving. The world is ready for us all, and will meet us more than half way. We must surrender ourselves to Christ, and go out into the world without a fear. The world is ready to receive us, if we are only prepared to render a great and sincere service."

Trustees Meeting and President's Report

The Board of Trustees met on Monday. The chief matter coming before the Board was the report of President Few. This report was full of interest from which we glean the following:

"Announcing the departure of Dr. Franklin N. Parker, who takes a position in the Candler School of Theology, Emory University, Atlanta, Ga., the President says: 'The college never had a teacher who gave it a finer consecration of noble powers. As a preacher he has a most remarkable gift for making plain and attractive the real heart of the Gospel of Jesus Christ; and he is a man and religious leader of towering strength. We surrender him at the call of the church to go to an important post at a crisis in the church's history, feeling sure that an ever enlarging field of usefulness will open before him as the years go on.'

"The new athletic field has been provided with grandstand, bleachers, and all other facilities for out-of-door sports. It is one of the most beautiful playing grounds I have ever seen; and its use, this year for the first time, has created great enthusiasm on the part of the students and alumni.

"Free from the more objectionable of intercollegiate games, free from the spirit and methods of professionalism and from the excesses to which American colleges have gone in their devotion to sports, and yet with abundant opportunities for all students to get healthful exercise and with sufficient interest in the body of students to carry them into the many forms of exercise, the whole system of athletics, I feel sure, rests on a more wholesome foundation here at Trinity than at any other college of which I know.

Trinity and Football

"I cannot express too strongly my appreciation of the stand taken by your board at your last meeting and your public statement of the position of Trinity college concerning athletic sports. It is bound to have a tonic effect in our time and country to hear the solemn voice of an American college proclaiming: 'We have no regard whatever for the argument that the game of football would increase the number of students. * * * Colleges should be right, and the use of sports to gain the favor of youthful patronage is wholly inconsistent with the standards which the general public demands of colleges.'

For the encouragement of any Trinity man, if there be any, who is uncertain as to the validity of this position, I am able to state that the answer of the public to this proclamation of this college is not only the largest enrollment but the largest increase of students for any single year in the whole history of the college.

"We are undertaking now to do for the Sunday schools, but if opssible even on a wider scale, the same sort of service that we sought through Prof. E. C. Brooks to do for the public schools. Dr. E. W. Knight, assistant professor in the department of education, has already paid considerable attention to this subject. The Sunday school board of the North Carolina Conference has this year located at the college the office of its field secretary, M. W. Brabham. The college will henceforth work in the closest cooperation with the Conference Sunday school board to promote Sunday school work.

"Despite the growing numbers of students we are every day doing more to strengthen the personal elements in education and to attain the end for which Trinity College primarily exists, that is, to bring the right kind of teacher into sympathetic and helpful contact with the right kind of student under conditions that will make for the highest success and happiness of both teacher and student.

"Despite some superficial appearances to the contrary and despite some real difficulties that must be outgrown, I am convinced that this section has the best chance in America to build up at least a few, I will not say big, but genuinely great educational institutions within this generation. And therefore I think there never was in the history of the world a more inviting field for teachers with building power than right here and now; and this sort of teacher is going to be developed and held, not by institutions that put their faith in the big material resources, but rather by those that are dedicated to sound ideas and disciplined by sacrifice in the causes of men; it is never the material but the ideal that abides and commands."

The report concluded with the following

Tribute to Bishop Kilgo

"Bishop John C. Kilgo, who has lived on this campus since 1894, and during whose presidency Trinity College as we know it was born, has found it necessary, on account of railroad connections, to remove his residence to Charlotte. Those of us who abide here and who have worked with him shoulder to shoulder and heart to heart now for so many years will find in the lack of his personal association and comradeship a keen and irreparable loss. During the past five years I have gone into no important undertaking without his advice and assistance. I should feel that I had lost my right hand if I were not sure that ways may be found by which Bishop Kilgo can in the future be of even larger service to the college, and if I did not know that he will continue through all the years to give the colege and to those who must bear its hard responsibilities the same sort of support that has made his connection with the college for more than twenty years a miracle of self-sacrificing devotion."

Baccalaureate Sermon

There was no disappointment in the sermon delivered on Tuesday by Rev. J. W. Lee, D. D., of St. Louis. Dr. Lee has visited the state before and had been heard by not a few of his audience. These, however, enjoyed him as much as any who were hearing him for the first time. Dr. Lee is also familiar to many as the author of some of the best books that have come forth for public favor during the last two decades, among the latest of these being "The Religion of Science."

Dr. Lee's subject was "The Soul's Atmosphere." Text, Jude, twenty-first verse—"Keep yourselves in the love of God." Lack of space forbids an attempt to give even a synopsis of the sermon, but having the full manuscript we hope sometime in the near future to give it to our readers in full. It is one of those discourses that wil not spoil by keeping and that will not require cold storage.

The Literary Address

Owen Wister was a disappointment in that he failed to make himself heard. All the stars of literature do not shine on the platform. Those who purchase the Saturday Evening Post this week can avail themselves of the opportunity of reading his splendid address. There was in the audience and is still in the mind of the public a great desire to hear him, for the reason that he spoke with the authority of an expert on the situation in Germany. Those who read him will not be disappointed. Our reporter gives us the following synopsis:

Though completely pro-Ally, Mr. Wister has a profound admiration for Germany, which he visited for the first time when still a child. He says "Almost always at the name of the town Cologne, the banks of the golden Stream, the German Rhine, sweep into my sight as first I saw them long ago, and from a steamer's deck I watch again, and again count a train composed of twenty-one locomotives, moving ominous and sinister upon their new errand. That was July 14th, 1870. France had declared war upon Prussia that day. Mobilization was beginning before my eyes. It happened to be my birthday; I was ten." Later visits have made him familiar with the land of the Rhine. His address turns on the difference between Prussia and Germany. Various references to history as well as to the present day are accumulated to make clear the point that the Prussian character is decidedly alien to what the world, until within a few decades, has known as the German character. The Prussian character having always been military, aggressive and eminently practical, and nearly destitute of those higher qualities of imaginative genius which are the real measure of a civilization, while the German character, on the other hand, has been peace-loving, far from military and highly gifted with imaginative genius, both musical and literary. Mr. Wister's latest visit to the Empire was made exactly a year ago, when he saw a great deal to impress him with the greatness and value of Germany's civilization. The growth of prosperity in the Empire since his previous visit was very apparent. On account of length, lest he weary his audience, Mr. Wister cut out a number of passages out of the original draft of his address, one of these omissions being a reference to those people in his own state known as the Pennsylvania Dutch. As is well known, they are not Dutch at all, but came chiefly from southern parts of Germany during the early colonial years of Pennsylvania. Their marked qualities of peacefulness and political docility entirely resemble these same qualities of the peace-loving South Germans today, and just as in Pennsylvania, this German stock has been one of the factors that made possible the strong hold which the Republican party has been able for many generations to keep on Pennsylvania's politics, so like characteristics in the South German's have made possible the despotic hold which Prussia fastened on the Empire after the Franco-Prussian War in 1870. The date of 1870 Mr. Wister selects as one of great importance: "July 14th, 1870, is one of the dates that do not remain the same size, but grows, has not done growing yet, will be one of history's enormous dates before it is done growing. The heavier descendants of those locomotives have been lugging to France a larger destruction, and more hideous, than their ancestors dragged there; but this new freight belongs to the same haul, forms part of one vast materialistic growth and spiritual eclipse of which 1870 and 1914 are important parts, but by no means the whole. Woven with it is the struggle of nations for the possession of their own soul. Consider 1870 in this light: through that war France took her soul out of the custody of an emperor and handed it to the people; through the same war Germany placed her soul in the hands of an emperor."

It is evident, as appeared in the course of Mr. Wister's remarks, that in his opinion the world not only owes a great intellectual, religious, scientific and musical degt to Germany, but that many of her institutions coud be introduced into other countries to their advantage, as well as her methodical habits as regards practical public affairs. It is insisted several times that we may look on Germany's share in the European tragedy as being the deepest because she has been perverted from her natural character by the strongest influence and teaching of Prussia. His stay in a health resort, and later in the Black Forest, during May and June of last year, together with frequent opportunities of observing both the City of Frankfort-on-the-Main and the rural districts in its neighborhood, gave him an enthusiasm for Germans and German things that was akin to affection. He says: "The Germany at peace that I saw during May and June, 1914, was in the first place a constant pleasure to the eye, a constant repose to the body and mind. Look where you might, beauty was in some form to be seen, given its chance by the intelligence of man, not defaced, but made the most of; and, whether in towns or in the country, a harmonious spectacle was the rule. I thought of our landscape, littered with rubbish, and careless fences and stumps of trees; hideous with glaring advertisements; of the rusty junk lying about our farms and towns, and wayside stations; and of the disfigured palisades along the Hudson River. America was ugly and shabby, made so by Americans; Germany was swept and garnished, made so by the Germans. In Nauheim, the admirable court-yard of the bath-house was matched by the admirable system within. The convenience and the architecture were equally good. For every hour of the invalid's day, the secret of his well-being seemed to have been thought out. On one side the group and court of baths ran the chief street, shady and kell-kept, with its hotels and very entertaining shops; on the other side spread a park. This was a truly gracious little region, embowered in trees, with spaces and walks and flowers, all near at hand, yet nothing crowded. The park sloped upward to a terrace and casino, with tables for sitting out to eat and drink and hear the band, and with a concert-hall and theater for the evening. Herein comedies and little operas and music both serious and light were played. Nothing was far from anything: the baths, the doctors, the hotels, the music, the tennis courts, the lakes, the golf links, all were fitted into a scheme laid out with marvelous capability. Various hills and forests, a little more distant, provided walks for those robust enough to take them, while longer excursions in carriages or motor cars over miles of excellent roads were all mapped out and tariffed in a terse but comprehensive guide-book. Such was living at Nauheim. Dying, I feel sure, was equally well arranged; it was never allowed to obtrude itself upon living; it was kept out of sight."

During those weeks that Mr. Wister stayed in Germany no stranger and no German who was not behind the scenes at Berlin could have had the faintest suspicion that Prussia was getting ready for war. In Mr. Wister's mind, in spite of the actual unification of German sentiment that the war was occasioned, there is such a wide distinction between the country of Berlin and the seat of Germany that he thinks of them as having almost nothing in common except their common language. During his stay occasional hints reached him that the manners and methods of the people of Berlin were less commendable in every way than those of the rest of the Empire, but to those he paid no attention at the time. It was not until he had been away from Germany for a month and the war broke out, that he began to look at the Empire as a psychological phenomenon. The title of his address suggests the analogy of dual personality, and this well known psychic state in individuals, Mr. Wister considers exists in the German nation as a whole at the present time. To put it in medical language Germany might without much strain of phrases be said to have been acting under the hypnotic suggestion of Prussia ever since 1870. It is this idea that underlies a large portion of his address which follows his description of Germany at peace, and he illustrates it by two holidays of an opposite character that have taken place in Germany. The first was a Sunday afternoon opera given for the school children in Frankfort while Mr. Wister was there, and the second is the general national rejoicing that followed the sinking of the Lusitania.

In somewhat extended fashion, Mr. Wister surmarizes the historical and psychological process which Germany has undergone step by step since the time of Frederick the Great. He gives illustrations of this as manifested in various departments of German activity, and he reminds us that Heine was fully aware of the progress of this change when he wrote his Romantic School. The process had been steady but somewhat slow from Frederick the Great's time to the time of Bismarck, when the pace was quickened. On account of length, Mr. Wister was obliged to omit reference to several of the steps that led to Prussia's present ascendency over the German spirit. He considers that the acceleration of this ascendency was precipitated by the Franco-Prussia War, and that the present war is virtually the direct sequel or second chapter of the War of 1870. The educational methods by which Prussia after 1870, began to establish her ascendency, are briefly alluded to, and illustrations are given of their results.

Mr. Wister shares the opinion of most people who have studied present German conditions with a neutral mind, that Germany has been in a state of self exaggeration for some years, and that after the war came, this self-exaggeration augmented to mania. For this catastrophe which is three-fold, moral, mental and material, Prussia is to be considered entirely responsible and deliberately responsible. The hope is that when the war is over Germany will be able to see this and free herself from the baneful influence that has deluded her for so many years; an influence all the more baneful because the great material benefits that it brought seemed to make it justifiable.

Mr. Wister concludes with a reference to the United States and our relation to the European War. In his opinion we could do nothing but stay out of the war, and any other course would have been both futile and erroneous. Nevertheless it is evident that Mr. Wister considers it regrettable that at the time the Belgian atrocities were committed, no proof of them sufficiently authentic came to us that would have enabled us to enter our formal protest at the breach of the Hague Conventions. Conversation with various French, Belgian and English friends has given him the impression that when the war broke out, a definite moral stand was expected from this country. Mr. Wister puts into words a sort of composite statement of what these friends have said to him: "When this war began (they said) we all looked to you. You were the great Democracy, you were not involved, you would speak the justifying word we longed for. We knew you must keep out politically; this was your true part and your great strength. We altogether agreed with your President there. But why did your universities remain dumb? The University of Chicago stopped the mouth of a Belgian professor who was going to present Belgian's case in public. Your press has been divided. The word we expected from you has never come. You sent us your charity, but what we wanted was justice, ratification of our cause."

The limits of a public address did not permit Mr. Wister to present more than a very brief contrast of his impression of Germany immediately before the war with his impression of France and England at the same period of time. After leaving Germany he traveled for a short while in various parts of France, visiting Reims among other places. This was not his first acquaintance with France any more than it was with Germany. Most of the places to which he went were places long familiar to him. From the general aspect of the country, he did not get the sense of contentment and well-being that he derived from his sojourn in Germany. To him it seemed that there were both depressions and agitation in France. Moreover, the famous Caillaux trial cast a very unfavorable aspect upon political conditions in Paris. The appearance of Paris also did not impress Mr. Wister favorably. In England too he found a state of things less satisfactory than in Germany. The question of woman's suffrage had reached a stage so acute that the picture galleries were being closed in consequence of acts of violence perpetrated within them. To this source of disturbance, labor troubles of a grave nature

(Continued on page 7, column 3)

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Mr. Frank Richardson, son of Rev. and Mrs. N. R. Richardson, of Mount Holly, was among the graduates at Trinity College this year.

—Rev. A. L. Aycock, pastor of our church in Leaksville held revival services last week in which he was assisted by Rev. Dr. C. W. Byrd. We have as yet no report as to final results. The congregations were large.

—Rev. N. R. Richardson, of Mount Holly, called at the Advocate office on Friday. He and Mrs. Richardson were stopping with relatives in the city on their return from Trinity commencement.

—Rev. James H. Green and his singer, Prof. Newsom, are assisting Rev. J. F. Starnes in a meeting at Swannanoa. Services began last Sunday night. A large crowd was present and much interest manifest at the first service.

—The friends of Rev. and Mrs. L. P. Bogle, of Ruffin, will regret to learn that their oldest son, Lawrence, was operated on for appendicitis in the Danville Hospital last week, and at last report was seriously ill.

—Rev. G. W. Williams has recently closed a good meeting at Draper in which he was assisted by Rev. J. S. Hiatt, of Grace church, Winston. There were twenty-five accessions to the church.

—On last Thursday morning the Oxford orphanage formally opened the new department which is to take care of very young children. This building, which is referred to as the "Baby Cottage," will accommodate 30 or 35 little ones. There are already 15 children in the cottage.

—Miss Merrie Richardson, daughter of Rev. N. R. Richardson, of Mount Holly, is attending the Summer School at the State Normal College. Miss Richardson has been reelected a teacher in the Thomasville schools where she has been teaching for some time.

—Rev. A. L. Stanford, pastor of First church, Hickory, was in the city on Friday of last week, returning from Weldon, where he had been for some ten or twelve days assisting in revival services. He reported a fine meeting with large and gracious results.

—Mr. John A. Cousins, a faithful member of Spring Garden Street church, this city, died at the home of his son on Tate Street on Sunday afternoon. He was in his eightieth year and had been in fairly good health till some two weeks ago when he suffered a stroke of paralysis from which he finally died. He leaves a wife and two sons. His home until recently was in Wake county, where the body was taken for burial on Monday after funeral services conducted by the pastor, Rev. W. O. Goode.

—Bishop Kilgo and family are now moving from Durham to Charlotte. A letter from the Bishop requests that his Advocate be addressed to Charlotte hereafter. Durham regrets very much to give them up, and the college community in particular will miss the Bishop and his family. The Charlotte Observer says: Pending the arrival of their furniture here, Bishop and Mrs. Kilgo will spend several days with their daughter, Mrs. Elias, at Bryson City. Shortly after his arrival in the city a reception will be given in his honor at Trinity Methodist church to which all the Methodists of the city will be invited.

—West Market Street church and the city of Greensboro have suffered great loss in the death of Mr. Ezekiel Poole, which took place at St. Leo's Hospital on Monday morning. Mr. Poole was treasurer of the Board of Stewards of West Market Street church and one of her most devoted and faithful members. He was a native of England, but came to this country when a boy. About twenty years ago he married Miss Sallie Wyche, who with four children, three daughters and one son, survives him. He is also survived by his mother, of whom he was the only child. The funeral which was largely attended was conducted from West Market Street church on Tuesday afternoon.

A Word from Draper.—Our Sunday school has increased from an enrollment of 50 to 160. We have just closed a splendid revival, which resulted in a large number of conversions. Nineteen joined the Methodist church on profession of faith, three by certificate, and three joined the Baptist church. A large number of our converts were grown men, among them being the chief of police.

We were assisted in the meeting by Rev. J. S. Hiatt, of Grace church, Winston, whose sermons of power captivated the large congregations that filled the house at each service.

G. W. Williams.

Davidson.—There has been an interesting meeting going on in the Davidson Methodist church since May 30th. There have been about fifty professions of faith—some in and some out of the church. Several members will be added to the membership of the church. Possibly some may go to other churches. Rev. J. O. Ervin, of Charlotte, did the singing. No, not all of it but he organized and led the choir and he did it well. The preaching was done by Rev. L. D. Thompson, of Marion. Brother Thompson preaches the gospel in purity, simplicity and power and the Spirit makes it effective in producing conviction and confession. For ten days the congregations have been large and the church and community have had a splendid uplift.

D. F. Carver.

A Glad Day at Newton.—The fifth Sunday in May was Old Folks' Day. For the past four years the pastor, Rev. W. M. Biles, has given a special service to our old people. Sunday was a bright, pleasant day—an ideal one for the occasion. About 10 o'clock the automobiles went into different parts of town for the aged and the afflicted who could not well walk to church. By eleven nearly every seat in the church was filled. Others coming required chairs to be placed in the aisles. Uncle R. F. Amos is the oldest member of the church. He is near 88. Mrs. Eliza Carpenter was also present. She will be 87 in September. Aunt Rhoda Carter, who has been almost totally blind several years, is 80. Uncle Joshua Carter near 80, but still active. Quite a number above three score and ten were present.

Brother Biles preached from the text, "Be ye also ready." The hymns were selected by Mesdames Laura Cochran, Nancy Shuford, and Rosa Carter. Old men acted as ushers and collectors. The service was helpful to all present. Rev. G. D. Herman, preached for the old people last year, and Rev. R. M. Hoyle, the year before. It is wise and fitting that the old soldiers of the Cross should have due recognition, as well as those who fought on the battlefield.

A. C. S.

Spruce Pine-Bakersville.—We began a meeting at Oak Grove the fourth Sunday in May and closed the first Sunday in June, the meeting having continued sixteen days. During these services unsaved ones came to the altar crying aloud for mercy, and twelve found peace with God. Two or three of them joined the church some years ago, but had drifted back into sin. The others were young men and young women who had never made any profession. They were truly converted and now have that desire and determination to press forward in the Christian life. But it was sad to close the meeting, leaving some who would not yield to the wooing of the Spirit. There were nine additions to the Methodist church. Several gave their names for membership in the Baptist church and one or two had not decided which church to join.

The preaching was done by Rev. J. P. Morris, pastor, Rev. Mr. Garge, pastor of the Baptist church, and the writer. Each service after the first two or three, when the message was directed to the church members, a special message was brought to the unsaved.

We were glad to see members of both Methodist and Baptist churches come together and work for the salvation of the lost. The Baptist choir aided a great deal in singing. The churches were greatly revived, and the future for Oak Grove looks bright.

We plan to begin a meeting at Young's Cove next Sunday, June 13th. Brethren, pray for us.

Yours very sincerely,

E. L. Kirk.

West Asheville.—With more than half of my first year at West Asheville behind me I desire to write briefly of what has been done and the outlook for the future as I see it. This is a new town of nearly 5,000 people, situated on the west side of the French Broad river and overlooking the city of Asheville. With water, lights and street car service it is not so surprising that it has grown in such a phenominal way. Our splendid new church stands not far from the present center of population and on the same lot there has just been completed and paid for one of the best parsonages in the Conference. This is due in a large measure to the untiring efforts of my worthy predecessor, Dr. Atkins.

The church has grown perhaps as remarkably as has the town. Just a few years ago there was nothing here but an old dilapidated wooden church with a mere handful of members having preaching once a month and paying about $75.00 a year for it. There is here now what is frequently spoken of as the best Sunday school in this section of the state, and a church membership of 445, sixty of whom have been added since last Conference. Our revival meeting, of which I made mention at its beginning, continued for three weeks and has been referred to as one of the very best in the history of the church. A class of twenty-three has been received on profession of faith but more than one hundred people professed conversion or reclamation and the whole church was greatly revived.

We are serving an intelligent, loyal, liberal congregation with the age-old mountains in every direction lifting their heads grandly into and above the clouds. If the pounding on the night following the day of our moving into the new parsonage last winter was generous and enthusiastic the one which came at the close of our revival was doubly so. In these organized ways and in a hundred other ways the church and community have shown their interest in us and in the cause which we represent. We can only say that our appreciation is genuine and keen, and that we are resolved to do our very best in the service which we render to them.

Brother Wood as presiding elder is doing skilled labor in his characteristically quiet, unassuming way.

Sincerely,

J. Frank Armstrong.

McKendree Home-Coming

On Saturday the third day of July, next, we will have a "home coming" at McKendree church on Mooresville circuit. All members and former members of this church with their descendants and all the friends of old McKendree are cordially invited to be present and enjoy the hospitality of the day. Also any one who believes in the improvement of our country life, and especially the country church life, will find a glad welcome among us on that occasion.

Some speakers of note from without our community will be secured to address us on some theme of country betterment. Besides this, some of the most capable individuals of our own community will have a place on the program. Among these will be the well-known Rev. J. W. Jones; also Mr. M. W. White, of Mooresville, who is preparing a historical sketch of the church to be read on the occasion. In addition to the foregoing, some old time songs by the old folks will contribute to the pleasure and profit of the day. One who knows how to lead them has been engaged for the purpose.

At the noon hour there will be a picnic spread in the beautiful grove that surrounds the church.

Do not wait for a second invitation, but plan now to be present and to enjoy the day with us.

The chief speaker will be announced later.

J. T. Ratledge.

REPORT OF ASHEVILLE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Asheville District held its regular annual conference at Brevard from June 2nd to 4th, resulting in one of the most inspiring and successful meetings ever held in the history of the Asheville District. The great success of the conference was due almost entirely to the untiring efforts of the presiding elder, Rev. Chas. A. Wood, who spent much time in arranging a most unique program and securing the best speakers possible to carry the theme that ran through the whole conference, namely, "The Church" and its varied duties and activities.

The conference opened Wednesday evening at eight-thirty with a full attendance of preachers and an unusually large number of laymen from well nigh every charge in the district. Rev. J. C. Harmon, pastor of Bethel church, Asheville, gave the opening sermon on the subject of "The Church is the Body of Christ." He showed that the church is the embodiment of the mind and spirit of Christ, and although it embodies Christ imperfectly, yet it actually does it and no other body, movement or institution accomplishes this task.

Thursday morning's devotional services were held by Rev. W. L. Rexford, of Hot Springs, who continued with the general program of the conference, on the subject of "The Church is the Mother of the Children of God." He showed that the church is the matrix used by the Holy Spirit to mould the character of the individual Christian to conform to the mind of Christ.

"The Church is a Brotherhood," was the subject of Rev. E. M. Hoyle, of Haywood Street church, Asheville, who showed that there is no real church without love and good fellowship. Mutual helpfulness must grow out of a vital faith in Christ and a sense of spiritual kinship of man with man, ultimately reaching the heart of Christ. He showed that the brotherhood of man is one of the all absorbing questions of the present age and more and more the church must be the leader in bringing this theme to an actual realization in the hearts and lives of all mankind, even to the uttermost parts of the heathen world. At the afternoon meeting Brother Hoyle continued the program with an address on the topic of "The Church —Its Mission is Salvation." He showed that the main mission of the church is to get people saved, not in masses necessarily but individuals. It must cultivate their Christian characters and bring them to a Christian perfection.

Rev. W. F. Womble, pastor of Hendersonville Methodist church, followed the above speaker on the subject of "The Mission of the Church is to Save the World." This is the bed rock basis of the foreign missionary enterprise. Rev. W. A. Newell showed that "The Mission of the Church is to save Society." All of the social and political life of the world is to be brought into harmony with the purpose of Jesus. This address provoked much discussion on the part of the laymen and ministers, many of whom differed with the views of Brother Newell.

The subject of the topic for Thursday night was "Christian Education—an End and a Means. Prof. C. H. Trowbridge, principal of the Brevard Institute, conducted the session, and Rev. W. A. Newell was the principal speaker, There were several short addresses given by Miss Wilson, representing the Brevard Institute cause; Miss Allison, of Brevard, the interests of Greensboro College for Women, and Mr. Will Allison the work being done at Trinity College. The address by Rev. W. A. Newel was one of the most forceful and convincing on "Christian Education" that was made during the conference.

Friday morning found the conference in one of the most interesting sessions, with the subject of "The Church—Its Agencies." Dr. D. Atkins, pastor of North Asheville church, led the exercises with a sermon on church organization. He showed that our best work is team work. We can do nothing better than make church organization effective. Rev. Chas. A. Wood, presiding elder of the district, followed Dr. Atkins with some forceful words on "The Ministry." He called attention to the fact that the call to preach is from God and the church, therefore the church must carefully consider who is called to preach, for in licensing men we are workers together with God.

The session of the conference was then turned over to the laymen, with L. B. Rogers, Asheville district lay leader, as conductor of the exercises. In a short address he showed that all forms of religious activity of men and women are a part of the life of the church, and must be animated and directed by the spirit of Christ, else the church becomes a house divided against itself. Several interesting and instructive addresses of five minutes or more were delivered by the following laymen: F. S. Wetmer, and Vance Norwood of Hendersonville station; T. H. Galloway, of Brevard station; J. C. Alexander, of the Sulphur Springs circuit, M. D. Shook, of West Asheville, and Zeb F. Curtis, of Central church, Asheville.

The business sessions of the conference were by no means less interesting than the devotional exercises. Brother Wood had facilitated matters to a great extent by having blank reports for the preachers. These reports were turned over to the various committees, which in turn gave the condition of the various departments of the churches in the district, thus doing away with a considerable number of unnecessary reports from the preachers.

The report of the committee on the spiritual state of the church was one of the most gratifying in the history of the district. This committee, of which Rev. E. M. Hoyle was chairman, showed that the plan of the presiding elder at the beginning of the year, when the preacher's meeting was held in Asheville in December, was a great success. At that meeting the presiding elder requested that the preachers of the district pray that an increase of at least fifty new members be added to each charge by profession of faith, during this conference year. The committee showed that 279 members had been added on profession of faith from the charges reporting and that 510 had been altogether. This totals a membership of nearly 9,000 for the district. The report says, that probably never in the history of the district have there been so many additions on profession of faith this early in the year. This large addition has been made before the revival season, which is largely in the summer and fall months.

In view of the large number of churches without prayer meetings the committee urged that some move be taken whereby more churches, especially in the country districts, could have prayer meetings. The laymen of the Conference took this matter up and it is thought that those churches which are now without prayer services will have services at least once a week.

The committee on examination for license and recommendation for admission recommended that Jackson Wiley Carver, of the Haywood Street Methodist church, Asheville, be licensed to preach, and the conference voted unanimously in his favor. The following local preachers' characters were passed and license renewed: L. C. Smart, Nebula Brittain, J. R. Warren, M. Rowland, H. L. Brown, E. B. Clapp, J. F. Edwards, S. L. McIntosh. The following ordained local preachers' characters were passed: H. E. Walter, J. M. Hawkins, F. M. Pressley, W. A. Mitchell, J. B. Hyder, J. W. Hunter, D. P. Lamb, A. H. Starnes, N. A. Miller, T. E. Ray, A. J. McDevitte, T. J. Huggins and S. H. Hilliard.

Brevard Institute

One of the most interesting and instructive hours of the conference was a visit that was paid to the Brevard Institute. The conference adjourned Thursday afternoon for the purpose of inspecting the plant of the Institute and marched in a body to this great missionary institution. Brevard Institute is kept up almost altogether by the Woman's Missionary Society and many of the preachers expressed themselves as believing the Institute was doing the most thorough and far-reaching work of its kind of any institution in the state. The institute is largely an industrial plant and gives the boys and girls of Western North Carolina who are unable to pay for an education the opportunity to have a rudimentary education. These pupils are taught a trade or given vocational instruction so that when they finish this institute they are ready for making a creditable living, if they do not care to continue their educational pursuits. However, all of the scholars are urged to go on to a higher institution of learning.

Annual Conference Delegates

Friday was a busy day for the conference. The delegates to the Annual Conference were elected and the following are expected to go: Zeb F. Curtis, of Central church, Asheville; Vance Norwood, of Hendersonville station; Prof. C. H. Trowbridge, of Brevard, and F. M. Felmet, of Haywood Street, Asheville. The conference with a unanimous vote decided to go to Weaverville next year for the district meeting. L. B. Rogers was re-elected as district lay leader for the coming year.

The reports from the various other committees were heard and practically all of them were gratifying and showed that advancement had been made in almost every department of the church. Mrs. Stone, of Asheville, secretary of the Woman's Missionary Work in the Asheville district, gave a very interesting report on the work being done by the Woman's Missionary Society, and the conference rose in a body endorsing and pledging its support to this cause. The great cause of missions is still advancing, and although the depression is having some influence on the contributions, there is an advance over any year according to reports. Sunday school work and Epworth Leagues are progressing and the district bids fair to make the best report ever made in these departments.

The committee on education showed that a great work had been done by Weaver College this year. This college has just completed the most successful year in the history of the institution and is still looking toward greater things. Although the college does not have the strongest financial support, a suppart that it might have, yet the trustees are making plans whereby all debts can be eliminated and also an endowment raised for its support.

The efforts of Prof. C. H. Trowbridge have brought forth great results at Brevard Institute. This has been the best year in the history of the institution and much of the success of the institute is due to the untiring efforts of Prof. Trowbridge.

R. L. Ferguson, Secretary.

A Shower

Please give us space in the paper to express our gratitude to the kind friends of Main Street Methodist church of Thomasville for their kind thoughtfulness in remembering the pastor and family of Thomasville circuit in such a practical and substantial way. May they realize the truth: "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

J. B. Tabor.

Missionary Notes from Field Secretary

Haywood Circuit, R. C. Kirk, P. C.—Fines Creek, $28.75 on assessment; Mt. Zion, $122.00, assessments in full; Crab Tree, $80.75 on assessments.

TRINITY COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT

(Continued from page 5)

were added, more serious still was the question of home rule in Ireland, which threatened to precipitate a civil war at almost any moment.

Both the state of France and the state of England were abruptly changed by Germany's action. Mr. Wister narrated how various people of these nations and of Belgium had told him that the danger and the invasion had brought at once to the surface all the best qualities of these nations, and that in one sense misfortune had not been wholly evil in its results.

It is to be noticed that Mr. Wister refrained from uttering any word of prophecy about the outcome of the war, beyond the general conviction that he asserted that in the long run, it could not result but in the success of the cause of the Allies. No matter what a man's faith may be, it is plain that we go on in existence where what we call the forces of good and of evil are in perpetual conflict. At times the conflict is more perceptible than at others; and it is Mr. Wister's opinion that never before in history have those powers which we include in the name of God been in such terrific war with those powers which we assemble under the name of Satan.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

CONFERENCE OFFICERS

President
Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson ..Greensboro
First Vice-President
Mrs. H. K. Boyer ....Winston-Salem
Second Vice-President
Mrs. Mattie H. Stewart ....Charlotte
Recording Secretary
Mrs. E. L. Bain .....Winston-Salem
Corresponding Secretary
Mrs. H. A. Dunham .....Asheville
Treasurer
Mrs. P. N. Peacock .....Salisbury
Supt. Mission Study and Publicity
Mrs. W. R. Harris .....Asheville
Supt. Social Service
Mrs. T. F. Marr .....Charlotte
Supt. Supplies
Mrs. J. N. Hauss .....Thomasville
Distributor of Literature
Mrs. W. C. Houston .....Concord

A BOX OF OINTMENT

It was only a box of ointment broken,
And over the feet of the Master poured;
It was all that she had, a little token
Of love that she felt for her blessed Lord.

But the Master's quick eye of pity noted
The tears of repentance that would not cease;
And his gracious and loving words were quoted:
"Thy sins are forgiv'n; my child, go in peace."

It was only a little word of kindness
To one that she saw on the busy street,
As he sat in his poverty and blindness;
To him 'twas the fragrance of ointment sweet.

And he said as she passed: "God bless the woman;"
His face was aglow the livelong day;
And he mused to himself: "'Twas more than human,
An angel of mercy hath passed this way."

So if only the little things are needed,
A cup of cold water, if giv'n for love,
Is as ointment poured out, and shall be heeded
And written for us in the Book above.

Amelia M. Starkweather.

AN OMISSION

In our issue of June 3rd, there appeared a "Tribute of Love" from a friend, written in memory of Mrs. Rebecca A. Hotchkiss of Charlotte, mother of Mrs. Mattie H. Stewart, our Conference second vice-president, who passed to her reward on the afternoon of May 21st, and unfortunately the name of Mrs. Hotchkiss was omitted entirely from the article. We do not know whose fault it was, but we are very sorry that it should have happened. We are anxious that our readers should know for whom this ttibute was intended for it came from one who, though knowing Mrs. Hotchkiss for only a few years, had learned to love her very dearly for her many beautiful traits of character and because her life was one that drew to her those with whom she came in contact.

NEW ORGANIZATIONS

Our young, wide-awake District Secretary of the Charlotte District, Miss Daisy Cuthberton, has recently made a most successful visit to Marshville and while there organized three new societies, an Adult, Young People's and Juniors. We hope the good work may go on throughout our districts until we have an auxiliary in every church and every woman and child a member. Now is the time to work for the organization of every church into a live missionary society, now, during the church-wide campaign that has been inaugurated by our Woman's Missionary Council.

Will not each one of us volunteer to help our faithful district secretaries in this great work?

Adult Society, Marshville

President, Mrs. M. P. Blair; first vice-president, Mrs. J. Z. Green; second vice-president, Mrs. Sallie Griffin; corresponding secretary, Mrs. H. C. Ashcraft; recording secretary, Mrs. Alice Bivens; treasurer, Mrs. Charles Bowman; superintendent mission study and publicity, Mrs. J. W. Williams; superintendent social service, Mrs. W. G. Hearon; superintendent of supplies—none reported.

Young People's Society, Marshville

President, Miss Euna Bailey; first vice-president, Miss Frances Vaughan; second vice-president, Miss Leitha Hamilton; corresponding secretary, Mr. W. B. Marsh; recording secretary, Miss Lee Plyler; treasurer, Mr. Lonnie Perry; superintendent mission study and publicity, Miss Lina Covington; superintendent of social service, Miss Kate Bailey; superintendent of supplies, Mr. Lonnie Barrino.

GREAT WOMAN'S MISSIONARY CONGRESS, SAN FRANCISCO, JUNE 6-13

Under the auspices of the Panama-Pacific Exposition and in charge of the Council of Women for Home Missions and the Federation of Woman's Foreign Missionary Boards in the United States, a Woman's Congress of Missions convened in the Exposition Memorial Auditorium, San Francisco, June 6-13. This Congress represented every Protestant denomination, including over 3,000,000 women.

A large committee of Washington, Oregon, Navada and California women, headed by Mrs. Paul Raymond, honorary chairman, and Mrs. E. G. Deniston, chairman, had charge of the program which embraced a discussion of every phase of our missionary work, as well as most interesting reviews of the new books suggested by the Council for our study.

Mr. Grant Wallace, editor of Convention News Bureau, says: "that never before in history have women taken so prominent a place before the world as they have taken at the Panama-Pacific Exposition. The exhibits which have been brought to demonstrate woman's achievment and ambitions appear side by side with the best efforts of the other sex. The greatest exhibit ever seen bearing upon Child Welfare appears in the Palace of Education under the competent and sympathetic supervision of Dr. Anna Strong, a very young woman of mature ideas. A large number of the 825 conventions and congresses meeting in or about San Francisco, under the auspices of the Exposition, are gatherings of women, treating subjects which a few years ago were deemed fit only for the hands and minds of men—treating them ably and well.

Here gathers the Federation of Women's Clubs, the W. C. T. U. and a large gathering scheduled to meet soon under the leadership of Mrs. Mary Wright Sewall, is a gathering in the interest of peace and it is hoped that about the standard of this eloquent woman may gather a nucleus of a movement which shall ultimately cure the world of a disease called war."

From the last of May until the last of July we find that there is in session at the Exposition many interesting and important conventions, which will be directed toward the accomplishment of definite purposes such as the general uplift of mankind, the abolishment of many existing evils and a strengthening of the social fabric of this and other nations. In fact the keynote of the many conventions seems to be Human Service.

MRS. D .B. COLTRANE

Feeling deeply their loss in the death of their president, Mrs. D. B. Coltrane, the Woman's Missionary Society of Central church, Concord, N. C., held a most impressive memorial service on the faternoon of Monday, June 7th, at which time many beautiful tributes to the life and character of this sainted woman, were given.

From Concord Times of June 7th we are taking the following tribute written and read by Mrs. W. D. Pemberton, an intimate personal friend of Mrs. Coltrane:

"It is an old aphorism that 'death loves a shining mark,' but never before have we seen it more forcibly exemplified than in the death of Mrs. D. B. Coltrane, whose sweet and gentle spirit left its beautiful tenement of clay and on the morning of June 1, 1915, returned to God who gave it.

Just in the prime of womanhood with a life so full of noble deeds, she went bravely out, leaving a tender husband, five dear daughters, one son, three brothers, two sisters, and a host of friends sorely bereaved and grief-stricken.

The home call leaves many sorrow stricken hearts and nowhere, perhaps, except within the bounds of her home, will the shadow fall more heavily than upon the loving hearts of her friends and colleagues of the Woman's Missionary Society of Central church. We will sorely miss, as we meet together from time to time, the sweet face, the sunny smile, the pleasant word with which she greeted one and all, and the wise leadership of Mrs. Coltrane. She loved her church, was faithful in attendance and was ever loyal to all its interests, but if there was one department which she loved more than another, it was the missionary cause. It was there she allowed herself 'to spend and be spent' in the service of her Master.

She was a charter member of this society and from that time forth her enthusiasm knew no limit in this great work. For twenty-one years she labored in this cause as president, when failing health forced her to resign, but this year, realizing the needs of her society notwithstanding her frail condition she, again, assumed the duties of the office.

Being a charter member of our society, she was president when there were obstacles and opposition to the missionary cause. By faith and prayer she converted these obstacles into stepping stones to greater usefulness and thus became one of the trusted corner-stones upon wnich rests the society of Central church.

In her home Mrs. Coltrane was a devoted wife, a Christian mother—one who looked well to the ways of her household. No sacrifice was ever too great for her to make for her children. She gave unstintingly of her time and means in her effort to extend her Master's kingdom. Even when enduring physical suffering she talked and planned church work. Only last Sunday (her last on earth) although suffering intensely, she requested that the flowers that had been sent to her, be taken to her church for the service.

Mrs. Coltrane was one of our best loved women. We loved to follow where she led. She was especially gifted as a leader and a wise counselor. The talents committed to her keeping were turned to the best account in her Master's interest.

A striking example of the tender regard in which her church held her, was shown on Monday afternoon when, despite the downpour of rain, twenty-five or more women met at one of the homes and held a prayer service for her recovery.

While she has been taken fom our midst, yet the good influences she set in motion will live on and bear fruit in the lives of those she has touched and blessed, for many years to come. Hers was a beautiful Christian life, carrying sunshine and blessing wherever she went—in her home, in her community, in her church and in her missionary society. None need ask of her, "Art thou of Christ?" for her work and her life bear testimony that she had been with Jeseus and learned of Him, and that she had in her the spirit of the Master."

As one month during each quarter of this year is to be devoted to a social service study, and as "The Adolescent Boy and Girl" are to be the subject of that study. We are glad to present in this issue a paper read at the district meeting of the Salisbury District held in Forest Hill church, Concord, N. C., dealing with defective and dependent children.

THE MOST APPROVED METHODS OF HANDLING THE DELINQUENT AND DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Mrs. W. D. Pemberton

When Christ the anointed One came to establish His kingdom on earth, He took little children up in His arms, put His hands upon them and blessed them, exalting childhood and investing it with a new, deep and sacred meaning. "Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones," was His injunction. "Of such is the kingdom of heaven." "Suffer little children to come unto me." The Master himself placed the child in the midst, giving it a central position anu today His spirit is turning the hearts of parents, teachers and Christian workers more and more earnestly to the child.

In view of the fact that such a large per cent. of our juvenile delinquents come from homes where divorce and desertion are found, we readily see in order to rid ourselves of this trouble, adequate divorce and desertion laws must be made and enforced. Vicious home conditions are other seeds that bear the fruit of delinquency and must be improved. Every effort we can make to christianize and rehabilitate the home is our very best preventive work. And as the delinquent and dependent children are usually below the average physical basis, medical inspection of school children and the establishment of free clinics, both medical and dental, every effort to improve health and sanitary conditions among the poor and every effort to prevent the propagation of feeble-mindedness is in the preventive work class and should receive our hearty support.

A good child-labor law, properly enforced, is the first work in an effective response to Christ's command, "Suffer little children to com unto me and forbid them not." Far too often child labor involves moral dangers. The cross can conquer only as it protects the child from excessive work. Preventing child labor does not solve the problem, but is the absolutely essential first step.

Prohibit child labor and you give the schools a chance. You assure the child his play time and remove from his shoulders a great burden he is unable to bear. For this step the church nicely uses the state, since nothing but effective legislation can prevent child labor. Cities furnish ninety per cent. of the delinquents, due to the failure of society to provide adequate correctional methods and institutions, industrial and vocational education and adequate playgrounds for the children.

Cities are beginning to realize that in organized play under proper supervision lies the most immediate and effective cure for juvenile delinquency. An adequate outlay in public parks, with sand piles, wading pools,

(Continued on Page 14)

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

EPWORTH LEAGUE CONFERENCE LAKE JUNALUSKA, AUG. 20-21

Our conference will meet during the general Epworth League Conference and will take in Friday and Saturday. This will give the benefit of week-end rates, with the privilege of staying over Sunday. We have not arranged the program yet but it will be well worth attending. Go prepared to take in the General Epworth League Conference as well as our own conference. It is a delightful place to spend your vacation and the rates are reasonable. There are several matters we would like to call to your attention before the conference.

1. The payment of the chapter Epworth League dues to the General office in Nashville. The dues are $2.50 per chapter. It is necessary that they be paid promptly as it takes money to run the general office and it will take money to conduct the Epworth League Conference at Lake Junaluska.

If your chapter has not paid these dues, do so at once.

2. The payment of ten cent assessment to our conference. This assessment calls for 10 cents for each member to be paid to our conference treasurer for the work of the League in our conference. A chapter of 30 members would pay $3.00; of 20 members, $2.00, and so on. Our treasury is rather low at present and we urge you to pay this assessment at once. Send money to Rev. C. M. Pickens, Spencer, N. C.

3. The Africa Special. Our conference pledged to the General Board last summer about $300.00 on the Africa Special. In order to raise this amount the large chapters should raise from $25.00 to $50.00 each, and the smaller ones $20.00, $15.00, $10.00 and $5.00 each. Junior chapters, Knights of Ezelah and Girls of Epworth might contribute $2.00, $3.00 or $5.00 per chapter. If we each will pay our part we will not miss it ourselves, but rather will be receiving a blessing, and it will not be any trouble for our treasurer to raise this Africa Special. These funds are also sent to Rev. C. M. Pickens, Spencer, N. C.

We are giving below a facsimile of a card which is being sent out to the missionary superintendents from the Mission Board.

* * * *

THE LEAGUE CONFERENCE IS COMING

Missionary Superintendent, Attention!
Has Your League Made Its Offering for Africa?

Remember that when Bishop Lambuth returned from his second trip to Africa and made his report, asking for eight thousand dollars to take care of work already projected and another eight thousand for new work, it was found that there was not a penny in the treasury of the Mission Board that could be appropriated for the Africa Mission. Our deliverance came when Dr. Parker, speaking for the Epworth League, offered to carry the burden for Africa. At this moment it is easier to get a young man to go to Africa than to get a thousand dollars to take care of him. Will your League help? If so, remember three things:

1. If your League has made its pledge to Africa, collect it at once.
2. If it has not made a pledge, take an offering at the very next meeting in time to report to your Conference.
3. In remitting money be sure to designate clearly, "Africa League Special."

E. H. Rawlings,
Secretary Board of Missions M. E. Church, South, Nashville, Tenn.

* * * *

4. Have you appointed your delegates to the Epworth League Conference at Lake Junaluska? If not, do so at once. There ought to be some young people in each League who would be willing to go and pay their own expenses; and each League should send at least one delegate and pay his expenses. We want to have a large delegation and we can assure each person who goes that they will never regret it.

The officers of the Centenary Epworth League, Winston-Salem, are as follows: President, Linville Powell; vice-president, Miss Frances Medearis; secretary, Robins Lowe, treasurer, Miss Mary Cash; superintendent of spiritual work, Miss Mary Pulliam; superintendent of social service, Miss Norwood Wilson; superintendent of recreation and culture, Miss Lois Cash; superintendent of missions, Miss Mattie Wilson. They hold their meetings as follows: Devotional meetings, every Sunday, 7:15 p. m.; culture meetings every first Friday, 8:00 p. m.; business meetings, every third Friday, 8:00 p. m.; council meetings, forty-five minutes before business meetings.

CENTENARY, WINSTON-SALEM

An attractive program was rendered last Sunday evening at the regular church hour, 8 o'clock, by the Winston-Salem Centenary Epworth League. The loose collection of the evening will be applied by the League on the Africa Special, which the W. N. C. Leagues are raising. The Centenary League will raise $25.00 on this. This League has about thirty-five members and the average age is hardly nineteen. The program used was as follows:

Prelude—"Variations on an Ancient Hymn,"—Whitney.
Gospel Song No. 191 in Revival Praises—"Onward, Christian Soldiers."
The prayer.
Duet: "God Will Take Care of You"—Misses Blanche Huls and Tarasa Graham.
The Scripture lesson.
Talk: "The Importance of Training Young People for Church Service"—Mr. D. L. Hardee.
Solo—Mrs. Woodruff.
Reading: "A Missionary's Dream"—Miss Bessie Hutchins.
Collection. Male Quartet: "Blessed Is He That Readeth"—Colburn, Messrs. Bynum, Cromer,, Nunn, Taylor.
Gospel Song No. 199 in Revival Praises, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."
Benediction.
Postlude: "Toccata"—Barlett.

Between man and man, or between man and brute, justice is righteousness. So between nations, or orders of men, justice is the law of duty. Justice is the cement of mankind. A nation or empire which neglects to be internally just, falls asunder by discord or decay. To be first just and then loving, is to advance toward fulness of virtue.—Francis Newman.

TAKE ME WITH YOU

Are you going to the seashore?—Sunburn. Take me with you.
Are you going on a picnic?—Insect bites. Take me with you.
Are you going in for athletics?—Bruise. Take me with you.
Are you learning how to cook?—Burns. Take me with you.
Are you often afflicted with headaches?—Take me with you.
Are you readily subject to colds—Take me with you.

—Mentholatum.

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective April 18th, 1915

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester Lv.	7 43 a m	12 05 p m			
Yorkville "	8 29	1 55			
Gastonia "	9 24!	4 00			
Gastonia "					
Lincolnton "	10 15	5 30			
Newton "	10 55	6 15			
Hickory "	12 05 p m	7 05	1 00 p m	6 45 a m	
Lenoir "	1 08	8 20	2 04	8 30	
Lenoir "	2 00x				
Mortimer "	3 17				
Edgemont Ar.	3 27				
Southbound	**NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only**	**NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.**
Edgemont Lv.	10 00 a m				
Mortimer "	10 08				
Lenoir "	11 20!				
Lenoir "	1 35 p m	6 00 a m	8 15 a m		
Hickory "	2 35	7 15	9 12		
Newton "	3 05	8 00			
Lincolnton "	3 43	8 55			
Gastonia "	4 30	10 23			
Gastonia "	5 00x	11 00			
Yorkville "	5 47	12 28 p m			
Chester Ar.	6 35	2 15			

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. **CHESTER, S. C.**

This Is Top Dresser Year

If you have fertilized your crops, lightly at planting time, or used fertilizer lacking in potash, it is not too late to remedy this, provided you Top or Side dress with a fertilizer containing sufficient proportions of all three necessary elements of plant food—Phosphoric Acid, Ammonia and Potash. Do not make the mistake of using a material that contains Nitrogen (Ammonia) only, such as Nitrate of Soda. To get the increase in fruitage as well as stalk and foliage, use ROYSTER'S TOP DRESSERS, which not only provide ammonia in quickly available form, but also phosphoric acid and POTASH.

ROYSTER'S TOP-DRESSERS

TRADE MARK F. S. R. REGISTERED.

Will stimulate the growth of your crop, increase the yield, overcome unfavorable seasonal conditions, and check the tendency in cotton to blight and shed.

BRANDS

	Available	Ammonia	Potash
PRESTO TOP DRESSER, - -	4.	10.	4.
ROYSTER'S SPECIAL TOP DRESSER,	4.	7.50	2.50
MAGIC TOP DRESSER, - -	--	9.	3.

Royster top dressers, like all Royster Fertilizers, are backed by experience: compounded on scientific principles: plant-food for the plant at just the proper time and in right proportions: mechanical condition perfect. Look for the trade-mark on every bag.

Send postal for book on Top Dressing and name of nearest Royster Dealer.

F. S. ROYSTER GUANO COMPANY,

Norfolk, Va. Charlotte, N. C. Tarboro, N. C. Columbia, S. C.
Spartanburg, S. C. Atlanta, Ga. Macon, Ga. Columbus, Ga.
Montgomery, Ala. Baltimore, Md.

Our Dead

ROBINSON—Brother Z. R. Robinson departed this life at his home at Troutmans, Iredell county, at 8 o'clock p. m., March 14, 1915, after an illness of two weeks. This simple announcement will be the occasion of great sorrow to a large circle of relatives and many friends. Brother Robinson was born in Catawba county April 13, 1862.

Brother Robinson was a man of marked characteristics in spirit. He was gentle and kind, yet of a firm and decided nature. In his home his price was above rubies for he looked well to the ways of his house. He opened his mouth with wisdom and his tongue was the law of kindness. He excelled in his fidelity the trust committed to his heart and hands within the sacred precincts of his home and yet according to the testimony of those who knew him most intimately he was never unmindful of those in his immediate community who needed his sympathy and help. He stretched out his hand to the poor, yea he reached forth his hand to the needy without sounding a trumpet or allowing his left hand to know what his right hand did. But while this phase of his character makes his memory a precious ointment poured out to those bereaved by his departure, there was another element of character possessed by him that should be more precious still, and that is, the Christian faith of his life. He made a profession of religion about 28 or 29 years ago and united himself with the M. E. Church, South, and ever afterward remained steadfast to the end.

True he will be missed by a large circle of friends and his departure may seem an irreparable loss to his devoted wife and friends, but they will mourn not as those that have no hope, but his influence and prayers will still linger with them while he has entered into the peace of God, which is full, unbroken and forever. He has left loved ones here, but he has been gathered unto loved ones there. He has entered into his heavenly home and into that home he beckons his loved ones to come.

Inasmuch as it has pleased our Heavenly Father to remove from the Sabbath school at Troutmans, our brother, Z. R. Robinson, therefore, be it resolved:

First, That we bow in humble submission to him that doeth all things well.

Second, That we have lost from our number a faithful, devoted member, but believing that he is safe at home we feel that our loss is his eternal gain.

Third, That we will ever cherish his memory and strive to emulate his example.

Fourth, That we extend our sincere sympathy to the bereaved family, and commend them to him that doeth all things well.

Fifth, That a page in our minute book be inscribed to his memory and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family and to the Christian Advocate for publication.

E. M. Wagner,
E. A. Matheson,
R. S. Kyles,
Committee.

GENTRY—E. Alice Gentry, nee Lasley, born Dec. 21, 1858, died May 26, 1915. She was reared by a saintly widowed mother whom everyone that knew her called "Grandma," her father having died during the Civil war. Thus in childhood she was surrounded by that Christian influence that finally ripened into that lovely character that was so discernable in her Christian life.

She was united in holy wedlock to Thomas F. Gentry thirty years ago, and to that union were born ten children, four of whom died in infancy. Those that survive are: Joe C., Robert F., Roy W., Floyd L., Howard J., and Howell O. Gentry.

She united herself to the M. E. church at Mt. Tabor eleven years ago and has been a faithful member of same.

She fell to rest on the morning of May 26th into the arms of Him who allows no pain, sorrow, sickness or death there. Besides a host of friends and relatives to mourn the loss of one so dear, are three step-sons, Messrs. Arthur M., T. Conrad and Will R. Gentry, who always felt that nearness to her and she to them that could only be felt and filled by "mother." We join in sympathy with the bereft husband and sons, relatives and friends.

She was carried a short way from her home and placed to rest in the church yard at Mt. Tabor to await the resurrection. My prayer is for her sons and friends that they be as we believe she, ready to appear before the Great Judge.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. A. R. Surratt.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, our Heavenly Father has called from our midst Mr. George P. Dodson, one of Thomasville's most saintly men and one who for half a century was a faithful and devoted worker in our church and Sunday school, being superintendent of our Sunday school for thirty-five consecutive years, and, whereas, we shall greatly miss his consecrated influence among us, therefore be it resolved:

First, that we humbly bow to this dispensation of our loving Father, who in tenderness takes his children from a life of physical pain and suffering to live with Him "where the weary be at rest."

Second, that we extend our sympathy to those who were near and dear to him and who in a special manner miss his presence. We bid them rejoice in the blessed assurance that there was laid up for him a crown of righteousness to be received at the hands of the Lord, the righteous Judge.

Third, that a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of our Sunday school and that one be sent to the home.

R. L. Pope,
J. C. Green,
J. N. Hauss,
Committee for Main St. Methodist Sunday school.

IRVIN—Oliver W. Irvin was born March 30, 1845, and died May 6, 1915. For several months he had been in very feeble health and the end was not unexpected. At an early age he became a member of the M. E. Church, South, at Jamestown, and for many years did faithful service as steward in the church. He was always ready and eager to contribute to the support of his church.

With the death of Brother Irvin the community has lost a good and valuable citizen. He was a man who could be depended on in the battle of right against the wrong. He took his stand and was always found on the right side of every moral question.

P. E. Parker.

KNIGHT—Jeanettea A. Knight was born August 17, 1830, and passed to the house above April 5, 1915. She was the daughter of Abel and Elizabeth (Starbuck) Knight. She was one of a large family of brothers and sisters, of which Asa Knight is perhaps best remembered in this community. All of these have passed away except Mrs. Annie Williams, of Richmond, Indiana.

Jeanettea Knight was a birthright member of the Society of Friends, but many years ago she joined the Methodist church at Muir's Chapel and continued a faithful member of same through her long life. For many years she taught school and impressed upon the lives of her pupils the necessity of leading upright, Christian lives. She was full of good works. The sick and needy received cheer and assistance from her. For years her home by the wayside was known to the traveler who stopped at the well to refresh himself and his jaded team and receive Christian literature, papers and tracts to take to the family at home.

On December 17, 1914, the nephews, nieces and other relatives moved her to the home of Cornelius S. Knight that in her decline she might have the careful attention of this family. The devotion of Cornelius and Susan Knight to this aged aunt is an example of faithful Christian service to the whole neighborhood. P. E. Parker.

DEAN—Brother Scott Dean, wh had been a citizen of Elk Park fo many years, and one of the bes known and best loved men of thi section, died at his home here las Monday morning.

He had been suffering for severa weeks with a complication of disea es from which doctors and hospita could give him no relief.

The deceased was 58 years old. Fo many years he was an efficient eng neer on the E. T. & W. N. C. R. but for the last few years had bee engaged in various business here i town.

Mr. Dean was a good citizen, a lo al husband, a loving father and a co

YOU CAN OWN THAT PIANO NOW!



Now, while we have these rebuilt pianos on sale, you'll find it easy to make your dream of years come true!

Remember, we are Makers—and can offer lower prices—and easy terms.

Write for catalog and prices.

Great Bargain in Used Pianos $125 Up
REPAIRED IN FIRST-CLASS CONDITION

Charlotte, N. C. STIEFF 820 S. Tryon St.

Great Sport This Summer at the ALTAPASS INN



ON THE TOP OF THE WORLD

SPEND your vacation at the Altapass Inn on the Crest of the Blue Ridge Mountains—the Summitland of Eastern America—looking down upon all the World. Explore the Appalachian Wonderland, the tallest mountain peak, the deepest canyon, the most beautiful waterfalls and picturesque river gorges in the Eastern Half of the Continent. This wonderful New Playground Above the Clouds, with a thousand revelations in store for you, now lies at your very door and is now quite as accessible as the lower resorts in the foothills of the Blue Ridge.

Fast trains over The Clinchfield Railway, the scenic route through the Appalachian Wonderland and the marvel of modern railway science, now render Altapass and the Summitland quickly accessible from every point in the South. Special Vacation Rates, June 1—Sept. 30.

THE ALTAPASS INN—QUEEN OF THE SUMMITLAND

Offers you a thoroughly efficient hotel service, affording every comfort, convenience and pleasure, with no useless expense for luxuries and mere ostentation.

The most delightful and invigorating summer climate amid the highest altitudes in the Eastern half of the Continent.

Mountain scenery, which for beauty, variety and grandeur, has no superior in all the world. Convenient to the Natural Wonders of the Appalachian Summitland. Mt. Mitchell, Linville Falls, Gorge of the Nolichucky. the Linville Canyon, etc.



Fast trains, good connections, excellent telephone, telegraph and mail service, livery, saddle horses, guides, coaching roads, mountain trails and bridle paths.

Neat, clean and attractively furnished rooms, with, or without private baths, spotless linen, comfortable beds and efficient maid service.

A bountiful table supplying a menu of wholesome and inviting food tastefully prepared and artfully served.

Steam heat, electric light and model water and drainage systems that make the health record of Altapass unparalleled.

No mosquitoes, malaria, typhoid or flies. All apartments thoroughly screened and the utmost sanitation enforced. Resident physician.

Special rates for children and servants. Comfortable accommodations for colored as well as white nurses and attendants.

A courteous and efficient management that has attracted the most desirable and congenial patronage. An ideal social environment.

Write for illustrated booklet, rates, timetables and connections. Address,

THE ALTAPASS INN,
Box 33 Altapass, North Carolina.

sistent Christian, and gave abundant testimony that he was prepared and unafraid to go. Few men have faced the deep, dark tragedy of death with greater Christian fortitude.

Mr. Dean was also a member of the Masonic fraternity for 25 years, as well as a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

He leaves a family of a wife and six children who mourn his departure. They are Mrs. Scott Dean, of this place; Mrs. Richard Norris, of North Wilkesboro; Mrs. Mackie and Mrs. Frank Angel, of Cranberry; Harry and Myron Dean, of Spartanburg, and Miss Myrtle Dean, of North Wilkesboro.

Funeral was conducted at the Methodist church, where the deceased was a faithful member, by his pastor, Rev. L. B. Hayes, and afterwards was laid to rest in the cemetery at Cranberry, with full Masonic honors.

His pastor.

ELLIS—Mrs. Nina Ellis, daughter of John E. and Emma L. Hamrick and wife of L. D. Ellis, was born August 26, 1874, and died April 1st, 1915. At the early age of 15 she professed faith in her Saviour and joined the church at Elk Park where she remained a loyal member and a consistent Christian from that date until her death. She was married to Mr. L. D. Ellis December, 1892, and was blessed with the sacred office of motherhood over four children, three of whom are living. They are: Mrs. Thad Tucker, Misses Nellie and Jenny Ellis, of Cranberry. She is also survived by two brothers and five sisters: Mrs. J. N. Prichard, Mrs. J. M. Dearmin, Mrs. W. M. Dunn, Mrs. Mary Swan, Miss Birdie, Mr. O. D. and Justin Hamrick, all of Elk Park.

Mrs. Ellis was a good, true woman. As a wife and mother she was almost ideal. The character of her sainted mother seemed to be reflected in her own life and her sweet Christian spirit won for her the love of all who knew her. Every good cause had her interest and support. Especially was she faithful to her church, and all her pastors found a home beneath her roof. Her sad departure was bright with hope, and those who mourn are "not ignorant concerning them which are asleep," but are able to "see the stars shine through their cypress trees."

L. B. Hayes.

SHUPING—Mrs. Nancy Elizabeth Shuping was born July 21st, 1830, and departed this life Jan. 31st, 1915. Mrs. Shuping's maiden name was Mull. She was married to Alexander Shuping, of Rowan county, Nov. 20, 1846. Thirteen children were born to this union, six of whom survive, viz., daughters, Mesdames J. P. Stacy, W. T. Hudson, J. F. Woodward, Hiram Deaton; sons, J. A. and C. L. Shuping, all of Morganton.

Mrs. Shuping had been a consistent member of the Methodist church since the year 1877, first at old Providence, and then transferred to Bethel, on the Morganton circuit, where she was a valued member until her death. Funeral services were conducted from the home of J. F. Woodward and burial took place in Forest Hill cemetery, Morganton. Her life was spent in Burke county. She was known and loved by hundreds of people, among whom she spent her life.

It was my privilege to visit her frequently during the last year. Much of the year she was in failing health. But her faith in God never wavered. Her closing moments bore testimony to this faith, when she faintly sang,

Come, thou fount of every blessing,

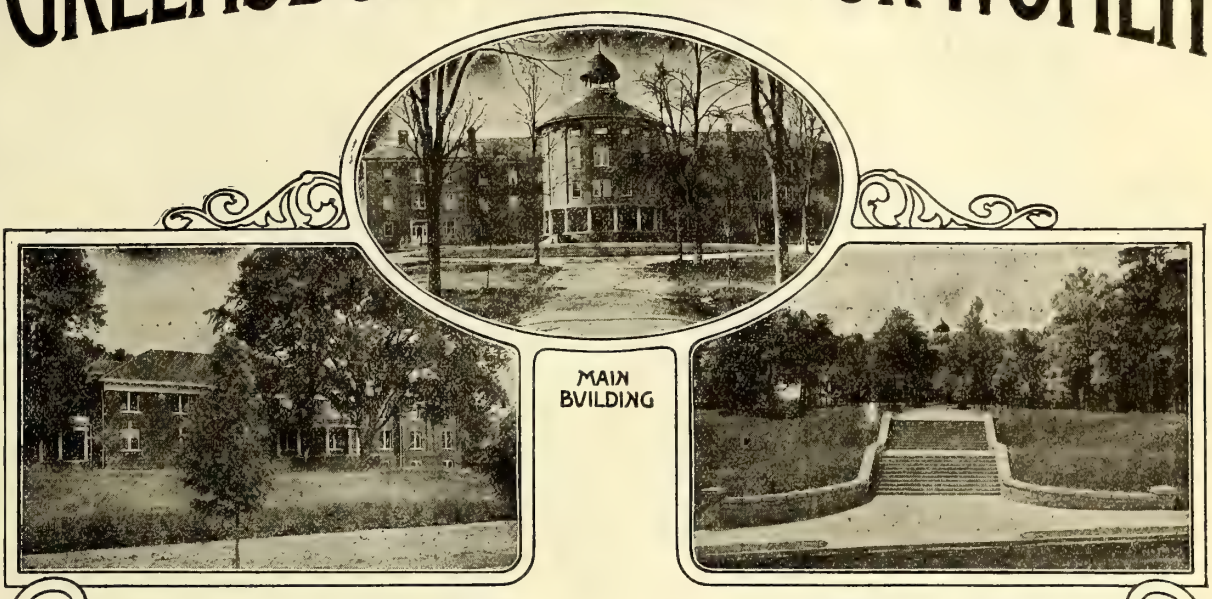
* * * * * * * * * *

Here's my heart, O, take and seal it;
Seal it for thy courts above.

She sleeps, she rests. "It is well with her soul." The memory of her life will ever be a blessing to her children and grandchildren, and hosts of friends.

A. C. Swofford,
Pastor.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY – FITZGERALD HALL

ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

We, the committee representing the Betterment Association in session assembled, do resolve that in the recent death of Mrs. G. H. Christenberry the Society loses an invaluable member and officer, the community a beautiful, Christian character, and the family a loving, faithful and devoted wife and mother.

Mrs. A. N. Bulla,
Mrs. E. P. Hayes,
Mrs. Frank Talley,
Miss Maud Fox,
Committee.

HARRELSON—Mrs. Mary Ellen Harrelson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Craft, was born in Cleveland county, N. C., Nov. 26, 1881, and died at her residence in Cherryville, N. C., April 21, 1915. She married Mr. W. C. Harrelson Jan. 5, 1902. She leaves a father, a brother, sister, husband and four children.

Mrs. Harrelson was a worthy daughter of a Christian home. She was a devoted wife and mother. Prudent in speech, faithful in the discharge of all her duties, she was a favorite among her neighbors. From a child she led a Christian life. After her marriage she joined our church at St. Paul, where she continued in consistent membership until her death, and where her body is buried.

The sad throng that turned from the flower laden grave bore eloquent, though silent testimony to their high appreciation of the beautiful life that was ended, and of deep sympathy for those most bereaved.

"Then let our sorrows cease to flow;
God has recalled his own,
But let our hearts in every woe,
Still say, 'Thy will be done.'"

W. T. Usry.

There is a principle which is pure, placed in the human mind, which in different places and ages hath had different names; it is, however, pure, and proceeds from God. It is deep and inward, confined to no form of religion, nor excluded from any, when the heart stands in perfect sincerity. In whomsoever this takes root and grows, they become brethren.—John Woolman.

BLYMYER CHURCH BELLS. UNLIKE OTHER BELLS SWEETER, MORE DURABLE, LOWER PRICE. OUR FREE CATALOGUE TELLS WHY. Write to Cincinnati Bell Foundry Co., Cincinnati, O.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

The Sunday School Lesson

SECOND QUARTER—LESSON XII—JUNE 20,1915

A Prayer for the Tempted (Temperance Lesson) Psa. 141

Golden Text—Keep me from the snare which they have laid for me. Psa. 141:9.

Summary of the Lesson

Robert Browning has a line somewhere which runs, "I seemed myself the foe from which I fled." The one hundred and forty-first psalm was written by a man who was afraid of himself. He was afraid of his own deeds and of his own words. He distrusted his own heart. He prays to be delivered from himself.

To be sure he recognizes the danger that comes from without. He would be delivered from people who tempt and from people who destroy. But quite the deepest word in his petition is its request that his own heart be delivered from evil inclination. The ruler of a man's heart is the ruler of his life.

A Sense of Need

The great war in Europe has taught many men and women to pray. The breakdown of civilization has given them a new sense of weakness and impotence. A complacent and self-sufficient generation has come to a sudden understanding of its inner poverty. Disillusionment and suffering have brought men face to face with their need of God.

The first remarkable thing about the psalm which we are studying is the candor with which its author faces his own need. He does not hide behind an ideal picture of himself. He frankly and honestly looks upon his deeds had words and draws forth the motives coiling invisibly in his heart, and he finds that all he sees gives him reason for grave alarm. Some fine intuition teaches him that to excuse a sin is to add another to it. He uses no time in trying to make that which is black somehow appear to be white. He candidly admits that his inner and outer life are in danger of moral disintegration. He surrenders to a sharp sense of need. He knows that evil allures him, and he desires to be delivered from it.

When a man realizes that he is being tempted he has taken the first step toward conquering the temptation. When a man refuses to admit that an evil desire is evil, he is in the greatest danger of all. To call things by their right names is to take the first step toward dealing rightly with them. The man who listens to the voice of a false pride and stifles his sense of need at once comes to be in greater need than ever.

A world in a state of moral discontent is never a hopeless world. There is a certain literature of restless souls which is frequently criticised and whose faults are obvious enough. Its virtue lies in the fact that it is at least the outpouring of a sense of need. When this sense becomes sharpened until it is a clear recognition of moral helplessness it brings the life to a place where it is ready for some great word of help. A world of moral candor is ready for some powerful message of rescue.

A Cry for Help

A man was kneeling at the altar of a little Methodist church in a country village far from the nervous vibrations of city life. An old fashioned revival meeting was in progress, and while the people sang songs of the divine invitation, and welcome and forgiveness, this man knelt in a tense agony of struggle. At last he reached out his arms and deep from his soul there came a great cry for help. On the wings of that cry his soul entered into the sanctuary of peace.

The one hundred and forty-first psalm is a cry for help wrung from the heart of a tortured, struggling man. His whole soul becomes vocal in his call for succor in the midst of life's battle.

If it is true that

"It is not the words of the prayer,
But the yearning back of praying"

which finds the ear of God and brings an answer, then surely this outcry of an anxious longing heart has the secret of entrance into the mind of God. That man is not to be pitied especially who "has no language but a cry" if that cry comes leaping up from a sincere and passionately earnest heart, and seeks the ear of God with its poignant message of need. The man who is master of every sort of language except a sincere cry of need is the man who is in a place of danger.

There is the bright sunrise of a noble promise in the world when men are calling out for help in the midst of life's moral and spiritual strife. Every such cry represents the birth pangs of a nobler life. It tells a story of moral candor and of spiritual aspiration which will come to golden harvest. The moral life of the world depends at last on the genuineness and depth of its call for help.

Some men try to solve the problem by developing a philosophy of life which allows them to believe that they need no help. They would cure the disease by denying its existence. The author of the psalm we are studying refused any such ignoble subterfuge. The proof of the authenticity of his manhood is found in the sharp sincerity of his cry for succor.

The Great Helper

"That man prays as if some one is listening," was the comment of a thoughtful observer after a simple, gripping prayer. There are prayers which do not suggest the sense of the Divine Listener. It was such an utterance which suggested the cutting comment, "That was one of the most brilliant prayers ever delivered to a Boston congregation."

A man may work out a psychology of prayer which quite leaves God out of account. It may be a very clever and interesting piece of analysis, but it happens to ignore the really defining matter in all the great prayers of the world. The moral transformation wrought by prayer would have been impossible without faith in the Infinite Listener. He is the supreme fact in the life of prayer.

The psalmist thinks of God as one who can enable him to change his activities, to control his speech, and to transform his motives. His courage and hope are based upon this intimate and powerful sense of the way in which God works in individual lives. To put it paradoxically, he almost feels that God is nearer to him than he is to himself.

One of the temptations of the modern man is to be more interested in the mechanics of prayer than he is in the dynamics of prayer. There is no particular harm in a man's having an intimate knowledge of the play of the process of prayer in human life. But he needs all the while to realize that its secret is not here. Its secret is not in the realm of mechanical interaction at all. Its secret is in the presence of the Lord God Almighty who hears and answers.

Safety

The psalmist gives us a swift picture of the man of prayer, completely safe amid the break-up and tragic falling-apart of the life about him. "Let the wicked fall into their own nets, whilst that I withal escape." Plotting and conspiracy may be about him, but he is to find his security in God.

The safety of the soul is found at last in its inner preoccupation. When a man's mind and heart are so full of God that there is no room for evil thoughts and evil feelings, there is an experience of the noblest moral security in the world.

The safety of the outer life is found in the fact that God is in control. The final undoing of good cannot come to pass in a universe where God reigns. There may be hard and bitter discipline, there may be far flung punishment which settles like a nightmare upon the world, but these things do not represent the last word. The last word is the triumphant vindication of God, and the glorious realization of the hopes of the righteous.

To be sure these things must sometimes be held by faith rather than by sight. The present European conflagration has seriously disturbed the faith of some men in the moral order of the world. The only thing which they can see is the moral disorder of the world. They need to realize that they are facing no new problem, but simply a problem which is being brought home to their imagination in a new, vivid way. The ages since the death of Christ have been full of just such tests. The men of other centuries have met them in triumphant faith. Shall we be less capable of the noble venture of trust in God than they?

The security of a stable faith in God is itself the greatest sort of protection amid the confusions of the world. Like the author of the one hundred and forty-first psalm we must cherish our vision of safety through the power of God. It is deeply true in our age that "the just shall live by faith."—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in N. Y. Christian Advocate.

LETTERS THAT INSPIRE CONFIDENCE

I wish very much that every reader of the N. C. Christian Advocate could spend sufficient time in my office to read the thousands of letters which I have received from all parts of the country. I have printed several hundreds of them in a booklet, but I wish you could see the originals, for I would like for you to realize the wonderful results which they report in the relief of dyspepsia, indigestion, persistent headache, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney, bladder and liver diseases, uric acid poisoning and other conditions due to impure blood.

Before my own health was restored by Shivar Mineral Water and I purchased this Spring, and before I received all of these letters from sufferers, I didn't take very much stock in advertisements like this. I therefore can not blame you if you doubt, but, my friend, I am **absolutely convinced** that the Shivar Spring is the greatest restorative mineral spring ever discovered, not excepting the famous Spas of Europe. I have shipped this water to thousands of sufferers in all parts of the United States, and they almost invariably report either permanent restoration or beneficial results. That is why I make the guarantee offer contained in the following letter. Sign it now and mail it.

Shivar Spring,
Box 5J, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen,

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)

Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You run no risk whatever in accepting his offer. I have personally witnessed the remarkable curative effects of this water in a very serious case.

This Hose Lasts Longer Than Others

Goodyear-Akron Lawn Hose lasts longer than others because it is made to do that. It is made by the makers of the famous Goodyear Automobile Tires. Composed of five layers of alternate new, live rubber and strongest braided cotton. Absolutely seamless. The thick corrugated outer coat, with its six extra large rubber ribs, does away with twisting and kinking. They add immensely to its life.

GOODYEAR AKRON Lawn Hose

Buy Your Garden Tools Here

We Have Everything You Need

ODELL Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER

Proprietor

GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY

DISEASES OF STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL

General Insurance

General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland

108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

Our Little Folks' Department

A BRIDGE FOR TIPTOES

Hey there, Rex." Neighbor Crane in his big farm wagon pulled up his horses at sight of the two children coming out of the house he was passing. "Now's your chance to send that white goat of yours down to the little sick girl at Topham Center. I can take him this morning as well as not. Don't know when I'll be going Topham way again, either."

Rex and Alice stopped short on the doorstep and looked dismayed. For weeks they had been trying to think of a way to send Tiptoes and the goat carriage down to their little invalid cousin, who could not walk a step. But here they were just starting for the picnic at Three Islands, with not a minute to spare.

"We shall miss the boat if we stop to go all the way round to the pasture to get Tiptoes," cried Alice.

"If we don't send him now we've got the chance, Lily will have to stay in the house another six weeks, and maybe all summer," argued Rex.

"I s'pose we can live if we don't go to the picnic," said Alice rather fretfully.

They had both been counting on this picnic, which was to be the nicest of the season. And the little steamer made only one trip a day down to Three Islands. But Alice helped Rex get out the little old carriage and put it on the wagon, and then both children set off at a run to bring the goat from the pasture.

"We might get back in time if only we didn't have to go around the ravine," panted Alice.

The ravine was a wild, tangled gulley, with a foaming brook at the bottom. It ran along for some distance between them and the pasture, and there was no way to get across it.

"Here's Tiptoes now!" cried Rex, stopping short.

The little creature was standing in the pasture just across the ravine, looking over at them.

"O, if we could only get him across!" cried Alice. "But we haven't any wings, Tiptoes, nor an airship, neither."

"There's a bridge, though." Rex pointed out a slender tree which had blown down in the night and lay crosswise over the top of the deep gulley.

"O Rex, it would not hold you! You would fall into the ravine and be dreadfully hurt or drown in the brook." Alice looked quite frightened at the idea.

But Rex only laughed. "I never said I was going to walk on it myself. But it's a good enough bridge for Tiptoes. Don't you remember how he walked that little rail on top of the stone wall and turned round on it, too, with his four feet in a bunch, when I called him?"

Alice remembered. That was the day that Tiptoes earned his name. She opened the paper bag of ripe cherries she had in her hand. She had meant to carry them to the picnic and had forgotten to put them down when they started in such a hurry for the pasture. She held a handful of cherries so that Tiptoes could see them and began to call him. "Goats never fall, do they, Rex?" asked Alice anxiously as their pet got his four little feet, one after another, on the slender bridge.

And Tiptoes answered her question himself by coming across as cleverly as a kitten. He munched the cherries, stones and all, and kept close at their heels as they ran back to the house. Mr. Crane was still waiting in the road, and the steamer from down the river was just coming up to the wharf near by.

"Tiptoes wasn't going to let us miss the boat," laughed Rex as they ran for the landing.—Mabel S. Merrill.

BEHOLD THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS WITHIN YOU

When Olive came down to breakfast her eyelids were red from weeping. Mother had told her the news of the evening before: how father must be taken on a long vacation journey because he had a "nervous breakdown;" how little brother Dick must go along because he was too young to leave; and, most dreadful news of all, how she (Olive) could not be taken along, but must go and stay with Cousin Louise.

Mother's face showed how sorry she was for her little daughter, and she said: "It will be hard, dearie; but think of the happy days when we are all home together again and father is well."

"But it will be so lonely and stupid at Cousin Louise's, mother!" Olive's eyes began to fill with tears again as she thought of the big, gloomy house where Cousin Louise lived with her servants. "There is no one to play with, and Cousin Louise is so—so different."

"Yes, dear; mother understands. But suppose my little daughter tries this plan: suppose she tries to keep her own life so bright and cheery and happy that some of the goodness and brightness shall light up even Cousin Louise's home. You know why Cousin Louise has become so unhappy."

Then both mother and Olive thought of the dear little only daughter who had died the year before.

Two days later Olive stood alone in the dull little bedroom in Cousin Louise's home which was to be hers for six months. "I hate it! Cousin Louise is awful!" Then she added: "But for mother's sake I shall try to be a good girl." And she rubbed her soft little hands over her face and smoothed the frowns away. Presently she went down into the kitchen, where cook was preparing supper. "O Nora, I'm glad to see you again!"

"Well, well, dearie! It is good to see a child around this old house. Why, child, you're a sight for sore eyes." And Nora's own eyes began to beam. "Perhaps you can bring a little sunshine"—

"Why, that's what mother said, Nora! I'm going to try," interrupted Olive.

It wasn't easy work. Olive realized that when she was called to supper and sat at the lonely, quiet table opposite gloomy-faced Cousin Louise, whose black gown made the little girl want to shiver. But the supper that Nora had prepared was good, and Cousin Louise could not help smiling as she watched her little guest enjoy it.

"O Cousin Louise, it was kind of you to have chocolate cake! I just love it!" she exclaimed as the waitress gave her a large slice.

Cousin Louise looked pleased. The drawn face lost still more of its sadness when, after supper, Olive told a funny story about little brother Dick.

Olive knew that she was making a good beginning. That night she said over and over: "I will be a good, happy girl. I'll remember how mother keeps bright and how father keeps cheerful."

Now, if a child tries as hard as Olive tried to fill her life with goodness, the most wonderful things are bound to happen. And do you know that when the six months were over, and father and mother and little Dick came back, Cousin Louise had opened her heart to the sunshine?

Father's first sermon after his return was about this Bible verse: "Behold, the kingdom of God is within you."—M. Florence Brown.

MAKING MARY SMILE

One icy day Bertha slipped on the school steps and broke her right arm. After that the days seemed very long, for of course she could not go to school. Sometimes she could not think of a thing to do.

Now, if you or I should break an arm, somebody would ask us how we felt and play lotto or checkers with us or read to us. But Bertha was quite alone all day. Her big sister, Mary, went to the judge's office to write letters for him. That was the way Mary earned money for them to spend. They bought cocoa and coal and lots of other things with the money that Mary earned writing letters for the judge; but Bertha liked the coal and the cocoa best. When Mary came home late every afternoon, she put coal on the fire and made cocoa and toast. When supper was over and the dishes washed and put away, they would cuddle up in the big chair by the fire and talk and tell stories until bedtime.

They were very happy until that icy day when Bertha broke her arm. After that Mary looked sad and worried when she hurried off in the morning. She knew that Bertha was lonely without her and that sometimes the broken arm hurt when no one was there to hear about it and to say "I'm sorry."

Bertha did not want Mary to be unhappy; so she tried to think of a way to make her laugh. She thought she would ask the washerwoman to give them one of the fat, gray kittens she had seen in her kitchen. Bertha thought that Mary would surely laugh at a little playing kitten. But when the washerwoman came she told Bertha that the three kittens had been given away.

"Now," she thought, "I must think of something else. I really must." And she did.

The next morning as Mary turned at the corner to wave her hand, Bertha flattened her nose and chin against the glass and made a funny face; and when she saw it, Mary smiled.

"How long did you smile at my funny face this morning, Mary?" Bertha asked when Mary came in late in the afternoon.

Then Mary smiled again and said, "All the way to the drug store," and the next day she said, "As far as the church."

Bertha hoped that some morning she would be so funny that Mary would smile all the way to the post office.—Elizabeth Colson, in the Mayflower.

This is the children's age. More time, more thought, and more energy are in this generation given to the study, development and discipline of children than has even been attempted systematically in any past century. The seed-thoughts on this subject scattered by Christ upon the soil of the first century are coming to blossom and fruitage now in the twentieth. Emerson quotes an old gentleman as saying that all his life had been spent in a most unlucky time of transitions: when he was a boy the greatest respect was paid to old age, and now that he was old the greatest respect was paid to the children.

The true father of today directs his energies to his children's advancement, physically and intellectually. The spiritual, in some cases, is as carefully fostered, but in the majority of homes the realization has still to dawn that the child who early learns the great fundamental truth of Christ's love has a power within which will mold and strengthen his whole career. —Homiletic Review.

What if the days are dreary,
What if earth wears no smile;
A gate will open outward
In such a little while.—E. L. Beers.

Keep your smile pinned on!
It may give another cheer;
It may soothe another's fear;
It may help another fight
If your smile's on tight. —Ex.

FRECKLES

Now Is the Time to Get Rid of These Ugly Spots

There's no longer the slightest need of feeling ashamed of your freckles, as the prescription othine—double strength—is guaranteed to remove these homely spots.

Simply get an ounce of othine—double strength—from any druggist and apply a little of it night and morning and you should soon see that even the worst freckles have begun to disappear, while the lighter ones have vanished entirely. It is seldom that more than an ounce is needed to completely clear the skin and gain a beautiful clear complexion.

Be sure to ask for the double strength othine as this is sold under guarantee of money back if it fails to remove freckles.

LOOK UP the insurance and write us. Glad to furnish information. Glad to assist you in any way.

THE NATIONAL MUTUAL CHURCH INSURANCE CO. CHICAGO

Serves and **saves Methodism,** and is now rendering a greater service than ever. Insures against fire, lightning and tornado on easy terms of payment.

Is your church participating in these benefits? If not, why not? Pastors protect your property on advantageous terms with us. Write for our calendar and pamphlet.

HENRY P. MAGILL, Sec. & Mgr., Insurance Exchange Bldg., Chicago.
MRS. ALICE HARGROVE BARCLAY, Agent, M. E. Church, South,
314 Norton Building Fourth and Jefferson Louisville, Ky.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

STOCK LICK IT--STOCK LIKE IT



No Dosing—No Drenching
Every Animal Its Own Doctor
Drop Brick In Feed Box—It Will Do The Rest
A Handy Medicine—It Salts 'em Too
Saves Time, Labor and Veterinary Bills
You've tried the rest—Now use the Best
Sold and Guaranteed by Best Dealers Everywhere
25c per brick; $3.50 for 15 brick; $6.75 per case of 30 brick, (*We Pay The Freight*)
Order from us if your dealer won't supply you
Best Worm Medicine and Tonic Ever Produced

Blackman Stock Remedy Co., Chattanooga Tennessee

P.S. You will never buy stock powders after trying our Medicated Salt Brick. Medicated Salt costs less but is not as convenient or economical. We sell it, but if you want it why not buy the medicine from us and make it for less than half? It's easy mixed—we tell you how. B. S. R. Co.

Fanny Crosby's Story OF NINETY-FOUR YEARS

Illustrated Cloth $1.00 net

JUST READY
At All Booksellers



By S. TREVENA JACKSON

Here the blind singer tells her own story, drawing on an extraordinary memory for the vivid recollections of nearly ninety years. The author knew "Aunt Fanny" intimately for more than twenty years, and it was during her numerous visits to his home that she dictated the material here brought together.

HER SONGS HAVE BELTED THE GLOBE

A book filled with memories, impressions and reminiscences never before related, forming a fascinating record of one whose name is known wherever the English tongue is spoken, and whose ministry of sacred song has belted the globe.

Board of Publication
Greensboro, N. C.

Recollections OF OVER Ninety Years

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A Wood, Presiding Elder Weaverville, N. C. Third Round

June
Henderson Circuit, Reedy Patch ..12-13
Hendersonville, night 13
Mills River, Mills River 19-20
Central, night 20
Flat Rock, Upward 26-27
Tryon and Saluda 27
July
Spring Creek, Balm Grove 3-4
Fairview, Patty's 10
Haywood Street, 11 a. m. 11
West Asheville, night 11
Walnut, Chapel Hill 17-18
Marshall and Hot Springs, Marshall, night 18
Weaverville Ct., South Fork 24
Black Mountain, Tabernacle 25
Sulphur Springs, Pisgah 31-August 1
August
Biltmore, Mt. Pleasant 1
North Asheville, night 4
Swannanoa 7-8
Bethel, night 8
The District Conference will meet at Brevard, June 2nd, 8 p. m.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C. Third Round

June
Seversville Ct., Trinity 12-13
Brevard, night 13
Thrift Ct., Big Spring 19-20
Trinity, night 20
Pineville Ct., Marvin 26-27
Calvary, night 27
July
Tryon 4
Belmont, night 4
Weddington, Ct., Weddington 8
Waxhaw Ct., Pleasant Grove 9
Prospect Ct., Prospect 10
Monroe, Central 11
Matthews Ct., Bethel, 3 p. m. 11
Lilesville Ct., Shady Grove 14
Morven Ct., Union 16
Wadesboro 18
Ansonville Ct., Wightman 20
Polkton Ct. 23
Marshville Ct., Gilboa 24-25
North Monroe, night 25
Unionville Ct., Zion 26
Spencer Memorial 1
Dilworth, night 1
District Conference at Polkton, July 21-23

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—James H. Weaver, Presiding Elder Greensboro, N. C. Third Round

June
West Market 12-13
Gibsonville, Gibsonville 13-14
Greensboro, Mt. Pleasant 19-20
Centenary 20-21
Pleasant Garden Ct., Bethlehem ..26-27
Spring Garden 27-28
July
West Greensboro, Grooms 3-4
Randolph, Pleasant Hill 10-11
Coleridge, Rehobeth 17-18
Ramseur & Franklinville, Ramseur, 18-19
Wesley Memorial, High Point 24-25
Main St., High Point 24-25
East End, High Point 24-25
Deep River Ct., White Hall 31-Aug. 1
August
Randleman 1-2
Asheboro 1-2
Denton, Siloam 7-8
Uwharrie, Salem 8-9

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C. Third Round

June
Old Fort, Providence 12-13
Marion Station 13-14
Thermal City, Trinity 19-20
Table Rock, Linville 26-27
Morganton Station 27-28
July
Broad River, Union 2
Green River, New Hope 3-4
Cliffside, Hollis 9
Forest City, Cedar Grove 10-11
Henrietta and Caroleen, Henrietta, 11-12
Rutherfordton, Gilkey 17-18
Morganton Ct., Denton 24-25
Connelly Springs, Warlicks ..31-Aug. 1
August
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Bakersville 7-8
Micaville, Shoal Creek 14-15
Bald Creek, Bald Creek 21-22
Burnsville 22-23
Marion Ct., Concord 28-29
District Conference at Gilkey, July 15-18

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C. Third Round

June
Leaksville 11-12
Draper 12-13
Jonesville 19-20
Elkin 20-21
Danbury, Sandy Ridge 26-27
July
Dobson 3-4
Pilot Mountain 10-11
Rural Hall 17-18
Yadkinville 24-25
Ararat 31
August
Ararat 1
Mount Airy Circuit 7-8

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C. Third Round

June
Wilkesboro, Roaring River 13
North Wilkesboro Station 20
Elk Park, Elk Park 26-27
July
Avery, Pisgah 1
Boone, Hopewell 3-4
Watauga, Hensons Chapel 10-11
Creston, Sutherland 17-18
Helton, Methodist Chapel 24-25
August
Sparta, Cox's Chapel .....July 31-1
Laurel Springs, Chestnut Hill 7-8
Jefferson, Bethany 14-15
District Conference at Elk Park, June 24-27.

Revival Meetings
Watauga .....July 6-15
Sparta .....Juy 31-Aug. 6
Jefferson, Bethany .....Aug. 9-15

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C. Third Round

June
Concord Circuit, Bogers 12-13
Epworth and Center, Center, 3 p. m., 13
Concord, Central, night 13
Cottonville and Oakboro, Cedar Grove 19-20
Norwood, Randalls 19-20
Albemarle, Central 27-28
Albemarle, First Street 27-28
Albemarle Circuit, Zoar, 3 p. m. ..26-27
July
China Grove, 11 a. m. 4
Spencer, night 4
Salem Circuit, Salem 10-11
Mt. Pleasant Circuit, Center Grove, 11-12
Concord, Westford, 11 a. m. 18
Kannapolis Station, night 18
Kannapolis Circuit, Unity 24-25
New London Circuit 31-Aug.-1
August
Gold Hill Circuit 1-2
Bethel and Loves Chapel 8-9

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C. Third Round

June
Bessemer, Bessemer 12
King's Mountain 13
Polkville, Lee's 19-20
Belwood, St. Peter's 26-27
July
Rock Spring, Rehobeth 3
Lincoln Ct., Ivey's Memorial 10
Lincolnton 11
Crouse 17
Stanly 18
South Fork 24
Lowesville, Hill's Chapel 27-29
District Conference at Lowesville July 27-29.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Lee T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C. Third Round

June
North Lenoir Ct., Harpers Chapel 11 a. m. 12-13
Lenoir Sta., Lenoir, night 13-14
Granite Falls and Hudson, Granite Falls, 11 a. m. 19-20
Hickory, First Church, Hickory, night 20-21
Alexander Ct., Rocky Spring, 11 a. m. 26-27
Stony Point Ct., Midway, 3:30 p. m., 27-28
July
Maiden Ct., Friendship, 11 a. m., 3-4
Newton St., Newton, night 4-5
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 11 a. m., 10-11
Davidson St., Davidson, night 11-12
Troutman Ct., Knox Chapel, 11 a. m. 17-18
Mooresville St., Mooresville, night, 18-19
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 11 a. m., 24-25
Cool Spring Ct., Rose Chapel, 11 a. m. 24-25
Iredell Ct., Macedonia, 11 a. m. 25-26
Broad Street St., Broad St.., 11 a. m. 25-26
Race Street St., Race St., 11 a. m., 25-27
August
Hickory Ct., Pisgah, 11 a. m., ...1-2

The Sunday School Institute and the District Conference of the Statesville District will be held in Broad Street church, Statesville, July 28-31. Wednesday, July 28th, will be devoted to the Sunday school institute. The institute will open promptly at 10 o'clock, a. m., on that day. We earnestly urge every Sunday school superintendent and every pastor in the district to be present at that hour. There will be something doing every minute. You cannot afford to miss a single item on this program.

The work of the district conference will follow that of the institute. Let every delegate, all the pastors, local preachers, and charge lay leaders be present when the roll is called; and we insist that all the members of the Conference remain until we adjourn on Saturday.

The congregations of Broad Street and Race Street churches will provide abundant entertainment, and we desire the fullest possible attendance.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, R. F. D. 2, Asheville, N. C. Third Round In Part

June
Haywood Ct., Davis Chapel 5-6
Fines Creek, Laurel Hill 8-9
Clyde, Maple Grove 12-13
Waynesville Station 13
Jonathan, Palmer Chapel 19-20
Webster, Dillsboro 26-27
Sylva Station 27

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C. Third Round

June
Walkertown, 11 a. m. 6
Centenary, night 6
Davidson, Good Hope 12-13
Southside, night 13
Forsyth, Crews 19-20
Liberty, night 20
Jackson Hill, Macedonia 26-27
July
Davie, Center 3-4
Mocksville 2-4
Advance, Advance 10-11
West End, night 11
Lewisville, Union 17-18
Salem, night 18
Farmington, Bethlehem 24-25
Cooleemee, night 25
Kernersville, Shady Grove 31-Aug. 1

WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT

(Continued from Page 8)

toilet facilities and the various forms of athletic equipment is simply a form of insurance against youthful crime which any town or city will do well to take advantage of. This, it seems to me, is the greatest need as preventive work, for if we are going to do anything of a permanent nature for man we must begin before he is a man.

The greatest reform, however, in recent years is the Juvenile Court. Perhaps the greatest reform in history, because it builds up the child, helps the human family in its constructive—its formative—period. Greatest because it gives the unfortunate, the neglected, the delinquent child a chance for life. Greatest because it gets at the cause of delinquency and undertakes to remove that cause. Greatest because its work not only remedies but prevents and constructs as well.

Juvenile court was born of a spirit of fairness and justice which proclaims that every child, no matter how humble, how unfortunate in his parents and environment, is entitled to a chance in life.

In conection with juvenile court we find the detention home in place of jails. This home is not a jail, but a refuge, furnishing a home temporarily for children until courts may dispose of their cases. Here they receive the care, custody and discipline that parents should give them. The principal purpose of the criminal court is to punish, while that of the juvenile court is to help. Then, to place the child in training school as it were, for crime, now to surround him with wholesome environment. Then the question was, Is he guilty? Now it is, What can we do to make him a good citizen?

The juvenile court has, too, the probation officer, who investigates the child, the parents, the home, the family, the surroundings, the associations, the school record and conduct of the child and reports it all to the court. By this means and with the help of the child the cause of the neglect or delinquency is usually located, then the task of removing the causes is undertaken.

Reformatories for boys and parental homes for girls are all great factors in the preventive work. Few of us realize what an army of women and men are engaged in the great work of bettering the conditions of these unfortunate members of society or how the work of aiding, building up and reconstructing the unfortunates is growing. While we are urging the conservation of forests, the water power and the natural resources of the states, let us also consider the conservation of the home, the children, the citizens of tomorrow. Let us conserve the seed corn of the nation, for such are the children.

MISSIONARY RALLY

Our Quarterly Conference and Woman's Missionary rally was held at Littlejohn's church, May 22nd and 23rd. Dr. Mann gave us a fine sermon on "The Barren Fig Tree." After dinner on Saturday the report of the spiritual state of the church was discussed from pastor's report. Then the Quarterly Conference set to work in the Sunday school annex, while Sister Leila Tuttle held a service in the main auditorium. Sunday morning after communion service, Sister Tuttle gave an inspiring missionary address to a large audience.

Afternoon Sunday the following program was rendered:

The Ideal Society, by Mrs. M. M. Courtney.

Mrs. M. B. Goodwin made an interesting plea on Stewardship and Mission Study. In one instance the study of a certain book on missions had led the class at Morganton to place a missionary in the field.

Miss Dora Anderson, of Lenoir, Route 5, gave a strong paper on Home and Foreign Missions. This was a strong plea for personal evangelism at home and abroad. Every Christian a soul winner for Jesus, was a prominent feature of this earnest plea.

Mrs. Wilson, of Lenoir, read a paper on Difficulties and Duties of Treasurer.

The liberal old time hospitality was in evidence at the dinner hours.

Mr. George Willis Clay was heartily recommended to the District Conference for license to preach.

T. S. Coble, pastor.

PANAMA—PACIFIC EXPOSITIONS, SAN FRANCISCO AND SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA

SOUTHERN RAILWAY—PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Very Low Round Trip Fares

Dates of sale March 1st to November 30th, 1915. Final return limit three months from date of sale, except that these tickets will not be good to return later than December 31st, 1915.

Low round trip fares from principal points as follows:

Charlotte	$84.15
Salisbury	84.15
High Point	84.15
Greensboro	84.15
Mount Airy	86.25
Gastonia	84.15
North Wilkesboro	87.85
Statesville	84.15
Hickory	83.25
Morganton	82.20
Winston-Salem	84.15
Shelby	82.60

Fares from other points on same basis. Fares to Seattle or via Portland and Seattle at higher rate. These tickets will permit of diverse routing and will allow stop-overs on both going and return trip within limit of ticket.

Southern Railway offers choice of several routes of historic interest from which to select; going one way and returning another. Through connections and good service via Memphis, St. Louis, Chicago or New Orleans. Through cars daily via New Orleans and Sunset Route. Special car parties now being arranged, affording opportunity to make trip without change and with select company on outgoing trip; returning at leisure via any route you may choose stopping off at your own pleasure thereby avoiding all the discomforts of going and returning with large tour parties, being compelled to follow the crowd. In going individually or with special Pullman car parties you spend your own money, stop where you please and go and come to suit your own convenience and save money paid tourist agents for escorting you around.

For further information apply to Southern Railway Agents, or

R. H. DeButts, D. P. A.,
Charlotte, N. C.

Our Children's Home

Conducted by Walter Thompson, Supt.

FIFTH SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Salem S. S., Wentworth Ct., Eugene J. McDonald, 70c; Lilesville church, J. E. Kerr, $1.40; Kestler's Chapel S. S., Rutherfordton, Miss Lola McBrayer, $1.00; Laurel Hill S. S., Candler, C. A. Eplee, 85c; Center S. S., Mocksville, W. B. Barneycastle, $1.00; Clark's Chapel S. S., Clyde, Jas. B. Hipps, $1.00; Moriah Memorial S. S., Balsam, Mrs. D. T. Knight, 44c, Haywood St. S. S., Asheville, H. A. Dunham, $6.20; Cold Spring S. S., Concord Ct., Oliver A. Swaringen, $1.40; Mt. Pleasant S. S., Clemmons, S. T. Naylor, 85c; Newton S. S., Newton, Jacob E. Setzer, $10.00; North Monroe S. S., Monroe, B. F. Sanford, $2.50; Horse Shoe S. S., Miss Bessie Lee Allen, $1.80; Elbethel S. S., King's Mountain, G. S. Ware, $1.85; Mountain Island S. S., Mt. Holly, Miss Lizzie McKelvey, $2.10; Dallas S. S., John F. Puett, $7.00; Cedar Grove S. S., Norwood, E. L. Landes, 48c; Vanderburg church, Mooresville, A. M. Gabriel, $1.15; Good Hope S. S., Advance, D. E. Ader, $1.55; Olin S. S., Olin, J. A. Weisner, $1.10; Granite Falls S. S., M. C. Forbes, $5.00; Mt. Zion S. S., Cornelius, J. B. Readling, $3.30; North Charlotte S. S., C. D. Moore, $1.40; Hiddenite S. S., A. C. Sharpe, $1.50; Mt. Pleasant S. S., Morganton, C. C. Hensley, $1.50; Thermal City S. S., Miss Fannie Weaver, $1.00; Trinity S. S., Statesville, Mrs. Earl Feimster, $1.46; Mill Creek S. S., Raven, D. L. Scott, $2.17; Ebenezer church, Lexington, W. C. Wilson, $2.25; Bethesda S. S., Lowell, A. M. Suggs, $2.36; Clarksbury S. S., Statesville, J. B. Parks, $1.25; Arcadia S. S., Lexington, L. E. Ripple, $3.49; St. Peter's S. S., Henry, Edny Willis, $2.20; Mt. Hebron S. S., Forest City, W. P. Allen, $7.50; Norwood S. S., Dr. T. A. Hathcock, $14.90; First S. S., Salisbury, Leroy A. Smith, $10.00; Oakdale S. S., Jamestown, Edward Jordan, $1.25; Glen Alpine S. S., A. M. Davis, $1.50; Long Creek church, Yadkinville, W. M. Boring, $2.08; Hopewell S. S Catawba, Alva Martin, $1.30; Troutman S. S., Rev. J. J. Eads, $2.67; Hudson S. S., E. J. Bowman, 60c; Salem, Cullasaja, T. R. Gray, $2.10; Bethel S. S., Old Fort, T. R. Burgin, $2.13; Harmony S. S., Concord, F. C. Bunn, $2.05; Dillworth church, Charlotte, Rev. J. O. Ervin, $2.00; Asheboro S. S., Jesse M. Scarboro, $5.21; Snow Hill S. S., Candler, Hoke S. Hall, $3.75; Midway S. S., Davidson Ct., H. A. Beckerdite, $3.16; New Hope church, Chesterfield, S. C., H. T. Griggs, $3.00; Peach Tree S. S., Murphy, Miss Judith Davis, $1.00; Pleasant Grove S. S., Crouse Ct., Rev. J. T. Stover, 40c; Crouse S. S., Rev. J. T. Stover, $2.42; Oak Grove S. S., Bakersville, E. L. Kirk, $1.00; Union S. S., Lewisville, J. R. Hauser, 50c; Prospect S. S., Siloam, J. B. Stimpson, $1.37; Burkhead S. S., J. A. Magee, Tr., Charlotte, $10.64; Forest City S. S., R. E. Biggerstaff, $4.28; Zion S. S., Thomasville, R. L. Stone, 80c; Lenoir S. S., Lenoir, J. G. Abernethy, $15.00; Mt. Olive S. S., Lexington, W. M. Zimmerman, $4.80; Grace S. S., East Winston, A. B. Hauser, $10.00; Mt. Zion S. S., Morganton Ct., S. M. Asbury, $1.50; Whittier S. S., S. E. Varner, $5.92; Webster S. S., J. L. Broyles, $1.00; J. W. Dayvault, China Grove S. S., $2.31; Mock's S. S., Advance, W. S. Phelps, $1.83; Snow Creek S. S., Statesville Ct., Mrs. T. M. Rickert, $1.50. Total, $204.72.

Amount Received on Special and General Support and Ten Per Cent. Assessment

Rev. R. L. Forbis, Concord, $4.25; Dwight W. Brown, McAdenville S. S., $7.54; Rev. Joseph J. Eads, Troutman Ct., $4.10; Rev. J. O. Ervin, Dillworth church, Charlotte, $5.00; Rev. J. T. Stover, Crouse Ct., $2.61; a friend, $5.00; J. S. L. Orr, North Charlotte, $10.00; Rev. A. S. Raper, Concord, $5.00; Cedar Hill S. S., Ansonville, A. E. Hendley, $1.30; Rev. B. A. Yorke, Hickory, Marvin church, $8; Fair Grove church, $15—$23.00; C. M. Edwards, High Point, $15.00; Rev. Jim Green, Denver, $23.17; Rev. W. S. Cherry, Beulah church, Moravian Falls, $1.95. Total, $107.92.

We gratefully acknowledge the receipt of a box of clothing from Mrs. W. H. Hill, Greensboro, and two shirtwaists from Miss Lelia King, Concord.

Building Fund—Rev. J. H. West

Brevard S. S., S. M. Verdrey, Tr., $10.00; Brevard Institute, Brevard, $10.00; Hon. S. P. Graves, Mt. Airy, $12.50; A. H. Nance, Asheville, $6.25; Capt. M. C. Toms, Hendersonville, $5.00; J. F. Thompson, Greensboro, $2.50; Mrs. S. J. Kyles, Mt. Ulla, $1.00; Z. G. Holtzclaw, Thomasville, $1.00.

OF INTEREST TO MONISTERS

A large financial institution of national reputation is offering special inducements, in the way of a permanent investment earning unusual profits, to *young men who are total abstainers* from the use of intoxicating beverages. This enterprise is endorsed by the National Inter-Church Temperance Federation, composed of prominent ministers and laymen of protestant denominations. Every pastor should be interested in furthering this undertaking, as it encourages economy and sobriety in the young men of his church and congregation. Accurate information will be furnished any pastor who will address a postal inquiry to Managers, P. O. Box, 25, Anderson, S. C.

Nancy Hall, Porto Rico, Norton Yam and Triumph Sweet Potato Plants at $1.75 per 1000. Prolific and Yellow Porbatus at $1.50 f. o. b. Charlotte.
WAKEFIELD PLANT FARM
Charlotte, North Carolina
(Leave your plant-growing troubles to us.)

Do You Visit New York This Summer?

The Bible Teachers Training School, centrally located and convenient to transportation lines, can accommodate guests during June, July and August at the following rates:

Single Room—	Day	Week	With meals, per week
	$1.00	$6.00	$13.00
Double Room—			
1 person	$1.25	$7.00	$14.00
2 persons, each	$1.00	$5.00	$12.00
Double Room, Private Bath			
1 person	$1.50	$8.50	$15.50
2 persons, each	$1.25	$6.00	$13.00

Address, BIBLE TEACHERS TRAINING SCHOOL, 541 Lexington Avenue, New York.

That "velvety" quality in ice-cream comes from the action of the Automatic Twin Scrapers and Famous Wheel Dasher which are found only in the



LIGHTNING FREEZER

Saves Ice and Salt, Too

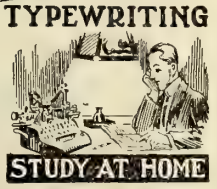
Your dealer can supply you with Lightning Freezers

Recipes for Frozen Desserts, by Mrs. Rorer, sent free

NORTH BROS. MFG. CO., Philadelphia

LEARN SHORTHAND AND TYPEWRITING

LEND spare time only. Give our Easy Home Method two hours a day. In one month become an expert stenographer—writing 100 words a minute and transcribing with speed and accuracy. Thousands of valuable openings. We qualify you for early entrance at good pay.



No long drawn out, expensive method or puzzling features. Plain, simple, quickly mastered.

SPECIAL REDUCED RATES.

Easy terms if you act now. Prepare now for a successful future and old age comfort. Drop us a postal today. We'll send nothing you need pay for—just full particulars of the course. Write at once. If interested in bookkeeping or business course, mention the fact.

SOUTHERN CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL, 8 College Park, Asheville, North Carolina.

DAVIDSON COLLEGE

A First Rank College For Men

Davidson, N. C.

Established in 1837. Highly advanced in work and equipment. Places profound emphasis on thorough scholarship, clean manhood and Christian character. Offers young men unusual opportunity for educational development.

$650,000 resources. 13 modern buildings. Library of 24,586 volumes. Five laboratories. Infirmary. Commodious dormitories. Ideally located for health, social life and freedom from undesirable influences.

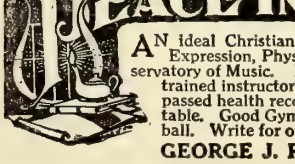
High standard courses leading to degrees of B. A., B. S. and M. A. Instructors of character and learning. Physical training part of course, prescribed to rectify individual faults. Attendance over 300. 14 States represented. 1915 Session opens Sept. 2nd. For Catalogue, address

The Registrar, Davidson College, Davidson, N. C.

TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 : : : : *CHARTERED 1859*

A Southern institution of established national reputation. Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.

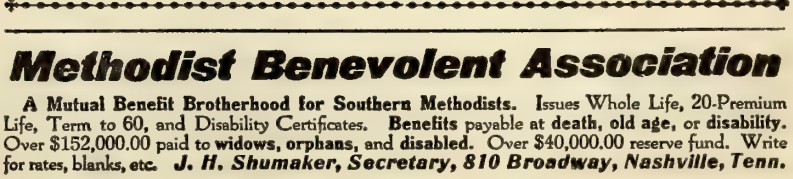


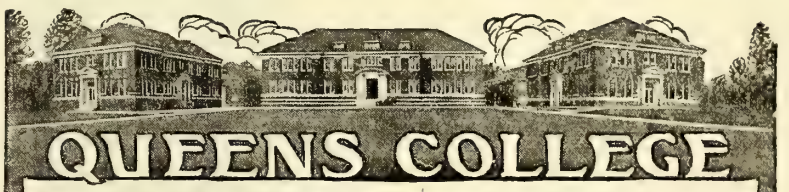
Large endowment fund makes possible complete, first-class equipment; full faculty of able, well-chosen instructors; beautiful campus, new buildings, modern laboratories, splendid library. Comfortable, inexpensive dormitories. For catalogue and illustrated booklet, address

R. L. Flowers, Sec. to the Corporation, Durham, N. C.

Randolph-Macon Woman's College

Lynchburg, Va. One of the leading colleges for women in the United States, offering courses for A. B. and A. M.; also Music and Art. Four laboratories, library, astronomical observatory, new and modern residence halls. Scientific course in physical development. $20,000 gymnasium with swimming pool; large athletic field. Fifty acres in college grounds. Healthful climate free from extremes of temperature. Endowment, recently increased by $250,000, makes possible very moderate charges. Officers and instructors, 60; students, 610, from 35 states and foreign countries. For catalogue and book of views illustrating student life address WILLIAM A. WEBB, President, Box 26.





QUEENS COLLEGE

FOR YOUNG WOMEN CHARLOTTE, N. C.

Delightfully located in Myers Park, suburban Charlotte. Five new buildings of tapestry brick and limestone; two stories high, fireproof throughout. Confortable and convenient dormitories; baths adjoining each room; hot and cold water. Extensive 50 acre campus. One of the best equipped woman's colleges in the South.

Standard college courses leading to B. A. degree. Special fitting course. 22 trained instructors. Complete laboratory equipment, gymnasium, library. *Splendid Musical Advantages:* 3 manual pipe organ; 22 piano practice rooms containing all new instruments. *Diplomas in Voice, Violin, Piano, Organ, Art and Expression.*

Non-sectarian but distinctly Christian. Terms per session $300. For catalog address

JOHN L. CALDWELL, M. A., D. D., President CHARLOTTE, N. C.

Business Preparation--Thorough instruction in Bookkeeping, Banking, Accounting, Shorthand, Typewriting, etc.—rendered at minimum cost in shortest time. *Either school or home courses.* Good paying positions secured on completion of either.

Write for our illustrated catalogue and learn how this school is equipped to make something of you in the business world. Address

S. P. BROWN, President, LYNCHBURG, VA.

VIRGINIA COMMERCIAL AND SHORTHAND COLLEGE

PEACE INSTITUTE —FOR— YOUNG WOMEN



AN ideal Christian Home School. Preparatory and Collegiate courses. Art, Expression, Physical Culture, Pedagogy, Domestic Science, Business, etc. Conservatory of Music. High standard maintained by large staff of experienced, college trained instructors. Takes only 100 boarders and teaches the individual. Unsurpassed health record. Brick buildings. Steam heat. Electric lights. Excellent table. Good Gymnasium. Park-like campus. Concerts, lectures, tennis, basketball. Write for our catalog before selecting the college for your daughter.

GEORGE J. RAMSEY, M. A., LL. D., President. Raleigh, N. C.

GREENSBORO NURSERIES

AGENTS WANTED

For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.

JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

Methodist Benevolent Association

A Mutual Benefit Brotherhood for Southern Methodists. Issues Whole Life, 20-Premium Life, Term to 60, and Disability Certificates. Benefits payable at death, old age, or disability. Over $152,000.00 paid to widows, orphans, and disabled. Over $40,000.00 reserve fund. Write for rates, blanks, etc. *J. H. Shumaker, Secretary, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.*

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Trains leave Greensboro as follows:

N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information and are not guaranteed.

12:55 a. m.—No. 112, daily. Local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh which may be boarded at 9:30 p. m. and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m

1:47 a. m.—No. 30, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleepin cars Birmingham and Augusta to New York, and Birmingham and Jacksonville to Washington. Observation sleeping car Atlanta to Richmond. Tourist sleeper for Washington from San Francisco. Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars New York to Birmingham and Augusta, and Washington to Jacksonville and Birmingham. Observation sleeping car Richmond to Atlanta. Tourist sleeping car Washington to San Francisco via Sunset Route. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:45 a. m.—No. 11, daily. Local for Atlanta and points south. Pullman sleepnig cars Richmond to Charlotte and Norfolk to Asheville. Coaches.

7:15 a. m.—No 37, daily. NEW YORK, ATLANTA AND NEW ORLEANS LIMITED. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section drawing room sleeping cars New York to New Orleans, Asheville and Macon. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service. No coaches.

7:30 a. m.—No 108, daily. Local for Raleigh and intermediate points.

7:30 a. m.—No. 154, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

8:10 a. m.—No. 44, daily. For Washington and points north.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily. For Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Handles Pullman sleeping car for Winston-Salem from Raleigh.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily. For Mt. Airy.

9:40 a. m.—No. 144 daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Free reclining chair car Charlotte to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily. For Salisbury, Statesville and Asheville. Connecting at Asheville with Carolina Special which handles through sleepers for Cincinnati and Chicago.

12:45 p. m.—No. 130, daily. For Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

12:50 p. m.—No. 45, daily. For Charlotte, connecting with trains for Columbia and Seneca.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Washington, New York and points north. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

2:00 p. m.—No. 207, daily. For Winston-Salem, connecting daily, except Sunday, with trains for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daiy except Sunday. For Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily. For Mt. Airy.

6:30 p. m.—No. 35, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham. Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham, and Charlotte to Atlanta. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily. For Winston-Salem.

6:40 p. m.—No. 46, daily. For Danville.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily. For Sanford.

7:24 p. m.—No. 43, daily. For Charlotte, connecting with No. 35 for the South.

10:15 p. m.—No. 12, daily. For Richmond and Norfolk. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Asheville to Norfolk.

10:20 p. m.—No. 233, daily. For Winston-Salem.

11:20 p. m.—No. 38, daily. THE NEW YORK, ATLANTA AND NEW ORLEANS LIMITED. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section, drawing room and compartment sleeping cars New Orleans, Macon and Asheville to New York. Dining car service. No coaches.

E. H. COAPMAN, Vice-President and General Manager, Washington, D. C.

W. H. TAYLOE, Passenger Traffic Manager, Washington, D. C.

H. F. CARY, General Passenger Agent, Washington, D. C.

R. H. DeBUTTS, Division Passenger Agent, Charlotte, N. C.

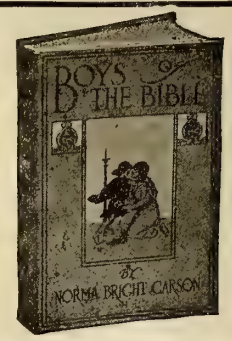
C. G. PICKARD, Passenger and Ticket Agent, Greensboro, N. C.

Books for Children AND FOR WORK AMONG THEM

By NORMA BRIGHT CARSON *Editor of "Book News"*

Boys of the Bible
Illustrated, 12mo, cloth, net 75c.

In a chatty, informal way such as youngsters love, and in which all stories for children should be told. Mrs. Carson relates the outstanding incidents of the early years of the great Bible heroes. The idea is a capital one, which the author carries out in an able and interesting way.



By H. THISELTON MARK

The Bible for Children
Bible Stories in Bible Language
Illustrated, 12mo, cloth, net 50c.

A selection of Bible stories, told in the language of the Bible itself, such as children up to ten or eleven years of age can readily understand. The stories are admirably chosen so as to give a general view of the leading incidents recorded in both the Old and New Testament, and illustrated by some pictures of artistic worth.

The Young People's Bible

Vol. I. Old Testament Stories. *Illustrated, 12mo, cloth, net 50c.*
Vol. II. New Testament Stories. *Illustrated, 12mo, cloth, net 50c.*

Prepared to be read after the stories contained in *The Bible for Children*. An aptly chosen series of word-pictures presenting a concise view of the history of the people of Israel as related in the Old Testament. Both in text and illustrations, this book will be found to stimulate a new zest in young people for ampler Bible study.

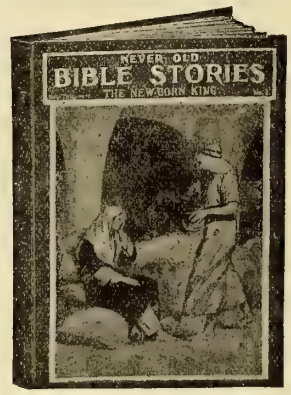
NEW TOY BOOKS FOR CHILDREN

"Never Old" Bible Stories
Illustrated, octavo boards, each, net 25c.

No. 1. Old Testament. The Lord Thy Maker.
No. 2. Old Testament. The Lord Thy Guide.
No. 1. New Testament. The New-Born King.
No. 2. New Testament. The Hidden Years of Jesus.

Old Testament Combined, or New Testament Combined may be had in one volume. ***Each, boards, net 50c.***

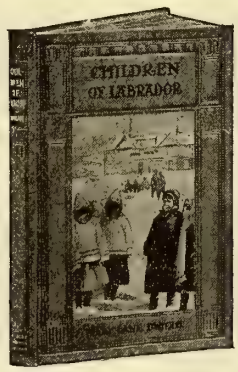
An attractive new quarto series (size 8x10 in.) of Bible Picture Books written in simple language that every child can understand and yet keeping to the Bible narrative.



By CHARLES LINCOLN WHITE

Prince and Uncle Billy
A First Reader in Home Missions
16mo, cioth, net 50c., or net 75c.

"Prince" is a pony, once owned by the Indians, and "Uncle Billy" an old horse, used formerly by a frontier missionary on his preaching journeys. These, too, and many other animals tell missionary stories and other incidents of their earlier lives.



By MARY LANE DWIGHT

Children of Labrador
Illustrated, 16mo, cloth, net 60c.

It is hard to picture a more delightful addition to "*The Children's Missionary Series*" than this vivid story of Dr. Grenfell's land. Its simplicity and clearness appeals to children, yet grown-ups will be equally fascinated in its descriptions of the children of the Eskimos and fishermen of this barren land, so pathetically described by an old native as "wonderful bleak and dreary."

Earlier Volumes in The Children's Missionary Series

Children of Africa	James M. Baird
Children of Arabia	John C. Young
Children of China	C. Campbell Brown
Children of India	Janet Harvey Kelman
Children of Ceylon	Thomas Moscrop
Children of Jamaica	Isabel C. Maclean
Children of Egypt	Miss L. Crowther
Children of Persia	Mrs. Napier Malcolm
Children of Japan	Janet Harvey Kelman

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

PELL'S BIBLE STORIES

FOR YOUNG FOLKS

By EDWARD LEIGH PELL

The Story of Joseph

"The Jewish shepherd lad who became prime minister of Egypt here lives in a very real way, his whole life being given in this lovely story, which is told by one who knows how to do it."
—*Religious Telescope.*

The Story of David

"These favorite Bible stories are retold by Dr. Pell in simple, reverent language—vividly, delightfully. Read it and become better acquainted with that most human, lovable character."
—*Day Star.*

FOR LITTLE PEOPLE

The Story of Jesus

"A very direct appeal is made to the child's mind. It seems as though the author was talking to the boy or girl on his knee and making him see the real Saviour as he appeared among men."
—*Heidelberg Teacher.*

Each, 35 cts. net

CALL PENITENTS AT A COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT?

I have seen a great many nice things at college commencements. The nicest was with Greensboro College for Women, May 23, 1915, when Bishop McCoy had closed his great sermon to the graduating class. Dr. Byrd said all the students were Christians except two or three. He very tenderly called them to the altar for prayer. They did not come. I trust the Holy Spirit is working on their hearts and that they will soon let their noble chaplain know they have given their hearts to God. Let us call penitents at college commencements. Why not?

A. D. Betts.

EXPERT KODAK FINISHING

Developing and printing done by artists. Most beautiful work guaranteed at all times. Satisfaction or no charge. Developing, 10c per film. Printing: prints 2 1-4 x3 1-4, 3c; 2 1-2x4 1-4, 4c; 3 1-4x5 1-2, 5c. Quick delivery. Send one film to test our service. Agents wanted.
LIGON DRUG CO., Spartanburg, S. C.

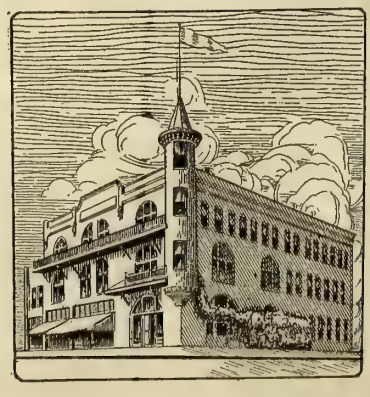
The Newest Styles of Jewelry
WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO

ROBT. W. MURRAY
GENERAL INSURANCE
Greensboro, North Carolina
308½ South Elm St.
Phone 163



BLUE RIDGE INN
Mount Airy, N. C. W. M. Jordan, Prop.
Mount Airy's Leading Hotel

Rates $2.00 and $2.50—All meals 50 cents—Electric Lights, Steam Heat, Electric Bell System, Hot and Cold Baths—American plan—A clean up-to-date home for the tourist or traveling man, in a beautiful mountain city.

Learn Shorthand

By Mail in 30 Days at my Expense

Send no money. Get my free lessons. I do not claim to fit you for a position in thirty days. Nobody can do that. But with my system, you can learn to write in Shorthand with very little effort. That first instruction is **absolutely free.** Then if you wish to take further instruction, I will give you a **positive guarantee** to refund your money at the end of a specified time if you are not entirely satisfied. Could anything be fairer?

I have taught shorthand for many years. I have taught a dozen different systems. These include nearly all the new and so-called "simple" systems. But I went back to the original Pitman System—and improved on it. I now teach the **Pratt-Pitman System,** and I want to prove to you, at my expense, that it is the best. My great success is due to a **new and original method of instruction by mail.**

Positions at Good Salaries

Shorthand is a great advantage to everybody. For a young man or woman there is nothing equal to it. It will give you a start in life and an opportunity for rapid advancement. Many of my students have secured **splendid positions.** The demand for stenographers is increasing. You are practically certain to get a satisfactory salary if you take my course in shorthand. **Become a court stenographer** or fit yourself for other high class positions.

Free Typewriter Instruction

Every one of my students can have a course in typewriting absolutely free. If you do not own a typewriter, I will rent you one for six months for $10; or for $30 I will sell you a rebuilt visible machine that I cannot tell from a new $100 machine.

If you are ambitious and in earnest and really want to learn shorthand, send at once for FREE Lessons. A postal card will do. Simply say: "Send free lessons."

E. D. PRATT 1011 Pratt Bldg CHICAGO

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, June 24, 1915 | Number 25

Reading Room
Trinity College

LICENSE POOR ECONOMY

When the liquor traffic takes the nation by the throat, you will find that although Americans often wait until the fifty-ninth minute of the eleventh hour before they arouse themselves, they may, nevertheless, in a momentous crisis, unlock from their throat the grip of the great evil in the sixtieth minute.

You say license is a scheme by which millions of dollars go into the public treasury; but millions of dollars go out as a consequence. Carroll D. Wright affirms that twenty dollars are lost in direct damage for every dollar gained by license. It is a system by which you rob Peter to pay Paul and do not pay Paul. It is a system by which you save at the spigot, and waste at the barrel head. Americans are supposed to be able to see through a grindstone if the aperture is large enough; they do not suffer themselves to be hoodwinked; but millions of church members favor license chiefly because they think there will millions come by it to the government; but ten times what it pays is lost by it.—*Joseph Cook.*

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

MAKING GREAT HISTORY

The increase of temperance sentiment in this country and throughout the world is something wonderful. It is a long road by which the moral forces have traveled since the days of the Washingtonian and other organized temperance societies began work early in the last century. From the early by-paths, however, the different organizations have converged into the great highway upon which the forces of reform have united in the mighty army of the American Anti-Saloon League which is now marshaling the forces for a final assault upon the legalized liquor traffic.

This issue of the Advocate is gladly devoted largely to giving publicity to the great Convention which is to be held in Atlantic City, July 6-9. No such national gathering in the interest of prohibition—"A Saloonless Nation and a Stainless Flag"—has ever been undertaken. The strength of this movement as represented by individual leaders of world-wide repute, is to be massed on this occasion, and those who can be present will be peculiarly fortunate.

We hope that many Advocate readers can avail themselves of the opportunity to make part of this great company and get the benefit of the enthusiasm and inspiration which it is sure to generate. This Convention will make great history.

A SUNDAY AT RANDLEMAN

For several weeks the health of Rev. G. H. Christenberry, pastor of the Randleman and Naomi charge, has not been the best. In view of a much needed rest he has been planning for a little vacation and, accordingly, left last week for Hot Springs, where he will spend awhile with the hope of much physical benefit. For a month we had been under promise to come to the pastor's help on the third Sunday and this gave us the opportunity of visiting Naomi and St. Pauls again after several years.

Great changes have taken place during these years, and most of the prominent families associated with Randleman in the old days are gone. Some of the elegant old residences are now closed and there are to be seen on almost all sides of the beautiful town of shaded eminences, sad marks of the crisis through which the town passed only a few years ago.

We were glad to find things brightening up under the new order. The mills are all running now on full time and things seem to be adjusting themselves again. While the churches have not fully recovered, the outlook is far more hopeful and it was particularly pleasing to find the pastor in such high favor. A meeting of some eight or ten days had just recently been held in the church at Naomi, under the leadership of Rev. W. L. Dawson, and there is altogether a hopeful outlook for the future.

The visiting preacher was delightfully entertained in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Hayes, and had fairly good congregations at both services, in spite of the torrid heat.

The town is really a unit, but several years ago there were conditions which seemed to demand two congregations, thus making a twin charge and this has, during the years of stress, added to the difficulties of successful work from the pastor's standpoint.

Many prayers are going up for the blessing of God upon the pastor and we sincerely hope he may be able to return to his work strong in body and greatly encouraged to resume his work.

BLUE LAWS

It is time for us to speak out. For some time the heathen have raged. We do not believe, however, that the kingdoms are moved to any appreciable extent. The civil authorities in most places where Sunday closing laws have been enacted seem to be standing pat, if we may be allowed to accommodate the good slang that expresses the right idea. This means that they are standing firm as they should.

It is remarkable what a howl goes up from a certain class wherever adequate effort is made to have a Sunday. It is significant, by the way, that the complaint, as a rule, comes from the moral riff raff of the community. The cry against closing up all unnecessary traffic for the day comes from a class who, when we consider the elements which go to make up the substantial citizenship of the community, are a negligible quantity. However, as they live on the outside of the social fabric, attaching themselves to the exterior as genuine social parasites, we should endeavor to appraise them at their real value and govern ourselves accordingly.

The opposition to Blue Laws, so called, originates with those who would not hesitate to place trading booths at the church door and even invade the sanctuary itself in order that they might carry on a profitable merchandise. They are the people who, in the days of the Saviour, made the Father's House a house of merchandise instead of a house of prayer.

These people have no interest in living except to extract everything possible from society in the shape of gain, and they would destroy the Sabbath and every other institution of religion if they might profit thereby. Why should we show any concern for these social barnacles except to scrape them off the bottom of the ship of state? It might be that if they were cut off from the privilege of making the Sabbath the best day of the week for traffic some of them would come to repentance. But this would be a mere incident. The object of Sunday closing is not to bring men to repentance or force religion upon them in any way, but to abate a nuisance that is apparent to the thousands of good citizens who want a day of rest and quiet as well as an opportunity to worship. This is a Christian land, and a Christian land needs a Sabbath and has a right to demand it.

Let not the people be deceived. The laws which demand the cessation of needless trade, traffic and labor on the Sabbath day are not blue laws. They are not in the same class with the laws of the Puritans of New England, who sought by means of civil statute to force religious habits upon the people. Our Sunday closing laws make no attempt to force men to be religious, and there is not the least danger that those who favor a close Sabbath will ever try to go a step further and require all to attend religious services.

Let our municipal authorities not be deterred in their efforts to protect the Sabbath as a day of rest, by the cry of "blue laws" or puritanic oppression.

DESTRUCTIVE AND WASTEFUL POLICY

The editor of the Advocate has occasion frequently to observe some of the evil effects of a destructive and wasteful policy. It requires some lapse of time to see just how much of real mischief is involved in ill-advised church organization and church building movements. The old adage, "Marry in haste and repent at leisure," may well be adapted to the characterizing of some of the follies of our organizing and building churches without wise supervision and oversight.

In the earlier history of Methodism most of the church organizations and church buildings came as the result of a sort of impromptu arrangement of preaching places. Usually a pastor or local preacher established an "appointment" and, in course of time, a building enterprise was undertaken in order to house those who gathered for worship, and it was an easy step from this to organization, if, indeed, the organization did not precede the building enterprise. These movements were usually as spontaneous as the preaching appointments had been impromptu, and so most of our church organizations came into existance with little or no supervision and are the result of a method of work which we may justly characterize as merely hap-hazard.

In many places our work is suffering today because of a lack of foresight in organizing and building. Congregations which might have been strong and influential are weak and, in some cases, discouraged and incapable of aggressive influence, simply because they have been cut up into small segments and deprived of the elements of organized leadership essential to the best success of any congregation. Many times these divisions have come about as the result of personal interests or ambitions on the part of individual members; sometimes as the result of the mere fancy of some misguided saint who happened to have some money to donate, and sometimes as the result of a visionary pastor. However it may come about, there is nothing that promises slow but sure disintigration and death to any congrrgation more than to allow its battle line to be spread out and weakened by ill-advised organizing and building movements.

As a remedy for this evil—and it is an evil—we suggest that, wherever possible, the local Church Extension Society be organized, so that its good offices may be invoked in cases where it is apparent that irremediable mistakes are about to be made. It ought not to be possible to divide up our congregations, weakening them to the dying point; setting up church against church, and wasting our good money trying to gratify the chimerical notion of some one who has more vanity than religion and good judgment. The Advocate feels called upon to sound the alarm at this point because we know that the church is suffering in many places from the effects of the unwise policy of dividing and subdividing our forces. Presiding elders, especially, should stiffen up their backbones and place themselves in the breech where there is a tendency to introduce this policy of waste and destruction. Let us close up our ranks rather than spread them out, thus inviting the tragedy of a slow but sure death.

PROF. J. ALLEN HOLT

The death of Prof. J. Allen Holt, which occurred at his home at Oak Ridge on Tuesday afternoon of last week, removes from our midst a man who had been conspicuous as an educator for some forty years or more.

Prof. Holt was a little more than sixty-two years old, and, for more than forty years had been associate principal of Oak Ridge Institute. His brother, Prof. Martin Holt, passed away several months ago.

In many respects these men were among the most successful school men of the state in their time. While their methods were frequently criticised as superficial, we doubt if half the criticisms were just. Candor compels the verdict that their work has been of great value to the state and that their policy of going after their students by aggressive methods had no little to do with provoking criticism.

There is one feature of their work which we think especially worthy of imitation by all school men. They made the management of the school, as far as practicable, a business enterprise. If a large farm and dairy can be operated in connection with a boarding school so as to contribute to the health, comfort and practical training of students and at the same time help to finance the enterprise, we see no good reason why this should not be done.

The Holts were gentlemen of a high type and their lives have been fruitful in promoting the cause of education. While not a denominational school, yet the Oak Ridge Institute has been practically recognized as the school of the Methodist Protestant Church in North Carolina for many years, and it was fitting that Dr. Tagg, of Baltimore, one of their leaders, should have been called to conduct the funeral services of Prof. Holt on Thursday.

We understand that all arrangements had been made some time ago for the continuance of the Institute, and that the school will continue without interruption.

NOTE AND COMMENT

The Death of Hon. T. J. Jarvis, which occurred at his home in Greenville last week, removes one of the most conspicuous and useful men from the stage of action in North Carolina. Beginning his public career soon after the Civil War, he was soon in the forefront of the best political leaders and, after nearly fifty years of public life, dies without a stain upon his character. He was a member of the Methodist church and was often a delegate to the Annual Conference, and was several times a delegate to the General Conference. He was twice Governor of the state, a United States Senator for a short term and served as Minister to Brazil during the Cleveland administration.

* * * *

At The Labor Peace Meeting, held in Carnegie hall last Saturday evening, William Jennings Bryan told his hearers that his work was to aid in crystallizing sentiment in favor of peace in support of the President's efforts to reach an amicable settlement of all differences that may arise between this country and belligerent powers. He declared that no advocate of peace could have a deeper interest in its preservation than the laboring man. He said the laboring man recognized that war was hurtful to him as bringing about enforced idleness, increasing taxes, and leaving the aftermath of war to be borne in great measure by him or by his family. It is natural therefore, he declared, that organized labor should take the lead in the peace movement. In his address he attacked both Mr. Taft's and Mr. Roosevelt's methods of establishing peace as not feasible for the reason that they stand for force. The former's plan would destroy the Monroe doctrine for the reason we could hardly enter into a settlement of European disputes and at the same time refuse to allow the European nations to take part in the settlement of troubles in the Western hemisphere. He stood strongly in his support of the efforts of President Wilson.

* * * *

An American Correspondent in Europe has recently sent an interesting item concerning Mr. Lloyd George's figures in an estimate of the revenue and expenditure. When a sum exceeding $5,000,000,000 is talked about as a single year's outgo, one wonders how it can be raised, until it is pointed out that the ordinary savings of the country for a single year in time of peace are approximately $2,000,000,000. Mr. George estimated that this amount could be doubled in war time because of the extraordinary activity and inflation. The one necessary condition in every calculation is that there shall be an allied victory. As a matter of fact, with vitory the entire load will be shifted upon the thrifty Germans. If Germany should lose, indemnities to France and Belgium are a matter of course, and as for England, she would get back her expenditure through the virtual monoply of world trade. Without such prospects of recouping there would be a still deeper gloom over the business community of London. The correspondent goes on to state that at best England must face the certainty of staggering taxation. The country is so rich, however, that the defeat of Germany would soon enable it to recover and perhaps enjoy greater prosperity than ever.

This same correspondent, who, by the by, was at one time the owner of the Baltimore News, and seems to be rather pro-Allies, remarks that Lloyd George told the country that England had actually three-quarters of a million soldiers on the various firing lines. This may mean, estimated the writer, as many as 3,000,000 men all told in khaki. This extreme estimate would include all kinds of soldiers, not overlooking those who are never to go to the front at all, but who are reserved for home defense. It is believed that Lord Kitchener's mark is 2,000,000 real fighting men, with enough in training always to keep the English forces in the field up to that mark and guard against the highly improbable contingency of invasion.

The French official estimates of Germany's forces on Jan. 1, of this year, was in the field 4,000,000; losses up to that time, 1,300,000; total addition of Germans in training and available within a few months, 2,000,000.

At the same time France had 2,500,000 in the field, with 1,250,000 absolutely ready to supply wastage. The German wastage up to date is figured at 1,000,000 more than on January 1, or altogether 2,300,000. It is estimated that an army must, in order to be safe, reckon on a total wastage from casualties and diseases of 167,000 per month for each million of troops. At this rate an army will eat up its own strength in about six months.

* * * *

Anent Woman, or Equal, Suffrage one will notice that the legislatures of seven states have already adopted resolutions whereby a constitutional amendment giving women equal suffrage rights with men will be submitted to the people at the fall elections either this or next year. They are Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania in 1915; Iowa, South Dakota and West Virginia in 1916. Since January 1, 1915, Tennessee adopted a similar resolution, but it must also be passed by the next succeeding legislature before it can be submitted to the voter. So did Arkansas, but the resolution was ineffective because of a provision of the state constitution which forbids more than three constitutional amendments to be submitted at one election and three had already been filed with the Secretary of State.

During the first months of this year California adopted a resolution declaring that woman suffrage in that state had been an unqualified success. Alabama will consider the question at an adjourned session to begin July 7th.

At legislative sessions held this year eleven states defeated suffrage measures: Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Indiana, Michigan, New Mexico, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Texas and Vermont. Three votes defeated the measure in Indiana. Three votes also killed it in the Texas legislature where it was introduced in the House. A two-thirds majority, however, was required to pass it and the suffragist supporters claimed a great gain. In Delaware a proposed constitutional amendment was defeated decisively in both houses. In Florida, New Mexico, and North Carolina it died in committee.

* * * *

The Cherokee Indians of North Carolina, according to the report of Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Hon. Cato Sells, are being well looked after by our government. There are two thousand in the tribe, according to a recent report by Mr. Sells, who refused to leave the state when the government deported the others to the old Indian Territory. These two thousand with their descendants own in their own rights 63,000 acres of land in Swain county where, as an encouragement in their work, the Commissioner is soon to plant apple orchards for them, at the same time stocking their streams with fish. Recently Mr. Sells visited these Indians and planned the establishment of new industries among them. In his report he refers to them as "intelligent and dignified and eager to carry out the plans for the betterment of the tribe." All of them speak English, though the Cherokee tongue is in common use. They are Christians and practically all of them belong to the Baptist church, having preachers of their own who preach to them in their own language. They are peaceable and crime is at a minimum among them. In speaking of their government Mr. Sells says that their land which was purchased by them in 1842 is incorporated under the law of North Carolina thus making the Indians' property a communal affair to be allotted by them to the members of the tribe. A Council elected by the Indians themselves is the governing body and they also choose a tribal chief and assistant chief. The present chief is Saunooke, a full-blooded Indian, about forty years old and a graduate of Carlisle. While waiting for the apple trees to grow and for the fish to multiply, the Indians are busying themselves with a portable sawmill which Commissioner Sells provided for them, and are building frame houses to take the place of the log cabins they have heretofore been content to occupy.

Getting to Constantinople is on a par with getting to Tipperary: "It's a long way to go." Some British officer of admiral rank, was it not, who stated at the beginning of the year that Great Britain would be in Constantinople by Easter and for the accomplishment of this feat he would stake his own personal reputation. Of course, he didn't say anything about the French or the Russians being there. It would seem that this matter of getting to Constantinople next week ever since the first of January is getting to be a newspaper joke. The Allies have simply "muddled" around this business until the sensible world is beginning to believe the British flag will never fly over the Sultan's harem. These Englishmen are great diplomats, but they are great "muddlers," too.

It is reported now that the Greek Government declared in a note to Russia that the approach along the Gallipoli Peninsula was impossible and that an overland attack through Bulgarian territory was the only means which the Greek General Staff would consider in case of Greek participation. In Bulgarian quarters, however, it is said that this probably would never be permitted unless the Allies guaranteed sufficient territorial cessions from Roumania, Greece and Serbia. Offers already reported in the press as having been made were declared to be hardly sufficient to shake Bulgarian neutrality. Any violation by the Allies of Bulgarian territory, it has been insisted, would force her to join the Teutonic Allies.

* * * *

Japan's Aggressive Attitude toward China produced results not anticipated, but they could and did stop using and buying Japanese goods. They even refused taking Japanese money on any terms and when a Chinaman refuses to take money, says the New York Commercial, he means business. Japan found herself facing a trade boycott by four hundred million people. No such concerted movement on a scale comparable in any way to this was eevr known in the history of the world. Japan demanded that the Chinese government stop it. The government obeyed by issuing a decree to that effect, an "obey and tremble" decree, but posters on dead walls could not make a single Chinaman wear Japanese cotton, eat Japanese fish, use Japanese utensils, or take Japanese money.

All China was flooded with circulars and posters passed from hand to hand which called upon the people to boycott Japan and Japanese goods and money. The Japanese government demanded the punishment of some of the printers of these circulars, but they were printed within the pale of the foreign settlement of Shanghai where Chinese law could not reach.

Japan was baffled and Japan was poor. She could not stand the loss of China's trade and war would not help. The inference is that China has conquored by the boycott which Japan dreaded more than armies in the field. "It is all very Oriental," continues the Commercial, "and therefore obscure to Americans, but China seems to have found a way to defeat Japan and maintain her own territorial integrity without shedding blood—which is an improvement on European methods.

* * * *

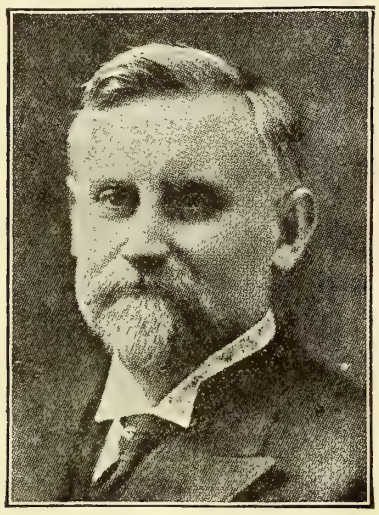
The Purple Cross Society has been organized, and just as the Red Cross is an emblem of the ministration to wounded humans on the battlefields, so the Purple Cross is its prototype in taking care of the suffering horse and dog. And does not justice require that wounded animals be attended to, put out of their agonies when mortally hurt, or cared for where the injuries are curable? The Society is of English origin and is in active operation in Europe where the Purple Cross is flying over field hospitals for stricken horses and dogs.

—It is very gratifying to the many friends of Bishop E. E. Hoss to know that he is able to resume regular work again in episcopal supervision. He will soon start on his long journey to the Orient and the whole church will pray for journeying mercies.

Anti-Saloon League Convention
Atlantic City, July 6-9

NATIONAL LEADERS WILL ADDRESS ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE CONVENTION

In view of the continent-wide interest which has been awakened, there is now almost no doubt but that the National Convention of the Anti-Saloon League of America, which is to be held in Atlantic City, New Jersey, July 6-9, will be the greatest gathering of its kind ever held. Leading temperance workers and speakers will be present in large numbers, and



Dr. P. A. Baker, General Supt. Anti-Saloon League of America

churches, Sunday schools, young people's societies, temperance and other organizations will send delegates by the hundreds.

The proceedings will attract the attention of the civilized world, for the great issues involved are now world-wide problems, and many nations will be more or less influenced by what shall be said and done at this convention.

To our own land, the results will be invaluable, and will go far towards hastening the time when Prohibition will triumph in every State of the Union. The temperance forces were never more triumphant and enthusiastic than now. The battle line is far-flung. California calls to Maine, and Florida to Washington for a united front in the endeavor to free our land from the curse of the liquor traffic; and from the Gulf to the Lakes, and from the Atlantic to the Pacific, there is an insistent and ever-increasing demand for a saloonless nation. It is no longer a "thin red line" that is so nobly fighting, as in the past, the battle to rescue mankind from the curse of strong drink, but a great host of determined and patriotic men and women who are resolved that the liquor traffic must cease, and that this blot must be removed from our land. National sobriety must come. The nation cannot afford to license a few men here and there to debauch the very flower of our growing manhood and womanhood. The call for help is to every home lover, to every child lover and to every patriot of our land.

Among the speakers who will take an active part in the Atlantic City convention will be Ex-Governor Malcolm R. Patterson, of Tennessee, a widely-known figure in the field of national prohibition; Dr. Sam Small, the forceful Southern orator; Hon. John G. Wooley, one of the most polished speakers of the day; Dr. Lewis Albert Banks, whose name is a household word almost everywhere; Ex-Governor George H. Hodges, of Kansas, a convincing speaker; Governor George A. Carlson, of Colorado, one of the most representative self-made men; Hon. Daniel A. Poling, of Ohio, who is prominent in Christian Endeavor circles; Dr. P. A. Baker, the General Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of America; Dr. Howard H. Russell, founder of the Anti-Saloon League; Mr. Ernest H. Cherrington, Major Dan Morgan Smith, Dr. George W. Young, Judge A. Z. Blair, Dr. M. P. Boynton, Rev. Clarence True Wilson, Dr. Homer W. Tope, Dr. Booker T. Washington, and many others.

FOR A STAINLESS FLAG AND A SALOONLESS NATION

By Allen Sutherland

The great National Convention of the Anti-Saloon League of America, to be held in Atlantic City, New Jersey, July 6th to 9th, promises to be one of the most enthusiastic and remarkable gatherings of the kind ever held. Not less than twenty-five thousand delegates, from all sections of the country, are expected to be present. At its close, it is planned to have a committee of five thousand persons call at the White House, Washington, and present to the President of the United States, resolutions which will probably be adopted by the Convention.

It is hoped that this Convention will be an incentive to patriotic and Christian men and women everywhere to unite in this great cause for the uplift of humanity—in making this impressive gathering the beginning of the end of the whiskey traffic. The moral forces of our nation will here have a pre-eminent opportunity for centering their efforts on the redeeming of human wrongs by the enthronement of civic righteousness. The saloon has too long degraded American manhood; may this convention help to rid our nation of it at once and forever!

Many cities are preparing to send large delegations. Interest is constantly increasing. Churches, Sunday schools, temperance and other societies will be represented by one or more delegates.



Hon. John G. Wooley

The Catholic Prohibition League of America will meet in Atlantic City at the same time, and there will be the most cordial and fraternal relation between these two great bodies. On one of the four days they will have a joint meeting, at which time the enthusiasm will doubtless be at white heat. Two such powerful forces as these should shortly win America for temperance.

Our country has been making rapid strides lately in the absolute prohibition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors. Already the handwriting is upon the wall: "The saloon must go." The battle line is far-flung, and the struggle is on the finish—honor, manhood, home, country and loved ones being arrayed against that which makes for the downfall of all these and more, and loss of one's very soul.

Atlantic City in July is an ideal place for such a convention. The bathing, fishing and sailing will be at their best; sufficient hotel accommodations will be found for all; and almost every form of enjoyment and amusement will be furnished. The convention will be held on "Young's Million Dollar Pier," which contains four large auditoriums in which almost twenty-five thousand people can be seated. The board-walk is eight miles long and from twenty to sixty feet in width. At night it is brilliantly lighted, and in the shops along its landward side may be found goods for sale from the nations of the world. This great board-walk forms one of the finest and most popular promenades America.

The program of the convention includes a dresses by the foremost orators of our lan among them being governors, senators, congres men, judges, lawyers and ministers. Of tho who are best known, may be mentioned D William H. Roberts, Hon. Richmond P. Hobso Major Dan Morgan Smith, Dr. Louis Albe Banks, Rev. Sam W. Small, Rev. James Ca non, Jr., Hon. John G. Wooley, Dr. P. A. Bake Dr. Homer W. Tope, Hon. Clinton N. Howar Ex-Governors Patterson, Hodges and Stubb Governors Carlson, Foss, Hays and Lister, a Senators Sheppard and Gallinger. A prom nent feature of the Convention will be the gre male chorus under the widely known music leader, Prof. E. O. Excell.

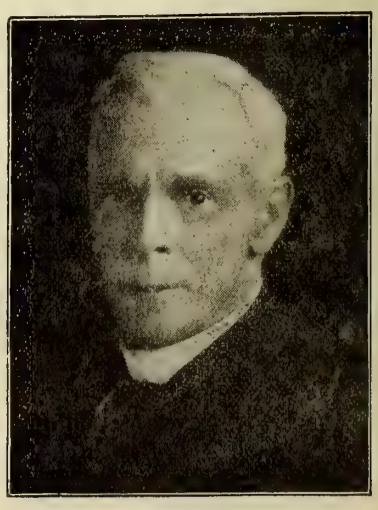
How rapidly sentiment unifies and forms self into a great compelling movement, may illustrated by the fact that Thomas Jeffers wrote: "Before the 19th of April, 1775, never heard a whisper of a disposition to sep rate from the mother country;" and in Mar of that year, Franklin wrote, "No America drunk or sober, thinks of such a thing as ind pendence." Yet in less than ten years, Amer can independence had been declared.

In 1835, William Lloyd Garrison was severe handled by a Boston mob because of his abo tion teachings; and in 1855, Rev. Dudley Tyn had to sever his relations with an Episcop church in Philadelphia because of his oppos tion to slavery; yet we all know that the fre dom of the slave was soon after that time to b come an established fact. Something of th same mysterious power which not only free us from England but which also freed the co ored men, will also shortly free our natio from the thralldom of intemperance. Let believe that God is still "keeping watch abo His own," and that at no distant day He wi cause us all to rejoice in a stainless flag and saloonless nation. May He hasten the time!

Let men everywhere work and pray for th success of the Convention, for through its e forts giant strides will be made toward redeem ing our land from the curse of strong drin May the time speedily come when the memor of the whiskey traffic will be kept alive only the histories and traditions of an emancipate people, whose children will read of the saloo and marvel that it should once have been tole ated, as we now wonder at the days before 177 and at the slavery that existed in our land b fore 1865!

TO THE FRIENDS OF NATIONAL PROHIBITION

For some time past the question of a confe ence of the friends of national prohibition, wh are interested in the constitutional amendmen which Congress will be asked to submit to th States for their ratification, has been under co sideration. The questions of time and plac



Dr. George W. Young

have rendered an earlier decision impossible b the forces uniting in the call for the conferenc It has seemed best to have a conference b fore fall in order that there might be a fu interchange of ideas as to the language of th amendment and the general campaign for i adoption. At the same time it was felt impo tant to hold a conference at such a time an place as would probably assure the attendanc of a large number of friends who would be re

resentative of the various religious and temperance bodies particularly interested in the success of the proposed amendment. Accordingly by the authority of their proper officers the Anti-Saloon League of America, the Temperance Commission of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union and the International Order of Good Templars hereby call a conference to be held in the City of Washington on the morning of July 10, 1915, beginning at 9:30 o'clock, to consider especially the national prohibition constitutional amendment and the movement for its adoption. (The exact place of the meeting in Washington will be announced through the religious and temperance press next week and at the great convention of the Anti-Saloon League of America which will be held in Atlantic City, N. J., July 6 to 9 inclusive, and at which it is expected that thousands of representatives of church and temperance bodies will be present.

It is not contemplated that any permanent or new organization should be effected, the purpose only being a free conference of the representatives of the various temperance and religious agencies actively engaged in pushing forward the work of temperance reform, and particularly interested in the success of the movement for national prohibtion. Thousands of people will be east at this season of the year, and a stop-over at Washington on their tickets can be arranged without additional expense.

It is suggested that church temperance committees, state and national temperance societies and other similar bodies as above indicated, same not to exceed five of their officers or members to join others as delegates in the conference, and that a proper credential certificate be issued to those appointed. No special form will be required—merely a properly signed certificate of appointment—but regular blanks will be supplied upon application to the national offices or organizations making the call and noted below, or to Edwin C. Dinwiddie, Suite 30-33 Bliss Building, Washington, D. C.

The Anti-Saloon League of America, (Westerville, Ohio, and Washington, D. C.) Purley A. Baker, General Superintendent; Edwin C. Dinwiddie, Legislative Superintendent.

Temperance Commission of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America. (Room 2411 First National Bank Building, Pittsburgh, Pa.) Rufus W. Miller, D. D., Chairman; Charles Scanlon, Secretary.

National Woman's Christian Temperance Union (Rest Cottage, Evanston, Illinois) Miss Anna A. Gordon, President; Mrs. Margaret Dye Ellis, Legislative Superintendent.

National Grand Lodge of the International Order of Good Templars (30-33 Bliss Building, Washington, D. C.) Ben D. Wright, National Chief Templar; Edwin C. Dinwiddie, National Electoral Superintendent.

FORCES THAT MOULD

By W. E. Poovey

(III) Purpose

"'Tis not what man does which exalts him, but what man would do."—Browning.

Purpose is the revelator of life. Motive is the measure of merit or demerit. What we intend is an index to what we are.

Abraham did not obey to the ultimate the command by which he understood Jehovah to ask that Isaac, the son of promise, be offered as a sacrifice. But it was because God had read the resolve already written within the heart of the old patriarch, and reached forth to stay the hand that would have written it again, even with the point of the dagger dipped in the blood of the son.

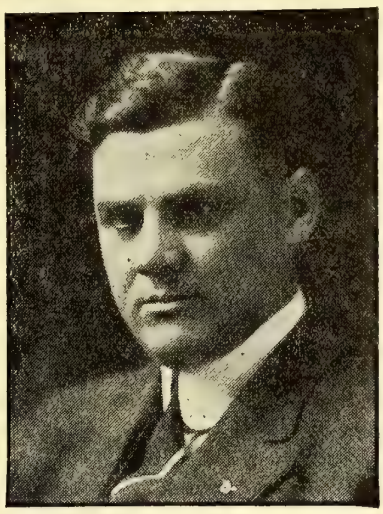
A man at enmity with his fellow conceals himself with loaded weapon by the path along which the object of his hate has been accustomed to pass each evening on his way home. But on that fateful day the assassin, lying in wait, watches in vain, for the intervention of an over-ruling Providence the would-be victim returns home by another way. Yet the would-be assassin is as much a murderer as if he had fired the fatal shot; for even though he did not dip his hands in homicidal blood, his heart was dyed indelibly crimson by the intended crime.

A firm resolve is not only a revelation of character and a criterion of soul-quality, but an indicator of life's direction and a determinant of its destiny.

The ferryman, keeping his flat-boat headed diagonally up-stream, makes the opposing current push his clumsy craft steadily toward the wished-for landing on the farther shore. The mariner by the skillful manipulation of sail and rudder makes headway against adverse wind and ocean-current.

What the up-stream angle is to the successful crossing of the clumsy river-craft, and what the set of rudder and canvas is to the course of the sailing-vessel, such is the power of an overmastering purpose to the fulfillment of life.

A young Hebrew captive, facing a career of



Ernest H. Cherrington

promise in the Assyrian capital, is confronted with a question of seemingly trifling import, apparently a question of diet. But the issue really involved was the alternative of obedience to the voice of conscience or the voice of the king. "But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself." And the decision to be true to conscience in trifles guaranteed a loyalty to God in a later and graver test of devotion, and gave to his character a bias for obedience that carried him diagonal to every diverting current throughout his eventful career.

The soul that is stirred by the aspiration to be true assumes a nobler aspect. The heart



Dr. Howard H. Russell, Founder of the Anti-Saloon League

that resolves to be sincere is set to a higher key. A high ideal, though never fully realized, lights up the future, lifts one to higher levels, and leaves a permanent glow on life. For the pansy to have dreamed before the dawn of spring, of the possibility of flowering into matchless beauty, places it upon a higher level of plant life than the fern that stands forever flowerless beside the fountain. So, too, the great conceptions that visit the soul, the lofty aims that smoulder in the breast are like bugle notes, summoning us to noble exploit, and stirring us with the thrill of a hope that has already gone forth to occupy the future, a hope that braces the soul as the breeze from the snow-crowned summit braces one who is struggling up the slope. If we would but watch and catch and interpret those becoming gleams of light that flash across the soul's horizon and "follow the gleam," fewer would be the failures recorded in life's catalogue.

A lofty purpose is of life the dynamo,
Impelling onward, upward, to the mountain heights
Where great hearts live and burn and glow as beacon lights
To guide the midnight climber from the vale below.

Aspiring to be greatest, one will not be least,
For though he never fully realize the aim,
Or but half-way to his ideal high attain,
Awakened hope is to his soul a sumptuous feast,

Attended by the joys that enervate and heat
The spirit, shattered by the sudden shocks of Chance
Or all but vanquished in the fight with Circumstance,
To rise and wrench a final vict'ry from defeat:

A heaven-inspired purpose holds a regnant sway
Supreme within the soul surrendered to its power,
But better far to be its bond-slave for an hour
Than aimless-free to live forever and a day.

THE CALL OF THE WORLD

The following paragraphs are taken from W. E. Doughty's "The Call of the World:"

Missions is the greatest living issue. There is no question before the world today which involves such large forces, such multitudes of people and with such tremendous issues. There is nothing greater to which a man may relate his life.

* * * *

In order to read the magazines and newspapers intelligently constant study of missions is necessary. Progress in our time is largely along Christian lines. The progress of the world is only another way of saying that Christ is increasingly possessing the world.

* * * *

God has made America a giant in size that America may do a giant's share in the world-wide propagation of the Gospel.

* * * *

The Edinburgh Conference Report says that there are 119,000,000 people in Asia and Africa who are not even included in the plans of any missionary society on earth. There are many more millions—and no one knows accurately how many—who are included in plans which have not yet been carried out.

* * * *

The supreme question of missions is the development in Christendom of a vitality equal to carrying the faith of Christ to the last man in the world. Is my Christianity equal to this task? Will the Christianity of my church go to the limit of devotion to the plans of Christ? Is American Christianity strong enough so God can anchor a planet to America without wrecking America? In this great hour you must answer and so must I and so must the church.

* * * *

The evangelization of the world means the giving of every person in the world an adequate opportunity to know and receive Jesus Christ. This is the present and urgent task of all Christians. It is a universal obligation organic in the gospel. By this we do not mean simply giving the message of Christ once in the hearing of all men. That is not adequate. There must be repeated instruction in the gospel, until the need of Christ is made clear and influence brought to bear upon the will so that an intelligent decision to accept and follow Christ is made possible. Many will reject the message, no doubt, but the responsibility of Christians to any man is not discharged until that man has had opportunity to know and receive Jesus Christ. Wherever there are belated countries and races, or religions that do not meet the deepest needs of mankind, wherever there is no adequate opportunity to enjoy the deliverance from sin, the freedom, the intelligence, the purity, the safety, the justice and equality, the rewards of honest labor, which the gospel of Christ brings, it is the duty of those who possess all these to pass them on to others

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

LOOK UP THE RENEWAL BLANK

On page 11 you will find a blank for renewal to the Advocate. If your subscription has expired please fill out this blank, pin check or money order to it and mail it direct to the Christian Advocate, Greensboro, N. C. Do not wait to see your pastor, but attend to this today, please. These summer days are trying on us. Our bills have to be met and we can not meet them if you do not send us your renewal. We are thankful to those who have already responded and we have a great big thank you for about 3,000 others. See if you can not get on the thanky list next week.

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. Dr. W. R. Ware, presiding elder of the Salisbury District, held a joint meeting of all the five quarterly conferences in Concord last week.

—Rev. H. C. Sprinkle, presiding elder of Mount Airy District, assisted Rev. J. H. Allison in revival services at Germanton last week. A good meeting is reported.

—Rev. Dr. E. L. Bain, pastor of Centenary church, Winston-Salem, addressed the young people of the Methodist churches in Mount Airy and vicinity on Tuesday night of last week.

—Look up the ad of Davenport College on page 16. We would advise that those who expect to go to Davenport next year write at once for reservation. Those who delay a single day take the chance of being too late.

—Rev. Z. B. Randall, who has been a student at Emory and Henry for some years, has taken up work at Bluefield, West Virginia, and his address for the summer will be 101 Ramsay St., Bluefield.

—Rev. Frank Siler, Conference Missionary Secretary, has removed his family to Lake Junaluska for the summer. Correspondents will address Brother Siler at Lake Junaluska, N. C., until September first.

—The Taylorsville Scout last week reported some forty or fifty conversions and twenty accessions as the result of the revival meeting at the Methodist church which came to a close on Wednesday night. The pastor, Rev. R. E. Hunt, was assisted in the meeting by Rev. Z. E. Barnhardt, of Lenoir.

—Miss Lelia Tuttle is making herself quite useful visiting the churches and talking to the congregations about our work in China while on her vacation. She visited the churches at Newton and Thomasville last week and spoke to the congregation at Main Street on the conditions in that country and the beneficial effects of Christianity.

—The many friends of Prof. Cundiff will rejoice at the favorable news received from the hospital where he underwent a very serious operation a week ago last Monday. The latest is that he is doing nicely.—Mount Airy Leader.

—In a beautiful church wedding which took place in West Market Street church on last Wednesday evening, Miss Annie Lee Grissom, youngest daughter of Mrs. W. L. Grissom, became the bride of Dr. Roger Lansing Offen, of Stamford, Conn. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. C. W. Byrd, the pastor, assisted by Rev. Dr. J. H. Weaver, presiding elder. The Advocate wishes for the young couple a very happy and prosperous life.

—We have learned with deep regret of the death of Mrs. Eskridge, wife of Rev. T. J. Eskridge, of the Holston Conference, which occurred on Friday, June 11th, at the home of her parents in Jonesboro, Tenn. Rev. Mr. Eskridge is the son of Mr. Harrison Eskridge, of Shelby, and is now serving as presiding elder of the Knoxville District. There are three children, and great sympathy is felt for the bereaved ones.

—The Leaksville correspondent of the Reidsville Review, referring to the meeting recently held in the Methodist church, says that the eloquent and impressive services of Dr. Byrd were listened to with rapt attention by the largest audience ever assembled in this church during revival services. "His discourses have been revelations of experimental religion, sermons all too rare in this materialistic age."

—The Evangelistic Committee can be a great help to the pastor in his work. Of course it must be a working committee if anything is to be accomplished. Rev. T. S. Coble tells of happy results on the Lenoir circuit it made possible by the work of this committee. Among these happy results are penitents and conversions at the regular church services.

—A number of Advocate readers will be interested in the announcement of the marriage of Rev. Ivey Talmage Poole, of Bridgewater, to Miss Willie Ethel Donahoe, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. S. A. Donahoe, which took place on Wednesday afternoon of last week at Central Methodist parsonage, Portsmouth, Va., Rev. W. T. Green, presiding elder of the Portsmouth District, officiating. Mr. Poole is a graduate of Trinity College, class of 1915, and is serving as supply on the Tarboro circuit. The father of the bride, Rev. S. A. Donahoe, is a member of the Virginia Conference and is stationed at Central church, Portsmouth, Va.

—Many friends will lament the death of Mrs. Rowland, wife of Captain W. T. Rowland, which occurred at their home in Taylorsville on Friday morning, June 18th. The husband, who, for many years, has served as conductor on the A. T. & O. Railroad, is widely known and will have the sympathy of all who know him. Mrs. Rowland was a fine spirit and a consecrated Christian and will be greatly missed in the Methodist church of which she was a member.

—Many Advocate readers, especially in Greensboro and vicinity, will be interested to know that Miss Bettie Armfield, formerly a teacher in the Greensboro Female College, but recently residing in Brevard, was married on Wednesday, June 9th, to Mr. W. E. McDonald, of Gulfport, Miss. The vows were plighted in the Methodist church, Hendersonville, N. C., and the happy couple are at home for the summer in Brevard, N. C. They expect to go to Gulfport, Miss., in the fall. We extend congratulations and best wishes.

Main St., Thomasville.—The Main Street Sunday school is so unusually good that it might be an inspiration to others. Yesterday, the hottest of the summer so far, with no special attraction, we had 349 present and a collection of $11.98. This school is graded and actually works the graded system, which is a fine improvement when really given a chance. The organization of the classes in all the departments makes largely for efficiency. In Charles F. Lambeth we have an unsurpassed superintendent, capable, interested, progressive, he inspires the whole organization. He is fortunate in having some of the best teachers to be found anywhere, teachers who while teaching the right things, grip and build their classes. A little later I hope to furnish you a write-up of the live and suggestive things being done by some of these classes. The special which this school carries is $200.00 per year for the support fund of the Children's Home. This is annually divided out to the classes and raised by them through the year. This amounts to $50.00 every fifth Sunday and belongs in that report but has not been so reported because it is a fixed amount and definitely assumed by the school. If this were reported I think Thomasville would be up toward the head of the list in fifth Sunday collections.

D. M. Litaker.

Taylorsville.—Dear Brother Blair: I want enough space to say a few things about our meeting which was brought to a close on the night of June 9. Preparatory services were begun May 21 and continued until Sunday, May 30. On Monday following Rev. Z. B Barnhardt, of Lenoir, came in and for ten day preached the gospel in a plain and straightfo ward way. As a result the church was grea ly revived, and we estimate that there wer about fifty or sixty conversions and reclam tions. Last Wednesday evening nineteen joi ed our church, two of these by certificate. have the names of four others. Nine hav joined the Presbyterian church and sever go to the Baptists.

Some of the oldest citizens say that ther has not been such a revival in Taylorsvil in fifteen years. I am praying that the rev val fires thus started may sweep over the e tire charge. The outlook is promising.

Without intending to reflect on our prese corps of Conference evangelists, I would lik to say that if Brother Barnhardt could be i duced to devote his time to this work the Co ference would make no mistake in commissio ing him along with the other brethren. H pulpit work was a blessing to our town, an his presence in the homes was a benediction our people. Robert E. Hunt.

Green River Circuit.—Writing from Mi Spring under date of June 14, Rev. J. M. Ba ber, the pastor, says:

Yesterday was a great day for the childre and all at Bethlehem church. We had fi weather and everything was in readiness whe the bell began to send its toll across the hil and plains, beckoning all to come to Children Day. The children came bright and earl feeling good over the victory which was a most won, and the morning was given to th children's exercises. Each did well, showin the good training and care which had bee given them by the faithful ones who traine them. The program as is gotten out by ou board was used and is a splendid one. Coul not have been better. After the program most bountiful table was spread in the grov and all had a feast on the good things brough by the good women of the community.

At ten o'clock the pastor preached to th children, and all seemed to be ready to hea At three o'clock County Superintendent Col gave a splendid address on "Conservation, which was enjoyed by all. There were six seven hundred people present. After all wa over we sang "Praise God from whom all bles ings flow," followed by the benediction, an all went home feeling that it was good to there.

From Conference Evangelist

We had a great meeting with Rev. G. Christenberry at Randleman. There were abo twenty-nine professions and a goodly numb of accessions to the various churches. Th Lord was present in great power, and h power attracted the multitute. On the la night of the meeting, the house would not ho the people, but many stood on the outside hear the Word. Brother Christenberry is fine favor with his people. Both saint an sinner love him. We are now with Rev. H. Wellman at Burnsvile, N. C.

W. L. Dawson.

Missionary Notes from Field Secretary

Bethel Ct., A. L. Latham, P. C.—Pisga $29.50 on assessments; Bethel, $162.00, asse ments in full; Long's Chapel, $35.00 on asse ments.

* * * *

This Pigeon River valley is beautiful to hold. In fact the whole of Haywood coun with its coves of fertile soil, its hillsides a mountains, of orchard grass and fat cattle, apple orchards and thrifty people, its runni streams and fine timber—all conspire to gi one the impression that God intended it an assembly ground for all the South. Pict esque Lake Junaluska, nestled in the heart the county is the place selected.

The Southern Assembly will, beyond dou be all that its projectors hoped for.

This year the conferences begin July 9th a run until September. I crave for our peo the inspiration that attendance on these c ferences is certain to bring.

A Sabbath in Cooleemee

It was my privilege and pleasure to spend a recent Sabbath in this little factory town, and assist the pastor of our church, Rev. C. M. Short, in the administration of the holy sacrament and preach for his congregation at the morning hour. It was a bright and enjoyable day. To mingle with him and his people in the Sunday school, the preaching and sacramental service was indeed a pleasure. Brother Short has a loyal working church and Sunday school and both are prospering. He is in popular favor with them, and has done a good work among them during the four years of his charge there, the fourth of which he is now closing.

In company with Brother Short I spent Monday and Tuesday mingling with the people and looking after the interest of the Advocate. During those two days we did some pretty good work for the paper. About all of the expired and unexpired subscriptions have been renewed or will be, and twelve new ones added to the list—a little more than the number allotted to that charge. So now you may put that pastor and his charge on your honor roll if you still have room on it for them.

James Willson.

Winston-Salem, N. C.

Mooresville Methodism

Brother Ratlege has made a most favorable impression upon the people of his charge. Every expression I have heard has been one of praise. Quiet and unassuming, he goes at his tasks with a spirit that inspires confidence. He is a reader of good books. He is manifesting intelligent interest in the problems of the country church. He is now planning for Home Coming Day at old McKendree. He hopes to secure for this occasion one strong speaker to discuss country life.

One of the rare privileges of being pastor in Mooresville is that of association with Brother Jno. W. Jones. Brother Jones is one of the youngest men I know. Our good fellowship together has been a blessing and inspiration to me.

And let no one suppose he is laying off for a rest. At Monbo he now has a substantial church and a considerable membership where three years ago we had nothing. Our Conference insurance is also in his hands. In addition to these things, he serves acceptably on the School Board of the town. By the way, the superintendent of our graded schools is the son of a South Carolina Methodist preacher.

Things are running smoothly here on the station. Two weeks ago we closed our revival meeting. Twenty-three joined on profession, making a total of 205 on profession in two years. Our Sunday school attendance never drops below 300, but ranges from that figure to 350. We were liquidating our church debt at the rate of $2,000 per year when Germany interfered. However, the mountain has been reduced almost to a mole hill, and it will not be always till that obstacle will be removed. For two years and a half now our stewards have paid salaries promptly at the end of each quarter. This they are keeping up, war or no war.

Death has recently claimed a highly respected member of our church, Mrs. Julia Cook. She had suffered long but her going was peaceful.

Respectfully,

C. S. Kirkpatrick.

Our Washington City Church

At the last Conference session a resolution was passed appointing F. M. Weaver, E. A. Cole, J. W. Harris, D. F. Giles, J. F. Hendren, W. R. Odell, C. R. Hoey, Dr. W. H. Nicholson, F. S. Lambeth and James Atkins, Jr., laymen, representing all the presiding elders' districts to act with the undersigned as a committee to raise the balance of the pledge made by the Conference to the Washington City Representative Church and the third Sunday of March set apart as Washington Church Day throughout the Conference and the preachers were requested on that day to present the cause and take collections and send the amounts raised to me, the treasurer of the fund.

Some weeks before this special day I wrote letters to all the committeemen and to all the pastors urging general collections on the third Sunday of March with the hope that by united effort the $3,800.00 might be raised on that one day. So far reports have been received as folows:

W. T. Albright, Concord Ct.	$ 1.50
R. M. Hoyle, Mocksville	5.20
R. G. Tuttle, Albemarle	2.25
T. C. Abernethy, Lincolnton	7.37
J. P. Hipps, Elkin	3.25
D. B. McRary, Asheboro	7.50
T. J. Ogburn, Mt. Zion	1.75
C. R. Allsion, Rural Hall	1.00

I am sure all friends of the enterprise will be disappointed to see the small result of this special effort but I trust sincerely that this report may so impress our pastors and people with a sense of our obligation that they may now rally to the cause, and raise the fund necessary to liquidate the pledge the Conference made in such good faith.

Let all collections be sent to me and due acknowledgement will be made through the Advocate.

William L. Sherrill,
Chairman of Committee.

Charlotte, June 15, 1915.

Death of Rev. J. N. Payne

The following sketch was read by Rev. E. E. Williamson, the pastor, at the funeral and published in the Morganton Herald:

Rev. Jordan Nathaniel Payne was born June 2, 1846, and died June 7, 1915, at the age of 69 years and 4 days.

Mr. Payne was educated at old Rutherford College. He was married to Miss Anne Warlick of this county in 1867. He settled in Morganton in 1885 and has been one of Morganton's staunch citizens for nearly 30 years. While a student in Rutherford College he was called upon to enter the service of the Confederacy and in 1864 he enlisted as a 17-year-old boy in Company C 72 N. C. Regiment under Captain L. A. Bristol, of Morganton. He was not only a good, faithful soldier in the performing of all military duties, but according to the testimony of his captain he was devoutly religious, and faithful to God in all things, even during the hard life of the camp, which is so often a very hard trial of faith.

Mr. Payne joined the church when a lad just nine years old and has been a faithful worker for God all the years of his life. He was ordained as a local minister by Bishop Doggett at Greensboro, in 1876. He did a great work for the church in that capacity in the days when Morganton circuit was almost half as large as the present Morganton district. He preached all over the large circuit, built churches and hleped the hard worked preacher to extend the work of God in Burke and adjoining territory. He was a man who never boasted of his labors. He was retiring in disposition and rather shunned publicity. He was very fond of his friends and always referred to them as friends who had been a comfort and a blessing to him. He considered Messrs. J. A. Claywell, I. I. Davis and Capt. Bristol as life-long friends, whose encouragement and help had inspired him and whose service had aided him in the old days when he first came to Morganton as a stranger.

In his home he was an ideal father. He had large ambitions for his family and labored patiently to attain his purpose. His son, Mr. Horace Payne, of Morganton, has always been associated with his father, and their interests have been mutual. They have been likened unto Jonathan and David because of their strong attachment and community of interests and in sharing together the joys and sorrows of life.

Rev. Mr. Payne will be missed in the community. The church of God has lost a faithful worker, the town a true citizen, the home a noble father.

He is survived by his beloved wife, Mrs. Annie Warlick Payne, and five children: Dr. Bruce R. Payne, president of Peabody University, Nashville, Tenn.; Mr. Max T. Payne, of Greensboro, N. C.; Mr. Horace Payne, of Morganton; Mrs. J. E. Albright, of Greensboro, and Mrs. J. B. Frix, of Eagle Springs, N. C., who mourn their loss.

He rests from his labors but he lives in the lives of his loved ones and of many others who have been blessed and helped by his unselfish life. He loved his fellow men and he loved the old soldiers. Last week he told Captain Bristol he would like to go to Richmond to the reunion, but he said he and Captain Bristol would have a reunion after the Captain's return.

He now realizes a grander reunion before the throne of God where he meets all the old soldiers of Christ who have come up through toil and conflict and have gained the victory over sin and death through the cross of Christ, the great Captain and leader of their souls.

To the bereaved family, relatives and friends, I would say, your sorrow is the sorrow that sees the rainbow through your tears.

Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift. Jesus Christ hath revealed that our separation is only for a little season. Some sweet day in God's own good time we shall see our loved ones face to face where no tears are shed and no farewells are ever said.

OUR CHILDREN'S HOME REPORT

Fifth Sunday Collections

Zion S. S., Greensboro Ct., J. W. Zinc, Route 3, $1.92; Siloam S. S., Siloam, R. N. Marion, $2.45; Missionary Society, Hickory church, Mrs. R. J. Foster, $5.00; Providence church, Broad River Ct., W. L. Smith, $1.00; Liberty S. S., Winston-Salem, W. E. Huls, $2.80; McKendree church, Mooresville, Rev. J. T. Ratledge, $1.00; Trinity S. S., Seversville church, Charlotte, L. J. Stilwell, $1.12; Nebo S. S., Nebo, $1.00; Taylorsville S. S., R. L. Snow, $6.38; Pleasant Hill S. S., McFarlan, H. E. Braswell, $2.60; Fairview S. S., T. W. Shuford, 80c; Jala S. S., Franklin Ct., Rev. W. G. Warren, $3.00; Sandy Mush S. S., W. S. Robinson, $1.60; Rock River church, Morganton Ct., Rev. A. C. Swofford, $2.83; Mt. Zion S. S., Stokesdale, W. R. Gentry, 75c; Delta S. S., Sandy Ridge, Miss Sarah Oakley, 50c; Harmony Grove S. S., Canton, B. W. Hall, $1.50; Bethany S. S., Baldwin, A. J. Houck, $1.89; Henson's Chapel, Watauga Ct., N. L. Mast, $4.31; Salem S. S., Albemarle, W. J. Hatley, $2.76; Bethel S. S., Linwood Ct., H. L. Walser, 65c; Jackson Hill S. S., T. S. Everhart, $1.25; Flint Hill S. S., Alexander, Weaverville Ct., W. H. Hunter, $1.00; Shoal Creek S. S., Whittier Ct., John L. Ferguson, $3.23; Craven S. S., W. M. Peeler, $3.66; Center S. S., Linwood Ct., P. D. Hinkle, $2.14; Rocky Mount church, Troutman, O. O. Harwell, $1.47; Morganton S. S., E. B. Claywell, $9.39; L. S. Kimel, Winston-Salem, Route 2, $1.00; J. E. Freeman, Bryson City, $3.00; Rev. J. M. Barber, Mill Spring, Lebanon church, $2.75; Maiden S. S., G. D. Wilkinson, $2.13; Lincolnton S. S., R. C. Goode, $5.80; R. F. Wellons, Lenoir church, $1.80; E. W. Hauser, Daub's S. S., Paffftown, $1.29. Total, $85.77.

Ten Per cent. Assessment, etc.

Rev. M. T. Steele, Charlotte, Route 9, $8.00; Rev. J. T. Ratledge, McKendree church, Mooresville, $2.45; Centenary church, $6.08; Rev. T. B. Johnson, Summerfield Ct., $9.00; Mrs. Myrtle Wooton, Winston-Salem, $4.50; W. T. Penry, for Capt. Rawley's Bible class, Winston-Salem, $41.67; Miss Jennie Loue McDowell, Brickton, Fairview Ct., $4.30; Rev. J. C. Keever, North Lenoir Ct., $15.00; R. M. Brewer, treasurer, North Wilkesboro church, $124.06; Trinity church, Charlotte, A. G. Craig, treasurer, $10.00; Micaville Ct., Robt. F. Mock, $3.00; Rev. P. L. Terrell, Pleasant Garden S. S., $2.00; Bethany S. S., $1.26; Bethlehem S. S., $1.64; Broad Street S. S., Statesville, F. B. Bunch, Tr., $30.64; Mt. Pleasant church, Yadkinville, J. J. Fleming, $3.70; a friend, Winston-Salem, $5.00; Biltmore church, Miss Julia Brookshire, $2.26; a friend, Mechanic, N. C., $2.00. Total, $276.56.

Note—$1.50 reported by E. L. Rice should be credited to Broadview S. S., name supplied by him.

Our thanks are due an unknown "Friend" in Raleigh for a very handsomely bound and beautifully printed copy of "Bible Symbols," for the use of the children of the Home.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

NEW EVERY DAY

Every day is a fresh beginning;
Every morn is the world made new;
You who are weary of sorrow and sinning,
Here is a beautiful hope for you—
A hope for me and a hope for you.

All the past things are past and over;
The tasks are done and the tears are shed;
Yesterday's errors let yesterday cover;
Yesterday's wounds which smarted and bled,
Are healed with the healing which night has shed.

Yesterday now is part of forever—
Bound up in a sheaf which God holds tight,
With glad days and sad days and bad days which never
Shall visit us more with their bloom and their blight,
Their fullness of sunshine or sorrowful night.

Let them go since we cannot relieve them—
Cannot undo and cannot atone;
God in His mercy receive, forgive them;
Only the new days are our own;
Today is ours and ours alone.

Here are the skies all burnished brightly,
Here is the spent earth all reborn,
Here the tired limbs springing lightly
To face the sun and share with the morn
In the chrism of dew and the cool of dawn.

Every day is a fresh beginning;
Listen, my soul, to the glad refrain,
And spite of old sorrow and older sinning,
And puzzles forecasted and possible pain,
Take heart with the day and begin again.

—Selected.

JUNALUSKA MISSIONARY CONFERENCE

When?—July 9th-20th.

Where?—Southern Assembly Grounds, Junaluska, N. C.

The great annual missionary gathering of our church. Let us plan now to attend. We hope in our next issue to give a program of the many good things that this ten-days meeting holds in store for our missionary workers who will attend.

PRAYER CYCLE FOR JUNE

Motto—"Ye also helping together by prayer for us." (2 Cor. 1:11).

Topic—"The Adolescent in Industry."

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, if ye shall ask anything of the Father, he will give it you in my name." (John xvl-23.)

There are four conditions for the person who would prevail in prayer: Intelligence, knowing his mind and will; Obedience, squaring the practice of the life to the Book; Expectancy, believing not only that he can, but that he will; Persistence, not coaxing, not persuading, not to win God over, but to enter into real partnership with him.

June 1-7

Pray for the adolescents in industry, that conditions in labor may be wholesome and that good home influences may gird them in this critical period. Remember those who work in the fields, in the factories, in the mines and on the streets of our cities.

June 8-15

Pray for the adolescent boys and girls in the Orient, many of whom have been already touched by the problem of industry as we know it here. Pray for those girls who are slaves in their husbands' homes; for those who are engaged in the various industries, such as making toys, weaving, embroidering, etc., and for those whose purity has been sacrificed to a false religion. Pray for all whose lives are not sheltered and protected by love and in praying remember that only the gospel adequately given will reach them. Pray that your part may be adequate.

June 16-23

Pray for the adolescent boys and girls in the Latin countries where poverty, illiteracy and immorality make industrial conditions that are hard to overcome. Pray for Christian homes, Christian education and Christian governments.

June 24-30

Pray that righteous laws may be passed to govern industry in all our states. Pray that the consciences of the leaders of industry here and in other lands, may be so quickened that places of toil will be clean, moral and stimulating. Pray that the consciences of the people may be so aroused that it will be impossible to sacrifice a growing boy or girl to greed and impossible to pay unjust wages. Pray that the missionaries who are leaders in non-Christian lands may have wisdom to help in shaping laws and regulating industry.

We are sorry that we do not receive these prayer cycles earlier in the month that we might give them out to our readers earlier (Editor)

CAMPAIGN OF ORGANIZATION

What are we doing, in this time of a church-wide campaign, for the enlistment of the uninterested women and children in our eleven districts in the Western North Carolina Conference? Are we putting forth every effort to interest these whom we need so much to help us in this great work of missions?

That is a most startling fact that comes to us in the June Bulletin, and it is hard for us to realize that of the nineteen thousand churches in Southern Methodism twelve thousand have no missionary organization. And that of the one million, three hundred thousand women and children in our church, only two hundred thousand belong to a missionary society.

There is evidently much work that remains for us to do in this campaign. How many churches are there in our Western N. C. Conference? How many have no missionary society? How many of these churches that are without a missionary society belong to your district?

Let us wake up, my sisters, and see what we can do to help in this work of fulfilling the object of this campaign—an auxiliary in every church and every woman and child a member. "Let a mighty volume of prayer go up from the hearts of the women who love Jesus Christ and desire the coming of his kingdom, that he may take the leadership of this movement and bring it to a glorious victory."

AN INTERESTING CHART

Have you seen the chart given on page 289 of the Missionary Voice for June which shows "How to Make Connection Between Auxiliary, Conference and Council?"

This is a chart worthy of study and if copied by our auxiliary presidents and placed at some suitable place in the church where the auxiliary officers may see it perhaps it would not only relieve the confusion that oftentimes arises because of the fact that these officers do not know to whom their reports should go each quarter, but it would furnish material for a helpful drill on the personnel and duties of the three sets of officers. Only one more week of the second quarter and it is necessary for us to be getting our reports in shape for a prompt sending to our Conference and Council officers.

Several months ago there came to us from Mrs. D. B. Coltrane, of Concord, who has recently passed to her reward, several papers dealing with the Delinquent, Defective and Dependent Children, which were read at the Salisbury District Meeing in a round table discussion led by Mrs. Coltrane. Being especially interested in this work of Social Service, she was very anxious that these papers come out through our columns. We have already given one or two of them and this week are giving another and we would ask our readers to read carefully the message which just at this time of our study of the Adolescent Boy and Girl, seem most appropriate. This paper was read by Mrs. R. A. Brower, of Central church, Concord.

CAUSES OF JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

Society has undergone quite a change in the attitude toward the Delinquent and Dependent children in the past years, with the result that after scientific study, we find that the whole moral responsibility must not be placed upon the child as formerly, but the causes must be studied and remedied. It is our purpose now to give the leading causes for delinquency as recognized today.

The Standard's definition for delinquency is, "offending by neglect of duty." The meaning however, is continually getting broader. Beginning as it did with the breaking of the state and city lays by a person sixteen years old and under (sixteen being age limit for full moral responsibility) it is now extended to include all wayward tendencies of a serious nature which if left unchecked, will lead to actual delinquency.

A third class is often spoken of, though technically they do not belong in the delinquent class—they are the morally endangered or neglected children—who if not removed from their environments will either develop into prospective delinquents or become actual delinquents. Statistics show that juvenile delinquency is increasing. Holland says her's has doubled in the last twenty years. Russia's has increased more rapidly than her population. And we, too, well know how rapidly it is growing in America. What are the causes of this rapid increase of delinquency that Travis calls "the octopus whose arms reach everywhere?"

Juvenile courts and reform school statistics hold desertion and divorce accountable in fully one-fourth of all cases thus placing the responsibility in the instability of the home—that fundamental institution. The average for thirty-four reform schools was twenty-nine and six-tenths per cent., and for four large juvenile courts, twenty-three and seven-tenths per cent. These figures tell their own sad tale.

Closely related to the desertion and divorce evil, we find vicious home conditions, another reason for delinquency. Parental incompetence, parents in name only. The home filthy and unkept, the mother callous and indifferent, the father ruling by fear alone. These conditions are usually brought about by drink, immorality, excessive use of drugs and indolence. So out of every one hundred delinquents eighty are victims of such home conditions.

The third cause for delinquency is due to the child himself, namely, a lack of mental and physical basis for a successful life. How much of this lack is due to inheritance and how much from environment is difficult to tell, but the fact remains.

Delinquents are usually below the average in size, health, strength and mentality. We find incapacity for honest self-support due to mental and physical defects. On the mental side we find either defective physical basis for mental life, or inherited mental incompetence. On the physical side we find actual disease, malformation, physical restlessness and abnormal cravings are common. Statistics prove that one-half of all juvenile delinquents have a defective physical basis for life.

The fourth cause for delinquency is the presence of children in industry, especially street or kindred trades. It is an accepted fact that child labor is a chief cause for delinquency. An investigation in seven cities proved delinquency was found three to ten times more frequent in working than in non-working boys, with the proportion even larger among the girls. Labor brings to children temptations beyond their strength to endure and places stumbling blocks in the paths of those who might come to Christ.

HOW TO STUDY MISSIONS

By Miss Estelle Witcher of the Spencer Auxiliary

Some one has said: "It is the whole business of the church and it is the business of the whole church, to carry the whole gospel to the whole world as speedily as possible."

Missionary work is not one of the features of church activity; it is the one all important work of every church, every Sunday school and every individual Christian.

Without intelligent missionary interest there can be little spiritual power. So the auxiliary of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Western North Carolina Conference of Spencer M. E. Church, South, is endeavoring to become well informed along all lines and phases of the missionary movements, and we can count it a joy and a great privilege to be one society among many, which is strivmg earnestly and intelligently to spread the glad tidings to all nations. To this end our society has an organized mission study class with Mrs. G. L. Steele as teacher, which is doing much along educative lines, showing the great needs of all nationalities and providing ways and means by which these needs may be met. The class has an active membership of twenty-nine, meeting semi-monthly. Our efficient teacher makes the meetings very interesting by forming the class into a convention and having each member represent a delegate from a different country, who tells of the need of her home-land. In this way each member becomes interested in her special subject and the entire class gets a clearer, broader vision of all the needs of the countries represented. Several books have been completed, and twelve new members have been added to the roll during the year.

The officers of our society are wide-awake and well equipped for their several duties. The new president, Mrs. C. M. Pickens, is doing good work: the agent of the Missionary Voice, Mrs. F. L. Devereux, is active and alert as shown by the number of new subscribers on her list. We meet semi-monthly, alternating with business and literary meetings, both of which are interesting and well attended.

In January a Social Service Committee was appointed with Mrs. R. M. Holt, superintendent. Under her wise leadership the work has grown in interest. A Betterment Association has been organized. Cottage prayer meetings have been held, literature has been distributed among the sick and shut-ins, clothing has been given to the poor and the strangers and sick have been visited. The Social Service Committee has the literary program of our society in charge once per quarter.

In this time of soul-hunger and restlessness, the outlook is broad and the personal responsibilities grow greater

(Continued on page 11)

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

ON TO JUNALUSKA!

Don't forget the Epworth League Institute August 19-29. Let's all be there. It will be better this year than last. The Central Office has issued a little leaflet in regard to the Institute which we are giving below. It gives a prospectus of the institute which promises to be exceptionally good.

LAKE JUNALUSKA INSTITUTE

Date, August 19-29

For the convenience of the young people it is probably true that the Epworth League this year commands the most favorable date of any organization which will conduct a meeting at beautiful Lake Junaluska. Coming at the height of the hot summer period and toward the close of the vacation season, the time set for the Epworth League Institute will undoubtedly prove to be especially acceptable to Epworthians. All other activities at the Lake will have been brought to an end, so that no event will tread impatiently upon the heels ef the Institute. By August 19 the Assembly grounds will be in the best possible shape, as those in charge will have had the entire season for preparation. The Epworth Leaguers will fall heir to all the improvements effected during the preceding weeks. At this time also many young folks will be able to plan a longer vacation than would have been possible earlier in the summer. Not a few will perhaps be inclined to arrange for camping parties after the Institute has adjourned.

Accommodations

Accommodations superior to any heretofore enjoyed at Lake Junaluska will be offered. Since last summer a new lodging and boarding house has been erected, the Public Service Building has been put in condition to take care of a large number of persons with greatly increased comforts, and several cottages have been added to the number that dot the sloping shore of the charming lake. In addition to the dining room of the new boarding house, a restaurant and a cafeteria will be kept open on the grounds. It should be an easy achievement to take care of two hundred and fifty or three hundred Epworthians in a manner creditable to the Assembly and entirely acceptable to the visitors themselves.

Ten Days Like This One

Think of rising on an August morning in time to see the sun leap over shoulder of a mountain five thousand feet above the level of the sea. Imagine a brisk walk upon the dew-wet rim of the world, with white mists breaking and melting around you; or "the cool silver shock" of a plunge in the lake; or the exhilarating effect of a quick excursion by boat across the water and back. If breakfast comes with lagging gait, luscious blackberries on myriad stems entice the appetite to satisfaction.

After breakfast and an hour of quiet, a period of Bible study, a period of mission study, and a period of conference, followed by an inspirational address, fill the morning hours till dinner at one.

In the afternoon, recreation—tennis, baseball, basket ball, rowing, swimming, hikes, climbing, rides, and, for less strenuous souls, quoits, croquet, and marbles.

In the evening a Chautauquan entertainment most frequently, with a stirring platform address occasionally.

Who'll Be There?

The great majority, of course, cannot be named until the enrollment of delegates is complete. But here are the names of some who have been invited to be there and who constitute the biggest reason why you should by all means come:

From Beyond the Seas—Mr. T. C. Chao, of China; Dr. S. H. Wainright, of Japan; Rev. J. B. Fearn, of China; Rev. Joseph Whiteside, of China; Mr. Andres Osuma, of Mexico; Mr. E. E. Vann, of Brazil; and Rev. S. A. Neblett, of Cuba.

From the Home Base—Dr. W. W. Pinson, Dr. E. H. Rawlings, Dr. R. H. Bennett, Bishop J. H. McCoy, Mrs. R. W. MacDonnell, Mrs. J. D. Hammond, Miss Mabel Head, Dr. Ed F. Cook, Rev. W. F. Quillian, Rev. J. L. Cuninggim, Dr. F. S. Parker, Miss Ada Trawick, Mr. A. C. Tippens, Mr. J. M. Culbreth.

Expense

The necessary expense of spending ten days at Lake Junaluska in high Christian fellowship need not exceed ten dollars, plus railroad fare from one's home and return. Arrangements with the railroad for reduced rates enable the assembly management to advertise an attractively low schedule of ticket prices. The cost of entertainment will vary according to personal taste and ability. It is certainly safe to say that $25.00 will cover the total necessary expense of any person who lives within three hundred miles of the Lake.

Information

Concerning all matters connected with securing accommodations, railroad fares, special attractions at the Lake during the Institute, etc., address Mr. J. Dale Stentz, Lake Junaluska, N. C.

PROGRAM

Daily Schedule, Beginning Friday Morning

9:00-9:45. Bible Study—League Courses.

9:50-10:35. Mission Study—League Courses.

10:45-11:30. Institutes.

11:35-12:30. Platform Address.

Afternoon, recreation.

8:30. Platform.

Institute Topics

At each institute period selections will be made from the list below of those topics considered most important:

I. Epworth League Management

1. The Constitutions.
2. The Council and Committees.
3. Promoting the Junior Department.
4. Correlating with Wesley Bible Classes and Young People's Societies.
5. The Business Meeting.
6. Conserving Our Gains.
7. Officers: Qualifications and Duties.

II. The Epworth League Program

1. The Calendar: Special Days, etc.
2. The Weekly Meeting.
3. The Covenants.
4. The League Study Course.
5. Junior Bible and Church Study Courses
6. Conferences and Institutes.
7. Organizing New Leagues.

III. The League's Task

1. The Africa Special.
2. Paine College.

IV. The League's Resources

1. The Epworth Era.
2. The Handbooks.
3. The League Library.
4. The League Room.
5. The Central Office—Correspondence.

Subjects for Platform Addresses

Thursday Evening—The Lordship of Christ.

Friday Noon—1. The Spiritual Destitution of Non-Christian Lands. 2. The Spiritual Resources of America. (Twenty-five minutes each.)

Saturday Noon.—Harvest Time in Japan.

Sunday Morning—Sermon.

Sunday Evening—What Is Consecration?

Monday Noon—1. The Teacher's Responsibility and Opportunity in China. 2. Co-operation of Christian Forces in Mexico. (Twenty-five minutes each.)

Tuesday Noon—1. The Christian Faith and Civil Liberty in Cuba. 2. The Liberation of a Subject Nation. (Twenty-five minutes each.)

Wednesday—Commerce and the Cross in South America.

Thursday—1. Missions among Aliens at the Home Base. 2. Our Responsibility and Opportunity among the Negroes at Home. (Twenty-five minutes each.)

Friday—1. An Adequate Missionary Force. 2. An Adequate Missionary Motive. (Twenty-five minutes each.)

Saturday.—The Unifying Principle at Work in the Midst of Strife.

Sunday Morning—Sermon.

Sunday Afternoon—The Call to Be a Missionary.

Sunday Evening—What Is the Will of God for My Life?

For evening addresses when the platform is available:

The Power of Intercessory Prayer in Missions.

The Preparation of the Volunteer.

The Word in Simplicity and Power; or, The Missionary Message.

The Bible the Greatest Missionary Agency.

The Peculiar Responsibility of Young People in the Missionary Enterprise.

The Urgency and Danger of the Present World Situation.

GIVING HAPPINESS

Almost every day somebody somewhere cries: "O, how I wish I had a great deal of money! I could make so many people happy. But some way the people who have the means of giving happiness seldom think of using it for that purpose."

Perhaps you were the somebody that said that yesterday or today. I wonder how well you are using the means of giving happiness that you do possess. No, I don't mean money. We'll leave that out of the question for the present, though it is quite wonderful how much happiness even a little money can give when judiciously expended. I am speaking of a means of giving happiness that you have to just as great an extent as anybody else. Nobody but a dumb man is "out of the running" when it comes to using this means of giving happiness, for I refer to that most common of human possessions—a tongue. And back of that little tongue of yours is a whole host of words—wise, friendly, jolly, cheering, inspiring, helpful, or just mere amusing words—ready to run down that tongue's red tip and make the world around just about twice as happy a place to live in as it is at present.

Maybe you'll have to use a force pump to get them up and over and out just at first: your tongue may be so unused to uttering just that type of word: but let them once get the habit, and they'll run out quite as "the waters come down at Lodore." For you love to give pleasure—you know you do—and honestly, now, what is there that in the long run can equal a kindly tongue backed by a loving heart as a dispenser of daily happiness?

"But some way," as you truly remarked, "the people who have the means of giving happiness (in this way) seldom think of using it (deliberately) for that purpose."— Winifred Arnold in The Visitor.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

I once went through a sort of arrangement called a mirror maze. and a maze it was. There were mirrors everywhere; and turn in whatsoever direction I would, I could see nothing but my own image.

So is this world to many men. In it they see nothing but self. Spirit becomes its own object. I am I, both subject and object, and by a process of elimination every other being and thing vanishes. As subject I only am to have my desires; as object I only am to be served. Ultimately there is nothing left in the universe but self—the ego, subject, and alter ego, object. To what a confusion the selfish must eventually come!

"But it shall not be so among you; but whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister; and whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant: even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many."—Chas. L. Crooks, in The Christian Advocate.

FRECKLE-FACE

Sun and Wind Bring Out Ugly Spots. How to Remove Easily

Here's a chance, Miss Freckle-face to try a remedy for freckles with the guarantee of a reliable dealer that it will not cost you a penny unless it removes the freckles; while if it does give you a clear complexion the expense is trifling.

Simply get an ounce of othine—double strength from any druggist and a few applications should show you how easy it is to rid yourself of the homely freckles and get a beautiful complexion. Rarely is more than one ounce needed for the worst case.

Be sure to ask the druggist for the double strength othine as this is the prescription sold under guarantee of money back if it fails to remove freckles.

WHERE ARE THE DEAD?
By REV. LEN G. BROUGHTON, D. D.

Agents wanted. Best terms. Credit given; Express paid. Complete book, 427 pages, 33 beautiful illustrations, postpaid to any one on receipt of price, $1.50. R. L. PHILLIPS PUBLISHING CO., Atlanta, Ga.



Standard
Memorial Windows
Made in High Point

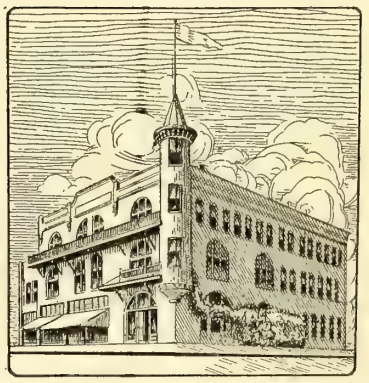
Beautiful in design—strong in construction. Largest and oldest glass plant in the South. Capacity for any and all orders and prompt delivery. Satisfaction guaranteed. References—any of our old customers or any bank or banker in High Point. Write for catalog.

Standard Mirror Co.
High Point, N. C.

DAISY FLY KILLER placed anywhere, attracts and kills allflies. Neat, clean, ornamental, convenient, cheap. Lasts all season. Made of metal, can't spill or tip over; will not soil or injure anything. Guaranteed effective. Sold by dealers, or 6 sent by express prepaid for $1.



HAROLD SOMERS, 150 DeKalb Ave. Brooklyn N. Y.



BLUE RIDGE INN

Mount Airy, N. C. W. M. Jordan, Prop.
Mount Airy's Leading Hotel

Rates $2.00 and $2.50—All meals 50 cents—Electric Lights, Steam Heat, Electric Bell System, Hot and Cold Baths—American plan—A clean up-to-date home for the tourist or traveling man, in a beautiful mountain city.

EXPERT KODAK FINISHING

Developing and printing done by artists. Most beautiful work guaranteed at all times. Satisfaction or no charge. Developing, 10c per film. Printing: prints 2 1-4 x3 1-4, 3c; 2 1-2x4 1-4, 4c; 3 1-4x5 1-2, 5c. Quick delivery. Send one film to test our service. Agents wanted.
LIGON DRUG CO., Spartanburg, S. C.

Renew Your Health At Nature's Fountain



Without the Expense and Loss of Time Necessary for a Visit to the Spring

THE CRISIS

There comes a time in the life of practically every man and woman when their digestive or eliminative organs, or both, fail to respond to drugs prepared by human skill. In fact drugs seem to do them about as much harm as good for their systems rebel against all drugs. These are the cases which physicians call "stubborn" and "chronic" for the reason that they persist in spite of drug treatment. I do not refer to incurable diseases such as cancer and consumption, but to that larger class of functional disorders which we meet every day, where the organs of digestion and elimination are impaired.

For this class of cases our best physicians and our big city specialists send their ***wealthy*** patients to the mineral springs where, in the great majority of cases they are permanently restored or decidedly benefited. But what about the ***poor*** man who has not the money or the ***busy*** man or woman who cannot spare the time to spend several weeks or possibly months at a health resort? Shall circumstances deny them the restoration to health which Nature has provided? Read my answer in the coupon at the bottom of this page.

I have the ***utmost*** confidence in the Shivar Mineral Spring Water for to it I owe ***my*** Restoration to Health and probably my Life. It has made me tens of thousands of friends in all parts of America and even in foreign countries, whose faces I have never seen. Yet I count them ***my friends*** for the Shivar Spring Water has bound them to me by lasting gratitude.

I ask you to read their letters, a few samples of which I publish below for ***your*** benefit, and if ***you*** find among them any encouragement as to your own health do not hesitate to accept my offer which has no limits or conditions except those shown on the coupon. If you could read the letters that come to me daily, numbering about ten thousand a year, and the vast majority of them similar to those printed below, you would not wonder that I make this offer displaying ***my absolute confidence*** in the restorative powers of Shivar Mineral Water.

INDIGESTION

Savannah, Georgia.

I was suffering with indigestion, stomach and liver disorders and all its train of horrifying phenomena for several months. I had lived on milk, soft eggs, shredded wheat, a very insufficient diet for an active working man, and, of course, from disease and starvation was in a very low state of nervous vitality and general debility. I ordered ten gallons of your Mineral Water which I used continuously, reordering when necessary, and in four months gained twenty-nine pounds, was strong and perfectly well, and have worked practically every day since. It acts as a general renovator of the system. I prescribe it in my practice, and it has in every instance had the desired effects. It is essential to use this water in as large quantities as possible, for its properties are so happily blended and in such proportion that they will not disturb the most delicate system. It is purely Nature's remedy.

A. L. R. AVANT, M. D.

La Grange, Ga., Nov. 25, 1914.

I feel it my duty to suffering humanity to make public announcement of the benefits I have derived from Shivar Spring Water. I have been a sufferer for the past twenty-five years from indigestion and dyspepsia. After one week's trial of Shivar Water I commenced to improve, and after drinking it for four weeks I gained fifteen pounds. I feel better and stronger than I have in twenty-five years. I strongly recommend this Water to any one with stomach trouble of any character, and truly believe it will cure ulcer of the stomach. I am writing this voluntarily and trust it will fall in the hands of many who are so unfortunate as to be afflicted with indigestion and nervous dyspepsia.

C. V. TRUITT,
President Unity Cotton Mills.

Johnston, S. C.

I wish to add my testimony to the wonderful curative powers of the Shivar Mineral Water. For a number of years my wife has been a sufferer from indigestion and nervous debility, and her condition had reached such a stage as to baffle the skill of our most eminent physicians. Her extreme nervousness and heart troubles at times were alarming and she had become almost a nervous wreck. The latter part of last May she began using the Shivar Water, which she has continued to this date with most satisfactory results.

H. C. BAILEY,
Editor Johnston News-Monitor.

DYSPEPSIA

Blaney, S. C.

I have suffered for many years from gastric troubles, stomach puffed and food sour. I have tried many remedies and a good many waters. Some have helped, but none have given me such relief as your Spring Water. I use it and recommend it to my patients.

W. D. GRIGGSBY, M. D.

Baltimore, Md., April 30, 1914.

For many years I suffered with stomach trouble as a direct result of asthma. I consulted the very best specialist in this country, and spent quite a large sum of money in my endeavor to get relief. However, I had about come to the conclusion that my case was hopeless, but by accident I happened to get hold ofone of your booklets, and decided to try Shivar Spring Water. After drinking the water for about three weeks I was entirely relieved, and since that time have suffered but little inconvenience from my trouble. I cheerfully recommend the use of your Water to any one that may be suffering from stomach trouble.

OSCAR T. SMITH,
Vice-Pres. Young & Selden Co., Bank Stationers.

RHEUMATISM

Leeds, S. C.

I have tested your Spring Water in several cases of rheumatism, chronic indigestion, kidney and bladder troubles, and in nervous and sick headaches, and find that it has acted nicely in each case, and I believe that if used continuously for a reasonable time will produce a permanent cure. It will purify the blood, relieve debility, stimulate the action of the liver, kidneys and bladder, aiding them in throwing off all poisonous matter.

C. A. CROSBY, M, D.

Fredericksburg, Va.

Mrs. Carter has had enlarged joints upon her hands, caused by rheumatism. Shivar Spring Water removed every trace of the enlargement.

WM. C. CARTER.

Roper, N. C., Oct. 30, 1914.

I am anxious to get more of the Water. It has done me more good than anything I have ever tried for rheumatism.

MRS. H. C. EDWARDS.

Florence, S. C., Dec. 1, 1911.

I suffered with indigestion and kidney trouble, and a year ago was stricken with acute articular rheumatism; was helpless for months, and since using your Spring Water I am walking without any crutch and improving daily. Indigestion much relieved. I wish I could write Shivar Spring Water in the sky so that the world could become acquainted with it.

MRS. THEO. KUKER.

Warrenton, Va., Nov. 24, 1914.

It is doing my rheumatism so much good. My limbs are beginning to feel like new ones.

MRS. JAMES R. CARTER.

BILIOUSNESS

Greenville, S. C., Feb. 26, 1914.

For over two years, following a nervous breakdown, I have suffered with a liver so torpid that ordinary remedies were absolutely powerless. Under such circumstances, I came to Shivar Spring, and began drinking the Water. Upon advice however, the first night I took a laxative: the second night a milder one. Since then I have taken none at all. The effect of the water has been remarkable—its action on my liver most marked, and my health and spirits greatly improved. I am satisfied that the laxative, followed by the Water, was the proper treatment in my case. My condition is now perfect.

S. A. DERIEUX.

Buena Vista, Va., Oct, 2, 1914.

It is a great pleasure to tell you that your Water has been a great benefit, I may say a great blessing, to me. My wife says it has helped me more than anything else I ever tried. I have been for thirty years a sufferer from stomach trouble.

REV. E. H. ROWE,
Co-President Southern Seminary.

LIVER AND KIDNEY

Ohoopee, Ga., Aug. 21, 1914.

I feel that it is due you that I should give my testimony, unsolicited, as to the benefits derived from the use of your Shivar Springs Water. I was unable to do my work, and had been under the treatment of physicians for six months for kidney and liver troubles when I decided to try your Spring Water, and now after using it for about thirty days I am able to do my work, feel good, and have gained about twenty pounds. I most heartily recommend its use to all who suffer from disorder of the liver and kidneys.

STEPHENS.

Carlisle, S. C.

It is fine for liver troubles, also for constipation. I cheerfully give you this information as to beneficial results in my case.

REV. A. McA. PITTMAN.

RENAL AND CYSTIC

Columbia, S, C.

I suffered for eight years with kidney troubl and inflammation of the bladder to the exte that I would have to get up during the nig some five or six times. After using this wat only a few days, I am entirely relieved an suffer no more effect of the trouble whatever.

J. P. D.

Virgilina, Va., March 28, 1914.

Your Water has done me more good than an thing I ever tried for bladder trouble.

A. R. F.

Wesley, Ga., May 12, 1914.

I had been down with bladder troubl Couldn't stand on my feet three minutes at time. In three days after I commenced drin ing your Mineral Water my pain was all gon could walk where I pleased, and felt like a ne man.

S. B. D.

High Point, N. C., Oct. 6, 1914.

My wife has had a bad kidney trouble for se eral years, She has been using the water onl about three weeks and it has already made he a new woman. Her color is much improve her appetite is all that she could wish for, he digestion seems to be perfect. We give Shiva Springs credit for it all.

T. G. S.

GALLSTONES

Greenville, S. C.

Shivar Spring Water cured my mother of gal stones, or, I might say, it snatched her from th hospital door, as the doctors had said nothin short of an operation would do her any goo After drinking the Water she was able to get ou of bed, and is today stout and healthy. I hop these few lines will be of help to some one su ering as my mother did.

W. J. STRAWN.

Williamston, N. C. Oct. 3, 1914

My doctor said I would have to be operate on for gallstones, but since I have been drinkin your water I haven't had to have a doctor.

W. H. EDWARDS.

Columbia, S. C.

My wife was a chronic sufferer from gallstone She was stricken critically ill, and nothing b morphine seemed to relieve her pain by rende ing her unconscious. My physician, who is good one, seemed to do very little good. Re A. J. Foster, pastor of Shandon Baptist Churc of Columbia, S. C., advised me to take her i mediately to Shivar Spring. On consulting n physician he agreed that it would be best to so without delay. In about three days after a riving at the Spring she was apparently n lieved and had regained her appetite. She h suffered no ill effect of the trouble sinc Please publish this for the benefit of suffere

J. P. DRAFFIN.

URIC ACID & DIABETES

Chancellor, Ala.

I have been for many years affected with u acid and kidney trouble, and the Mineral Wat has helped me more than anything I have ev done for them and therefore heartily reco mend same to all who need a speedy relief a cure.

W. F. MATHENY, M. D.

Lexington, Va.

I can recommend your Mineral Water for d orders caused by uric poison. I suffered a have been relieved. It affords me pleasure recommend this Water to all sufferers.

J. H. WHITMORE.

Roxboro, N. C

I have used ten gallons of your Mineral Wat and it has done me worlds of good. My dise is diabetes. I lost two years out of three fr my work, and your Water is putting me back my feet again.

JOHN R. PETTIGREW.

Derma, Miss., May 8, 1914.

Have suffered for several years with diabet I feel almost cured. Have recommended the W ter to others.

Mrs. J J

Sanford, N. C., April 15, 1914.

Have been down eight weeks with diabetes. dered Shivar Spring Water, began drinking and keep improving. Showed my doctor the alysis and he said it was just what I needed, w a lithia tablet added.

Mrs. J. D. H

Sanford, N. C

Have been down eight weeks with diabet Ordered Shivar Spring Water began drinking and keep improving. Showed my doctor t analysis and he said it was just what I need with a lithia tablet added.

MRS. J. D. H.

Derma, Miss

Have suffered for several years with diabe I feel almost cured. Have recommended t Water to others.

MRS. J. J.

Fill Out This Coupon and Mail It Today.

Shivar Spring,

Box 5T, Shelton, S. C.

Gentlemen:—I accept your offer and enclose herewith two dollars ($2.00) for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Spring Water. I agree to give it a fair trial in accordance with the instructions which you will send, and if I derive no benefit therefrom you agree to refund the price in full, upon receipt of the two empty demijohns, which I agree to return promptly.

Name.....P. O.....

Express Office.....

☞ Please write distinctly.

WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT

(Continued from page 8)

and the vision of the great work before us widens and deepens, but the work must be done through us in His name and strength and in the midst of life's weekness,

"God's goodness flows around our incompleteness,
Around our restlessness He rests."

TO THE FRIENDS OF EDUCATION

Dear Friends:—On May 26th the new administration building at Brevard was formally dedicated to Christian education. I say formally, for it has been dedicated from the laying of the foundation of our work in Brevard which is now about twenty-one years—nineteen years of actual work and two years when it seemed best to close it. But who can measure the good accomplished? Twenty-six young lives finished some course in the school the past year and received certificates of proficiency. If there had never been any graduates before it has been well worth while to help twenty-six young lives to broader vision, higher efficiency and greater usefulness to humanity.

Remember we are trying to train the heart, the head, the hand. The farmer boy gets there much that will make him a better tiller of the soil and a more useful citizen. Then the mechanic learns how to use the saw and hammer. This year with their poor equipment they brought in about $100.00 by their work in the shop. And right here I want to ask some friend to give us $150.00 for better equipping this department. Oh friends, here is an opportunity to help those strong young mountain boys to help themselves. Is there not somebody in our great church willing to give this amount which would mean so much for this department?

I wish you could see the exhibit of the sewing department, the hand work of the girls. You would feel happy to think you had helped to make possible a school where the girls learn to do something that will be a great asset to them anywhere at any time throughout their lives.

There is one other need of which I wish to tell you. Where there are more than two hundred people there will be sickness, and in order to prevent an epidemic we need a room specially fitted up for an infirmary where the sick can be properly cared for. It will take about $150.00 for this room. Who will give this amount? Since my last report I have secured $60.00 for another bed room from Hopkinsville, Ky., Sunday school. There are other bed rooms that we would be glad to name for some friend.

I feel sure if the friends of education could realize how little equipment we have and how much even a small gift of money helps they would rally to our need and send contributions for this work. The need is so great I just must tell you; hence this letter.

This is your school—every Methodist should feel that it is his or her duty to help the women of the church who are trying to carry on this work. They need your help for they not only maintain this institution but many others.

The need of the school is a call from the Master for you to help Him in this work. Will you hear this call and answer it according to your ability and get the blessing He has for you.

Hoping to hear from many in the good Old North State, I am

Yours for service,
Mrs. F. H. E. Ross,
Treas. Brevard Institute.
Nashville, Tenn., Box 75.

Nancy Hall, Porto Rico, Norton Yam and Triumph Sweet Potato Plants at $1.75 per 1000. Prolific and Yellow Porbatus at $1.50 f. o. b. Charlotte.
WAKEFIELD PLANT FARM
Charlotte, North Carolina
(Leave your plant-growing troubles to us.)

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY—FITZGERALD HALL ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

FROM WELDON

Will you kindly give space in your excellent paper for me to say a word about a member of your Conference?

Brother A. L. Stanford, of Hickory, spent ten days in our town conducting special services in our church here. He came among us a stranger to pastor and people, known only through statements we had read in the papers, and heard from those who did know him. His first sermon greatly pleased the large congregation that greeted him, and from that time to the close of the meetings, ten days later, he grew on the unusually large congregations that gladly heard him. The services were held at 10 o'clock each morning and 8 in the evening. Heretofore fifty to seventy-five at a morning service has been considered an encouraging turnout. But the last four or five days of this meeting our church was filled at the morning service with men, women and children eager to hear the messages of truth so earnestly and pleasingly delivered. For the first time in the history of the town all the business houses were closed for the morning services, and all the business men gladly attended the services, both morning and night. No man has ever conducted meetings here who so thoroughly gripped and held our people as did Brother Stanford. To me it seems unfortunate that this man, so wonderfully gifted in this difficult work, is not free to give his entire time to that sort of work. As I have not yet opened the door of the church I can not say how many accessions to the church we are to have, but I do know that quite a number have already handed in their names for membership, and will be received to-morrow morning. As pastor of the church I wish to say that never in my ministry, running through thirty-two years, have I been associated with a more pleasant and congenial fellow-servant in the Master's work.

With best wishes to you, my brother, I am, Yours sincerely,

J. A. Hornaday.

The Newest Styles of Jewelry
WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE
Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.
SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

The Sunday School Lesson

SECOND QUARTER—LESSON XIII
JUNE 27, 1915

DAVID, THE SHEPHERD OF ISRAEL
(Review)

..Golden Text—I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep. Ezekiel 34:15.

The Making of a Shepherd

Bulwer Lytton did many things well. He secured and kept the ear of the public. He knew what readers of his period wanted, and he knew how to give it to them. Perhaps nothing which came from his pen in his long career as a story teller surpasses Kenelm Chillingly. It is the story of a man before his career began. It is a story of the struggles and vicissitudes of the inner life by which he came to consciousness of himself, of his power, and of his work. It is a story of his days of unconscious preparation, rather than the account of his achievements.

The story of David in the making is more fascinating than the story of David as king. The obscure shepherd lad, the brave young champion of a cowed and discouraged army, the popular favoriate at court, the outlaw pursued by the king's hatred, the high-hearted and chivalrous adventurer who was as forgiving as he was brave—all these capture our imagination and hold our interest. It was through all the varied experiences of obscurity and fame, of popularity and hatred of court life and of furtive wandering, that the David who was the shepherd of Israel was made. He came to know all the kinds of people to be found among his countrymen. He knew the sort of life they lived. He knew their loves and hates, he knew their hopes and fears. Practically every significant aspect of Israel's life came within the circle of his own experience. This intimate knowledge made it possible for him to serve the people as their ruler. He was able to be a shepherd because he knew and understood the sheep.

All this period of struggle, with its strange and startling contrasts, did more than add to the knowledge of David. It had the profoundest influence on the development of his character. The muscles of his own soul were being trained and strengthened. He was growing in power, in poise, in alertness and in self-control. He was learning to master circumstances. He was all the while refusing to become their slave. The man was being made into the king before ever he sat upon the throne. The true shepherd must have strength and wisdom as well as tenderness and sympathy. In the University of Hardship David was made strong and wise.

The making of a shepherd remains one of the important tasks of the modern world. The tasks of the shepherd lie waiting all about us. The man who brings the mind and the heart and the will of the shepherd to those tasks will have a noble career. He must be ready to undergo the discipline which makes a shepherd, as well as to accept the responsibilities of the shepherd's work

The Making of a Nation

James Russell Lowell once wrote some vigorous lines about the founders of our republic. Some of them run thus:

"They were rude men, unlovely, yes but great,
Who prayed around the cradle of our state
Small room for light and sentimental strains,
In those lean men with empires in their brains,
Who pitched a state as other men pitch tents,
And led the march of time to great events."

The study of the pitching of a state is always a fascinating matter. The story of the making of the national life of Israel has its own perennial charm. The struggles of Saul and David, the fashion in which the shepherd king planned to build the people into unity of national life, the way in which Israel became possessed of a common memory and a common tradition—all these tell the story of the making of a nation.

"One man with a dream at pleasure can go forth and conquer a crown."

The dream of David was a dream of nationality. He found the tribal consciousness clear and sharp. He sought to transform it into national consciousness. Perhaps his greatest bequest to his people was this dream of national life. It was a haunting ideal which Israel could not forget. The kingdom might be divided. The course of history might seem the contradiction of the Davidic dream but in the mind and heart of the people a sense of the meaning of their national life had come which was never lost. Rainbow gleams colored their memory of David and his reign. He became the ideal monarch, nobly ruling a strong people. The people of David through him came to a national self-consciousness undreamed of before. The Israel of the future was not always great in actual quality, but it was always haunted by a radiant ideal, always possessed of a wonderful dream. A golden past and a golden future seemed to meet together in its thought of David.

The making of a nation is in part the making of the nation's dreams. The man who gives a nation its ideals creates its future. A nation can rise above its history; but it can do this only through the power of ideals greater than its history. In this sense a nation's poets may be more influential than its statesmen.

Israel remembered David as one who voiced its deepest aspirations in song, as well as one who swayed its destinies from the throne. It was a true appraisal which viewed David as a singer as well as a warrior and a ruler. Difficult questions may connect themselves with the authorship of particular psalms. The authorship of a great national ideal seems a matter about which it is easier to speak. The poetry of Israel's life, the music of its national ideal are rightly associated with the name of David.

The Making of a Religion

A religion is in the making as long as people are being made religious. A living experience is never a completed experience. To be sure certain things at the base of true religion are eternally and unchangeably true. Certain facts in the history of religion are as definite and settled as any other facts, and in the lofty monotheism of the Hebrews, and the redemptive message of Christianity there are stages where certain things are said and done once for all. But while this is true, and while a living religion has its bedrock of certainty, its foundadtion of unchangeable quality, it is also true that a religion readily responsive to the need of growing men has a certain noble power of enlargement and change. It grows with the growing life of the people. It enlarges with their enlarging vision; or, to put it in a deeper way, it produces their growth and secures their enlargement.

In the period of David the religion of Israel is in process of growth. It is interpreting nationality in a new way. It is reaching out strong arms for a larger destiny. It is building firm the foundation upon which the great ethical prophets of a later period are to stand.

In one sense revelation is conditioned by history. In another, history is created by revelation. One represents God's patient use of human conditions, the other represents God's mastery of human conditions. The emphasis on one aspect when it becomes one-sided makes the history of religion seem merely a history of human conditions. The emphasis on the other aspect when it becomes one-sided leaves the human conditions too much out of account. We need to see both sides of the shield. In the period of David God is really at work getting certain things into the religious life of the people. In that very period the things which it is feasible for God to do are partly determined by the conditions of the people themselves. So it is in every age. The history of religion is at once the most human and the most divine thing in all the world.

God Over All

The two outstanding qualities of the Old Testament literature are these: first, a consciousness of God; second, a consciousness of the demands of righteousness. The men who looked back upon the period of Saul and David saw more than wars and struggles of powerful men in the events of the time. They rested at last on one thought—the presence and the powerful activity of God.

The difference between a secular and a sacred view of human life is seen at this point. The secular view rests content with the analysis of what men have done. The sacred view attempts to rise to the thought of what God has done. You simply cannot read the Old Testament interpretation of Israel's life without a compelling sense of God at work. The divine arm is always back of the human arm. The divine voice is always speaking in the human voice. The divine thought is always making itself articulate in the thought of men. The divine will is always realizing itself through human activities. God is the reason within the reasons, and the cause back of the causes. God is indeed over all.

It is not simply that Israel believed certain things about God. It is that Israel took God seriously. He made a practical difference. He was the dominant power. Samuel, Saul, and David are significant, but God is the one essential defining fact of all.

The world in which we live is not so much in danger of theoretically repudiating a belief in God as of practically ignoring Him. A good many people who would not like to be called atheists simply do not take God seriously. He does not change their plans. They do not do things differently because of their belief in Him. The battle for a world which takes God seriously is the supreme battle of the civilized world. The twentieth century may not need to be delivered from an atheism of the mind. It does need to be delivered from an atheism of the will.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in New York Christian Advocate.

SEND US YOUR FILMS

for prompt, highest grade developing and printing at lowest prices. KODAK WORK A SPECIALTY. Personal attention given to all orders. Results guaranteed. Write
W. I. VAN NESS & CO., Charlotte, N. C.

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO
ROBT. W. MURRAY
GENERAL INSURANCE
Greensboro, North Carolina
308½ South Elm St.
Phone 163

This Hose Lasts Longer Than Others

Goodyear-Akron Lawn Hose lasts longer than others because it is made to do that. It is made by the makers of the famous Goodyear Automobile Tires. Composed of five layers of alternate new, live rubber and strongest braided cotton. Absolutely seamless. The thick corrugated outer coat, with its six extra large rubber ribs, does away with twisting and kinking. They add immensely to its life.

GOODYEAR AKRON
Lawn Hose

Buy Your Garden Tools Here
We Have Everything You Need

ODELL
Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL
FLORAL
DESIGNS
Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses
HOWARD GARDNER
Proprietor
GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345
DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF
STOMACH AND INTESTINES
121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland
106 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

Our Little Folks' Department

THE LITTLE WOODEN FLAT-IRON

Long, long ago there lived a little girl who had never seen a toy-shop. Her home was a wee brown house in a village many miles from any big city. Her name was Molly Ann.

One Monday morning when Molly Ann's mother was washing clothes in the kitchen, their little girl undressed her dolls and washed their clothes in the tin wash-basin. She had neither soap nor water, but that made no difference, because Molly Ann played that the basin was a wash-tub full of water, and she played rub soap on the dolls' clothes.

Molly Ann's mother stopped washing, rubbedy-rub, rubbedy-rub, on the big wash-board when she noticed what her little girl was doing. She stopped washing long enough to smile and get the ball of string.

"Wouldn't you like to have a clothes-line to hang your dolls' clothes on, to dry after they are clean?" asked mother.

"O, yes!" answered Molly Ann. "Will you make me a clothes-line?"

"To be sure," answered Molly Ann's mother; and she straightway broke off a long piece of string. One end of the string she tied to the table-leg, the other to the arm of the straight kitchen rocker, and there was a clothes-line upon which Molly Ann hung a big washing.

Next day when Molly Ann's mother was doing the ironing, and stepping from the kitchen stove to the ironing-board, singing as she worked, Molly Ann played iron her dolls' clothes. Her ironing-board was the bottom of a wooden chair, while a corner of the wood-box was her stove. She was busily ironing dolls' clothes, singing as she worked, when her father walked through the kitchen.

"Let us see your flat-iron, Miss Molly Ann," said he.

"It isn't a really one," explained Miss Mollie Ann. "It is only a big hickory nut. I play it is a flat-iron. You can play 'most anything!"

"So you can, so you can!" agreed her father. "Daddy will make you a little wooden flat-iron like your mother's big one."

That very evening the little girl's father began whittling out a wee flat-iron from a bit of wood. He whittled and he whittled and he carved until at last he finished a tiny wooden flat-iron, smooth and white. The little girl was so pleased with that flat-iron she carried it to bed with her, and smiled in her sleep. She may have been dreaming about the new toy.

Next day and the next and the next, Molly Ann played wash and iron; truth to tell, she was so happy with the little flat-iron it is a wonder the dolls' clothes didn't wear out before Monday came again.

On Tuesday, when Molly Ann's mother was ironing big clothes with the big irons, singing as she worked and Molly Ann was ironing little clothes with a little wooden iron, singing as she worked, Mrs. Peterson rapped at the front door. Molly Ann's mother put her flat-iron on the hot stove and went to the door. Immediately Molly Ann did exactly what her mother did. She put her little wooden flat-iron on the hot stove and went to the door.

"I came to borrow your log-cabin quilt pattern," said Mrs. Peterson, when Molly Ann's mother had said, "Do come in and have a chair."

Not many minutes passed before Mrs. Peterson stopped talking about quilts to say:—

"Dear me, I smell something burning! It smells like wood! I hope your house isn't on fire!"

To the kitchen rushed Molly Ann's mother, followed by Molly Ann and Mrs. Peterson.

"It is only Molly Ann's flat-iron!" exclaimed Molly Ann's mother. "It is smoking hot!"

"Oh, my little flat-iron is spoiled!" wailed Molly Ann, when mother lifted her treasure from the hot stove with the stove-poker. "Oh, my little iron is spoiled!" No wonder Molly Ann cried.

Fortunately the little flat-iron wasn't spoiled. That very evening Molly Ann's father whittled off the scorched places and smoothed the little flat-iron with sand-paper until it was as good as new. But Molly Ann never put that little flat-iron on the stove again.—Francis Margaret Fox, in The Churchman.

NATURE'S PAINT BOX

"Now I must work with all my might," said Nature, opening her paint box on a fair June morning. "First I will give the fresh oak leaves and the buttercups a good coat of varnish. Next I must attend to my clovers; they will need a lot of color: deep pink, red and white, yellow, and by and by gray for the soft rabbit-foot. I think some of that fur left from the pussy willow's wraps, with a bit of pink added, will serve for the downy stone clover.

"'Tis time for the butterflies to come forth in all their fresh array. I must see to it that their wings are properly spotted and dusted with silver powder. And my birds! The robins' red vests will need touching up. All the feathered suits must be perfect when June arrives, for there are more woodland weddings celebrated in that month than during all the rest of the year together. I want the brides and the grooms to look their best, as well as the trees and the blossoms that surround them.

"June is the month of the big night moths. I have Luna's lovely pale-green robe, with its snowy trimmings, all ready for her to slip on and sail away. The Cecropias' dresses too are almost done. They are gray to match the lichens on the tree trunks, but their red-and-white pipings set them off, and then I have given them each some fine eye-spot decorations.

"Now I must turn my attention to the ferns and the crane's-bill. 'Tis hard to get this wild geranium's dress just the right shade; she is so particular always to wear a pinkish lavender. The ferns threw off their wraps some time ago and are bravely shooting upward and spreading wide their feathery fronds. Green is their favorite color, though the grape fern sometimes likes brown for a change. The flags along the brookside are waving their blue banners, and in the swamp gay butterfly orchids are trembling on their slender stems. Moccasins are ready for the brides to pluck and wear. Now I believe that I have only one more labor of love to complete my work for June: the tinting of the sweet wild roses that clamber over the stone walls and brighten all the roadsides and fill the air with the sweetest of summer's perfumes.——Sel.

"The Lord Jesus Christ loved the church. He organized the church. He is the Head of the church. The church is his agency to carry his gospel into all the world. The attitude of rational souls toward its Founder and Head, the risen and living Christ, should regulate the attitude of their souls toward his church, which he loved and for which he gave himself." (Eph. 5:25).—Selected.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective April 18th, 1915

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester Lv.	7 43 a m	12 05 p m			
Yorkville "	8 29	1 55			
Gastonia "	9 24!	4 00			
Gastonia "					
Lincolnton "	10 15	5 30			
Newton "	10 55	6 15			
Hickory "	12 05 p m	7 05	1 00 p m	6 45 a m	
Lenoir "	1 08	8 20	2 04	8 30	
Lenoir "	2 00x				
Mortimer "	3 17				
Edgemont Ar.	3 27				

Southbound	NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Edgemont Lv.	10 00 a m				
Mortimer "	10 08				
Lenoir "	11 20!				
Lenoir "	1 35 p m	6 00 a m	8 15 a m		
Hickory "	2 35	7 15	9 12		
Newton "	3 05	8 00			
Lincolnton "	3 43	8 55			
Gastonia "	4 30	10 28			
Gastonia "	5 00x	11 00			
Yorkville "	5 47	12 28 p m			
Chester Ar.	6 35	2 15			

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. **CHESTER, S. C.**

This Is Top Dresser Year

If you have fertilized your crops, lightly at planting time, or used fertilizer lacking in potash, it is not too late to remedy this, provided you Top or Side dress with a fertilizer containing sufficient proportions of all three necessary elements of plant food—Phosphoric Acid, Ammonia and Potash. Do not make the mistake of using a material that contains Nitrogen (Ammonia) only, such as Nitrate of Soda. To get the increase in fruitage as well as stalk and foliage, use ROYSTER'S TOP DRESSERS, which not only provide ammonia in quickly available form, but also phosphoric acid and POTASH.

ROYSTER'S TOP-DRESSERS

TRADE MARK F. S. R. REGISTERED.

Will stimulate the growth of your crop, increase the yield, overcome unfavorable seasonal conditions, and check the tendency in cotton to blight and shed.

BRANDS

	Available	Ammonia	Potash
PRESTO TOP DRESSER, - -	4.	10.	4.
ROYSTER'S SPECIAL TOP DRESSER,	4.	7.50	2.50
MAGIC TOP DRESSER, - -	--	9.	3.

Royster top dressers, like all Royster Fertilizers, are backed by experience: compounded on scientific principles: plant-food for the plant at just the proper time and in right proportions: mechanical condition perfect. Look for the trade-mark on every bag.

Send postal for book on Top Dressing and name of nearest Royster Dealer.

F. S. ROYSTER GUANO COMPANY,

Norfolk, Va. Charlotte, N. C. Tarboro, N. C. Columbia, S. C.
Spartanburg, S. C. Atlanta, Ga. Macon, Ga. Columbus, Ga.
Montgomery, Ala. Baltimore, Md.

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A Wood, Presiding Elder Weaverville, N. C. Third Round

	June
Flat Rock, Upward	26-27
Tryon and Saluda	27
	July
Spring Creek, Balm Grove	3-4
Fairview, Patty's	10
Haywood Street, 11 a. m.	11
West Asheville, night	11
Walnut, Chapel Hill	17-18
Marshall and Hot Springs, Marshall, night	18
Weaverville Ct., South Fork	24
Black Mountain, Tabernacle	25
Sulphur Springs, Pisgah	31-August 1
	August
Biltmore, Mt. Pleasant	1
North Asheville, night	4
Swannanoa	7-8
Bethel, night	8

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C. Third Round

	June
Pineville Ct., Marvin	26-27
Calvary, night	27
	July
Tryon	4
Belmont, night	4
Weddington, Ct., Weddington	8
Waxhaw Ct., Pleasant Grove	9
Prospect Ct., Prospect	10
Monroe, Central	11
Matthews Ct., Bethel, 3 p. m.	11
Lilesville Ct., Shady Grove	14
Morven Ct., Union	16
Wadesboro	18
Ansonville Ct., Wightman	20
Polkton Ct.	23
Marshville Ct., Gilboa	24-25
North Monroe, night	25
Unionville Ct., Zion	26
Spencer Memorial	1
Dilworth, night	1
District Conference at Polkton, July 21-23	

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—James H. Weaver, Presiding Elder Greensboro, N. C. Third Round

	June
Pleasant Garden Ct., Bethlehem	26-27
Spring Garden	27-28
	July
West Greensboro, Grooms	3-4
Randolph, Pleasant Hill	10-11
Coleridge, Rehobeth	17-18
Ramseur & Franklinville, Ramseur,	18-19
Wesley Memorial, High Point	24-25
Main St., High Point	24-25
East End, High Point	24-25
Deep River Ct., White Hall	31-Aug. 1
	August
Randleman	1-2
Asheboro	1-2
Denton, Siloam	7-8
Uwharrie, Salem	8-9

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C. Third Round

	June
Table Rock, Linville	26-27
Morganton Station	27-28
	July
Broad River, Union	2
Green River, New Hope	3-4
Cliffside, Hollis	9
Forest City, Cedar Grove	10-11
Henrietta and Caroleen, Henrietta,	11-12
Rutherfordton, Gilkey	17-18
Morganton Ct., Denton	24-25
Connelly Springs, Warlicks	31-Aug. 1
	August
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Bakersville	7-8
Micaville, Shoal Creek	14-15
Bald Creek, Bald Creek	21-22
Burnsville	22-23
Marion Ct., Concord	28-29
District Conference at Gilkey, July 15-18	

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C. Third Round

	June
Danbury, Sandy Ridge	26-27
	July
Dobson	3-4
Pilot Mountain	10-11
Rural Hall	17-18
Yadkinville	24-25
Ararat	31
	August
Ararat	1
Mount Airy Circuit	7-8

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C. Third Round

	June
Elk Park, Elk Park	26-27
	July
Avery, Pisgah	1
Boone, Hopewell	3-4
Watauga, Hensons Chapel	10-11
Creston, Sutherland	17-18
Helton, Methodist Chapel	24-25
	August
Sparta, Cox's Chapel	July 31-1
Laurel Springs, Chestnut Hill	7-8
Jefferson, Bethany	14-15
District Conference at Elk Park, June 24-27.	

Revival Meetings

Watauga	July 6-15
Sparta	Juy 31-Aug. 6
Jefferson, Bethany	Aug. 9-15

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C. Third Round

	June
Albemarle, Central	27-28
Albemarle, First Street	27-28
Albemarle Circuit, Zoar, 3 p. m.	26-27
	July
China Grove, 11 a. m.	4
Spencer, night	4
Salem Circuit, Salem	10-11
Mt. Pleasant Circuit, Center Grove,	11-12
Concord, Westford, 11 a. m.	18
Kannapolis Station, night	18
Kannapolis Circuit, Unity	24-25
New London Circuit	31-Aug.-1
	August
Gold Hill Circuit	1-2
Bethel and Loves Chapel	8-9

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C. Third Round

	June
Bessemer, Bessemer	12
King's Mountain	13
Polkville, Lee's	19-20
Belwood, St. Peter's	26-27
	July
Rock Spring, Rehobeth	3
Lincoln Ct., Ivey's Memorial	10
Lincolnton	11
Crouse	17
Stanly	18
South Fork	24
Lowesville, Hill's Chapel	27-29
District Conference at Lowesville July 27-29.	

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Lee T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C. Third Round

	June
Alexander Ct., Rocky Spring, 11 a. m.	26-27
Stony Point Ct., Midway, 3:30 p. m.,	27-28
	July
Maiden Ct., Friendship, 11 a. m.,	3-4
Newton St., Newton, night	4-5
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 11 a. m.,	10-11
Davidson St., Davidson, night	11-12
Troutman Ct., Knox Chapel, 11 a. m.	17-18
Mooresville St., Mooresville, night,	18-19
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 11 a. m.,	24-25
Cool Spring Ct., Rose Chapel, 11 a. m.	24-25
Iredell Ct., Macedonia, 11 a. m.	25-26
Broad Street St., Broad St., 11 a. m.	25-26
Race Street St., Race St., 11 a. m.,	25-27
	August
Hickory Ct., Pisgah, 11 a. m.,	1-2

The Sunday School Institute and the District Conference of the Statesville District will be held in Broad Street church, Statesville, July 28-31. Wednesday, July 28th, will be devoted to the Sunday school institute. The institute will open promptly at 10 o'clock, a. m., on that day. We earnestly urge every Sunday school superintendent and every pastor in the district to be present at that hour. There will be something doing every minute. You cannot afford to miss a single item on this program.

The work of the district conference will follow that of the institute. Let every delegate, all the pastors, local preachers, and charge lay leaders be present when the roll is called; and we insist that all the members of the Conference remain until we adjourn on Saturday.

The congregations of Broad Street and Race Street churches will provide abundant entertainment, and we desire the fullest possible attendance.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, R. F. D. 2, Asheville, N. C. Third Round

	June
Webster, Dillsboro	26-27
Sylva Station	27
Glenville, Ct., Glenville	30
	July
Highlands, Cashiers	1
Bryson and Whittier, Bryson City	3-4
Judson Ct., Judson	4-5
Robbinsville, Trinity	6-7
Murphy Ct., Ogden	10-11
Hayesville, Tusquity	17-18
Ranger, Martins Creek	23
Murphy Station	25
Andrews Station	31-Aug. 1
	August
Franklin Ct., Clarks Chapel	7-8
Franklin Station, Maiden Chapel	8
Macon Ct.,	15

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C. Third Round

	June
Jackson Hill, Macedonia	26-27
	July
Davie, Center	3-4
Mocksville	2-4
Advance, Advance	10-11
West End, night	11
Lewisville, Union	17-18
Salem, night	18
Farmington, Bethlehem	24-25
Cooleemee, night	25
Kernersville, Shady Grove	31-Aug. 1

Spend Your Vacation in the Appalachian Summitland



Now Rendered Accessible By The CAROLINA, CLINCHFIELD & OHIO RY.

The highest altitudes east of the Rockies, the most delightful and invigorating summer climate in Eastern America, and scenery which for beauty, variety and grandeur, has no superior in all the world,—these invite you to the New Play Ground above the Clouds where comfort, recreation and renewed vitality await the summer visitor.

ATTRACTIVE RESORTS IN THE SUMMITLAND

Altapass, North Carolina, the highest point on The Clinchfield Route, offers you at moderate rates all the attractions of a delightful and informal country club life combined with the comforts and conveniences of a thoroughly equipped and modern hotel. The Altapass Inn, is located on the Crest of the Blue Ridge Mountains, looking down upon all the world. The scenery is magnificient, and to its splendid transportation and wire facilities Altapass adds unparalleled opportunities for the enjoyment of all the outdoor and indoor sports and amusements, including golf, tennis, coaching, horseback riding, hunting, fishing, mountain climbing, bowling, music, etc. The social environment is ideal. Convenient railway schedules and excellent livery service facilitate the exploration of the Appalachian Wonderland by short side-trips to such points of interest as Mt. Mitchell, the tallest peak east of the Rockies; Linville Falls, the Little Niagara of the Mountains; the Linville Canyon, deepest in eastern America; the famous Gorge of the Nolichucky River, etc.



Other attractive mountain resorts in the Summitland of Western North Carolina and Eastern Tennessee are The Little Switzerland Inn, Mt. Mitchel, N. C., beautifully located on the Crest of the Blue Ridge near Altapass and surrounded by a delightful summer colony; Burnsville and Murchison, N. C., near the foot of Mt. Mitchell; Unaka Springs, Tenn., the well known health resort at the northern entrance to The Gorge of The Nolichucky; Pineola, Linville and Linville Falls, N. C., the last three being reached via The Clinchfield Route through Johnson City, thence over The E. T. & W. N. C. Ry,

Write for illustrated booklets and time tables, also for list and rates of over 200 hotels, inns, summer boarding houses and cottages for rent in The Appalachian Summitland, on or adjacent to The Clinchfield Route,

Special Vacation Rates, June 1st., to Sept. 30th.

Address

Chas. T. Mandel, A. G. P. A., Carolina, Clinchfield & Ohio Railway

JOHNSON CITY, TENN.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER

At present more than at any time for many years the attention of the American people is more directly diverted to the National Capital, and also to the administration, largely waiting results of the controversy between this country and Germany over the sinking of the Lusitania by the latter. Notwithstanding three diplomatic papers have passed, no one can more than simply conjecture as to what will be the outcome. The two notes by President Wilson to the kaiser were plain and full of meaning and thoroughly in keeping with international law and likewise courteous and meet the approval of his entire cabinet with one exception. Mr. Bryan, who thought that some parts of the last note had too much the ring of war for one who had so long been advocating "peace at any price," hence his resignation as the head of Mr. Wilson's official family. While Mr. Bryan is and will doubtless ever continue to be one of our greatest men, his many friends regret that he could not longer endorse a policy which he thought might plunge this country into another bloody conflict. It is the consensus of opinion, however, that the president is an avowed advocate of peace and will most surely steer clear of even the semblance of war. Let us hope and pray that this may be the case.

Recently there have been a number of important industrial and other meetings held in Washington of more or less significance, but none appealed to this writer as being of more peculiar interest to our farmers than the state agents of the boys' corn clubs of the Southern States. Both the state agent and in many cases his assistant were present at their fifth annual meeting held here last week under the auspices of the office of Farm Demonstration and as the guests of the Department of Agriculture. Mr. Browne, who is held in the highest esteem by the Washington office and considered second to no other state agent, gave a most interesting account of his work among the many youthful North Carolina farmers under his supervision. His assistant, Mr. Robertson, who is a very capable young man, was also present. During the week's discussion of what had been accomplished in teaching the boys in the rural districts how to make two blades of grass grow where only one grew before was indeed interesting, especially to one familiar with the practical side of farm life as is this scribe. It is not only the purpose of those back of this noble movement to simply teach a few dozen or even a hundred boys of each county how he can produce from 100 to 200 bushels of corn per acre, and sometimes more as has been the case, but also to help make country life more attractive to both boys and girls and thereby encourage them to remain where they can be a greater factor in their own community than any previous generation instead of drifting into the towns and cities where so many yield to evil temptation to the mortification of good Christian parents.

There were also present representatives of about half dozen Southern pig clubs, which are likewise doing a good work. It is hoped that the next meeting will have representatives of the Southern girls' canning and poultry clubs, who are also doing a most interesting work both from an economic standpoint and for the social uplift of the community.

The annual commencement season for the numerous schools, colleges, and universities in this city is at its full height and the young graduates by the thousands, including representatives from North Carolina as well as from all the states, are being sent out to

Wesleyan College

Macon, Georgia

Founded in 1836. Graduated its First Class in 1840. Seventy-nine Years of Eminent Success. Ranks Easily With the Best Colleges in the Country.

THE WESLEYAN, an "A" grade college in the truest sense, offers courses in the languages, literature, mathematics, the sciences, philosophy, education, history and economics, household arts and sciences, the Bible and religious education. The full four years of college work are credited by the best universities. Excellent equipment and a large faculty afford ample opportunity for election of preferred branches of study.

While supreme emphasis is laid upon the courses leading to the Bachelor's degree, the strongest possible departments of music, art and expression are maintained.

Fourteen eminent American artists and teachers are employed in the Conservatory of Music. The three men at the head of the departments of piano, voice and pipe organ respectively, are unsurpassed on the continent, while the violin teacher is easily the South's greatest.

The departments of expression, painting and drawing and china painting are in charge of several teachers of rare qualifications.

The situation of Wesleyan is ideal, its health record practically perfect, its social and moral atmosphere delightful.

The Wesleyan diploma is the highest academic honor. The thousands of alumnae are leaders everywhere and in every realm of woman's influence.

Write

C. R. JENKINS, D. D., President.

enter the various fields of endeavor with bright hopes of a most successful career. W. F. Tomlinson.

The Hillside.

A STATEMENT AND APPEAL TO THE TEMPERANCE FORCES OF NORTH CAROLINA AS TO THE APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATES TO THE ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE CONVENTION IN ATLANTIC CITY

By the Headquarters Committee of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League

To the Temperance Forces of North Carolina:

The Headquarters Committee of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League desires to call your attention to the National Anti-Saloon League Convention to be held in Atlantic City, New Jersey, July 6-9, with the statement that this convention is for the purpose of furthering national, constitutional prohibition, and North Carolina, one of the most advanced states of the nation in this cause, ought to be well represented. The convention will be historic, and in future years, organizations will be proud of the fact that they had representation in it and individuals proud of the fact that they attended.

As soon as any organization has elected its delegate, or delegates, immediately notify Rev. R. L. Davis, Superintendent, Raleigh, N. C., that he may supply them with necessary information as to rates, hotels, etc. We most earnestly request that such delegates be appointed at the earliest opportunity.

Yours very truly,
L. S. Massey, Chairman,
In behalf of the Committee.

P. S. The following organizations are, by the Constitution of the Anti-Saloon League of America, entitled to appoint delegates, to wit: Local churches, Sunday schools, Gideons, Young People's Societies, temperance organizations, Y. W. C. A.'s, Y. M. C. A.'s, and associations, synods, or conventions of religious bodies.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION



SAVE Money on COAL

Others are doing it by using Clinchfield, the coal that burns like a hickory back-log, slowly, steadily and with intense heat that radiates into every nook and corner of the room. If you have been throwing away your money on coals that burn up like shavings, wasting their heat in a long flame up the chimney and in dense smoke and troublesome soot, try *Clinchfield* this season and note the big saving and bigger satisfaction.

Clinchfield is hard, clean, lumpy, easily kindled and holds fire over night, saving labor and kindling bills. By far the most *economical and satisfactory* fuel for open grates, stoves and residence furnaces of all types. No trouble from clinkers and choked flues.

Leading railways, cotton mills and factories have tested all kinds of coal. They prefer Clinchfield because it delivers more heat for less money. Follow their lead. Write today for literature, freight rate and low summer prices on cars of from 30 to 50 tons each direct from the mines.

Clinchfield Fuel Co.
Desk 12 Spartanburg, S. C.
"THE COAL OF HIGH HEAT VALUE"

Williams Private Sanatorium FOR DRUGS and WHISKEY
TERMS: Drugs $125 Flat. Whiskey $100 Flat. Women patients pay a small sum extra for nurse. **B. M. WILLIAMS, M. D.,** Greensboro, N. C. Reference, Amr Exchange Nat'l Bank, Greensboro, N. C.

DAVIDSON COLLEGE



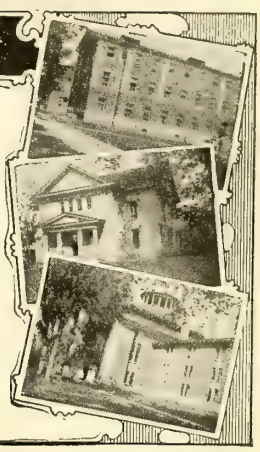
A First Rank College For Men
Davidson, N. C.

Established in 1837. Highly advanced in work and equipment. Places profound emphasis on thorough scholarship, clean manhood and Christian character. Offers young men unusual opportunity for educational development.

$650,000 resources. 13 modern buildings. Library of 24,586 volumes. Five laboratories. Infirmary. Commodious dormitories. Ideally located for health, social life and freedom from undesirable influences.

High standard courses leading to degrees of B. A., B. S. and M. A. Instructors of character and learning. Physical training part of course, prescribed to rectify individual faults. Attendance over 300. 14 States represented. 1915 Session opens Sept. 2nd. For Catalogue, address

The Registrar, Davidson College, Davidson, N. C.



TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 : : : : CHARTERED 1859

A Southern institution of established national reputation. Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.



Large endowment fund makes possible complete, first-class equipment; full faculty of able, well-chosen instructors; beautiful campus, new buildings, modern laboratories, splendid library. Comfortable, inexpensive dormitories. For catalogue and illustrated booklet, address

R. L. Flowers, Sec. to the Corporation, Durham, N. C.

King's Business College
INCORPORATED

SPECIAL SUMMER RATES NOW ON

We give you the benefit in especially low tuition cost. Get *your* business training now at small expense. Graduate in time for an excellent position this fall.

Bookkeeping, Banking, Shorthand, Stenotypy, Typewriting, Penmanship, English, etc., taught by a large faculty of experienced and skilled teachers. By purchasing an unlimited scholarship now you ***save $10*** on one course or ***$17*** on the Combined Course. State licensed business college. We train for Business Employment and Success. Send for catalog and new College Journal. Address

KING'S BUSINESS COLLEGE,
RALEIGH, N. C. — **CHARLOTTE, N. C.**

NORMAL AND COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE
FOR YOUNG WOMEN — Asheville, N. C.



Offers a four years teachers' course and four year Collegiate Course at minimum rates. Splendid advantages in music. Practical training in sewing, cooking and household management. In "The Land of the Sky." Beautiful surroundings, magnificent equipment, perfect health conditions. 16 expert teachers. Board and tuition, per year, $100. Next session opens, Sept. . 1915. For Catalogue, address **EDWARD P. CHILDS, Pres., Asheville, N. C.**



PEACE INSTITUTE RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

FOR THE EDUCATION OF YOUNG WOMEN

Classical, literary and scientific courses leading to diplomas. Special courses. Preparatory department. Conservatory of Music. Best advantages in Art, Expression, Domestic Science, Business, Physical Culture. Large faculty of College and University trained experts.

Beautiful semi-suburban property. Modern equipment and sanitation. Boarding students limited to 100. Usually a waiting list. Cultural advantages of the Capital City. Wholesome home atmosphere. Cost low considering advantages offered.

For Illustrated Catalogue and Rates Address

GEO. T. RAMSEY, M. A., LL. D., President, - - RALEIGH, N. C.

GREENSBORO NURSERIES
AGENTS WANTED
For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.
JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.



MAKE MONEY CANNING

Get an **"EL-FLO" Canner.** Enables you to put up fruits, vegetables, berries, etc., for yourself and neighbors. Make money selling Home canned goods—always top prices from stores. 3000 Government Agents and Tomato Club Members endorse the **"EL-FLO." Price $3.50 up.** Send stamp today for 1915 catalog. We also manufacture the Continuous Heating Capping Steel—Seals cans quicker, easier. Agents wanted.

HOME CANNER MFG. CO., Dept. 3, Hickory, N. C.

If You Have a Daughter to Educate

It Will Pay You to Investigate the Merits of

DAVENPORT COLLEGE

FOR YOUNG WOMEN

LENOIR, N. C.

This Institution Has Sixty Years of Honored History in the Training of the Young Womanhood of our State

---

Literary, Music, Expression, Art, Domestic Science, and Business Departments all in the hands of graduates of the leading colleges and universities of our country and are instructors of large experience and universal success.

Dormitory accommodations doubled during the past year and all interior equipment and furnishings made equal to the best. Steam heat, electric lights and running water in all the rooms.

If you make your reservations in time, you can place your daughter in Davenport at half the cost charged by other institutions of like grade. However, you should apply at once, as we were forced to turn down thirty-six applications last year for lack of room.

For catalogue and information, address

JAMES BRAXTON CRAVEN, President

Lenoir, N. C.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, July 1, 1915 | Number 26

Reading Room Trinity College

PUBLIC OPINION SHOULD BE ENLIGHTENED

Promote, then, as an object of primary importance, institutions for the general diffusion of knowledge. In proportion as the structure of a government gives force to public opinion, it is essential that public opinion should be enlightened.

Observe good faith and justice towards all nations; cultivate peace and harmony with all. Religion and morality enjoin this conduct; and can it be, that good policy does not equally enjoin it?

It will be worthy of a free, enlightened, and at no distant period a great nation, to give to mankind the magnanimous and too novel example of a people always guided by an exalted justice and benevolence. Who can doubt that in the course of time and things, the fruits of such a plan would richly repay any temporary advantages, which might be lost by a steady adherence to it?

Can it be that Providence has not connected the permanent felicity of a nation with its virtue? The experiment, at least, is recommended by every sentiment which ennobles human nature. Alas! is it rendered impossible by its vices?

In the execution of such a plan, nothing is more essential than that permanent, inveterate antipathies against particular nations, and passionate attachments for others, should be excluded; and that, in place of them, just and amicable feelings towards all should be cultivated. The nation which indulges towards another an habitual hatred, or an habitual fondness, is in some degree a slave. It is a slave to its animosity or to its affection, either of which is sufficient to lead it astray from its duty and its interest.

Antipathy in one nation against another disposes each more readily to offer insult and injury, to lay hold of slight causes of umbrage, and to be haughty and intractable when accidental or trifling occasions of dispute occur. Hence, frequent collisions, obstinate, envenomed and bloody contests. The nation, prompted by ill-will and resentment, sometimes impels to war the government, contrary to the best calculations of policy. The government sometimes participates in the national propensity, and adopts through passion what reason would reject; at other times, it makes the animosity of the nation subservient to projects of hostility instigated by pride, ambition, and other sinister and pernicious motives. The peace often, sometimes perhaps the liberty, of nations has been the victim.

So likewise, a passionate attachment of one nation for another produces a variety of evils. Sympathy for the favorite nation, facilitating the illusion of an imaginary common interest in cases where no real common interest exists, and infusing into one the enmities of the other, betrays the former into a participation in the quarrels and wars of the latter, without adequate inducement or justification.—George Washington.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

LOOK UP THE RENEWAL BLANK

On page 11 you will find a blank for renewal to the Advocate. If your subscription has expired please fill out this blank, pin check or money order to it and mail it direct to the Christian Advocate, Greensboro, N. C. Do not wait to see your pastor, but attend to this today, please. These summer days are trying on us. Our bills have to be met and we can not meet them if you do not send us your renewal. We are thankful to those who have already responded and we have a great big thank you for about 3,000 others. See if you can not get on the thanky list next week.

INDEPENDENCE DAY, JULY 4TH

We are accustomed to look upon July 4th, 1776, as the date of the birth of liberty in this Western Hemisphere. Perhaps, in an important sense, this is true. While other dates and events, as, for instance, the 20th of May, 1775, are regarded by some as just as worthy of this distinction, it must not be forgotten that many a birth pang preceeds the real birth, and that all these events have their legitimate place as a part of the program by which this country freed herself from the tyranny of a monarchy.

The people who hazarded life and subjected themselves to all sorts of privations in taking up their abode in this new world, did so that they might escape the almost unbearable conditions under which they were forced to live in the old country. Their suffering and sacrifice were the price they were willing to pay for liberty, especially religious liberty, and they had no hospitality for those who came to rule over them for the sake of what they might be able to extort from them, and, in addition, force them to adopt forms of religion which could not make way for, nor give expression to their notions of freedom.

As a rule, the people of this country did not wish to separate themselves entirely from the king. It is perhaps true that the very best element in American social life up to 1775, was averse to taking any step which might disrupt this country from its allegiance to the crown; but events in the order of providence about this time drove even conservative men into the ranks of those who protested against the injustice of Parliament. It is on record that even Thomas Jefferson was not among those who sympathized with revolutionists, for he said, 'Before the nineteenth of April, 1775, I never heard a whisper of a disposition to separate from the mother country." In March of the same year Benjamin Franklin said: No American, drunk or sober, thinks of such a thing as independence." The logic of events, however, drove these men, in less than two years, into the position of leaders in the signing of the death sentence to royal tyranny in this country.

Such facts as these should make us a little more tolerant of some who were among the Tories, and at this late day we should be able to get a perspective of the events of 1776-1781 that will enable us at least to respect the descendents of these Tories. Many of them, morally and intellectually equal to Jefferson or Franklin, could not bring themselves up to the point of agreement that their only remedy was in revolution, and some of them died for their convictions as truly as did the men who joined in revolt against the crown. Therefore, when we place flowers upon the graves of those who died for liberty, we should not withhold a tear for those who gave their lives in mistaken zeal for a lost cause. Besides, no man or woman should be covered with odium because of having descended from one of these men. All war is what Sherman said it was, and one of the blighting effects of it is the setting at varience neighbor with neighbor and arraying one member of the same family against another.

We pray that the output of literature with which this 4th of July, 1915, is about to flood our country may be such as will not only make us love our country more, but more than ever determine to maintain her honor by methods of peace and conciliation, rather than by war and bloodshed.

THE CURFEW

A good deal is being written just now about the curfew. It will be interesting to our readers, perhaps, to know just what the curfew is. The literal meaning of curfew is fireplace, hearth. One can readily appreciate, therefore, the ancient custom, said to have been instituted by William the Conqueror, of the ringing of the evening bell as a signal to the inhabitants to cover fires, extinguish lights and retire to rest.

There is little to be said against such a law, except what is based upon the desire to pervert the idea of freedom by substituting mere license. Those who are determined to pander to self-indulgence rather than submit to a wholesome regulation of society, will of course oppose a curfew law. They have little attachment to the fireplace—the hearth—which is the symbol of the inner circle of society—the home, and any law that would attempt to shut them in, even for the night hours, is regarded as the invasion of an inalienable right.

We quite agree with the Greenville Reflector as to the parental relation, but can not go with the editor in his assertion that no curfew law is needed. He says:

"Many of our neighboring towns are after a curfew law when there is no need for such a thing. In our home, the old man's word used to be law, and we knew at what hour to come in at night. The same thing will apply to every family, and the father should be the one to make and enforce the curfew law. He can tell his boys what time to get in off the streets at night, and if they don't come in, give them the business end of a horsewhip."

This is all right save the "horsewhip" suggestion, which savors of cruel and unwise methods. But what about children who are deprived of the blessing of parental oversight, either because the father, or perhaps both father and mother, are dead; or worse than this, both living and incapable of assuming the proper function of parenthood? We agree entirely with the editor of the High Point Enterprise. He says:

"A curfew law is all right. It doesn't interfere with the sons and daughters of the well-regulated home, but it does put a check on children where the home life is not what it should be. We believe it has saved many a child from a step in the wrong direction which might have spelled ruin."

Those who lead the movement for the physical and intellectual conservation of childhood will have to go a step farther than most of them do, and make a campaign for the introduction of religious services in the home, thus creating an atmosphere of moral and spiritual health for the child. Otherwise the curfew will summon many to nothing more than a prison stockade for the night. O, for homes of such moral and spiritual power as can take advantage of the restraints of law in rearing a generation in the fear of God and the love of righteousness!

THE PASTOR AND HOSPITALITY

As a rule there are no more hospitable people in the world than the people called Methodists. Nevertheless, there are notable exceptions and these exceptions are the more notable for the reason that they are few in number. That a Methodist preacher, especially the pastor of a congregation, should find himself outside the church with all lights extinguished and the congregation gone, groping in the dark to hitch up for a drive of several miles to his home, because no one has been sufficiently thoughtful to offer hospitality, does not sound good for the year 1915. There are some perhaps who would hardly believe such a thi possible, yet this has occurred, and knowi such to be the case moves the editor to a madvert on the possibility of a growing disp sition to be less hospitable than formerly, a likewise to strike down one of the stronge bulwarks of pastoral efficiency.

That form of hospitality for which Met odism has been noted and which h brought the pastor into the home as a gue frequently over night, has been the source untold blessing to such homes and has given the pastorate its greatest opportunity for wiel ing a powerful influence. Of course the i crease of population and the compactness our pastoral charges have a tendency to r duce the necessity of such visits, yet we fe that a sort of materialism, selfish interest a loss of vital religious concern, have conspir to destroy that spirit of genuine love for t pastor which once prevailed, and that appre ation of the value of his visits in the home.

One can not dwell upon this subject witho recalling that very remarkable incident recor ed in II Kings 4:8-27. This, together with ot er cases recorded in both the Old and Ne Testaments, shows how the Lord intended make the prophet of God a great and abidi blessing in the homes where his ministry is r spected and appreciated.

We do not believe that the spirit of hos tality is going to die among our people. To s so would be to challenge the genuineness present-day religious experience. But the are some communities that are sadly in ne of a revision of their code of politeness, that the man of God might be saved from t chill of social frigidity and the blessings his personal ministry might be brought in their homes. It will help all our people to r fresh their minds with the admonition of t apostle who exhorts them to be "given to h pitality."

LAKE JUNALUSKA

The Western North Carolina Conferen should feel a peculiar interest in this great A sembly Ground of Southern Methodism for t reason that it is located in our midst.

The annual meetings are scheduled as f lows: Missionary Conference, July 9-2 Sunday School Conferences, July 22-August Bible Conference, August 8-15; Epwor League Conference, August 19-29.

These conferences will afford great opportu ities to our pastors and other church leade in all departments, and, being near by, the e pense will be a trifle compared with what ma will have to spend in order to enjoy the ben fits of the occasion.

Those who intend going should write for fu information to Mr. J. D. Stentz, Lake Jun luska, N. C.

ODDS AND ENDS

No church organization is of value save it contributes to the one great aim of t church, namely, the salvation of souls.

* * * *

"Let your light so shine * * that they m see your good works." Be sure to place t emphasis upon the little word so. The Savio is not talking about a flash light to enable y to slip upon your fellow and nab him, but great beacon light to show others how to ma their way through the dark world of sin.

* * * *

They say some pastors neglect their peop What about some people who neglect their pa tor. They say a rule should work both wa but the pastor must not let his fidelity to h people depend upon their show of appreci tion.

* * * *

Let all be careful about criticising othe It is easy to fall into the habit of criticisin but difficult to mend the trouble and heal t wounds caused by such a habit. St. Jam uses very strong language in his effort to s forth the mischievous results of unbridled a flippant speech. It would be better to known as the silent one than to have a tong that, with reckless facility, attempts to destr the good name of a fellow being.

NOTE AND COMMENT

Japanese Friendship Shows Itself in a recent conversation between Governor Francis B. Harrison, of the Philippine Islands, who is visiting the Island Empire, and Count Okuma, the Prime Minister, and Baron Kato, the Minister of Foreign Affairs. Although the Governor's visits were calls of etiquette, the promotion of friendly relations between the United States and Japan were discussed at length, and the development of trade between Japan and the United States and the Philippines was especially dwelt upon. The press reporter in despatching the news remarks, "The Japanese are constantly emphasizing their desire to create wide business relations with the United States which they regard as a great practical reason for tightening the bonds of friendship."

* * * *

Nearly A Million Dollars Lost last year through illness among wage earners is the statement given out by the United States public health service. Not only was this a loss in dollars and cents to the wage earners themselves, but it was an economic loss to the country. It is asserted that probably fifty per cent. of this loss, or one half a billion dollars, was due to carelessness and ignorance of the common laws of hygiene and could have been saved to the country had those who had been ill been educated on proper diet, colthing, external and internal bathing, and the errors of over eating.

The United States government, through the public health service, is trying to educate the American public along these lines and by such education hopes to do away with this vast loss and with this idea in view the service has just issued a pamphlet, "Fighting Trim," by Surgeon J. M. Eager, who lays great stress upon the value of personal endeavor of every individual. He claims that the wonderful victories that have been won in combating infectious diseases have a tendency to divert public attention from the equally important personal body fortification against all diseases. The pamphlet is well worth writing for.

* * * *

During Next Week in San Francisco will be held the international conference of women workers to promote permanent peace. Mrs. May Wright Sewell, formerly of Indianapolis, is the general head of the conference that is to be held as part of the international exposition. The sessions will be held in Dr. Charles F. Aiked's First Congregational church.

At the first meeting Mrs. Sewall will present a summary of the new peace movements which have been begun since the beginning of the war. Of sixteen such movements, eleven have been organized by women in Great Britain, Denmark, Norway, Switzerland, Australia, and the United States. These movements are in addition to those in this country conspicuously represented in the Woman's Peace party and to those of the world's conference called at The Hague by the women of the Netherlands.

On Monday, July 5, Mrs. Lucie Ames Mead, of Boston, will preside, the subject for discussion on that day being "Economic Waste of War." Tuesday morning, with Miss Jane Adams presiding, the subject will be "The Effect of War on Social Service." Wednesday, "International Amity" will be discussed, with Mrs. Andrea Hofer Proudfoot, of Chicago, presiding. Other subjects during the week will be "The Effect of the War Upon Industry and Labor," "The Relation of Woman's Political Enfranchisement to Permanent Peace."

Foreign countries will be represented, among them China and Japan. Mrs. Pethick Lawrence, Mrs. Philip Snowden, Mrs. George Cadbury, Miss Emily Hobhouse, Miss Maude Royden and Miss Ada Cunningham are the British sponsers for the conference. Other foreign supporters include Mlls. Camille Vidart, Mme. Chafoniere Chaix, Fil Clara Honneger, and Clara Guthrie Cook, of Switzerland; Miss E. Baelde, Dr. Mia-Boissevain, Dr. Aletta H. Jacobs, of the Netherlands; Fru Ella Anker, of Norway; and Mrs. Henry Dodson, Mrs. Charles Strong, and Miss Eleanor M. Moore, of Australia.

* * * *

The Grandfather Clause Decision was handed down last week by the supreme court pronouncing unconstitutional the so-called grandfather clause, one of the devices of the Southern States for restricting the suffrage. Commenting on the decision some editors have prophesied a suffrage upheaval which is to be forced in the South by Republican use of the anti-grandfather clause pronouncement. It must be understood, however, that Louisiana, North Carolina and Oklahoma are the only states which had such a clause in operation when Justice White read the decision last week. The problem of a necessarily restricted suffrage has been just as effectively met by the larger number of Southern States which have no such clause in their franchise provisions, and all the three states in question have to do is to substitute some of these other methods for the one upon which the supreme court has put its mark of disapproval.

* * * *

One Thousand American Importers have laid before Secretary Lansing and other State Department officials a petition setting forth that Great Britain has "studiously avoided" answering the American note of March 30th, last; that in the meantime valuable time has been lost in preparing for future business, and that the general effect has been harmful to the "long established trade of this country." The importers are pleading for an "uninterrupted supply of American-owned merchandise whether the same had been paid for, or may be contracted for" and the unrestricted right to ship non-contraband goods through neutral countries to or from Germany.

In a statement issued by the importers after their conference, it was revealed that Secretary Lansing had "expressed a determination on the part of both the President and himself to do all in their power to aid the importers in securing their rights, to which under the laws of nations and treaty obligations they are entitled."

There has been an insistance in many quarters that a note should be sent to Great Britain simultaneously with the German negotiations to emphasize the intention of the United States to defend neutral rights, whether violated by the allies or Germany. Mr. Wilson thinks it best to wait for the German answer to the last note concerning submarine warfare before sending a note to Great Britain. He did not wish, it is understood, to give the appearance abroad that the United States would bargain for negotiations with England on the blockade question for concessions by Germany demanded as a result of the sinking of the Lusitania. Reparation for the loss of more than one hundred American lives, the President has held, must constitute a separate and distinct issue.

* * * *

The Humorists Salon opened the first of this month in Paris reflects the uplifting spirit of the times. There is said to be a single picture in the whole collection to provoke a guffaw. There is quite enough of fine satire and enough real pathos to draw tears from the sympathetic. Technically the work is of a much higher order than the preceding humorous art exhibitions. Much of it is taken from life and all of it shows higher inspiration. Even more than the Exhibition of Soldier Artists is this a "War Salon." Every object is taken from the European conflict; the exhibition is said to be a sort of pictorial summary of it from the mobilization to the sinking of the Lucitania or the taking of Lemberg.

Following the Soldiers' Salon and the Humorists, people interested in the invaded departments are organizing a third salon to include pictures from artists who are natives of the invaded departments.

* * * *

Syria is in a Bad Way. Cereals and food stuffs are scarce and the Turkish officials are exacting every possible cent out of the people for the war. In addition the country is becoming as dry as a desert and the lines of communication between different parts of the country have been almost all stopped by the military. At Beyrout itself the schools are closed with the exception of the American Protestant College, which, owing to the neutrality of the United States and the diplomacy of its president, Dr. Bliss, has continued to work peacefully. British missions in the Lebanon have so far been undisturbed. The inhabitants of this hill country have been exempted from military service, but economic conditions are bad. Instead of daily trains as formerly between Beyrout and Damascus there is now only one or two a week.

* * * *

Turbulent Conditions in Haiti, assert Washington reports, have reached such a point that the United States is considering seriously the formation of an entirely new policy toward the little island republic. Paul Fuller, Jr., sent by President Wilson to Haiti with plenary powers to negotiate a treaty placing the collection of customs duties under control of the American government has reported that the Haitien government does not want to enter into such a treaty, but has made counter proposals which are not regarded as likely to lead to a settlement of disturbances. Before President Wilson left for Cornish he talked at length with Secretary Lansing about the situation and it was determined for the next week or two to await the outcome of the military situation. Officials think the latest revolutionary movement under Dr. Bobo is not strong enough to overthrow the government. President Sam has been recognized by France, Italy, and Germany, but the United States has been withholding recognition until some arrangement could be made to stabilize conditions. French marines have been landed at Cape Haitien and Rear Admiral Caperton is on his way from Vera Cruz with 700 bluejackets and marines on the cruiser Washington to relieve them and preserve order. Should the revolution prove unsuccessful the United States intends to uphold President Sam and accord him recognition provided an understanding can be reached on the question of the country's finances.

* * * *

A Japanese Billy Sunday. Have you heard of him? A correspondent speaks of him as follows: "Close by the House of Parliament, within which members were discussing the question of China, there stood a big tent, fronted and flanked by many bright colored Japanese banners. Through the flaps came the sound of a man's voice, pleasant, resonant and powerful: 'Come to God and be saved.'"

The correspondent of the Associated Press, who was on his way to the Diet, stopped at the entrance to the tent. A little group of smiling, welcoming Japanese were there.

"Who is that man speaking?" was asked.

"Why don't you know?" came the answer. "That's Kimura, the Billy Sunday of Japan!"

At the same moment the notes of a Christian hymn sung in chorus filled the great tent and bursting without caused hundreds of passing people to stop, listen, and enquire. They were informed that it was all a part of the great Christian Evangelistic movement now under way throughout Japan, and that Seismatsu Kimura, the young revivalist of Japan, friend and student of Dwight L. Moody, was conducting the Tokio meetings.

"The picture was much the same as the American revivalist meetings, with the added interest of rich-flowing kimonas, the black hair of the Japanese women, the occasional clatter of the wooden shoe, and the many-hued Japanese decorations. The music ceased. Then a Japanese, with regular handsome features, rather stockily built, dressed in European clothes, stepped forward with his co-workers on the platform and began to talk in Japanese. He began quietly, but soon his voice rose and his face changed as becoming more impassioned he discoursed eagerly upon the theme of salvation. Leaning forward and shooting out a clenched fist before him the evangelist cried to the men: 'You students of Tokio, sitting here on your Webster dictionaries, you think you are mighty fine indeed. You think how much better you are than other people; but I ask have you found the love of Jesus Christ?'

Then turning to the young ladies he shouted: 'You with your pretty kimonas and pretty faces—think you perhaps that you are saved by these things alone. Prepare yourselves ere it is too late. Come into the Kingdom of Jesus Christ and be saved.'"

CONTRIBUTIONS

RELIGION IN THE HOME

By Rev. John Lee Allison, D. D.

"As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord."—Joshua 24:15.

"Religion! What treasure untold resides in that heavenly word; more precious than silver and gold, or all this earth can afford!"— Cowper.

When the word "religion" is linked with the word "home" the theme is invested with a supreme significance. Religion in the home, therefore, is a subject of vital importance, for when it is recognized that the family is the nursery of the Church and civilization, and that the home of today will give coloring and character to the Church and citizenship of tomorrow, no greater subject can command earnest consideration.

The present plea should be for religion in every home, and a family altar at every hearthstone. Religion has always pertained to the home, and the family being the oldest of institutions, there are traces of religion found in it from the earliest days.

The poet is not presenting merely the fanciful when he represents Adam and Eve as addressing their morning thoughts in concert to God.

"Lowly they bowed, adoring and began their orisons,
Each morning duly paid in various style."

History is illumined by splendid illustrations of family religion. After the flood, "Noah builded an altar unto the Lord." Abraham reared an altar on the plain of Moreh. Isaac built an altar at Beersheba. Jacob at Bethel said to his family: "Put away the strange gods that are among you." John, it is said, "rose up early in the morning and offered burnt offerings according to the number of them all." Cornelius was a "devout man and feared God with all his house and prayed to God always." The historian records that Christians began the day with prayer, and the commendation of Timothy was that he had from a child known the Holy Scriptures.

The Reformation period furnishes many examples of family religion, and the reformers valued it very highly. Household piety was prevalent in Germany, Switzerland, Holland and France. But in no country has the light of family religion burned more brightly than in Scotland. Family devotion was found among reapers in barns, in fishing boats on lakes, and in the depths of coal pits.

Burns in his "Cotter's Saturday Night" vividly portrays scenes in real life among Scottish peasantry when he says,

"Then kneeling down to heaven's eternal king,
The saint, the father and the husband prays."

A beautiful tribute to a mother's love and the power of home piety was given by the celebrated John Randolph, of Roanoke, in a letter to a friend written just before his death. He wrote: "At one period of my life I was on the verge of becoming a French atheist. I had let go my hold on a great many of the doctrines of Christianity and of the truths of the Bible, and was about taking the plunge into that dreadful abyss of atheism. I was only held back from it by the recollection that when I was a little child my mother, who is now a saint in heaven, used to make me kneel by her side and then, taking my little hands in hers, taught me to say, 'Our Father who art in heaven.'"

The power of family religion is recognized in its threefold influence on the Church, the nation and posterity.

Influence on the Church

It is a quaint but true saying, "A praying people makes a preaching minister." It is like the service rendered by Aaron and Hur.

The primary value of family prayer to the Church is that it is answered. It is no small thing for a congregation to have daily supplications for God's grace and blessing on it ascending from many firesides.

What a source of power and spring of refreshment! The family devotions of praying, pious Kidderminster made Richard Baxter a better preacher, for "like people like priest."

It is possible for a congregation to make or mar its pastor. Religion in the home, then, will spiritualize and vitalize the preacher and inspire by the Holy Spirit's presence every member of the congregation with enthusiasm. The church that is active and aggressive must have the fire of family devotion burning on every home altar.

Influence on the Nation

The influence of home piety on the nation is also recognized when it is remembered that the Christian home is the school of good citizenship and true patriotism.

It is necessary in making good citizens to begin early. All great race problems should be met and solved on the plains of childhood, rather than at mature manhood and womanhood. The children who are taught to obey laws and submit to authority become good citizens in the community.

The popular evils which threaten the country come from a spirit of insubordination, and this is caused in large measure by neglect of parental authority. The youth who has never learned to obey and honor his parents will never yield himself to legal authority. He who is not a good son cannot be a good citizen. A nation of homes where God is honored and obeyed will ever be a nation of law and order. God said that Abraham should surely become a great and mighty nation, "for I know him that he will command his children and his household after him." In our cities the streets are crowded with children who seem to acknowledge no loyalty to any home.

In the large cities the "curfew" has been adopted requiring that children under sixteen years of age shall not be on the streets after a certain hour without proper guardianship. A bell is rung fifteen minutes before the appointed time as a warning, after which a child is required to be off the streets unless in the company of a parent or guardian, or bearing a written statement, dated and signed by a parent or guardian, that said child is on an emergency errand.

The child becomes a man with frightful precocity. Evil is bold and increasing. The future greatness of this nation will be found in God-fearing and God-honoring families.

Men who love their country will be glad to take their households with them to a throne of heavenly grace, for Christian patriotism brings blessings to the land by kindling fires of religious devotion on every hearth.

The Influence of Religion in the Home

will be noted on posterity. A true man cannot be indifferent to what is coming after him on the earth. The religion of the Bible is against the selfish idea of many who forget their duty to future generations.

The family is the point of connection and the medium of transmission in the human race in the matter of generations, and there is the natural sequence of father and son. God enjoins upon the parent diligent and faithful instruction of the children and their children's children. From earliest history God has dealt with mankind on the family principle.

No real father can be unconcerned about the destiny of his children even to remote descendants. This duty has found its way into the legal usages of all nations and colors the common law of our ancestors. The father stands as the federal representative of the family and is prophet, priest and king in the home.

The neglect, therefore, of family religion by a parent causes him to face the charge of injustice towards his children. We condemn unsparingly the man who by carelessness wastes an estate received by inheritance, and thus robs his children of resources rightly theirs. And so with a priceless estate of moral ideals and religious inspirations. The father's virile and victorious religion should be the strength of the child's life by which he is to defend himself.

An extract from the last will of the great orator and patriot, Patrick Henry, is full of suggestion: "This is all the inheritance I can give my dear family; the religion of Christ can give them one which will make them rich indeed."

The influence of religion in the home as it is exerted on the Church, the nation and posterity is inestimable. It has been a veritable "Gulf Stream" in the ocean of time, bringing warmth and spiritual life, just as does the "Gulf Stream" in the Atlantic Ocean, which flows in a northeasterly direction along the American coast, gradually widening its current, decreasing its velocity until it reaches the banks of Newfoundland, when it sweeps across the Atlantic and affords temperateness to the British Isles. Ships beaten back by the violent storms turn their prows to the east and seek relief and comfort in this Gulf Stream.

So human souls on the tempestuous sea of life find warmth, safety and peace in a home, where God is honored and where the incense of worship and devotion ascends from the family altar.—Christian Observer.

TIDINGS FROM THE MISSION FIELD

Present Financial Support Hopelessly Inadequate

In the division of the mission fields among the several denominations we have accepted responsibility for the evangelization of forty million people in certain areas of China, Japan, Korea, Brazil, Mexico and Cuba—by no means an unreasonable share. For this tremendous task we have in the field only 258 missionaries (or 354 including the wives of the missionaries). This, in proportion to our membership of 1,927,000, is but one missionary to 7,500 members. When we consider that the first business of the church and of every follower of Christ is to go or send, to the end that the gospel may be preached in all the world, it is certainly a sad commentary upon our earnestness that it requires the combined efforts of seven thousand of us to send one missionary. We have at home an estimated constituency of eight million, as against forty million abroad —only one-fifth as many. Yet we give annually to the work at home fourteen times as much as we contribute to send the gospel abroad; or, on the basis of numbers, seventy times as much. Certainly we give none too much to the former, but the contrast shows clearly how hopelessly inadequate is our support of the foreign work. It is another case of "This (the work at home) ought ye to have done, and not to have left the other undone."

One Hundred Specials Needed for Japan Which Will You Take?

7 missionaries, each, $1200; 10 circuits, each, $400; 17 native preachers, each, $175; 4 kindergartens, each, $125; 2 personal teachers, each, $120; 8 native preachers, each, $120; 6 Bible women, each, $100; 6 scholarships, Hiroshima Girls' School, each, $50; 4 scholarships, Kwansei Gakuin, each, $50; 34 chapels, rent, each, $50; 2 afternoon Sunday schools, each, $25.

Statistics, Japan Mission, 1914

Missionaries, 27; native pastors, 29; Bible women, 20; organized churches, 16; members, 2,680; increase, 170; infants baptized, 64; adults baptized, 257; Sunday schools, 83; Sunday school officers and teachers, 360; pupils, 2,750; Epworth Leagues, 102; members, 2,450; day schools, 16; teachers, 24; pupils, 456; higher schools and colleges, 4; teachers, 84; pupils, 2,205.

Lack of Room Means a Sweeping Reduction

Palmore Institute is more flourishing at present than ever before. This month's enrollment will, I suppose, stand as the high-water mark attendance, as we have concluded that we must not admit such a large number any more. We have now more than seventy-five students in some of our classes in which there are supposed to be not more than forty-five. Having such large numbers and being badly crowded detracts very largely from the efficiency of our work, and we feel compelled to make a sweeping reduction.—J. S. Oxford, Palmore Institute, Kobe, Japan.

Huchow Mission Schools Honored

The governor of the province was recently in Huchow, and after being invited to call and

inspect our work, volunteered to make an address to our students. Accordingly we assembled the pupils of all our schools, boys and girls, in the church, and he made them a splendid address. He urged upon them the necessity of cherishing the ancient principles of respect for parents and for elders, and emphasized the need of purpose and determination in study. He also held up before them the ideal of righteousness as an indispensable qualification for true citizenship. This meeting with the governor was a fine thing for the students, and the very fact that he was willing thus to recognize us will give our schools an even better standing in the community than they have ever had.—W. A. Estes, Huchow, China.

What a Presiding Elder Says

Have raised more money this year for missions than I have ever raised in a like period in my life. We are pulling hard for missions in full this year, and I feel we shall win.

Growing by Leaps and Bounds

The work is growing so rapidly we cannot keep up with it. It is moving forward by leaps and bounds. It is glorious to be in the thick of the fight. God is wonderfully near in it all. He is making his face to shine upon his people. Our late District Conference was held at Lien-sz. On the fine lot already purchased by the members, our old ragged tent was pitched, and twice a day great multitudes gathered to hear the word of life.—J. L. Hendry, Huchow, China.

The Thank-Offering of a Chinese Constructor

St. John's church grows beautifully. The walls are now being painted, the rough coat of plaster is on, the roof is finished, and all woodwork well advanced. Everybody who sees it admires it and marvels at the price—so much church for so little money. It is not due to the building committee, or to those who are furnishing the money, or to the English architect, but to the Chinese constructor. He built Anderson Hall for us, and before it was finished he was converted. This church is largely his thank-offering, for he undertook the contract determined not only to make not a cent out of it, but even to contribute all he could in addition. Over and over again he has smilingly said to me: "The Heavenly Father certainly is helping me out—it never rains except at night and Sundays," which has been almost literally true since he began to lay bricks last October. I have never known of a contract where the workmen had to stop so seldom on account of bad weather.—W. B. Nance, Soochow, China.

In spite of the war things go on in the University with a great degree of hope. This term already an even dozen of the students have been baptized. They come from altogether non-Christian homes and influence. There are a fine lot of young fellows who want to be baptized, but for various good reasons are on the waiting list. At the late Annual Conference two young men, who had been converted in the University, and whose first touch with the Gospel was in this institution, joined the itinerant ranks.—J. W. Cline, Soochow, China.

* * * *

During the third quarter of 1914 twenty-one hundred and ninety-five patients were treated at Ivey Hospital, Songdo, Korea. Miss Harris, the head nurse, in writing of the work says: "We always emphasize the evangelistic side of our work, and in addition to the 2195 patients there have been almost as many visitors, all of whom have had the gospel preached to them and received tracts and portions of Scripture to take home with them."

There are few things in the world that are ideal, but it is folly to give up because we may feel conscious of falling short. Even the apostle, St. Paul, said: "I count not myself to have apprehended; but this one thing I do, forgetting those things that are behind and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark, etc." Let all the emphasis be placed upon these last words. They point to the ideal.

A RICH MINE

D. B. Price

The establishment of a regular system of birthday offerings for our Sunday schools had in view the fostering of the spirit of gratitude in the young, and the improvement of Sunday school architecture by accumulating through these offerings a great Sunday School Loan Fund, to be administered in the interest of the modern and well-equipped Sunday school building. One of the beautiful and inspiring features of a well conducted Sunday school program is the birthday offering. This offering should be accompanied by some ceremony. The Board of Church Extension, upon request, furnishes without charge to the Sunday schools an especially designed birthday jar to be used in receiving the offerings; also copies of the "Birthday Greeting" and other publications calculated to make this feature of the program interesting and impressive.

No other division of the church responds as readily and cheerfully to instruction and leadership as the children, and the church that in any wise neglects them will fail in the long run, whatever virtues it may possess. The children have a right to a share in the work of the church. The church through its official boards should supply the literature for the school and the children should be taught and permitted to contribute to the support of the pastor, to the Superannuate Endowment Fund, to Church Extension and to Missions each one Sunday in the month, using fifth Sundays for "Specials." The general custom of using the offerings of the children to meet the current expenses of the Sunday school is most reprehensible. The time has come when it should be discontinued and that without delay.

According to the General Minutes there are sixteen thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight Sunday schools in our church. The number exclusive of schools in mission fields is sixteen thousand or more. If one-half of them would use the birthday jar and give an average of $2.50 annually, it would amount to $2,000 a year. If we were just starting the Sunday School Loan Fund, in ten years it would amount to $240,122.13, and in twenty years to $595,683.21. Think what a fund the children of today would have to work with as they come to maturity and to leadership in the church! They would honor the memory of those who had so wisely directed them and made possible this great asset with which they could advance the cause of religion in this and other lands. This is the best field open to the church's cultivation today, and if its leaders are sensible of it they will cultivate it thoroughly and begin at once and continue until the largest measure of success possible crowns their efforts. This is a lead that all Conferences, Sunday School Boards, Secretaries, field workers, etc., should follow. It is our duty to the children to do it, and is the surest way of supplying our denomination with churches well equipped for Sunday school work.

An exhibit of the church's present interest in the Sunday School Loan Fund shows that sixteen conferences are not using a single birthday jar; four, only one each; four, two each; five, five each; two, six each; two, seven each; three, eight each; three, nine each; and one, ten; one, twelve; one thirty-six, and one, seventy-four. The conferences contributing to this fund this year ranged in amounts from $2.50 to $543.99.

The banner Conference in our connection is the West Oklahoma, which has seventy-four schools out of a total of two hundred and thirty-nine using the birthday jar, which is thirty-one per cent., and they contributed this year $543.99 or an average of $7.35 each. Now, if the same per cent. of all the sixteen thousand schools in our great church were contributing equally with the schools of the West Oklahoma Conference, the annual amount would be $35,796.00, which in ten years would amount to $428,825.51, and in twenty years to $982,015.87. These figures are so large as to stagger one and to create a doubt as to the possibility of accomplishment. Concerted and well directed purposeful effort would accomplish it. One thing is very apparent and that is this, that if our church does not accumulate a Sunday School Loan Fund capital of $1,000,000.00 in the next twenty-five years the dereliction will then be regarded as a reproach.

It is an opportunity to do a two-fold service, train workers and at the same time provide them with material to work with.

The prospect thrills me like a trumpet blast! May our church see its day of opportunity, the opportunity of presenting the young life of the church to Jesus Christ with an endowment sufficient to guarantee its perpetual training and efficiency.

The birthday jar and literature may be secured from the office of the Board of Church Extension, 1025 Brook Street, Louisville, Ky., on request, and without charge.

Louisville, Ky.

DEBTS AND BENEVOLENCE

The assertion is sometimes made that men have no right to be benevolent when they are in debt, that they are giving away money which is not their own. There is a truth in this, and there is also a falsity. Discrimination is needed. For a person to give a large sum to the Missionary Society and then tell his creditors who needed the money and had a right to it, that he had nothing for them, would indeed be a scandal and a sin; it would be on a par with the practice, so vigorously denounced by Jesus, among the Jews of his time, who evaded the obligation to support their parents by declaring that the funds which might have been so used had been dedicated to God.

But the mere fact that a man is owing money here and there by no means relieves him of the duty nor deprives him of the privilege of contributing to the benefaction of his fellows or the extension of God's kingdom. We are in debt to God all the time far more than we can be to men any of the time. Our debt to him should have precedence over earthly debts, and a fair proportion of our expenditure, however small it is, should be sacredly set apart for his exclusive service. Until a man for the payment of his debts feels called to reduce his family to abject poverty, until he shuts off all luxuries and even comforts, confining himself to barest necessities, he should certainly put a proper allowance for benevolence in the list of his ordinary charges. It might with reason be argued that this is among the prime necessities of the soul, and the soul has at least as much right to be considered as the body. There is no cause for stinting one's self more in this direction than in others. He who retrenches first of all in the matter of benevolence or in expenditure on the religious side of his being should set down his conduct to selfishness and worldliness, and not try to make it out a matter of Christian principle. When people try to ward off God's claims on the plea of justice to men it is usually only an excuse for their own greater gratification. —Pittsburgh Christian Advocate.

A HOPEFUL LOSS OF REVENUE

Loss of revenue is usually regarded as a source of disquietude, and sometimes is looked upon as a calamity. An unusual number have suffered the disquietude or grief occasioned by such an occurrence during the past few months. It sometimes happens, however, that what looks like an unspeakable calamity to a young man born with a gold spoon in his mouth proves the making of him, and sometimes whole families are greatly benefited by a marked falling off in their income.

Not many thoughtful people will be greatly concerned over the announcement that the revenue of the Federal government from taxes on alcoholic beverages has been considerably reduced during the past year, especially when the reduction is attributed to the enactment of prohibitory laws and the extension of "dry" territory. Thirty per cent. of the national income is now derived from this source, and the opinion is expressed in official quarters that in two years this will be reduced to twenty-five per cent. The officials are also quoted as saying that at an early day the situation may make it necessary for the government to revise its taxation laws and devise a new system of taxation to replace that which is now menaced by diminishing returns. All this is hope-inspiring.—Exchange.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Bishop E. E. Hoss will sail for the Orient from New York, July 1st.

—Miss Lelia Tuttle was booked for an address at Cedar Valley church, on the North Lenoir circuit, last Sunday.

—Prof. C. H. Trowbridge, Principal of Brevard Institute, announces that he is in position to supply well trained help from the list of graduates in their business department. Those interested should write to him at Brevard, N. C.

—Mrs. Eliza P. Edwards, of Pinnacle, Route 3, wishes to thank the many friends who have shown her kindness during her serious illness, undergoing serious surgical operation. Many sent flowers and words of sympathy which can never be forgotten.

—We regret to learn that Rev. C. H. Curtis, who, for some years, did supply work in our Conference, is now confined to his bed with typhoid fever at his home in Maiden.

—Mr. W. L. Hefner, a faithful layman of our church at Maiden, returned last week from a hospital where he has been under treatment for a nervous breakdown. We are glad to learn that he is much improved.

—The members of the Southside M. E. church are planning to build a nice parsonage for their popular pastor, Rev. L. F. Brothers. Work on the home for the preacher will begin at an early date.—Winston Sentinel.

—Mrs. Sherrill, wife of Rev. R. D. Sherrill, pastor of Centenary church, has been in St. Leo's Hospital for treatment for more than a week. Their friends will be glad to learn that she is sufficiently recovered to be taken home this week.

—Aunt Jennie Murdock, the last surviving colored member of Broad Street church, Statesville, passed away last week. She was greatly respected and highly esteemed by all who knew her.

—Mr. F. W. Thompson, an aged and highly respected citizen of Gaston county, passed away at his home near Stanley, on Tuesday of last week. Mr. Thompson was the father of a large family, among his children being Mr. W. C. Thompson, of Hickory, and grandfather of Rev. Loy D. Thompson, of the Western North Carolina Conference.

—Some time ago Rev. Frank Siler announced the fact that it had been determined by friends at Ramseur to establish the Keziah J. Craven Memorial Fund for Emergency Missions. Since the announcement another fifty dollars has been added to the fund and it is hoped to still increase the amount.

—The Sunday School Period at Lake Junaluska will embrace the dates July 22-August 6. The period is divided as follows: July 22-24, meeting of the General Sunday School Boards and Field Secretaries; July 29 to August 6, Institute for Sunday School Workers. All of these meetings will be open to the public, but general public interest will center chiefly about the third.

—The Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America sends out an official warning against young ladies planning to go without suitable chaperone to the Panama-Pacific Exposition. Girls going alone are not safe amid the moral conditions that prevail there. We regret that we have not space to publish their article in full. It should be enough, however, to deter such undertaking to know that this warning has been sent out.

—A conference on National Constitutional Prohibition will be held in the Sunday School House of the Calvary Baptist church, in Washington City on Saturday morning, July 10th. This will be a joint meeting of representatives of all temperance organizations in America, under the auspices of the National Temperance Bureau.

—A movement is now on foot to raise an educational foundation or endowment under the name of The Ellen Wilson Fund for the Christian Education of Mountain Youth. In accordance with President Wilson's wish, the Fund will be available for all worthy students attending any Christian school, without reference to denomination. The only regret we have in this matter is that the benefits are to be available only for "Mountain Youth," as if the crying destitution of our country were in the mountain section, which is by no means the case.

—Many readers of the Advocate will be deeply grieved to learn of the death of Prof. W. M. Cundiff, which occurred at a hospital in Winston-Salem on Tuesday, June 22nd. Mr. Cundiff developed pneumonia following a surgical operation. Mrs. Cundiff, who was a Miss Poindexter, of Yadkin county, survives him. Mr. Cundiff was, until recently, a resident of the Siloam community and spent much of his life in educational work. He was a graduate of Emory and Henry College, and was, in every sense, a Christian gentleman. He was a life long member of the Methodist church and his home was always a preacher's home. A man of quiet demeanor, he was greatly esteemed by all who knew him.

—Major R. W. Millsaps, sometime ago resigned from the Board of Trust of Vanderbilt University. This he did because the institution is now directly divorced from the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and Major Millsaps was elected when it was accepted as one of our church institutions. We learn that for the same reason Mr. J. R. Pepper, of Memphis, has notified the Chancellor of Vanderbilt that he will not serve on the Board of Trust.—Wesleyan Advocate.

—The press correspondent writing from Salisbury under date of June 26th, says: The Methodist church at Spencer has inaugurated the holding of vesper services at sun down Sunday evening. The services are held on the lawn adjoining the church. The first one was held today and they will continue through the summer when the weather permits.

—Many friends of Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Womack, of Coleridge, will regret to learn that Mrs. Womack has been quite ill of typhoid fever. A letter from Brother Womack under date of June 24, brings the glad news that Mrs. Womack is much improved and requests us to thank the good brethren and friends for their many acts of kindness toward them.

—Miss Nell Rogers, of Perry, Ga., formerly Deaconess of West Market Street church, this city, was in the city for a day and night last week, the guest of Rev. and Mrs. H. M. Blair. She left on Friday night for Catawba Sanitarium, Va., where she is to take up work as a nurse. Her many friends will be glad to learn that she is greatly improved in health.

—Rev. Loy D. Thompson, pastor of our church at Marion, passed through the city on Saturday afternoon with his little son, on their way to Raleigh to take the Pasteur treatment. They were both bitten by a cat some days ago and while not sure that the animal had rabies, out of abundance of caution they were going to take the treatment.

—We have learned with deep regret that Mrs. A. R. Johnson, of Concord, sister of Mr. D. B. Coltrane, was stricken with paralysis at her home at the Jackson Training School on Sunday morning, June 20th. This is the second stroke and her condition is serious.

—A very interesting revival has been in progress at the First Presbyterian church, this city, for two weeks. The pastor has been assisted by Rev. Dr. Flinn, of Atlanta. Dr. Flinn left on Monday and the meeting is being continued, Rev. Dr. C. W. Byrd, pastor of West Market Street church, assisting the pastor.

—Rev. A. P. Ratledge, of our Conference, was among the graduates of the Candler School of Theology at the recent commencement of Emory University. Brother Ratledge had taken two years of his course at Vanderbilt. He is now at his former home at Calahan in Davie county and his services are available for any of our pastors or presiding elders who may be interested. We can underwrite for Brother Ratledge as we have had opportunity to have personal knowledge of his work. Pastors needing assistance in revival services will find in him an efficient helper.

Mount Airy Circuit.—By request of our faithful superintendent, Brother W. L. Gwyn, I beg space to report the Sunday school at old Salem on Mount Airy circuit, for the benefit of old friends. Salem has a membership of about one hundred and seventy, many of whom are not living in the community. There are about one hundred and eighty-four on Sunday school roll, with an average attendance of about ninety now. In the school there is a married ladies' class with twenty-two on roll. This is an interesting class.

Salem is a good country church with everything moving in harmony and doing business for the Lord and Methodism in her community.

J. M. Folger, P. C.

Trinity, Charlotte.—The Charlotte Observer on Monday had the following interesting item:

One of the most attractive and best rendered programs which Trinity Sunday school has had, among the many good ones of the past, was that in observance of Children's Day yesterday. These exercises were held in the church auditorium at 11 o'clock in lieu of the morning service, and the capacity of the building was taxed. The school assembled in the class rooms at 10 o'clock for routine class work, and then marched by classes to space reserved in the auditorium. The exercises opened with a processional of the primary and junior departments, bearing national flags and singing: "We are Little Soldiers Marching," and when grouped in the chancel the rows of happy, childish faces inspired Mr. Bucher to call for "Shine," which was sung with a will. Thereafter song and recitation followed each other in rapid succession, a martial note running through the whole, as indeed the title of the program was "Soldiers of the King," some of the most enjoyable features being a song by some of the smaller children, wearing white paper chapeaux and bearing white flags; the Bible exercise by boys with Bibles, concluding with "Take It Wherever You Go," the cradle roll exercise, and the exercise "I've a Story to Tell to the Nations,' with song and dialogue between groups with American and flags of heathen nations.

Diplomas and Bibles were given to a class of seven graduating from the primary to the junior department, and the thorough training they have had was evidenced by their repeating the books of both the Old and New Testaments, the Ten Commandments, the Beatitudes, and the thirteenth chapter of First Corinthians.

The church as now arranged lends itself well to an occasion of this kind, the new quarters for the chorus choir to the left of the chancel making it possible to use either this platform or the chancel, or both.

The pastor, Rev. Dr. Marr, preached at the evening service and the chorus choir under the direction of Mr. Bucher led the singing. The changes necessary for the accommodation of this choir are now complete, and will add much to the effectiveness of its work, besides presenting a very attractive appearance.

A departure was the visits begun yesterday by the stewards of the church to the homes of the congregation. Assembling at the church in the afternoon calls were made by parties of stewards at each of the homes in Dilworth, and it is proposed to follow with other sections of the city on successive Sunday afternoons until all homes of the church members have been visited.

Dedication at Granite Quarry

Rev. Dr. W. R. Ware, presiding elder of the Salisbury District, will dedicate the new church at Granite Quarry on next Sunday afternoon at 4 p. m. Former pastors are invited to be present.

J. H. Brendall, P. C.

Morganton District Conference

The Morganton District Conference will meet at Gilkey July 15th, at 9 a. m. Opening sermon Wednesday night by Rev. B. Wilson. The committees of examination are as follows:—For License: L. D. Thompson, M. B. Clegg, A. C. Swafford; Admission to Annual Conference: J. A. Bowles, E. E. Williamson, H. L. Powell; For Deacon's and Elder's Orders: Albert Sherrill, Elmer Simpson and B. Wilson.

Yours, J. E. Gay.

Greensboro District Notice

The Greensboro District Conference will be held July 13-15 at Asheboro, N. C. The first session will be held on Tuesday at 10 a. m. A full attendance of pastors, local preachers, elected delegates, lay leaders and recording stewards, is earnestly desired. And all those who have special interests to represent are cordially invited to be present. All local preachers are expected to be present with written reports of their work. Also all recording stewards with their records for examination. Let each pastor prepare a concise report of his work, covering the points required in the Discipline for a District Conference, to be presented at the first session. Jas. H. Weaver, P. E.

An Appeal for the Children's Home

It is learned from the Superintendent and executive committee that the number of children at the Home has recently been increased by about 30, and only a small amount of the ten per cent. assessment has been paid. This larger number of children increased the expenses and makes it an urgent necessity for our people to pay over their assessment to their pastors that they may send it to the Superintendent at once. Let every charge on the Salisbury District send all or a part of its amount as early as practicable. Will the laymen help the pastors and encourage this great and good work in this time of financial need?

W. R. Ware.

West Hickory.—The West Hickory- Bethel charge has not appeared in your columns much this year; therefore we humbly crave a little space that we might acquaint those of your readers who should chance to be interested, with a very brief account of our work.

On June 20th, our revival began in West Hickory, and continued for ten days, most of the preaching being done by Rev. A. L. Stanford, pastor of Central church, Hickory. And all who know anything about brother Stanford are aware that we were fortunate in securing his services. Although he has labored so near us for the last two years, very few of our people had ever had the opportunity of hearing him preach, and it is needless to say that when it was announced that he would be with us there was rejoicing on all sides. He came, preached and we were not disappointed. He expounded the word with unusual clearness and earnestness. Finding utterance through him the gospel became the power of God unto salvation. And as a result the church was greatly strengthened, and souls were born into the kingdom of God. It was a gracious outpouring upon our church and community, for the services were generally attended by all denominations. There were not less than twenty conversions, and reclamations. About ten of these will unite with this church.

Perhaps most of the Advocate readers know that this is a mill town, and like most mill towns, we have an over supply of small churches of various denominations, and always some of the erratic variety, the influence of which in the community is of doubtful benefit. Not the least hurtful of these in influence is the low type of revival foisted upon the people, the tendency of which is to greatly discredit the work, by creating a condition of hard-heartedness in some and of repugnance in others. Our revival was conducted on a high plane. We made an especial effort to steer clear of all "cheap john" methods, and "rag time" in revivalism. If we had not accomplished anything else, I believe the fact that we set a higher standard in this regard will be reflected in the general religious life of the community.

I cannot close without calling attention to our very interesting and progressive Sunday school, which at present numbers 175 members, including the cradle roll, in which there are 20 babies. In our school are to be found some of the latest methods and devices to be found anywhere. We believe that because we were a cotton mill people was no reason why we should not have the best that the Sunday school afforded. Consequently our Children's Day Exercises on Sunday morning of June 20th was about the best which I have ever witnessed, not excepting the city churches. We have organized a large teacher training class, we have a troop of boy scouts in connection with the church, and three organized classes. We have made the every-member missionary canvass in both churches, and hope to have all funds ere Brother Siler comes to visit us in August.

Respectfully,

E. O. Smithdeal.

An Appeal From Superintendent Davis to Our North Carolina Readers

The time for our National Convention at Atlantic City is drawing nigh and North Carolina must be well represented. No state in the union has taken more advanced ground on prohibition and I believe no state is more heartily in favor of national prohibition.

Governor Craig has appointed twenty delegates and most, if not all, of them will attend. The Headquarters Committee has appointed its five, all of whom we expect to attend. Some churches and Sunday schools have appointed delegates and we have been notified of their purpose to attend. Others should do the same thing.

The North Carolina delegation will meet at Washington, Union station, Monday, July 5th, and leave there over the Pennsylvania at four o'clock, reaching Atlantic City at 8:39. We have secured, from the state a large North Carolina flag for the occasion and badges have been printed, which will be furnished the delegates when they reach Washington. The Hotel Monticello, Kentucky Avenue, has been chosen as state headquarters and delegates are advised to engage room there, American plan $2.50, or if a cheaper rate is desired, apply to Hotel Osborne, Pacific and Arkansas Avenues.

I know you are interested in this movement for national prohibition and, whether you are a church official or not, I want you to take this matter up with the officials of your church about electing a delegate and paying his or her expenses to this convention. I know your pastor would be delighted to go.

Return ticket from Raleigh is $21.35; from Greensboro, $21.25; from Asheville, $28.85; other places over the state will furnish like reduction. Ticket from Washington, D. C., is $9.05 and you may find it a little cheaper to use mileage from your home to Washington and return and buy return ticket from Washington, D. C. See to it that your church and community take a part in this great epoch-making convention by sending a delegate or delegates. Numbers will count like everything at this convention. The eyes of all politicians will be turned to Atlantic City July 6-9. North Carolina's yell is:

Tarheels, tarheels, tarheels are we,
Who come from a prohibition state, don't you see?
"A quart in fifteen days,' the laws now read,
But our doctors say "Nil,"
And to them we give heed.

R. L. Davis, Supt.

Items from Salisbury District

The church at Granite Quarry, Salisbury Circuit, will be dedicated Sunday July 4th, at 4 p. m. by Rev. W. R. Ware. This church was built about three years ago to take the place of the one that was burned. Rev. J. H. Brendall is now the pastor. Under his pastorate the debt has been paid, and this church and the entire charge is doing well.

The church at Norwood has decided to build a brick annex with nine rooms to provide for the needs of the fast growing Sunday school, and to brick veneer the present structure and overhaul and rearrange the interior of same. Work will begin at an early date. When finished it will be second to the best church in the Salisbury district for Sunday school facilities and accommodations. Brother Taylor has a strong hold on his people and is doing an excellent work.

Mount Olivet, handsome brick church, Concord circuit, is nearing completion. Brother Albright is closing up four years of splendid work on this circuit. He looks after all the interests of the church well.

All the churches in Concord have had excellent meetings and the pastors are in good favor with their people. Bishop Kilgo has promised to spend the month of September in Concord to conduct an evangelistic meeting. A large tent and a central location will be secured. Great results are prayerfully expected. It has been decided to employ a deaconess or city missionary at Concord.

Good revivals have also been held in all the churches in Salisbury, Spencer, East Spencer and North Main Street, both churches at Albemarle, Kannapolis, Woodleaf circuit, Salisbury circuit; and at some quarterly meetings recently there have been conversions and accessions on profession of faith.

The church at Oakboro is nearing completion.

A new house of worship is seriously talked of for the growing congregation and Sunday school of First church, Salisbury. It is badly needed. Some $35,000 has been secured in subscriptions for a proposed $50,000 building. Brother Moore, the pastor, has preached and prayed his people into earnest enthusiasm until it looks like something will be done. This would be a splendid closing of a fine quadrennium by this faithful and zealous pastor. May it be so. A building committee of strong, earnest business men was elected last Thursday night at the quarterly conference.

Finances as a whole are not up to what they were at corresponding date last year. Some few salaries are in advance while others are short of what was paid a year ago. The conference collections will require a little more persistent, intensive and personal effort. This the pastors realize and will, we trust, act accordingly. A few laymen are also awake to their condition and are lending their full co-operation and support to make good the assessments. The others, we hope, will immediately come to see the great and urgent need of every one doing his best even at a personal sacrifice to meet all their obligations to the church this year.

The people have the money. They are just a little afraid to turn it loose as freely and as easily as heretofore. Let us patiently and persistently bring the needs before them and cause them not only to realize their obligations but the privilege of having a part in God's great enterprise.

We shall want a specific and definite report from each charge at the District Conference on the benevolent collections and your plan for securing these benevolences; also what is doing for the Children's Home fifth Sunday collections and the ten per cent. assessment.

The Salisbury District Conference will meet at Kannapolis Wednesday, at 10 o'clock a. m., July 21st. Let every local preacher be present with a written report of his year's work. If any should be unavoidably detained let them send their reports.

Committee on License to Preach:—Revs. C. M. Pickens, M. F. Moores, J. H. Brendall.

Committee on Recommendation to Annual Conference for Admission on Trial, or for Readmission:—Revs. J. W. Moore, G. A. Stamper, A. S. Raper.

Committee on Recommendations for Deacon's or Elder's Orders:—Revs. R. M. Taylor, R. G. Tuttle, C. F. Sherrill.

Let every charge lay leader be present, if possible. These, with the district lay leader, compose the Committee on Lay Activities (See new Discipline). It is desired that a part of one session of the conference be given to this committee—most likely Thursday afternoon, about 3:30 will be set apart for this committee.

We are expecting a great District Conference. Let the brethren pray for the manifest presence of God with us. Brethren representing our institutions are invited.

Faithfully yours,

W. R. Ware.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S PRAYER

Just at this time when the eyes of the whole nation are turned toward our Chief Executive, President Wilson, we feel that the following verses made up almost entirely of phrases taken from his inaugural address will be read with the most intense interest:

A nation deeply stirred by solemn passion
At sight of wrong,
Calls to heroic work of restoration
The brave and strong.

With heart strings swept as by an air from heaven—
From God's white throne—
We listen to the moan of countless thousands,
Life's undertone.

No day of triumph but of dedication
In this our time;
Men's hearts, men's lives, men's hopes appoint us
Our task sublime.

O God, here at the hearthstone of the conscience
We seek thy light;
Justice, and only justice is our motto—
Show us the right!

—W. G. Ballentine, in the Springfield Republican.

MRS. H. A. DUNHAM

It will be gratifying news to the many friends of Mrs. H. A. Dunham, our Conference Corresponding Secretary, to know that she is improving, though slowly, from a recent serious illness of several months' duration.

For more than a month she has been at the Mission Hospital in Asheville and though now on the road to recovery is still unable to leave the hospital. We are sure that many prayers will be offered for her speedy and complete restoration to health.

NEW ORGANIZATION

From Mrs. J. L. Woltz, District Secretary of the Mount Airy District, we learn of the organization of an adult missionary society at Walnut Cove, N. C., with the following officers: President, Mrs. E. J. Poe; first vice-president, Miss Annie Kate Jones; second vice-president, Mrs. Harry Davis; recording secretary, Mrs. Lola Bennett; corresponding secretary, Miss Steele Rierson; treasurer, Miss N. Lasley; superintendent mission study and publicity, Miss Lillie Wheeler; superintendent of social service, Miss Claude Rierson; superintendent of supplies, Mrs. Charles Jones.

OUR CAMPAIGN

The July Bulletin is devoted almost entirely to our church-wide campaign for the enlistment of members in our missionary organizations. We want again to stress the importance of this campaign, and urge our workers to action in carrying out the plans that have been made by the Council. Will we not all make this resolve? "If God will show me anything that I can do for the redemption of the world that I have not yet understood, by his grace I desire to undertake it at once, for I cannot, I dare not go up to judgment until I have done the utmost God enables me to do to diffuse his glory throughout the whole wide world.'

John R. Mott says: "To know the awful need of the non-Christian world, to have available a gospel abundantly sufficient to meet that need, to be fully able to carry that gospel to those who are in need of it, and to do so, will inevitably result in unreality and hypocrisy throughout the home church."

In this campaign an appeal is made for the rank and file of the missionary society, and loyalty to this movement is urged because it means loyalty to Christ and because it is the one thing needed to bring the plans of the campaign to a successful issue.

Many assurances of prayerful efforts being put forth by many of the Conference officers, district secretaries and pastors of the various conferences have been received and we believe the influence of this great movement is going to be mightily felt throughout Southern Methodism; not only in arousing interest and enthusiasm among our workers, but also in creating interest in the uninterested, as well as the great spiritual uplift that comes to us in our efforts for the advancement of the missionary cause.

It was our great privilege the third Sunday in June to hear a most splendid sermon delivered by Rev. J. H. Bardhardt of Central church, Asheville, in connection with this campaign. Already the auxiliary has had new members enlisted as a result and we feel that to arouse our pastors in this movement will mean much to the successful carrying out of the campaign. We are glad to give some extracts from Mr. Barnhardt's sermon, so that others may read and enjoy it with us. He chose as his text I Corinthians 16:9: "For a great door and effectual is opened unto me, and there are many adversaries."

After explaining the motive and aim of the Woman's Missionary Council in inaugurating this church wide campaign for the increase of organizations and the enlistment of uninterested women in Southern Methodism, he said: "One of the most hopeful tendencies of the present day church is the disposition to provide a place for every member to work and to find a task for each one to perform. We are learning at last to conserve our splendid resources and to utilize them in some form of active service to mankind. The day is past in our economy when the few may be expected to do the work of many; and we are fast approaching the time when all shall come to that just and reasonable conclusion that the committal of our souls to Jesus Christ involves the investment of our talents in the church for the use of Christ in saving the world; otherwise we ourselves are unsaved. There is no precedent in all history which will justify any Christian in withholding his powers from Christ, who alone is responsible for his personal redemption.

And so the church through her various agencies and departments is seeking to provide a useful field for the employment of every variety of gift within the keeping of her variously endowed family, so that none may be left idle when the harvest is so great and the laborers are so few. For this reason and in response to the loud cry for help which they alone can render, the Woman's Missionary Society has been called into existence. It can be thoroughly appreciated by every one who considers the subject at all that there are certain phases of Christian work which can best be done by our women and children—in fact, there are some phases of it which can be done only by our women and children. And if for any reason they fail it is left undone.

The past record of this society has abundantly justified the wisdom of its organization. Already almost marvelous things have been accomplished, considering the short period it has been operating and the limited number of helpers enlisted. * * * Wisdom is justified of her children—hitherto the Lord has led these women. And he still leads, but they are staggered today by the magnitude of their task and if they are to carry it to a successful completion, they must have a more general support. The working force at home must be increased in proportion as the fields abroad enlarge. To retrench would be unworthy of a great church and a great commission; to stand still would be to fail; the only alternative is to go forward, at whatever cost, until the task is completed.

But to do that there must be re-inforcements at home in workers, means and consecration. And why not? We have the people. 12,000 churches in Southern Methodism in which there is no missionary organization! What must be said of the criminal indifference of a great church when so many thousands of people are salving their consciences into thinking they are Christians while ignoring the main issue of Christianity like that.

Of the 1,300,000 women and children in our church, only 200,000 belonging to a missionary society, leaving 1,100,000 of them unemployed, while the little handful of struggling sisters carry the whole burden which justly belongs to all. These are cold facts which every thoughtful woman is called upon to face; and it reveals a situation which ought to give the unemployed many nights of weary remorse until they generally come to the aid in battling for the supremacy of that kingdom which alone is responsible for their own emanicpation from drudgery, slavery and sin.

To reassure ourselves of the need of such an organization as the Woman's Missionary Society, we might refer to the condition which called it into existence. It has always been the great burden of Methodism to supply the gospel to the people—she was born for that purpose, commissioned with that idea in view, has received her baptism of fire in her ministry to the waste places of the earth. She came to her birth in a revival that pushed the sky-line back and caused her to stand amazed and transfigured in the vision of a task which was simply planetary in its dimensions. In that immortal declaration, "the world is my parish," we can see the founder of Methodism lifting his eyes above the horizon of the provincial home and sweeping all the areas of human habitation, interpreting his mission in the light of a universal need. Never was there a more ambitious project born in the heart of a man than that which stirred the soul of Wesley, in his days of weakness, causing him to cry out the declaration of a world-wide propaganda. Methodism was launched for the avowed purpose of supplying the demand for the gospel wherever a human being is found, and and it is our business to find him. * * * What is our mission today if it be not to hunt up the needy, the oppressed, the down-trodden, the lost, and tell them the story that saves? "Conquest in the name of Christ" is the motto written across the banner under which we march, and to make that motto good we must keep moving. To carry out the purpose of the church, leaders have had to consider questions of administrations, means have had to be devised. It means among other things a building up of a strong constituency at home as the power behind the idea committed to its execution. That is the greatest problem of the church. There has never been a day when there were not more workers potential and actual, in the foreign field, than the church at home has been able or willing to support. So that the real question of evangelizing the world is a question of getting the church at home solidly behind the job in a determination to succeed, and that we have never had.

The leading women of the church saw this great force lying more or less dormant and through the Woman's Missionary Society have sought to call it into active service. Beginning upon a small scale and with but meager encouragement, they have entere acres of fields at home and abroa and have grown with a rapidity whic has been a positive miracle in thi age of rapid movement. Statistic will not tell the whole story of wha has been done. 200,000 women an children from the flower of the churc have been enlisted in the work; Ch na, Korea, Brazil, Cuba and Mexic (Japan added at the last Counc meeting) have been entered; schoo have been built, missionaries an deaconesses are supported; they hav entered into the work of educatio and are taking the poor children o our land into the institutions an training them in heart and hand fo a living chance in the fight for lif rescue work is being done, to sav the girls against whom society sin every day and in many other ways this great work being successfull carried forward.

These are some of the open doo through which our women are enterin that they may find the lowly Chri among his suffering children. Ho true the words of Helen A. Saxo when she said:

"I sought him in the broad and shinin way
Where beauty makes her infini appeal,
In rainbow arches and swift cloud that steal
Their flaming glory from the suns blaze.

But I found him in the slums, mid dirt and mire,
Where passions breed and ev things are rife;
I found him shaping into somethin higher,
Dim, suffering souls submerged sin and strife,
And fanning into flame each lea desire
That yearns aloft for purity of life

O, that every woman in Souther Methodism might catch a glimpse the needs and urgency of this va field into which God has led them; better still, that when she sees it sh might feel the pulsating thrill of new Christ-like compassion calling he to a heroic service which her hand alone are fitted to render.

"And there are many adversaries chief among which and underlying a others is indifference. Oh, woman wh built your churches and provided th comforts you enjoy and took you ou of the tread-mill of a galling slaver and laid broad and deep the found tions of your social recognition? Wh but the people of God in other day wrought out your redemption at th cost of infinite suffering inspired t the task by bitter tears of your siste who endured the perdition of a lov less life and were valued in the mart of trade only as beasts of burden as the chattels of sensual man? Tha gave you a realm, the mightiest eve committed to mortal hands and esta lished your unquestioned sovereignt over the paradise of home? Wha paints the color of hope upon you cheek and puts the spring of joy int your step and makes your very for the incarnation of charm and grace?

You sit in your comfortable chair i your cosy home tonight, secure in you protection, loved by your children, r spected by your husband, and yo forget what put you there. It wa the spirit of Christ manifest in you own redemption. O woman, say no you owe nothing to your Lord. For man to be hard and selfish is cru enough,but for a woman with her te der hand and mother heart to wit draw her compassion from struggli humanity is, in the light of her supe lative debt to her Lord and her abi ity to aid, the height of all ingrat tude.

God speed your work. May you i crease until you have enlisted the la woman of the church in your militan host.

(Continued on page 11)

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

FORWARD! FORWARD! MARCH TO JUNALUSKA

Let's not forget the date, August 19th to 29th.

NEW LEAGUE AT CENTRAL CHURCH, MT. AIRY

Wednesday night, June 16, a new League was organized at Central Church, Mt. Airy. Our President, Rev. E. L. Bain, spoke to the congregation on Tuesday night on the importance of conserving and training the young people of the church. The young people agreed by formal vote that they wanted to organize a League. About fifteen or twenty united. The organization was completed on Wednesday night. We hope to have a list of the officers soon.

Much success to this new League! Let us hear of all the new Leagues that have organized.

We are giving below a paper written and read by one of our Leaguers at Haywood St., Asheville, League:

"WHEN SHALL WE SPEAK?"

By Mrs. R. W. Betts, Haywood St. Epworth League, Asheville

On the subject of our lesson for June 20th, "God's Spirit Directing the Soul Winner," the Era says: "It may not be right to speak every time an opportunity seems to be open, and sometimes we ought to speak even though the occasion seems to be very unfavorable. Close association with the Spirit will save us from mistakes here. During a revival meeting a young Christian felt moved to go to a friend in the congregation and ask him to become a Christian. There was considerable excitement among the people, and the friend in mind was noted for a calm and unruffled disposition. In many respects it seemed just the time when he should not be approached. But the voice of the spirit persisted, and finally the young Christian acted. As he feared, his friend gave an unfavorable answer. But not long after the man was happily converted and became a useful citizen of the kingdom of God."

It is true that oftentimes mistakes are made along this line, but if we are closely associated with the spirit we will be saved from making these mistakes. I remember that during our last revival I felt in my heart that I ought to speak to a man in our church. So I did, but he refused to go to the altar. That night I prayed for God to convict him and make him so restless that he might not be able to sleep. This was Friday night and I did not see him any more until Sunday morning. When I entered the church I prayed that he might come and give his heart to God that day. Very soon I saw him take a seat near the front and he was gloriously saved that day. He came to my home Sunday afternoon and told me how miserable he was Friday night and all day Saturday, and he made up his mind when he left his work Saturday afternoon that he would go home and get ready for services Sunday morning. We see the result. God certainly directs our steps when we ask him in sincerity. So often we hear people say "I just can't speak to people about their soul." Yes, sometimes the task is hard, especially to our friends with whom we have been intimately associated. I remember so well the Sunday morning that I knelt with my two brothers and asked God to help them to be better men. They are not saved yet, but O, the glorious feeling that came to me when I had done what the Holy Spirit directed me to do. Let us be ever ready to act when God's spirit calls us to service. Let us be soul winners for Christ.

"Lord, speak to me that I may speak
In living echoes of thy tone;
As thou hast sought, so let me seek
Thy erring children, lost and lone.

O, strengthen me that I may stand
Firm on the rock and strong in thee,
That I may stretch out a loving hand
To wrestlers with the troubled sea.

O teach me, Lord, that I may teach
The precious things thou dost impart;
And wing my words that they may reach
The hidden depths of many a heart.

O give thine own sweet rest to me,
That I may speak with soothing power
A word in season, as from thee,
To weary ones in need of thee.

O fill me with thy fullness, Lord,
Until my very heart o'erflow
In kindling thought and glowing word
Thy love to tell, thy praise to show.

O use me, Lord, use even me,
Just as thou wilt, and when, and where,
Until thy blessed face I see—
Thy rest, thy joy, thy glory share."

SIGN YOUR NAME HERE

If you suffer with any chronic disease that does not seem to be benefited by drugs, such as dyspepsia, indigestion, sick headache, neuralgia, rheumatism, gallstones, liver or kidney diseases, or any other chronic ailment involving impure blood, you are cordially invited to accept the liberal offer made below. It is a grave mistake to assume that your case is incurable simply because remedies prepared by human skill have not seemed to benefit you. Put your faith in nature, accept this offer and you will never have cause to regret it.

I believe this is the most wonderful Mineral Spring that has ever been discovered, for its waters have either restored or benefited nearly everyone who has accepted my offer. Match your faith in this Spring against my pocketbook and if the water does not relieve your case I will make no charge for it. Clip this notice, sign your name, enclose the amount and let this wonderful water begin its healing work in you as it has in thousands of others.

Shivar Spring,
Box 5A, Shelton, S. C.

Gentlemen:

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)

Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You run no risk whatever in accepting his offer. I have personally witnessed the remarkable curative power of this Water in a very serious case.

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO

ROBT. W. MURRAY

GENERAL INSURANCE

Greensboro, North Carolina

308½ South Elm St.

Phone 163



Serve it—especially when you want everything nice

There are many varieties of coffee and just as many varieties of flavor. Very few people are able to tell these varieties apart merely from appearance.

There is a way, however, for you to be *sure* of the coffee you buy. Over a million other women get good coffee every time they make it, by using Arbuckles' Coffee.

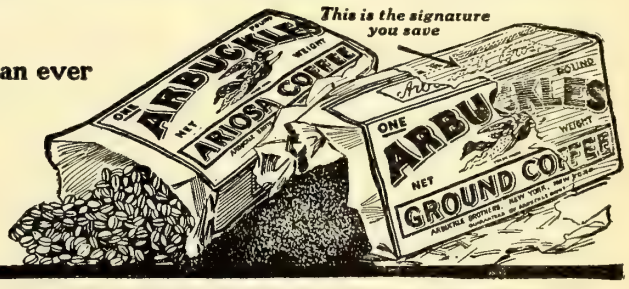
With Arbuckles', you too can get the sparkling color and fine, full flavor that make *this* the coffee over a million women delight in serving, especially when they want everything particularly nice. Get a package of Arbuckles'—either whole bean or ground—and know why more of it is used than any other packaged coffee.

Make your coffee earn lovely gifts

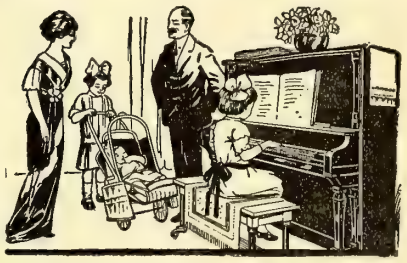
Save the signature on every Arbuckle wrapper. Get beautiful, useful gifts—articles you have always wanted. Arbuckles' premiums are almost as famous as Arbuckles' Coffee. In one year we gave away over a million of one premium alone! Send for our big Premium Catalog showing 150 of our most popular premiums. Write today to Arbuckle Bros., 71-T54 Water St., N. Y.

Better than ever

This is the signature you save



YOU CAN OWN THAT PIANO NOW!



Now, while we have these rebuilt pianos on sale, you'll find it easy to make your dream of years come true!

Remember, we are Makers—and can offer lower prices—and easy terms.

Write for catalog and prices.

Great Bargain in Used Pianos $125 Up

REPAIRED IN FIRST-CLASS CONDITION

Charlotte, N. C. **STIEFF** 820 S. Tryon St.

GREENSBORO NURSERIES

AGENTS WANTED

For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.

JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

EXPERT KODAK FINISHING

Developing and printing done by artists. Most beautiful work guaranteed at all times. Satisfaction or no charge. Developing, 10c per film. Printing: prints 2 1-4 x3 1-4, 3c; 2 1-2x4 1-4, 4c; 3 1-4x5 1-2, 5c. Quick delivery. Send one film to test our service. Agents wanted.

LIGON DRUG CO., Spartanburg, S. C.

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.

LEADING JEWELERS

Children's Home

Conducted by Walter Thompson, Supt.

Since our last report we have harvested a fine yield of oats and hay, and also a fair crop of wheat. The garden is now contributing largely to the support of our large family, supplying us with an abundance of all the vegetables of the season. But for this timely help it would have been impossible to suitably provide for our immediate needs. The receipts for the past few months have not quite met current expenses as may be judged from a comparison of the amounts received with the number of children to be provided for. The receipts of the week covered by this report show an average of not quite a dollar and a quarter per capita. Anything that the brethren can do to relieve the situation will be duly appreciated. The business men from whom we procure our supplies, extend us every courtesy possible, and it would be exceedingly unfortunate, all things considered, for the institution to fail to meet its obligations promptly.

Fifth Sunday Collections

Oak Summit S. S., M. A. Walker, Rural Hall, 75c; Central S. S., Monroe, C. B. Laney, $8.43; Epworth S. S., Miss Mary J. Hines, 85c; Farmington S. S., L. T. Horne, Tr., $2.26; S. S. not named, Dillsboro, Holmes Bryson, $1.00; S. S. not named, Mooresville, Geo. F. Shinn, $2.00; Liberty S. S., Gold Hill, A. D. Morgan, $1.12; Center S. S., Greensboro, Route 5, A. J. Busick, 43c; Bethel S. S., Asheville, Miss Rosa Green, $3.02; Chapel Hill S. S., Statesville, Route 1, J. F. Eagle, $3.68; Oak Hill S. S., Morganton, J. A. Lackey, Tr., $1.50; Valle Crucis S. S., D. F. Mast, $1.71; Liberty S. S., Liberty, E. A. Caudle, $5.00; Polkton S. S., T. M. Smith, Tr., $6.35; W. T. Penry, for Capt. T. L. Rawley's Bible class, Winston-Salem, $83.34; Brooktown S. S., C. F. Mickle, Pfafftown, $1.00; Stokesburg S. S., Walnut Cove, Mrs. A. G. Jones, 80c. Total, $123.24.

Amount Received on General and Special Support, and Ten Per Cent. Assessment

Mrs. Myrtle Wooton, Winston-Salem, $5.00; Rev. G. A. B. Holderby, Clyde, for Mrs. Elizabeth Caldwell's S. S. class, $3.25; Concord church, Bessemer City, T. M. Hovis, $4.00; D. F. Coiner, Davidson, $7.00; Boger's Chapel, Concord, Rev. W. T. Albright, $2.35; R. C. Deyton, Green Mountain, Micaville Ct., $9.40; Rev. Robt. S. Howie, Charlotte, Calvary church, $6.50; Rev. T. S. Coble, Lenoir, Fairview class, Lenoir Ct., $2.00; W. F. Snuggs, Albemarle, for Central church, $10.00. Total, $49.50.

Building Fund—Rev. J. H. West, Agent

George C. Moore, Mt. Ulla, $5.00; W. H. Gurley, High Point, $2.50; Miss Lillian Massey, High Point, $2.00; A. Justus, Hendersonville, $5.00; B. F. Sparger, Mount Airy, $6.00; W. R. Absher, North Wilkesboro, $5.00; Rev. J. P. Davis, Lee's Chapel, Polkville Ct., Lattimore, $4.05; R. L. Dagenhart, Lawndale, $1.00; Rev. J. P. Lucas, Lawndale, $1.00; Rev. J. P. Davis' children, Lattimore, $2.00; J. S. Armstrong, Lincolnton, $10.00; Dr. H. E. Kendall, Shelby, $25.00; S. M. Blanton, Shelby, $10.00; M. B. Edwards, Mount Ulla, $1.00; F. S. Lambeth, Thomasville, $60.00. Total, $139.55.

Grateful acknowledgement is made of the receipt of a box of dress materials from the Ladies' Society of Bethel church, Waynesville District, Mrs. A. L. Latham, Canton, Route 2.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

Our Dead

PRATT—Mrs. Sarah Pratt was born in Forsyth county Feb. 19, 1844, and died April 27th, 1915. She was a daughter of the Rev. John Alspaugh, a well known minister of Forsyth county years ago. In the year 1865 she was married to John L. Pratt, who preceded her to the better world 27 years ago. To this marriage union there were born five children, two of whom, the oldest and youngest, passed from this life into the other several years ago. Mrs. Pratt leaves one sister, Mrs. Emma Atwood, two half brothers, Robert and Augustus Alspaugh, three living children, Mrs. J. P. Yarborough, Mr. C. A. and J. H. Pratt, of Winston-Salem, N. C., and twelve grandchildren, to whom the sympathy of many friends is extended.

Mrs. Pratt professed faith in Christ early in childhood, joined Mt. Tabor M. E. Church, South, and lived a most faithful member until death. In this good life was a spirit of sympathy and love which manifested itself in response to the needs of the church and the unsaved world. While we miss her here in our church and community in person, we feel the power and presence of her influence which will remain with us as a lasting benediction.

We find it hard to commit ourselves to the shadows of this death; but we want to say "Thy will be done."

J. W. Vestal, P. C.

SOUTHERN—John M. Southern was born January 5th, 1850, and died May 4th, 1915. My first acquaintance with Brother Southern was a year and a half ago, when I met him at Shiloh church, the church to which he belonged, and of which he was a most faithful member. He was the kind of man who improved on acquaintance. The more I saw of him the more and better I liked him. A quiet, unassuming man, a good father, and a man who cared for his home and family. He was one who cared for the interests of church work, the interest of public schools and the general build-up of the community in which he lived. We have already missed him badly in our church work. But while we miss him here in the home, church and community, he fills a place of more importance—a place in the better world. The great and happy thought is that he was ready to die, so far as preparation was concerned. He said that the only great regret was to leave the four young children who now need a father's advice. We pray God's blessings upon them and feel safe in committing them to His care.

J. W. Vestal, P. C.

RAMSAY—W. A. Ramsay was born March 29, 1849, and died March 2, 1915. He was married to Miss Rebecca West Dec. 21, 1882. Six children blessed this union, three of whom survive him. Two of them died in infancy. The youngest daughter, who had reached young womanhood, preceded him only a few months. Mr. Ramsay was converted in 1880, and joined the M. E. Church, South, at Iotla, Macon county, N. C., August 19, 1891. He was a staunch supporter of the church in all its demands and faithful attendant at all its services. He was an exemplary Christian and was superintendent of the Sunday school for several years prior to his illness and did not give up the work until he was no longer able to get to the church. He was a generous contributor to our new church building, parsonage and school building, was one of the founders of the Iotla High school. He was ever ready to lend a helping hand to every good cause or need, and was loved by all who knew him. The young people felt that in him they had a friend and counselor. Several times during his illness he expressed his readiness and willingness to go when the Lord should call him hence. He is sadly missed in the home and community. May the comfort of the promises of our Lord and Saviour abide with the bereaved wife and children.

N. L. Barnard,
Mary Williams,
S. F. Barnard.

ABERNETHY—Laura, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Abernethy, and grandchild of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Abernethy, passed away the 5th of June, at Connelly Springs. She was 20 months old. She was a bright and loving child. The funeral services were held at the house at 10 a. m. the 6th, and the remains were laid to rest at Rutherford College.

This baby bud, so young and fair,
called hence by early doom death,
came to show how sweet a flower in
paradise could bloom.

We had little Laura once, who was our joy and pride. We loved her, oh, perhaps too well, for soon she slept and died. Sweet little Laura, light of the home, looking for some one, beckoning, come. Bright as the sunbeam, pure as the dew; anxiously looking, father and mother for you. Where she is today we may be tomorrow.

Sister Lucy.

McCRACKEN—Mrs. Margaret Elon McCracken, wife of Brother H. C. McCracken, and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Kirkpatrick, was born Nov. 18, 1872, and departed this life April 16, 1914. Sister McCracken was converted at the age of eleven years, and joined Mt. Zion Methodist church on Haywood circuit. She lived an exemplary Christian life until the end came. She was a very affectionate and devoted wife and mother, and was always loyal to her church. She leaves behind a husband, eight children, her parents and four brothers and six sisters to mourn their loss. A large crowd of relatives and friends attended her burial, attesting the esteem in which she was held, the writer conducting the service. R. C. K.

FREDDY'S HAIR TONIC

Little Freddy was preparing to go out calling with his mother. Suddenly he called to her in a rather startled voice:

"Mamma, is this bay rum in the brown bottle?"

"O, no, dear! That's mucilage."

"O," said Fretty, then after a pause, "Maybe that's why I can't get my hat off."—St. Louis Christian Advocate.

Standard Form Collection Envelopes

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

HOLT'S CHAPEL

FOR PASTOR'S SALARY

AMOUNT

Name ..... | Dollars | Cents |

Date ..... 191....

MISSIONS AND ONFERENE COLLECTIONS

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

MOUNT ZION CHURCH

Name ..... | Dollars | Cents |

Date .....

$1.90 for 1000, delivered

$1.40 for additional 1000, delivered

FOR EITHER FORM

This price is based on using the above forms, changing name of church only. The large envelope is manila, and of the quality regularly used for Pastor's Salary collections. The small envelope can be furnished in white, green or cherry. Its difference in color and size from the Pastor's Salary form makes it ideal for Missions and Conference Collections.

If special form is desired the price will average $2.40 for the first 1000, and $1.40 for additional 1000's, delivered.

Special rates on large quantities.

The Advocate Press, Greensboro, N. C.

WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT

(Continued from page 8)

I cannot do better than to use in closing the few lines from Helen Hunt Jackson, which express so well the sentiment which should actuate us in our Christian service:

"If I can live
To make some pale face brighter, and to give
A second luster to some tear-dimmed eye,
Or e'en impart
One throb of comfort to an aching heart,
Or cheer some way-worn soul in passing by;
If I can lend
A strong hand to the fallen, or defend
The right against a single obvious strain
My life, though bare
Perhaps of much that seemeth dear aid fair
To us of earth, will not have been in vain.
The purest joy
Most near to heaven, far from earth's alloy,
Is bidding cloud to give way to sun and shine;
And 'twill be well
If on that day of days the angels tell
She did her best for one of thine."

Mrs. J. J. Yates, superintendent of social service in the auxiliary of Central church, Asheville, has become deeply interested in our work as regards our duty to the negro about us and has recently taken some steps for their betterment and uplift of which she tells us in the following article:

"As a superintendent of social service I am anxious to learn to work effectively and efficiently. I have, too, a conscientious and capable committee assisting in my work, and while hoping that we may be able to accomplish greater things, I feel that we have already done some good. Naturally one of our greatest problems today and one which concerns us deeply is how to deal with the negro and how to help them.

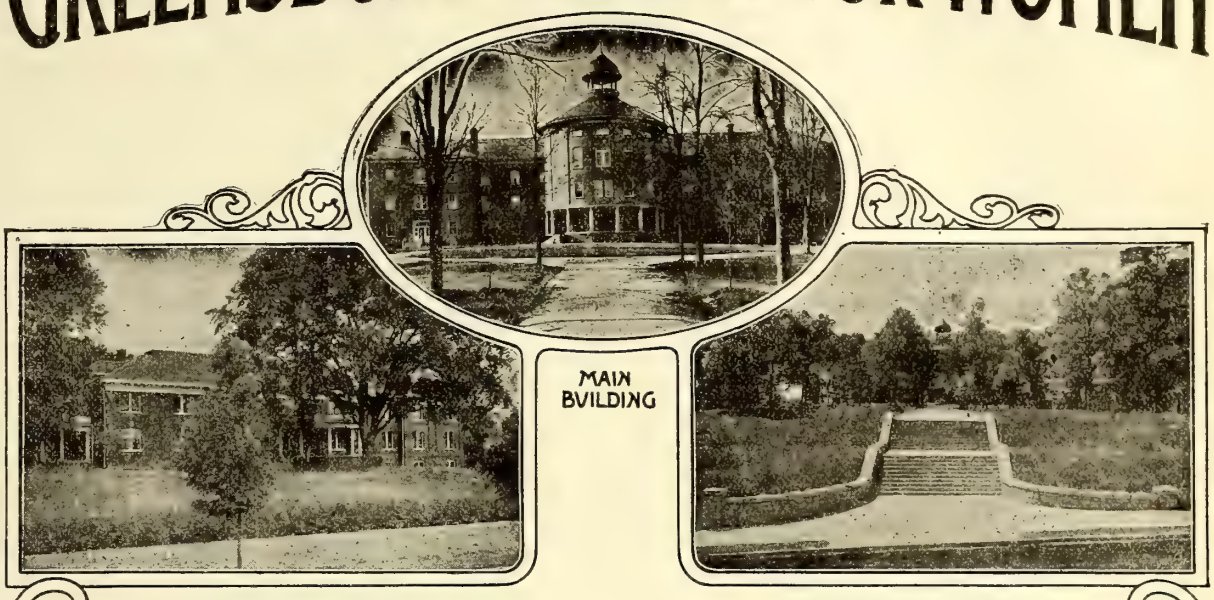
This problem has borne heavily upon me, and knowing as I do the peculiar circumstances, social constructions and situations in Asheville, it would preclude our giving the negro any direct help, so in thinking it over, I decided recently that I would try and organize a Social Service Department with them, so with one of my co-workers, Mrs. P. H. Abernathy, called on the wife of the pastor of the Bethel A. M. E. church. I found her intelligent and gladly willing to try to interest the women of her church. My visit to her was on Tuesday, May 11th, and on the following Friday Mrs. W. T. Rowland, another of my committee, and I, met the minister's wife and six others by appointment at their church. I was invited to take the chair and explain the nature of my visit to them. I gave them as best I could, something of the duties of my office as I conceived them to be, and dwelt, as tactfully as I could of our obligation to them. I suggested the organization of a Social Service Department, promising to be of any help that I could and asked that those present tell us their thoughts about the matter. Each of them expressed their views as to what social service meant, and in such an intelligent and effective way it was a wonderful revelation to me, so encouraging and most inspiring. We had a devotional service together and repeated the Lord's Prayer in concert, after which I told them more definitely my conception of social service, told them my purpose in coming to them, hoping that my coming might be beneficial to both them and me.

We effected the organization, elected a president, a vice-president and secretary. Mrs. Rowland gave them in a most pleasing manner, some helpful suggestions. We left this meeting feeling that it was good to have been there. Indeed it was a blessing and an inspiration and we feel that we have found the beginning of a way to touch these people personally and spiritually. Our prayer is that we may give them a helping hand, leading them into further light until they find the perfect day. We felt at this meeting that we were literally upon a mountain top of spiritual blessing here in the "Land of the Sky."

COLLEGE MEN WITHOUT MONEY

C. B. Riddle, Elon College, N. C., has written an abridgment to his book, College Men Without Money, and is sending the same out at cost, that being ten cents the copy. The book contains less than fifty pages, handsomely bound, has the likeness and autograph of the author, and is dedicated to "That unlimited number of ambitious young men and women who are in search of education's Holy Grail with meagre means." The author's object is to get young men and women interested in a college education regardless of financial conditions. We trust many of our readers will send for a copy of the book.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Our Foreign Advertising Is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.....E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg...W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller.....C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg., M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.....J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg...J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.....G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.....A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel...J. W. Ligon

Religion is the expansion and most perfect form of the moral faculty of man. What is religion? It is the soul lifting itself up to its Maker.—William Ellery Channing.

THE NORTH CAROLINA

State Normal and Industrial College

Maintained by the State for the Women of North Carolina. Five regular Courses leading to degrees. Special Courses for teachers. Free tuition to those who agree to become teachers in the State. Fall Session begins September 15th, 1915. For catalogue and other information, address,

JULIUS I. FOUST, President
Greensboro, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

The Sunday School Lesson

THIRD QUARTER—LESSON I
July 4, 1915

ABSALOM'S FAILURE. 1 Sam. 18:1-15

Golden Text—Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right. Ephesians 6:1.

Summary of the Lesson

Booth Tarkington's intense and vivid story The Turmoil has much to say of the relations of a certain father to his sons. These were the sons he delighted in. There was the son whom he misunderstood. The interplay of the forces of temperance and type is graphically portrayed. Our study today has to do with a father and the tragedy of the treachery and death of a son. Absalom had a nature wild and fiercely proud. He had the dangerous gift of personal charm. Desire was stronger than duty in his heart. Ambition rather than principles came to rule over his life. So he became false to his father. So he became the leader of a great revolt. So he perished at last, meeting an ignominious death when the forces of his father proved stronger than his own.

The Story of a Son

Preston Parr, the son of Eldon Parr, of whom Winston Churchill tells in The Inside of the Cup, was a wild and lawless youth who came to a sad end at last. His father never understood him, and you receive the impression that his whole life might have been different if he had had a different sort of father.

The story of Absalom is the tale of a wayward son, but you feel as you read it that there are some things to say for him, as well as many things to say against him. The life of an Oriental court and the influences moving out from an Oriental haven were not calculated to develop the noblest qualities of a proud and high-spirited boy. There were strains of heredity which would make any battle he might fight for steady and self-controlled manhood a hard one. There were scenes of lawless indulgences about him which would tend to have their own evil effect upon his imagination. At last there was within his family circle such a terrible outbreak of unnatural evil as roused his deepest anger. It went unpunished until the passionate, brooding youth came to think of himself as an avenger, and worked out a terrible vengeance.

When we think of the effect of all these thnigs upon the character of a sensitive, high-strung youth we do not feel that we have justified the career of Absalom, but we do feel that in a measure we have explained it.

As far as we can see he welcomed and made personal the skillful falseness which characterized much of the life about him. He welcomed as a guest that which he should have fought as a foe. A certain brilliant and lawless author once said quite frankly: "To be sure I have gone to dine with the bad of life." This may be said in a manner to represent the attitude of Absalom. He made a treaty of peace with much of the evil about him, and he repudiated much of that which was good.

Thus it came about that all the bright charm of his personality and all his gay winning qualities were used with evil and traitorous intent. He was a thief of a dastardly variety. He "stole the hearts of the people" from their allegiance to his father. He professed to long to be in power that he might rule more justly than David. He made himself the friend of the disappointed and the comrade of those who thought they had a grievance. He made himself the hero of those who had nothing to lose and everything to gain by a change in rulers, and many people were foolish enough to be convinced by his falseness to his father that he would be true to them. So the man who began by being in a measure the victim of unfavorable circumstances ended by becoming altogether a knave.

The Story of a Father

As the passengers landed from an ocean liner observers noticed a particularly sturdy and well-made young man waving eagerly toward an older man of that mature dignity and fine bearing which quickly catches the eye. The two greeted each other with evident emotion, and while the older held the hand of the younger he cried, "My son! Here at last! Welcome home." There was a fine shining light in the eyes of the two, and standing thus they made a suggestive picture of what the relation of a father and a son may be. The old story of David and Absalom tells very distinctly what the relation of a father and a son should be. David loved Absalom. He felt the charm of all his bright and winning ways. His heart was warm at the very thought of this proud and handsome and clever son. He was ready to treat him with indulgent love. Sometimes he felt forced to treat him to a course of stern discipline; but he did not know how to command his loyalty, and he did not know how to guide him through the perilous and difficult ways of youth.

David was a great king, but he did not know how to discharge adequately the tasks of fatherhood. He took things for granted which he ought to have investigated. He followed a period of too great leniency with sudden and seemingly harsh severity. So it came about that by degrees he lost his son. Absalom still called him father, but filial devotion and filial loyalty had departed from his heart.

A nobler nature would have penetrated beyond David's mistakes of judgment and of method to his deep and constant love. A true son would have found the genuine father heart, back of all the things which tended to hide it. As it was David's heart reached out in vain for his son. Sometimes the two were near physically; spiritually they were far apart. The invisible ties which bind soul to soul were severed by Absalom long before the days of the rebellion.

It is the tragedy and the glory of the noblest devotion that it returns loyalty for disloyalty, love for hate. David's heart was yearning out toward Absalom even in the days when there was no return of his affection. And he tried in vain to save his false son at the last.

Old Sins With New Faces

"My sin looked at me out of the eyes of my son," were the words which fell from the lips of a man who had seen his son for the first time under the influence of liquor. He never knew the full tragedy of his overindulgence until it became the indulgence of the boy whom he looked upon with all a father's pride and love.

The saddest thing about the tragedies which came to affect the domestic life of David was that in a sense they were reflections of his own wrongdoing. Old sins came back to leer upon him in the deeds of some of his children. The poison which had been taken out of his own blood re-appeared in the untamed and fiery energy of certain of his sons.

In one of the stories of a powerful English writer a complacent and respected citizen is boasting of the fact that he has been able to survive the sowing of wild oats. He had his fling as a young man, and later he was able to make a place for himself in the life of the community. While he is speaking his son comes in, a son who will carry to the grave the weakness he has inherited from his father. That half-imbecile son is the answer to the father's complacent words.

Indulgence has a way of mortgaging the future. A man's acts not only work out their consequences in his own life—they work out their consequences in the lives of his descendants. It has often been true that a man sowed the wind and his son reaped the whirld-wind. The most eloquent voices crying out for clean and self-controlled living, could we but hear them, are the voices of posterity—calling in piteous appeal and begging to be born without the handicaps which the indulgence of this generation will fasten upon the lives of the generations which are to come.

James Lane Allen in one of his books has drawn a picture of a young man standing before the portrait of a Cavalier ancestor and a Puritan ancestor, while the two strains fight their battles in his own blood. The virtues and the vices of the past do battle in men living today. The sins of today will look out of the haggard, weary faces of men of tomorrow.

The Wound which will Not Heal

The world will never forget the picture of David weeping in all a father's terrible agony when he hears of the death of Absalom. The king has been victorious. The rebellion is quelled. The days of revolt are over; but there is no song of triumph on the lips of the king. His son was the arch rebel, and the slaying of that son has sent a dart into his own heart.

David may gather together his energies and go forth to speak the words which the king should speak. He may take up the duties of state and utter no word of Absalom. The tears may cease flowing from his eyes, but all invisible the blood is flowing from the wound the king's soul has suffered. The picture of the brilliant rebel son hanging from a tree in the forest; the picture of the body pierced by the darts of Jacob came before the king's eyes when they seemed to be gazing upon fair and alluring scenes. In the night he would see the face of the little boy who once was Absalom, and then he would remember suddenly the dark forest where Absalom had died.

David learned to endure these memories, but the wound was never healed.

Such experiences as this of David bring men to the place where they must find a God who has suffered. The only fellowship which can bring comfort to them is the fellowship of a God with a broken heart. David did not know of Calvary, but it is only the God revealed on the Cross who can go to the depths where men lie stricken by such woes as beat upon the life of David after Absalom's death. Did he in some dim way feel that the God he worshiped was ready to be wounded by all the sharp blades of the tragedy of the world? However it may have been with David, it was men of David's race who first saw the need of a God who would suffer if there was to be a God who would save.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in New York Christian Advocate.

OF INTEREST TO MINISTERS

A large financial institution of national reputation is offering special inducements, in the way of a permanent investment earning unusual profits, to *young men who are total abstainers* from the use of intoxicating beverages. This enterprise is endorsed by the National Inter-Church Temperance Federation, composed of prominent ministers and laymen of protestant denominations. Every pastor should be interested in furthering this undertaking, as it encourages economy and sobriety in the young men of his church and congregation. Accurate information will be furnished any pastor who will address a postal inquiry to Managers, P. O. Box, 25, Anderson, S. C.

This Hose Lasts Longer Than Others

Goodyear-Akron Lawn Hose lasts longer than others because it is made to do that. It is made by the makers of the famous Goodyear Automobile Tires. Composed of five layers of alternate new, live rubber and strongest braided cotton. Absolutely seamless. The thick corrugated outer coat, with its six extra large rubber ribs, does away with twisting and kinking. They add immensely to its life.

GOODYEAR AKRON Lawn Hose

Buy Your Garden Tools Here

We Have Everything You Need

ODELL Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER

Proprietor

GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY

DISEASES OF STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL

General Insurance

General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland

108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

Our Little Folks' Department

A JULY FOURTH WISH

I wish I'd been a Boston boy
  In seventeen-seventy-five,
When Hancock, Adams, Paul Revere,
  And Prescott were alive;
And when they called on Washington
  To come from far away,
And take the place of highest rank
  Upon that July day.

I wish I'd been in Cambridge then;
  The elm is standing still
Where Washington first saw the men
  Who fought at Bunker Hill,
And where they came from far and near,
  In patriotic bands,
To greet the great Virginian,
  And follow his commands.

I wish I'd heard the fife and drum,
  That sounded night and day,
And called the Minutemen to come
  Where duty showed the way.
I wish I could have stood with them
  Beneath the Cambridge tree
When Washington raised high the sword
  That made our country free.

But that was very long ago;
  The days of Washington
Were much unlike the days we know
  And all their task is done.
Our duty, though, in peace or war,
  Has never changed a bit—
To love our land with loyal hearts,
  And give our best to it.

—John Clair Minot.

THE BOYS OF SEVENTY-FIVE

It's queer to think of the boys alive
In seventeen hundred and seventy-five,

Slow on the night of July third,
Going to bed without a word;

No peep at the window to find out whether
'Twould rain to-morrow, or be fair weather;

Never a chuckle or grin at all
For a package of fireworks in the hall;

Never a dream the livelong night,
Of gay balloons in the air alight,

Of fluttering flags in the crowded street,
Of drums and trumpets and marching feet;

Out in the morning to work and play,
Just as if 'twere a common day,

Trotting in for their lunch at noon
Just as if 'twere the fourth of June.

Odd little boys of the time gone by
But proud young fellows the next July,

When they had a Fourth (and they cheered it, too)
That their fathers and uncles had made brand-new.

—Nancy Byrd Turner.

RESCUE OF "OLD GLORY"

When mother was making plans for a "safe and sane Fourth," Uncle Henry said, "Why not take the children to the park and have a kite party? I'll help them make the kites."

The next morning Harry and Anna were busy out on the piazza with Uncle Henry. By ten o'clock three handsome white kites were drying in a row. Anna called them the "Big Bear, the Middle-Sized Bear, and the Baby Bear."

When the kites were dry the whole family started for the park—Uncle Henry with the Big Bear and a box of luncheon, Harry with the Middle-Sized Bear, and Anna, of course, with the Baby Bear. Mother carried some sewing, and grandmother carried the surprise, something that Uncle Henry had brought home in a flat box. When they reached the park, they found a they know that a great calamity was French society holding a picnic. A tent was up, the band was playing, the older boys were shooting at a target, and the little boys and girls were flying red and blue balloons.

Uncle Henry said, "Ladies first, always," and he soon had the Baby Bear in the air, and the string in Anna's hands. He drove the bobbin into the ground, to make sure that the kite would not get away. Harry insisted upon putting his kite up alone. Then Uncle Henry put up the Big Bear, and when it was up some distance, he asked grandmother to open the box. Then he shook out a red-white-and-blue-silk American flag, and the crowd cheered.

Uncle Henry tied the flag to a loop of string, and fastened it to the Big Bear's string. Then he let it out, hand over hand. Up, up, went "Old Glory," and snapped in the breeze. The higher it went, the farther out the kite soared, until it hung over the harbor. They were all so busy watching it that they had not seen that the picnic people below were pointing up to the flag; but when the band struck up the "Star-Spangled Banner," and the foreign people began to sing, Uncle Henry noticed one dark-skinned boy who sang with a strange accent and great energy, and who kept his big, solemn eyes on the flag that glowed against the sky. But when the boy, whose name was Caspar, saw the others looking at him, he ran down the hill and hid behind the children. "Any one who can sing 'The Star-Spangled Banner' like that is a good American," said Uncle Henry, as he drove his bobbin into the ground, and prepared to open the box of luncheon.

When the foreigners went in to dinner, Caspar did not follow. He took his sandwiches, frosted cake, and ice-cream, and sat down on the grass, where he could look at the flag.

There was not a child in the whole park who loved the Stars and Stripes as little Caspar did, not even the two American children; for in his own country Caspar had lived in a mission house, where they had told him all about America, and how the Stars and Stripes protected the people, even the poorest of little children. They told him that he must never harm the flag, or allow it to be trampled on. After he came to America, his teacher had taught him to "salute the flag."

He had heard the flag song on the big ship, and he felt that it was Old Glory that had brought him safe to one of his own country-women in America, with whom he lived.

Caspar was thinking of all this as he lay on the grass, and saw the flag fluttering in the light wind. He had watched it for some time, when he saw it give a quick little shiver, then begin to sink slowly, and then faster. He looked to the end of the line, and saw that the great white kite was dipping about in a strange manner; then he looked up to the hill, and saw the kite man leaping down the slope as fast as he could. The American children were running behind him.

Caspar trembled with excitement. What would happen to the flag? Would it get trampled upon, or would it go out to sea and get wet and spoiled? Oh, he must help them get Old Glory! He ran until he was directly beneath the flag; then he etretched his arms high to catch it if it fell. But a strong breeze came up, and carried the Big Bear over the water, and pulled the flag with it. Caspar ran on to the water's edge.

Caspar did not know what to do next. There were no people on the shore, and no boats were near. The flag had not been trampled on, but it might fall in the water any minute. Where were the people? Did

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective April 18th, 1915

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester Lv.	7 43 a m	12 05 p m			
Yorkville "	8 29	1 55			
Gastonia "	9 24!	4 00			
Gastonia "					
Lincolnton "	10 15	5 30			
Newton "	10 55	6 15			
Hickory "	12 05 p m	7 05	1 00 p m	6 45 a m	
Lenoir "	1 08	8 20	2 04	8 30	
Lenoir "	2 00x				
Mortimer "	3 17				
Edgemont Ar.	3 27				
Southbound	**NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only**	**NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.**
Edgemont Lv.	10 00 a m				
Mortimer "	10 08				
Lenoir "	11 20!				
Lenoir "	1 35 p m	6 00 a m	8 15 a m		
Hickory "	2 35	7 15	9 12		
Newton "	3 05	8 00			
Lincolnton "	3 43	8 55			
Gastonia "	4 30	10 23			
Gastonia "	5 00x	11 00			
Yorkville "	5 47	12 28 p m			
Chester Ar.	6 35	2 15			

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. **CHESTER, S. C.**

about to happen, to everybody in the park, to everybody in America, perhaps to the mission lands who had been so good to him? How could the people sit about, eating and drinking, when there was such trouble in the world? He cried out to Uncle Henry and the children, who were now quite near, strange and broken words, and he tried to tell them that he could not swim.

"Good boy, swim for it! You'll get it!" shouted Uncle Henry.

Caspar understood the word "swim" but not the rest. He thought the kite man must be telling him that he could not swim, either. He looked out to the flag; it was surely going into the water; it flapped and dipped, then dipped deeper still, right into the water. Caspar did not wait another minute. Off went his jacket, and with a wild look toward the shore, he ran into the water. His feet slipped on the sandy bottom, and the kite jerked up, then down, then up—but it was always just out of reach.

They watched the boy, who was trying hard to keep the flag in sight.

"Hurry, hurry, Uncle Henry, he can't swim a stroke!" shouted Harry.

Uncle Henry was just in time; Caspar had a firm hold on Old Glory, and came up tangled in its folds.

After Uncle Henry had shaken the water out of the boy, he sat him up on his shoulder, where exerybody could see him. "Now, one, two three!" he said, as he waved his free arm. "All cheer for the boy who would not let the flag be lost even if he couldn't swim! Hoo-ray!"

"Hoo-ray! hoo-ray! hoo-ray!" they said; and then they cheered all over again, and crowded round Uncle Henry and Caspar until the pair started home to put on dry clothes. When little Caspar went home that night, he carried the flag that he had saved. Grandmother had washed and dried it, and it looked as good as new.—Mrs. J. W. Wheeler.

THE GRAND-STAND TREE

Come, forest folk, leave pine and oak;
  Come to the grand-stand tree.
Fourth of July, the evening sky
  Holds many things to see.
The view is wide on every side.
  Before us lies the town,
Where shooting stars with noise that jars
  Go racing up and down.
I've just found out, without a doubt,
  That men who make the cars,
And streets of stones, and telephones,
  Now manufacture stars.
This very night you'll see the sight,
  This fourth day of July,
And every year they make stars here,
  And shoot them to the sky.
You'll surely see from this same tree
  Stars red, and white, and blue,
And some with trails and sparkling tails,
  Each one of them quite new.
To make quite sure their stars endure,
  Just count the stars before
And after the show, and then you'll know
  If we have any more.

—L. J. Bridgman.

A SMALL BEGINNING

One day a little English girl was walking along a street in London, on her way to school. She carried her books and a little boquet for her teacher. A poor, little boy, leaning on crutches, said to her: "Say, gimme a flower."

The kind-hearted little girl picked out a rose and gave it to him. Four or five other children gathered around her, each begging a flower, and one by one she gave them all away, and had no boquet that day for her teacher.

The next day she took two bouquets, one for her teacher and one for the street children, and day after day she carried flowers until at last she carried a basket especially for the poor children.

This was the beginning of the Flower Mission. The news spread and the idea was taken up all over London, and then in New York, and now thousands of flowers are given away all over the country. So all this beautiful work started with one kind-hearted little girl.—Selected.

THE VACATION PIPER

There's a story of a piper, Pied Piper far away,
Who played such trancing, dancing tunes no little feet could stay,
But had to follow after him where he was pleased to go.
How much of truth was in that tale, I don't pretend to know,
But every year a piper comes, and never comes too soon,
And every child in all the land has heard his merry tune;
We find it hard to do our tasks when we have heard his pipe.
He plays of lakes and sunny seas, the fields and cherries ripe,
And through the tune the song of birds and soft wind in the trees
Entrance us all until we go wherever he may please.

—L. J. Bridgman.

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A Wood, Presiding Elder
Weaverville, N. C.
Third Round

June
Flat Rock, Upward 26-27
Tryon and Saluda 27
July
Spring Creek, Balm Grove 3-4
Fairview, Patty's 10
Haywood Street, 11 a. m. 11
West Asheville, night 11
Walnut, Chapel Hill 17-18
Marshall and Hot Springs, Marshall, night 18
Weaverville Ct., South Fork 24
Black Mountain, Tabernacle 25
Sulphur Springs, Pisgah 31-August 1
August
Biltmore, Mt. Pleasant 1
North Asheville, night 4
Swannanoa 7-8
Bethel, night 8

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C.
Third Round

June
Pineville Ct., Marvin 26-27
Calvary, night 27
July
Tryon 4
Belmont, night 4
Weddington, Ct., Weddington 8
Waxhaw Ct., Pleasant Grove 9
Prospect Ct., Prospect 10
Monroe, Central 11
Matthews Ct., Bethel, 3 p. m. 11
Lilesville Ct., Shady Grove 14
Morven Ct., Union 16
Wadesboro 18
Ansonville Ct., Wightman 20
Polkton Ct. 23
Marshville Ct., Gilboa 24-25
North Monroe, night 25
Unionville Ct., Zion 26
Spencer Memorial 1
Dilworth, night 1
District Conference at Polkton, July 21-23

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—James H. Weaver, Presiding Elder
Greensboro, N. C.
Third Round

June
Pleasant Garden Ct., Bethlehem ..26-27
Spring Garden 27-28
July
West Greensboro, Grooms 3-4
Randolph, Pleasant Hill 10-11
Coleridge, Rehobeth 17-18
Ramseur & Franklinville, Ramseur, 18-19
Wesley Memorial, High Point 24-25
Main St., High Point 24-25
East End, High Point 24-25
Deep River Ct., White Hall 31-Aug. 1
August
Randleman 1-2
Asheboro 1-2
Denton, Siloam 7-8
Uwharrie, Salem 8-9

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Third Round

June
Table Rock, Linville 26-27
Morganton Station 27-28
July
Broad River, Union 2
Green River, New Hope 3-4
Cliffside, Hollis 9
Forest City, Cedar Grove 10-11
Henrietta and Caroleen, Henrietta, 11-12
Rutherfordton, Gilkey 17-18
Morganton Ct., Denton 24-25
Connelly Springs, Warlicks ..31-Aug. 1
August
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Bakersville 7-8
Micaville, Shoal Creek 14-15
Bald Creek, Bald Creek 21-22
Burnsville 22-23
Marion Ct., Concord 28-29
District Conference at Gilkey, July 15-18

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Third Round

June
Danbury, Sandy Ridge 26-27
July
Dobson 3-4
Pilot Mountain 10-11
Rural Hall 17-18
Yadkinville 24-25
Ararat 31
August
Ararat 1
Mount Airy Circuit 7-8

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Third Round

June
Elk Park, Elk Park 26-27
July
Avery, Pisgah 1
Boone, Hopewell 3-4
Watauga, Hensons Chapel 10-11
Creston, Sutherland 17-18
Helton, Methodist Chapel 24-25
August
Sparta, Cox's Chapel .....July 31-1
Laurel Springs, Chestnut Hill 7-8
Jefferson, Bethany 14-15
District Conference at Elk Park, June 24-27.

Revival Meetings

Watauga .....July 6-15
Sparta .....Juy 31-Aug. 6
Jefferson, Bethany .....Aug. 9-15

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.
Third Round

June
Albemarle, Central 27-28
Albemarle, First Street 27-28
Albemarle Circuit, Zoar, 3 p. m. ..26-27
July
China Grove, 11 a. m. 4
Spencer, night 4
Salem Circuit, Salem 10-11
Mt. Pleasant Circuit, Center Grove, 11-12
Concord, Westford, 11 a. m. 18
Kannapolis Station, night 18
Kannapolis Circuit, Unity 24-25
New London Circuit 31-Aug.-1
August
Gold Hill Circuit 1-2
Bethel and Loves Chapel 8-9

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C.
Third Round

June
Bessemer, Bessemer 12
King's Mountain 13
Polkville, Lee's 19-20
Belwood, St. Peter's 26-27
July
Rock Spring, Rehobeth 3
Lincoln Ct., Ivey's Memorial 10
Lincolnton 11
Crouse 17
Stanly 18
South Fork 24
Lowesville, Hill's Chapel 27-29
District Conference at Lowesville July 27-29.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Lee T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Third Round

June
Alexander Ct., Rocky Spring, 11 a. m. 26-27
Stony Point Ct., Midway, 3:30 p. m., 27-28
July
Maiden Ct., Friendship, 11 a. m., 3-4
Newton St., Newton, night 4-5
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 11 a. m., 10-11
Davidson St., Davidson, night 11-12
Troutman Ct., Knox Chapel, 11 a. m. 17-18
Mooresville St., Mooresville, night, 18-19
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 11 a. m., 24-25
Cool Spring Ct., Rose Chapel, 11 a. m. 24-25
Iredell Ct., Macedonia, 11 a. m. 25-26
Broad Street St., Broad St., 11 a. m. 25-26
Race Street St., Race St., 11 a. m., 25-27
August
Hickory Ct., Pisgah, 11 a. m., ...1-2

The Sunday School Institute and the District Conference of the Statesville District will be held in Broad Street church, Statesville, July 28-31. Wednesday, July 28th, will be devoted to the Sunday school institute. The institute will open promptly at 10 o'clock, a. m., on that day. We earnestly urge every Sunday school superintendent and every pastor in the district to be present at that hour. There will be something doing every minute. You cannot afford to miss a single item on this program.

The work of the district conference will follow that of the institute. Let every delegate, all the pastors, local preachers, and charge lay leaders be present when the roll is called; and we insist that all the members of the Conference remain until we adjourn on Saturday.

The congregations of Broad Street and Race Street churches will provide abundant entertainment, and we desire the fullest possible attendance.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, R. F. D. 2, Asheville, N. C.
Third Round

June
Webster, Dillsboro 26-27
Sylva Station 27
Glenville, Ct., Glenville 30
July
Highlands, Cashiers 1
Bryson and Whittier, Bryson City ..3-4
Judson Ct., Judson 4-5
Robbinsville, Trinity 6-7
Murphy Ct., Ogden 10-11
Hayesville, Tusquity 17-18
Ranger, Martins Creek 23
Murphy Station 25
Andrews Station 31-Aug. 1
August
Franklin Ct., Clarks Chapel 7-8
Franklin Station, Maiden Chapel 8
Macon Ct., ...15

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C.
Third Round

June
Jackson Hill, Macedonia 26-27
July
Davie, Center 3-4
Mocksville 2-4
Advance, Advance 10-11
West End, night 11
Lewisville, Union 17-18
Salem, night 18
Farmington, Bethlehem 24-25
Cooleemee, night 25
Kernersville, Shady Grove 31-Aug. 1

Wesleyan College

Macon, Georgia

Founded in 1836. Graduated its First Class in 1840. Seventy-nine Years of Eminent Success. Ranks Easily With the Best Colleges in the Country.

THE WESLEYAN, an "A" grade college in the truest sense, offers courses in the languages, literature, mathematics, the sciences, philosophy, education, history and economics, household arts and sciences, the Bible and religious education. The full four years of college work are credited by the best universities. Excellent equipment and a large faculty afford ample opportunity for election of preferred branches of study.

While supreme emphasis is laid upon the courses leading to the Bachelor's degree, the strongest possible departments of music, art and expression are maintained.

Fourteen eminent American artists and teachers are employed in the Conservatory of Music. The three men at the head of the departments of piano, voice and pipe organ respectively, are unsurpassed on the continent, while the violin teacher is easily the South's greatest.

The departments of expression, painting and drawing and china painting are in charge of several teachers of rare qualifications.

The situation of Wesleyan is ideal, its health record practically perfect, its social and moral atmosphere delightful.

The Wesleyan diploma is the highest academic honor. The thousands of alumnae are leaders everywhere and in every realm of woman's influence.

Write

C. R. JENKINS, D. D., President.

CRIMES OF THE SHOE

Polite society requires the wearing of shoes.

Compliance means hardship for the feet.

Chafing of hosiery and shoes, excess pressure at some points, moisture, heat and germ laden dust combine to produce soreness, corns, bunions, blisters and allied troubles.

An excellent treatment is to anoint the feet with Mentholatum after bathing them.

The effect is cooling and pleasant, allaying inflammation, reducing pain, and encouraging rapid healing of many foot troubles.

BLYMYER CHURCH BELLS.

UNLIKE OTHER BELLS SWEETER, MORE DURABLE, LOWER PRICE. OUR FREE CATALOGUE TELLS WHY.

Write to Cincinnati Bell Foundry Co., Cincinnati, O.

WHEN IT COMES, BE PREPARED.



The SAFE and SAVING WAY of Insuring Church and Pastor's property is with The National Mutual Church Insurance Co., of Chicago, Ill. THE METHODIST MUTUAL.

Now in successful operation for years. Business at highest point ever attained, and constantly increasing. Protects against FIRE, LIGHTNING and TORNADO. No assessments. For particulars address HENRY P. MAGILL, Secretary and Manager, Insurance Exchange, Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. Alice Hargrove Barclay, Agent M. E. Church South, 314 Norton Building, Fourth and Jefferson, Louisville, Ky.

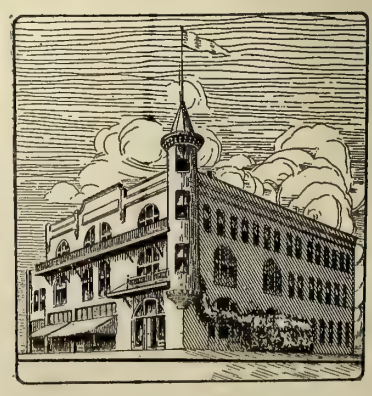
FRECKLES

Don't Hide Them With a Veil; Remove Them With The Othine Prescription

This prescription for the removal of freckles was written by a prominent physician and is usually so successful in removing freckles and giving a clear, beautiful complexion that it is sold by druggists under guarantee to refund the money if it fails.

Don't hide your freckles under a veil; get an ounce of othine and remove them. Even the first few applications should show a wonderful improvement, some of the lighter freckles vanishing entirely.

Be sure to ask the druggist for the double strength othine; it is this that is sold on the money-back guarantee.



BLUE RIDGE INN

Mount Airy, N. C. W. M. Jordan, Prop.
Mount Airy's Leading Hotel

Rates $2.00 and $2.50—All meals 50 cents—Electric Lights, Steam Heat, Electric Bell System, Hot and Cold Baths—American plan—A clean up-to-date home for the tourist or traveling man, in a beautiful mountain city.

Spend Your Vacation in the Appalachian Summitland



Now Rendered Accessible By The

CAROLINA, CLINCHFIELD & OHIO RY.

The highest altitudes east of the Rockies, the most delightful and invigorating summer climate in Eastern America, and scenery which for beauty, variety and grandeur, has no superior in all the world,—these invite you to the New Play Ground above the Clouds where comfort, recreation and renewed vitality await the summer visitor.

ATTRACTIVE RESORTS IN THE SUMMITLAND

Altapass, North Carolina, the highest point on The Clinchfield Route, offers you at moderate rates all the attractions of a delightful and informal country club life combined with the comforts and conveniences of a thoroughly equipped and modern hotel. The Altapass Inn, is located on the Crest of the Blue Ridge Mountains, looking down upon all the world. The scenery is magnificient, and to its splendid transportation and wire facilities Altapass adds unparalleled opportunities for the enjoyment of all the outdoor and indoor sports and amusements, including golf, tennis, coaching, horseback riding, hunting, fishing, mountain climbing, bowling, music, etc. The social environment is ideal. Convenient railway schedules and excellent livery service facilitate the exploration of the Appalachian Wonderland by short side-trips to such points of interest as Mt. Mitchell, the tallest peak east of the Rockies; Linville Falls, the Little Niagara of the Mountains; the Linville Canyon, deepest in eastern America; the famous Gorge of the Nolichucky River, etc.



Other attractive mountain resorts in the Summitland of Western North Carolina and Eastern Tennessee are The Little Switzerland Inn, Mt. Mitchel, N. C., beautifully located on the Crest of the Blue Ridge near Altapass and surrounded by a delightful summer colony; Burnsville and Murchison, N. C., near the foot of Mt. Mitchell; Unaka Springs, Tenn., the well known health resort at the northern entrance to The Gorge of The Nolichucky; Pineola, Linville and Linville Falls, N. C., the last three being reached via The Clinchfield Route through Johnson City, thence over The E. T. & W. N. C. Ry,

Write for illustrated booklets and time tables, also for list and rates of over 200 hotels, inns, summer boarding houses and cottages for rent in The Appalachian Summitland, on or adjacent to The Clinchfield Route,

Special Vacation Rates, June 1st., to Sept. 30th.

Address

Chas. T. Mandel, A. G. P. A.,
Carolina, Clinchfield & Ohio Railway
JOHNSON CITY, TENN.

TABLE ROCK CIRCUIT

The re-opening of Oak Hill church was held Sunday, May 30th. It was a The number of people present is es- The numbrr of people present is estimated at about a thousand. Our people felt a keen sense of joy, and the large number of visiting friends were glad with us, because of the improved appearance of the church, and because of the fact that its size and arrangement make it so much better suited to our needs. The responsibilities devolved upon church people and the possibilities for the advancement of the Kingdom through the several kinds of church work, were strongly impressed upon the people through the program for the day.

The opening devotional service at 10 o'clock was conducted by Rev. N. M. Modlin. He began by announcing the hymn, "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord," thus at the outset introducing a great theme. It was an impressive service.

After introductory remarks by the pastor, Rev. Elmer Simpson, a group of children sang "Love Song," of which the last verse and chorus are: "Love came down from heaven

Long, long time ago.
Do you then need wonder
Why we love Him so?
Chorus:
L-O-V-E love,
L-O-V-E love,
This is why we are so happy;
L-O-V-E love.

They sang it beautifully, and the message of love doubtless reached hearts. This was a fitting introduction to the address by our presiding elder, Rev. J. E. Gay, on "The Sunday School as an Asset in the Work of the Kingdom." He was glad the church had been remodeled with better Sunday school accommodations in mind. He placed emphasis upon the fact that the Sunday school is for people of all ages. A person in a life time of study, he said in substance, could not exhaust the riches of the Bible. The Sunday school being the schoool for Bible study, infants should be enrolled in the Cradle Roll, and later in the main school, in which schoo —main, if possible, if not, Home Department—they should remain until death.

The sermon was preached by Rev. J. E. Gay, the text being Matthew 16:10. It was an able sermon, forcibly setting forth the foundation and establishment of the Kingdom of God upon earth and throughout eternity.

An important feature following this splendid sermon was the collection. Rev. J. E. Gay and Rev. Mr. Simpson conducted this part. The amount raised in cash and subscription was $82.

At two o'clock Rev. J. M. Barber conducted the opening devotional service for the afternoon. The hymn, "How firm a foundation," was used. Brother Barber's prayer was uplifting and the service was very helpful.

"The Ideal of the Epworth Leaguer," by Rev. E. E. Williamson came next. It was a great address. The boy or girl, the young man or the young woman in the building, whether Epworth Leaguer or not, who failed to have his ideal broaden and loom up until it became the person of Jesus Christ—who failed to have his soul filled with the love of God and stirred with a burning desire to imitate that ideal in service—such a person missed a rich blessing which was his to receive.

The address on "The Prayer Meeting; Its Value in the Spiritual Life of the Church." by Rev. A. C. Swafford, was xcellent. Being a man of prayer, with his pleasant manner of speaking, he truly impressed his hearers with the need of prayer for the life of the church.

Miss Tuttle, our returned missionary from China, gave us a very inspiring address. She spoke of our own country more than of China, because, as she said, seeing China as it is has made her see more vividly the needs and possibilities of America. She made a strong appeal to the young to develop themselves to the very highest possible attainments. Speaking of the country, she encouraged the young people to take advantage of its quietude and beauty, and develop their fine native powers. "China," she said, "is not inferior to America in her powers. All she needs is the gospel of Jesus Christ."

Mr. J. A. Lackey gave in most interesting form the history of Oak Hill Church.

There was but one ex-pastor present—Rev. N. M. Modiin, of Lincolnton. His talk of reminiscence was very touching. His address was enjoyed and it was greatly appreciated.

Our pastor seemed profoundly gratified because of the day. He spoke words of appreciation and congratulation to the people. He made special mention of the work of the building committtee and the special committee of three, namely: Messrs. J. A. Lackey, L. A. Crawley, and R. A. Winters. He commended the Woman's Missionary Society for its part in raising money. Special mention was made of the Oak Hill people in general for their hearty interest and co-operation in the work. Thanks were given to outsiders who had helped.

The closing hymn, "God be with you till we meet again," was sung in a heart-felt manner, and was followed by the benediction by Rev. N. M. Modlin.

Julia E. Simpson.

A DAY WITH A DEACONESS

The simple statement, "A day with a deaconess," involves within itself a wide range of interest, and a depth and variety of experience which stamps itself upon the unaccustomed mind and heart in a way to be long remembered.

It was a cold, snowy morning in February on which we set out for the down-town district where the church in which the deaconess labors is situated. We reached the church about ten o'clock and entered the well-equipped kitchen, where the deaconess proceeded to unlock cupboards, etc., in preparation for the day. The telephone bell rang, and just then a woman called to secure the aid of the deaconess in renting a house. The day's work had begun.

The first part of the morning was spennt in preparing for the weekly sale of clothing at the mothers' meeting to be held in the afternoon. The clothing must be brought out from the store cupboards, sorted and arranged on tables in the basement, and marked with price tickets. The amount charged for each garment is very small, but sufficient to aid in meeting the expenses of the meeting, and to keep alive the spirit of self-reliance on the part of those benefited by the arrangement. Many times the work was interrupted by telephone calls and by visitors. People in search of employment, or those requiring assistance in any way in the solution of the problems of everyday life, appealed to the deaconess, by telephone, or by personal visit or messenger. The task was completed at length, and two morning calls were made.

Passing along the street we received many a pleasant greeting from one and another of the people in the district until, coming to a row of small cottages, we entered one of them for our first call. Here a week-old baby was the centre of attraction. We took a peep at the little fellow as he lay sleeping, and wondered what the future might hold in store for this new life. There were seven other children in the home, eldest girl away at work during the day, and a younger one endeavoring to keep the household affairs in order and take care of the little ones. The deaconess talked with the mother a little while, and spoke a few words of encouragement to the girls before leaving. One could not help but realize the great need of religious influences in this home for the sake of the little ones, and to counteract the positive evil which was already spoiling the flock.

The next home visited was one over which the shadow of sin hung heavily. Intemperance had entered in and robbed two lives of their God-given inteligence and power, wrecked the happiness and comfort of the home, and made life an existence of misery for the parents and also for the two little lads. The deaconess was received kindly, and when she invited the mother to come to the mothers' meeting the woman seemed touched by her words. She remembered having attended the meetings years ago, and the memory of those brighter, happier days awakened within her the desire for better things. The result of the visit was that she promised to come to the meetings whenever possible.

So the morning passed quickly away, and at noon there was time for luncheon and a few minutes' rest at the church. Several more persons called to see the deaconess during the noon hour, and the remainder of the hour was spent in making arrangements by telephone with those who were to assist at the afternoon meeting.

The Mothers' Meeting.—About two o'clock the women began to gather in the basement of the church and to group themselves around the various tables where the deaconess had arranged the necessary materials for quilt making. The children, with the exception of the very young babies, were being cared for in a large room by themselves, where they played together while the mothers worked. Until half-past three the work went on, and then the deaconess gave the order for work to be put away, and the service commenced. After the usual devotional period there was a brief herat-to-heart talk to the mothers on a Bible subject. The message was simple and direct, and was listened to with earnest attention. "He that followeth me shall not walk in darkness" was the keynote of the theme. The old-ever-new story, which has never lost its power to bring comfort and joy to human hearts, did not fail now. Lines of care and hardship and sorrow disappeared. Hearts grown hard and bitter in the struggle against poverty and wretchedness were cheered and softened by the tenderness of the message. It seemed as though the Saviour himself drew near, speaking through human lips the word of peace and hope, bringing to those who walk in the darkness of sin and sorrow the knowledge and love of Him who is "The Light of the world."

The service was followed by a period of social intercourse and enjoyment. Tea had been prepared and was being enjoyed. The hum of conversation again filled the air. Soon the doors leading into the store-room were thrown open, and the sale of clothes began. There were heaps of warm, useful articles of clothing for both children and parents, and for half an hour the workers were busy, helping in the selection of garments and wrapping them up to be taken away. The deaconess went about among the groups of women preparing to go home, having a friendly chat with some, speaking words of comfort or advice to others, listening with sympathetic interest to the story of another's trouble, or perplexity, or loss, until the last one had gone and the shadows of the coming night darkened the silent rooms.

There was a little pause in the day's occupation, a few minutes' rest and a talk with the pastor about some cases of need brought to notice during the afternoon; then the clothing was put away and everything set in order once

Learn Shorthand

By Mail in 30 Days at my Expense

Send no money. Get my **free lessons.** I do not claim to fit you for a position in thirty days. Nobody can do that. But with my system, you can learn to write in Shorthand with very little effort. That first instruction is **absolutely free.** Then, if you wish to take further instruction, I will give you a **positive guarantee** to refund your money at the end of a specified time if you are not entirely satisfied. Could anything be fairer?

I have taught shorthand for many years. I have taught a dozen different systems. These include nearly all the new and so-called "simple" systems. But I went back to the original Pitman System—and improved on it. I now teach the **Pratt-Pitmanic System,** and I want to prove to you, at my expense, that it is the best. My great success is due to a **new and original method of instruction by mail.**

Positions at Good Salaries

Shorthand is a great advantage to everybody. For a young man or woman there is nothing equal to it. It will give you a start in life and an opportunity for rapid advancement. Many of my students have secured **splendid positions.** The demand for stenographers is increasing. You are practically certain to get a satisfactory salary if you take my course in shorthand. **Become a court stenographer** or fit yourself for other high class positions.

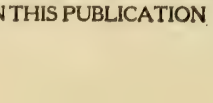
Free Typewriter Instruction

Every one of my students can have a course in typewriting **absolutely free.** If you do not own a typewriter, I will rent you one for six months for $10; or for $30 I will sell you a rebuilt visible machine that I cannot tell from a new $100 machine.

If you are ambitious and in earnest and really want to learn shorthand, send at once for FREE Lessons. A postal card will do. Simply say: "Send free lessons."

E. D. PRATT 1011 Pratt Bldg. CHICAGO

LEARN SHORTHAND AND TYPEWRITING



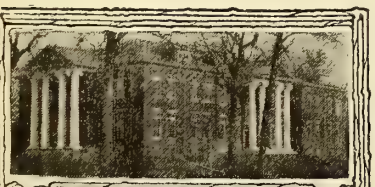
LEND spare time only. **Give our Easy Home Method two hours a day.** In one month become an expert stenographer—writing 100 words a minute and transcribing with speed and accuracy. Thousands of valuable openings. We qualify you for early entrance at good pay.

No long drawn out, expensive method or puzzling features. Plain, simple, quickly mastered.

SPECIAL REDUCED RATES.

Easy terms if you act now. Prepare now for a successful future and old age comfort. Drop us a postal today. We'll send nothing you need pay for—just full particulars of the course. **Write at once.** If interested in bookkeeping or business course, mention the fact.

SOUTHERN CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL,
8 College Park, Asheville, North Carolina.



OAK RIDGE INSTITUTE

OAK RIDGE, N. C.

J. ALLEN HOLT, Pres.
T. E. WHITAKER, Sec.-Treas.

For 63 years a leader in youths' education. Preparation that opens the way to bigger accomplishments, in College, Business and Life.

350 acres in campus, athletic grounds, orchards, and farm. Six modern school buildings. Steam heat and showers. Library. Active, well equipped Literary Societies. Healthful, accessible location, near Greensboro. More than 1000 feet above sea level. Sane moral influences and associates.

Courses thoroughly covering Literature and Science, Business, Teaching, Music, Athletics. Strong teachers, who know boys; discipline and government which appeals to their pride and manliness.

Cost Reasonable. Session opens September 7th, 1915.

Write early for illustrated catalogue.

Address

Oak Ridge Institute
Oak Ridge, N. C.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

more, and in a few moments we were on the street again, hastening to make some calls before tea. These were chiefly business calls, involving problems of domestic help, etc.

Immediately after tea there were more calls to be made and some visits to the sick. In some cases flowers were taken to brighten the sick-room, and the presence of the deaconess in the room of suffering, her kindly sympathy, her heartfelt prayer, never failed to bring comfort to the sufferer and to the anxious friends.

The last event of the day was the Cottage Prayer-Meeting, held in one of the humbler homes of the district. We entered the house, where several men and the women of the household were seated in various parts of the room. A Bible lay open on the table, and the leader was evidently awaiting the arrival of some others, who came in a little later. The parents in this home were not Christians. Intemperance had its victims here also, and the little children playing in the room were all too evidently being brought up in an environment of evil, and yet they had consented to have this meeting for prayer held in their home. A hymn was sung, Bible reading followed, and the leader arose to address his audience, which was made up of laboring people who had come after the day's work to pray together. The speaker presented the object of the meeting, the need of spiritual refreshment among them, and then he spoke of Christ, the Saviour who came to call, not the righteous, but sinners to repentance. The invitation, "Come unto Me," was to all who labor and are heavy laden. There is joy in the presence of the angels of God, not over great world victories, or the successful issue of great social of political ventures, but over the one poor, heart-broken sinner who repents and turns again home. Such was the burden of the message. Delivered in simplicity and earnestness, bearing the marks of deep personal experience, and touched with the Holy Spirit's power, it found a response in the hearts of the strong men present and prepared them for the hour of prayer which followed. One after another of the little company led in prayer, and the presence of God was felt in very great measure in those soul-strengthening moments. Before the meeting was over the parents and one other had expressed their desire to become followers of Jesus Christ. The deaconess, as she prayed with them and spoke words of encouragement to each as they left, felt that the meeting had not been in vain, and that the power of the Word of God had been manifested abundantly that night.

It was late when we finally turned our steps homeward, but all weariness was forgotten in the joy of having witnessed the power of Christ in the hearts and lives of men.

Was the day's work worth while? The answer may be found in the homes brightened by the presence of one who, in the Master's name, enters with a woman's sympathy and helpfulness wherever there are anxious minds or suffering bodies, discouraged hearts or sin-sick souls, and ministers not only to the material needs of such, but by the spoken word and the power of personal influence points them to Christ, who is able to save to the uttermost from every form and degree of sin, to fill every human need, and to transform the humblest home into a place of joy and beauty.

Simple and uneventful enough the experiences of such a day may seem to those who do not understand the far-reaching possibilities of their effect, but precious indeed and of unspeakable value is the record in the sight of Him in whose Name the service is rendered, and who came that the least of these, His children, might, through faith in Him, have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.—Christian Guardian.

DAVIDSON COLLEGE



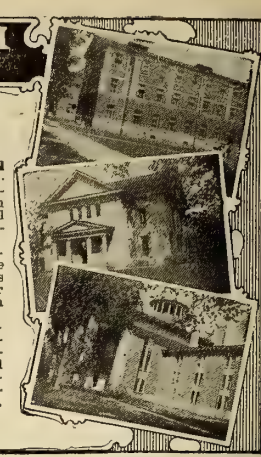
A First Rank College For Men
Davidson, N. C.

Established in 1837. Highly advanced in work and equipment. Places profound emphasis on thorough scholarship, clean manhood and Christian character. Offers young men unusual opportunity for educational development.

$650,000 resources. 13 modern buildings. Library of 24,586 volumes. Five laboratories. Infirmary. Commodious dormitories. Ideally located for health, social life and freedom from undesirable influences.

High standard courses leading to degrees of B. A., B. S. and M. A. Instructors of character and learning. Physical training part of course, prescribed to rectify individual faults. Attendance over 300. 14 States represented. 1915 Session opens Sept. 2nd. For Catalogue, address

The Registrar, Davidson College, Davidson, N. C.



Asbury College

CO-EDUCATIONAL **WILMORE, KY.**

Located in the famous "Blue Grass" Region, near the Kentucky River, just three miles from the site of old Bethel Academy, one of the oldest Methodist institutions in America.

Asbury College, named in honor of Bishop Asbury, founder of Bethel Academy, emphasizes the doctrines taught by Asbury and the early Methodists.

Standard course of study based on Major system; four year Academy course; Theology, Music, Expression, Art and Commercial courses given.

Rates Reasonable. Write For Particulars.

HENRY C. MORRISON, D. D., - - - President.



QUEENS COLLEGE

FOR YOUNG WOMEN **CHARLOTTE, N. C.**

Delightfully located in Myers Park, suburban Charlotte. Five new buildings of tapestry brick and limestone; two stories high, fireproof throughout. Confortable and convenient dormitories; baths adjoining each room; hot and cold water. Extensive 50 acre campus. One of the best equipped woman's colleges in the South.

Standard college courses leading to B. A. degree. Special fitting course. 22 trained instructors. Complete laboratory equipment, gymnasium, library. ***Splendid Musical Advantages:*** 3 manual pipe organ; 22 piano practice rooms containing all new instruments. ***Diplomas in Voice, Violin, Piano, Organ, Art and Expression.***

Non-sectarian but distinctly Christian. Terms per session $300. For catalog address

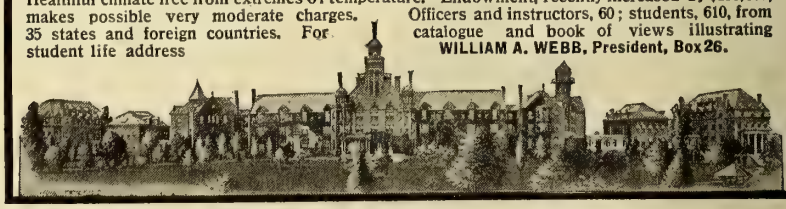
JOHN L. CALDWELL, M. A., D. D., President **CHARLOTTE, N. C.**

JACOBS & CO.

Randolph-Macon Woman's College

Lynchburg, Va. One of the leading colleges for women in the United States, offering courses for A. B. and A. M.; also Music and Art. Four laboratories, library, astronomical observatory, new and modern residence halls. Scientific course in physical development. $20,000 gymnasium with swimming pool; large athletic field. Fifty acres in college grounds. Healthful climate free from extremes of temperature. Endowment, recently increased by $250,000, makes possible very moderate charges. Officers and instructors, 60; students, 610, from 35 states and foreign countries. For catalogue and book of views illustrating student life address

WILLIAM A. WEBB, President, Box 26.



TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 : : : : CHARTERED 1859

A Southern institution of established national reputation. Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.



Large endowment fund makes possible complete, first-class equipment; full faculty of able, well-chosen instructors; beautiful campus, new buildings, modern laboratories, splendid library. Comfortable, inexpensive dormitories. For catalogue and illustrated booklet, address

R. L. Flowers, Sec. to the Corporation, Durham, N. C.

PEACE INSTITUTE — FOR YOUNG WOMEN



AN ideal Christian Home School. Preparatory and Collegiate courses. Art, Expression, Physical Culture, Pedagogy, Domestic Science, Business, etc. Conservatory of Music. High standard maintained by large staff of experienced, college trained instructors. Takes only 100 boarders and teaches the individual. Unsurpassed health record. Brick buildings. Steam heat. Electric lights. Excellent table. Good Gymnasium. Park-like campus. Concerts, lectures, tennis, basketball. Write for our catalog before selecting the college for your daughter.

GEORGE J. RAMSEY, M. A., LL. D., President. Raleigh, N. C.

Methodist Benevolent Association

A Mutual Benefit Brotherhood for Southern Methodists. Issues Whole Life, 20-Premium Life, Term to 60, and Disability Certificates. **Benefits** payable at **death, old age, or disability.** Over $152,000.00 paid to **widows, orphans,** and **disabled.** Over $40,000.00 reserve fund. Write for rates, blanks, etc. ***J. H. Shumaker, Secretary, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.***

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, July 8, 1915 | Number 27

Reading Room Trinity College



NEW METHODIST CHURCH AND PARSONAGE AT FOREST CITY.

The church was built during last year at a cost of $12,000 which gives our Methodist people church property at Forest City worth about $20,000, including parsonage, lot, etc.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

"IT WAS ONLY NEGLECT"

This is an expression contained in letters received at this office almost daily. Some good sister or brother wakes up to the fact that the Advocate subscription is running far behind and sends in a check or money order with apologies. We appreciate the apology and especially the kind and appreciative spirit shown in these letters. It heartens the editor to know that it was only an oversight.

But, seriously, we want to take all the rest of these clever, well meaning brothers and sisters into our confidence for a moment to say that such apologies will not go with those who do the work in the Advocate office; or with the people from whom we buy paper, nor with Uncle Sam who carries the mail and sees that the paper is delivered every week. The laborers must have their check promptly every Saturday. If we were to skip a week and then tell them it was "only neglect," they would laugh at us and quit. If we were to allow our paper bills to go unpaid for months and then write the house that it was "only neglect," they would not ship us paper again. As to Uncle Sam, he would just simply slam the door of the post office in our face and tell us to go to—Germany.

Now, can we not all turn over a new leaf? We can not "live at this poor, dying rate," as the colored pastor once said to his congregation when only a few pennies came up in the plate. "Come on with your nickles," he said, as he exhorted them amid the sweltering heat of a June night. So in the midst of dog days, we are sending out some 3,000 notices, and we are hoping that our subscribers will "come on with the nickles" and furnish us the sinews of war. Please, good brother, sister, do not pigeon-hole the notice, but let us have the amount now. We must turn over a new leaf. We doubt if our people are so careless about anything as they are about attending to the renewal of the church paper. Make up your mind to be among those who send in the renewal next week. Look at your label and see if you can not save us the trouble and expense of sending you a statement.

SOWING THE WIND

Those who teach their children to cherish the spirit of hate and revenge are sowing the wind, and will be sure to reap the whirlwind. This is why certain sections of country have, for many years, been torn to pieces socially by feuds. Families have been brought up in a ferment of dislike for other families and the constant agitation of real or imaginary wrongs has finally broke forth in acts of violence. Prominent instances of this have gone to record in the mountains of Kentucky. For generations certain families and their friends have lived at daggers points with other families and friends, and it has only required the touching of a match to fire the magazine and throw the whole community into a furor. Bloodshed is the result of the constant teaching and exemplification of the spirit of revenge.

The same thing is true in the wider range of organized society. In political parties, fraternal or social organizations, the same law of revenge is too frequently taught, and the grievances, imaginary or real as the case may be, of one class of society against another class, are agitated until men are incapable of looking upon these things with moderation. The result is social anarchy and civil disorder. If one could trace the career of Frank Holt from his childhood it would perhaps not be difficult to account for its culmination in the dastardly attempt to blow up the Capitol and take the life of Mr. Morgan.

The constant denunciation of constituted authority—of men in authority—on the one hand, and of men of thrift on the other, has so infuriated the public mind as to make a weak man feel that he is doing God service to assassinate a ruler or put a wealthy man out of the way.

We have sown the wind in this country by a constant campaign of vituperation and abuse, and now we are beginning to reap the whirlwind. It will not avail to say that men in office have been corrupt and overbearing, nor that men of wealth have oppressed the laborer. This was so in the early days of Moses, and we all know how he started upon a campaign of revenge and disqualified himself thereby for the time being to lead a reform. To foment bitterness and strife and enter upon a campaign of destruction and death is only to obscure the real issues involved and postpone indefinitely the final settlement of our social wrongs.

Sporadic cases of anarchy occurring at intervals create a feeling of disquietde and we may well inquire what the end is to be. Only a few nights ago, in Jackson county, this state, a gentleman and his wife and child were quietly sleeping in their home when the smell of fumes awakened them just in time to save them from a dynamite explosion which would have hurled them into eternity. A sack containing some eighteen or twenty sticks of dynamite had been placed on his porch and only quick action saved them from an awful death. A further search revealed the fact that an attempt had also been made to blow up another building of a lumber company of which this gentleman was the head salesman.

Now it may be said that this lumber company had been oppressive and overbearing—that they had not given an adequate wage nor recognized the rights of those with whom they had been dealing. No matter for that, such methods of dealing with oppression are all wrong, and can not be justified by any plea of suffering or injustice. Violence is always the result of mistaken and intemperate zeal and must defeat its own aim.

The remedy lies at the very foundation of society in the home where children should be taught the law of love rather than the law of resentment. Let parents teach the children to do justly, love mercy and walk humbly with God. Then there will be no teaching of resentment and violence in our social and political organizations, nor will there be any oppression or overbearing to call for instruments of violence and revenge.

FOOLISH LEGISLATION

The church as well as the state suffers from too much legislation. It is folly to try to correct all administrative errors by erecting a statutory hedge about the pastor. Such a policy has a tendency to destroy the power of initiative on the part of the pastor, which means a death blow to efficiency.

It may be necessary to define very clearly the duties of a preacher in charge. The Book of Discipline ought to tell each pastor what he is expected to do; but we have doubts about the propriety or wisdom of undertaking to tell him how he shall do it. Such legislation tends to put the pastor in a strait-jacket, or worse, in a plaster cast rendering him as helpless as a dummy. The editor of this Advocate is not alone in the belief that the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is suffering from a plethora of statutory legislation, and that the last General Conference, in its zeal for progress, so complicated the pastor's tasks as to greatly embarrass him. As a result, we doubt if any department of the church is to be advanced, and there is danger that we may have retrogression rather than advancement.

In all our work there should be large opportunity for personal initiative and the adjustment of plans to local conditions. A statutory regulation working arbitrarily is always a menace to efficiency and progress.

A notable instance of the folly of attempting to cure ills by special statute is that of the last General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church fixing an age limit for the retirement of bishops. Referring to this the Central Christian Advocate characterizes it as an attempt to fight the Almanac. He says:

"Bishop Cranston will be seventy-four when General Conference convenes next May. Bishop Hamilton will be seventy. But Bishop Smith was well in his sixty-ninth year when he was elected and consecrated a bishop. The almanac got a slam that day. Bishop Warren was well into his eighty-second year when he was given the retired relation. Will any devotee who bows the knee and offers incense to Dictator Almanac defend for one moment the thesis that Bishop Warren should have been forced by an Almanac into retirement in 1900? What of the General Conference eight years later, when Bishop Warren at more than one great moment ascended the very zenith of intellectual splendor, when in him the episcopacy shone with a luster scarcely paralleled since Wesleyanism began? But you say, Bishops Warren and Smith are exceptional cases. Precisely. But the General Conference was not in shackles so it could not treat exceptional cases, which implies the ability and responsibility of treating all cases. On principle, the General Conference meeting at Saratoga Springs should immediately resume the historic prerogatives which belong to it, of which it alone can logically divest itself. Did not the General Conference of 1912 snatch away from succeeding General Conferences an inalienable and sacred responsibility?"

Fixing an age limit for retirement of ministers in any relation is impractical just as is the attempt by general legislation to cure the mistakes of pastoral administration. If our work is to go forward and to make progress along natural lines we must beware of such legislation as is calculated to make machines instead of men.

OUR DISTRICT CONFERENCES

Within the next month more than one-half of our District Conferences will be held. In another column will be found the directory of dates and places. These meetings are of vast importance to the church and should be used to the greatest possible advantage. The matter of first importance of course is attendance. No meeting can be made a success without the presence of those who are officially responsible. How important, therefore, that all pastors and delegates shall make a sacrifice if necessary in order to be present.

Attendance is not more important than intelligent interest. Ministers and delegates should read the Book of Discipline carefully, especially that part relating to the work of the District Conference and be ready to enter with intelligent interest into all the deliberations. This will add greatly to the interest and profit of the occasion.

Last, but not least, every one should go to the Conference determined to give full time to all questions that are to be considered. In recent years there has been a marked tendency to rush the business unduly and adjourn the Conference without fully considering all questions that are of important concern to the church. Too many business men feel that they have not time to devote to these questions, and the tendency is to cut down the program to about two days and sometimes adjourn the meeting in haste and confusion. This ought not so to be, and we think presiding elders should exercise their prerogative in holding the Conference to the full time anticipated in the program announced beforehand.

Those who find it necessary to leave before the time for adjournment should politely ask for leave of absence and not try to adjourn the Conference for their own accommodation.

In all these meetings let us place the proper emphasis upon worship. Prayer and the preaching of the word must not be relegated to the place of secondary importance. To allow this will cause our Conferences to assume a sort of secular type which, in the end, will cause the public at large to lose interest in them. We pray that the Great Head of the church may save us from this fate.

The District Conference is a great religious social occasion, and as such the people where they are held look forward to them with much interest and expectation. By all means we should see to it that their expectations of pleasure and profit are not disappointed.

NOTE AND COMMENT

Five Miles a Day and Warsaw will be lost, assert press dispatches. General Von Mackensen's German forces are still swinging northward in a colossal and daring endeavor to drive a wedge into the Russian center and dislodge the Russians from the Vistula river and force them back over the Bug, thus splitting the Grand Duke's forces into two sections, with thousands of acres of swamp and marsh land between them. If the Austro-Germans can continue their progress for another week, even the British press admits the Russians will have to give up Warsaw and with it the whole line. All this in the face of assertions of the British press that the forces of Grand Duke Nicholas would be in Berlin by November and that Constantinople would be captured by the first of January, and a grist of other "going-to-bes," must be rather galling.

* * * *

The Attempted Murder of J. P. Morgan, the explosion of a bomb in the White House, and the dozen death threats written Vice-President Thomas R. Marshall, are indications of how unrelenting thought will unbalance one. It is by far better to be pro-American rather than pro-British or pro-German. Certainly it is wrong for us to go on furnishing the instruments of death, whether we furnish them for the Allies or for the Germans. It is significant that previous to the attack upon J. P. Morgan, the English Embassador had spent the night in the Morgan home. Germany has no right to raise any protest against the sale of arms to her enemies, but justice which is the same in all countries, has a right to cry aloud. It is ignoble to furnish our neighbor with a gun to kill another neighbor. Just here it would seem President Wilson has a chance to exercise a moral and spiritual courage which would make him the greatest man of the century. It would simply be to make Americans obey the command, "Thou shalt not kill." But we expect our presidents to give us prosperity, and by that sign they succeed or fail. As is emphasized by Dr. S. Parkes Cadman, "It is the president's place to deal justice, not prosperity." And we are still diabolical. We boast of our increased exports, and eat the bread bought with money obtained by shedding man's blood. It is not for Germany we plead; it is for clean American hands.

* * * *

Ex-Secretary of War, Jacob M. Dickinson, in an interview wherein he asserted we must be ready for aggression, among other remarks said: "There are no more Jericos to be demolished by the blowing of horns." "There will not be another Cadmus to sow dragons' teeth from which will at once spring up an armed soldiery." "Will our people never learn that an effective army can not spring up at once from every day life for immediate and successful action?" "A nation that has an armament to abandon will have a far more potential voice in a council of nations considering disarmament than one having none to abandon."

* * * *

The Independent of New York in an editorial note in its last Monday's number gives some very interesting figures concerning our trade balance. "In the early weeks of the war," remarks Editor Hol, "there was anxiety in this country because we owed so much money to Europe. The Stock Exchange closed lest a great selling movement of American securities held in Europe should vastly increase our indebtedness "aboard," and drain our gold supply to the danger point. Now the pendulum has swung irresistibly the other way and Europe owes us more and more each day. Our exports in the year ending with the present month of June have exceeded our imports by more than $1,000,000,000. The excess up to June 22 was $976,000,000. In other words, by more than a billion of dollars our sales to foreign countries have exceeded our purchases from them. For a long time there has been an annual excess on this side of the account, but the past year's has been greater by about $350,000,000 than the largest (1908) in the past. The increase is due mainly to the purchases here of war supplies by the Allies in Europe. These supplies include grain. In ten months our exports of foodstuffs increased from $369,000,000 (in the corresponding months of the preceding year) to $808,000,000. Sales from horses and mules rose from $3,532,000 to $55,478,000. And, of course, our shipments of arms, ammunition, automobile trucks, and other things used on battlefields have been very large. The year includes two months—July and August last—when the excess was on the other side. In those months our imports were greater than our exports by $25,000,000. But the export excess grew from $17,000,000 in September, and $57,000,000 in October, until the summit, $173,000,000, was reached in February. Since the beginning of March it has been in the neighborhood of $140,000,000 a month. While the great balance in our favor is due chiefly to the sales already mentioned, there must also be taken into account a decrease of more than $200,000,000, or about twelve and one-half per cent. in our imports."

* * * *

One Hundred and Thirty-Five Years is a long time, but it is never too late to honor a great hero, and last Saturday's dedication at Guilford Battleground of a monument to General Nathanael Green who ran the "Red Coats" while tardy, perhaps, was none the less an occasion entirely worthy of the great General. Seldom has a larger or more representative number of North Carolinians come together than were present on this occasion. The event was not only a tribute to a nation's hero, but was also "a worthy and beautiful recognition of the noble cause for which this hero fought so well. It was not so much to celebrate the glorious deeds of the warrior as it was to pay homage to the defender of the rights of man that North Carolinians assembled on the renowned battlefield." The monument will not remind generations to come that a conqueror once lived, but that here Nathanael Green struck a blow for liberty. This general was a warrior not for war's sake, but for the sake of peace.

* * * *

Constantinople Dispatches to the Overseas Agency say that mail from India contains exhaustive reports of fresh riots at Lahore. The Indian cavalry is reported to have mutinied and with other soldiers and street mobs to have killed their officers and English civilians and to have pillaged and destroyed hotels and houses. Ten high government officials are reported among the victims. Two battalions ready to be transported to Europe are also said to have mutinied and to have dispersed after shooting their officers. Madras on the Bay of Bengal witnessed serious battles.

General Victoriano Huerta and his associates have been stopped from launching from American territory a new revolutionary movement in Mexico. Charges of conspiring to incite revolution against a friendly country were filed against the former president of the Mexican republic by the United States government and he, together with General Pascual Orozco, were arrested last Sunday. The former was released on $15,000 bond and the latter on a $7,500 bond.

While American officers are retired as to the probable development of the case against Huerta, it has been indicated that the United States would retain in its custody, for the present at least, the man whose overthrow of Madero was declared by President Wilson to be responsible for the resulting turbulence in the Southern Republic. When General Huerta returned from Spain the American government made no effort to deport him, accepting his pledge that he did not intend to violate the law of neutrality.

* * * *

German Submarines in the Mediterranean is the next important German naval exploit, according to Vice-Admiral Kirchhoff, of the German navy. "Coming events before the Dardanelles," he says, "will be of a nature never before witnessed in warfare, and will have a potent influence on the whole course of the war." Discussing the Lusitania disaster the Admiral remarked that the chief lesson to be drawn is regarding the unseamanlike character of the British seaman who is unable to rise to an emergency like the German sailor.

"The last ten days of the third month of the submarine blockade," says the Vice-Admiral, "have produced positively brilliant results. In one week alone our submarines sank thirty-two enemy ships, including many of great tonnage, around the coast of Great Britain, and the total of the ships torpedoed now exceeds two hundred."

* * * *

The Constructive Quarterly for June, published by George H. Doran Company, of New York, contains among other most interesting articles, some thoughts on "Christianity After the War," by Dr. Newman Smyth. Among other striking and pungent paragraphs occurs the following:

"It is no idle word, it is true to the historical order of progress, to say that this present greatest war of history shall try as by fire modern Christianity; and, whenever peace shall have been made by the sword, shall put it to the test of the greatest opportunity. The critically hopeful question of this present hour for the church is—After the war shall there be a new epoch of International Christianity? Peace shall not be made by our peace meetings and all our peace resolutions, as though well sounding words were as brave deeds done, by which alone the blessing of the makers of peace in this stupendous war may be won. But the war should put new meaning into the obligation of American Christianity for the world. It will not be enough for us to sit now in our own snug and safe neutrality, if the churches of the United States are not preparing to meet the call of the hour after the war to put forth their whole might to make Christianity the supreme world-power."

* * * *

Marchese Chrispolti, a member of the council of the Union Populare, the biggest political organization of the Roman Catholics, said in a recent interview that the Roman Catholics had from the first been ready to fulfil their duties as citizens of Italy in peace or in war, according to the decision of those in authority. In regard to the delicate position of the Vatican in case of war, he said that he felt confident the government of Italy would take a broad political view of the question, instead of a narrow judicial one. He admitted that the presence in Rome of ambassadors from hostile states accredited to the Vatican would be embarrassing, but he considered their expulsion would be still more embarrassing at the end of the war for the reason that these states could claim that the law of guarantees drawn up in 1870 had not been able to insure continued communication with the Papal See, communications which should not be effected by the affairs of the kingdom. Thus, according to Marchese Crispolti, may make the mistake of making it possible for the powers to reopen the Roman question, if she expelled the ambassadors to the Vatican. He further expressed his conviction that the Pope would do nothing to create inevitable embarrassment for the Italian government.

* * * *

The Change in Egypt emphasizes still further a fact which has become increasingly prominent during our generation: the fact that England is the greatest of Moslem powers and King George the ruler over a far larger multitude of the Prophet's followers than any other monarch. English administrators in Mohammedan countries are frequently made to realize its significance and the Aga Khan has sometimes hinted at the wisdom of giving it some kind of unspecified official recognition. In this connection is also to be kept in mind the importance of the Moslem sacred places. Should the war keep at a safe distance from them the Islamic world may not provide the European powers with any very critical problems. But St. Sofia is one of those places, although it does not rank with the few holiest. If, or when, Constantinople ceases to be the capital of Islam let the world prepare for trouble in the matter of that storied site.

CONTRIBUTIONS

ON MAR'S HILL

J. M. Rowland

Leaving Smyrna our boat turned her nose across the Mediterranean to the land of Egypt. That cruise on that wonderful body of water so rich in history; those glorious days, and soft summer nights, will never be forgotten.

We spent a day in Athens, landing in the harbor five miles away and took the car for that city—great in the days that are gone. We were struck with the difference in things here and in Turkey. We saw about us more thrift, intelligence and decency; also more kindliness and friendliness toward foreigners. While the Greece of today does but faintly picture the Greece of old, there is not only in the atmosphere and on the breezes of sentiment an element of greatness, but it is seen both in the people and the country. It is no wonder there is no love between this little kingdom and Turkey so near by.

We took carriages from modern Athens up the hill to the site of the Athens that used to be and it was truly an upward way. On top of these commanding hills stands the ruins of this great city of culture and learning. Even a feeble imagination can paint a thrilling picture of those people and those days as one looks from this big hill that rises above its fellows giving a fine view of the sea and the hills beyond, while all around are ruins, some crumbing back to earth while others stand, and when a multitude of generations still have come and gone will still be standing the dash of the winds and the roar of the storms. To look upon these massive, majestic ruins makes you feel that the worldly culture of this age is hardly standing on the same platform with those days. The Acropolis, the Stadium, the Theater of Dionysus, the Temple of Zenus, and the Parthenon, standing here when centuries have past, are still marvelous monuments of the boldness and skill of Pericles, aided by the genius of Phideas, the sculptor, and Ictinis and Mnesicles, the architect. The ruins and the museum full of relics of the greatness of those days are so overpowering that I feel powerless to describe them and shall not undertake the task. We looked upon the finest sculpture of the world and embems of life thousands of years old that looked as modern as anything the world can show today. The dress and the ornaments of the ladies as far as design and are goes looked like they were just from a modern shop.

My mind and heart soon found their way through all the ruins of Grecian glory to two spots that have always stood out as the two most important places in this great site. One was the grave of Socrates. It makes the heart leap faster to look through the bars to the grave of that old philosopher who drank the hemlock and left this world because long before the man of Galilee had walked the hills of earth on His mission of Gospel and Life this engineering mind and hungry heart had grasped even though faintly the life that gleamed beyond the hills he walked upon and single handed in that old market place fought for his new faith, and when they had overwhelmed him, refused to renounce the new light he had seen and gave his life to pay the price of his faith as many more were to do. Perhaps the life of Athens dropped at once into its usual channels and moved on unhindered, glad that the silly Socrates was gone, but how much greater was that idea to grow than all those philosophers had even dreamed!

The next place my heart turned to was Mars Hill, and climbing to its crest as near as can be determined, where Paul stood when he made his speech to the Athenians—one of the greatest speeches the world ever listened to—with my Bible in my hand I read the seventeenth chapter of Acts. Clearly rose the picture before us. There was the market place where the gentlemen of proud Athens gathered to discuss the issues of their minds and propound questions one to another, since they had no papers and magazines to write for and to read. (This custom still exists in many places and it has some good features). They were ever after some new thing, and every new thing in religion or anything else they could find they brought it as a trophy and added it to their collection. They had introduced all the gods they could find and had erected altars for them.

One day a ittle man buffeted and storm-tossed, was conducted by some kind friends into this great city. The world had served him rough. He received no welcome on land or sea, for the waves tried to swallow him and the hills engulf him. He was a little weather-beaten, wiry, unattractive looking man. No, there was something so odd, unnatural and strange about him that it made him wonderfully attractive. He was accused of turning the world up side down, but he didn't look like he could do it. His hands were swarthy and tough looking, but they didn't look like they could turn a tent up side down, much less the world. But he was like old Socrates whose body went to dust just across the way, he had an idea and it was this idea that was turning the world and regions under the world up side down. It is ideas and not hands that turn the world up side down now and then. Ideas were in great demand in the market place in Athens. These gentlemen of Athens spread them out like traders do their wares and looked them over. They turned them over in their hands, mashed them to see if they were sound, smelled them and scrutinized all their fibres. They ran constantly to this bargain counters bringing and taking away some new thing. They were afflicted with that disease that crept in Eden and has never left us. It is newities, a burning fever for some new thing. Eve caught it and turned her face from the Tree of Life to the Tree of Knowledge, because already, though she had been there such a little while, the Tree of Life was getting stale and the Tree of Knowledge which the devil had just caller her attention to, was new. The child is born with this disease and as fast as his baby hands can catch things he throws them down because they are old and reaches up for more because they are new. So before breakfast is ready on Christmas morning all the invention of Santa Claus for a year has grown stale to him. Ladies have newities so they must have new clothes. No matter how good a dress and a hat may be if they have been worn a few times and the eyes of the saints have seen them they are old and new ones are very much desired. If you throw pigs a thousand ears of corn they will bite each one once and hasten on the next one in search of something new. Not that I intended to put the ladies and the pigs in the same class, but that I was after illustrating the disease.

So one morning an Athenian climbing up the shining way to the Acropolis with the fevers of newities burning in his blood, chanced to see a crowd about the Jewish synagogue, and thinking here was something to feed the hunger he had and give him a choice morsel of gossip to carry to the market place, he turned aside. He heard Paul preaching to the Jews about one named Jesus who was crucified in Jerusalem and arose again from the dead, thereby proclaiming to those who followed him that they should do the same. The Athenian threw back his head and laughed. His heart beat faster, his eyes shone, he quickened his pace up the shining way along the sculptured path to the place where ideas were exchanged, for he had one that was new and he was anxious to gee there with it before all others. When he broke into the circle of idea venders they saw from his looks and his movements he had been out on a hunt and had made a new catch. So they gave way for him. He at once spread before them the idea he had found and a number of them ran down the sculptured marble way on the hunt for Paul like a crowd of boys go out for the man with a monkey. So they got him and as the gathering crowd grew larger they pushed him along until they reached the Areopogus, and here in this out-door court where Greece heard and passed judgment on all things, the apostle to the Gentiles got upon perhaps this very knoll where I stood with my speech in my hand. The heavenly fire of Paul and the marble philosophy of Athens had met and throughout the history when heavenly lre and marble philosophy have come together the marble has been left in ruin and the fire has gone on.

The great speech was made. No time was lost in elaborate preliminaries or silk spun flagrant introductions. Paul went to the point. He never had time for long introductions and conclusions. He never spends any time getting ready or closing up. "Ye men of Athens in all things I perceive that ye are very religious. For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship I found also an altar with this inscription: 'To The Unknown God' (How that dart of irony and sarcasm must have gone home!) What therefore ye worship in ignorance that set forth I unto you. (Did ever a public speaker better grasp and use an incident and a situation?) The God that made the world and all things therein being Lord of heaven and earth dwelleth not in temples made with hands neither is He served by men's hands as though he needed anything seeing He Himself giveth to all life and breath and all things; and he made of every men to dwell on all the face of the earth, having determined their appointed seasons and the bounds of their habitations; that they should seek God if haply they might feel after God and find Him, though he is not far from each one of us; for in Him we live and move and have our being; as certain even of your own poets have said. For we are also His offspring. Being then the offspring of God we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold or silver or stone, graven by art and the device of men. The time of ignorance God overlooked; but now He commandeth men everywhere that they should all repent; inasmuch as He hath appointed a day in which He will judge the world in righteousness by the man whom He hath ordained, whereof He hath given assurance unto all men in that He hath raised Him from the dead."

How that speech must have fallen upon their proud ears; what a mighty thrust it was at all their traditions, superstitions and philosophies! Here were new ideas for them. They had something to chew over now. They could herald the new faith of this man far and wide. But strange to say they got mad. The world has always been so. When Divine Truth sweeps the foundations from devils and men they get mad. There is nothing else to do. When logic fails, wisdom answers not and the pride of the world parts not its lips it is time to get mad. Sometimes a sage cannot answer a question but any two-penny fool can get mad about it. No matter how cool and quiet Divine Truth is when it comes to the borders of the devil the devil gets mad. Jesus never did an unkind, unjust or unmanly thing. He was as gentle as a lady, as free from ill as an angel but he made the devil's angels so mad they killed Him. The drowning of the hogs, the healing of the sick, raising of the dead, and worse of all, forgiving sins and preaching resurrection made the devils so mad that the volcanoes of perdition belched forth their age long accumulations of vileness. So Athens got mad with Paul.

A thought that overpowers you is that while the greatness of the world goes down the light of the gospel goes on. The old Athens has passed away, its glory is dimmed, and its sun is set. These great ruins stand as the lasting monument of the great minds of a great race but all these things exist only as shadows. A great labor and expense they wrought to build their monuments but they are gone. How few souls on earth today know who Pericles was? And when you name Phidias the Sculptor, and Ictenis and Mnesicles, the architect of Athens, not one man in a hundred long out of college can tell you who they were without running to the Encyclopedia or the Greek Professor. But who doesn't know the Apostle Paul? He built no Acropolis, or Parthenon he only built tents with his hands. But how much more does the heart of the world beat over the work of Paul the builder of tents than

it does over Pericles the builder of marble Parthenons? Paul had no money. He hired his own house and paid the rent when he sold a tent. Pericles had a mighty nation behind him and the money and wisdom of the world at his call. He built marble temples for Athenian ideas to shine in. Paul built tents but looked beyond the place they were pitched to "the city which hath foundations whose builder and maker is God," as he set in motion the idea that has sent countless souls rejoicing through the shadows to the heavenly light and everlasting life. Which has blessed the world more, Perecles the empire builder, Phidias the sculptor, Ictenis and Mnesicles the architects, or Paul the servant of Jesus Christ? Verily the work of man goes down but the work of God goes on!

These were the thoughts that came as we stood on Mars Hill, to be broken by the call of the guide that the time for dinner had come. We felt that it would be better to stay here than go to dinner, but we followed down to a good hotel, refreshed ourselves with an excellent meal, and were wheeled back to the harbor to our waiting boat. As we steamed out of the bay over historic waters our faces set toward Egypt, the sun was going down and throwing the glorious light of the closing day upon the hill upon the white marble ruins of Athens, and across the quiet waters came the thought that while the light of the earth goes out the light of the Lord shines on.

FRANK LEWIS REID

A Memory and An Appreciation

Paper read by Mrs. Hill Parham, of Henderson, N. C., at the unveiling of the portrait of Rev. Rrank L. Reid, D. D., Commencement Greensboro College for Women, May 25, 1915.

Yesterday a small child who had listened eagerly to a story of a knight, said to me: "Are there any knights now? Have you ever seen one?" Unhesitatingly, I answered, "Yes. They do not wear armor or go galloping over the world with swords and waving plumes, but there are knights still."

My answer to the child you will all agree was a true one, for neither the glittering trappings of chivalry, nor the glory of battle is the test of the knight. "Utter hardihood, utter gentleness, and loving, utter faithfulness in love, and uttermost obedience to the king" were the requisites in the days of old. It is the glory and hope of our land today that we know men who walk among us, who are our dear familiar friends, who are knights in deed and in truth.

To say that the man whom we are to honor today was one of the goodly company of true knights is not to praise him too highly. He lived bravely, loved faithfully, served unselfishly, and followed always the Christ, his only King.

That in his brief forty-three years of life Frank Lewis Reid was honored by high positions both in his church and state; was the inevitable reward of his personality and of his power to work. He was an idealist, a man of vision, but he had the practical ability which made it possible for him to succeed in the world of business. It was said of him by his associates that he possessed the unusual faculty of being able to "mingle freely with business men and participate in the affairs of their daily life without in any way impairing his influence as a preacher." The force of this statement can be appreciated best by those who know the subtle temptations which the business man meets. To succeed, yet keep the highest standards of honesty and fair play, is no easy thing. To acquire property and not acquire with it hardness and selfishness is seemingly equally difficult. Yet Dr. Reid found it possible.

If he felt a need he responded to it—with money, with thought, with sympathy. No one will ever know the full extent of his giving. There are women throughout our state today who are living lives of broader usefulness and culture because he had the vision of their possibilities and the willingness to open the door for them.

Does not willingness to open doors seem to you a great thing? Think what a wonderful place this world might become if only all people who have the power to open doors were filled with willingness to do it?

It was this generosity of spirit which made Dr. Reid great. Not that he was a successful business man, a popular preacher and editor, the president of two colleges, but that he was kindly, gentle and of broad understanding makes his life an inspiration and a benediction to all who knew him truly.

There is a story told of an incident which occurred while he was Director of the Penitentiary at Raleigh which reveals his true nature in a striking way. For some reason a guard knocked a convict down with a heavy weapon. The negroes seeing the apparently dead body borne by became wild with terror and anger. The rumor spread like a flame that they were all about to be slaughtered. A mixed crowd gathered outside when the rebellious prisoners refused to go to their cells. A race riot seemed imminent. Dr. Reid was called. He possessed full power to use the military companies of the city. There was a clamor, backed it is said by the officials, that the troops be ordered to fire. But Dr. Reid's courage was like that of our greatest citizen today who has so recently voiced our American ideal of daring not to fight, of scorning to use the tools of brutality and ignorance. He reasoned, and when he was not understood or heeded, he knelt in prayer. Fear, anger, and ignorance were conquered by one man's faith in the higher nature of even the lowest men, and by his trust in the power of God.

The man of power and insight must always find some medium of expression. It was as editor of the Raleigh Advocate that Dr. Reid gave of himself to the people of his church. Inspiring, leading, building, through the long years, he worked with all of his strength. Through bitterness, discouragement and opposition his brave spirit never faltered. To make the Advocate a power in the life of Methodism in North Carolina was his aim. The man who does not know when he is beaten, must in the end succeed—if he lives. The end of the fourteen years saw his goal attained. Meantime he had ripened for the crown of his work—the presidency of Greensboro Female College.

There was need for a man of unusual ability. The man was at hand; Dr. Reid was chosen. He came, and with him came a new era for the college. He bought the first real chemical laboratory, added a beautiful new chapel, and built a president's home. But best of all, he filled these halls with students.

You girls who came that year may have forgotten your science and mathematics; your Latin vocabulary may be buried deep in your subconscious selves; all that you learned may have faded into the hazy back-ground of memory, but the spirit of the place lives in you still. The stamp of the personality of that faculty and of your president is upon you wherever you are today. You have realized your higher self more often because you remember how you lived up to your best because of Dr. Reid's trust in you. Your belief in the beauty and faithfulness of love is deep and unshaken, no matter what the years have brought to you, because you still remember his gentleness, his utter unselfishness in relation to his wife and children. You are broader in your understanding of people, your hand is more quickly stretched out to help, because you recall a day when his clear eyes reached your soul and his quiet voice said, "My dear child, you have much to give. You must help that girl."

That year of his leadership is indeed "a precious year in the history of the college." It saddens us that there is only one to record. The second year had just begun when one cool September afternoon news ran through the college that Dr. Reid was dangerously ill. By and by a bell rang. I can hear the clash of it now, can see the dim-lit chapel and the white-faced, wide-eyed girls, some staring straight ahead, some weeping softly as we slipped into our place. Prof. Arnold had called us together to pray that Dr. Reid might live. Most of us never doubted that prayer could stay death itself, so when the news came the next morning that at four o'clock Dr. Reid had gone from us, we were struck dumb with bewilderment, as well as with grief. It has taken the long years to teach us the deeper ways of life. We know today that it did not require continuance of mere physical existence to answer our prayer for the life of our beloved president to go on. His life goes on through the child whose hand will soon draw aside the curtain and reveal to you the pictured face of the man we honored and loved. His life goes on through every girl who caught from him a truer vision of the finest things of life. His ideals of patience, gentleness and unselfishness, his courtesy, his unceasing service, his faith in humanity and in God have gone into the homes of our state, into the lives of our citizens. His life must ever bring us a message of immortality. Not alone the immortality of another world of which his soul was sure, but of the immortality of this world. His children and his children's children pass on the torch of his physical existence. There are hundreds of men and women who, perhaps even unknown to themselves, pass on the torch of his spirit. Wherever its gleam flashes forth there will be revealed more clearly the true meaning and purpose of life.

Think deeply, love truly, give yourselves freely to all who have need of you is the message of Dr. Reid's life to you today. It was so that he lived—and still lives.

Look now on this picture which will bring him more vividly to you, and as you look let your heart kindle its torch anew and so illumine the two great goals of life that you must ever after more consciously and more determinedly press forward to achieve them. The two are so inseparable that they are really one. They are self-development and service.

BURDETTE'S ADVICE TO YOUNG MEN

So you have got yourself into trouble, my son? Gone a little wrong, because there is only one kind of wrong; there is no mugwumpery in morals, my boy. And you've had such a hard time getting back that it made you a little bitter and cynical, and you think the world is rather hard and selfish and pitiless, and especially severe on you? Well, I wouldn't feel that way at all, if I were you. I don't think I ever did feel that way, and I know more about it than you do. I've been further down the Jericho road than you. Went down there to let my beard grow. Great town for toots, from away back. It's a bad country. Never heard of but one woman in Jericho, and she didn't move in good society.

But, my son, it isn't society's fault that you got into trouble. You knew what the Jericho road was before you went down that way. You knew there was a curse on the town. You were safe enough in Jerusalem; why didn't you stay there? Don't feel bitter towards all the world because you fell among thieves and got cleaned out. It is a kind, good-natured, forgiving old world. True, it doesn't always look that way to a fellow in trouble, because then the fellow is apt to look at the wrong people.

You found on the Jericho road, say, six or eight thieves; that is, half a dozen professionals and two amateurs, who passed by on the other side, and only one good Samaritan, and, naturally, it seems to you that the leaven of good is utterly lost in that great mass of rascality and hypocrisy; but bless you, my son, in the great, honest, living world—in the world that is trying to do right and trying to lead men to better things than Jericho excursions—in the only world that really lives and cares for just such fellows as you—in the real world of men and women who deal with the young man all the more gently when his smarting wounds are deepest—the one good Samaritan outweighs a regiment of these villains who beat you and rob you and passed you by on the road to Jericho. Never mind the priest and the Levite, my son; they are going down to Jericho, too, you remember; that's the kind of priests they were.

And one closing word, my son: Unless you are smarter and stronger than the thieves down Jericho way—and I guess maybe you are not; very few men are—why, you keep off that road. You stay in Jerusalem, and you'll have more money and less headache.—Robert J. Burdette.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

District Conference Directory

Greensboro, Asheboro	July 13-15
Morganton, Gilkey	July 15-18
Salisbury, Kannapolis	July 21-23
Charlotte, Polkton	July 21-23
Shelby, Lowesville	July 27-29
Statesville, Broad Street	July 28-31

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. A. W. Plyler, pastor at Lexington, was in the city on Friday and made a pleasant call at the Advocate office.

—Mrs. H. H. Jordan, of Gastonia, returned last week from a visit to her mother and relatives at Burlington.

—Rev. R. M. Hoyle, pastor of our church in Mocksville, is reported as quite sick at his home in that place. We sincerely hope that Brother Hoyle may soon be restored to health.

—Rev. M. T. Smathers, pastor of our church at Forest Hill, Concord, was in the city on Monday morning and made the Advocate office a pleasant call. He was on his way to Liberty where he is assisting Rev. P. L. Terrell in revival services this week.

—Rev. C. E. Stedman, pastor of the Uwharrie circuit, we regret to learn, has been quite sick. We are glad to know, however, that he is reported as able to be out again.

—Memorial Day services were held at Mount Pleasant, on the Greensboro circuit last Sunday morning. Rev. F. L. Townsend, the pastor, was in charge and the services were quite interesting.

—Mrs. Fordham, District Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Society, Greensboro District, is quite active in her work. She spent a recent Sunday at Ramseur and Franklinville in the interest of the work.

—The Advocate joins in expressions of sympathey for Rev. and Mrs. R. M. Taylor, in the death of Mrs. Taylor's mother, Mrs. Lafoon, which occurred at Mount Airy last week. Mrs. Lafoon was quite aged and her death occurred suddenly.

—The Monroe Enquirer says: Rev. J. H. West, financial agent of the Children's Home of the Western North Carolina Conference of the M. E. Church, South, preached a good sermon in Central Methodist church last Sunday morning and presented the claims of the Children's Home and took subscriptions for the building fund.

—The people of Statesville and vicinity were much grieved on Thursday of last week on account of the death of Dr. Everett A. Sherrill, a young physician of bright promise. Dr. Sherrill was only 29 years old and had only recently finished his medical course at Bellvue Hospital, New York.

—The many friends of Mr. J. M. Reece, editor of the Greensboro Daily Record, will be grieved to learn that he is quite ill at his home on Green Street. He recently returned from a trip to Baltimore where he sought the advice of expert physicians but received little encouragement as to any permanent benefit from medical treatment. Mr. Reece is widely known as one of the veterans of the state press, and he is highly esteemed by all who know him.

—Mrs. Welker, wife of Rev. H. W. Welker, pastor of the Reformed church at Faith, in Rowan county, died suddenly at their home at that place on Thursday morning of last week. Mrs. Welker visited Greensboro with her husband early this spring and made many friends. She was a woman of unusually attractive personality and of rare gifts. May God comfort the bereaved husband.

—Many friends and relatives of the family in Western North Carolina, will learn with sorrow of the death of Mrs. Ann Edgeworth Vance Price, wife of Rev. Dr. R. N. Price, of the Holston Conference, and mother of Rev. D. Vance Price, of the Western North Carolina Conference, which occurred at their home in Morristown, Tenn., on Sunday morning, July 27th. Mrs. Price was in her eighty-first year and had been quite feeble for some time. Much sympathy is felt for the aged husband who in old age will miss the companionship of her who has been his faithful co-worker through a long and successful ministry; also to Brother D. Vance Price, the son, to whom inspiration and help have come from a faithful mother's example and prayers. Mrs. Price was a sister of the late Senator Zebulon B. Vance and Congressman Robert B. Vance. May God greatly comfort the bereaved husband and children.

—Mr. Samuel Phifer and Miss Mary Hudson, both of Monroe, were quietly married at the home of the bride's parents in that place, on Thursday of last week at 9 a. m. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. E. Abernethy, pastor of Central church. The Enquirer says: The bride is a favorite in Monroe where she has lived since her early childhood. She is of bright intellect, is cultured and refined and is in every way attractive, and is a lady of fine Christian character. No young man in the county has a finer character than has Mr. Phifer. He is a native of Monroe, a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Phifer, and is a young man of genuine worth and ability.

—Rev. S. A. Stewart, who for some ten years, has been one of our most efficient missionaries in Japan, is spending awhile visiting friends and relatives in North Carolina. We regret missing his call at the Advocate office a few days ago. Brother Stewart has been in the homeland for a year on his first vacation and will soon leave for the Orient. He is doing a fine work in Japan and has his heart thoroughly in the work. He spent Sunday, June 27th, in Thomasville, lecturing on Saturday night and preaching on Sunday morning.

Canton.—The Jimison-Carner-Fisher union revival has been in progress for four weeks. No such spiritual awakening has been known before in this end of the state. To date more than 500 professions. Immense congregations. Many turned away for lack of room. Expect to go on through next week.

J. P. Rodgers.

Rock Springs.—I have just returned from a three days' trip to the Rock Springs circuit, where I was with the pastor, Rev. J. H. Green, in his third quarterly conference, which was held at Rehobeth church, two miles from Sherrell's Ford, on the Catawba river, and twenty-eight miles from Mt. Holly. On Saturday there were twenty-six official men present at the conference, and a large congregation present at the preaching hour Saturday as well as on Sunday. There are few communities in North Carolina whose citizenship is more nearly unanimous in following the Methodist church, it being a rare exception to find a family holding to any other denomination. But there is a reason for the community being so thoroughly Methodistic in faith in that fine section of Lincoln county. In Rehobeth church there is a tablet which reads as follows:

"Rev. Daniel Asbury, the pioneer of Methodism in Western North Carolina, was born Feb. 18th, 1762; died May 15th, 1825. He organized the Rock Springs circuit in 1789, and the same year organized here the first Methodist church in the state west of the Catawba river. The first church building was erected here in 1791. The first camp meeting was held here in 1794."

Later the camp meeting place was changed to Rock Spring, near which the attractive and pleasant town of Denver has been built up.

I think a compromise on the question of holding a camp meeting has been agreed on, and the resolutions which caused the wide-spread trouble and dissention are to be expunged from the quarterly conference records (or repealed by proper resolutions) and the camp meeting to begin on Monday, thus eliminating Sunday from the camp meeting. That was about the only grounds upon which an agreement could be reached. This seems to be a happy solution of the trouble.

I believe that we are moving along smoothly in my own charge. But this letter is already too long, so here it ends.

Mt. Holly. N. R. Richardson.

Swannanoa.—We have just closed a very successful meeting at Swannanoa of twelve days' duration, assisted by Rev. James H. Green and his singer, Prof. Rudd Newsom. Three services were held daily; two in the church and one on the streets. The ourdoor meetings made profound impressions and were listened to by very large and attentive crowds. At first it was a very hard fight as the spiritual condition of the community was so cold and formal. After the first week's pounding away the ice was broken and the power came down and the Holy Spirit was present and we had a glorious time. There were sixteen conversions in one service. The Baptists and Presbyterians joined in with us and it was the greatest meeting held here in many years. There were about forty-five or fifty conversions and reclamations. I received twenty-two into the church and several more are to follow.

Brother Green has a splendid tact in arousing and holding interest. Prof. Newsome is a fine singer and a very spiritual man. I feel happy over the results of the meeting as the church is greatly revived. "Praise ye the Lord." J. F. Starnes.

Forest City.—Rev. J. A. Bowles, the pastor of Forest City charge, writes: We closed a fine revival in our church here the first Sunday in June, of eighteen days' duration. Twenty-six were added to our church on profession of faith and eight by letter. Brother Cook, of Duncan Memorial, Spartanburg, S. C., was with me the first week and greatly endeared himself to our people by his excellent preaching and work otherwise. Brother Cook was pastor here during the year of 1897-98, but 90 per cent. of the congregation then has passed away. Methodism is making rapid progress here and Forest City church, with our other splendid church in West End (Pleasant Grove), could easily support a pastor better than the whole charge is now doing. We hope to see this arrangement in the near future.

Salisbury District Notice

Bishop Kilgo has accepted an invitation to be present and preside over the Salisbury District Conference, Kannapolis, July 21-23.

Let the recording stewards have the quarterly conference records present.

Sincerely yours, W. R. Ware.

Shelby District Notice

The Shelby District will convene with Hills Chapel church, Lowesville charge, July 27th-29th, inclusive. Will all the preachers and delegates who expect to attend this conference kindly write me a postal card and tell me what train they will arrive on, and any preacher or delegate who doesn't intend coming write me also. Those who expect to be present on the opening of the conference, will have to come to Mt. Holly Monday afternoon. There will be plenty of conveyance for all preachers and delegates from and to the trains. All delegates will come to Mt. Holly Monday afternoon, July 26th. The chickens are ready. "Come."

B. M. Jackson.

Charlotte District Notice

The Charlotte District Conference will be held at Polkton July 21-23. Pastors, please hand in written reports during first session. Report on accessions, baptisms, finances, church buildings, Lord's Supper, number on Sunday school rolls. Local preachers bring or send written reports of their work since last District Conference.

Committees

For License: Revs. M. H. Vestal, J. H. Bradley and R. S. Howie. For Admission: Revs

J. E. Woosley, S. Taylor and J. A. Baldwin. For Orders: Revs. L. A. Falls, L. L. Smith and B. F. Hargett. Visitors will notify Rev. W. B. Davis, Polkton, N. C. J. C. Rowe.

Morganton District Conference

The Morganton District Conference will meet at Gilkey on July 15th and continue over the following Sunday. Those living near enough to drive are requested to do so for reasons already imparted to them. Those coming by way of the Western Division of the Southern Railway must come on Wednesday afternoon in order to avoid missing all the first day of the conference or staying over night in Marion. Good connection is made at Marion with the Gilkey train ,going both east and west, which will enable all to get to Gilkey in time for supper and the opening sermon Wednesday evening at 8:15 by Rev. Beverly Wilson, of Rutherford College. Those coming from Mitchel, Yancy and upper McDowell and traveling via the C. C. & O. should buy tickets to Thermal City and change there to the Southern train. Doing this you avoid rushing from one station to the other and also hack hire. The above members should come on Wednesday, for the reasons stated above.

All others, I am sure, understand how to come, and need no instructions. We of course expect the school men, and you, Brother Blair, and any others who wish to see us. Our village is small. Our capacity to house folks is limited. Our welcome, pluck, loyalty and capacity to feed is unlimited. Because of this limited housing capacity we are forced to restrain ourselves when it comes to invited guests.

I am sure we are all wise folks, and can manage it all beautifully.

Albert Sherrill, P. C.

The African Special

The Epworth Leagues of the Western North Carolina Conference have undertaken to raise $300.00 on the support of our mission in Africa. This is not a large task but it will be necessary for all of our Leagues to assist. It will be a help to the work and a blessing to the Leagues that give the help. We have made a fair start on fund as the following pledges will show: Centenary, Winston-Salem, $25.00; Spencer, Knights of Ezelah, $5.00; Mount Zion, Cornelius, $10.00; Elkin, $15.00; Pilot Mountain, $5.00; Prospect (probable), $5.00; Bethlehem, $2.50. Total, $67.50.

It is desired and hoped that a number of other Leagues will report by next week. Bring this matter before your League and ask them to send in their pledge. The money is wanted by the 15th of August.

C. M. Pickens, Treas.

From Conference Evangelist

We have just held a glorious meeting at Burnsville, in which there were about eighty professions, and several accessions. The church was greatly revived and has taken on new life. Brother Siler was with us a few days at the close of the meeting, rallying the people to a new church enterprise, and succeeded in getting them to decide to build a ten thousand dollar church, and had secured about half of the amount in good pledges when we left him, and the other half will be secured. Brother Wellman, the pastor, is in great favor with his people. All the different churches of the town joined heartily in the meeting and the Lord rewarded the co-operation. We go next to Alta Pass. W. L. Dawson.

The North Wilkesboro District Conference

The North Wilkesboro District Conference held an interesting session at Elk Park, beginning Thursday, June 24, and closing Saturday at noon. O. J. Jones, of the Wilkesboro circuit, preached the opening sermon Wednesday evening.

The conference was presided over by J. H. Bennett, presieding elder. He impressed everyone as being a man equal to or even beyond his position, for by his earnest preaching, vigorous work, careful attention, he is building up the work of his district, giving it new life and adding dignity to the office. The influence of his work is being felt in every nook and corner of the district. At the urgent and unanimous insistence of the preachers, Brother Bennett preached every evening during conference and continued preaching night and morning for several days after conference adjourned. He is a scholarly preacher of unusual power and his sermons have a lasting influence.

J. I. Hickman, of Creston, assistant secretary for the last conference, called the roll and the following preachers were present: J. M. Downum, John H. Green, D. P. Waters, J. I. Hickman, L. B. Hayes, E. E. Yates, E. P. Stabler, Parker Holmes, W. M. Bagby, O. J. Jones and W. S. Cherry. The following lay delegates were marked present: Monroe Robbins, R. C. Rivers, J. S. Stanberry, W. W. Stedman, A. P. Brinkley, E. H. Mortimer, H. T. Norman, Felix Howell, J. B. Norris, J. S. Rector, C. R. Edwards, J. B. Horton, D. T. Mast, D. J. Horton, C. D. Taylor.

J. M. Downum was elected secretary and W. W. Stedman, assistant.

W. H. Willis, of Mt. Airy, was present in the interest of the Home Mission Board and made a powerful appeal for the churches of the district to become self-supporting.

Parker Holmes and W. M. Bagby also made able talks on church finances.

The presiding elder made a report of the district and all the charges were reported.

The pastors impressed us as a band of faithful and earnest workers who were burying their lives in the Lord's work.

Possibly the work of L. B. Hayes, of Elk Park, as a church builder, and John H. Green, of the Avery circuit, as a worker, attracted special attention.

Following the introduction of certain brethren of the M. E. church, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, that this district conference express a desire for and looks forward to the organic union of the M. E. Church and the M. E. Church, South.

Among other resolutions adopted was the following:

Whereas, the people of Elk Park have opened their homes for the entertainment of the North Wilkesboro District Conference, therefore, be it

Resolved, that we do hereby express our sincere appreciation of their kindness and look forward with pleasure to the time when we shall have the opportunity of meeting with them again.

D. P. Waters,
J. I. Hickman,
E. E. Yates.

In regard to the Jefferson school the following was adopted:

Whereas, the board of education and the board of missions of the Western North Carolina Conference have promised $500 each to the Jefferson school, provided the people of Ashe county and the North Wilkesboro district free the institution from debt and increase the value of the property to $10,000 by the time of the next Annual Conference.

We, the people of the North Wilkesboro District Conference, pledge our hearty support of the board of trustees of the Jefferson school and urge that they put Prof. Scott or some other man in the field at once to collect and secure pledges to pay the $3,000 indebtedness and finish the girls' dormitory, which will make the property worth $10,000 and free it from debt.

A Chance for a Good Investment

Other churches may be threatened with a dearth of preachers but most certainly this is not the case with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Hundreds of young men are entering the ministry of our church, and most of them are anxious to prepare themselves well for the great work to which they feel called.

But not many sons of rich men seem to be called; or, if many such are called, they do not respond. Most of the young men, who are entering the ministry, are young men of small means.

A great many of our young preachers desire to attend our School of Theology at Atlanta, and most of them need financial aid in order to take their courses in theology. Applications are received daily asking for such assistance.

No worthy case should be denied help; but, if all such are given financial aid, a considerable sum of money will be required.

The collections made by the Board of Education last year were smaller than usual. The war in Europe and the consequent financial depression led to this result. Hence the Board's appropriation for theological education was cut short.

Special help is, therefore, needed this year.

Men and women of means, whose sons do not preach, should esteem it a privilege to help some poor young man who does feel called to preach.

Churches should help this cause. Great buildings without strong preachers will avail nothing. A fine church with a weak preacher in its pulpit furnishes a discouraging contrast between the house and the sermon.

I hope many in our church will be disposed to make generous contributions in aid of the young men who are now seeking help in order to enter our School of Theology. Money thus bestowed will be well invested. It will yield rich dividends of enduring good.

Warren A. Candler.

Atlanta, Ga.

Report of Treasurer of Board of Missions for June, 1915

Received on Assessment

	Foreign	H. & C.
Polkton, W. B. Davis	$ 7.00	$ 15.00
Woodleaf, J. W. Kenedy	5.00	5.00
Murphy Station, Ira Erwin	32.09	
Glenville, C. C. Totherow	12.00	12.65
Summerfield, T. B. Johnson	7.00	7.00
N. Lenoir, J. C. Keever	25.00	29.24
Concord Ct., W. T. Albright	22.00	31.00
West End, M. D. Stockton, Tr.		234.00
Sulphur Springs, T. A. Groce	25.00	15.00
Bethel Ct., A. L. Latham		20.00
Centenary, Z. T. Bynum, Tr.		150.00
Pineville, B. F. Hargett	115.00	
Cooleemee, C. M. Short	20.00	
Marion Ct., F. Siler		11.00
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, F. Siler		56.00
Total assessments for June	$270.09	$585.89

Specials

	Foreign	H. & C.
Randolph Ct., F. Siler		$ 51.00
Elkin, J. H. Allen		5.00
West Market, T. C. Hoyle		10.00
Morganton, W. G. Hogan		2.50
Tryon St., W. H. Young		5.00
Hendersonville, J. F. Garrett		5.00
Ramseur and Franklinville, I. F. Craven		55.00
Lincolnton, Mrs. Bessie Ramsaur	25.00	
Newton, J. E. Setzer, Tr.	100.00	
Centenary, Z. T. Bynum, Tr.		33.33
Rev. L. T. Cordell		40.00
West End, N. V. Stockton, Tr.		16.66
Pleasant Garden, P. L. Terrell	8.73	
Hickory, First, W. I. Caldwell, Tr.	100.00	
Bakersville, Mrs. L. P. Bailey		50.00
Wilkes, J. H. Bennett		14.50
Elkin, S. H. Wilmoth		5.00
Elkin, R. H. Chatham		5.00
Randolph Ct., Miss Nell Parkin		.50
Bakersville, F. Siler		26.00
Total specials for uJne	$233.73	$324.49
Total receipts for June		$1414.20
Previously reported on—		
Foreign assessment		1505.56
Home and Conference assessment		1438.61
Foreign specials		2177.58
Home and Conf. specials		2595.31
Total receipts to July 1, 1915		$9131.26
Total receipts to July 1, 1914		7262.18
An increase of		$1869.08

R. M. Courtney, Tr.

Winston-Salem, N. C.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

WHEN THE DAY IS DARK

When the day is dark and trying,
And you bear a heavy load,
Never say: "I am forgotten;"
There are angels on the road.

God's own vision scans the highway
Where life's struggles press the goad;
And to ease each stress and help us,
Sends angels down the road.

Face to face we oft have met them,
When our heart was pressed by care,
And their ministry brought comfort,
And today they still are there.

Give us eyes, dear God, to see them
In forms human and divine,
As they travel close beside us,
As blest messengers of thine.

Thus keep confidence and courage,
As you bear your heavy load,
And with cheerful heart remember,
There are angels on the road.

—J. Mench Chambers.

BIBLE WOMEN'S CONFERENCE AT SOOCHOW, CHINA

We are indebted to Miss Frances Burkhead, one of our own girls, now at the Moka Garden Embroidery Mission, Soochow, for a program of the Bible woman's Conference held in Soochow, May 12-16. It is a combination program, given in both the English and Chinese language, and is most attractive and contains many interesting features. The cover of the folder is in stripes of five colors: red, yellow, blue, white and black, representing the Chinese flag, each stripe representing a division of China.

Miss Burkhead in speaking of the Conference, says:

"It was a splendid Conference as you can see from the English side of the book and everybody was helped by it. We had about 80 Chinese guests, Bible women, and preachers' wives and as many visiting missionaries as we could accommodate by crowding up. We gave the Embroidery Mission a holiday during the time and turned the large work rooms into domitories. It was more like a Y. W. C. A. Conference than anything else—except that there were not many young women in the crowd!"

Miss Burkhead is greatly interested in her work there and leads a busy life. She said of the Sunday school in which she teaches: "Our Sunday school is used as a model for the the Sunday School Union of China and we have a great many visitors. In all departments we have an enrollment of over 800. Of course, our schools require the students to come every Sunday. We have the pupils of the Davidson Girls' School, the Boys' Day Schools, Girls' Day Schools and Embroidery Mission and Kindergartens, so we have not much space for outsiders. We have an afternoon Sunday school for street children which is growing rapidly. They are what we call the "Wild Sunday School" and it is even so! The morning session, composed of children who have been under training for some time, behave like the children at home—only better. They stay to church too, and I have never seen as many boys at church in America as I have here. But in the afternoon the children come out of the street and the poorest homes and have never known anything of behaving."

May we uphold these faithful workers in this and other foreign lands with our prayers!

SOUTHERN SUMMER SCHOOL FOR SOCIAL SERVICE AND CHRISTIAN WORKERS

In a recent issue we called attention to this school which will be held at Blue Ridge, N. C., August 3-30, but we are glad to give space to a communication from our Educational Secretary, Mrs. Hume R. Steele, who has recently been at Blue Ridge in attendance upon the Y. W. C. A. Student Conference, which met there June 4-14. Mrs. Steele wishes especially to urge all social service superintendents, ministers and Christian workers, who can do so, to plan to take advantage of the special opportunities and privileges of this social service school.

"During the past four or five years there has grown up in the South a very large interest in all social welfare movements looking to the betterment of the religious, economic and health conditions of the people. In this movement the churches have been the leaders for many years and it is a matter of great delight that a thorough summer school for the study of social problems has been established under Christian auspices. This school met during August, 1914, at Blue Ridge, North Carolina, which is the conference meeting ground for the Young Men's Christian Association, the Young Women's Christian Association and the young people of the various churches.

The program announced for August, 1915, has been planned on a broad, comprehensive and thorough Christian basis and it to be expected that this school will make a large contribution to the future social and religious leadership of the South. For ministers and all others interested in the problem of the country church, there is to be a course of an hour each day during the entire month, led by Dr. Butterfield, president of the Massachusetts Agricultural College.

Dr. O. E. Brown, Professor of Church History and Comparative Religions at Vanderbilt University, will give a course of an hour each day on the "Social Message of Christianity."

From August 6-20 inclusive, a course in story telling and folk games will be given by Richard T. Wyche, president of the National Story Tellers' League of America. This course will deal with story telling in all its aspects and will prove very beneficial to all in need of recreation for adults and children.

Each night during the entire month there will be a lecture by some of the most prominent social, religious and educational workers of the whole country. Dr. John Campbell, of the Russell Sage Foundation, will speak on "The Southern Mountaineer;" Rev. John Little, of Louisville, Ky., who is in charge of the largest city mission for negroes in the countrry will talk on the negro question. "The Conservation of the Child" will be discussed by Miss Julia Lathrop, of the National Bureau of Child Labor. "The Playground Movement" will be the subject of an address by Miss Frances Ingram, of Neighborhood House, Louisville, Ky, while the subject of the care of defectives will be explained in a series of lectures by Dr. Johnson, of Vineland, New Jersey, who is in charge of a training school for defectives. The meaning of the Feminist Movement will be presented by Mrs. Arch Trawwick, of Nashville. Other distinguished lecturers and speakers will appear during the month. For full information of this interesting meeting communicate with W. D. Weatherford, Secretary, Blue Ridge, N. C.

NEWS FROM THE FIELD

Young People of Wesley Memorial Church, High Point

Mrs. F. P. Ingram writes: "The June meeting of the Young Woman's Missionary Society of Wesley Memoria church was one long to be remembered by those present. It being the regular time for the social service program, Mrs. Blanche Carr, of Greensboro, had been invited to be present, and conducted the meeting. This she did in a very able manner. Directly connected with the social service work in her home town, Mrs. Carr gave us a clear cut definition of social service as well as some vivid but heart rending pictures of prevailing conditions, impressing us with the fact that laborers are needed in the harvest field at home as well as abroad.

At its next meeting the society will give a summary of the book studied in the mission study class. This class has proven a great success although it is our first year and we have had only a small per cent. of the society membership. In the fall a new study will be taken up at which time we hope to enlist many more of our members."

* * * *

Miss Myrtle Graham, of Mooresville, writes us of a most pleasant reception recently given by the Woman's Missionary Society of Mooresville to the new members who have recently come into the society. Apart from the pleasure of such occasions as these, there comes an inspiration that is most helpful and which results in a better and greater work.

* * * *

From Mrs. Roscoe Phifer, of Monroe, we have the following:

"The Junior Missionary Society of Central church, Monroe, gave an entertainment on June 13th, which was very much enjoyed. The program consisted of songs, recitations and an exercise entitled, "The Mite Box Convention." A number of Baby Roll members took part and especially enjoyable was the singing of two little five-year old girls, as well as the solos which were so beautifully given by several of the members. A special feature was the singing of a Japanese song by little Miss Lillian Stewart, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. S. A. Stewart, who, with her parents, is in the States on a visit to friends and relatives. Other visitors that added to the program were the Masters McLarty, of Charlotte, who sang sweetly.

The mite boxes were opened and a nice sum was realized."

We have tried in each issue of the paper since the inauguration of the Church-wide Campaign by the Council, to stress this movement, and we are especially glad this week to present to our readers an appeal from our Conference President in behalf of this campaign.

THE CHURCH-WIDE CAMPAIGN

Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson

What is it? An effort on the part of the Woman's Missionary Council of the Southern Methodist Church to rally all the women and children of the church under the banner of the Cross, to go forth to help in the conquest of the world for Christ.

Could there be a holier cause, or one that should appeal more strongly to the hearts of those who profess to be the followers of the great Captain of our salvation? Surely, never was the loyalty of every follower of Christ more urgently needed than at the present crisis in our world history. Such a movement calls for greater zeal and enthusiasm than that which stirred the old Crusaders to go forth to wrest the holy selpulcher from the hands of infidels. That was to rescue a tomb from a sacreligious possession. This will be to carry glad tidings of a risen Saviour to millions who, in their spiritual darkness, have no knowledge of Him who died and rose again for their redemption from the curse of sin.

O, my sisters, shall we not heed this clarion call to duty, and rise in the strength of our devotion to Him to go forth to battle in His cause, never resting in our forward march until His banner be planted upon the farthest battlements of the world, and all the kingdoms of the earth become the Kingdom of our Lord and His Christ?

This is indeed a glorious vision, and one that must stir our hearts with heaven-born zeal. But let us remember that no great vision is realized without earnest, prayerful endeavor and if we would reach the goal we must be prepared to run the race.

Why this urgent call for recruits in the army of our Lord? The great needs of the hour demand that we go forward. There are open doors on every hand. The mission stations on all our fields call loudly for increased forces to help gather in the grain ripe unto harvest. Many other stations might be opened to thousands perishing for the Bread of Life—if only we had the means with which to answer their calls.

How shall these demands be met? There is but one way. By enlarging our membership we shall increase our offerings, and thus be enabled to support the work already established and to enter the many open doors that invite us into new fields where human need and destitution cry aloud for our help.

Where shall these recruits come from?

Oh! the pity of it. There are one million three hundred thousand women and children in our Southern Methodism, and only two hundred thousand of these are enlisted in the work of the missionary society. Is there not here a field ripe unto the harvest, and shall we not thrust in the sickle to gather in these precious sheaves to become workers in our Master's cause? Surely there are many who are ready to hear the call, and to obey the command of the Master, "Go work in my vineyard."

Then my sisters, shall we be guiltless of indifference and negligence if we refuse to put forth the effort to interest and enlist those who are all about us, and possibly only waiting for a friendly invitation to join hands with us in this great work?

Let us rise and gird ourselves with prayer and faith, and go forth among our friends and neighbors in this service; and with united hearts and holy zeal let this campaign for membership be inaugurated in every district, in every auxiliary, by every individual officer or member who loves the cause of Christ, and who desires to advance that cause through the agency of the Woman's Missionary Society.

What methods shall be used? These suggested by our Council leaders will prove most effective if faithfully followed:

A conference society may select some special Sunday in which all the pastors throughout the Conference may be asked to present the needs and claims of the Woman's Work; making an appeal to the women of their congregations to enter into it. If this be not practicable, then let a similar method be used in each district, the district secretary choosing the day most convenient for her district, and seeking to secure the co-operation of the presiding elder and pastors of her district.

Officers and other individual members of auxiliaries may greatly aid the district secretary by volunteering to go to unorganized churches in their own vicinity to present the work to the women and children in those congregations.

Thus by united effort may this great campaign be carried on and only eternity will reveal the mighty forces that will be put in motion for the accomplishment of the great work of the church—the bringing of the world to Christ.

Friends of Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, Conference President, and Mrs. L. W. Crawford, Ex-Corresponding Secretary, will be interested to know that they are in New York in attendance upon the summer school at Columbia University. We wish for them a most pleasant and enjoyable stay there.

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

MEET US THERE

Where?—Lake Junaluska.

When?—August 19-29; especially 20th and 21st.

Who?—Leaguers of Western North Carolina.

Why?—The Epworth League Institute and Annual Conference of Western North Carolina Epworth Leagues.

We are giving below an account of the North Carolina League Conference at Hamlet several weeks ago, taken from the Raleigh Christian Advocate. Let us try to have as good a report of our Conference.

THE CONFERENCE AT HAMLET

At this writing, one of the most successful Conferences in the history of the North Carolina Epworth League is in full swing at Hamlet. The Conference met Wednesday evening, and has been conducted according to the program already published.

Hamlet

Hamlet, the place of the Conference, is a flourishing railroad town in the Rockingham District. Its people are hospitable beyond measure. They have neglected no means to entertain the Conference. The people of all denominations opened wide their doors to the large number of young people. The mayor instructed the Conference in the outset to take anything they saw and wanted; and what they did not see to ask for. Rev. M. H Tuttle, the pastor, and Mr. E. R. Fuller, president of the Hamlet League, did all in their power to make the Conference a real success, and in this they succeeded beyond measure.

The Attendance

Although Hamlet is in the southern extremity of our Conference there was a large attendance. A large number of chapters were represented by an enthusiastic company of delegates. We were fortunate to have so many of our preachers with us. Among these were, Presiding Elders R. H. Willis and J. H. Hall. Other preachers present were Revs. H. I. Glass, A. S. Parker, Rufus Bradley, B. C. Thompson, J. B. Hurley, W. W. Peele, W. H. Brown, C. B. Culbreth, J. H. Buffaloe, Dr. L. L. Nash, J. J. Barker and M. H. Tuttle.

This was a fine attendance in view of the fact that Hamlet is so far from the real center of our Epworth League field. Leaguers were there from the extreme northern part of our Conference.

Officers for New Year

President, Mr. W. A. Graham, Warrenton; vice-president, Dr. D. M. Fields, Hertford; superintendent of first department, Mrs. H. B. Branch, Wilmington; superintendent of second department, Rev. J. M. Ormond, Hillsboro; superintendent of third department, Miss Gertrude Royster, Raleigh; superintendent of fourth department, Prof. W. A. Bryan, Durham; secretary, Miss Lizzie Hancock, New Bern; treasurer, Mr. E. A. Palmgren, Wilmington; superintendent of Knights of Ezelah, Rev. H. A. Humble, Kinston; superintendent of Girls of Epworth, Miss Annie Johnson, Selma; superintendent of Junior League, Mrs. W. A. Cade, Bridgeton; Epworth League editor of Advocate, Rev. W. A. Cade, Bridgeton.

Recommendations Passed by the Conference

1. That the executive committee be empowered to devise means of putting a field secretary to work by September 1, 1915, and that this committee have the authority to employ a suitable man, if the funds are found to be available.

2. That the missionary pledge for this year be the same as last year (1,000); providing, however, that if a Field Secretary is employed and we cannot finance this on the outside we will subtract $250 for that purpose; the Central Office having approved such action.

3. Every district organize and hold an institute in each district.

4. An Epworth League Union in every town or city where there are two or more Leagues. Report every union and district to Central Office.

5. At least one Epworth League in every pastoral charge; special efforts being made to establish Junior Leagues and Camps of Knights of Ezelah and Girls of Epworth.

6. The Conference budget to include the Africa Special, the Chapter Membership Fee, and the Anniversary Day Offering, all funds passing through the hands of the treasurer of the Conference Epworth League.

7. Loyal co-operation with the Central Office in regard to the schedule of dates and the program for 1916 Conference.

8. That each League endeavor to send a delegate to the League Training Conference at Junaluska this summer.

9. Fifty per cent. increase in circulation of the Era. Publication of Conference Journal showing statistical tables prepared by the Central Office.

10. That duplicate quarterly reports be made, one copy to be sent to the Conference Secretary and the other copy to the District Secretary.

11. That all chapters and all members co-operate with the League Editor of the Raleigh Christian Advocate by reading the Epworth League column and sending frequent correspondence to the editor.

12. The publication of a Conference Journal and Year Book and that the necessary funds be paid out of the Conference treasury.

FROM WEST MARKET STREET, GREENSBORO, LEAGUE

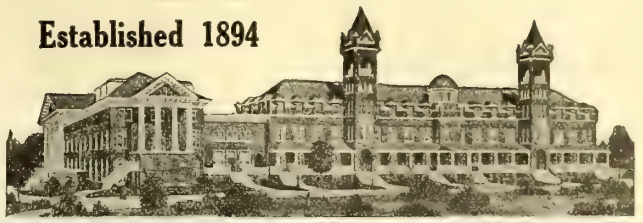
Our League is enjoying greater prosperity this year than it has for several years. The attendance is improving; more interesting programs are being rendered; and greater interest is being manifested by many of the members. Much credit for the development of our League is due the superintendents of the several departments, who are as follows: first department, Mr. E. Lyman Scott; second department, Mrs. R. M. Browning; third department, Mr. W. R. Shearer; fourth department, Miss May Hendrix.

Our League Conference at Lake Junaluska has been given much publicity in our League recently and it is probable that several of our members will attend.

We observed Anniversary Day the last Sunday evening in May. Dr. E. L. Bain, of Winston-Salem, president of our League Conference, preached the sermon for the occasion and greatly interested and impressed all who heard him. Special music was furnished by a choir of about thirty Leaguers. Notwithstanding the inclement weather, a good audience was present and several who attended this service have since joined the League. The publicity thus given our League has been of great value in many ways.

Monday evening, June 28th, a very interesting triangular debate was held under the auspices of the missionary department. The subject was: "Which is the most effective method of carrying on missionary work—educational, medical, or evangelistic?" All the speeches were very interesting and showed careful preparation on the part of the contestants. The Judges, Mrs. R. M. Browning, Mrs. C. H. Ireland, and Dr. E. L. Stamey, decided in fa-

Established 1894



BLACKSTONE COLLEGE FOR GIRLS

JAMES CANNON, Jr., A. M., D. D., President.

Faculty of 33; 427 Students, from 20 States. Accredited by Virginia State Board of Education. Hundreds of graduates now teaching.

$160 per year in Academic Dept.; $200 per year in College Dept.

The Leading Training School for Girls in Virginia

Where can parents find a College with as fine a record, with as experienced management, at such moderate cost? For catalogue address

G. P. ADAMS, Secretary, BLACKSTONE, VA.

DAVIDSON COLLEGE



A First Rank College For Men

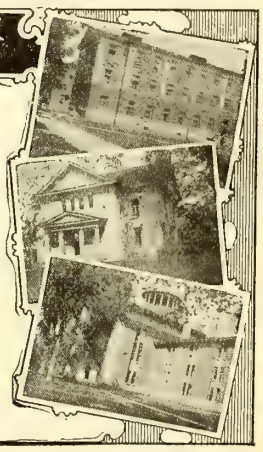
Davidson, N. C.

Established in 1837. Highly advanced in work and equipment. Places profound emphasis on thorough scholarship, clean manhood and Christian character. Offers young men unusual opportunity for educational development.

$650,000 resources. 13 modern buildings. Library of 24,586 volumes. Five laboratories. Infirmary. Commodious dormitories. Ideally located for health, social life and freedom from undesirable influences.

High standard courses leading to degrees of B. A., B. S. and M. A. Instructors of character and learning. Physical training part of course, prescribed to rectify individual faults. Attendance over 300. 14 States represented. 1915 Session opens Sept. 2nd. For Catalogue, address

The Registrar, Davidson College, Davidson, N. C.



LOW SUMMER RATES

King's Business College INCORPORATED



$40 Pays for an unlimited life scholarship in either the Commercial, Shorthand or Stenotypy Department. Enter now and **save $10** on one course or **$17** on the combined course. This is not commonplace exaggeration, but emphasis on the already well known fact that this is the *most representative, most reliable* business college in North Carolina—*backed by skill, honor, merit and capital.* A licensed business College—vouched for by the State.

Write for free catalog and new College Journal.

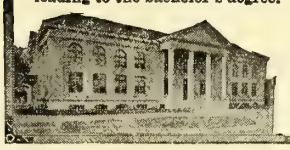
KING'S BUSINESS COLLEGE

RALEIGH, N. C. CHARLOTTE, N. C.

TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 : : : : CHARTERED 1859

A Southern institution of established national reputation. Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.



Large endowment fund makes possible complete, first-class equipment; full faculty of able, well-chosen instructors; beautiful campus, new buildings, modern laboratories, splendid library. Comfortable, inexpensive dormitories. For catalogue and illustrated booklet, address

R. L. Flowers, Sec. to the Corporation, Durham, N. C.

NORMAL AND COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE

FOR YOUNG WOMEN — Asheville, N. C.

Offers a four years teachers' course and four year Collegiate Course at minimum rates. Splendid advantages in music. Practical training in sewing, cooking and household management. In "The Land of the Sky." Beautiful surroundings, magnificent equipment, perfect health conditions. 16 expert teachers. Board and tuition, per year, $100. Next session opens, Sept. , 1915. For Catalogue, address EDWARD P. CHILDS, Pres., Asheville, N. C.



PEACE INSTITUTE — FOR YOUNG WOMEN



AN ideal Christian Home School. Preparatory and Collegiate courses. Art, Expression, Physical Culture, Pedagogy, Domestic Science, Business, etc. Conservatory of Music. High standard maintained by large staff of experienced, college trained instructors. Takes only 100 boarders and teaches the individual. Unsurpassed health record. Brick buildings. Steam heat. Electric lights. Excellent table. Good Gymnasium. Park-like campus. Concerts, lectures, tennis, basketball. Write for our catalog before selecting the college for your daughter.

GEORGE J. RAMSEY, M. A., LL. D., President. Raleigh, N. C.

GREENSBORO NURSERIES

AGENTS WANTED

For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.

JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

vor of the medical method . Mr. E. Lyman Scott and Miss Janey Mitchell represented the evangelistic method; Mr. G. F. Roberson and Miss Helen Preyer, the medical; and Mr. R. R. Mitchell and Miss Fannie Hendrix, the educational. The papers of as many of these debaters as can be secured will be published on our League Page at an early date.

We do not think our League reporters and officers are doing their duty by our League editor and our cause in general by never letting us hear from them through our League page in the Advocate. You shall hear from West Market, Greensboro, again in the near future. Reporter.

THE LITTLE THINGS

It is often the little things of life which brighten existence most.

A smile, a cordial handshake, a gentle, kindly word. We cannot measure their value, but they make up the sunshine of life.

It is also true that the little and inexpensive conveniences are the source of much of our comfort and health.

Mentholatum is one of these little household conveniences which fits into many emergencies.

Is it sunburn, an insect bite or sting, a bruise or burn?—Mentholatum brings relief and comfort.

Is it a head cold, difficult breathing, cold sores, a headache?—Again Mentholatum, the ready relief.

In almost any case of external inflammation this cleanly, convenient and efficient counter irritant serves to relieve the pain and hasten restoration.

In millions of homes the Mentholatum jar is a highly appreciated family friend.

FRECKLES

Now Is the Time to Get Rid of These Ugly Spots

There's no longer the slightest need of feeling ashamed of your freckles, as the prescription othine—double strength—is guaranteed to remove these homely spots.

Simply get an ounce of othine—double strength—from any druggist and apply a little of it night and morning and you should soon see that even the worst freckles have begun to disappear, while the lighter ones have vanished entirely. It is seldom that more than an ounce is needed to completely clear the skin and gain a beautiful clear complexion.

Be sure to ask for the double strength othine as this is sold under guarantee of money back if it fails to remove freckles



YOU ARE BURNING MONEY

when you buy a coal that burns riotously like shavings, wasting its heat far up the chimney in long flame, dense smoke and troublesome soot, and is quickly reduced to ashes.

Clinchfield Domestic Coal burns like a hickory back-log, giving a short flame and a bed of *intensly hot* coals of wonderful *lasting* quality that radiate their heat into every nook and corner of the room. Hard, clean, lumpy, easily kindled. Holds fire overnight, saving labor and kindling bills. By far the most *economical* and satisfactory fuel for open grates, stoves and residence furnaces of all types. No trouble from clinkers and choked flues.

Clip this ad and save it or write today for literature, freight rate and low summer prices on cars of from 30 to 50 tons each direct from the mines.

Clinchfield Fuel Co.

Desk 12 Spartanburg, S. C.

"THE COAL OF HIGH HEAT VALUE"

Our Dead

SMITH—Sister Mary E. Smith, widow of the late Alfred Smith, was born June 17, 1834; died June 19, 1915, aged 81 years and two days. She was born and reared in Montgomery county, this state. She was married to Alfred Smith December 6th, 1853. To this union were born seven children, six of whom are still living, one little boy having died in infancy.

She was a woman of noble character and was held in high esteem by all who knew her. She was ever ready to lend a helping hand to those who needed her assistance, and was ever ready to forgive a wrong and commend the right in those with she came in contact, and was ready and willing at all times to extend the hand of charity to all. She was a faithful wife and when we say "mother" she was all this word implies. She professed faith in Christ more than fifty years ago, and served Him faithfully for all these years. She felt it her duty to become a member of the church but hesitated until last Tuesday, when she was received into the Methodist church at Jackson Hill. She was very much interested in her children, always giving them good advice, asking them to live right and meet her in heaven. She was sick eight days and suffered a great deal, but was patient through it all, never uttering a word of complaint, but trusting implicitly in her Lord. Her body was laid to rest in the cemetery at Clear Springs to await the resurrection of the just. May God richly bless the family and friends of Sister Smith. Her pastor,

C. C. Williams.

JORDAN—Marcellus Jordan, son of Marcellus and Maria Jordan, was born in the city of Greensboro Feb. 13, 1834, and died at the home of his son in Mount Airy, N. C., May 31st, 1915. His wife, who preceded him to the heavenly home by nine years, was, before marriage Miss, Mary Macon Thomas, of Louisburg, N. C., a sister of the late Rev. J. C. Thomas, of the North Carolina Conference. There were born to this union two sons, Wm. M. Jordan of Mt. Airy, and Isaac J. Jordan of Greensboro.

In the early days of the North Carolina railroad, Brother Jordan was one of its well-known conductors, he having been on the run from Greensboro to Charlotte for more than twenty years. He never lost a passenger nor got the company in any law suit.

He was a life long Methodist, having joined the church in Greensboro in early life. At the time of his edath he was at the head of West Market's chronological roll. He had read the Bible through many times. Earlier in life he served his church as steward and in other capacities. He was a quiet, unostentatious Christian, and died in full hope of the Christian's reward.

His pastor, Dr. C. W. Byrd, assisted by the writer, conducted the funeral exercises from West Market St. church, and his body now sleeps by the side of that of his wife in Green Hill cemetery.

W. H. Willis.

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO

ROBT. W. MURRAY

GENERAL INSURANCE

Greensboro, North Carolina

308½ South Elm St.

Phone 163

Standard Form Collection Envelopes

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

HOLT'S CHAPEL

FOR PASTOR'S SALARY

AMOUNT

Name ..... | Dollars | Cents |

Date ..... *191*....

MISSIONS AND ONFERENE COLLECTIONS

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

MOUNT ZION CHURCH

Name ..... | Dollars | Cents |

Date .....

$1.90 for 1000, delivered

$1.40 for additional 1000, delivered

FOR EITHER FORM

This price is based on using the above forms, changing name of church only. The large envelope is manila, and of the quality regularly used for Pastor's Salary collections. The small envelope can be furnished in white, green or cherry. Its difference in color and size from the Pastor's Salary form makes it ideal for Missions and Conference Collections.

If special form is desired the price will average $2.40 for the first 1000, and $1.40 for additional 1000's, delivered.

Special rates on large quantities.

The Advocate Press, Greensboro, N. C.

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective April 18th, 1915

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester.....Lv.	7 43 a m	12 05 p m			
Yorkville..... "	8 29	1 55			
Gastonia ..... "	9 24!	4 00			
Gastonia ..... "					
Lincolnton ..... "	10 15	5 30			
Newton..... "	10 55	6 15			
Hickory ..... "	12 05 p m	7 05	1 00 p m	6 45 a m	
Lenoir..... "	1 08	8 20	2 04	8 30	
Lenoir..... "	2 00x				
Mortimer..... "	3 17				
Edgemont.....Ar.	3 27				

Southbound	NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Edgemont.....Lv.	10 00 a m				
Mortimer ..... "	10 08				
Lenoir ..... "	11 20!				
Lenoir..... "	1 35 p m	6 00 a m	8 15 a m		
Hickory ..... "	2 35	7 15	9 12		
Newton..... "	3 05	8 00			
Lincolnton ..... "	3 43	8 55			
Gastonia..... "	4 30	10 28			
Gastonia..... "	5 00x	11 00			
Yorkville..... "	5 47	12 28 p m			
Chester.....Ar.	6 35	2 15			

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. **CHESTER, S. C.**

Children's Home

Fifth Sunday Collections

St. Paul's S. S., Cherryville charge, M. P. Harleson, $1.65; Monroe S. S., W. B. Hinson, $1.51; Davis Chapel S. S., Haywood Ct., R. C. Kirk, $1.27; East End S. S., High Point, W. H. Davis, $3.03; Mt. Grove S. S., Table Rock, F. M. Kincaid, $6.25; Smith Grove S. S., Farmington, R. M. Foster, $1.30; Bethlehem church, Claremont, R. M. Morrow, 64c; J. E. Taylor, High Point, R. 1, $3.60; Polkville S. S., Lattimore, A. B. C. DePriest, $2.42; Mt. Zion S. S., Clyde, J. F. Rogers, Supt., $4.14; Bethel S. S., Cabarrus, W. I. Hughes, $1.00; Sedge Garden S. S., Kernersville, W. H. Manuel, $2.00. Total, $28.81.

Amount Received on General and Special Support and the Ten Per Cent. Assessment

"A friend," $5.00; High Shoals S. S., $43.39; Granite Falls charge, Rev. W. V. Honeycutt, $20.00; West Concord Ct., Rev. R. K. Brady, $4.25; Bethel S. S., Cabarrus, W. I. Hughes, $6.00; C. M. Grier, Macon. Ga., $30.00; G. F. Dry, Hickory, S. S. not given, $14.88; Bethel church, Asheville, Rev. J. C. Harmon, $30.00. Total, $113.52.

Building Fund

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Creveling, Mount Airy, $5.00; Mrs. M. L. Edwards, Mount Ulla, $1.00; J. M. Niven, $5.00; Public Collection, $4.80; H. G. Clark, $3.00; Rev. O. E. Cunningham, $3.00; Mrs. R. Sanford, $1.00, all of Waxhaw; H. A. Shute, $10.00; J. R. Shute, $10.00; Dr. J. E. Ashcraft, $5.00; H. B. Adams, Jr., $5.00; public collection, $4.11, all of Monroe; J. M. Johnson, Greensboro, $10.00; "Two friends," Salisbury, $2.00; Dr. T. A. Hathcock, Norwood, $25.00. Total, $118.91.

A SABBATH AT STATESVILLE—ZIGZAGGING

Statesville was the objective point, and we were both going, but not exactly at the same time, and both wished to visit intervening points on the way. Of late we have been going separately part of the time and running on different schedules. Sometimes the lines of travel would intersect, and we would travel separately. It is not necessary for me to say who the other party or the "we" is. She on a recent Friday evening left Winston-Salem for Statesville, but stopped off and spent a night and day in Mocksville. On the Saturday evening following I started from the same depot and we met on the same line of travel at the Mocksville depot, and went together for a few miles, and then, after "a few words," we parted at Cooleemee junction. She went on, but stopped off and spent two nights and a Sabbath at Woodleaf with friends among whom we had spent two very pleasant years, and reached the point of her destination on Monday morning. I, stopping at the junction, spent a Sabbath and two other days at Cooleemee with Brother Short, the pastor, did the work for the Advocate recently reported in the paper, and went back to Winston-Salem, and kept quiet for a few days.

On the following Friday I started anew from the same point she did, but stopped off at Mocksville and spent a night and day as she did. On Saturday, with Brother Shore, the pastor of the circuit, did some efficient service for the paper, and put your list for Mocksville in much better shape by marking forward renewals and adding some new subscriptions, and reached Statesville that night, where she and I met again.

I spent the Sabbath in the morning service with Brother Kirk, pastor of Broad Street church, and spent two days and a half in behalf of the Advocate, making a pretty thorough canvass of the city, and sent you a good list of renewals and some new ones. This territory (I mean the church in Statesville) is pretty well occupied and no great deal could be done except to right up your list. This was pretty thoroughly done, excepting the rural lists, which will be done later.

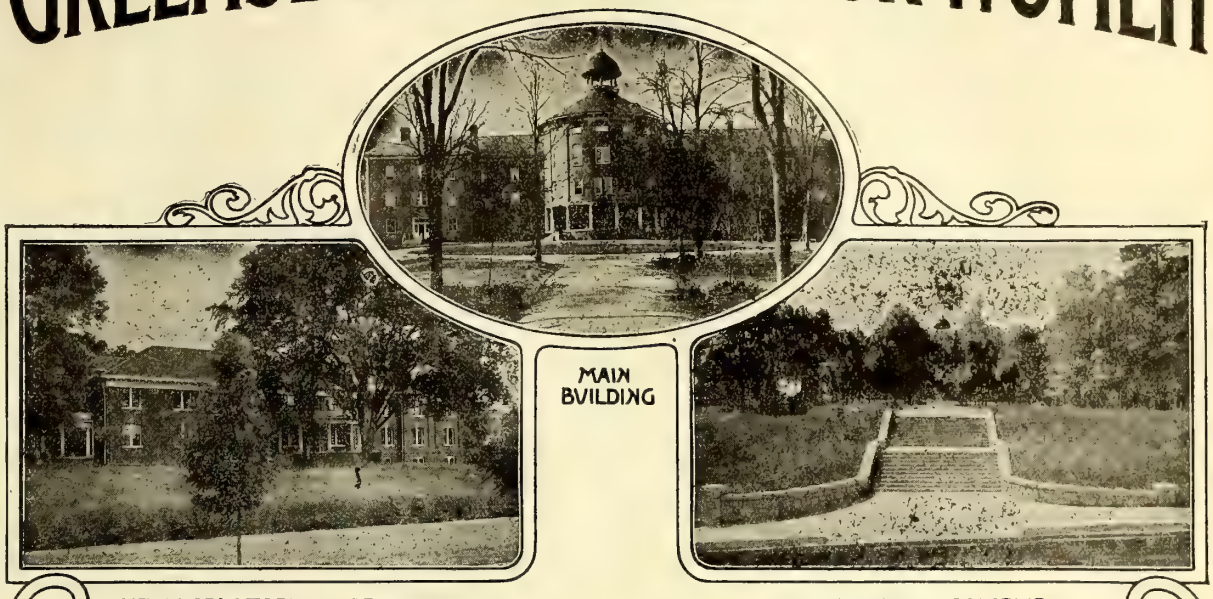
On Monday we began the homeward journey. I started on the morning train, stopped off at Cleveland and canvassed the town for the paper. She started on the afternoon train and we met at the Cleveland depot and traveled together as far as Woodleaf, and, after a few more words, we parted again. She went on to Winston-Salem, and I spent the rest of the day and a night and morning at Woodleaf. Accomplishing what could be done there, I went, in company with Brother Kennedy, the pastor of that circuit, to Cooleemee again, and with Brother Short finished up the work I failed to do three weeks before; spent a night, and took my homeward journey on the morning train, but stopped off at Mocksville, made a detour in the country with Brother Shore, the circuit pastor, got dinner and a $6.00 check from one of your best but tardy patrons, resumed my journey on the afternoon train, and soon our meandering zigzag lines of travel met at 304 Hollywood, Winston-Salem, and we met at home again.

During this month of dodging about, I have met many people and done a great deal of service for the paper. This, however, does not appear in the lists of renewals and new subscriptions sent in, nor altogether in the checks accompanying them. It will more fully appear later in the fruits that will come to the paper in the way of new additions to those lists, for I have many promises and prospects in waiting. You may look for them a little later.

In my travels I called on Brother Hoyle, pastor of Mocksville station, several times. When I first met him, a little more than three Sundays ago, he was confined to his bed and unable to fill his appointment on the following Sabbath. He preached on the next Sunday but was hardly able to do so. On last Sabbath he conducted the sacramental service, and attended preaching by Rev. Dr. H. K. Boyer at night, but reported his condition as rather worse. His congregation has given him a vacation of a month or more, but it is not known yet that he will take it.

James Willson.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY – FITZGERALD HALL

ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

The Sunday School Lesson

THIRD QUARTER—LESSON II
July 11, 1915

SOLOMON ANOINTED KING
I Kings 1:1 to 2:12

Golden Text—Know thou the God of thy father, and serve him with a perfect heart and with a willing mind. I Chron. 28:9.

Summary of the Lesson

Two men were talking about the vicissitudes of royalty. "A crown is a strange thing," said one of them; "it may unite a nation, but it is likely to divide the members of the king's family."

Our study today lifts the curtain upon two men, each aspiring for the throne of Israel. Adonijah is cleverly plotting to secure the allegiance of the people before the death of David. The friends of Solomon, by a quick bit of strategy to which the king consents—indeed by the king's very order—secure the anointing of Solomon and thus bring to nothing all of Adonijah's mounting dreams.

The Aged King

Wordsworth has somewhere a fine characterization of serenity united with advancing years:

"Calm did he sit under the wide-spread tree of his old age,
His was the still contentedness of his seventy years."

David was an old man, but he cannot be said to have lived in an atmosphere which was characterized by serenity. The subtle movement of court intrigue was all about him. Anticipating his death, men were working out their own plans for the future of the kingdom.

It is a hard day in a man's life when he realizes that he is quietly being set aside. Men still include him in their courtesies, but they do not include him in the plans which matter most. He has been put upon a side line, and quite helplessly he watches the great express go rushing by.

David had been a man of quick and decisive action. He had been a man whose power had made itself constantly felt from center to circumference of the kingdom. Now he felt that his powers were waning. He also felt that those about him were conscious of his loosening hold upon life. The old lion would have few more fights. Probably he would have no more fights at all. He was drowsy and had lost the fire out of his eye. To be sure there might come a sudden flash of the old power for command. Men had by no means come to the place where they felt that it was safe to ignore David; but in the main they treated him with the respect which you give to age, rather than the awed respect you give to dominant power.

If there was something galling about all this to a man of David's temperament, he was built on too large a pattern to allow it to embitter his old age. He felt that his work was nearly done. He had played a great part in the life of his people. Once he had been possessed of the strength which grasps and holds. Now he must be possessed of the strength which relinquishes. With a subdued but unbroken spirit he accepted the limitations of old age. This quiet was a prelude to the greater quiet in the shadowy land beyond.

The Plot of Adonijah

Adonijah was not contented with being a prince. He wanted to be a king. He was probably the oldest living son of David. He had a pleasing presence and winning ways. He was possessed of some of David's energy without having David's character. When he understood that his father had chosen another son as his successor he decided to see what he could do for himself. He gathered able and influential men about him. He made himself very popular with the people. He took upon himself the ways of the heir apparent and almost the ways of the king. The climax of all this was a great feast at which he gathered his supporters about him and received the honor due to the king.

Adonijah seems to have been another Absalom, not quite so handsome, not quite so brilliant, not quite so fascinating, but quite as ambitious. He did not hesitate to be disloyal to his father. He tried to win the people away from his father's choice. If he had cared profoundly for the good of the nation he would have seen that the one thing just then supremely important was to get the man his father had chosen firmly seated upon the throne. He would have placed the stability of the nation above his personal desires. He would have placed loyalty to David above personal ambition. The plot of Adonijah itself proves that he was unfit to rule.

The saddest spectacle in the world is a nation whose leaders are mere masters of political intrigue and are quite without deep moral purpose and wide patriotic vision. The method of Adonijah, if successful, meant that clever manipulation and subtle intringue would be lifted to the place of power in the nation's life.

The man of influence in many an American community is tempted to be more concerned about the maintaining of his power than the right use of it. Men find it very much easier to be manipulators than to be leaders. Adonijah's feast with its hearty comradeship, and its shouting enthusiasm, and its complete lack of moral or patriotic perspective, has been repeated in many ages and in many lands.

"Long Live King Solomon!"

The strategy of David was the answer to the plot of Adonijah. The aged king was brought to realize the actual situation, and directed that while Adonijah was feasting with his friends Solomon should be anointed king. The command was immediately carried out, and soon the air was resounding with the cries of the people as they shouted "Long live King Solomon!"

In all this Solomon himself seems rather a passive participant. We see the activity of Bathsheba and of Nathan, but Solomon does not seem to be taking any aggressive part in what is going on. It is a relief, after the pushing, wily, unscrupulous activities of Absalom and Adonijah, to find Solomon made king by the command of his father, and as a result of the activites of his friends, and not by means of his own machinations.

To David this day must have represented the passing of an epoch. He had known what it was to be the recipient of resounding and loyal popular applause. He had captured men's hearts as few are able to capture them. He had been a popular hero, the best loved man in his nation.

Now an old man at the edge of life, he listened to the wild plaudits which greeted the anointing of his son. His had passed. The day of another had had come.

Did David indulge in sad, or misanthropic, or bitter thoughts on this day when another man had stepped into the center of the picture? Instead of of that he made it a day of solemn rejoicing. "And also thus said the king, Blessed be Jehovah, the God of Israel, who hath given me to sit on my throne this day, mine eyes even seeing it."

In that fine poem "My Triumph," Whittier wrote:

"Others shall sing the song,
Others shall right the wrong,—
Finish what I begin,
And all I fail of win.

"What matter, I or they?
Mine or another's day,
So the right word be said
And life the sweeter made?

"Hail to the coming singers!
Hail to the brave light-bringers!
Forward I reach and share
All that they sing and dare."

David belonged to that noble company of men able to rejoice in the thought of what others will do when their own work is done.

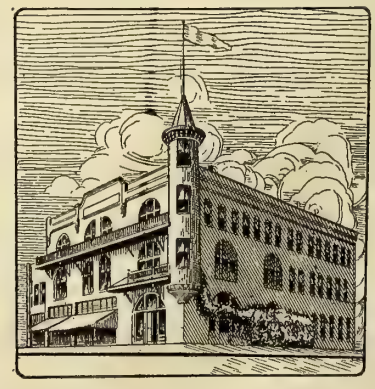
The Clemency of Solomon

Adonijah's feast was strangely interrupted. The sound of the rejoicing in the city fell upon the ears of the prince and his friends. Soon tidings came to them of the anointing of Solomon and of the universal satisfaction of the people with the king David had chosen. So Adonijah's plot fell with a sudden and complete collapse. His friends moved furtively away, and Adonijah was left to face his fate.

In terror he went and seized the horns of the altar. Too well he knew that there would be those who would advise Solomon to begin his day of power by the slaying of the brother whose dangerous rivalry so nearly cost him the throne, and the heart of Adonijah may have whispered to him that had he been in power Solomon's life would have been worth very little. He sought the safety that a place bound about with all the sanctities of religion would give him, and waited to hear the verdict of Solomon.

It was not in the heart of Solomon to inaugurate his reign by a deed of blood which would leave his own brother lifeless. He sent a message of encouragement and a promise of safety to Adonijah. If that prince would be a loyal man and would cease from plotting all would be well.

Christian de Wet recently attempted to lead a rebellion in South Africa. It was treason of the gravest sort. The last terrible penalty is the price men have paid for such offenses, but the verdict has not sent Christian de Wet to the grave. The old man's punishment was meted out by a hand ready with acts of mercy as well as with deeds of firm and steel-like strength. The loyalty of South Africa in the present struggle has been secured by a government in which vigor and stern might are tempered by patience and understanding sympathy and clemency. One day we will learn that the power of a kindly humanity is greater than the power of a quick flashing sword.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in New York Christian Advocate.



BLUE RIDGE INN
Mount Airy, N. C. W. M. Jordan, Prop.
Mount Airy's Leading Hotel

Rates $2.00 and $2.50—All meals 50 cents—Electric Lights, Steam Heat, Electric Bell System, Hot and Cold Baths—American plan—A clean up-to-date home for the tourist or traveling man, in a beautiful mountain city.

"WHERE ARE THE DEAD?" by Rev. Len G. Broughton, D. D. Agents wanted. Outfit sent on receipt of 20 cts. Best Terms. Credit given; Express paid. Complete book 427 pages post-paid to any one on receipt of price $1.50. Endorsed by Ministers of all denominations. R. L. PHILLIPS PUBLISHING COMPANY, Atlanta, Ga., Department 3.

This Hose Lasts Longer Than Others

Goodyear-Akron Lawn Hose lasts longer than others because it is made to do that. It is made by the makers of the famous Goodyear Automobile Tires. Composed of five layers of alternate new, live rubber and strongest braided cotton. Absolutely seamless. The thick corrugated outer coat, with its six extra large rubber ribs, does away with twisting and kinking. They add immensely to its life.

GOODYEAR AKRON
Lawn Hose

Buy Your Garden Tools Here
We Have Everything You Need

ODELL
Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL
FLORAL
DESIGNS
Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses
HOWARD GARDNER
Proprietor
GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345
DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF
STOMACH AND INTESTINES
121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland
108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

Our Little Folks' Department

THE JACK RABBIT PIE

Is everything really ready, mother dear? And do you think the girls are going to act friendly and have a good time right away and forget that they do not know me very well?"

"I do not see how they can help it, Blanche, with so much done for their pleasure. I have put the jack rabbit pie upon a little low table in the dining room. The brown paper 'crust' looks quite real. The big table is lovely with its vase of jonquils in the center and a single flower at each little girl's plate. The cakes are shaped like rabbits, roosters, and hens, and you have no idea what cute favors are in the jack rabbit pie."

"Mother, may I peep just a minute?"

"Yes, while I hide the candy eggs about the house; then you must dress."

Blanche's family had lately moved from Texas; hence the jack rabbit, instead of the Jack Horner, idea for the pie.

While her mother curled her hair, Blanche was busy with questions. "Where did you find such a lovely big stuffed rabbit, so pure-white? The lining of his ears exactly matches his beautiful pink necktie, and he stands so high and proud in the middle of the pie, with the narrow pink ribbons stretching out around him! When the girls pull them I do hope they will be pleased. I wish Tar Baby could have a necktie like the white rabbit. I am afraid she will be jealous. Did you have any of the ribbon left, mother?"

"In the top drawer, dearie. I must go now to see if the ice cream has come."

Tar Baby, a handsome white Angora cat, was soon decorated but quickly released at the beginning of delightful, exciting rings at the doorbell.

Blanche politely showed the little girls to her room, where they took off their wraps; then each one was given a dear little fancy basket for the egg hunt. These were filled and the prize awarded; but it was as Blanche had feared; the little girls were timid and stiff with her, and she felt what she was, a stranger in their midst.

She had really counted upon Tar Baby to help with the entertaining, for that precious cat could shake hands, sit up, and make herself in many ways agreeable; but Blanche had been so busy trying to be extra nice to her guests that she had forgotten all about Tar Baby.

Where was she? Neither mother nor the cook had seen her; and Blanche, deciding that even Tar Baby had grown timid, led the way to the dining room, hoping that daddy might come early to help her "break the ice."

One glance through the dining room door revealed the missing Tar Baby. In the center of the pie, with the white rabbit hugged tight in her paws, she stood amidst a tangle of ribbons. At the chorus of delighted shrieks she jumped and ran, dragging her innocent rival by his pink-lined ears. Under the table, around the chairs, through the hall and parlor the Tar Baby sped, the little girls after her. Sashes became untied, hair ribbons fell off, and Blanche was dubbed "Cinderella" because she lost a slipper.

Tar Baby, with her soiled, bedraggled burden, a rival to be feared no longer, was finally captured in the laundry after a chase down the back stairs.

Fortunately, the tiny china rabbits, hens and roosters, the contents of the jack rabbit pie, were unharmed. They were distributed by a breathless Blanche just as daddy came in the front door. But the ice was broken. —Mattie Lee Hausgen.

THE LOST BABY

"Which one of you will look after baby until Sarah finishes her work in the kitchen?" asked Mrs. Brown, coming into the room where Bobby and Roberta were deeply absorbed in a new game, a toddling, golden-haired baby clinging to her fingers.

"I will, mamma," said Roberta, glancing up from the game and reaching out a hand to the baby.

"We'll both look after her, mamma," answered Bobby, also reaching a hand to the little toddler.

Mamma Brown slipped out, pulling the door shut very gently, failing to latch it in her anxiety to get away without baby seeing.

The children stopped playing for a few moments; then, having gotten the baby amused with some toys, they returned to their game. It was very interesting, and neither looked up again until Sarah came in and wanted to know where her lamb was.

Both children sprang up with a cry of surprise. The baby was nowhere in sight.

"The door wasn't fastened," said Sarah, looking at them accusingly.

"But the darling was here just a moment ago, I'm sure," cried Roberta and Bobby in a breath.

They rushed into the hall, calling: "'Baby, baby, Toddles, where are you?"

Sarah ran in one direction and the children in another; but when they met again ten minutes later no sign of the baby had been found.

,"O, you bad children!" moaned Sarah, wringing her hands.

Bobby and Roberta were both in tears, their eyes big and frightened. Together they went through the house again and again, calling, "Baby, baby!" but no baby voice answered. Finally they went out and searched the coal house, the cellar and all the most unlikely places in which a baby might have been found.

Mamma Brown returned just as the searching party came back from the cellar. Sarah's face was very pale, and Roberta was sobbing outright.

"O, what is the matter?" asked Mrs. Brown.

"The baby is lost, mamma," answered Bobby chokingly.

With a little cry, Mrs. Brown flew past them up the stairway toward the room in which she had left her baby. Just as she reached it, with the others close behind, a funny little gurgle came from behnd the doo", and, makng a rush toward the noise, the four looked down on a half-awakened baby curled upon the puppy's rug. When Sarah had pushed the door open it had hidden the little sleeper, and none of them had thought to search the room.

Mamma snatched up the baby and smiled faintly. "Did you forget about her, dears?" she asked.

They nodded mutely.

"But you needn't be afraid, mamma," Bobby said after a moment, "that we'll ever forget again—need she, Roberta?"

"No," said Roberta so solemnly and sorrowfully that Mamma Brown put the baby in Sarah's arms and drew the two forgetful children into her own.—Beth S. Whitson.

JEAN'S NEW DESKMATE

Jean came hurrying in from school and, tossing her books aside, threw herself on the lounge in Mamma Anderson's sitting room and burst into tears.

Mamma Anderson dropped her sewing in amazement and hurried across the room to where her little daughter lay sobbing piteously.

"What is the matter, dear?" the mother questioned anxiously. "Are you ill? What has happened? Tell mamma."

Jean sobbed on for a moment or two, then sat up and pushed the tumbled hair away from her tear-stained face. "O mamma," she cried, her lips quivering, "Miss Hester moved Louise and gave me another deskmate today."

Mrs. Anderson gave a relieved little laugh. "Mamma is very glad to know that it is nothing more serious than that."

"How can you talk like that, mamma," asked Louise, her eyes filling again, "when Louise and I have been deskmates so long? Neither of us ever went with any one else."

"Well, perhaps that was the reason teacher thought best to separate you," answered Mrs. Anderson. "You will both make new friends now and still love each other."

"No, no," cried Jean; "we promised each other not to notice our new seatmates."

"How ridiculous!" smiled Mrs. Anderson. "What is yours like?"

"I don't know; I haven't looked at her," said Jean.

"Well, I believe I would take a good look at her tomorrow, at least," suggested Jean's mother, putting a loving arm about her little girl. "You can do this and still be loyal to Jean, and then you owe it to yourself to be polite and kind to her. Besides, you will get very lonely sitting by some one to whom you never speak."

"Y-e-s, it was lonesome today," acknowledged Jean hesitatingly. "You think it wouldn't be treating Louise wrong, mamma?"

"Not in the least," replied Mrs. Anderson. "It would be treating the other little girl wrong, though, if you should persist in being unfriendly.'

The next morning Jean looked her little deskmate over with a faint show of interest. She was so bright and sweet-looking, she seemed to fairly radiate sunshine, and Jean felt herself smiling withiut knowing why.

"You were lonesome for your old deskmate yesterday, I know," whispered the new one with a little twinkle in her blue eyes. "I'll try to be as nice as possible if you just won't frown at me as you did yesterday. I was really frightened."

Jean almost laughed outright. "I'll promise not to frown so hard, at least," she returned promptly.

At recess Louise came hurrying over, leading another happy-faced little girl. "This is my new deskmate, Jean," she said.

"And this is mine," smiled Jean. "Suppose we four go somewhere and eat all these nuts which mother insisted I should bring this morning. She must have guessed there would be four of us."

"I wonder how she guessed so well," said Louise as they ran down the steps into the sunshine.

"Mothers just seem to know things," smiled Jean's new deskmate.—Beth S. Whitson.

THEIR STRANGE GUEST

Jimmie was only six, but he knew what wolves were. He had loved to hear stories read about the wolves of the forest, and other stories in his books about Mr. Wolf and Mrs. Wolf; and there were pictures of Mr. Wolf in a cap and coat.

When one morning he heard his father say that Mr. Wolf was coming to dinner, Jimmie went away by himself and sat down to think it over. It seemed strange that one of these people right out of a story-book was coming to see father and mother.

He began to grow afraid. It seemed as if he could not meet this dreadful Mr. Wolf. When it was time for dinner, and the guests had arrived, Jimmie was nowhere to be seen. A thorough search was begun, and at last he was found hiding in a closet.

"Come out, Jimmie!" said his father. "What's the matter?"

"I'm afr-a-a-i-d of Mr. Wolf!" wailed Jimmie.

"Mr. Wolf won't hurt you. Come out!" And Jimmie was gently pulled into the room.

"See, here is Mr. Wolf! He's a good man, and likes little boys."

"Is that Mr. Wolf?" querried Jimmie, in great surprise.

"Yes, that is Mr. Wolf. What is there strange about him?"

Jimmie pulled down his father's head, and whispered in his ear. "Why, I didn't know he had a people's face!" —Selected.

THE NORTH CAROLINA
State Normal and Industrial College

Maintained by the State for the Women of North Carolina. Five regular Courses leading to degrees. Special Courses for teachers. Free tuition to those who agree to become teachers in the State. Fall Session begins September 15th, 1915. For catalogue and other information, address,

JULIUS I. FOUST, President
Greensboro, N. C.



OAK RIDGE, N. C.
J. ALLEN HOLT, Pres.
T. E. WHITAKER, Sec.-Treas.

For 63 years a leader in youths' education. Preparation that opens the way to bigger accomplishments, in College, Business and Life.

350 acres in campus, athletic grounds, orchards, and farm. Six modern school buildings. Steam heat and showers. Library. Active, well equipped Literary Societies. Healthful, accessible location, near Greensboro. More than 1000 feet above sea level. Sane moral influences and associates.

Courses thoroughly covering Literature and Science, Business, Teaching, Music, Athletics. Strong teachers, who know boys; discipline and government which appeals to their pride and manliness.

Cost Reasonable. Session opens September 7th, 1915.

Write early for illustrated catalogue.

Address
Oak Ridge Institute
Oak Ridge, N. C.



Standard
Memorial Windows
Made in High Point

Beautiful in design—strong in construction. Largest and oldest glass plant in the South. Capacity for any and all orders and prompt delivery. Satisfaction guaranteed. References—any of our old customers or any bank or banker in High Point. Write for catalog.

Standard Mirror Co.
High Point, N. C.



TAKE A KODAK WITH YOU
and **MAIL YOUR FILM TO ME**
I do Developing, Printing and Enlarging, returning all work within the shortest possible time. I give coupons for FREE enlargements. Send a trial order today. Write for sample prints and prices.
D. AUDLEY GOLD,
Box C Blacksburg, S. C.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A Wood, Presiding Elder Weaverville, N. C. Third Round

	June
Flat Rock, Upward	26-27
Tryon and Saluda	27
	July
Spring Creek, Balm Grove	3-4
Fairview, Patty's	10
Haywood Street, 11 a. m.	11
West Asheville, night	11
Walnut, Chapel Hill	17-18
Marshall and Hot Springs, Marshall, night	18
Weaverville Ct., South Fork	24
Black Mountain, Tabernacle	25
Sulphur Springs, Pisgah	31-August 1
	August
Biltmore, Mt. Pleasant	1
North Asheville, night	4
Swannanoa	7-8
Bethel, night	8

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C. Third Round

	June
Pineville Ct., Marvin	26-27
Calvary, night	27
	July
Tryon	4
Belmont, night	4
Weddington, Ct., Weddington	8
Waxhaw Ct., Pleasant Grove	9
Prospect Ct., Prospect	10
Monroe, Central	11
Matthews Ct., Bethel, 3 p. m.	11
Lilesville Ct., Shady Grove	14
Morven Ct., Union	16
Wadesboro	18
Ansonville Ct., Wightman	20
Polkton Ct.	23
Marshville Ct., Gilboa	24-25
North Monroe, night	25
Unionville Ct., Zion	26
Spencer Memorial	1
Dilworth, night	1
District Conference at Polkton, July 21-23	

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—James H. Weaver, Presiding Elder Greensboro, N. C. Third Round

	June
Pleasant Garden Ct., Bethlehem	26-27
Spring Garden	27-28
	July
West Greensboro, Grooms	3-4
Randolph, Pleasant Hill	10-11
Coleridge, Rehobeth	17-18
Ramseur & Franklinville, Ramseur,	18-19
Wesley Memorial, High Point	24-25
Main St., High Point	24-25
East End, High Point	24-25
Deep River Ct., White Hall	31-Aug. 1
	August
Randleman	1-2
Asheboro	1-2
Denton, Siloam	7-8
Uwharrie, Salem	8-9

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C. Third Round

	June
Table Rock, Linville	26-27
Morganton Station	27-28
	July
Broad River, Union	2
Green River, New Hope	3-4
Cliffside, Hollis	9
Forest City, Cedar Grove	10-11
Henrietta and Caroleen, Henrietta,	11-12
Rutherfordton, Gilkey	17-18
Morganton Ct., Denton	24-25
Connelly Springs, Warlicks	31-Aug. 1
	August
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Bakersville	7-8
Micaville, Shoal Creek	14-15
Bald Creek, Bald Creek	21-22
Burnsville	22-23
Marion Ct., Concord	28-29
District Conference at Gilkey, July 15-18	

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C. Third Round

	June
Danbury, Sandy Ridge	26-27
	July
Dobson	3-4
Pilot Mountain	10-11
Rural Hall	17-18
Yadkinville	24-25
Ararat	31
	August
Ararat	1
Mount Airy Circuit	7-8

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C. Third Round

	June
Elk Park, Elk Park	26-27
	July
Avery, Pisgah	1
Boone, Hopewell	3-4
Watauga, Hensens Chapel	10-11
Creston, Sutherland	17-18
Helton, Methodist Chapel	24-25
	August
Sparta, Cox's Chapel	July 31-1
Laurel Springs, Chestnut Hill	7-8
Jefferson, Bethany	14-15
District Conference at Elk Park, June 24-27.	

Revival Meetings

Watauga	July 6-15
Sparta	Juy 31-Aug. 6
Jefferson, Bethany	Aug. 9-15

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C. Third Round

	June
Albemarle, Central	27-28
Albemarle, First Street	27-28
Albemarle Circuit, Zear, 3 p. m.	26-27
	July
China Grove, 11 a. m.	4
Spencer, night	4
Salem Circuit, Salem	10-11
Mt. Pleasant Circuit, Center Grove,	11-12
Concord, Westford, 11 a. m.	18
Kannapolis Station, night	18
Kannapolis Circuit, Unity	24-25
New London Circuit	31-Aug. 1
	August
Gold Hill Circuit	1-2
Bethel and Loves Chapel	8-9

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C. Third Round

	June
King's Mountain	13
Polkville, Lee's	19-20
Belwood, St. Peter's	26-27
	July
Rock Spring, Rehobeth	3
Lincoln Ct., Ivey's Memorial	10
Lincolnton	11
Crouse	17
Stanly	18
South Fork	24
Lowesville, Hill's Chapel	27-29

District Conference at Lowesville July 27-29.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Lee T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C. Third Round

	June
Alexander Ct., Rocky Spring, 11 a. m.	26-27
Stony Point Ct., Midway, 3:30 p. m.,	27-28
	July
Maiden Ct., Friendship, 11 a. m.,	3-4
Newton St., Newton, night	4-5
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 11 a. m.,	10-11
Davidson St., Davidson, night	11-12
Troutman Ct., Knox Chapel, 11 a. m.	17-18
Mooresville St., Mooresville, night,	18-19
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 11 a. m.,	24-25
Cool Spring Ct., Rose Chapel, 11 a. m.	24-25
Iredell Ct., Macedonia, 11 a. m.	25-26
Broad Street St., Broad St., 11 a. m.	25-26
Race Street St., Race St., 11 a. m.,	25-27
	August
Hickory Ct., Pisgah, 11 a. m.,	1-2

The Sunday School Institute and the District Conference of the Statesville District will be held in Broad Street church, Statesville, July 28-31. Wednesday, July 28th, will be devoted to the Sunday school institute. The institute will open promptly at 10 o'clock, a. m., on that day. We earnestly urge every Sunday school superintendent and every pastor in the district to be present at that hour. There will be something doing every minute. You cannot afford to miss a single item on this program.

The work of the district conference will follow that of the institute. Let every delegate, all the pastors, local preachers, and charge lay leaders be present when the roll is called; and we insist that all the members of the Conference remain until we adjourn on Saturday.

The congregations of Broad Street and Race Street churches will provide abundant entertainment, and we desire the fullest possible attendance.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, R. F. D. 2, Asheville, N. C. Third Round

	June
Webster, Dillsboro	26-27
Sylva Station	27
Glenville, Ct., Glenville	30
	July
Highlands, Cashiers	1
Bryson and Whittier, Bryson City	3-4
Judson Ct., Judson	4-5
Robbinsville, Trinity	6-7
Murphy Ct., Ogden	10-11
Hayesville, Tusquity	17-18
Ranger, Martins Creek	23
Murphy Station	25
Andrews Station	31-Aug. 1
	August
Franklin Ct., Clarks Chapel	7-8
Franklin Station, Maiden Chapel	8
Macon Ct.,	15

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C. Third Round

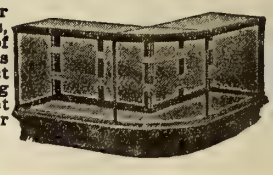
	June
Jackson Hill, Macedonia	26-27
	July
Davie, Center	3-4
Mocksville	2-4
Advance, Advance	10-11
West End, night	11
Lewisville, Union	17-18
Salem, night	18
Farmington, Bethlehem	24-25
Cooleemee, night	25
Kernersville, Shady Grove	31-Aug. 1

Williams Private Sanatorium FOR DRUGS and WHISKEY

TERMS: Drugs $125 Flat. Whiskey $100 Flat. Women patients pay a small sum extra for nurse. B. M. WILLIAMS, M. D., Greensboro, N. C. Reference, Amr Exchange Nat'l Bank, Greensboro, N. C.

Show Cases Direct From Factory

The Famous Gurley Show Cases cannot be had from any other manufacturer in America. Our goods received double award at the Jamestown Exposition. A jobber who has been selling Gurley Show Cases for nine years, says that only one customer has made any complaint of our goods, and only one small case was involved in his complaint. This is a wonderful record. We sell direct to the merchant. Drug store outfits a specialty. For drug store outfits ask for catalogue "V"; for wall or street cases ask for catalogue "W"; for general line ask for catalogue "Y."



HIGH POINT SHOW CASE WORKS High Point, North Carolina

EMORY UNIVERSITY

An institution founded, owned, and controlled by the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

The University offers at present courses leading to degrees in the following departments:

1. **The School of Liberal Arts**—Emory College—offers courses in English, Spanish, French, German, Greek, Latin, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Mental and Moral Science, History, Political Economy, and Biblical Literature, leading to the usual literary degrees. This department has a library of 40,000 bound volumes.

2. **The School of Theology**—The Candler School of Theology—offers full and varied courses leading to the degree of B. D. This is a school of theology, as definite in its teaching as it is definite in its aim to serve the church to which it belongs. The library of the School of Theology is rich and grows richer daily. To it belongs the famous "Thursfield-Smith Collection of Wesleyana," which includes hundreds of the autograph letters of the Wesleys and other Methodist celebrities.

3. **The School of Medicine**—The Atlanta Medical College—a medical school of the first grade which offers courses in medicine and surgery covering four years, and leading to the degree of M. D. By arrangement with the Grady Hospital, the Municipal Hospital of Atlanta, and the Wesley Memorial Hospital, which is a part of the University system, the School of Medicine is able to offer clinical advantages of great value to students.

For bulletins, giving full information concerning the University, and its several departments, write to

WALKER WHITE, Secretary-Bursar,
Emory University Atlanta, Georgia.

EVANGELISTS AND PASTORS—A REQUEST

The Commission on Evangelism of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America is creating a Library on Evangelism for the free use of those interested. We want you to help us, If you will, please send to the Commission at 608 Lakeside Bldg., Chicago, Ill., any evangelistic books you may possess and can possibly spare. The publishers of religious books have generously donated to the Library such works as they have published on this subject and the Globe-Wernicke Co. have donated a handsome set of bookcases for the same.

The Commission wants evangelistic sermons, biographies of evangelists, and books on the History and Methods of Evangelistic work. In fact, any book pertaining to this subject. All gifts will be gratefully acknowledged.

W. E. Biederwolf,
General Sec.

ROANOKE COLLEGE

Roanoke College closed its 63rd year of service in the cause of liberal education on June 16th, with a successful commencement.

Among the students enrolled the past session were many from various states and foreign countries, including Canada, Cuba, Korea and Japan.

The substantial growth of the College is manifested in the notable progress being made in the erction of new buildings, according to a harmonious group plan, which will form a double quadrangle when complete. A handsome new gymnasium, a commons and three sections of a new dormitory system having been completed. Two additional sections of the dormitory system will be completed by September 5th, making a row of dormitories 250 feet in length. This imposing building is modern in every respect, having steam heat, electric lights, toilet and shower baths on every floor.

The College has a curriculum with electives well adapted to suit the wants of all students, for liberal culture, efficiency of life preparation and for the beginnings of specialization toward the professions and practical life.

The catalogue of eighty pages shows that Roanoke is abreast of the times in its facilities and methods. For a copy of the catalogue, with the July Alumni Bulletin, address Roanoke College, Salem, Va.

The North Carolina
COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND MECHANIC ARTS

Young men seeking to equip themselves for practical life in Agriculture and all its allied branches; in Civil, Electrical and Mechanical Engineering; in Chemistry and in Agricultural Teaching will find excellent provision for their chosen careers at the State's Industrial College. This College fits men for life. Faculty for the coming year of 65 men; 767 students; 25 buildings. Admirably equipped laboratories in each department. County examinations at each county-seat on July 8th.

For catalogue, write
E. B. OWEN, Registrar,
West Raleigh, N. C.

Celery Plants and Summer Cabbage Plants that have been grown right and packed right for shipment. Ask for free pamphlet.

Wakefield Plant Farm,
Charlotte, N. C

MISSIONARY NOTES FROM FIELD SECRETARY

McDowell Ct., M. W. Mann, P. C.—Nebo, $46.75 on assessments; Snow Hill, $40.25 on assessments; Glenwood $40.00 on assessments.

Marion Ct., J. M. Ridenhour, P. C.—Marion Cotton Mill, $50.50 on assessments; North Catawba, $5.00 on assessments; Concord, $19.00 on assessments.

Spruce Pine and Bakersville, J. F. Morris, P. C.—Spruce Pine, $100.00 on assessments; Bakersville, $107.00 on assessments, $7.00, Conference Mission Special.

Bald Creek, Joseph Fry, P. C.—Assessments about provided for.

Burnsville, H. M. Wellman, P. C.—$8,000. pledge for new church.

Books for Children AND FOR WORK AMONG THEM

By NORMA BRIGHT CARSON *Editor of "Book News"*

Boys of the Bible

Illustrated, 12mo, cloth, net 75c.

In a chatty, informal way such as youngsters love, and in which all stories for children should be told. Mrs. Carson relates the outstanding incidents of the early years of the great Bible heroes. The idea is a capital one, which the author carries out in an able and interesting way.



By H. THISELTON MARK

The Bible for Children

Bible Stories in Bible Language
Illustrated, 12mo, cloth, net 50c.

A selection of Bible stories, told in the language of the Bible itself, such as children up to ten or eleven years of age can readily understand. The stories are admirably chosen so as to give a general view of the leading incidents recorded in both the Old and New Testament, and illustrated by some pictures of artistic worth.

The Young People's Bible

Vol. I. Old Testament Stories. *Illustrated, 12mo, cloth, net 50c.*
Vol. II. New Testament Stories. *Illustrated, 12mo, cloth, net 50c.*

Prepared to be read after the stories contained in *The Bible for Children*. An aptly chosen series of word-pictures presenting a concise view of the history of the people of Israel as related in the Old Testament. Both in text and illustrations, this book will be found to stimulate a new zest in young people for ampler Bible study.

NEW TOY BOOKS FOR CHILDREN

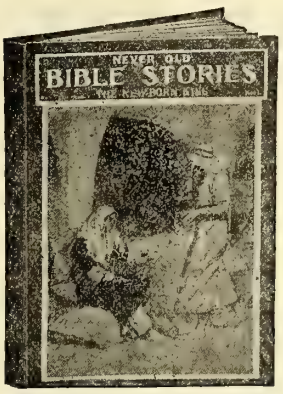
"Never Old" Bible Stories

Illustrated, octavo boards, each, net 25c.

No. 1. Old Testament. The Lord Thy Maker.
No. 2. Old Testament. The Lord Thy Guide.
No. 1. New Testament. The New-Born King.
No. 2. New Testament. The Hidden Years of Jesus.

Old Testament Combined, or New Testament Combined may be had in one volume. ***Each, boards, net 50c.***

An attractive new quarto series (size 8x10 in.) of Bible Picture Books written in simple language that every child can understand and yet keeping to the Bible narrative.

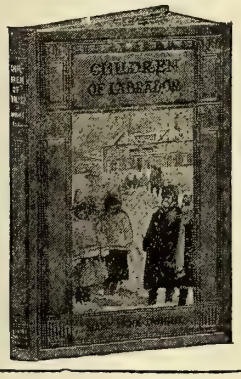


By CHARLES LINCOLN WHITE

Prince and Uncle Billy

A First Reader in Home Missions
16mo, cioth, net 50c., or net 75c.

"Prince" is a pony, once owned by the Indians, and "Uncle Billy" an old horse, used formerly by a frontier missionary on his preaching journeys. These, too, and many other animals tell missionary stories and other incidents of their earlier lives.



By MARY LANE DWIGHT

Children of Labrador

Illustrated, 16mo, cloth, net 60c.

It is hard to picture a more delightful addition to "*The Children's Missionary Series*" than this vivid story of Dr. Grenfell's land. Its simplicity and clearness appeals to children, yet grown-ups will be equally fascinated in its descriptions of the children of the Eskimos and fishermen of this barren land, so pathetically described by an old native as "wonderful bleak and dreary."

Earlier Volumes in The Children's Missionary Series

Children of Africa	James M. Baird
Children of Arabia	John C. Young
Children of China	C. Campbell Brown
Children of India	Janet Harvey Kelman
Children of Ceylon	Thomas Moscrop
Children of Jamaica	Isabel C. Maclean
Children of Egypt	Miss L. Crowther
Children of Persia	Mrs. Napier Malcolm
Children of Japan	Janet Harvey Kelman

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C

PELL'S BIBLE STORIES

FOR YOUNG FOLKS

By EDWARD LEIGH PELL

The Story of Joseph

"The Jewish shepherd lad who became prime minister of Egypt here lives in a very real way, his whole life being given in this lovely story, which is told by one who knows how to do it."
—*Religious Telescope.*

The Story of David

"These favorite Bible stories are retold by Dr. Pell in simple, reverent language—vividly, delightfully. Read it and become better acquainted with that most human, lovable character."
—*Day Star.*

FOR LITTLE PEOPLE

The Story of Jesus

"A very direct appeal is made to the child's mind. It seems as though the author was talking to the boy or girl on his knee and making him see the real Saviour as he appeared among men."
—*Heidelberg Teacher.*

Each, 35 cts. net

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Trains leave Greensboro as follows:

N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information and are not guaranteed.

12:55 a. m.—No. 112, daily. Local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh which may be boarded at 9:30 p. m. and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m

1:47 a. m.—No. 30, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleepin cars Birmingham and Augusta to New York, and Birmingham and Jacksonville to Washington. Observation sleeping car Atlanta to Richmond. Tourist sleeper for Washington from San Francisco. Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars New York to Birmingham an Augusta, and Washington to Jacksonville and Birmingham. Observation sleeping car Richmond to Atlanta. Tour ist sleeping car Washington to San Francisco via Sunset Route. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:45 a. m.—No. 11, daily. Local for Atlanta and points south. Pullman sleepnig cars Richmond to Charlotte and Norfolk to Asheville. Coaches.

7:15 a. m.—No 37, daily. NEW YORK, ATLANTA AND NEW ORLEANS LIMITED. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section drawing room sleeping cars New York to New Orleans, Asheville and Macon. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service. No coaches.

7:30 a. m.—No 108, daily. Local for Raleigh and intermediate points.

7:30 a. m.—No. 154, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

8:10 a. m.—No. 44, daily. For Washington and points north.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily. For Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Handles Pullman sleeping car for Winston-Salem from Raleigh.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily. For Mt. Airy.

9:40 a. m.—No. 144 daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Free reclining chair car Charlotte to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily. For Salisbury, Statesville and Asheville. Connecting at Asheville with Carolina Special which handles through sleepers for Cincinnati and Chicago.

12:45 p. m.—No. 130, daily. For Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

12:50 p. m.—No. 45, daily. For Charlotte, connecting with trains for Columbia and Seneca.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Washington, New York and points north. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

2:00 p. m.—No. 207, daily. For Winston-Salem, connecting daily, except Sunday, with trains for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daiy except Sunday. For Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily. For Mt. Airy.

6:30 p. m.—No. 35, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham. Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham, and Charlotte to Atlanta. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily. For Winston-Salem.

6:40 p. m.—No. 46, daily. For Danville.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily. For Sanford.

7:24 p. m.—No. 43, daily. For Charlotte, connecting with No. 35 for the South.

10:15 p. m.—No. 12, daily. For Richmond and Norfolk. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Asheville to Norfolk.

10:20 p. m.—No. 233, daily. For Winston-Salem.

11:20 p. m.—No. 38, daily. THE NEW YORK, ATLANTA AND NEW ORLEANS LIMITED. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section, drawing room and compartment sleeping cars New Orleans, Macon and Asheville to New York. Dining car service. No coaches.

E. H. COAPMAN, Vice-President and General Manager, Washington, D. C.

W. H. TAYLOE, Passenger Traffic Manager, Washington, D. C.

H. F. CARY, General Passenger Agent, Washington, D. C.

R. H. DeBUTTS, Division Passenger Agent, Charlotte, N. C.

C. G. PICKARD, Passenger and Ticket Agent, Greensboro, N. C.

— In this time of industrial opportunity it is gratifying to see what a firm grasp the men trained at the Agricultural and Mechanigal College are taking on the industrial life of the State. These men not only know how to do things, but they are doing them with credit to themselves and to their college. They are making over old farms and dairies. Many of them are directing cotton mills. On our railways and highways you find them with transit and rod. They are sought by men who need draughtsmen and machinists. Young men who are ambitious and determined to make headway in life are in increasing numbers making their way to this busy institution. The fall announcement in this paper will interest scores of young men.

PLAN OF EPISCOPAL VISITATION, METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH, 1915-1916

Bishop E. R. Hendrix

Denver, Colorado Springs, Colo., Aug. 26.
Missouri, Chillicothe, Missouri, Sept. 1.
Southwest Missouri, Slater, Mo., Sept. 15.
St. Louis, Sikeston, Mo., Sept. 29.

Bishop W. A. Candler

Virginia, Petersburg, Va., Nov. 10.
Texas, Mexican Mission, Corpus Christi, Texas.
Central Mexico, Mission, Guadalajara, Mexico.
Pacific Mexican Mission, Caliacan Sinaloa, Mexico.
Mexican Border Mission Conference, Torren, Mexico.

Bishop H. C. Morrison

German Mission, Fredericksburg, Texas, Oct. 20.
Little Rock, Monticello, Ark., Nov. 17.
North Arkansas, Conway, Ark., Nov. 24.
Florida, Tampa, Florida, Dec. 15.

Bishop E. E. Hoss

Fraternal Messenger to Australia.
China Mission, Soochow, China, Sept. 22.
Korea Mission, Songdo, Korea, Oct. 13.
Japan Mission, plae not designated, Nov. 17.
Cuba Mission, place not designated, Feb. 2, 1916.

Bishop James Atkins

Kentucky, Millersburg, Ky., Sept. 1.
Louisville, Hartford, Ky., Sept. 22.
North Mississippi, New Albany, Miss., Nov. 10.
Louisiana, Mansfield, La., Nov. 17.
Mississippi, Laural, Miss., Nov. 24.

Bishop Collins Denny

North Alabama, Athens, Ala., Nov. 3.
North Georgia, Rome, Ga., Nov. 10.
South Carolina, Charleston, S. C., Nov. 24.
Upper South Carolina, Spartanburg, S. C., Dec. 1.

Bishop John C. Kilgo

Illinois, Patoka, Illinois, Aug. 26.
North Carolina, Wilmington, N. C., Nov. 17.
South Georgia, Cordele, Ga., Nov. 24.
Alabama, Brewton, Ala., Dec. 8.

Bishop W. B. Murrah

Tennessee, Murfreesboro, Tenn., Oct. 13.
West Oklahoma, Altus, Okla., Nov. 3.
Memphis, Trenton, Tenn., Nov. 11.
East Oklahoma, Muskogee, Okla., Nov. 18.

Bishop W. R. Lambuth

Montana, Willow Creek, Mont., Aug. 12.
East Columbia, Oakesdale, Wash., Aug. 19.
Columbia, Roseburg, Ore., Aug. 25.
Pacific, San Francisco., Cal., Oct. 13.
Los Angeles, Pomona, Cal., Oct. 20.
New Mexico, Marfa, Tex., Oct. 27.
Congo Mission, Wembo Niama.

Bishop R. G. Waterhouse

Western Virginia, place not designated, Sept. 8.
Holston, Knoxville, Tenn., Oct. 6.
Western North Carolina, Reidsville, N. C., Nov. 17.
Brazil, Juiz de Flora, July 8.
South Brazil, Alegrete, Brazil, July 22, 1916.

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS

EXPERT KODAK FINISHING

Developing and printing done by artists. Most beautiful work guaranteed at all times. Satisfaction or no charge. Developing, 10c per film. Printing: prints 2 1-4 x3 1-4, 3c; 2 1-2x4 1-4, 4c; 3 1-4x5 1-2, 5c. Quick delivery. Send one film to test our service. Agents wanted.

LIGON DRUG CO., Spartanburg, S. C.

DAISY FLY KILLER



placed anywhere, attracts and kills allflies. Neat, clean, ornamental, convenient, cheap. Lasts all season. Made of metal, can't spill or tip over; will not soil or injure anything. Guaranteed effective. Sold by dealers, or 6 sent by express prepaid for $1.

HAROLD SOMERS, 150 DeKalb Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

ROANOKE COLLEGE

SALEM, VA.

Location Situated in the famous Roanoke Valley, unsurpassed for healthful climate and grandeur of surrounding mountain scenery.

Rank A Standard American College for men—its A. B. degree accepted by best American universities.

Courses Courses for degrees arranged in groups, preparing for life and looking to the various professions.

Facilities A strong faculty of twenty; library of 24,000 volumes; working laboratories; 8 buildings, including new dormitory system of 5 sections, 250 ft. in length, and handsome new gymnasium

Roanoke is devoted to Christian education for the service of church and state. Sixty-third session begins Sept. 15. For free catalogue and illustrated circular address J. A. MOREHEAD, Pres.

If You Value Your Health

Read Every Word of

This Remarkable Story

It is told by one who has himself experienced the regeneration in health which he encourages you to seek by the self-same means.



THE STORY OF A GREAT DISCOVERY.

The hardships of a traveling salesman's life had wrecked my health. My family physician diagnosed my case as chronic gastritis, brought on by disease of the liver and complicated by kidney trouble. I consulted specialists who confirmed his diagnosis. Months passed, I grew worse and was finally compelled to give up my work.

By chance I heard of some wonderful cures which had resulted from drinking the water of a little spring in the Mineral Belt of South Carolina, a picture of which spring appears on this page. In desperation I tried it. On the second day I thought that I could notice some improvement; at the end of the first week my appetite and digestion had returned and I was much stronger; at the end of the third week I felt that I was completely cured. That was six years ago and I still enjoy perfect health.

Knowing that it had restored my health and believing that it had saved my life, I bought the Spring.

I then determined to see whether the water would cure others as it had cured me. I shipped ten gallons absolutely free of charge to each of one thousand sufferers from chronic diseases. Only four reported no benefit from the use of the ten gallons. The other nine hundred and ninety-six reported decided benefit or complete cures. Many claimed that the water had saved their lives.

I realized that I had discovered one of the world's greatest mineral springs, and I decided to devote my life to it. But how could I make the world listen; how could I make them believe my story? The precious water was running to waste while thousands were suffering. I said, I will ***make them believe*** me by showing ***my*** faith in ***them*** and in the ***curative power*** of the Spring. I will tell them that the water shall cost them ***nothing*** if it fails to benefit.

The world listened!

Some wrote for proof and I sent them the letters which I had received from ***their*** fellowmen. Others accepted my offer without question. Thousands have written me reporting relief and permanent cure of a great variety of chronic diseases.

But some of the water still ran to waste for lack of belief. I determined that every drop should be used to relieve the sufferings of humanity. To this end I requested the advertising manager of the N. C. Chris. Advocate to come to see me. At my desk I opened my mail and showed him the letters from men and women from all parts of the country who had suffered and who had found relief. I gave him my letter files and induced him to spend several hours reading my past correspondence with those who were using the water. I showed him the chemical analysis and letters from physicians explaining the curative properties of the water.

He believed, and as a result he has written this announcement for me.

WILL YOU BELIEVE?

I do not ask your implicit faith; only enough to try the water for three weeks as I did. I estimate that I drank about ten gallons and I, therefore, offer gladly to ship you two five gallon demijohns on my guarantee that if you find that it does not benefit you I will promptly refund the price, which is only $2.00. You must promise to drink the water in accordance with the instructions which I will send you and return the empty demijohns. I make ***you*** the sole judge as to whether the water has benefitted you, and as the Advertising Manager of this paper has kindly consented to ***guarantee my guarantee*** to refund your money, if you are not benefitted, I hope you will feel perfectly free to accept my offer.

This offer is extended to all who suffer with ***any chronic disease,*** except cancer and consumption, but I especially recommend the water for the treatment of stomach, liver, kidney and bladder diseases and for rheumatism, gout, uric acid poisoning, gall stones, diabetes, nervous headache and general debility resulting from impure or impoverished blood. These are the diseases most frequently mentioned in the letters which I have received, but my offer is open to anyone who suffers from any chronic ailment.

Yours sincerely,
N. F. SHIVAR, Proprietor.

EVERY MAIL BRINGS LETTERS LIKE THESE.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 28, 1910.
Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C.: Dear Sir—As you are well aware, in 1909 I was suffering with indigestion, stomach and liver disorders and all its train of horrifying phenomena for several months. I had lived on milk, soft eggs, shredded wheat, a very insufficient diet for an active working man, and of course, from disease and starvation was in a very low state of nervous vitality and general debility. I ordered 10 gallons of your Mineral Water, which I used continuously, reordering when necessary, and in four months from date I began drinking it gained 29 lbs., was strong and perfectly well and have worked practically every day since. It acts as a general renovator of the system. I prescribe it in my practice, and it has in every instance had the desired effects. It is essential to use this water in as large quantities as possible, for its properties are so happily blended and in such proportions that they will not disturb the most delicate system. It is purely nature's remedy. A. L. R. AVANT, M. D.

DuPont, Ga., Nov. 25, 1911.
Shivar Spring, Shelton, S. C.: Gentlemen—I have suffered for years with nervous indigestion and kidney troubles. Derived more benefit from the Shivar Spring Water than from months at Hot Springs, Ark., and numerous other springs. I consider it the very best water extant. AGUSTUS DUPONT.

Scranton, S. C., Nov. 21, 1911.
Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C.: Dear Sir—My wife has been a sufferer of rheumatism, and after drinking twenty gallons of your mineral water was entirely cured of the horrible disease
Yours respectfully, J. D. McCLAM.

Lexington, Va., Nov. 24, 1911.
Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C.: Dear Sir—
suffered with intestinal indigestion and the Shi
var Spring Water has cured me. I would gladl
recommend it to all suffering with indigestion
kidney and liver trouble. My father had kid
ney trouble last fall and he thought Shiva
Spring Water saved his life. Respectfully,
MRS. HARVEY DIXON.

Atlanta, Ga., July, 27, 1911.
Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C.: Dear Sir—
ordered 10 gallons Shivar Spring Water especi
ally for my teething baby who was suffering wit
its stomach and bowels. This water cured he
disorders entirely and she is herself again.
stopped all medicine and gave her only th
water. I was also run down from the heat an
fatigue, and the water has restored me also
Thanking you, Very respectfully,
MRS. W. C. McGILL.

Columbia, S. C., Aug. 11, 1912.
Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C.: Dear Sir—
Until a few weeks ago my wife was a chroni
sufferer from gall stones. She was stricken criti
cally ill and nothing but morphine seemed t
relieve her pain by rendering her unconscious
Rev. A. J. Foster, pastor of Shandon Baptis
Church of Columbia, S. C., advised me to tak
her immediately to Shivar Spring. On consult
ing my physician he agreed that it would b
best to do so without delay. In about thre
days after arriving at the Spring, she was appar
ently relieved and had regained her appetite
She has suffered no ill effect of the troubl
since. Please publish this for the benefit o
sufferers. J. P. DRAFFIN.

P. S.—I suffered for 8 years with kidney troubl
and inflammation of the bladder. After usin
this water only a few days, I am entirely relieve
and suffer no more effect of the trouble wha
ever.

Newberry, S. C., Nov. 28, 191
Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C.: Dear Sir—
suffered with indigestion, but after using Shiv
Spring Water I can enjoy eating the food I wa
without any unpleasant feeling afterwards.
take great pleasure in recommending this splen
did water to all sufferers of indigestion.
Very truly, L. B. WHITE,
Pastor West End Baptist Church.

Guyton, Ga., Feb. 11, 1911.
Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C.: Dear Sir
Water came and I went right to drinking it, w
in bed with indigestion, heart cutting up a
kinds of pranks, was under the doctor's trea
ment. The first case of your water relieved m
I thought I had drank the water of all th
springs in South Carolina, Georgia, Florid
Alabama and Tennessee, but this beats them a
I don't drink any other water. Am eating an
thing I want, even sweet potatoes, something
have not eaten before in twenty years.
Yours very truly
H. W. ORVIN,
Manager, Effingham Mer. Co., Guyton, Ga.

Blaney, S. C., Oct. 31, 1910.
Shivar Spring, Shelton, S. C.: Gentlemen
I suffered for many years from gastric trouble
stomach puffed and food sour. I have tri
many remedies and a good many waters. Son
have helped, but none have given me such r
lief as your Spring Water. I use it and recom
mend it to my patients, because its virtures a
good. W. D. GRIGGSBY, M. D.

Chancellor, Ala., Oct. 21-09.
Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C.: Dear Sir
I have been for many years affected with u
acid and kidney trouble, and the mineral wat
has helped me more than anything I ha
ever done for them, and therefore heart
recommend same to all who need a speedy
lief and cure. Very truly,
W. F. MATHENY, M. D.

Fill Out This Coupon and Mail It Today.

Shivar Spring

Box 5 P, Shelton, S. C.

Gentlemen:—

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars ($2.00) for ten gallons (two five gallon demijohns) of Shivar Spring water. I agree to give the water a fair trial in accordance with the instructions which you will send, and if I derive no benefit therefrom you are to refund the price in full, upon demand and upon receipt of the two empty demijohns, which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....

Address .....

Shipping Point .....

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, May 15, 1915 | Number 28

Reading Room Trinity College



METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH, BURLINGTON, N. C.
Recently completed at a cost of about $20,000.00
Rev. D. H. Tuttle, Pastor

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75

FOREST CITY CHURCH

By an oversight we failed to publish editorial note about our new church and parsonage at Forest City last week. Rev. J. A. Bowles, the pastor, has labored with great diligence and marked success, and we congratulate him and his people in being able to occupy the splendid new plant the view of which we carried on our first page last week. Few congregations in towns the size of Forest City are so well housed and equipped.

OUR CHURCH AT BURLINGTON

We are indebted to Rev. D. H. Tuttle, the pastor, for the views of the splendid new church and parsonage recently completed at Burlington. This property as a whole is estimated at $40,000, the parsonage occupying a lot adjoining the church. In architectural design everything is strictly up-to-date, the auditorium, when all available space is utilized, seating fully 1,000 people, all of whom can see the speaker. We know of few churches in North Carolina more pleasing in architectural effect, or more convenient and comfortable in internal arrangement.

It is a mere coincident, but pleasing to note, that Rev. J. A. Bowles, of Forest City, whose church and parsonage were shown in our issue of last week, and Rev. D. H. Tuttle, of Burlington, are each Conference classmates of the editor of the Advocate.

HOLDING UP THE HANDS

In many charges the special revival services are on hand. It is a time of great heart searching and anxiety to the pastor who feels upon his heart the burden of souls. No pastor with a conscience in keeping with his divine call can go into such work in a light or trifling spirit. He must get hold upon God so that he can get hold upon the people.

This is a time for Aaron and Hur to come forth and show to the leader the spirit of cooperation and help. As in the camp of Israel when the Amalekites fought against the Lord's people, there were those whose duty it was to hold up the hands of Moses, so, in every congregation there are those who must hold up the hands of the pastor while he endeavors to lead the powers of light against sin and wickedness. How often the preacher's message seems ineffective and all his efforts to save men and women apparently go by default. Is this not often due to the fact that his hands are not held up by the prayers of his people?

We quote Dr. C. L. Goodell: "Oh, the infinite possibilities that are before us as Christian men and women for the conquest of the world! Stand by your ministers; rally to their support. Some of them do not preach very well; nobody knows it any better than they. * * * But I will tell you what will help them mightily: When you see Moses begin to settle back and down, you, Aaron and Hur, get one on either side of him, and stay up the hands of Moses, the hosts of Israel shall triumph."

What great victories there are before us during the next three months if we only do our duty! Should we say duty? Perhaps we ought to say if we only know the day of our visitation and grasp the happy privilege.

If you would help your preacher, cook light and pray much!

IN THE NAME OF RELIGION

There are many things in the order of present day society that bring to mind the words of the apostle, II Tim. 4:1, "This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come, etc." It is the fad of the age to attempt to sanctify devilment by doing it in the name of religion. A camping hike, for instance, may be good for health, but why hold the church responsible for it and all the excesses so easily committed in connection with it? There are ten chances to compromise religion and morals and scandalize the church to one for any genuine benefit.

As a concrete example of what we are contending for we quote the following from the Western Methodist:

"The annual encampment of the Boy Scouts of Arkansas was at Little Rock from July 2 to 6. There are so many good things about the Scout movement that we dislike very much to criticise, but certain things occurred in connection with this encampment which should not be permitted again. Many things promised the boys were not provided, and the camp was at Forest Park instead of at the City Park. This park is notorious for its Sunday amusements, and on Sunday no sort of religious exercises were provided, and the Scouts were taken to a moving picture show instead. Unless there can be better management in the future we advise parents who have due regard for their boys to keep them away from the Scout Encampment."

We have never favored the Boy Scout nor the Girls' Campfire organizations, because of the extreme probability that the thing which took place at Little Rock will frequently occur. The editor of the Western speaks with great caution because he does not wish to take the chance of being adjudged out of sympathy with our young people. We share with him the same feeling; but we feel that our people need to be cautioned about placing the trademark of the church upon so many merely social organizations. By so doing we take the chance of being held responsible for exceedingly loose conduct where little or no effort has really been made to prevent it, and where the really vital force of the church has had no opportunity to assert itself.

In all probability, if the facts could be secured, some sharp scheming on the part of some in responsible relation to the Little Rock encampment would tell the tale of how it happened(?) that the encampment was at Forest Park instead of at City Park, as evidently had been originally planned. In the same way it would appear why the picture show was substituted for the religious service.

Is it not clear that, if we tie up with all such social movements, we give the devil more than an even chance to train our young people for perdition? We are glad to believe that the great majority of our pastors really have no sympathy with such far-fetched attempts to put a veneer of religion upon a weak and rotten framework of social morality. We can well afford to let others have all that is to be made out of such so-called religious work.

IS IT A MANIA?

The Pittsburgh Christian Advocate gives an extensive quotation from a very thoughtful article by Bishop Berry, published in the Methodist Times. In this article the Bishop refers to the unusual activity at present of a great number of special evangelists as an "Evangelistic Mania." While he may have a sort of exaggerated notion of the possible evil effects of this unusual state of things, there is no doubt much good food for thought in what he says. If Simon Magus could follow the apostles with the evil intent of somehow making merchandise of religious work, we need not expect that this generation can escape. There will be imitators hard by every genuine, God-sent evangelist, and our only hope is that, as in the case of Simon, God may come to the rescue, sooner or later, by bringing to naught their guilty purposes. But here is what Bishop Berry says:

"A young minister, living not far away, writes me that he has received a call from the Lord to give up his pastorate and go into the evangelistic field. Then he asks my advice about responding to the call. If the Lord has called him, there is only one thing for him to do, and that is to go. But the probabilities are that the 'call' has not come from the Lord at all. It is more likely that it is an impulse. Since Mr. Sunday became so popular, all sorts of little men have felt 'called' to be traveling evangelists. The large collections, the costly personal gifts, and the inordinate adulation showered by press and people upon the evangelist have emphasized the urgency of the call. It is the estimate of a careful gentleman who travels widely in the United States that during the past three years the number of itinerating evangelists has increased by three or four hundred. It has become a sort of mania. Among these are several very able and efficient men. But most of the brethren are of meager ability. Many have 'popular' gifts, and if they leave before their stock of addresses and stories is exhausted they attract and impress the multitude. But the present popularity of the evangelist with his singer and elaborate organization will not last. It is a phase of gospel work that will pass away. The sober judgment of the churches still stands for pastoral evangelism. Every true pastor has the evangelistic passion. Not all are equally efficient in this field, but all may succeed. And it is a serious question whether, in the long run, the results of faithful pastoral evangelism are not more fruitful than the sort of mass movement which is just now so popular. The results are certainly more permanent.

Methodism needs highly organized mass movements less than other churches. Aggressive evangelistic work is her habit. The evangelistic temper is her normal state. It is not surprising, therefore, that the Methodist Episcopal Church receives fewer members from most of the big union meetings than some other denominations. The constant evangelistic appeal does not come to their congregations as it comes year after year and week after week to our people. The spirit of the revival meeting is to them new and novel. With us it is the usual thing. Their congregations contain a very large number of persons who have never been pressed to immediate decision for Christ. Hence their greater ease with which converts and members are secured.

If my young friend were a Presbyterian or a Baptist or a Congregationalist I would not so strenuously advise him to remain in the pastorate. But if he is to continue to be a Methodist preacher and do evangelistic work as a Methodist preacher, he will find ample opportunity to exercise his evangelistic gifts and graces in his own congregation and in the help he can render to his brother pastors.

Let us magnify an evangelistic pastorate. It is the crying need of our day. If I had my way I would put back into the regular pastorate twenty dozen Methodist ministers who are now going about in miscellaneous ways, failing to do the maximum of permanent evangelistic good for the church they love and serve."

TROUBLES ABOUT MANUSCRIPT

All editors have more or less trouble about manuscripts offered for publication. The task of rejecting a manuscript is by no means a pleasant one. Many well prepared articles are simply not available under the circumstances. Lack of space is only one of many reasons why a really meritorous article can not always find its way to the reader. Ordinarily, however, it is best for all to allow the editor to exercise his discretion freely without stating any definite reason for not printing.

One of our exchanges gives the following attempt of a Chinese editor to placate a would-be contributor and says if he failed in his purpose to make it all right with him it must have been because all attempts are futile:

"Illustrious brother of the sun and moon: Behold thy servant prostrate before thy feet. I bow to thee and beg of thy graciousness thou mayst grant that I may speak and live. Thy honored manuscript has deigned to cast the light of its august countenance upon us. With raptures we have perused it. By the bones of my ancestors, never have I encountered such wit, such pathos, such lofty thoughts. With fear and trembling I return the writing. Were I to publish the treasure you sent me, the emperor would order that it should be made the standard, and that none be published except such as equaled it. Knowing literature as I do, and that it would be impossible in ten thousand years to equal what you have done, I send your writing back. Ten thousand times I crave your pardon. Behold, my head is at your feet. Do what you will. Your servant's servant.—The Editor."

NOTE AND COMMENT

If the War With Germany comes it might be well to send to the front these editors who have been bellowing day and night for the smell of German blood. There are some of these here in North Carolina whose editorial pages disclose a pathetic lack of vision. These might be able to wield a rifle better than a pen. At least the rifle would only get them into difficulty. As it is, their pen may lead to holes blown through other men.

America sent a note of protest to England last April. It has never been answered. Why do not these wise editors prate here of America's dignity? Wherever started this idea of protection to English ships by Americans traveling thereon, anyhow? It was the German who remarked to the Englishman that he would fight to his last drop of blood, and it was Bud Fisher who made the Englishman reply: "Yes, and we'll fight to the last drop of the Frenchman's blood, too." How long will it be till the wily John Bull will be defending himself with the last drop of the American's blood? Above all things and through all things and to the end of all things we are American. We are for America, right or wrong. If right, to keep her so; if wrong, to make her right. But the manner in which London papers have hoodwinked the press of America and made it do its bidding is certainly a derisively tragic tribute to American editorial crudeness. Most of the metropolitian dalies, however, are to a large extent French and English owned, and the backboneless country press usually apes what the Herald, Tribune, and Times dictate.

There are two papers which we delight to mention as having a large and unbiased vision. Of course, there are doubtless many others, but these two we have noticed especially in their editorial utterances as being possessed of a patriotically American ring. They are The Washington Post and the Greensboro Daily News.

* * * *

The Popular Science Monthly, published by the Science Press at Lancaster, Pa., has in its July number a most interesting article on "The Moral Development of the Chinese," by Dr. Frederich Henkle. To any student, or other, who is at all interested in the moral development of peoples, and particularly of this mass of humanity (being the only nation which at present retains its identity similar to what it is found in the beginning of history), this article is well worth a serious and pleasurable reading.

After tracing the moral development of these people from the historic period, which begins definitely at 500 B. C., when Confucius collected, compiled and edited the chief literature of China, down to the present political and social upheaval, the writer remarks: "While educative and commercial forces have been operative, the introduction of Christianity into China through missionary enterprise in chapels and hospitals, has also greatly furthered moral progress. Christianity has called attention to moral evils and has created a sense of sin and unworthiness which has helped many to break away from pernicious customs. It has engendered a more adequate appreciation of the ideals of brotherhood and social justice and thereby has stimulated new conceptions of the relation of man to man. It has emphasized the worth of the soul, and in so doing has given added worth to individual life. Thousands have accepted the principles of Christianity—some consciously, others unconsciously. Many of these—especially women—have been encouraged to learn to read, and the ability thus acquired has served not only the immediately desired end of reading the Bible, but has also widened the intellectual horizon and created new and larger interests. Christianity has probably done more during the last hundred years than all other forces combined to liberate Chinese women from the shackles of custom."

* * * *

Poor War-ridden, Famine-stricken Mexico! When will it all end and how? The President said in his Indianapolis speech that it is none of our business how they settle their business or how long they take in doing so. If the rights of American citizens who choose to protect English vessels by sailing in the midst of the war zone are to be protected it does seem that the rights of American citizens within the Mexican borders should be insured. And not only that, but the rights of citizens of other nations in Mexico should be protected, since under the Monroe Doctrine we can not permit other nations to intervene. And if the word "duty" ever meant anything it certainly takes on its true significance in our present relation with Mexico. If any poor traveller along the highway of civilization ever fell into the hands of robbers this pitiable Republic has, and if Christ's parable of the "Good Samaritan" means anything it means it here. It is our Christian duty to see to it that Mexico does not continue to be an international plague spot, and to stop this horribleness does not necessarily mean the United States must go down there and sacrifice hundreds and thousands of lives. Could not the three great nations of South America, the A. B. C. powers, be invited to join in the work of intervention? If the splendid policy of recognizing other governments on the Western Hemisphere is to be carried out we see no reason why all the peaceful and orderly governments of South America and Central



Parsonage of M. E. Church, South, Burlington, N. C.

America should not be invited to co-operate in the inevitable intervention. A representation from all those willing to join in the movement would probably make it unnecessary to proceed further. It would be a show of force that even a dull-witted bandit could understand. It would avoid the further development of jealousies between the countries of North, South, and Central Americas. It would be an appreciated recognition of the sovereignty of each. It would be a guaranty to Mexico and to all the other American countries that the United States in engaging in such a movement was not setting out on a career of conquest and annexation.

* * * *

Not a Sacrifice of Rights to avoid unnecessary risks, says Colonel Bryan in a statement appearing in last Monday's morning's papers. It is the duty of every one to keep out of unhealthy districts, whether they may be physically, morally, or otherwise unhealthy. Mr. Bryan may not be quite the mysterious we thought he was. Mr. Wilson's policy, should it carry us to war, will at the same time make of Bryan a great moral and national hero.

"I have not had an opportunity to read many editorials in full, but in selecting editorials for reproduction everything depends on the judgement exercised in making the selection.

"It is improper to judge from the few which have been reproduced what general sentiment is, and I am afraid that those I have read represent the extremes rather than the average sentiment. The bias of the editor or publisher must always be borne in mind when one reads an editorial, because the bias largely determines the tone of the comment."

* * * *

"Eat Only When Hungry, and then eat less than you feel you need," counsels Henry Ford of automobile fame. "Try this for a week and I'll guarantee you'll feel better and much healthier." Mr. Ford calls attention to the fact that Thomas Edison eats less and does more work than any other American. "I myself have tried out the theory," says Mr. Ford, and am thoroughly convinced that eating less is beneficial. Think of the waste of food stuffs there is too. We wouldn't feed an engine three times as much fuel as it needed. Yet we pay our good money to gormandize at the expense of both our income and our health. Whenever I have any hard problem to think out I don't wait for a healthy meal. I do my thinking on an empty stomach."

* * * *

The Southern Assembly which is convened at Lake Junaluska is now in session, having opened July 9th, and closes August 29th. Bishop James Atkins, Dr. James Cannon, Dr. George R. Stuart, John R. Pepper, and Julian S. Carr, and other leading men of the South, are identified with this great movement. All grounds not set apart for assembly buildings, parks, driveways, and recreation have been divided into lots by landscape artists and engineers and are being sold for summer residences.

For the present season the following conferences are being held: Missionary Conference, July 9-20; Sunday School Conference, July 22-August 6; Bible Conference, August 8-15; Epworth League Conference, August 19-29; and Chautauqua lectures from July 21-August 30.

* * * *

One of the Most Amazing spectacles of modern times, remarks a contemporary, is the opposition of the clergy of the established church of England to the prohibition movement in that land. We would naturally think that the clergymen would be the leaders in any movement looking to the betterment of the moral condition of men, rather than the opposers. But when England's best statesmen, with a knowledge of national peril from whiskey drinking at this grave period, endeavor to make prohibition effective, and are supported by crowned heads both by precept and example, whom do we find strenuously opposing the movement? The Archbishop of York declared in the Upper House of his convocation that a comprehensive scheme of prohibition, carried into effect in a wave of war enthusiasm, would have no permanent value, but would result in a dangerous reaction the moment peace came to remove the prohibition, and this, said the Archbishop, would be "real and regrettable intemperance." We wonder by what unjointed reason the Archbishop calls the present intemperance unreal and unregrettable.

Another contemporary remarks anent this: "Now it would appear that we have among the servitors of the Most High in the official church of England the hard-drinking, hard-riding, red-faced rector of the eighteenth century. Else why should they refuse to follow the lead of the King, Kitchener, and Asquith in the matter of personal abstinence."

Even the convocation of Canterbury took similar grounds to the Archbishop, but generously adopted a resolution "inviting the clergy and laity of the Church of England to set an example of self-sacrifice" in the matter of alcoholic liquors, only with the distinct understanding that this was not a recommendation or a resolve of total abstinence.

The Dean of Canterbury refused to give his liquor up altogether. He said he had tried it once and had suffered in health and could not be prevailed on again to try total abstinence.

God pity such a moral condition. Even baseball players here in America have sense enough to "cut out" the whiskey in order to become more efficient in their sportive calling. When will England's ministry wake up to a like moral heroism or, rather, to a similar degree of common sense?

Salisbury District Conference Notice

The preachers and delegates will please not bring their horses. This is a new place and we have only one livery stable and but few barns. It will be impossible for us to get stable room for your horses. Sincerely,

Committee on Entertainment.

CONTRIBUTIONS

THE SOUTHERN STUDENT CONFERENCE

By G. B. Winton

The Blue Ridge Association is a school of religion. It is not officially so called. Its grounds are the place of meeting of a number of more or less closely organized groups. They might well be exploited as a summer resort, for the climate and scenery are ideal. But as a matter of fact, all the meetings held there during the summer months that the grounds are open are in their way a part of the school of religion.

The buildings and grounds grew out of the activities of the Young Men's Christian Association, more especially out of the work among the schools and colleges of the South. During a number of years tests were made of various dates and places for getting together for training and conference the leaders of Christian work in these various schools. It became apparent from these experiments that the mountains of North Carolina were the ideal place and the early weeks of the summer vacations the inevitable time. After testing the accommodations at various localities, Dr. W. D. Weatherford, the General Secretary of the Southern Student work of the Y. M. C. A., became convinced that buildings and grounds specifically designed were needed for the real success of the summer conference. A most attractive location was found in the lap of the mountains overlooking the beautiful Swannanoa Valley, three miles south of the railway station of Black Mountain, North Carolina. With tireless energy and unfaltering faith Dr. Weatherford sought and secured the money with which to purchase a thousand acres of mountain-side land and to erect thereon a set of adequate buildings. The main hall, consisting of dormitories, lobby and class rooms, is named for General Robert E. Lee. Around it are other buildings and tents, an athletic field, a swimming pool, well designed roadways, walks, etc.

The mountain stream which supplies an abundance of pure freestone water turns also the dynamo for an ample equipment of electric light. The dormitories are supplied with abundant bath rooms, hot and cold water and sanitary plumbing. Besides the main water supply, which is wholly within the grounds and under control, on every hand are numberless springs. The equipment, in short, is fitted in every way for college work, meeting the most modern demands. From the front of Robert E. Lee Hall is had an exquisite view across the checkered green and gold valley to the lofty range of the Craggy Mountains, Mt. Mitchell itself peeping over their shoulders off to the north-east. Back of the Hall is the main range of the Blue Ridge up which one may climb fifteen hundred feet to the divide, between four and five thousand feet above the sea-level. There, too, are commanding and enchanting views toward every point of the compass.

While there are each year here secretarial conferences, a meeting of the Missionary Education Movement, a gathering of the Y. W. C. A. girls, a school for Christian workers, etc., the original purpose of the buildings and grounds is to furnish a home for the Southern Student Conference. This is one of four such conferences held annually in the United States; one in Colorado for the West, one at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin, for the middle North, one at Northfield for the East, and this one at Blue Ridge for the South. Here for ten days in June, just following the commencement season, meet representatives of the leading educational institutions of eleven Southern States. These men are the leaders in Christian work in their several schools. They come together, two to four hundred of them, paying their own railroad fare and board out of the average student's meager purse or sent by friends, by Bible study groups, college faculties, college trustees, Y. M. C. A.'s, etc. This year four of them, high school boys, walked to the conference one hundred and fifty miles and back because they did not have the money for the railroad fare. For these ten days under the direction of the brightest, strongest and most aggressive leaders to be had in the South—mostly teachers in the colleges themselves, or Y. M. C. A. secretaries, with a sprinkling of pastors—they engage seriously and earnestly in the study of real and practical religion.

The object is to fit them for leading in the dissemination of applied Christianity in their home schools. There is Bible study and mission study. There are institutes on Association work. There are open conferences on how to be useful to churches and pastors (In which some pretty frank words are apt to be heard). There are searching studies of the underlying principles of personal religion. There are addresses on life callings, and platform discourses on religion, experimental and practical. Young men who are not yet clear as to their own personal standing before God are helped out into the light. Those who are wavering between giving themselves to religious work and adopting a more distinctly secular vocation are led to a decision. Mission board secretaries are present, and representatives of the Student Volunteer Movement, to see that the claims of the foreign work are not slighted. Every variety of religious work is discussed, and the sacredness of all life and the opportunities for service in the everyday callings of men are insisted upon in terms that no impressionable boy can ever forget.

The observer cannot fail to be impressed with certain outstanding phases of the conference and its work. Perhaps the first of these to strike him will be the unifying quality of it. Here State is merged with State, school with school, church with church, nation with nation. (In the conference of 1915, just closed, there were students from two Oriental and five Latin-American nations.) Nor is this union a mere superficial or apparent matter. It is real and thorough-going unity. The conference seeks certain definite, well-marked aims. It does not swerve at all from these. All who form a part of it must go with it. With the ready adaptation of youth they all do this. No divisive suggestions come from the teachers and leaders. They are picked men who can be trusted to let non-essentials alone and devote themselves to the great essentials. The joy with which the foreign students throw themselves into the fraternal and cordial atmosphere is impressive. Such experiences may yet mean much for international relations.

That the unity comes from emphasis on essentials only in matters of religion is another circumstance worthy of note. Personal consecration to Christ, readiness and skill in bringing others to know him, conversion, evangelism, Bible study, mission study—these are the religion of the young. Are they not also the religion of tomorrow? Shall we not see ecclesiasticism, denominationalism, doctrinal controversies decay, while the fundamentals of purity, devotion, service, get a fresh hold on the Christian world? And if we are to see that, are there any who will regret it? And shall we not at least rejoice that our youth are being brought up in this spirit of breadth and real Christian charity?

Watching closely the course of things in the Southern Student Conference, I became convinced that two things were sure to result from it. First, the young men who have attended it will take back to the educational institutions from which they came—and these represent all classes, churches, states, private and independent establishments, seventy-eight this year—influences that cannot fail to be felt for good. On "stunt" night one college group (from a State University) gave a pantomine representation of scenes in their school—"before and after taking." The first was a gambling scene, depressingly realistic, with cards, dice and liquor. The second was a Bible study group. The parent or college president who could see such scenes portrayed and not determine at once that the Student Conference is worthy of approval, would be hard to convince.

Another infallible result of the conference is to be the bringing out of leaders for Christian work. Many a boy here finds himself who will later be the guiding spirit in the affairs of his local church, the expert Sunday school superintendent, missionary lay leader or financier. Here, too, are sown the seeds of aggressive social Christianity; a sphere in which many of these men will shine. Our duty to our brother and the fact that every man everywhere is our brother, is the one insistent note that sounds through the conference discussions. Real brotherhood exemplified, and universal brotherhood taught, all because Christ is our elder brother and God is our Father—this is the work and the aim of the Southern Student Conference and the Blue Ridge Association.

A TRIBUTE OF LOVE

On June 1st, 1915, the silver chord was loosed, the golden bowl was broken, and our dear president, Mrs. D. B. Coltrane, heard the one clear call of our Heavenly Father, "It is enough; come up higher," and her sweet and gentle spirit returned to the God who gave it to render her account and to hear Him say "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joys of thy Lord."

Mrs. Coltrane was not only a charter member of the Society, but for over twenty-one years she was our president. We feel deeply the great loss we have sustained. Truly she was a great leader, wise and tactful always. Where she lead we could safely follow for we knew she was true to her Master and friends. Here was a life full of loving, unselfish, active work for her church and for the upbuilding of all that was good and true. Who can estimate the value of such a life—a life directed by God for the church and humanity? The aroma of such a life rises as a sweet incense to our Heavenly Father.

In her death the Society has lost one of its most consecrated, best beloved and efficient members, and we each a true personal friend, and as we meet together in the "ladies' parlor," month after month, how we shall miss her! But dying as she had lived, trusting in the Saviour she had served for many years, we realize that our loss is her gain. How beautiful to be with God. We are grateful for the inspiration of her pure life and can gladly say, "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord." Though her years of labor here have ended, her good works will ever live.

We extend our deep and sincere sympathy to her dear companion, and may his declining years be filled with sweet memory of her who was such a comfort and help and joy, and may her pure Christian character fall as a mantle around her dear daughters, and may they ever emulate her many noble deeds and follow after her as she followed Christ.

"To hear the Master's kind, 'Well done,'
And learn in service high and broad,
How beautiful to live with God."

"Sunset and evening star,
And one clear call for me,
And may there be no moaning of the bar,
When I put out to sea."

Mrs. J. F. Dayvault,
Mrs. J. B. Sherrill,
Mrs. W. F. Goodman,
Committee.

HAMILL MEMORIAL HALL OF SUNDAY SCHOOL PEDAGOGY

During a visit to Japan Dr. Hamill conceived the idea of a building on the campus of the Kwansei Gakuin, Kobe, to be used as headquarters for Sunday school organizations and training. He offered to give $1,000, and secured from Mr. H. J. Heinz the pledge of a like sum. Later, the Canadian Methodist Church and the Japanese Methodist Church joined in the plan with a pledge of $1,000 each.

It is intended that the building shall cost $6,000 (unfurnished), and it is estimated that for thorough equipment the cost will be $2,000 more, making a total of $8,000. It will be interdenominational in character, and will form part of the teaching equipment of the Kwansei Gakuin.

Friends and co-workers of Dr. Hamill, since his death, have decided that this shall be a memorial to him, and a building has been planned for that purpose. There could be no memorial more fitting to Dr. Hamill's life and

work. A committee composed of Jno. R. Pepper, E. B. Chappell, B. M. Burgher, W. W. Millan, and A. J. Lamar will have charge of the enterprise.

We are sure that there are thousands of men, women and children in the Sunday schools of our church who have been blessed by the labors of Dr. Hamill and who hold the man in loving remembrance who will be glad to aid in erecting this memorial by giving from $1.00 to $100 each. It is better that this labor of love should be performed by the many in small contributions than by a few men in large amounts. It is important that this work be done quickly.

Send your contribution, large or small, to Dr. A. J. Lamar, Treasurer, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tennessee.

BOOK REVIEWS

Doubleday, Page and Company looms upon the literary horizon with a new novel by Gene Stratton-Porter. Not for two years has there been a new book of fiction from the pen of this author of "Freckles," "Laddie," "The Harvester," "The Girl of the Limberlost," etc., and the announcement from Doubleday, Page and Company that her new book will be issued on August 17th, has created considerable stir in the literary world.

Beside that the announcement has caused the book trade to begin extensive preparations for receiving and distributing the novel because the demand for a new story by Gene Stratton-Porter is always so great that it strains to the utmost the book distributing facilities of the country.

The title of this new novel is "Michael O'Halloran," and if the whispered comments which have been overheard about the book are to be believed, "Michael" is in every way a fitting companion for his predecessor "Freckles."

It is impossible for the publishers just now to give full details of the story, but aside from that it is asserted that in physical makeup, printing, binding, illustrations and decorations the book will be fully as charming as were "The Harvester" and "Laddie."

Under the alluring titles of "Microbes of Men," "A Surgeon's Philosophy," and "Doctors versus Folks," Doubleday, Page and Company have just published the "Tomorrow Topics" series by Dr. Robert T. Morris, the celebrated surgeon. The books discuss from the medical point of view the latest great discoveries of medicine and science, and the problems that mankind will be forced to decide in the near future as well as the theories that are now in course of evolution.

* * * *

Harper and Brothers, of New York City, have not only recently brought out the exceptionally new novel, "Empty Pockets," by Rupert Hughes, wherein are most pleasing illustrations by James Montgomery Flagg, and also the "Primrose Ring," by Ruth Sawyer, of whoch some one has remarked that "if you have a foolish sentimental fondness for children then read of this little heroine and let her give you back again the heart of a child," but an innumerable amount of other good, up-to-date, deliciously appetizing literature.

For instance, here is "Johnny Appleseed," by Eleanor Atkinson, a sympathetic, romantic dollar and a quarter volume containing all the romance of our early frontier with its hardships, its courage, its sacrifices, its joys. Too, there is "The Great Mirage," by James L. Ford, who says something and says it trenchantly; "The Life Builders," by Elizabeth Dejeans; "Barbara's Marriage," by Maude Radford Warren; "The Lone Star Range," by Zane Gray; "Looking After Sandy," by Margaret Turnbull, all five of which are $1.25 volumes.

Other recent books by the Harpers are "Confessions of a Clergyman," "The Secrets of the Hohenzollerns," "An Interpretation of the Russian People," "The Ladder," by Phillips Curtis, and many other interesting volumes too numerous for our limited space. It would be well for the reader to write the Company for recent notices and catalogue.

The Harvard University Press, of Cambridge, Mass., has recently issued a two-dollar volume, "Essays in Social Justice," by Thomas Nixon Carver, Ph. D., L. L. D., Professor of Political Economy in Harvard University. This is by no means the first venture of Dr. Carver as an author, as there are four especially notable volumes already written by him: "The Distribution of Wealth," "Sociology and Social Progress," "Principles of Rural Economics," and "The Religion Worth Having."

Of the seventeen interesting chapters of the present volume, "Essays in Social Justice," the first chapter on "What Is Justice?" and "The Forms of Human Conflict," "How Ought Wealth to be Distributed," "How Much is a Man Worth," "Socialism and the Present Unrest," "The Cure for Poverty," and "The Responsibility of the Rich for the Condition of the Poor," are particularly entertaining and suggestive. Here is the basis of many a good sermon. Not only does the book appeal for the plane of thinking upon which the subject matter is pitched but for the masterly vocabulary in which it is cast. It is a book which adds to one's mental furnishings both practically and artistically.

* * * *

The J. P. Lippincott and Company, of Philadelphia, are to be thanked for their new story "The White Alley," by Carolyn Wells. Not only is the presentation of this book most pleasing with its white and blue covering, but the narrative is particularly thrilling because of the remarkable ingenuity of Fleming Stone. As an incomparable solver of mysteries Stone is in a class by himself. For absorbing summer fiction this book is hard to beat. Its price is $1.25 net at all book-sellers or from the publishers.

Another just-out and notable book by the Lippincott people is "Miranda," by Grace H. Lutz. "Everybody fell in love with Miranda" has become quite a by-word with those who have read the delightful story. Miranda's naturalness and irrepressible spirit make this one of the most enjoyable, wholesome books Mrs. Lutz has ever written.

* * * *

The Yale University Press, of New Haven, Conn., which was "founded to provide an adequate medium for publishing notable books which tend to advance American scholarship in all its fields," is living up to its ideals by having the Yale University Council's Committee on Publications to pass or approve no manuscript which does not measure up to a rigorous standard.

A glance at its catalogue will show that the Yale University Press was not founded to serve Yale men alone. From the outset it has welcomed work from scholars throughout the world, and it is not from accident, but from design, that the list of authors contains names of men representative of the most distinguished scholarship abroad as well as in our country.

A little booklet of forty-two pages recently published by the Press contains an interesting list of "Spring Publications" which may be obtained by addressing the Yale University Press, New Haven, Conn. To any readers who may be interested to know of its work in greater detail, the publishers will be glad to send upon request a complete catalogue of publications and two addresses by George Parmly Day, President of the Yale University Press, entitled, "The New Era of Publishing at Yale" and "The Function and Organization of University Presses."

PLANT A FLOWER

The practical lesson that we can not eat our cake and have it too is one we learn very slowly. That is a blessing. In youth we own the bakery on the strength of our penny. The bun, the tart, the cookie with the raisin and the cookie with the hole in the middle—we own them all potentially in the golden moment before we have parted with our cent and make our choice with its inevitable limitation. In middle life we remind ourselves, and do it over and over, that we can not have our cake and eat it too. It is a necessary lesson, but a solemn one, and it ought not to be learned too violently. We ought to make more of the golden hours in which we have but a penny, yet possess all things.

It is inevitable that some of the hopes of youth should die. But let none of them die without planting a flower on their grave. For something very precious has gone out of our lives whenever we discover that we are facing a condition and not a theory.

Vain hopes ought to give place to the hopes that abide. But even the illusions of youth are precious. Even the pot of gold at the rainbow's end is worth chasing, and sad is the day when one thinks he discovers that there is no pot of gold there.

Who knows that no pot of gold is there? Do not too soon desist from the pursuit of a worthy ideal. Do not too soon give up the hope of being and attaining all that you ever thought possible. Nay, learn that there are ways of enjoying the cake that you leave in the bakery as the one you munch.

And if now and then you must bury some hope that once you cherished, plant a flower above it. The grave of a hope ought to be made to bloom.

Do you understand what this little editorial means?

It is a lesson worth learning.

Have you learned it?—The Advance.

PREACHERS CLOTHES

There are two extremes in the minister's garb which should be avoided. One of them is the business suit which some preachers wear on all occasions. We heard a brother remark on one occasion that he tried to dress as much like a drummer as possible, and that he had often been mistaken for a "Knight of the grip." Well, he ought not to dress that way. A short sack coat on a minister in the pulpit is an abomination. That kind of a coat on any man who appears in public on the stage is not in good taste. Lawyers, lecturers and preachers ought all to dress alike and for the reason that they are the centre of observation when performing their public duties. Nothing else is so attractive and appropriate as a neat Prince Albert coat that clings to the form but does not sag. These are not "clerical" clothes, but are appropriate for all public speakers. There ought never to be any clerical clothes. And this leads us to speak of the other extreme which ought always to be avoided. Episcopal preachers and Roman Catholic Priests have always been known on account of their pug dog collars and their vests that button behind. We mean no reflection at all on these gentlemen when we say that we would vote against calling a pastor with that kind of toggery on if he was as big as John Broadus. We regret to see that our Presbyterian brethren, in a few of our cities, are adopting the pug dog collar, the coat with the boiler rivets and the waist coat that enfolds the body like a black sash. The writer was reared among Presbyterians and all the preachers of his boyhood wore men's clothes. We hope the contagion that has begun will not spread. So far as we know not a single Baptist preacher in the state in the South advertises his calling by his clothes. The Methodist people are usually very sensible in the way they dress. Up North the thing is different. One of the greatest Baptist preachers in the United States never appears in his own pulpit without his gown. He means no harm, but does some by adopting this foolish style. It is not a sign of humility, but of the opposite to appear in unusual garb before the public. It is an evidence of ministerial vanity to thus call public attention to one's calling through the clothes that he wears. It is not his garments but his message that should distinguish the minister of the gospel, and anything in the world that tends to distract attention from the message should be avoided. The best dressed man in the community is he whose clothes makes no impression at all. A loud tie or a shirt front too wide and white, even a pair of hose that shriek can spoil an otherwise tasteful outfit. And when a preacher appears with clothes that clamor for public notice his message, which is his real business, is to that extent obscured.—Charity and Children.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

District Conference Directory

Salisbury, Kannapolis .....July 21-23
Charlotte, Polkton .....July 21-23
Shelby, Lowesville .....July 27-29
Statesville, Broad Street .....July 28-31

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. H. C. Sprinkle conducted revival services at Pilot Mountain last week.

—Rev. W. E. Poovey, pastor of the Ozark and Dallas charge, reports a good meeting recently held at Ozark.

—Rev. J. H. West, Field Agent of the Children's Home, spent last Sunday at Rutherfordton, preaching morning and night.

—Rev. R. G. Tuttle and family, of Albemarle, are on their vacation in the old home neighborhood near Lenoir, Caldwell county.

—Rev. John W. Moore, pastor of our First church, Salisbury, has recently assisted the pastor at Stanly, Rev. Neil C. Williams, in revival services.

—We testify with great pleasure to the claim of superior advantages in many respects offered by Davenport College. On our 16th page will be found a full page ad this week. Look it up.

—The home coming exercises at old McKendree church, on the Mooresville charge, July 3rd, were greatly enjoyed. A large crowd was present and an elegant dinner was served.

—Rev. W. L. Hutchins, pastor of Burkhead Institutional church, Winston-Salem, called at the Advocate office on Monday. He was returning from the great Anti-Saloon Convention at Atlantic City. He was enthusiastic in his account of the great convention.

—Rev. W. H. Beamer, for many years a prominent and useful Baptist minister of Surry county, passed away at his home near Mt. Airy last week.

—Rev. J. H. Green, of Rock Springs circuit, is holding revival services at Asbury on the Lincoln circuit this week, Prof. Rudd Newsom conducting the singing. Rev. N. M. Modlin is the pastor.

—We learn through the Sparta paper that the mother of Mrs. J. W. Hoyle, Mrs. J. A. Cranford, died at McColl, S. C., on Sunday, July 4th. The Advocate joins in expressions of sympathy for the bereaved. Brother J. W. Hoyle is pastor of the Sparta circuit.

—The people of the Sulphur Springs circuit did the handsome thing in sending their pastor, Rev. T. A. Groce, to the Anti-Saloon Convention at Atlantic City, providing purse for all expenses. The fact is Brother Groce has the good habit of keeping on mighty good terms with his people and they have a fine record under his leadership of doing about the right thing on all questions of duty concerning the church and the cause of religion and morality in general. No charge in our Conference is more thoroughly sown down with the Advocate. No wonder they do well.

—Many friends and acquaintances of Rev. and Mrs. M. D. Hix, formerly of this Conference, but now of the North Carolina Conference, will be grieved to learn that their son George was killed instantly in an automobile accident near Basketville, Va., on Sunday, July 4th. He was thrown from the car against a post of a barbed wire fence and his neck broken and his skull crushed. There is hardly a doubt but that he was killed instantly. He was a popular and efficient clerk of the Baxter-Jones Company, one of West Durham's largest stores. He was 21 years old.

—Mrs. J. A. Claywell, wife of Mr. J. A. Claywell, of Morganton, passed to her reward at her home in that place on Saturday, July 3rd. Sister Claywell was in her eightieth year, and had long been a real "Mother in Israel." The Advocate joins in expressions of genuine sympathy for the family, especially for the bereaved husband, Brother J. A. Claywell, who, for many years, has been one of the most devoted and loyal members of our church. We hope to be favored with a full memoir of this good woman for an early issue of the Advocate.

—Rev. C. A. Wood, presiding elder of the Asheville District, requests us to announce that Rev. Marvin Auld, of South Carolina, has been appointed to supply the Tryon and Saluda charge, Rev. W. C. Jones, the regular pastor, having surrendered the charge on account of failing health. Brother Jones is now at the home in Greensboro, and hopes by rest and treatment to be able to work again before long. Brother Jones is one of our most faithful young men and we sincerely hope to see him able soon to return to work.

—On Saturday, July 3rd, Rev. A. C. Swafford and his people at Oak Forest, in the suburbs of Morganton, built their new church in one day. The local paper says: At daylight 75 to 100 men appeared on the ground to contribute a day's work, and at 10 o'clock the framing was up and weather-boarding well under way. At noon rafters were up and the roof being rapidly covered, the ceiling, weather-boarding and flooring all well along, and at 4 o'clock a practically completed church, a creditable one, and erected by the best workmen in the county. Mr. Swafford is due much credit for the success of the plan and has worked unceasingly to accomplish it. He has been greatly assisted by Rev. Kelly Houck, a resident minister, who has taken much interest in the work."

A Word from Caroleen.—The Morganton District Conference is in session near by us at Gilkey, and Brother Clegg is making about the finest report for the mid-year the district has ever had from us. We of Caroleen think it a long time to wait for a visit from the editor until 1916, when we expect the District Conference to convene at this place.

S. M. Davis.

Sulphur Springs.—Will you please announce through the Advocate for me that Rev. C. W. Byrd, D. D., of Greensboro, will dedicate the Pisgah church, on Sulphur Springs circuit, on July 25th, the fourth Sunday. All former pastors are invited. Dinner on the ground furnished by all the churches on the circuit. After dinner, from 2 to 4 p. m., there will be a laymen's meeting over which Mr. L. B. Rogers, district leader, will preside. The following are some of the speakers: On Lay Activities, Capt. Weaver, Zeb F. Curtis, S. P. Burton, H. A. Dunham, of Asheville; J. C. Sales, of Fletcher, N. C., and Mr. J. C. Curtis, circuit lay leader. The Advocate readers will remember the circumstances under which we have had to labor in order to rebuild Pisgah church. After one year's hard work the church was completed on last day of February, 1914, and burned down before day light, March 1st, 1914. We went to work soliciting help. Many churches, Sunday schools and individuals, have helped us. We now have a beautiful little country church. We ask every one who has helped us in any way to be with us on the 25th of July, and see where you have put your money and the people you have helped. You can get a train out of Asheville at 8:30 a. m., arriving at Candler at 9 o'clock; from Waynesville 7 a. m., Candler 8 a. m. Candler is located on Murphy R. R., eleven miles from Asheville. Pisgah church is four miles from Candler on main Pisgah road—fine road and beautiful. Spend one day in the mountains on South Hominy. There will be conveyances to meet all trains at Candler. You can leave Candler for Waynesville at 4 p. m., and for Asheville at 6 p. m. This is a fine trip for automobilists, as our church is on the main road to the lodge on Pisgah's top. We would be glad to have the editor with us on that day. There will be chicken for all.

T. A. Groce.

Rock Springs Circuit.—Let me freely speak of Rock Springs circuit, for it was dead, but is with us until this day. First, let us say it is alive and active. Each Sunday school is large and wide-awake. We have six weekly prayer-meetings. We have about 150 persons who will lead public prayer, testify or help conduct prayer meeting. There are seventy-five or more family altars. One hundred and seventy-five members have joined our charge this year—most of them by profession. The ten per cent. for Children's Home is paid in full. Our two Leagues are doing well Our new church at Bethel will soon be ready for paint. We expect to see it finished by Conference.

We have witnessed a good revival at each of our seven churches. Mt. Pleasant church continues the wonder of all churches I have seen. No such power have I seen or read of in late years as abides there every time we meet. I forbear to write something which has come to pass there lest some think I exaggerate. Hundreds of people visit their Sunday afternoon prayer meetings every week.

Well, what next? Camp meeting? Yes. All right. Today the trustees and quarterly conference mutually agreed for the pastor to hold camp meeting this year, so the quarterly conference suspended those resolutions (forbidding public worship there) for "this or any other services which the pastor may authorize." But the legal status of the property is to be tested before a judge unless some other previous adjustment is made. But everything is clear and free for camp meeting this year, so none may feel any hesitancy. It is agreed that the pastor do the preaching and make every service strictly evangelistic. We trust to have 100 conversions. Let all pray that there may be that many. Prof. Newsom is to conduct the music. We expect to leave out Sunday. The services begin Monday night, August 2nd, and close Friday night. Let everybody take notice and plan accordingly.

The preacher's tent will be furnished to accommodate all preachers who attend. And all who wish to come are welcome and will be taken care of by the committee for that purpose, by addressing John Campbell, Denver, N. C.

I think a transfer auto will carry passengers from Cornelius here for $1.00 each way. Write R. E. Proctor, Denver N. C. For tents, write O. F. Howard, Denver, N. C.

Christian saints, pray for this meeting.

Sincerely, Jim Green, P. C.

Rev. J. H. West In Wadesboro

Wadesboro Methodism greatly enjoyed the presence and preaching of the genial financial agent of the Children's Home. Brother West gave us two fine sermons last Sunday morning, and the people showed their appreciation (Bro. West was the highly esteemed pastor here four years) by their presence. Monday and Tuesday Brother West quietly and tactfully presented the claims of the Home, secured a number of generous subscriptions, and $110.00 in cash. Brother West certainly knows how to do the work for the Home with the same skill that he formerly did the work of a pastor and presiding elder.

Methodism has taken deep root in Wadesboro. We have church property worth more than $25,000.00, and no debts. Our membership will soon be five hundred, a good number of whom are second to none in loyalty and good works. The congregation is well organized, and the missionary societies and Sunday schools are doing a great work. It is no exaggeration to say that Wadesboro is one of the best pastoral charges in our Conference, and the outlook for the future is bright. May our good Bishop Waterhouse send the right man here next Conference. May the Advocate prosper.

George D. Herman.

Wadesboro, N. C.

Music Teacher.—A graduate in music, with several years successful experience, wishes a position in school or private class. For particulars write to Christian Advocate, Greensboro, N. C.

Rutherford College Summer School

Rutherford College Summer School came to a close today, July 10th, after a six weeks' session. During the last several days the college has conducted the state and county examinations for teachers. The examination papers show that an excellent quality of work has been done. As a result of the school ten teachers were given first grade certificates, four, State five year certificates, and one State high school certificate. Thus we make our beginning at summer school work which we hope to continue with increasing success next summer. E. K. Creel.

Honor Roll, Morganton District

Churches that have paid salaries in full or over, for six months, ending May 31st: Mars. Hill and Riverside, on Bald Creek circuit; Tanner's Grove, Kistler's, Union and Gray's Chapel, on Broad River circuit; Henrietta and Caroleen, station; Carson's Chapel and Cotton Mill, on Marion circuit; Marion station; Murphy's Chapel and Snow Hill, on McDowell circuit; Martin's Chapel, Shoal Creek, Deyton's Bend and Horton's Hill, on Micaville circuit; Salem, on Morganton circuit; Bethlemem, on Old Fort circuit; Oak Grove, on Spruce Pine and Bakersville circuit; Gilkey, on Rutherfordton circuit; Oak Grove, on Cliffside circuit; Forest City, on Forest City circuit; Concord, on Burnsville circuit.

Twenty-four out of ninety-two churches in the district. J. E. Gay, P. E.

Wesley Bible Classes at Lake Junaluska

Eight study periods of forty-five minutes each will be given to conferences on Bible class organization and work during the Sunday School Conference at Lake Junaluska, N. C., July 29 to August 6. The following subjects will be considered: "The Present Status of the Bible Class Movement," "Advantages of Organization," "Advantages of Enrollment," "Advantages of Federation," "The Bible Class and the Local Church," "Bible Class Activities," "What Can an Adult Class Do for Boys and Girls?" "The Bible Class Outlook."

The several periods will be conducted by Rev. Emmett Hightower, Mr. J. M. Way, Mr. Arthur L. Dietrich, Miss Elizabeth Kilpatrick, and the Superintendent of the Wesley Bible Class Department.

It is expected that a large number of men and women will attend these meetings for fellowship and the interchange of views concerning Bible class work. Members of all Bible classes are urged to attend. Programs will be furnished upon application.

Chas. D. Bulla.

810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

Missionary Notes from Field Secretary

Bald Creek Ct., J. A. Fry, P. C.—Bald Creek, $150.00; Bank's Creek, $19.75. Brother Fry has his collections about provided for and is having a successful year every way. More than one hundred members have been added to his churches this year.

What transformations have been wrought at Bald Creek since my visit there eleven years ago. The secret is their church—one church with practically all the people united on it. And a good high school. Yancey county's new, broad thoroughfares and steel bridges show the spirit of progress among the people.

* * * *

Burnsville, H. M. Wellman, P. C.—The meeting planned by presiding elder and conducted by our pastor ably aided by our conference evangelist, Brother Dawson, in a tent on the public square was a success. There will probably be twenty additions to the Methodist and Baptist churches with the Baptists somewhat in the lead.

Brother Dawson's preaching was in demonstration of the Spirit and with power. I saw the altar repeatedly filled.

All denominations heartily co-operated with a fine effect on the community. The meeting made easy the securing of nearly eight thousand dollars in pledges for a new ten thousand dollar Methodist church and the most desirable lot in Burnsville on which to build—the gift of Mrs. Laura J. Carter and her daughter, Mrs. J. Bis Ray.

The lot is almost opposite Mrs. Carter's home on the street leading from the square to the railway station. I find more than two hundred names on subscription list ranging from one dollar to twenty-five hundred. The last named amount was subscribed by John Wesley Higgins, one of the oldest members of our church. God has prospered this man and today he finds himself at the age of seventy-five a seeker after God and His service.

I doubt if there can be found among these Western Carolina mountains a sturdier character than this plain, unassuming toiling man. They call him "Uncle Wes." His is a great soul and when he got the victory that decided his gift his face was lighted strangely from above. May this be but the beginning of a yet larger service to God and humanity by one with no family to inherit his fortune.

For years Brother G. D. Ray was our most substantial supporter at Burnsville until his death, three years ago. His son, Bishop J. Ray, aided me in the choice of the lot and gave another evidences of interest in the new church project. His two daughters, Miss Cora Ray Watson and Mrs. Mary Byrd, subscribed each $500.00. Another daughter, Mrs. W. B. Wray, and her husband subscribed $200.00.

Other generous subscriptions were $250.00 each by Mrs. Laura J. Carter, Mrs. George Anglin, and M. C. Honeycutt. Several gave $100.00. But more impressive than any of the above were the numerous pledges by the Lord's poor in earthly substance but rich in their heavenly possessions, and by the children.

The pastor selected the following building committee subject to the quarterly conference, M. C. Honeycutt, J. W. Higgins, T. R. Byrd, Geo. W. Anglin, J. B. Gibbs, with the pastor and presiding elder exofficio members.

Brother Gay must have liberal assistance from the Church Extension Board this fall to enable him to provide for the emergency opportunities open to our church at Burnsville, Alta Pass, Marion Junction and elsewhere.

Brethren of the Conference, let us get the assessments in full this year, Such openings as are now before our church will never again be repeated. With the open door it is but a question of a few months, or at most, years, until it will close.

* * * *

Thermal City Ct., J. C. Richardson, P. C.—Centennial appointment filled by Brother Dawson. $9.00 on assessments. Thermal City, $22.-25 on assessments.

* * * *

Green River Ct., J. M. Barber, P. C.—Bethlehem, $97.40 on assessments; Lebanon, $68.50 on assessments. Brother Barber is a good singer—a good pastor helper in revival work. The congregation at Lebanon propose to build a new church in one day, July 26. Brother Barber says: "Report that we will come out on everything."

* * * *

Broad River Ct., H. H. Mitchell, P. C.—I visited Kestler's Chapel only, and held a conference with pastor and people with agreement that the pastor would call a meeting immediately of his missionary committees, apportion the whole amount to be raised among the several churches, apportion amount assigned each church among the members, then make a personal canvass to get them to ratify it. Brother Mitchell has made some substantial improvements about the parsonage and led his people to paint Kestler's Chapel and Tanner's Grove.

The Preacher in a Strait-Jacket

Mr. Editor, I want to thank you for your editorial of July 8th, on Foolish Legislation. It is great, with one fault only that I can see. That is it is too short. Your pen should have gone on and on. The matter is of vital importance to the church. But hoping you will come again, I will excuse you and wait.

If our connectional officers would take the trouble to look up the matter and see how many things are required of the preacher in charge, they would feel more like praying for the pastors. But if the preacher could buckle on the strait-jacket and walk straight along, he could breathe more freely. But in addition to the things the Discipline defines as the duty of the preacher in charge, there are at least twenty men in the church, whose privilege is to tell the preachers what to do. To realize the magnitude of what I now write, get a barrel, and place in the preacher's study. No, get two barrels, and dump the preacher's mail in them for twelve months. Then take off a month or six weeks to go through and see what they have told the preachers to do, and you will find they quote Scripture to him, as if he had never seen that dear old Book.

Just here I will make this suggestion: If all connectional officers are to dictate the legislation of the church for a few years longer, our great old church will be a thing of the past, so far as the salvation of the world is concerned, because they are not in position to know the temper of the rank and file of the church. A connectional officer can only see one side of things. This one-eyed legislation is driving the real gospel out of the church. No man can preach the gospel in this strait-jacket, with twenty men pulling at it, and pulling in different directions. We should remember the Lord said, "No man can serve two masters."

Have we the strong pulpit in North Carolina we had thirty years ago? More than half the men and women who have a definite Christian experience would answer, no. A church can never raise up a strong pulpit while it keeps its preachers busy here and there. God has called them to preach and if they meet the demands of that call they must not be embarrassed with this strait-jacket and the hangers on. He must be left free to follow the leadings of the Holy Spirit. And he must be lead directly by the Spirit, not through some one else. If anything is true it is that this is the dispensation of the Holy Spirit, and if we would succeed in our work we must not ignore His authority.

But they tell us we must have organization. This is true, but are we not becoming more and more disorganized? You cannot organize a number of little states in the state without destroying the organization of the state. You may find a church with League, Missionary Committee, Evangelistic Committee, Social Service Committee, a Missionary Committee in the Sunday school, Organized Classes in the Sunday school, and on and on, to the end, if you can find the end, and when the record of church conference is called for in the third quarterly conference, find there has been no church conference. The church is completely swallowed up in other organizations, not even a record showing who has contributed to the great enterprises of the Kingdom. Go to the Wednesday night prayer meeting and how many out of a membership of nine hundred or one thousand will you find there? And on Sunday at eleven A. M., the sky clear, the road good for car riding, will the pastor meet half his members in the house of God? The entertainment has been looked after. Many have enjoyed the nice time there. The solo is just fine. Not one in one hundred, if one at all, heard or understood one word in the long and awful strain the violent effort. The Boy Scouts have just returned from a very enjoyable trip, frying meat in the woods, and having a nice time. But no one, except a crank, is alarmed to find less than half the membership at church on a good Sunday.

Decision Day brought into the church a large class last year, and perhaps not half of them have heard the gospel since they were received. But since they are organized in the societies, no use to be cranky about them.

Now, I believe the doctrines of our great church. I have enjoyed them for more than forty years. I have given all I ever had to her, and weep now, not for what I have given her, but because I have no more to give. I have marked the changes for forty-two years, and, brethren, I am sick at heart. But I have hope, and that hope is greatly strengthened when the noble editor of our Conference organ turns on the light.

Write again, Brother Blair; write and keep writing. This important question should be kept before the church. R. M. Hoyle.

Mocksville, N. C.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

A PRAYER

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
Forgive our feverish ways!
Re-clothe us in our rightful mind;
In purer lives thy service find;
In deeper reverence, praise.

Drop thy still dews of quietness,
Till all our strivings cease;
Take from our souls the strain and stress,
And let our ordered lives confess
The beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the beats of our desire
Thy coolness and thy balm;
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
Speak through the earthquake, wind and fire,
O still small voice of calm!

—John G. Whittier.

From the Junaluska correspondent of the Asheville Citizen of July fourth, we quote the following which pertains to one of our workers, Mrs. Frank Siler, Ex-Corresponding Secretary of the Conference, who, with her husband and children, is spending the summer at Lake Junaluska. We feel sure that Mrs. Siler's friends will be interested in the work that she is doing during her summer vacation. The reporter says: "Mrs. Frank Siler believes the best way to elevate society is to begin with the fellow near who needs aid. Acting upon this theory she has organized a Bible class for the colored servants in the homes here. The class met for the first time last Sunday afternoon with fourteen present. The interest shown in them was met with a hearty response. 'We have been praying for leadership,' remarked one, 'and we feel our prayer is now answered.' Mrs. Siler believes that if the servants may return to their homes in the autumn inspired to undertake greater work for the Master, that the purpose for which the Southern Assembly was brought into existence will have succeeded at least in part.

HARRISON YOUNG PEOPLE

From Miss Elizabeth Latham, Corresponding Secretary of the Harrison Young People's Society, we hear of a most interesting meeting recently held by this auxiliary at the home of the pastor, Rev. B. F. Hargett.

In the early part of the year to increase the interest in the work, the pastor offered a suggestion to the society that if each one of the members would make a dollar missionary money by June, he would give them a reception and give to the one who told most interestingly the manner in which the dollar was made, a prize costing a dollar. The young people caught the idea and set to work with a vim in order to accomplish results.

In response to an invitation from Brother Hargett they met at his home recently, and besides realizing a number of dollars to be applied to the support of a Bible woman, had a most delightful social thoroughly enjoyed by each one present. A number of amusing stories were told as to how the money had been raised but the judges decided that Mr. Orin Tuttle was most successful in telling his story and he was given a beautifully bound and illustrated copy of the Testament. A second prize of a crocheted center piece was awarded Miss Elizabeth Latham.

Delightful music was rendered during the evening and the occasion proved most pleasant and enjoyable.

MISSION STUDY

We are exceedingly anxious to increase the number of mission study classes in our Conference, but in order to do this we must have the cooperation of our mission study superintendents, and we want each superintendent who has no class already at work, to take up at once this work.

We do not believe that there is a department in our woman's work that means so much in awakening interest and creating enthusiasm as does the department of Mission Study and Publicity and we want to stress its importance on each auxiliary. When we realize the facts we must get interested in them. And then, we feel that there are a number of societies throughout the Conference that study missions, but who do not send reports to the Mission Study Superintendent, and we do want to know what you are doing. May I insist that each superintendent of Mission Study in each auxiliary in the whole Conference, let me know what is being done in her auxiliary along this special line of work? We cannot afford to be other than in earnest about this work. We are glad to be able to report some new classes during the year, and feel that there are others about which we should know. Dear sister superintendents, lay this matter on your hearts and let us see what this third quarter may bring forth. Our aim, A mission study class in every auxiliary, adult, young people and Junior, is far short of fulfillment in our Conference.

Let us wake up and get in earnest about this matter that means so much for the advancement of our great missionary cause!

THE OPEN DOORS OF THE YOUNG

Extracts from an article by Mrs. F. F. Stephens, Council First Vice-President.

ident. What are the aims of the twenty-three thousand young people banded together under the name of the Young People's Missionary Society? They wear a pin shaped like a shield; they carry a banner inscribed, Loyalty. These are emblems with a meaning. The message of the pin is three-fold. The colors green and gold, indicate that youth is life's green and gold. The white band under the lettering is for purity. The shape is a shield, based on the verse "His truth shall be thy shield." Youth, purity and eternal truth—so runs the message of the pin.

The motto of the organization is "Loyalty to Christ," and that is the sentiment back of the green, white and gold "loyalty pennant."

The letters of the Y. P. M. S. everybody knows mean Young People's Missionary Society, but they mean infinitely more than that. They are letters with which to conjure, bringing up visions and setting hopes on high. Did it ever occur to you that these letters might stand for the words, "Your plans must succeed?" To point out an open door that leads to larger life is as great a service as one human being can render to another. To open doors, one after another, to youth, the most beautiful thing in life, to direct its forces without waste, to train its energies without strain—these are the aims of the Y. P. M. S.

The doors? The door of efficiency through organized effort. Twenty-three thousand young people working together accomplish more than the same number working individually and alone. How to work with others, shoulder to shoulder, is one lesson. How to plan organizations is another lesson.

The door of children's work for missions is open in every auxiliary. The second vice-presidents of the young people societies go through this door and are in a larger sphere than they knew before.

There is the door of social service. Making all less-favored young life, be it in the slums and factory districts of our own land, or in the ignorance and superstition of heathenism, better and brighter. One may fancy that in this connection Y. P. M. S. may mean "Youthful Persistence Moves Society."

The door of Christian stewardship leads to unsuspected riches. There is learned the fact that Christians are stewards of time, talents, and opportunities as well as money, and that it is required of a steward that he be faithful. Through another door the young people enter into the work of providing the mission institutions of the church with supplies for their work. Wesley Houses, Bethlehem Houses, mission schools and kindergartens, foreign Sunday schools, orphanages and frontier parsonages all know the pleasure of receiving boxes from them.

Then there is the door of Mission Study. And once through this door such vistas of other and more wonderful doors appear! Within this door we find the doors of inspiration, of appreciation of the heroic, of knowledge of the other half of the human family, of world-wide interest, of benevolence, of deeper spirituality.

This year the hand book is trying to point the way to the door of intercessory prayer. To fail to pray for others is three-fold error says Mr. Mott. It develops selfishness in one's own heart, it keeps the workers from the revelation of God that intercessory prayer might bring to them, and it prevents a larger manifestation of God's glory by way of his power.

The type of club offered by the Young People's Missionary Society is the highest to be found. It is education, it is culture, it is spiritual development, it is contagious religion which is another name for service.

WHAT SOCIAL SERVICE DOES FOR US AS INDIVIDUALS

Mrs. Fred Helmet

Happiness consists not in having and getting and in being served by others, but in giving and serving others. We have it in our power to secure for ourselves unlimited happiness. Before us are two doors which any of us have the power of opening. On one door is written the words "Enter and secure for yourself a life of pleasure." Here you have the privilege of pleasing only yourself. Everyone may do just as he will. The door of this room is decorated with the most beautiful flowers and as this looks so attractive to us we open the door and enter. We see a group. We begin to look around and we see many faces we know. Each occupant of the room is engaged in different amusements. Some are dancing. Some are playing cards. Some are drinking and eating. On every side is apparent gaity and boisterous laughter. Every one seems to be having a good time, but as we look more closely we see written on their faces envy, selfishness, covetousness, rivalry, discontent, and all the while we hear discordant music, and with a feeling of disappointment we turn and leave the room.

On the other door which we see before us is written the words "Opportunity for a life of service." We open the door and enter. Here too we see a group. Sadly small is this group and yet what a contrast to the one we have just left. On each face we see something for which we have been striving so long. We see in contrast to envy, content. In contrast to selfishness, desire to serve others. In contrast to covetousness, satisfaction with what is possessed and in contrast to rivalry and discontent, the picture of a noble soul reflected in each face. Here, too, each occupant is busy but in what a different way. Here we see one bending over a sick bed, and as she gently presses the brow of the patient, and with deft hand arranges the pillows we see the face of the sick one light up as she says "How glad I am that you came. The time has seemed so long and the future has looked so dark since I have been told that I must lie here for weeks and months and that perhaps I may never be well again, but your loving words and sympathy have brightened the way and have helped me to bear more patiently the burden which is placed upon me." At these words we see pass over the "ministering angel's" face a smile of joy which is unspeakable. Turning we see another one of the occupants bending beneath her load of sorrow to speak a comforting word to a discouraged fellow-traveler and as she lifts her face we see no trace of her own sorrow, but only joy and peace. Another is reading aloud from the word of God to an aged one whose eyesight is long ago dimmed by care and sorrow. Another is reading selections from papers and magazines which she has brought to leave with the one who is too poor to buy anything but the bare necessities of life and still another is relieving a tired mother at the bedside of her sick child, and on every side we see a spirit of cheerfulness and helpfulness which gains as a reward the joy and peace which the world cannot give. Is this alone not worth striving for? And Jesus himself says "And whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold water only in the name of a disciple verily I say unto you he shall in no wise lose his reward." A life of service has its trials and denials, but the path to glory is always rugged. Let us take courage from the words of Henry Van Dyke, "He that turneth from the road to rescue another turneth toward his goal. He that taketh up the burden of the fainting lighteneth his own load. He that speaketh comfortable words to mourners healeth his own heart. He that careth for the sick and wounded watcheth not alone," and Margaret Sangster says, "By doing service to others we shall keep ourselves free from entanglements of doubtful amusement and of unhappy associations."

By service we gain true beauty—beauty of soul. What matters it if the face lacks beauty? God looketh on the heart. Service lifts us above the cares of this world and places us on a higher plane. It enables us to raise our souls so high that when any one would offend us the offence cannot reach us. A life of service brings happiness here and finally gains for us a home in heaven. "And what did you do?" my Lord shall say when we meet at the end of the King's highway. Have you ever pressed the brow of one whose fevers were sapping his life's blood. Have you strewn flowers along the pathway of one whose living sorrow was worse than death? Have you broken the bread of life to the sinsick soul? Have you rejoiced with those who rejoiced and wept with those who wept? What is our answer to these questions going to be? What are we doing for Christ? For what are we working? Have we any results of our labor to show? Have we any jewels in the bank of heaven? Listen, methinks I hear the answer from one in sweetest tones, "Come, ye blessed of my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world for I was an hungered and you gave me meat. I was thirsty and ye gave me drink. I was a stranger and ye took me in. Naked and ye clothed me. I was sick and ye visited me. I was in prison and ye came unto me." Our hearts are too full of joy to comprehend and we say "When, Lord, did we do all this?" and the answer comes, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren ye have done it unto me."

BLYMYER CHURCH BELLS. UNLIKE OTHER BELLS SWEETER, MORE DURABLE, LOWER PRICE. OUR FREE CATALOGUE TELLS WHY. Write to Cincinnati Bell Foundry Co., Cincinnati, O.

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

PERSISTENCE

When today's difficulties overshadow yesterday's triumphs and obscure the bright visions of tomorrow—

When plans upset and whole years of effort seem to crystalize into a single hour of concentrated bitterness—

When little annoyances eat into the mind's very quick and corrode the power to view things calmly—

When the jolts of misfortune threaten to jar loose the judgment from its moorings—

REMEMBER that in every business, in every career there are valleys to cross, as well as hills to scale; that every mountain range of hope is broken by chasms of discouragement through which run torrent streams or despair!

To quit in the chasms is to fail! See always in your mind's eye these sunny summits of success!

Don't quit in the chasms! Keep on!—System.

LAKE JUNALUSKA THE BEAUTIFUL

The beauties of nature that cannot be surpassed anywhere. Exhilarating atmosphere, that makes you eat and sleep as you do no where else.

Delightful associations, with people who are at work for the Master and who are in close touch with Him.

Inspiring programs, that have been prepared especially for those interested in the salvation of the world and the training of young people for the work of the Master.

When?—August 19 to 29, Epworth League Institute.

Lesson Topic for July 18th—"Is it ever right to do away from home what one would not do at home?"

This is a very appropriate topic for this time of year. Many of the young people are preparing to go away for a vacation, and they will be apt to meet with temptations that they would not think of doing at home. They will say, "Nobody knows me here, so I can do as I please." That is not the question. God knows you now matter where you are, and He sees you and knows what you are doing. The question is, "Is it right to do this," not "Can I do it here, and not be found out." Things that we would not do at home where everybody would hear about it and know it, should not be done away from home because those friends will not know it. God has not given us many given us a mind and a conscience and given us a mind and a conscious and His Holy Bible to guide us. If we will study our Bibles, we will not want to do those things which are displeasing to Him, either away from home or at home. If we train our minds and consciences by reading his Holy Word, we will be able to tell what God would have us do under most any circumstances that may arise. If we are in doubt, give God the benefit of the doubt, and do not do it.

We have Daniel and Joseph in the Bible as examples of pure young manhood who refused to do things away from home that they would not have done at home. With them it was the principle and not the place. There are four points that we should consider when tempted to do what we do not think "just exactly" right.

1. The Omnipresence of God. He sees us where ever we are. He will be with us and if we will ask He will give us strength to overcome our temptations.

2. Consecration to Jesus Christ, our Highest Example of Christian Character. Let us always strive to have one purpose, to do the will of our Father, and let us keep our mind and heart pure and true to that purpose.

3. Ambassadors of Christ. An ambassador is a representative, who goes in the name of him whom he serves. If we are ambassadors of Christ, we must realize that we stand for Him in the world and we must not do things that He would not do.

4. Principles, not rules, must govern our lives. The principle of love should govern our lives. Jesus said "And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind and with all thy strength; this is the first commandment. And the second is like, namely this: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these." Paul said in Romans 12:9, "Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good." Let us carry these words with us when we go on our vacation. Nothing is so important to an Epworth Leaguer as that at home, and especially away from home, he shall live a life consistent with his Christian profession, knowing that his example in evil would offend some brother for whom Christ died and that his example for good will serve to inspire some other to greater effort. Let us all say with one of our hymn writers, "Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee."

FIRST PRAYER IN CONGRESS

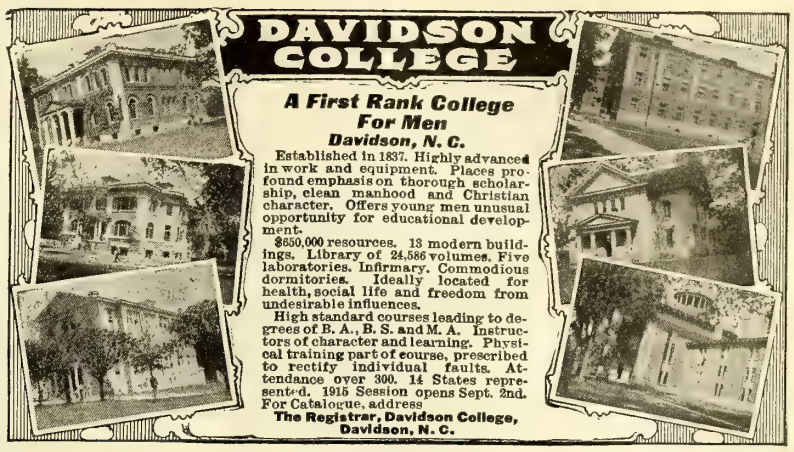
From The Christian Herald we copy the following from Thatcher's Military Journal of December, 1777. This is the identical first prayer offered in Congress, by Rev. J. Duche, and may be prized as a relic of olden times:

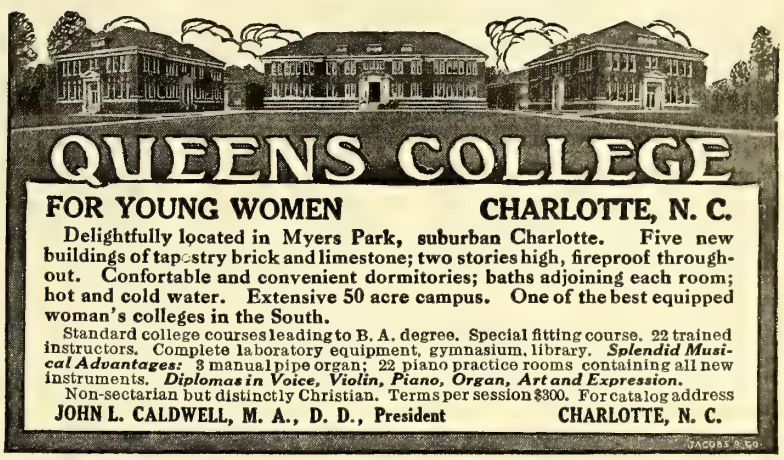
"O Lord our Heavenly Father, high and mighty King of kings, and Lord of lords, who dost from thy throne behold all the dwellers on earth and reignest with power supreme and uncontrolled over all the kingdoms, empires and governments; look in mercy, we beseech thee on these American states who have fled to thee from the rod of the oppressor, and thrown themselves on thy gracious protection, desiring henceforth to be dependent only on thee: to thee they have appealed for the righteousness of their cause; to thee do they now look for that countenance and support which thou alone canst give; take them therefore, Heavenly Father, under thy nurturing care; give them wisdom in council and valor in the field; defeat the malicious designs of our cruel adversaries; convince them of the unrighteousness of their cause, and if they persist in their sanguinary purpose oh, let the voice of thy own unerring justice, sounding in their hearts, constrain them to drop the weapons of war from their unnerved hands in the day of battle!

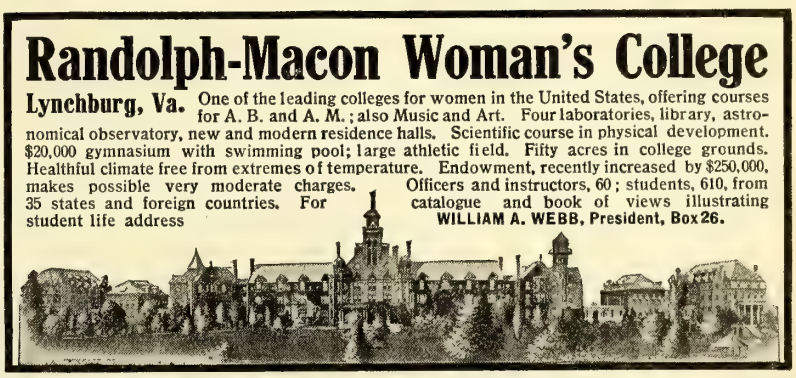
Be thou present, O God of wisdom, and direct the councils of this honorable assembly; enable them to settle things on the best and surest foundation, that the scene of blood may be speedily closed; that order, harmony and peace may be effectually restored, and truth and justice, religion and piety prevail and flourish among thy people. Preserve the health of their bodies and vigor of their minds: shower down on them, and the millions they here represent, such temporal blessings as thou seest expedient for them in this world, and crown them with everlasting glory in the world to come. All this we ask in the name and through the merits of Jesus Christ, thy Son our Saviour. Amen.

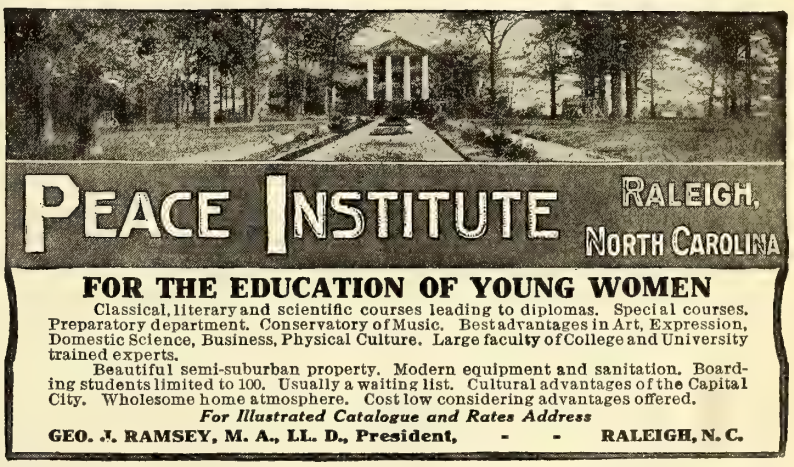
Celery Plants and Summer Cabbage Plants that have been grown right and packed right for shipment. Ask for free pamphlet.

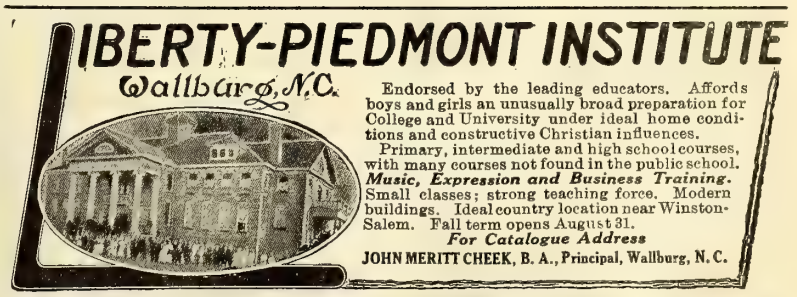
Wakefield Plant Farm,
Charlotte, N. C.

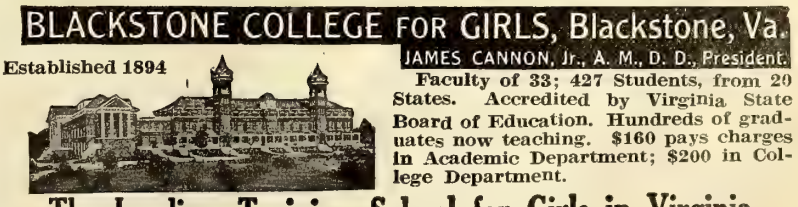














OAK RIDGE INSTITUTE

OAK RIDGE, N. C.

J. ALLEN HOLT, Pres.
T. E. WHITAKER, Sec.-Treas.

For 63 years a leader in youths' education. Preparation that opens the way to bigger accomplishments, in College, Business and Life.

350 acres in campus, athletic grounds, orchards, and farm. Six modern school buildings. Steam heat and showers. Library. Active, well equipped Literary Societies. Healthful, accessible location, near Greensboro. More than 1000 feet above sea level. Sane moral influences and associates.

Courses thoroughly covering Literature and Science, Business, Teaching, Music, Athletics. Strong teachers, who know boys; discipline and government which appeals to their pride and manliness.

Cost Reasonable. Session opens September 7th, 1915.

Write early for illustrated catalogue.

Address

Oak Ridge Institute
Oak Ridge, N. C.

Learn Shorthand

By Mail in 30 Days at my Expense

Send no money. Get my **free lessons.** I do not claim to fit you for a position in thirty days. Nobody can do that. But with my system, you can learn to write in Shorthand with very little effort. That first instruction is **absolutely free.** Then, if you wish to take further instruction, I will give you a **positive guarantee** to refund your money at the end of a specified time if you are not entirely satisfied. Could anything be fairer?

I have taught shorthand for many years. I have taught a dozen different systems. These include nearly all the new and so-called "simple" systems. But I went back to the original Pitman System—and improved on it. I now teach the **Pratt-Pitmanic System,** and I want to prove to you, at my expense, that it is the best. My great success is due to a **new and original method of instruction by mail.**

Positions at Good Salaries

Shorthand is a great advantage to everybody. For a young man or woman there is nothing equal to it. It will give you a start in life and an opportunity for rapid advancement. Many of my students have secured **splendid positions.** The demand for stenographers is increasing. You are practically certain to get a satisfactory salary if you take my course in shorthand. **Become a court stenographer** or fit yourself for other high class positions.

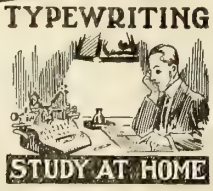
Free Typewriter Instruction

Every one of my students can have a course in typewriting **absolutely free.** If you do not own a typewriter, I will rent you one for six months for $10; or for $30 I will sell you a rebuilt visible machine that I cannot tell from a new $100 machine.

If you are ambitious and in earnest and really want to learn shorthand, send at once for FREE Lessons. A postal card will do. Simply say: "Send free lessons."

E. D. PRATT 1011 Pratt Bldg. CHICAGO

LEARN SHORTHAND AND TYPEWRITING



LEND spare time only. Give our Easy Home Method two hours a day. In one month become an expert stenographer—writing 100 words a minute and transcribing with speed and accuracy. Thousands of valuable openings. We qualify you for early entrance at good pay.

No long drawn out, expensive method or puzzling features. Plain, simple, quickly mastered.

SPECIAL REDUCED RATES.

Easy terms if you act now. Prepare now for a successful future and old age comfort. Drop us a postal today. We'll send nothing you need pay for—just full particulars of the course. **Write at once.** If interested in bookkeeping or business course, mention the fact.

SOUTHERN CORRESPONDENCE SCHOOL,
8 College Park, Asheville, North Carolina.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

Our Dead

TRIBUTE TO A MOTHER

By Her Pastor

When God would reveal the beauty and beneficence of a divine fatherhood to an infant race or to the unfolding life of an individual, he established home and set motherhood at its center. The father is the head of any well-ordered household, but the mother is the heart. And the sting of death is never more sharp than when his cruel hand stabs the heart of home and stops its pulsings of love. So the grief in the home from which Mrs. Nancy (Hoke) Rudisill has gone out is deep because the loss is great.

She was born in Lincoln county September 8th, 1861. At the age of sixteen she gave her life to God and joined the Methodist church, and to both she was true to the day of her death. Nancy Elizabeth Hoke was married to Albert P. Rudisill Dec. 25th, 1881. To this happy union God gave ten children, three of whom had gone to heaven before the mother. The others, together with the bereaved husband and faher, will join them there later. This excellent family has been living near Dallas for the last ten years, and the entire community is bereaved in the loss of this good woman, for though the light of her influence shined brightest in her home, its beams went abroad to bless other lives and homes.

Following a lingering illness, an operation was performed in the hope of saving her life, but in spite of all that love and surgical skill could do, death came June 4th at the Presbyterian hospital at Charlotte. The remains were brought to Dallas and left to sleep beneath a mantle of flowers while the gentle spirit lives above

The following lines "To Mother" were read at the funeral service:

She gave the best years of her life
  with joy for me;
And robbed herself with loving heart
  Unstintingly.

For me with willing hands she toiled
  From day to day;
For me she prayed when headstrong
  youth
  Would have its way.

And though no other eyes than mine
  Their meaning trace,
I read my history in the lines
  Of her dear face.

Her gentle arms, my cradle once,
  Are folded now;
For death has set his pallid seal
  Upon her brow.

But while I stand with broken heart
  Beside her bier,
I hope to be with her again
  Sometime, somewhere.

CLAY—At twilight, Thursday evening, the 20th of May, Mrs. Sarah Olive Clay, wife of J. Marvin Clay, departed this life, following a brief illness of but a few days. Death came suddenly, though not unexpectedly and released her spirit from its mortal tenement, she being yet in the prime of life—33 years old. A resident of West Hickory since girlhood. She was held in high esteem by a large circle of friends who deeply regret her untimely death. She was the mother of four children, all of whom survive her, as well as the husband, the aged mother, Mrs. M. E. Warlick, a brother, and sister.

Mrs. Clay was a true and loyal member of the West Hickory Methodist church, having joined the church when a girl of ten years of age. Her influence was felt in various organizations of the church in which she was identified. As an officer in the Ladies' Aid Society, and teacher in the Sunday school, she rendered invaluable service to her church, and by her gentle life and exalted character, impressed all with her genuine Christ-like qualities. Verily her life was a benediction to the community, an inspiration to old and young.

The funeral services were conducted from the West Hickory Methodist church, by the pastor, Rev. E. O. Smithdeal, after which interment was made in the Hickory cemetery. Many beautiful floral offerings attest the high appreciation in which the deceased was held by the community.

E. O. Smithdeal, P. C.

ADAMS—Mrs. Nancy M. Adams (nee McCall) was born June 29th, 1850, and died April 16th, 1915. Early in life she gave her life to God and joined the Presbyterian church. In 1891 she was married to Mr. L. A. Adams and came with him to the Methodist church, where she remained in her quiet way faithful and true unto the end. It was my privilege to visit her from time to time and witness the complete triumph of her unshaken faith in God in which faith she went into His presence rejoicing in the hope of the glory of God. She has gone to meet five of her children who have gone before to that good land. She left a husband and four children, two sons and two daughters, to follow her.

The funeral services were conducted at the home, the old Dowd place, west of the city of Charlotte, by her pastor, Rev. J. O. Ervin.

TRIBUTE OF LOVE AND RESPECT

The Ladies Bible Class of St. Paul's Sunday school has been called upon to give up one of its best members, Sister Mattie Christenberry, and be it resolved:

First, that we, the members of the class, bow in humble submission to His will who doeth all things well.

Second, that in her death the class has lost one of its truest and most faithful members, and the family a devoted mother.

Third, that we extend to the bereaved family our deep and heartfelt sympathy and bid them trust in the Heavenly Father.

Fourth, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, and to the Christian Advocate, Courier and Bulletin for publication.

Mrs. A. M. Floyd,
Mrs. Claud Reed,
Mrs. John Ferguson,
Mrs. L. W. Brown,
Committee.

WEBSTER—Mrs. Lizzie C. Webster was born Nov. 12, 1839, and departed this life in Madison, May 30, 1915, aged 75 years, 6 months and 18 days. She had for long years been a faithful and earnest and devout member of the Methodist church, and a true Christian. She was the mother of Mrs. John G. Fulton, Mrs. W. L. Vaughn, and Mrs. J. N. Martin, all of Walnut Cove, N. C., and many other relatives and friends who mourn her departure. Her funeral service was held in the Methodist church in Walnut Cove by the writer, assisted by Rev. C. R. Hutchinson, and she was laid to rest in the old Stokesburg burying ground.

"There is no death, an angel form
  Walks o'er the earth with silent
  tread;
He bears our best loved things away,
  And then we call them dead."

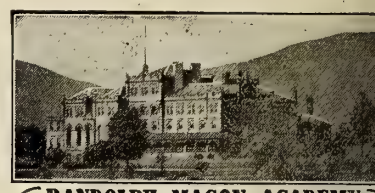
MOSER—Mrs. Malinda Moser was born April 1, 1838, and died May 27, 1915, aged 77 years, one month and 26 days. She was one of the oldest members of Palmyra Methodist church, on the Walnut Cove circuit, and often got happy and shouted the praises of God. It was my privilege to converse with her often on the subject of religion, and she was always ready to testify to her faith in Jesus Christ, and to declare her hopes of heaven. She was stricken with paralysis and lingered about three weeks before she was released from her sufferings. She said she was "going home." The funeral service

THE NORTH CAROLIN

State Normal an Industrial College

Maintained by the State for the W men of North Carolina. Five regul Courses leading to degrees. Speci Courses for teachers. Free tuition those who agree to become teachers the State. Fall Session begins Se tember 15th, 1915. For catalogue a other information, address,

JULIUS I. FOUST, President
Greensboro, N. C.



RANDOLPH-MACON ACADEMY
For Boys Bedford City, Va.

Offers prompt and thorough preparation for college scientific school or business life. The liberal endow ment of the Randolph-Macon System, of which thi school is a branch, permits of unusually low terms $255 covers all charges for the school year. N extras. Randolph-Macon boys succeed—465 graduate of this school have received full college degrees o entered professions in the past 18 years. For cata logue and further information, address

E. SUMTER SMITH, Principal

The North Carolina
COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AN MECHANIC ARTS

Young men seeking to equip the selves for practical life in Agricultu and all its allied branches; in Civ Electrical and Mechanical Enginee ing; in Chemistry and in Agricultu Teaching will find excellent provisi for their chosen careers at the Stat Industrial College. This College f men for life. Faculty for the comi year of 65 men; 767 students; 25 bui ings. Admirably equipped labora ries in each department. County aminations at each county-seat on Ju 8th.

For catalogue, write
E. B. OWEN, Registrar,
West Raleigh, N. C.

THIS SPACE BELONGS TO

ROBT. W. MURRAY

GENERAL INSURANCE

Greensboro, North Carolina
308½ South Elm St.
Phone 163

The Newest Styles of Jewel

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large asso ment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassw and Ornaments. We are the oldest leadi firm in the city. Everything guarante

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO
LEADING JEWELERS

FRECKLE-FACE

Sun and Wind Bring Out Ugly Spots. H to Remove Easily

Here's a chance, Miss Freckle-face try a remedy for freckles with the gua antee of a reliable dealer that it will n cost you a penny unless it removes t freckles; while if it does give you a cle complexion the expense is trifling.

Simply get an ounce of othine double strength from any druggist a a few applications should show you h easy it is to rid yourself of the home freckles and get a beautiful complexio Rarely is more than one ounce need for the worst case.

Be sure to ask the druggist for t double strength othine as this is t prescription sold under guarantee money back if it fails to remove freckle

was held at Palmyra church by the writer and Rev. C. R. Hutchinson, of Rural Hall. A mother in Israel has fallen. May God bless the stricken family and may they lean upon the strong arm of Jesus.

E. J. Poe.

TRIBUTE TO MRS. D. B. COLTRANE

It is with deep sorrow that the Junior Missionary Society of Central church, Concord, records the passing away of its beloved president, Mrs. D. B. Coltrane, on the morning of June 1st, 1915.

She was so true and faithful and taught us so carefully the word of God and of our missionary work.

We saw in her a strong, consecrated, Christian character—unselfish and amiable in disposition, energetic and practical, always giving us something to think of after the meeting was over.

We realize what a great loss we have sustained, and offer the following resolutions in her memory:

First, that we grieve that God has seen fit to remove her from us, but that we, though only children, know that it was for some wise purpose and we bow in submission to His will.

Second, that we thank God for the blessed privilege of allowing us to come in such close touch with her pure and noble life, and trust that we may emulate her beautiful example and some day meet her again in heaven.

Third, that her sweet influence and teaching shall ever remind us of our duty to God and to one another and that we shall strive daily to live as she would have us to.

Fourth, that these resolutions be recorded in our minutes, a copy sent to the bereaved family and one to the Advocate for publication.

Elizabeth Correll,
Ruth Crowell,
Cottrell Sherrill,
Committee.

MOSER—Jasper J. Moser was born Dec. 20, 1863, and died May 23, 1915, at his home in Stokes county. He was 52 years, 5 months and 2 days old. His death occurred just four days before that of his mother, whose obituary I send along with this. Brother Moser was a good, true, faithful member of the church, and servant of Jesus Christ. He leaves a wife and some children, and many relatives and friends to mourn their loss, which is his eternal gain. He said that his leaving was only exchanging this earthly home for a better one. I have not seen so many people at a funeral service in a long time, as attended his funeral. It was conducted by Brother C. R. Hutchinson and myself, at Palmyra on the Walnut Cove circuit.

"O, how sweet it will be in that beautiful land,
So free from all sorrow and pain,
With songs on our lips and with harps in our hands,
To meet one another again.

E. J. Poe, P. C.

McCRARY—Mrs. Drusilla Leonard McCrary was born November 20, 1840, near the town of Lexington, N. C., and died at her home in Lexington, N. C., May 26, 1915, aged 74 years, 6 months and six days. She married J. W. McCrary, who survives her, September 27, 1860, and to this union were born five children, two sons and three daughters, all of whom are living. Her children are Hons. T. E. McCrary and J. R. McCrary, of Lexington; Mrs. L. E. Thompson, of Wilmington, N. C., and the wife of Rev. L. E. Thompson, presiding elder of the Wilmington district; Mrs. W. H. Walker, and Miss Edna McCrary, both of Lexington, N. C.

In old Ebenezer church, a few miles from Lexington, Mrs. McCrary was converted at the age of eighteen and joined the Methodist church, of which her whole family are loyal members and staunch supporters. Many of the older ministers of our church who have visited Lexington in years past will remember the delightful hospitality of the McCrary home. The doors of her house stood wide open to the ministers of the Methodist church. All her children were educated in Methodist schools, her sons at Trinity College and her daughters at Greensboro Female College.

For almost fifty-five years Mrs. McCrary was the devoted companion and true helper of her husband in his busy and useful life, and her going away is an irreparable loss to him who sitteth in the shadow alone. "Her children call her blessed," and prove to the world by their lives that her long years of motherly devotion to them were not wasted, because her ideal of good and useful men and women, which Mother McCrary had set for her children, has been fulfilled in them.

Alva W. Plyler.

Whereas, God in wisdom and love hath taken from our Society Mrs. Scott Blackwell, one of our most loved and useful members, we, the members of the W. M. S. of Main Street M. E. church, Reidsville, do bow in submission to His will, knowing that He never makes a mistake and that all things work together for good to them that love Him.

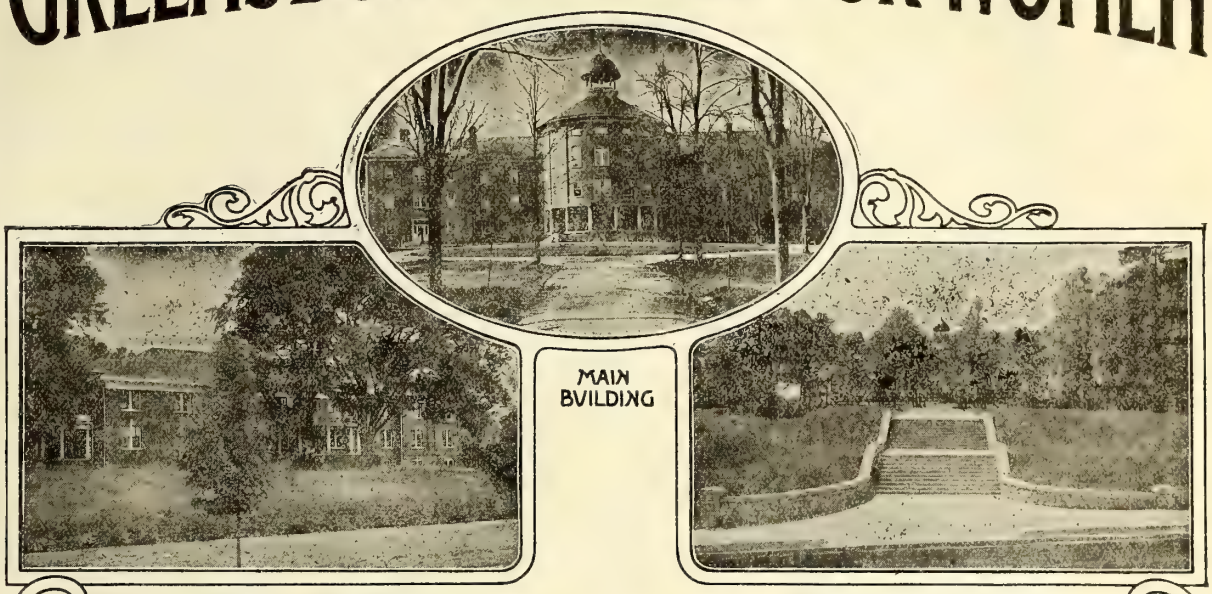
Resolved, 1st, that while we lament the loss of our sister, we rejoice that God has taken her unto Himself and that she shall be forever with Him.

Resolved 2nd, that we try to emulate her example of faithfulness and willingness always to do her part in all of God's work.

Resolved 3rd, that a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the Society and copies be furnished the town paper and the Christian Advocate of Greensboro.

Mrs. Arch Wilkinson,
Publicity Supt.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.



TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 **CHARTERED 1859**

A Christian college steadfast in its fidelity to its highest ideals and noblest traditions. Among the few well endowed Southern institutions of learning. A large faculty of thoroughly trained and wisely chosen teachers. Excellent new buildings, beautiful and large campus. Modern laboratories and fine library.

Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law

Special attention given in the Biblical Department to the wise training of young ministers.

For catalogue and illustrated booklet address

R. L. FLOWERS,

Secretary to the Corporation, Durham, North Carolina.

The Sunday School Lesson

THIRD QUARTER—LESSON III—
JULY 18, 1915

SOLOMON CHOOSES WISDOM
1 Kings 3:4-15

Golden Text—The fear of Jehovah is the beginning of wisdom. Prov. 9:10.

Summary of the Lesson

"Look to the end" is a command which has brought many a man to a sudden halt in the midst of a thoughtless career. "Watch the beginnings and the ends will take care of themselves" is a piece of advice which has its own wisdom. It brings a man to a halt before he has begun to go wrong.

Our study today lifts the curtain on Solomon at the beginning of his reign. In the midst of spectacular sacrifice and the feasts and splendors of his assumption of power the heart of the king is turning seriously to Jehovah. The deep desire which leaps to the central place in his consciousness is not the longing for wealth, or power, or long life. It is the yearning for moral sagacity, for the power to rule with wisdom. As this desire masters his thought it clothes itself in the pageantry of a dream, when in the presence of Jehovah he makes the decisive choice and becomes gloriously conscious of the divine favor.

The Challenge of the Future

Two men were sitting on an eminence above the sea in the summer evening glow. They were firm friends, and the talk became intimate and revealing. "I am always sobered when I think of my past," said one of them. "And I," replied the other, "am never so serious as when I think of my future." Solomon was meeting his future, and as he tried to master its meaning, and even to command its quality, a sense of solemn awe came over him. In the midst of the loud acclaim and glittering festivities at the beginning of his reign, he was thinking more of the responsibilities of a ruler than the enjoyments of a ruler. What he ought to bring to the kingdom engrossed his thought rather than what the kingdom would bring to him. He was sobered into a subdued seriousness as he thought of the future of his own life and of the life of his people. The highway stretched ahead over which they were to walk together. How much depended upon his insight, his strength, his power to understand and his power to do. More than one future seemed to be knocking at the door, and he must choose between them.

The wonder of the unwritten is the heritage of youth. It is full of mystery and allurement and all the charm of the unknown. The book is open. The pages are white. Youth stands eager and hopeful, with pen in hand and ready to write. This is the hour of destiny. The challenge of the future rings in the ear.

Our deeds are the finished product. If we would seek the place of original meaning we must go far back of them. We must follow the inrush of clamorous thoughts. We must trace the uprising of powerful emotions. We must go to those dim and mysterious places where motives are born. Here we find the soul alone with life's realities. Here we find the place where character is formed.

It is in this place of mystery and possibility that we find Solomon as he retreats within himself to face the meaning of his work. Here the future lifts questions heavy with solemn import. We have left Solomon the magnificent. We are meeting Solomon the lonely soul face to face with the significance of life.

The Alternatives

There is an amusing passage in one of Samuel McChord Crothers's wonderfully discerning essays which runs thus: "Learn to concentrate, that is the secret of success. There are those who will tell you to concentrate on a single point. I would go even further. Concentrate on every point." The fine irony of these words exposes one of our most frequent fallacies. The world has many people in it who can never be contented with some things. They want everything. They cannot be satisfied with being a certain kind of people. They have never learned the fine art of exclusion, and so their lives never come to strong, or dependable, or definite meaning.

Solomon clearly understood that life comes to a man as a matter of great alternatives. He cannot be several kinds of a man. There is a place in the heart for one supreme loyalty. One mastering desire must be put upon the throne of the soul at last.

Henry van Dyke, in that stimulating and thought-provoking series of stories The Ruling Passion, tells of a number of people, each possessed by some mastering enthusiasm, some one dominant desire. There is a time in a man's life when many loud calling voices cry for the supreme place. The critical hour comes when he surrenders to one commanding voice.

Solomon felt the lure of wealth. He felt the desire for long life. His sensibilities were keenly responsive to all that life offered. His conscience kept calling for the supremacy of the moral. His spirit was hungry for some intimate and compelling sense of the nearness and leadership of God. People about him gave emphasis to each of these voices. The life within had its echoes in the life without. He had keys to all sorts of doors. Which would he enter?

The Valley of Decision

A man was kneeling at a Methodist altar during a revival service. He was in keen distress. A wise old man who had been talking with him moved away with one final word: "You have brought your body to God's altar. You have not yet brought your will. No one else can take the next step for you. You must decide."

Solomon had heard many voices. He had felt the drawing power of many varieties of appeal. Now he was in the valley of decision No one else could take the next step for him. He must decide.

He turned more and more to one mastering ambition. He dwelt more and more on one great need. To know what was right, to be able to see moral values clearly and truly seemed to him the most desirable thing in all the world. That wisdom which is moral discernment summoned him. Deliberately he decided that he would rather have this than any other thing which life could give. His struggle followed him into the world of dreams, and then in vivid and unforgettable fashion the drama of his choice worked itself out. Jehovah himself was the questioner. Solomon, in humble, eager petition, replied to the divine voice. His decision was made and was registered in God's presence, and suddenly he became aware that all sorts of blessings were to come in the trail of the answer of his one chief prayer. Jehovah was pleased with his choice, and Jehovah would shower upon him many gifts.

Standing upon the deck of a ferryboat one blustering winter day a traveler watched the wind making merry with flakes of snow. It blew them where it would. They were whirled about, tossed high or beaten down into the dark water at the wind's will. The snow flakes had no life of their own. The traveler knew that he belonged to a different order. In the great things of purpose and controlling motive he was king of his life. No wind of circumstance could blow a noble purpose away against his will. No tempest of adversity could dethrone his motive of loyalty to God unless he surrendered to the tempest. The power of choice did not belong to the snowflakes, but that power made the man a king.

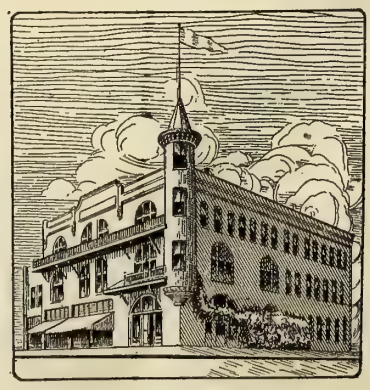
All Things to One Man

It does seem as if by choosing one thing Solomon received many things after all, and in truth singleness of purpose often does lead to manifoldness of possession. The man who refuses to place wealth first often proves the man who can not only obtain a future, but is able also to use it in the very best way. He is the master and not the slave of his possessions. The man who puts something nobler above life may be given the gift of life as well. Every great war has its survivors who have made the final sacrifice in heart, and yet to whom prolonged years have been given. And once and again the man who is ready to make the greatest sacrifice of all ends by seeming to become the greatest possessor of all. Life's alternatives seem to have resolved themselves into cumulative blessings.

John Wesley labored under some anxiety during the latter part of his life because so many of the Methodists had become people of means. Their habit of life after the great decision had inevitably resulted in constantly increasing prosperity. The very system of things is on the side of virtue and godliness. Prosperity is in the long run a corollary of righteousness.

And even when the individual life fails to reap the rewards which the race at large will obtain from the very choice which he has made, it will still be true that from the right direction of his life the enthronement of a high purpose in his soul will cause the capacity to make the most out of every good gift which life brings to him. Not the voluptuary but the man who makes the right choice; but the interpretation of the meaning of these gifts, the spiritual transformation by which they are made an element in a growing life and not a means of moral disintegration, the mastery of the material by the moral is the central fact to the man who receives without becoming smaller because of what life has given. There are no more wonderful powers than those which make material possession the expression of moral and spiritual purposes.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in New York Christian Advocate.

EXPERT KODAK FINISHING
Developing and printing done by artists. Most beautiful work guaranteed at all times. Satisfaction or no charge. Developing, 10c per film. Printing: prints 2 1-4 x3 1-4, 3c; 2 1-2x4 1-4, 4c; 3 1-4x5 1-2, 5c. Quick delivery. Send one film to test our service. Agents wanted.
LIGON DRUG CO., Spartanburg, S. C.



BLUE RIDGE INN
Mount Airy, N. C. W. M. Jordan, Prop.
Mount Airy's Leading Hotel
Rates $2.00 and $2.50—All meals 50 cents—Electric Lights, Steam Heat, Electric Bell System, Hot and Cold Baths—American plan—A clean up-to-date home for the tourist or traveling man, in a beautiful mountain city.

This Hose Lasts Longer Than Others

Goodyear-Akron Lawn Hose lasts longer than others because it is made to do that. It is made by the makers of the famous Goodyear Automobile Tires. Composed of five layers of alternate new, live rubber and strongest braided cotton. Absolutely seamless. The thick corrugated outer coat, with its six extra large rubber ribs, does away with twisting and kinking. They add immensely to its life.

GOODYEAR AKRON
Lawn Hose

Buy Your Garden Tools Here
We Have Everything You Need

ODELL
Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS
Furnished on short notice
Summit Avenue Greenhouses
HOWARD GARDNER
Proprietor
GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345
DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF
STOMACH AND INTESTINES
131½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland
108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

Our Little Folks' Department

THE FOUR-LEAF CLOVER

A little maid in a gingham gown
Went hunting the meadows over;
Till the birds were tired, and the sun went down,
She sought for a four-leaf clover!

For four-leaf clovers bring luck, they say;
And patchwork "stints" and dishes
Were tiresome duties every day.
She wanted some fairy wishes!

With dishes unwashed and "stint" undone
She trampled back home in the gloaming;
No four-leaf clover—No, never one—
Was there to be had for her roaming!

A little maid in a gingham gown
Had washed all the dinner dishes,
Had finished her "stint" ere the sun went down,
Undreaming of fairy wishes,

When just at her feet, as she raced in play
The blossoming meadows over,
She found what the other had sought all day—
She found, yes, a four-leaf clover!

—Mary Clarke Huntington.

MISS BARBARA'S RASPBERRIES

"I do hope that boy over at the next house won't be troublesome," Miss Barbara murmured as she and Miss Julia carefully carried in the parlor lamp. "I just can't have him running out and in here half a dozen times a day tracking in dirt."

Miss Julia's words and tone were assuring. "If we don't take any notice of him whatever, I don't believe he'll trouble us."

So Robbie watched and waited in vain for an opportunity to make the acquaintance of his new neighbors.

When the goods were unloaded, the truckman went away with his span of white horses and big wagon. Miss Barbara and Miss Julia went into the house and shut the door, and the boy, who had been standing on the steps of the next house, went in to talk with his mother.

"They don't look half so nice as Mrs. Royce," he told her.

"But you cannot always tell how good and kind a woman is by her looks," his mother counselled.

"Who do you suppose will have the rasberries now?" Robbie asked after a pause.

"I think the new neighbors will want the berries themselves," his mother replied.

Down on the bank at the back of the house where Mrs. Royce had lived was a thrifty black-raspberry bush, and, as Mr. and Mrs. Royce did not care for the berries, Mrs. Royce had given Robbie leave to pick them whenever he liked, which was a privilege that he greatly appreciated.

Brother Roger and father were talking about Godfrey de Bouillon, about whom Roger had been reading, and Robbie's attention was attracted, for he always liked to hear about great men.

How grand the Crusaders must have looked, marching along, shouting their war-cry, "It is God's will," each man with a red cross embroidered on the right shoulder! Robbie and mother talked about Godfrey de Bouillon when father and Roger had gone down town. Robbie asked a good many questions about the great Crusader who was willing to forgive an injury to himself if good might come thereby.

"I think it's almost as hard to forgive people when they treat you badly as it is to fight battles," Robbie said thoughtfully.

Robbie spent that morning working in his flower-beds at the back of the house. There was a little strip of land at the back of Robbie's house and the house where Mrs. Royce had lived, where flowers grew luxuriantly. Mrs. Royce gave Robbie a little set of gardener's tools, divided her packages of flower-seeds with him, and taught him how to plant the seeds the first year that she lived in the cottage; and since that time he had been an enthusiastic gardener. In the afternoon he thought he would go down on the bank just to see if the raspberries were ready to be picked. As Robbie stood looking at them he wondered if the new neighbors had noticed that the berries needed picking. Then he picked one and ate it: it was delicious. He picked another and ate that, and then another; and then—then some dreadful cold thing came dashing with such force as almost to knock him down. He screamed, and turned to meet Miss Barbara with an empty water-pail in her hand.

"Why, are you here?" Miss Barbara asked in well-feigned surprise. "You better keep right away from this raspberry bush, for I'm going to take the best of care of it. I presume I shall wet it every day this warm weather, and you'll be liable to get wet again if you're over here."

Robbie did not wait to hear more. He ran for home as though for his life. When he reached his mother's arms he cried as he had not cried for a long time, and between his sobs his mother could distinguish these words: "I hate the stingy old thing! Yes, I do!"

Miss Julia met Miss Barbara as she came in at the back door.

"What did he say? I saw you gave him a good wetting."

"He didn't say anything, but he made tracks for home, and I think he'll stay there now."

"But don't you suppose his folks will be dreadfully put out about it?" Miss Julia asked apprehensively.

"If they keep on their land, I shan't trouble them; but just as long as we pay our rent here we're going to have what belongs to us, and we're not going to be troubled by boys either," Miss Barbara replied in a very decided tone.

Somewhat later the two ladies were greatly surprised to see the "troublesome boy" coming up the front walk.

"What on earth can he want now!" Miss Barbara ejaculated.

There was a timid knock at the door, and Miss Barbara answered the summons. There were still traces of tears on Robbie's face, but he spoke bravely.

"I didn't pick but just three of your berries, but of course I hadn't any right to touch one. Mrs. Royce didn't care for black raspberries, and she always gave them to me, so I guess I was so used to picking them I didn't think; but I won't never do so again. I thought you must be real busy, seeing you've just moved in; and won't you please let me pick the rest of them for you to make up for what I ate? I won't eat one single one of them," he added impressively.

Miss Barbara stared in astonishment.

"We are pretty busy, but I guess we can find time to pick them ourselves," she said hesitatingly.

"But I want to make it right, and I can't think of any other way; and I wish you'd let me do it," Robbie pleaded.

And Miss Barbara surprised herself and her sister by saying, "Well, if you want to so bad, you may."

Then she brought a bright tin dish from her pantry for Robbie to pick the berries in. After Robbie left the house, the sisters looked wonderingly at each other. Then Miss Julia broke the silence.

"He's a perfect little gentleman! But I should think he would not have dared to come over here again. Don't you suppose he hated to?"

"I don't believe he enjoyed it very much," Miss Barbara said meditatively.

Oh, Miss Barbara, you never dreamed how hard it was to come!

When Robbie came in, the dish was heaping full of berries. "I picked every one that was ripe," he said smilingly.

"I think you must have," Miss Barbara replied. "I want you to take some of them home, for you have more than paid for the few you ate."

"Oh, I don't want to, indeed I don't!" Robbie protested earnestly.

Miss Barbara could see that he meant what he said, so she forbore to urge the matter; but as Robbie was about to go home she said apologetically—and it was a very unusual thing for Miss Barbara to apologize—"I guess you're a real good boy after all, and I'm afraid I was too hard on you; but I know we shall be friends hereafter."

"Here comes a conqueror, I am sure," mother said, with one of her brightest smiles, as she opened the door for Robbie when he returned.

"Yes, I conquered. It was awful hard to do, almost as hard as some of Godfrey de Bouillon's battles, I guess; but I'm so glad I did it, for she says we're going to be friends now."—Jessie Britton, in the Presbyterian Banner.

LEGEND OF THE LILY-OF-THE-VALLEY

Once upon a time, a long while ago, there lived in a tiny house near a large garden a fairy mother with ever and ever so many fairy children.

All the children were dressed alike, in green slippers and stockings, white suits, and white pointed caps with a dewdrop shining on top.

One evening the fairy mother said, "You may take your small ivory buckets and fill them with dew from the flowers in the garden, but be sure to come home before the sun rises."

Off they started, running and swinging the buckets in their hands; but, when they reached the garden, instead of working, they began to teeter on the grass blades, and play hide-and-seek among the flowers.

And, do you know, they played and played all that night, and forgot all about the dew and the ivory buckets till the great red sun could be seen.

It was past time for going home and too late to gather dew.

"We'll hang our ivory buckets on these stems, and to-night come and fill them," they said.

Then they went home, and they felt very sorry when they saw how sad their fairy mother looked.

As soon as the sun went down they hurried to the garden. First one little fairy, then another and another, tried to pick his bucket from the stem where he had left it, but it was of no use. All the buckets were tightly fastened to the stems, and turned upside down.

They have been fastened that way ever since, and perhaps if you look in your garden you will find some of the fairy's ivory buckets.—Kindergarten Review.

A STORY OF DICKENS

When I was a girl of about ten years of age, says one of the oldest inhabitants of Broadstairs, during a dreadful winter I was sent by my parents, who were very poor, to Ramsgate to buy myself a pair of strong winter boots. On my way home the cold was intense, and, holding the parcel close to me, I found when nearly at my journey's end that the boots had slipped out of the parcel, and that I only held the brown paper in my hands.

With my heart in my mouth I ran back by the way I had come, and, meeting a man whom I had passed some time previously, asked him if he had seen the boots, and he answered very gruffly, "No!"

Continuing my search, I met a man in a dog-cart, who inquired what was the hurry. I told him of my loss. After telling him all my story he told me to jump up with him, and soon we overtook the man I had met before. My good Samaritan interrogated him very closely, and eventually it turned out that he had picked them up.

Charles Dickens—for it was he who had befriended me—then said to him, "If you had been an honest man, I should have rewarded you; but, as you are not, a good horsewhipping is what you deserve." He then turned and asked me if I had heard of Charles Dickens, to which I answered, "No." Then, smiling upon me, he said, "You will hear of Charles Dickens one of these days, and you will then be able to tell how he did a kind action once in his life."—Scotsman.

YOU WILL WRITE A LETTER LIKE THIS

I wish that I knew which one of the thousands of letters I receive would have the most weight with you, my friend. I can't quote all of them here, but I am going to ask you to read these carefully and then give me a chance to renew your health and make you write me one very much like them:

701 Barnard Street,
Savannah, Ga., Dec. 28, 1910.

Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C. Dear Sir: As you are aware, in 1909 I was suffering with indigestion, stomach and liver disorders and all its train of horrifying phenomena for several months. I had lived on milk, soft eggs, shredded wheat, a very insufficient diet for an active working man, and, of course, from disease and starvation was in a very low state of nervous vitality and general debility. I ordered ten gallons of your Mineral Water, which I used continuously, reordering when necessary, and in four months gained twenty-nine pounds, was strong and perfectly well and have worked practically every day since. It acts as a general renovator of the system. I prescribe it in my practice, and it has in every instance had the desired effects. It is essential to use this water in as large quantities as possible, for its properties are so happily blended and in such proportion that they will not disturb the most delicate system. It is purely Nature's remedy.

A. L. E. AVANT, M. D.

Leeds, S. C., March 2, 1911.

I have tested your Spring Water in several cases of rheumatism, chronic indigestion, kidney and bladder troubles, and in nervous and sick headaches, and find that it has acted nicely in each case, and I believe that if used continuously for a reasonable time will produce a permanent cure. It will purify the blood, relieve debility, stimulate the action of the liver, kidneys and bladder, aiding them in throwing off all poisonous matter.

C. A. CROSBY, M. D.

These are not selected cases nor are the results unusual. I receive thousands like them from physicians, ministers, lawyers, merchants, farmers, manufacturers and every conceivable profession. I want the satisfaction of receiving such a letter from you. No matter what your complaint may be, dyspepsia, indigestion, nervous headache, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney or liver disease, or any chronic ailment that has not responded to drugs. I invite you to match your faith in the Spring against my pocketbook. If the water fails to benefit you simply say so, return the empty demijohns and I will promptly and willingly refund your money—every cent. Sign below:

Shivar Spring,
Box 5B, Shelton, S. C.

Gentlemen:

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns, which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....

(Please write distinctly.)

Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You run no risk whatever in accepting his offer. I have personally witnessed the remarkable curative effects of this water in a very serious case.



TAKE A KODAK WITH YOU
and MAIL YOUR FILM TO ME
I do Developing, Printing and Enlarging, returning all work within the shortest possible time. I give coupons for FREE enlargements. Send a trial order today. Write for sample prints and prices.
D. AUDLEY GOLD,
Box C Blacksburg, S. C.

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A Wood, Presiding Elder Weaverville, N. C.
Third Round

June
Flat Rock, Upward 26-27
Tryon and Saluda 27
July
Spring Creek, Balm Grove 3-4
Fairview, Patty's 10
Haywood Street, 11 a. m. 11
West Asheville, night 11
Walnut, Chapel Hill 17-18
Marshall and Hot Springs, Marshall, night 18
Weaverville Ct., South Fork 24
Black Mountain, Tabernacle 25
Sulphur Springs, Pisgah 31-August 1
August
Biltmore, Mt. Pleasant 1
North Asheville, night 4
Swannanoa 7-8
Bethel, night 8

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C.
Third Round

June
Pineville Ct., Marvin 26-27
Calvary, night 27
July
Tryon 4
Belmont, night 4
Weddington, Ct., Weddington 8
Waxhaw Ct., Pleasant Grove 9
Prospect Ct., Prospect 10
Monroe, Central 11
Matthews Ct., Bethel, 3 p. m. 11
Lilesville Ct., Shady Grove 14
Morven Ct., Union 16
Wadesboro 18
Ansonville Ct., Wightman 20
Polkton Ct. 23
Marshville Ct., Gilboa 24-25
North Monroe, night 25
Unionville Ct., Zion 26
Spencer Memorial 1
Dilworth, night 1
District Conference at Polkton, July 21-23

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—James H. Weaver, Presiding Elder Greensboro, N. C.
Third Round

June
Pleasant Garden Ct., Bethlehem ..26-27
Spring Garden 27-28
July
West Greensboro, Grooms 3-4
Randolph, Pleasant Hill 10-11
Coleridge, Rehobeth 17-18
Ramseur & Franklinville, Ramseur, 18-19
Wesley Memorial, High Point 24-25
Main St., High Point 24-25
East End, High Point 24-25
Deep River Ct., White Hall 31-Aug. 1
August
Randleman 1-2
Asheboro 1-2
Denton, Siloam 7-8
Uwharrie, Salem 8-9

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Third Round

June
Table Rock, Linville 26-27
Morganton Station 27-28
July
Broad River, Union 2
Green River, New Hope 3-4
Cliffside, Hollis 9
Forest City, Cedar Grove 10-11
Henrietta and Caroleen, Henrietta, 11-12
Rutherfordton, Gilkey 17-18
Morganton Ct., Denton 24-25
Connelly Springs, Warlicks ..31-Aug. 1
August
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Bakersville 7-8
Micaville, Shoal Creek 14-15
Bald Creek, Bald Creek 21-22
Burnsville 22-23
Marion Ct., Concord 28-29
District Conference at Gilkey, July 15-18

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Third Round

June
Danbury, Sandy Ridge 26-27
July
Dobson 3-4
Pilot Mountain 10-11
Rural Hall 17-18
Yadkinville 24-25
Ararat 31
August
Ararat 1
Mount Airy Circuit 7-8

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Third Round

June
Elk Park, Elk Park 26-27
July
Avery, Pisgah 1
Boone, Hopewell 3-4
Watauga, Hensons Chapel 10-11
Creston, Sutherland 17-18
Helton, Methodist Chapel 24-25
August
Sparta, Cox's Chapel .....July 31-1
Laurel Springs, Chestnut Hill 7-8
Jefferson, Bethany 14-15
District Conference at Elk Park, June 24-27.

Revival Meetings

Watauga .....July 6-15
Sparta .....Juy 31-Aug. 6
Jefferson, Bethany .....Aug. 9-15

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.
Third Round

July
China Grove, 11 a. m. 4
Spencer, night 4
Salem Circuit, Salem 10-11
Mt. Pleasant Circuit, Center Grove, 11-12
Concord, Westford, 11 a. m. 18
Kannapolis Station, night 18
Kannapolis Circuit, Unity 24-25
New London Circuit 31-Aug.-1
August
Gold Hill Circuit 1-2
Bethel and Loves Chapel 8-9

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C.
Third Round

June
King's Mountain 13
Polkville, Lee's 19-20
Belwood, St. Peter's 26-27
July
Rock Spring, Rehobeth 3
Lincoln Ct., Ivey's Memorial 10
Lincolnton 11
Crouse 17
Stanly 18
South Fork 24
Lowesville, Hill's Chapel 27-29
District Conference at Lowesville July 27-29.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Lee T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Third Round

July
Maiden Ct., Friendship, 11 a. m., 3-4
Newton St., Newton, night 4-5
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 11 a. m., 10-11
Davidson St., Davidson, night 11-12
Troutman Ct., Knox Chapel, 11 a. m. 17-18
Mooresville St., Mooresville, night, 18-19
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 11 a. m., 24-25
Cool Spring Ct., Rose Chapel, 11 a. m. 24-25
Iredell Ct., Macedonia, 11 a. m. 25-26
Broad Street St., Broad St., 11 a. m. 25-26
Race Street St., Race St., 11 a. m., 25-27
August
Hickory Ct., Pisgah, 11 a. m., ...1-2

The Sunday School Institute and the District Conference of the Statesville District will be held in Broad Street church, Statesville, July 28-31. Wednesday, July 28th, will be devoted to the Sunday school institute. The institute will open promptly at 10 o'clock, a. m., on that day. We earnestly urge every Sunday school superintendent and every pastor in the district to be present at that hour. There will be something doing every minute. You cannot afford to miss a single item on this program.

The work of the district conference will follow that of the institute. Let every delegate, all the pastors, local preachers, and charge lay leaders be present when the roll is called; and we insist that all the members of the Conference remain until we adjourn on Saturday.

The congregations of Broad Street and Race Street churches will provide abundant entertainment, and we desire the fullest possible attendance.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, R. F. D. 2, Asheville, N. C.
Third Round

July
Highlands, Cashiers 1
Bryson and Whittier, Bryson City ..3-4
Judson Ct., Judson 4-5
Robbinsville, Trinity 6-7
Murphy Ct., Ogden 10-11
Hayesville, Tusquity 17-18
Ranger, Martins Creek 23
Murphy Station 25
Andrews Station 31-Aug. 1
August
Franklin Ct., Clarks Chapel 7-8
Franklin Station, Maiden Chapel 8
Macon Ct., ...15

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C.
Third Round

July
Davie, Center 3-4
Mocksville 2-4
Advance, Advance 10-11
West End, night 11
Lewisville, Union 17-18
Salem, night 18
Farmington, Bethlehem 24-25
Cooleemee, night 25
Kernersville, Shady Grove 31-Aug. 1

CATAWBA COLLEGE, Newton, N. C.

An Ideal Christian College for boys and girls. Healthful location, Excellent Equipment, Strong Faculty, Good Courses—Classical, Scientific, Music, Art and Expression. Expenses Moderate. Next term opens September 7, 1915. For Catalogue write to

Rev. J. D. Andrews, A. B., Pres., Newton, N. C.

EMORY UNIVERSITY

An institution founded, owned, and controlled by the Methodist Episcopa Church, South.

The University offers at present courses leading to degrees in the follov ing departments:

1. **The School of Liberal Arts**—Emory College—offers courses in Englisl Spanish, French, German, Greek, Latin, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistr Biology, Mental and Moral Science, History, Political Economy, and Biblica Literature, leading to the usual literary degrees. This department has library of 40,000 bound volumes.

2. **The School of Theology**—The Candler School of Theology—offers fu and varied courses leading to the degree of B. D. This is a school theology, as definite in its teaching as it is definite in its aim to serve th church to which it belongs. The library of the School of Theology is ric and grows richer daily. To it belongs the famous "Thursfield-Smith Colle tion of Wesleyana," which includes hundreds of the autograph letters of th Wesleys and other Methodist celebrities.

3. **The School of Medicine**—The Atlanta Medical College—a medica school of the first grade which offers courses in medicine and surgery coverin four years, and leading to the degree of M. D. By arrangement with th Grady Hospital, the Municipal Hospital of Atlanta, and the Wesley Mem rial Hospital, which is a part of the University system, the School of Med cine is able to offer clinical advantages of great value to students.

For bulletins, giving full information concerning the University, and i several departments, write to

WALKER WHITE, Secretary-Bursar,
Emory University Atlanta, Georgi

Wesleyan College

Macon, Georgia

Founded in 1836. Graduated its First Class in 1840. Seventy-nine Years of Eminent Success. Ranks Easily With the Best Colleges in the Country.

THE WESLEYAN, an "A" grade college in the truest sense, offers courses in the languages, literature, mathematics, the sciences, philosophy, education, history and economics, household arts and sciences, the Bible and religious education. The full four years of college work are credited by the best universities. Excellent equipment and a large faculty afford ample opportunity for election of preferred branches of study.

While supreme emphasis is laid upon the courses leading to the Bachelor's degree, the strongest possible departments of music, art and expression are maintained.

Fourteen eminent American artists and teachers are employed in the Conservatory of Music. The three men at the head of the departments of piano, voice and pipe organ respectively, are unsurpassed on the continent, while the violin teacher is easily the South's greatest.

The departments of expression, painting and drawing and china painting are in charge of several teachers of rare qualifications.

The situation of Wesleyan is ideal, its health record practically perfect, its social and moral atmosphere delightful.

The Wesleyan diploma is the highest academic honor. The thousands of alumnae are leaders everywhere and in every realm of woman's influence.

Write

C. R. JENKINS, D. D., President.

Business Preparation—Thorough instruction in Bookkeeping, Banking, Accounting, Shorthand, Typewriting, etc.—rendered at minimum cost in shortest time. ***Either school or home courses.*** Good paying positions secured on completion of either.

Write for our illustrated catalogue and learn how this school is equipped to make something of you in the business world. Address

S. P. BROWN, President, LYNCHBURG, VA.

VIRGINIA COMMERCIAL AND SHORTHAND COLLEGE

Methodist Benevolent Associatio

A Mutual Benefit Brotherhood for Southern Methodists. Issues Whole Life, 20-Premi Life, Term to 60, and Disability Certificates. **Benefits** payable at **death, old age, or disabil** Over $152,000.00 paid to **widows, orphans,** and **disabled.** Over $40,000.00 reserve fund. W for rates, blanks, etc. ***J. H. Shumaker, Secretary, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Ten***

Children's Home

Fifth Sunday Collections

West Hickory S. S., E. O. Smithdeal, .10; Harper's Chapel S. S., Lenoir, J. Keever, for R. L. Austin, Supt., .28; Unity S. S., Thomasville, G. Vir- Bodenheimer, $2.10; Platts S. S., aly, Ray Dryman, 75c; Biltmore S. Miss Julia Brookshire, $3.25; South ver S. S., Cleveland, W. H. Cartner, 10; Shiloh S. S., Salisbury Ct., D. Hodge, Route 3, $1.00. Total, 3.26.

Amount Received on General and Special Support and Ten Per Cent. Assessment

Capt. W. T. Rowland, Taylorsville, 2.50; Rev. J. A. Fry, Bald Creek arge, $5.00; Rev. T. E. Wagg, Stony int Ct., $20.00; Rev. J. R. Warren, ring Creek Ct., $30.00, credited as lows. Antioch, $3.38; Balding's apel, $2.90; Balm Grove, $2.20; Olger's Chapel, $6.85; Paint Rock, $4. ; Poplar Gap, $1.65; Roaring Fork, 50; Spring Creek, $3.93; Rev. T. J. uck, Davidson Ct., $20.25; E. O. ithdeal, Hickory church, $4.13; Rev. A. Taylor, Albemarle, $11.57; Chas. nkley, Hanestown, $5.00; Rev. P. L. ore, Mocksville, Davie Ct., $7.00; D. Hodge, Salisbury, Route 3, Salisry Ct., $5.00. Total, $120.45.

Building Fund—Rev. J. H. West, Agent

Mrs. M. L. Covington, $50.00; Miss lia V. Ross, $50.00; Paul J. Kikes, 0.00, all of Wadesboro; N. G. Rusll, $5.00; H. B. Shute, $10.00, all of nroe; V. A. G. Idol, High Point, $5.-; Main St. S. S., Gastonia, $11.82; E. A. Hauser, Fallston, $25.00; acock Philathea class, by Mrs. Paul Hardy, High Point, $53.85. Total, 20.67.

Acknowledgement

Mr. Nat. M. Pickett, of Madison, N. has our sincere thanks for the very nely gift of three cases of corn kes, and for the good wishes and ndly expressions of the letter accomnying his gift.

Acknowledgement is made and anks returned to Mrs. E. W. Culletter, of Statesville, for a bundle of thing recently sent to the Home.

Farm Notes

Weather conditions have been fine farm work the past week, and we ve had all the available force taking vantage of it. Four days and a half th an average of three plows, and rrows enough to put the ground in od condition, has made it possible to w about fourteen acres in peas, and day will find them in the ground. We e about ready te plant four barrels potatoes, and all of them will be the ground before this is in print. e cut four acres of excellent alfalfa sterday (Friday) and are hauling it day. Part of the week's work was e cultivation of eight acres of corn, d the laying by of 340 hills of atermelons. An acre of sweet potaes was laid by yesterday, and two res of late corn were planted in stube ground. All the first planting of rn (about 50 acres) will be laid by e coming week.

Much work was also done during the eek on the construction of a sidelk along the front of the Home propty facing on the Harvia road the coun- is building. About 90 feet of ditchg for, and laying, pipe to convey ater to the feed room of the horse rn was done this week. Altogether, considerable amount of work has en accomplished and everybody in e Home feels well satisfied with sults.

WAYSIDE NOTES

A part of the past month was spent the towns along the C. & N. W. R. from Lenoir to Gastonia, and some my observations may interest the dvocate family. The first place visit- was Lenoir, where we have a good number of Advocate supporters. Though our stay was only one day, we saw nearly every one in arrears and secured a good list of renewals, and added one new name. The pastor, Rev. Z. E. Barnhardt, was in Taylorsville, assisting Brother Hunt in a meeting. The people are still talking about the great meeting held there in April by Brother Biles, and the pastor. This congregation intends to erect a new church in the near future.

* * * *

Our next stop was Granite Falls, where we once lived for about ten years. We were pleased to attend the prayer meeting, when Brother Honeycutt made a strong talk, equal to many a sermon. There were almost fifty persons present, the largest prayer meeting we have attended in a year A number of renewals was secured. We enjoyed the hospitality of our friend, Brother J. V. Sherrill, who has been afflicted with sciatica for several weeks, but able to look after his business. With him lives his aged father, "Uncle William," who is nearing his 83rd birthday. He is still hale and active, keeps informed on the war, and loves to read the Advocate.

* * * *

Two days were spent in the city of Hickory. Brother Stanford was in the North Carolina Conference. holding a meeting, but returned just before we left. Hickory seems to feel the hard times caused by the war, as the Piedmont Wagon Shops are shut down, and car shops on part time. The two cotton mills are running on full time. Our two days' work here did not measure up to the time in Lenoir or Granite as to results for the Advocate treasury. Brother Smithdeal, of West Hickory, made a canvass with us for a half day, resulting in several renewals and three new names. We are pleased to hear good results of his meeting in West Hickory, which began after our visit. Brother Smithdeal is in favor with his people, has his forces well organized, and is going to bring some things to pass.

* * * *

After a week's rest at home our next point was the historic town of Lincolnton. For the past three years we have spent a part of our vacation in this work in about a score of towns, mostly in Statesville and Shelby districts, but at no time and in no place have we been able to do such good work as on this visit to this good old town. The work may briefly be stated thus: "Fifteen full year renewals, four full new names, and not a single kick." And this in one day.

Brother Paris is serving his first year, and has already entrenched himself in the affections of his people. He has a massive body, a broad mind and a great heart. This scribe is indebted to him for valuable assistance in this work.

* * * *

This was our fourth trip to Gastonia, a cotton mill center, on the Advocate mission. More copies of our organ are distributed from this office than many other places that have a higher record on the census roll. Brother Jordan is in his first year at Central church. His people say he is an able preacher, and a model pastor. He has not been enjoying the best of health for a few weeks, and was not able to make a canvass with us, but knew where his people live and gave us all the assistance possible. We attended his prayer meeting, where the attendance almost equalled that at Granite Falls, and there was a larger number of adults. Brother S. J. Durham, an attorney, made a practical talk on the trial of Jesus. The city voted to issue $100,000 of school bonds for new buildings, on the day we arrived. We failed to find Brother Cook, of West End, at home, but secured a number of renewals from his people. The Advocate has strong supporters in the city and suburbs. Among them are the Jenkins, Morrises, Smiths, Davises, Rankins, Boyds, Grays and others. Some thirty renewals were obtained and four new names added. The sixteen cotton mills are all running on full time, and some of them day and night. Central church has added about 100 new members this year, and has one of the largest Sunday schools in the Conference. We shall look forward with pleasure when we can visit these towns again.

A. C. Sherrill.

A QUIET HOME WEDDING AT ADVANCE

On Wednesday, July 8th, at 4 p. m., at the home of Mr. W. A. Leonard, of Advance, Miss Eva, the adopted daughter of Mr. Leonard, was happily married to Mr. D. M. Tate, of the Southern Railway Company, Asheville Division. This marriage was witnessed by a few relatives and friends of the contracting parties.

Mr. and Mrs. Tate at once boarded the train for Asheville, the metropolis of the mountains, and Mr. Tate's home. This scribe performed the ceremony which made them man and wife. It is hard for us to give up Miss Leonard. She is an active member of the Methodist church here, and a teacher in our Sunday school, and one of our very best young women.

Respectfully,

E. Myers.

1898 THE TRINITY PARK SCHOOL 1915

Located on the campus of Trinity College. Faculty of well trained men of successful experience as teachers. Special individual attention given by masters to students. For health location unexcelled. Well equipped study hall under a master. Excellent buildings and beautiful grounds. Every effort exerted to make the school an ideal home for boys. Expenses reasonable. For catalogue address

W. W. PEELE, Headmaster, Durham, N. C.



STATESVILLE Female COLLEGE

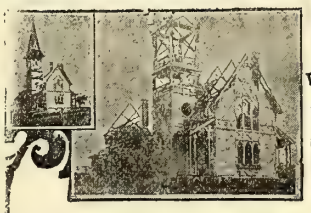
A Christian College offering all the best advantages at low cost. For 58 years a leading factor in the education of Southern womanhood.

Particularly fitted by location and equipment to train young women for social and domestic stations requiring efficiency in knowledge and responsibility in character. Beautifully situated in a town of educational and religious activity.

Modern buildings, complete equipment. Lovely campus. Out-door sports. Thoroughly capable instrutors. Standard college courses; A. B., B. L. and B. S. degrees. Splendidly equipped music department; schools of Domestic Science, Art, Expression, Physical Culture and Bible. Safe home life, and attractive surroundings. *Rates unusually low.*

For Catalogue and Full Information Write to

J. M. MOORE, A. M., President, - - STATESVILLE, N. C.



Before and After the Fire

Nobody knows when fire or lightning or wind will rage and destroy.

Some church building is being harmed by one of these destroyers somewhere every day. Absolute protection against loss is furnished, and money saved the assured, and Methodism perpetuated, by

The National Mutual Church Insurance Co., of Chicago—The Methodist Mutual

No assessments. All that you have guessed about mutual insurance may be wrong. If you want to KNOW, write for information to

HENRY P. MAGILL, Secretary and Manager, Insurance Exchange, Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. Alice Hargrove Barclay, Agent M. E. Church South, 314 Norton Building, Fourth and Jefferson, Louisville, Ky.

Six Upright Pianos at Very Low Prices

1—$350.00 Ivers & Pond (Mahogany case)	$215.00
1—$350.00 Ivers & Pond (Mahogany case)	$205.00
1—$350.00 Ivers & Pond (Mahogany case)	$195.00
1—Lester (practically new) (Mahogany case)	$190.00
1—Everett (good condition) (Ebony case)	$160.00
1—Kingsbury (good condition) (Mahogany case)	$155.00

These pianos were taken in exchange as part payment on the *popular Stieff upright, player and grand pianos* and are well *worth the prices quoted.* Each instrument has been *worked over* in our repair shop *by experts (who know how). Our easy payment plan applies here. No extras, no interest, no collectors.* Write for catalogue and prices of the popular STIEFF and SHAW PIANOS.

921 S. Tryon St. STIEFF Charlotte, N. C.

GREENSBORO NURSERIES

AGENTS WANTED

For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.

JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

A THOUSAND GOOD REASONS MIGHT BE GIVEN FOR SENDING YOUR DAUGHTER TO

DAVENPORT COLLEGE

FOR YOUNG WOMEN

LENOIR, N. C.

A Few Such As The Following Will Suffice

¶ *The College is in the finest climate in the world, and is surrounded by the most beautiful and varied scenery in the state.*

¶ *It has an unparalleled health record, having never had a death within its walls.*

¶ *It has new and modern equipment, and in its plant it provides for the student an ideal college home.*

¶ *For more than half a century Davenport has lived and labored for the uplift of the womanhood of our state, and it still affords soundness of culture and safety of oversight to those committed to its care.*

¶ *Its teachers are men and women of tested efficiency, and thorough instruction in all courses is their constant aim.*

¶ *Its departments of Music, Expression and Domestic Science are in the hands of artists of unsurpassed ability.*

¶ *Its influence is Christian and its product is character.*

¶ *The charges at Davenport are fifty per cent less than those of any other school of like grade.*

For reservation, catalogue or information, address

JAMES BRAXTON CRAVEN, President

Lenoir, N. C.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, July 22, 1915 | Number 29

Reading Room Trinity College

How the Great Guest Came to Conrad the Cobbler

EDWIN MARKHAM

While the cobbler mused, there passed his pane
A beggar drenched by the driving rain.
He called him in from the stony street
And gave him shoes for his bruised feet.
The beggar went and there came a crone,
Her face with wrinkles of sorrow sown.
A bundle of fagots bowed her back,
And she was spent with wrench and rack.
He gave her his loaf and steadied her load
As she took her way on the weary road.
Then to his door came a little child,
Lost and afraid in the world so wild,
In the big, dark world. Catching it up,
He gave it the milk in the waiting cup,
And led it home to its mother's arms,
Out of the reach of the world's alarms.

The sun went down in the crimson west
And with it the hope of the blessed guest,
And Conrad sighed as the world turned gray:
"Why is it, Lord, that your feet delay?
Did You forget that this was the day?"
Then soft in the silence a voice he heard:
"Lift up your heart, for I kept my word.
Three times I came to your friendly door;
Three times my shadow was on your floor.
I was the beggar with bruised feet;
I was the woman you gave to eat;
I was the child on the homeless street!"

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

DISTRICT CONFERENCES

Editorial Letter

Two a week, with the thermometer dancing up in the nineties, is enough to keep one out of mischief, especially so if he attempts to keep the editorial hopper full. Last week I left Greensboro on Tuesday morning, July 13th, and arrived in Asheboro, in time for the opening exercises of the

Greensboro District Conference

at 10 o'clock. Rev. Dr. J. H. Weaver, presiding elder of the District, was in the chair, and conducted the opening services. The roll was called by Brother Frank Gurley, of High Point, and 17 pastors and 17 lay delegates answered the call. Frank Gurley was elected secretary and I. F. Craven, of Ramseur, assistant secretary.

The usual committees were appointed by the chair and the conference organization completed in time to hear most of the reports from charges during the morning session. Written reports were submitted by the pastors and referred to the Committee on the General State of the Church.

Among the visitors introduced to the conference were, Dr. F. N. Parker, of Emory University, Atlanta; Dr. J. S. Hunter, representing the Richmond branch of our Publishing House; and Mrs. A. E. Fordham, District Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Society. Dr. Parker addressed the conference in behalf of ministerial education, stressing the importance of finding and encouraging all those young men whom God is calling to the work of the ministry, and speaking especially in behalf of Trinity College.

Rev. Dr. Hunter spoke of the work of our Publishing House in Richmond and of the importance of circulating our books.

Mrs. Fordham addressed the Conference in behalf of the Woman's Missionary Society, urging the importance of extending the organization.

The second day of the conference showed all the pastors of the district present except Rev. L. P. Bogle, of the Ruffin circuit, and Rev. R. D. Sherrill, of Centenary, Greensboro. These brethren were detained on account of sickness.

The editor of the Advocate was accorded ample time to present the work of the Board of Publication and to speak in behalf of the circulation of the paper. The conference heard with marked interest his statement for the Board that $500 additional pledges would provide for the payment of the full $5,000 of indebtedness. The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, that we have heard with deep interest the statement of Rev. H. M. Blair, editor of our Advocate, and that we pledge our earnest co-operation with him in the effort to free the building from debt.

Resolved further, that those churches and individuals that have made pledges are urged to make payment as early as possible so that the plans of our Board of Publication may not be embarrassed or unduly delayed.

Signed,

J. E. Thompson,
I. F. Craven,
J. W. Harriss.

Oscar Paul Fitzgerald was licensed to preach, and Rev. James Newton Varner was recommended to the Annual Conference for Deacon's Orders.

Visitors introduced to the Conference on the second day were, Rev. J. W. Jones, representing the Conference Insurance Association; Rev. W. L. Dawson, Conference Evangelist; Rev. J. H. West, representing the Children's Home; Rev. L. T. Mann, presiding elder of the Statesville District, representing Davenport College; and Rev. A. W. Plyler, pastor of our church at Lexington.

Licensing Committee was elected as follows: C. W. Byrd, R. D. Sherrill, G. T. Rowe, W. O. Goode and A. R. Bell.

Delegates to the Annual Conference were elected as follows: J. W. Harris, D. B. McCrary, I. F. Craven and J. W. Walker. Alternates, C. H. Ireland, J. A. Odell, J. L. Hooper.

The preaching was of a high order. The following filled the pulpit in the order named: Rev. F. L. Townsend, Rev. Dr. F. N. Parker, Rev. A. W. Plyler, and Rev. W. L. Dawson.

There was a manifest Spiritual atmosphere pervading the conference throughout, and the attendance was good. Resolutions of thanks to the people of Asheboro were adopted, and the conference decided by a unanimous vote to meet next year with Main Street church, High Point.

Rev. J. Ed Thompson, our host, is serving his third year as pastor, and the people of his charge are greatly attached to him.

On Thursday I left for Gilkey, in Rutherford county, where the

Morganton District Conference

convened on Thursday morning. Two wrecks occurring that day along the line between Salisbury and Marion made it impossible to reach Gilkey till Friday morning. I found the Conference well under way with a large attendance of preachers and laymen—a fine looking body of men. Rev. J. E. Gay, who is closing his quadrennium of service as presiding elder, was in the chair, and Rev. J. B. Carpenter, the veteran secretary, was at the secretary's table.

The Morganton district covers Burke, McDowell, Rutherford, Polk, Yancey and Mitchell counties. This is a mountain empire. Railroad facilities are good, however, except in Polk, and most points are easily accessible. Methodism is growing everywhere in spite of the fact that there is no rapid increase of population.

The reports indicate progress in most of the charges.

A goodly number of visitors were present on Friday, among whom we noted Revs. C. A. Wood, presiding elder of the Asheville District; W. A. Newell, president of Weaver College; Dr. S. B. Turrentine, president of Greensboro College for Women; J. W. Jones, of the Insurance Association, and Prof. C. H. Trowbridge, of Brevard Institute. Rev. M. T. Hinshaw, of Rutherford College, had been there on Thursday, delivered his message and taken his departure.

The secretary will, I am sure, give our readers the particulars in his report, as I had but one day.

Gilkey, a small, but prosperous village six miles north of Rutherfordton on the Southern, gave the conference such a generous and hospitable welcome that it will always be on the Methodist map hereafter.

Rev. Albert Sherrill, the pastor, is serving his fourth year and all the conference was placed under obligation to him and his people.

The Advocate man and all the visitors were cordially received and sent away feeling good. Messrs. Cline and W. F. Doggett, the former an old neighbor and the latter a school fellow, were our hosts, and my stay in their homes was all too short. I want to go again.

The next conference will be held at Glen Alpine.

H. M. B.

ABOUT OBITUARIES

We have been greatly troubled recently about obituaries. There have been so many and the pastors and others who write obituaries habitually disregard our rules. There is seldom any good reason for making an obituary longer than 200 words. This number of words we propose to print free of charge. If, however, one is sent in containing more than 200 words it should always be accompanied with a check or money order to pay for the excess.

Hereafter we are going to adhere to our rule, which the reader can find printed on page 13. If an obituary is sent in containing more than 200 words without money to pay for excess it will be promptly returned to the writer for revision. We have not time to revise obituaries, besides we do not know how to do it, as we would more than likely leave out the very thing the writer would wish most to retain.

Writing obituaries as they should be written may well be classed as a fine art. Every pastor ought to study this art. Properly written an obituary is always short, and a page of such matter is one of the most edifying in a church paper. Any one who has the capacity to even blunder upon an idea ought to understand why we charge for obituaries of excessive length. Out of a membership of 100,000, there are many deaths every week. Suppose we undertook to print an obituary of every one, where would the growing number end? Yet our pastors should give us the notices briefly written.

Properly managed the obituary page should be one of the most interesting in the church paper. We have no hope, however, till our pastors take the matter seriously and study the art. The fact is our pastors should take advantage of all such opportunities for study and improvement. "Verbum sat sapienti."

SPECIAL SUNDAYS

We published in last week's issue a strong letter from Rev. R. M. Hoyle. If you did not read it, hunt up last week's paper and read the article with care. This week we have another timely discussion by Rev. Ira Irwin. Along the same line is an editorial from the New York Advocate, which we reproduce here. It is clear that the church, if it does not take a firm stand, will simply be overrun with special days. It is time to call a halt. The business of the church is primarily to convert the world. it should not allow itself to become a mere social organization. But here is the editorial:

"For some time it has been clear that the apportioning of Sundays to special purposes would soon leave none free for the preaching of the gospel. Labor Sunday, Mother's Sunday, Father's Sunday, Go-to-Church Sunday, Anti-Tuberculosis Sunday, Civic Righteousness Sunday, Child Welfare Sunday, World's Temperance Sunday, Children's Day, Rally Day, Epworth League Sunday, Veterans' Sunday, etc., together with the festivals of the church calendar—this list by no means exhausts the series of special days which the churches are urged to observe. It is evident that the line must be drawn somewhere, but if so, the churches will have to draw it, for the demands upon them will not diminish, and for each applicant a very plausible plea may be made. For example, the magazine, Profitable Storekeeping, launches a campaign for as "Business Men's Sunday," saying:
the observance of the second Sunday in October

'We believe that the celebration of such Sunday every fall, by the clergy preaching special sermons of interest to business men by their getting business men to preach lay sermons in their pulpits, by their asking commercial clubs and merchants' associations and clerks' societies to attend services in a body is bound to result in a more closely united community in every instance, in a community where there is greater harmony and a stronger pull-all-together attitude.'"

BREVARD INSTITUTE

The Catalogue of Brevard Institute has just been issued from the Advocate Press and is neat and attractive. We hope the Advocate readers who are interested will secure one and see what wonderful improvements have been added recently. Those who would like to secure one should write to Pro C. H. Trowbridge, Brevard, N. C.

In another column we are printing an announcement and appeal from Mrs. F. H. Ross, Treasurer of the fund for building and furnishing. The gift of $1,000. by a friend should stimulate others and encourage all our people to place this institution in strong position to do the important work for which it has been founded. Brevard is no longer an experiment, but one of our fixed institutions filling a large and important place in our educational system.

NOTE AND COMMENT

According to Bishop Bashford Japan will not take China. In an address at Lake Junaluska last Saturday he said: "In the first place Japan knows that the Chinese are a fighting people. In the second place, the Western nations would not sit idly by and see China partitioned while Japan becomes over-lord. In the third place, there are economic reasons for the hesitation of Japan. The Island Kingdom is heavily indebted and to subjugate China would necessitate the maintenance of a large army and navy for many years."

No foreigner in China, perhaps, has been so influential during the recent crisis through which China has been passing as Bishop Bashford. He has met and has counseled with Count Okuma, of Japan, and President Yuan Shi Kai, of China.

The Bishop sees a splendid carrer for the Japanese. They are a scientific people, they diagnose carefully, they take over our inventions and with their cheap labor can drive us from the East commercially. It is their privilege, he says, to become the intellectual and humanitarian leaders of the East.

* * * *

Neutral Trade is Suffering and the Allies, consisting of England, France and Russia, principally, are not in the least disposed to make concessions of any kind. It will be noticed by the close student of current events that for the last few days the Ambassadors of the Allies are recommending to their home governments that every possible concession which can be made should be made to the neutral nations at once, and especially to the United States. The object of these recommendations is to stop, if possible, the movement which is now directed largely by the Southern cotton interests to make a public demonstration in Washington this fall, to which all business interests in the United States affected by the illegal British Orders in Council shall be invited. Its object will be to petition the President for a special session of Congress to pass embargo or other legislation which will remove the hand of all belligerents now throtling neutral trade.

* * * *

Our Beloved President Wilson returned to Washington last Monday. With several pounds gained in avoirdupoise and with brain refreshed with his short vacation, he returns first to the task of answering Germany's last note on submarine warfare. He will collaborate with Secretary Lansing in completing this note which has been tentatively prepared and which will be dispatched probably the latter part of this week or the first of next. While details as to the course which is to be followed are withheld, it is known that both the President and Mr. Lansing have practically made up their minds that a definite statement of the consequences of further violations of America's neutral rights will be given the German government in this communication.

While the recent attempt to destroy the British liner Orduna carrying a score of Americans on her voyage to New York has greatly strengthened the position of the United States, there is little likelihood of any further discussion in the note of the principles as outlined in previous communications.

* * * *

The Literary Digest, the well-known and indispensable current event weekly, has shown a most admirable editorial on neutrality in dealing with international happenings. There is not another publication which has steered itself so intelligently clear. All others seem either to be pro-English or pro-German, but The Literary Digest is like the little baby—neutral, in that it resembled neither father nor mother. Its admirable tone may be gathered from the following item clipped from a recent number:

"Although the wrong done to American oversea commerce by Great Britain's "starvation blockade" of Germany has been overshadowed in the public's mind by the killing of American women and children by German torpedoes, our press shows almost as little inclination to yield ground on the one issue as the other. In both cases, they seem to feel, this country speaks for all the neutral nations in behalf of the rights that are theirs by law and usage.

"While our State Department's protest of three months ago against England's resort to 'a course of action previously unknown to international law' has not yet been answered, a British memorandum dated June 17 has again brought the matter definitely before the court of public opinion. In this memorandum the British Government, after describing in detail the steps it has taken to alleviate the hardships suffered by American shipping under its blockade policy, concludes that it 'can scarcely admit that on the basis of actual facts any substantial grievance on the part of American citizens is justified or can be justified.' Yet hundreds of exporters and importers are besieging the State Department with petitions, the Washington correspondents tell us, seeking relief from the British embargo.

"One committee that conferred with Secretary of State Lansing spoke for importers who have $50,000,000 worth of articles tied up in Germany because of the refusal of the British Government to allow them to come through to the United States."

American food product packers are pushing Washington to have England free their more than $14,000,000 worth of merchandise tied up at present in British prize courts.

* * * *

Cleaning Up the World is a task which has never been tackled, but Major General William C. Gorgas, the man who changed the Canal Zone from a pest hole to a health resort, thinks the entire banishment of all epidemic diseases is a possibility and is bound to be undertaken.

It is said the Rockefeller foundation has engaged the services of General Gorgas when he shall have retired from the post of surgeon general of the army to manage a campaign for the stamping out of yellow fever in all countries where it now prevails. In a long statement in which he says a cleaning up of the world is possible, the General expresses himself as believing such a cleaning up could be accomplished quickly and certainly. He intimates that nothing is impossible in this day and time.

"But now that we know," he says, "how such germ diseases are caused and are able in many instances to study the responsible germs under the microscope as well as to experiment with them in a variety of ways we are in a position to conduct a fight against them intelligently and with certain prospect of success. In fact, it is upon this knowledge, which is steadily growing, that we may chiefly base our expectations of accomplishing in the course of time a general cleaning up of the world from the standpoint of the health of mankind."

* * * *

The Gold Rush to California, some one has remarked, which occurred in 1849, is now being parallelled with another scramble, quite as attractive and almost as romantic as the pursuit across the prairie, but it is for the yellow metal just the same. It is the ammunition stampede. Certainly the Bethlehem Steel Works, at Bethlehem, Pa., seem, among many others, to have all the orders possible to fill. Among scriptural and modern history students there will be two Bethlehems difficult to reconcile. We garnish the outside of our cup of national hypocrasy with prayers for peace and donations for the suffering while the inside of the cup writhes with the wine-colored blood of murder. We pray for peace on the one hand and on the other we provide amunition to kill all we can. Is there any reason in such a proceeding? About as much, we suppose, as there is in our attempts to get converted the Chinaman so he will be good enough to go to heaven while at the same time he is not fit to enter America.

Some one remarks that if you see one man backing another up into a corner of a hotel corridor and whispering into his ear you may be sure he is not giving a tip on the races. He is imparting the information that he knows where there are three billion rounds of amunition which he wants to sell. It makes no difference how many deaths the three billion rounds of ammunition may cause he'll sell. If this is not blood money then another Noah Webster remains to be born.

THE EMERGENCY FUND

W. W. Pinson

The campaign launched by the Board of Missions at its May meeting for an Emergency Fund of $50,000, is making progress. Contributions are coming in daily. There have been sixty-eight contributions for the first ten days from $1 to $2,000. The total amount received is $5,262.00. Of this amount $4245.00 is in cash and $1,017.00 in pledges. Responses have been as follows: one of $2,000; one of $1,000; one of $500; five of $100; one of $60; three of $50; twenty-six of $25; two of $20; ten of $10; ten of $5; three of $2; and two of $1.

One man sending $1, writes: "I am no millionaire. I am desperately poor, but send you a dollar and wish it could be a hundred." There are no doubt 100,000 in the church as able as he to give a dollar. What will the 99,999 do? If every one to whom this appeal comes will simply do what he or she can easily afford, we shall not stop at $50,000 but be able to supply all immediate needs out of the surplus. With a reduced income, a reduced appropriation, unparallelled demands and an unusual financial condition, more is demanded than simply that which we can "easily afford." The hour calls for our bravest.

What are you going to do about it?

To the Preachers of Shelby District

The Shelby District Conference will convene at Hill's Chapel, July 27, at 10 o'clock A. M. Rev. A. J. Burrus will preach the opening sermon. Let the preachers come with written reports on the Disciplinary questions. Committee on License to preach: H. H. Jordan, W. E. Poovey and N. R. Richardson. Recommendations for Admission on Trial: Z. Paris, W. E. Abernethy and W. T. Usry. Committee on Orders: J. H. Green, E. O. Cole and A. J. Burrus.

Let all come at beginning and remain till close of Conference. Come praying for a great Spiritual as well as a business Conference.

Editors and schoolmen are cordially invited.

J. R. Scroggs, P. E.

Morganton District Conference

The Morganton District Conference which assembled at Gilkey, N. C., July 15-18 was a great success. Our efficient secretary, Rev. J. B. Carpenter, remarked that it was the best attended and the most profitable conference of the district he ever attended and he has been identified, more or less, with the district from its formation, having served as its secretary from "time immemorial." The gracious welcome and unlimited hospitality accorded the conference by the good citizens, the comfortable and spacious church edifice, beautiful for situation, and the brotherly and fraternal spirit which permeated the atmosphere made the conference a delightful and profitable occasion. Brother Gay, our untiring presiding elder, presided with grace and ease and with marked executive ability. Dr. Parker, late of Trinity College, Dr. Turrentine, president of Greensboro College for Women, Prof. Hinshaw, president of Rutherford College, Prof. Newell, president of Weaver College, Prof. Trowbridge, president of Brevard Institute, Dr. Blair, editor of our Conference Organ, and a few other men of letters graced the conference with their presence and in speech represented their respective interests. Dr. Parker, on Thursday, and Dr. Turrentine, on Friday, preached great sermons long to live in our memories and lives. The preaching by all who had the privilege was of a high order. Reports from the various charges show greater progress to date than has ever been made on the district. The district is destined to become one of the leading districts in the conference at no distant day. Brother Gay has the hearty co-operation of a splendid body of preachers, backed up by a heroic and loyal body of aggressive and progressive laymen. A little less than four months till our annual conference. What will the harvest be?

Humbly,

J. A. Bowles.

CONTRIBUTIONS

RIDING DAVID'S MULE

In the Sunday school, July 11, I ventured to teach the class that Solomon never could become a great being and wise ruler until he rode David's royal mule through the streets of Jerusalem. And today mule equipment is essential to success and elevation in any undertaking. In the kingdom of David the mule represented royalty, dignity, strength, fidelity, truth and constancy; and the same elements of greatness are found at this day in our well ordered and furnished homes, schools, churches, society and literature. If children will take within and upon themselves the best, the purest, the strongest and the Christ-like in their Christian homes and go out into the world thus adorning the doctrine of Christ, soon we will have the highest type of citizenship and the nearest the Bible ideal of church life that the world has ever seen. In line with these children let pupils and citizens march, and royal mule riders will be in the lead.

In the literary field of our Conference we have two mules, the pulpit and the Advocate, representing the dignity, power, progress, position and faithfulness of our church in the North State as David's mule was representative of royalty and power in his kingdom. In my boyhood years father kept two fine mules, always ready, strong, safe, true, reliable and faithful, the royalty of home and farm. And from my viewpoint on the walls of Zion I desire to repeat what I have said before, that we have now the best equipped pulpit and the strongest church paper that we have ever had; and I pray to see this royal team pull the mighty truth of the glorious gospel into every Methodist family and before every hearer. The editor and myself were told when boys that we were only safe at one end of a mule; but we have learned that we have no business at the wrong end of things. If I keep on scribbling at the wrong end of the Advocate I am liable to get kicked over into the waste basket. The critic is never at the right end of a pure, Methodist gospel sermon.

A little criticism just here may be at the wrong end of the pulpit royal mule. While the distributing basket of our bishop is carefully and prayerfully carried around we wish to see more of our strong, well equipped preachers drop out on some circuit charges; if a small appropriation by the Domestic Mission Board is required to supplement the salary now paid by those charges. There are fine old circuits in this part of the Conference which, in the days of circuit giants like V. A. Sharp, G. W. Ivey, and others, were the strong, leading charges of the Conference. These charges, in these days of automobile progress will again push up into the advancing columns of our now great Conference. Strong men for circuits which again will be strong. Let presiding elders and the Mission Board watch after the bishop's basket at the next session of Conference.

But I must stop right here or Brother Blair will regard me as being at the wrong end of our royal Advocate mule, according to King David. S. M. Davis.

Caroleen.

PROF. W. M. CUNDIFF

By His Pastor, J. P. Hipps

In the death of Prof. W. M. Cundiff, which occurred Tuesday morning, June 22, 1915, at the Twin City Hospital, Winston-Salem, N. C., where he had gone for surgical treatment, the Western N. C. Conference has lost one of its most valuable laymen, while the community, county and state have lost a citizen of the very highest type.

Brother Cundiff was born in Franklin county, Virginia, Jan. 5, 1849, and had lived 66 years, 5 months and 17 days to make the world better for his having lived. He was the son of C. C. and Mrs. S. D. Cundiff, who moved from Virginia to Siloam, in Surry county, N. C., when he was a boy ten or twelve years of age. In this community he made his home till about six months before his death, when he moved to Elkin. He was converted to God and joined the Methodist church at old Siloam when he was only fifteen years old, and was for more than half a century an active member of the church of Christ.

He was a diligent student from childhood, was an honor graduate of Emory and Henry College, where he took his A. M. degree in the class of 1873, with such men as George Paine, son of Bishop Paine, Hon. Bennett Bell, of Tennessee, Eugene Gray of Winston-Salem, N. C., and others. He was the college mate of Bishop E. E. Hoss, Bishop James Atkins, Bishop W. R. Lambuth, Rev. Sam W. Small, Rev. S. A. Steele and Gov. H. C. Stuart, of Virginia. He kept up his studies after his graduation, reviewing his entire college course immediately after returning home from college. He took great delight in reading the New Testament in the original Greek.

Feb. 12, 1880, the Rev. W. S. Creasy officiating, he was happily married to Miss Lucy C. Poindexter, who has stood nobly by him through the years, sharing his joys and his sorrows, and making a home life which was indeed beautiful. Here love reigned supreme.

He was a teacher of great ability and was always greatly interested in educational work, having been a very valuable member of the Board of Education of Surry County for a number of years, and rendered excellent service as County Superintendent for two years. But, perhaps his greatest work in the educational field was done while he was connected with Siloam Academy—there being hundreds of his former students who have succeeded in the various walks of life, and who today attribute their success to the inspiration they received from the wise counsels of this Christian teacher.

His ripe scholarship, especially his knowledge of the Bible, the greatest of all books, eminently fitted him for the work which was all his life nearest his heart—that of the Sunday school. He found his chief delight in teaching the word of God to hungry-hearted humanity. And his interest in the Sunday school work never lagged, not even in his last illness. He was a delegate to the World's Sunday School Convention in the City of Jerusalem in 1914, and had planned to go to the next world Sunday School Convention which meets in Tokio, Japan. He was a close observer, gathering a vast store of useful information which he used for the glory of God.

As a business man he was very successful, putting into all his business transactions the principles of the Man of Galilee whose humble follower he constantly sought to be. He was indeed a friend to the poor, and many today rise up to call him blessed. He was not always understood, but those who knew him best loved him most.

He is survived by his wife, one sister, Mrs. Cornelius, of Siloam, and one brother, C. H. Cundiff, of Santa Rosa, California, who, with a host of friends and relatives, mourn their loss, which is his eternal gain.

The funeral was conducted from the Methodist church at Elkin by the writer, assisted by Rev. W. L. Hutchins and Rev. R. M. Courtney, of Winston-Salem, and his body was placed in Hollywood cemetery to await the resurrection of the just.

"Servant of God, well done;
Rest from thy loved employ."

OBSERVANCE OF THE CENTENARY OF ASBURY'S DEATH

All American Methodists hold two men in highest esteem, John Wesley, who laid in the Old World the foundations of the greatest religious movement of the eighteenth century, and Francis Asbury, who laid in the New World the foundations of Wesleyan Methodism. As the pioneer, the builder, the hero of the first half century of American Methodism, Asbury deserves, as a spiritual leader, a place in our hearts with Washington, the great political leader. As patriots we can not forget the service of Washington as Father of our Country; as loyal Methodists, we must ever love and reverence Bishop Asbury and his co-workers.

March 31st, 1916, will be the one hundredth anniversary of the death of this devoted man who was a singularly devout preacher of the gospel, a wonderfully successful organizer of results, and a leader of extraordinary power and perseverance. Shall such an opportunity to do honor to his character and achievements pass unnoted?

The Executive Committee of the Ecumenical Methodist Commission, at a meeting held in New York, in August, 1914, passed a resolution recommending that this anniversary be widely observed. Later the committee, by action of the Methodist Historical Society at the City of New York, and by letters from influential Methodist leaders, was called upon to organize a movement for a suitable celebration. In response thereto, it constituted, at a meeting in Washington early in June, 1915, a general committee on the Asbury Centenary of 1916 consisting of the members of the Ecumenical Commission appointed by the various Methodist churches, and representatives of other Methodist churches that may be desirous of cooperation.

For the sake of economy in time and expense an Executive Committee was formed at the same time to carry on the work with headquarters in the city of Washington, D. C. Of this Executive Committee Bishop Cranston is chairman, Chief Justice E. K. Campbell, vice-chairman, and H. K. Carroll, secretary. Other members are Bishops E. E. Hoss, J. W. Hamilton, T. B. Neely, C. S. Smith, Alexander Walters and C. H. Phillips; Drs. T. H. Lewis, F. T. Little, F. J. Prettyman, J. C. Nicholson, A. J. Lamar, J. R. Joy, Fitzgerald S. Parker and Messrs. Josephus Daniels, Hon. J. L. Kelly, S. R. Harris and Daniel Baker.

A meeting of this Executive Committee was held in Washington July 6th, at which the following features of the proposed celebration, as recommended at the June meeting above referred to, were approved, namely:

1. A program by every Annual Conference in America at its session in 1916, in honor of the labors and achievements of Asbury and his co-laborers and the mighty results that have come from their heroic endeavors.

2. On the Sunday nearest the date of the anniversary of his death, March 26th, or Sunday, June 4, 1916, a sermon from every Methodist pulpit designed to call to the minds of the prosperous Methodists of today how great was the investment of endeavor and devotion, privation and sacrifice made by the preachers and members of the first half century of American Methodism.

3. A wide circulation of literature relating to men and events of that period that the appreciation and gratitude of Methodists of the twentieth century may be evoked for the fathers of the eighteenth century.

4. The erection of a bronze equestrian statue of Bishop Asbury in the City of Washington from the voluntary contributions of American Methodist churches. Such a statue of this devoted man would surely not be out of place among the statues of those who have served their country as warriors, statesmen, and pioneers, inasmuch as his labors helped mightily in laying religious, moral and social foundations for an enduring Republic.

E. K. Campbell, Vice-Chairman,
E. K. Carroll, Secretary.

TIDINGS FROM THE MISSION FIELD

Kwansei Gakuin Professor Elected to Parliament

You have doubtless heard of the excellent opening of Kwansei Gakuin in April. There are now in attendance 592 students in the Middle School; 188 in the College and 55 in the Theological School—a total of 835. We have four new Japanese professors added to the college staff. Two are M. A. men from the Japanese Imperial University, one is an M. A. from the Higher Commercial School, and one is a Ph.D. from Princeton University. In February one of our best professors resigned to run for Parliament. He was elected and will like

ly have a distinguished career. He is an earnest Christian, as are all the regular teachers in the college faculty.—W. K. Matthews, Kobe, Japan.

Attractive Specials for China

One brand new doctor going to Huchow this fall, salary, $1,000 (Better speak quick if you want him for a representative); five missionaries already on field, salary, each, $1,200; seven personal teachers, each, $70; ten day schools, each, $200; ten circuits, each, $400.

First Fruits of the Bulletin

Don't you think it is about time for you to be getting some results from the missionary bulletins you have been sending me? I do, so am enclosing my check for $25, to be applied as you see fit.—An Arkansas layman.

Korea for Christ

There are fifty students in the Theological Seminary and an equal number in the Bible School, both of which are operating on the same ground and under the same management at present. The students are very anxious to learn the better ways of bringing sinners to Christ, and the deep things of God. It is a benediction to be with them. I am convinced that the success of the future Korean church largely depends on the success of the Theological Seminary, because both of the Methodist churches get their workers from this—only—Seminary. Knowing this, I feel the heavy responsibility which is upon my shoulder. I have never felt more keenly the need of the earnest prayers of my Christian friends than I do now. The condition of the country is changing every day. We must win Korea for Christ before the opposing forces become too strong. The opportunity to evangelize this land seems to be brighter this year than ever before, and all the churches here are wonderfully blessed. I expect to see greater things. May God bless the mother church at home to see the opportunity to win Korea for Christ.—J. S. Ryang, Seoul, Korea.

Genuine Self-Sacrifice

The financial condition of many of the Mexican people has been critical indeed. There are thousands of refugees here, many of them without any resources, and the city as well as the churches have had to do much charity work. These conditions have not been favorable in the matter of tuition for the Lydia Patterson Institute, so collections have been slow and difficult—in some cases next to impossible—and those living in Ciudad Juarez, across the Rio Grande, the price of Mexican money has made the payment of even a small tuition almost prohibitive. Think of 3 to 6 on the dollar. For instance, a gentleman from Ciudad Juarez bought $40 U. S. to settle his school account, and had to pay $800 in Villa money. A widow who owed a balance of $1.00 U. S. on her boy's tuition had to pay $20 Villa money for the $20 Mexican; and for the $20 Mexican washed clothes at the rate of fifty cents Mexican per dozen; that is, she was obliged to wash 40 dozen pieces in order to pay $1.00 tuition. This is surely a spirit of self-sacrifice in order to patronize a school that stands for moral and spiritual instruction.—Lawrence Reynolds, El Paso, Texas.

A Live Sunday School With a Live Special

We supported before this year a scholarship for $25 and are now supporting a Korean circuit at $200, but we are also doing more than that; we have in good pledges $150 more which we will apply to missionary work in some other channel. And so we have really gone from $25 to $350. Our school numbers a little more than $200 and we feel that we are doing right well, but not as much as we ought to do, of course. I am glad to say that the Missionary Special we now have is taking well with our people. They are enthusiastic about it, and are eager to get reports fresh from the field. This use of Specials is THE WAY to increase interest in missions. I appreciate very much your sending me information from the field now and then; I am sure this kind of work of following up the Special counts very much, and is well worth all the time and money it incurs in getting these things out to the people.—H. P. Myers, Onancock, Va.

A Beseeching Appeal Turned Down

Tsong Yak is across the Whang River and difficult to work from Sungkiang. So far we have visited it twice, but haven't opened up work. It is a thriving country town, with a great many scholars, and these are unusually inclined to Christianity. A group of ten or twelve sent a letter to Brother Woo, our Chinese pastor at West Sungkiang, more than a year ago beseeching him to open work in Tsong Kak. It is pitiful to hear the appeal these scholarly gentlemen make, and be unable to supply their need. In Sungkiang there is a marked open-mindedness upon the part of all classes. The military commander and the "fu" officials exchange courtesies with us and are very friendly and kindly disposed. It is no trouble to get a crowd to hear the gospel. But with all this magnificent opportunity we have only a small old rented dwelling on a back street, and a tiny little shack on the main street. We ought to have a great plant in the city. In my judgment a foreigner ought to live there, and we ought to have homes for at least two Chinese workers. There ought to be a great institutional church, a good primary school and a strong middle school, with a foreigner to teach English. This is a fine field and perhaps nowhere else would such instrumentalities as I have outlined bear larger fruit.—L. D. Patterson, Sungkiang, China.

LET THE REDEEMED OF THE LORD SAY SO

Frequent cartoons and more numerous witticisms have made light of the man who has become so absorbed with golf, automobiling, or baseball that he cannot give his mind to any other theme of thought or conversation. We have never yet heard of a humorist or cartoonist who has chosen to devote his art to one so afflicted religiously. There are few hobbyists or enthusiasts in religion and all too few who are sufficiently interested to impart the fact of spiritual possession to his neighbor. And just here lies the great weakness of the Church and the life it professes to cultivate. It does not present religion in such striking fashion as to make it a vital element, a living reality, a positive force. In other words, we are living our religion sub rosa and the world is none the wiser.

It is a conviction that seems to be growing that there will not be an appreciable turning of the masses of the Church until a wholly new rating is given the spiritual element in our lives—a rating that will place it alongside of business and other, at present, consuming occupations. It is claimed, and with some degree of honesty, that religion is not a possession to be worn on the sleeve or babbled about incessantly; that it is purely a personal and private affair for each to cultivate and use as he sees fit; that it must come forth in a proper life of purity. This is not the whole truth. We are equally convinced that it has, as a consequence of these restrictions, become a severely tabooed topic of conversation or discussion, much as social purity or eugenics. It is not to be denied that religion as a theme of conversation is as rare as metaphysics, the silence on the latter resulting from a general ignorance of the theme, while in the former it is sometimes from the same cause, though more often from an inexcusable embarrassment. If religion really means as much, or half as much, to the race or the individual as is claimed; if it is so that in God we live and move and have our being; if his providence is ever over and about us, and his Spirit is or can become the supreme motive power in public as well as private life, then we ask, "Why is it this mightiest factor in human life is placed upon the index expurgatorius?"

The answer is forthcoming—indeed, we heard it before we were half through asking: Religion is so sacred it should not be tossed flippantly in common speech or chattered about as a commonalty; it is to be lived, not orated; we should be humble and not parade our possession or cheapen the jewel by casting it before swine. But these are excuses and not reasons. There is absolutely no reason why religion, not only or even chiefly in its theological phases, but in its visualized aspect in Christian institutions and in its operation in the community, should not be a theme of common conversation in the home, on the street, over the counter, at the club, and elsewhere where men congregate. But such is not the case. Of the scores of men we daily meet, how few do we know who are consciously striving to body forth the life of Christ! Do we make it a point to become acquainted as to men's church affiliations? Have we ever talked over the local religious situation? In our discussion of the war, its causes, its conclusion, how often has the subject of Christianity been injected? When the local church engages in special evangelistic services, do churchmen discuss the matter at their places of business, at the noon lunch, or at the club? To all these questions a negative reply must be recorded. It is surprising that the Kingdom maintains itself with so little real public, manifest interest in its operation. Nothing else would survive the year out under such strictures. Such silence but reveals the stupidity of Christ's followers in living at a "poor, dying rate" through failure to give place to the Spirit in the issues of life.

As long as religion was purely a personal affair, some reason might be accorded a policy of reticence; but long since has it stepped boldly into the arena of society. Christianity has woven the scarlet thread into the very woof of our national life. It is Christianity that is driving out the saloon. It is attacking vice, public greed, and political graft. It is the salt of the earth. The claim is made—and rightly, too—that there is no single power so great for overthrowing national and community evils and rearing stable and beneficent standards of existence as the spirit of Christianity as propagated through the organized churches of America. Religion therefore has become a community issue, a national asset. How shall it be best applied to meet the local need? How can the Church on the North Shore, near the stock yards, on the West Side, or in the country, best convert this static power they possess into a dynamic agency for spiritual reform? The question is communal and, as such, is as large a theme of communication as politics or business. That it is not, is admitted. Why? Let each professed Christian answer for himself.

We know this: Wherever Evangelist Sunday goes he strikes the rock with such force that a veritable stream of verbal interest in matters religious flows forth. The community engages in a "talkfest." In visiting cities where he has labored we find men ready, even eager, to carry on a conversation upon the subject of religion, even to the point of making it a personal matter. Still we hear a critic say: "Talk is cheap; life is dear; it is the life we want." True, but life springs from interest, and interest can come only from knowledge. It is thus that development comes to any life phase. Let two men of like profession meet, and invariably the conversation falls into the latest discovery, the unusual contraption, the freshest theory of dealing with their common business. It cannot be helped. It is perfectly natural. It is shop talk on every hand. It is what makes business grow. It is the soul of professional life. It is the proof of virility.

The institution of religion in the organized church is of such tremendous importance that with utmost propriety it should become a matter of common interest—so common that a whole car should not be startled at hearing one man inquire of another what he thought of dominie's exposition in yesterday's sermon; or that a man caught reading the Bible—or, forsooth, the Northwestern Christian Advocate—on the street car should not be immediately classified in the "queer" column.

We repeat: Religion is a sub rosa affair as now held. It must flower forth in the sunlight of public attention ere it produces as prophesied. We must not be ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God; and we won't be when we feel the power.—Northwestern Christian Advocate.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

District Conference Directory

Salisbury, Kannapolis .....July 21-23
Charlotte, Polkton .....July 21-23
Shelby, Lowesville .....July 27-29
Statesville, Broad Street .....July 28-31

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. L. T. Cordell, presiding elder of the Waynesville District, has been assisting the pastor, Rev. Z. V. Johnston, in revival services at Tusquito church on the Hayesville charge.

—Many Advocate readers will learn with pleasure that Rev. R. M. Hoyle, pastor of our church at Mocksville, is improving in health and is at work. The fact is he has only missed preaching one Sunday, June 20th.

—Rev. B. F. Fincher requests us to announce that Bishop John C. Kilgo will preach the opening sermon in the new church at Thrift, on Sunday, July 25, at 3 p. m. The ceremony of placing or laying the cornerstone will also be held at the same time. Everybody cordially invited.

—It has been announced that evangelistic services will begin in Norwood Methodist church, on the Fourth Sunday in this month, in which the pastor, Rev. R. M. Taylor, will be assisted by Rev. H. H. Jordan.

—We regret to learn that Rev. W. G. Mallonee is very ill at his home at Black Mountain. For many years Brother Mallonee served faithfully in the itineracy and he has scores of friends among Advocate readers who will remember him at a throne of grace.

—Brother Zachary D. Blalock died in Albemarle, July 6, 1915, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. B. Hinson, in his 76th year. He was a consistent member of Stony Hill Methodist church, Albemarle circuit, for many years. Brother Blaylock was noted for his goodly store of common sense, and farm wisdom, born of the valuable experience he had gained through many years of sowing and reaping.

—Mrs. Salina Wood, after a short illness, died last week at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Maggie Allen, of Old Fort. She was buried at Rutherfordton, the funeral services being conducted by her pastor, Rev. Albert Sherrill.

—We note from the correspondence of the Gastonia Gazette that Revs. E. O. Cole, of Kings Mountain, and H. H. Jordan, of Gastonia, have been rendering efficient service at a meeting held by Rev. William Black, of Charlotte, at Bessemer City. The meeting was a great success.

—A new organ has been placed in the Methodist church at Polkton by the congregation. The instrument is an excellent one and gives general sactisfaction.—Wadesboro Messenger and Intelligencer.

—We learn that Rev. R. A. Taylor, of Albemarle, will assist Rev. J. W. Strider in a protracted meeting at Pine Grove church, on the Albemarle circuit, beginning on the fourth Sunday in this month.

—Miss Kate Hackney, of Asheville, sister of our good layman, Mr. Geo. L. Hackney, left some days ago for San Francisco, from which place she will sail on July 31st on the Manchuria for Soochow, China. She is to have charge of the Kindergarten training school at that place.

—At a conference held on Thursday night the members of the Southside Methodist church decided to proceed at once with the erection of a parsonage on the lot adjoining the church. The contract for the building will probably be let this week, the plans for the proposed building having already been secured. Rev. L. F. Brothers is pastor of the congregation.—Winston Sentinel.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Taylor and Wesley Taylor, are guests of their parents, Rev. and Mrs. R. M. Taylor, at Norwood, this week. H. F. Taylor, of the Fishers' Bureau, Washington, D. C., came Sunday, but returned to Washington Wednesday evening.—Albemarle Enterprise.

—The revival meeting in the Methodist church at Pilot Mountain is still in progress. The services are being held daily, the preaching being done by Rev. Mr. Sprinkle. Large crowds attend each service and much interest is being manifested.—Winston Journal, July 12th.

—Mrs. A. E. Fordham has returned from an extensive visit to several towns in Randolph county, where she went in the interest of the Woman's Missionary work in the Greensboro district. A very interesting meeting was held at Farmer on Sunday, and on Monday and Monday night several of the ladies held meetings with Mrs. Fordham at the home of Mrs. W. A. Underwood, in Ashboro. Tuesday Mrs. Fordham presented the woman's work at the M. E. District Conference, and that night a meeting was held at Trinity. Her last place to visit, and where a meeting full of interest was held, was at High Point, last Wednesday.—Greensboro News.

Clyde Circuit.—Only a little more than four months until Conference. How time flies. Just a short time ago and we were packing up to come to Clyde, and soon we will (D. V.) be starting for our old home town to attend Conference again. The question that bears down most heavily upon me is: What have I accomplished for the Master? If I have been instrumental in leading one soul into a higher and better life I feel that the year has not been wholly a failure. We have a great country and a good people here. The death angel has visited the charge this year, and claimed several of our members. Those whose obituary notices I have not yet written are as follows: Mrs. J. R. Long, widow of the late Rev. J. R. Long of the Western North Carolina Conference; Mrs. Lou Jimison, mother of Rev. Tom P. Jimison, of the Holston Conference, who is now engaged in perhaps the greatest revival that Canton, or even Haywood county has ever known; and last, but not least, our good sister, Mrs. Sarah (Penland) Mackey was called to her reward June 16th. May God comfort the bereaved loved ones of each of these departed sisters. G. A. B. Holderby.

Brevard Street, Charlotte. It is so rare that anything is seen in the Advocate about our work at Brevard, Charlotte, that I am taking it upon myself as a layman and official of the church to make a few humble remarks about what we are doing, even though it be small and far short of our desires and prayers. However, we are trying to have large faith and believe that our labors are being blessed and a greater interest and power manifest in the church.

We feel that the Chapman-Alexander meetings have done us good of the abiding kind, but previous to this we had one of the greatest meetings in the history of our church, under the leadership of Miss Daisy Davies. Now following the two great meetings mentioned, we have held almost a four weeks' meeting at Duncan Memorial and the Spirit of God was greatly manifest there. While Sunday school has been held there regularly, there had been no regular preaching services held since Brother Cook was on the work. There seemed to be such an opportunity—a "hungering and thirsting" that with the co-operation of the Christian workers of both places we began the work that grew in numbers and power each day. Of course the work has just begun there and we are expecting continued results from time to time. Brother Falls has done good work there and despite his physical condition has about earned the title of "Iron Man of Methodism," for this must be near the busiest and hardest year of his ministry.

From a material standpoint the church is in a fairly good condition; as regards the pastor's salary our treasurer's report shows a favorable comparison for the same time last year. Our two Sunday schools are in good shape, the one at Duncan Memorial particularly being in a flourishing condition. On account of the change in hour of the Brevard Street schoool, there has been a considerable falling off, but as the vacation season comes to a close and fall approaches we expect increased attendance and energy in all departments of the church. There has recently developed in our two churches a large number of earnest Christian workers that should be a strong force for effective service in the church and community. A number of our young people are now in camp at Lake Junaluska and should receive great inspiration from the Missionary Conference now in session there. Beginning last Sunday our stewards in pairs began a systematic visiting of the membership of the church and the good results are already following. This is a work that I believe every church would do well to undertake as it brings the membership in closer relationship to the church and impresses both officials and congregation that there is something more important than financial matters. We feel that it will bring out the delinquent members (delinquent in attendance) as perhaps nothing else will and as a result the church will largely overcome its financial difficulties.

Next week will call us to our District Conference at Polkton, after which perhaps Brother Falls will take a vacation of two to four weeks granted him by the official board, for a much needed rest before the fall "winding up" campaign.

Sunday week we are to have a special service—a hand shaking and "get acquainted" meeting for new members, of which we have taken in about one hundred or more this year already—something like thirty coming in as a result of the meeting at Duncan Memorial. I hope the preachers and laymen will write more in the Advocate about their work—making helpful suggestions and telling of their various plans that have been successful as I feel that this could be the most helpful department of the Advocate.

Most respectfully,
Chas. W. Ramsey.

Charlotte, N. C.

The Methodist Pastor

I write to endorse the editorial in your issue of July 9th, on "Foolish Legislation" and to submit a few thoughts suggested by that timely utterance.

Every competent and experienced pastor feels keenly the embarrassing limitations that some of the laws and modern customs of our church place upon him. We all know that the success of the church depends more largely upon the ability and energy of the pastor than any other single human agency. When you handicap him you cripple the work of the whole church.

The pastor is the one man in position to study local conditions and to ascertain the real needs of his people. He understands, as no one else can, their ability and willingness to do things. He constantly plans, prays and works for the spiritual and moral development of his people, and seeks in every legitimate way to strengthen the life of his church. He visits the people in their homes and in their places of business that he may thoroughly understand the conditions under which they live and work. With this first-hand information, he is prepared to preach a helfful and saving gospel to his people.

In the light of numerous pastoral duties so high, holy and responsible, where can we find room for outside interference or dictation? The time has come for our Methodist pastors to speak out in defense of their rights as free and responsible men. His intelligent plans for the betterment of his charge must not be set aside by committees on evangelism, secretaries or financial agents. If the church is to live and prosper, the pastor's right of initiative must be recognized, his position honored, and his plans respected. He must be allowed to do his own work in his own way at the time he and his people deem best.

If our preachers are to be left free to do their God-given work of teaching and leading their people, they must be liberated from the thralldom of certain fictitious standards of "ministerial efficiency" which have developed among us.

There is in process of development among us a "Social Standard." "Good Mixers" are in demand. The "Good Mixer" is a man thoroughly compromised on all forms of worldliness that are not positively forbidding and vicious in their nature.

Then we have the numerical standard. Young men feel that unless they can report large numbers of "professions" and an increase in membership, they will suffer in the grade of their appointment. Many pastors resort to questionable evangelistic methods that they may count "conversions" and "additions" to the church? In this way we are filling our churches with people who know nothing of vital godliness and are utterly indifferent to the welfare of the church. Wholesome church discipline is a thing of the past. We carry the names of all sorts of sinners on our church records from year to year.

But the oldest and most injurious of all these false standards that afflict the pastors of our Conference is the financial one. Regardless of financial conditions, many of our pastors feel that they must report their collections in full or suffer in the grade of their appointments. The majority of our preachers will give more anxious thought to the work of securing their Conference collections between this and the Annual Conference than to any other subject. They will be frequently humiliated by leading laymen refusing to pay obligations. Others will absent themselves from church services to avoid contributing to these claims. Humiliation and vexation will frequently be their lot while vigorously prosecuting this task which properly belongs to the laymen.

I am writing in the interest of my brethren in the pastorate, and for the permanent welfare of the church I love. Our heavily burdened pastors need fewer critics and more sympathetic helpers. Leave each pastor free to plan his own work, and credit him with sufficient grace and common sense to accomplish the same. Don't accuse him of "inefficiency" because he refuses to ride your hobby. Leave him free to do his delicate and difficult work in the fear of God. Ira Erwin.

Murphy, N. C.

An Equitable System

It is just four months till our Annual Conference will assemble at Reidsville. The distance of the round trip from Murphy to Reidsville is just 676 miles. The cost of a ticket for this trip after deducting the Conference rebate is just $13.20. If the pastor of the Murphy circuit can afford to make the trip, he will pay just 3 per cent. of his salary for his ticket.

The western pastor has had the heavier share of this annual expense to meet just four years out of every five since our Conference was organized. It is proper that Reidsville should have the Conference this year. Chronogically Concord, Gastonia, Monroe, Mt. Airy, Greensboro, and Salisbury are due this privilege successively before the Conference again meets at Asheville. But, if this order were observed, the call of Minute Question 52 would be the signal for the reiteration of the objection that was offered to meeting at Reidsville, viz., "The traveling expenses for the western pastors are too heavy." Now such objection would be fair to the pastors in question but unfair to the places in nomination for Conference meeting-places.

There are two systems, either of which, if adopted by our Annual Conference, would eliminate the above conflict of right and privilege, and at the same time make a more equitable distribution of the Conference expense of the pastors from all over the Conference territory. The first we will call the Flat Rate Plan. By this every pastor would pay into a Conference Expense Fund annually an equal amount (say $4), and at each Conference his traveling expense to and from the place of meeting would be refunded out of this, whether he had traveled five or five hundred miles. This plan would be based on the assumption that the financial ability of all pastors was the same, and, though based on a false asumption, would be in advance of our present system.

The second, and the ideal system we will call the Equitable System. This would collect the Conference Expense Fund by laying an annual assessment on each pastor (not on the charge, though the charge might have the privilege of assuming it for its pastor), according to the salary received (say one-half of 1 per cent), and out of this each pastor's R. R. fare would be refunded whether the salary received were large or small and the distance traveled were long or short.

Let us see how this latter plan would work this year. According to our present system the pastor of the Murphy circuit will pay $13.20 out of a $417 salary for the privilege of attending the Annual Conference, while the pastor from West Market, Greensboro, will pay about $1.20 out of a $2500 salary. The one pays 3 per cent., while the other pays .0004 per cent. of his annual income for the same privilege. According to the proposed plan the former would have contributed $2.10 and the latter $12.00 to the general fund out of which each would have been given the price of his round trip pinned to his certified return ticket by the Conference Secretary.

We already have the machinery for working this plan, needing probably only an additional statistical secretary to do the statistical and clerical work.

Let us adopt the "Equitable System," and not only make a more equitable distribution of the pastor's Conference expense, but also give each place that desires to entertain the Annual Conference an open audience to its invitation. Fraternally,

Dallas, N. C. W. Edgar Poovey.

Another Generous Gift

Bishop Kilgo, who at the last commencement of Trinity College was elected president emeritus, has recently spent a day at the college. He was on his way home from New York, and came by Durham on some matters of business both of a private and of an official nature. He was in fine spirits. While in New York Messrs. J. B. and B. N. Duke gave him funds to have placed around the park a granite wall thirty inches high, and to finish the macadam on the circle drive within the park. The Bishop requested that measurements of the distances and the elevations be made at once that the work might be begun at an early date. The frontage of the park is something like fifteen hundred yards on Broad Street, Main Street and Guess Road, and it is the intention of Messrs. Duke to have the wall extended all the way. It is impossible to picture what this improvement will mean to what is recognized by all as already the prettiest college campus in this region. The Messrs. Duke have all along not only been interested in a few phases of college life and work, but in every feature of it that in any way will contribute to the happiness and the refinement of students. In all their plans for the development of the college they have showed deep interest even in the smallest detail of any phase of the work. And this last act is in keeping with this unbroken policy.

In speaking of this gift Bishop Kilgo said that through the years of his presidency of the college nothing impressed him more than the wise and deep conecern which the Duke family, father and sons, have always had in the work of the college, and that Trinity had on it the sacred duty of proving itself worthy of the largest benefactions that have yet been bestowed upon a Southern college. Mr. B. N. Duke and his brother, Mr. J. B. Duke, said to him a few days since, "What we want to see Trinity College do is to make young men of high character and true worth. We have little concern about the number of students at Trinity; sometimes we fear you have too many, but we want Trinity to send out men of force. Better to make great men than to make many mediocre men. Don't let Trinity get a craze for numbers. Be careful to do sound and good work. Our interest is in doing the best, not doing the most, unless it is first the best." This is," Bishop Kilgo said, "the word these two brothers send to you men at Trinity, and to my mind it is one of the most remarkable messages ever sent a college, and carries within it a standard for colleges which all of them should duly obey." The friends of Trinity will rejoice to learn of this gift and will no doubt give themselves to renewed efforts to make the college a genuine and increasing blessing to this section.

There is also a movement on foot relative to the erection of a new gymnasium at the college.

A Gift of One Thousand Dollars

Mrs. F. H. E. Ross

Since my letter of June 24th, in the Advocate concerning the needs of Brevard Institute a good friend of the school sent us one thousand dollars to be applied on the money borrowed to complete the building. One gave us $5.00, aonther $1.50 on the tools for the carpenter shop.

Now, we are truly grateful for all these gifts, but we have only $6.50 towards the tools, and we need $150.00. Are there not fifteen people in North Carolina who will give us ten dollars each for this purpose, or thirty people who will give us $5.00 each for this department? Then, we want thirty people or more, to give us $5.00 each, or whatever amount they will, for the infirmary. Oh, friends, give to this cause some of the money you owe the Lord!

Brevard has done, is doing, a wonderful work, but unfortunately, a high aim and a noble purpose are not sufficient to carry on a work like this. Low rates make it impossible for the school to be self supporting and even a mission school must pay grocer's bills, keep up repairs and running expenses. The "hard times" and the war stringency have made it hard to meet these expenses. Brevard has commodious buildings, she has competent, Christian teachers, and eager, ambitious students fill her halls to overflowing, but proper equipment for carrying on the work is lacking in all departments and the force of workers is hampered by lack of funds. Additional equipment is necessary if the school is to continue the work begun. To attempt to carry on this work without the proper materials is like making

Bricks Without Straw

We are all familiar with the age-old cry of the Israelites, "How can we make brick without straw?" when in the days of their bondage to Pharaoh cruel taskmasters ordered them to make the usual supply of bricks without furnishing them with the necessary material. This figure is very applicable to Brevard Institute, for just as surely as it was impossible to make bricks on the Egyptian plains with the most important ingrediant lacking, so today, Brevard cannot fulfil her mission to these eager youths of the hills unless funds are forthcoming for equipment. Generous gifts have been made, but the need is for more. Like the Hebrew children of old, Brevard and her corps of Christian workers cry out to you, "How can we make bricks without straw?"

Methodists of North Carolina, that call comes first to you. From the heart of your "Land of the Sky," with its beautiful waterfalls, its green mountain ranges bordering lovely valleys, its clear mountain springs bursting from every hillside, comes the cry, "How can we make bricks without straw?" For Brevard's task is scarcely begun. The need today is greater than ever before and if Brevard is to accomplish her heaven-appointed task the work must go forward with increased vigor and energy.

All that these mountain boys and girls of the Old North State want is a chance. And they are worthy of the chance. Will you give it to them? Will you do your part? Remember, that in ministering "to the least of these" you are also giving to the Lord. Let your response be prompt and generous, sending all remittances to the Treasurer, of Brevard Institute, Mrs. F. H. E. Ross, Box 75, Nashville, Tenn.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

PRAYER CIRCLE FOR JULY

Prayer is the mightiest force in promoting any plan for the advancement of God's cause. Therefore, as we are undertaking the forward movement which we as a missionary society have planned, each of us must be in definite, earnest prayer daily.

For our Central and Conference Committees, that they may lay wise plans. For Conference and auxiliary leaders and district secretaries, that they may have great faith and courage in promoting these plans. For our presiding elders and pastors, that they may be sympathetic and helpful, as far as they have opportunity. For the women and children of the auxiliaries, that they may thoroughly cooperate in the plans and with great earnestness give the personal service that will be needed to make them successful. For the unenlisted women and girls of the church whom we seek to win, that they may have open hearts to the appeals that shall be made in behalf of this great cause and may be convinced of their duty and privilege.

"If two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven."

NEW ORGANIZATION

Mt. Airy District, Junior Society, Pilot Mountain, N. C.

President, Wilmer Snow; first vice-president, Catherine Reid; second vice-president, Ada Gordon; recording secretary, Stella Gordon; corresponding secretary, Nona Gordon; treasurer, Ethel Snow.

—

Sunday, July 11th, was a great day at Patty's Chapel on the Fairview circuit, Asheville district. The superintendent of the Sunday school and other interested workers, including the pastor, Rev. E. B. Troy, conceived the idea of having a laymen's and missionary meeting on that date, and accordingly invited several laymen and missionary workers to be present. The morning service was given over to the laymen and the meeting was presided over by Mr. L. B. Rogers, lay leader of the Asheville District. Several speeches in behalf of the great work of the Laymen's Movement were made by prominent speakers from Asheville. These speeches explaining this great movement and each having for its keynote, greater and better service for our Master, were enthusiastic and we believe great and lasting good will result, not only in awakening those who heard them to a realization of their duties as church members, but also in a spiritual uplift.

In the afternoon, after a regular country dinner served in picnic style which was thoroughly enjoyed, the woman's missionary work was taken up. Mrs. V. L. Stone, district secretary of the Asheville district, gave a most helpful talk in which she told of the work that the women of Southern Methodism are doing, urging her hearers to enlist in the great movement. Following her talk, Mrs. W. R. Harris, superintendent of mission study and publicity, made a plea for a mission study class, hoping thereby to create an interest and awaken an enthusiasm that will in the near future result in the organization of a society at this church. As a result of this meeting a mission study class was organized the following day at the home of Mrs. J. C. Sales, with sixteen members. The class will begin at once the study of "The Child in the Midst." Mrs. G. L. Steele, of Fletchers, will be leader and Miss Jennie Lou McDowell is secretary.

A plan is on foot to organize a Junior society at a very early date. We hope that the work begun on that day may continue to flourish and that these missionary workers may be blessed in their efforts for the advancement of Christ's kingdom!

OUTGOING MISSIONARIES

Miss Kate Hackney, of Asheville, recently appointed missionary to Soochow, China, will sail on the 31st of July for the Davidson School to which she has been assigned. Accompanying Miss Hackney will be a number of other missionaries, among them Rev. and Mrs. M. B. Stokes, of Korea, and Rev. and Mrs. S. A. Stewart, of Japan, who have been in the States for several months visiting friends and relatives. Many prayers will be offered for a safe journey for this consecrated band of missionaries!

MISSIONARY PLATE SERVICE FOR SECULAR PAPERS

The Southern Missionary News Bureau, which for more than a year has been furnishing weekly news letters to hundreds of secular papers, daily and weekly, throughout the South, has recently perfected plans for supplying a plate news service to papers desiring it. Each week the cream of the world's missionary news is put into plate form just ready to print and sent out at twenty-five cents per column, postage paid. This ought to appeal to hundreds of papers throughout the country, which regularly pay for and use plate matter, much of which possesses little value or interest by comparison with the high grade matter furnished by the Missionary Bureau. Every paper in the South which uses plate at all might well use a column a week of the latter and would meet thereby a great demand on the part of the church people for matter of this kind. Any editor interested in the matter should write to the Southern Missionary News Bureau, 160 Fourth Avenue, North, Nashville, Tenn.

We are giving space this week to some very interesting and important articles from the Missionary Voice of July, 1915. Of course many of our readers will read these articles in the Voice but we feel that they are worthy of repetition and of re-reading, and then, too, for the benefit of those of our workers who have not yet subscribed to the Voice we give them.

Just at this time when our women are aroused on the subject of our church-wide campaign for missions, we feel that these thoughts from our leaders are very valuable. Let us read carefully each of these splendid communications.

FACING A REAL EMERGENCY

Dr. W. W. Pinson

Extraordinary conditions call for extraordinary actions. To move on a dead level when the whole world is in a turmoil; to be content with an easy going routine when civilizations totter and beaten paths are upheaved and obliterated by the graves of dead traditions; to eat our bread and smile serenely in an hour when new eras are in the making and when the issues of centuries crowd each passing day; to live in luxury and gayly flip our leftover coins to Him who waits in the Gethsemane of history for us to play the man—human thought supplies no predicate to that subject. But such an hour alone is a supreme test of manhood. To face it; to rise to it and with it; to strip one's self and give the last ounce of life's crimson current; to see the task and grapple with it in uncalculating consecration—that also must wait for eternity to supply the predicate.

American Christianity faces the alternative. Its choice will be its glory or its shame.

Once to every man and nation comes
the moment to decide
In the strife of truth and falsehood,
on the good or evil side;
Some great cause, God's new Messiah,
offering each the bloom or blight,
Parts the goats upon the left hand and
the sheep upon the right,
And the choice goes by forever 'twixt
that darkness and that light.

That moment has come. Such a moment was never before, never will be again. It offers the bloom or blight of centuries. It is now or never.

Leaders are realizing this. Even in Europe, where they are laying life and treasure on the red altars of war, a heroic effort is being made to hold steady the lines of missionary endeavor. The Methodist Episcopal church is asking its people for $400,000 as an emergency fund, and the Episcopalians a like sum. In each case it ought to be a million.

Take a straight look at some facts that emphasize and enhance the emergency for the M. E. Church, South. The Board of Missions came to 1915 with an income reduced by $24,857. In an hour when by every token an advance was demanded. It was found necessary to reduce the appropriations by $50,602 although it means stifling with despair a hundred pleading cries of need. On the heels of this we find our missionary receipts for assessments and specials $34,000 less for the first five months of 1915 than for the same period in 1914. If this continues—but it must not continue—we dare not even estimate the piteous results of such a calamity.

The Board sought to provide against further loss and embarrassments by voting to ask the laymen of the church for an emergency fund of $50,000. How little that looks for such an hour, for such a cause and for such a people! This is not a call for public collections. Let the churches be urged with all earnestness and insistence to pay assessments in full. This they should do at any sacrifice and at the cost of any effort.

But this appeal is to individuals for a freewill offering after assessments and assigned specials have been met. If the laymen can only hear the call, only see the reasonableness and urgency of it, we shall go far beyond the $50,000, which will barely suffice to hold the line steady without the possibility of advance. Surely there are fifty men who are willing and able to give $1,000 each; if not there are a thousand men who will give $50 each; if not then if all to whom this call of duty comes will breathe a prayer, face the facts without blinking, and send a check to the Mission Board for a sum approved by his own conscience and sober judgment we shall make a record which our children will read in after years with pride and not with shame.

THE APPEAL OF THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The appeal of the missionary society is in behalf of the mothers in other lands who do not know Jesus Christ as a personal Saviour, and so have not known the peace and joy that are the heritage of his children. These have been denied the revelation of the dignity and worth of womanhood and the place and power it should have in society and in the home. They are crushed under the age-long customs of civilizations which contain none of the saving influence of his blessed teaching and are sitting in the shadow of superstition, enduring mutely the most degrading social and domestic burden.

The appeal is, furthermore, in behalf of the motherhood of our land which is so crushed under the burden of modern industrial conditions that it cannot adequately meet the responsibilities of motherhood and has no heart for its joys.

It is in behalf of mothers from fa away lands who have so recently com to dwell with us and whose hearts ar trembling with the strangeness c their surroundings. Each of thes groups is attended by a company c little ones who share their joyless co dition nad whose lives are shrive ed and polluted. They have no chil hood; nor can they ever, if these co ditions continue, reach true manhoo and womanhood. O this host of mot ers and little children! Can any a peal be voiced strongly enough to ca ry the full weight of their woes an make clear the justice of their cause

The appeal is to us, the favore cherished American women and chi dren, whose cup overflows with dome tic, social, intellectual and spiritu blessings, each blessing the fruit c centuries of the teachings of Jesu Christ. Because we are indifferent t the source of these blessings and us them selfishly, we need this appeal. should arouse us to a sense of ou indebtedness to Jesus Christ and mov us to service to others in his nam It is not for any merit in us that ou lives have been so crowned. We ar no more precious to him than ar these others. He has not invested s largely in us and taken such infinit pains with our lives that we can se fishly enjoy these benefits, but we ma be a channel through which he ca reach those others whom he yearns t bless as he has blessed us. Has h invested in us in vain? Have we s riously considered what it would mea to us had our surroundings been th same as theirs? "Hads't thou bee born there, thou too . . . wouldst have the soul wild with weeds. . . Thou wouldst have crossed life's stag a poor, benighted heathen." We hav no conception of what this would hav meant—it is unthinkable; and just s far as it is unthinkable so great i our debt to those to whom it is a awful reality.

The appeal is in the name of Chris whose coming made a new era fo womanhood and childhood. Christ lif ed woman's burdens, raised her fro her downtrodden condition, placed he in a position of influence which i hers, and gave her every domesti and social privilege and every persona joy. His birth sanctified childhoo making it the world's emblem of inn cence, teaching its true worth and it individual right to protection and nu ture. He has made possible ever home, every school,, every hospita every refuge for the suffering, ever church. From him emanates ever sentiment of love, kindness, charity pity. His example has inspired ever act of helpfulness, self-sacrifice, her ism, courage. He has made possibl faith and hope in the hearts of me and women.

Is there one of us who will turn deaf ear to this appeal, who will re fuse to give a hearty response in b half or her for whom it is made? we do not heed, we shall selfishly se aside the claims of the weak upon th strong, of the unfortunate upon th fortunate, of the poor upon the rich we shall ignore Him who was rich an for our sakes became poor, that w through his poverty might be rich.

I plead with those whose lives ar
bright,
For those who dwell in gloom,
On whom there breaks no starry ri
Of hope beyond the tomb.
I plead with those whose homes ar
fair,
For those whose homes are dim.
I guide them in the way of Christ,
That they may learn of Him!

The Newest Styles of Jewelr

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assor ment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glasswa and Ornaments. We are the oldest leadin firm in the city. Everything guarantee

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

RESOLVED THAT MEDICAL MISSIONS IS A MORE EFFECTIVE METHOD OF CARRYING ON MISSIONARY WORK THAN THE EVANGELICAL OR EDUCATIONAL

(We are giving below the papers of the winners in a triangular debate recently held by West Market, Greensboro, League on the above subject. Next week we will give the papers of the debaters representing the evangelistic and educational methods.)

I. Miss Helen Preyer

Honorable Judges, Friends and Opponents:

Resolved, that the medical missionary has more influence in converting the heathen of the foreign land than the evangelistic or the educational missionary.

Human ills cry aloud for sympathy and relief. Every human being is sometimes ill, and when not ill himself is often anxious on account of the illness of a relative or friend. The doctor, therefore, has immediate and welcome access to vast numbers who neither wish nor will have any intercourse with other missionaries. The ministry of healing is itself Christ-like. During sickness the soul is usually open to convictions of sin and after the restoration to health, it is always strongly moved by gratitude, which opens the way to God. Even a dog is grateful for any assistance when he is sick, and the heathen are not behind.

Medical missions are the pioneers of evangelism. They can be planted where no other branch of evangelistic work is possible. Christ is especially known to Moslems as being the great Healer which helps them to appreciate the medical department in Christian mission work and gives unusual opportunity through this channel for religious instruction. To every one of his patients to whom the medical missionary comes with loving sympathy and with skillful power he brings the message of the love of God.

It is my purpose to show how, among the primitive people of the foreign land the touch of medicine can break down superstition and thus give an entrance to the world and the gospel of light. When a medical man comes with his fine science amongst these people, he seems to come as a worker of miracles. He opens up a new realm, he breaks down walls of superstition centuries old. So he is often the first herald of the Cross in the places of pioneer mission work throughout the world.

There came to an African mission station an old man who said, "My daughter is sick. If I bring her here will you cure her?" "What is the matter?" the missionary asked. He replied, "She cannot walk." "How long has she been so?" "Five or six months." "Where do you live?" "Three days from here." "How will you get her here if she cannot walk?" "We will carry her. Will you cure her?" "We cannot say about that, but bring her here and we will see." She was brought and remained for four months. When she went she walked. She went back to her town, passing through a country that had always held a closed door to missionaries. The people had always kindly but positively refused to receive visits from them, but when that woman went along that journey of three days she carried a new message, a new hope. She said, "We have not understood the people at God's station. They are for our good. See me. I was carried. Now I walk." And a few months after that, when the two missionaries at the station went through that country, every door was open. In almost every place there had been those who had heard of the medical work, or had seen it, and at the end of the three days journey the entire community seemed to come out to give them a royal welcome!

Medical missions are the only efficient opponents of the quackery which is intimately associated with religious superstition among the heathen. To most of them religion is nothing but quackery. The fear of the unknown on the side of the people and the cunning and malice of their medicine men and witch doctors have given these an incredible power for evil. The medical missionary by teaching the true nature of disease and urging the use of means which God has given for curing by the surgical operations which the people can see and partially understand, by his tender care of the sick, undermines the quackery and power of the witch doctor which has so long crushed the soul and unveils the face of a merciful God who seeks to save body and soul together from suffering and sin.

The root of heathen redemption must be in the home life; but who is to reach that secluded circle? Not the minister, be he ever so faithful. He can preach to the women until they wiggle and twist and turn to their neighbor with, "He says what? I do not understand."

The woman physician can penetrate the farthest corner of her sister woman's seclusion. She goes too as a friend, taking with her healing for soul as well as body.

Who like the Christian physician has the opportunities for personal work with those who welcome him to their homes? Others have to seek or make their opportunities; opportunities come of themselves to the medical missionary. The medical missionary's work is not of that class which consists in conducting "women's meetings," teaching in Sunday school, and attending public worship, but that individual, personal work which is converting the world.

As a breaker down of prejudice, medicine has been so successful that this office has eclipsed all else, and has come to be considered, both at home and in the foreign land, as the main object of medical missionary work. While in the United States Li Hung Chang of China, said, "Send us more missionaries; especially doctors."

Those who say, "Give the heathen the Western education, and they will be able to receive the truths of Christianity," are wong. That would be the body without the soul. Equally wrong are those who say, "Convert the Chinese to Christianity and the rest will take care of itself." That is the soul without the body, and life is only sustained by keeping soul and body together.

A doctor missionary may live in security among robbers and thugs. He can visit districts closed to all others. He is called to the inmost recess of the harem and the zenana. He is a welcome guest in the house of the Jewish rabbis, of Mohammedan ulema, of Hindu and Buddhist priests. He is regarded as a guardian angel by the poor, and he stands as an equal before rulers and kings, and with his healing he carries the gospel.

Under these circumstances, it is little to be wondered at that the number of medical missionaries has more than trebled within the last four years.

The Rockefeller Foundation has recently sent out a medical commission to examine medical conditions in China with a view to making large grants of money for the purpose of providing medical relief.

And so, my friends, the medical missionary today stands on the advancing line to break down superstition, to open a way for the ministers of God, to bring these deluded heathen people nearer to the great hope of the world, the love of Christ.

II. Garland F. Roberson

Honorable Judges, Worthy Opponents, Friends:—

Resolved:—That medical missionaries have more influence in converting the heathen of the foreign lands than either the evangelistic or educational missionaries.

Bear this in mind, honorable judges, we do not contend that the evangelistic missionary has no place, for of sions is to win souls for Christ; and we do not say that the heathen should not be educated; but we do contend that in the medical missionary the other two ideas are combined, and that by his medical work the medical missionary will be able to accomplish more than either of the other two classes can without that advantage, for he touches the inner life of the people.

Christ himself, who gave the command to "Go into all the world and teach the gospel to every nation," set an example by healing the sick and curing those who were afflicted in any way. When John the Baptist sent to him from prison to know if he was the one who should come, the answer he sent back was "Go and tell John all the things ye do hear and see; the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached unto them." And all through his ministry he did not lose an opportunity of using his healing power. In most instances the healing of the body and the forgiving of the sin were accomplished at the same time.

After Christ had finished his ministry on earth, His disciples continued the practice of healing; and one of the first events we have recorded in the Book of Acts is the healing by Peter of the lame man, at the Gate Beautiful of the Temple. Paul, the first great missionary, carried out the same principles on his journeys; and we have the account of how he healed the man at Lystra who had been a cripple in his feet from birth: and also of casting the evil spirit out of the girl at Philippi.

So you see we have an example from the very beginning that the Christ spirit is to heal the bodies, and through the avenue thus opened to minister unto the spirit. Of course the days of performing miracles are over, but some of the results obtained in heathen lands through present day science have almost as great effect as did those miracles. And it cannot be denied that it is human nature to have confidence in one who can heal our bodily pains.

Very often a doctor can by some slight operation, such as setting a bone or an operation on the eyes, transform the looks of a person so that it will seem almost miraculous. There are many countries where it is the custom to drown or otherwise do away with all children who are deformed in any way. If the doctor can cure the deformity and save the life of the child, the poor mother will be almost ready to worship him. When he says to her, "I worship One who said 'suffer little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven," he will have no trouble converting her; and she will do all in her power to turn others to Christ. And with the foothold thus gained, the missionary will be able to teach the people that it is wrong to take the life of even a child.

Think of a doctor going into a country where it is the custom when anyone is sick to stick hot needles into the flesh to drive away the spirit which caused the pain. When the doctor shows them that this superstition is worse than useless, and that diseases can be cured in other ways, the people will then be ready to listen to what he has to say about Christ saving the souls. In China there is only one doctor to every two and one-half million people. Just think of places as large as this state without a single doctor, while we have several to every village and town. Is it any wonder that the superstitions of the people are so hard to break up.

The medical missionary always goes where there is sickness and disease, and if there is a plague of any kind, he does not hesitate, but lends his aid to stamp it out. The people cannot understand why he risks his life to help them, but when he tells them of the God who took on human form, and lived and suffered among the people, and who even died on a cross that they might be saved, then they want to worship such a Christ too.

Let us imagine that we are living in a heathen land of superstitious customs, and that we have never had any of the advantages of civilization. Let us suppose that we are afflicted with some terrible disease and that all our relatives have fled so that they also will not be attacked by the disease. Perhaps they are off at a distant place supplicating their gods and offering sacrifices to appease his anger. Suppose a medical missionary comes in, and regardless of all personal danger, cures us of the disease. Then after we are well, when he explains to us that the gods we have been worshiping are lifeless and worthless, and tells us of the God of Love and Eternal Life, we will believe him and be ready to turn to his God.

Therefore, honorable judges, inasmuch as all heathen people are superstitious, and that to convince anyone that age-old customs are wrong, it is necessary to show them something better, and, inasmuch as the medical missionary has a better chance to reach the innermost recesses of the lives and hearts of the people, we contend that the medical missionary has more influence in converting the heathen than either the evangelistic or educational missionary.

TRY THIS FOR YOUR HEALTH

For diseases which do not readily yield to drug treatment, such as chronic dyspepsia, indigestion, rheumatism, Bright's disease, gall stones, uric acid poisoning and diseases of the kidney and liver, the best physicians send their wealthy patients to the famous mineral springs. Some even spent months at the Spas of Europe and were almost invariably cured or greatly benefited.

I believe that the Shivar Spring is the greatest mineral spring ever discovered and I believe it so firmly that I offer to send you enough water for a three weeks' treatment (two five-gallon demijohns) on my guarantee that if it fails to benefit your case I will refund the price. You would hardly believe men if I told you that only about two out of a hundred, on the average say that they have received no benefit. The water is restoring thousands. It restored my health when my friends and physicians thought my case was incurable and I am willing and anxious for you to match your faith in the spring against my pocketbook. If I win you become a life-friend of the spring. If I lose I will be sorry for you but I will appreciate your courtesy in giving the water a trial and will gladly refund your money on request. Sign the following letter:

Shivar Spring,
Box 5C, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen:

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Spring Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns, which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)

Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You run no risk whatever in accepting his offer. I have personally witnessed the remarkable curative effects of this water in a very serious case.

Our Little Folks' Department

THE BLUE BOW

Mattie came flying up the steps with a parcel post package, which the postman had just left, in her hand. Hattie, her twin sister, had walked to the village to do an errand for mother.

"It must be from Aunt Rachel, mother!" exclaimed Mattie, beginning to untie the cord which bound the package.

"But isn't it addressed to Hattie as well as yourself, dear?" Mrs. Reynolds asked gently.

"O, Hattie won't mind my opening it!" declared Mattie, flushing a little, but continuing to unwrap the package. She gave a little squeal of delight as she lifted the cover from the box, revealing two lovely hair ribbons made into just such beautiful bows as only dear Aunt Rachel, who lived away off in the city and was always sending pretty things to her little nieces, could make. "Aren't they lovely, mamma?" smiled Mattie, holding them up for her mother's inspection. "I shall have the blue one."

"But Hattie might also care for the blue one, little daughter," said Mrs. Reynolds.

"O, she never cares! She likes pink just as well as blue."

"You mean she is too unselfish to make a choice when she sees that your heart is set on the thing she likes best."

Mattie looked up at her mother in astonishment. The little seeds of selfishness had been springing up in her heart since babyhood, and no one ever before had called her attention to them. Now, like most people who are told of their faults, she got a little angry, and the flush in her cheeks got deeper.

"She may have both of them for all I care," Mattie declared in a quiet, offended manner, setting the box in Mrs. Reynold's lap and turning to leave the room.

"Wait a minute, Mattie," her mother said. "Mother kept hoping that you would see this fault of yours without being told of it. It has hurt you to be reminded of it; but sometimes we have to hurt before we can heal, just as when you had a stone bruise; it hurt to have it opened, but your foot got well right away. Now run out and do your chores and see if you can't decide willingly to give Hattie the choice of auntie's gifts for just this one time."

"For just this one time" kept echoing through Mattie's head as she drew the water and fed the chickens. It was true, she acknowledged at last, that she had always chosen what she liked best of all that had been sent to them, and Hattie had never complained.

It was a very thoughtful little girl that went back to the sitting room. "I didn't know before that I was selfish, mamma," she said, putting her arms contritely about her mother.

Just then Hattie came in and, catching sight of the new bows, dropped her packages. "From Aunt Ray, I know," she said. "How pretty the blue one will look on you, sister!"

"Indeed it won't," denied Mattie, giving her sister a hug. "You are going to have the blue one yourself, for I know you like blue as much as I." And with a little deft touch she pinned the blue bow on her sister's pretty golden braids.—Beth Slater Whitson.

A DAY WITH GRANDMA

One bright morning Helen and Harold started to visit Grandma Lenox. The country road was dusty. After they had climbed a long, sandy hill, they were warm and tired.

"Aren't we 'most there?" sighed Helen.

"O, no. We go down the hill; then there's two roads. We take the one that twists like a snake After a while there's another hill, and over the hill is grandma's house," explained Harold.

They trudged on. At last they saw the big elm in front of grandma's house. Then they opened the gate and knocked loudly upon the front door.

Grandma was expecting them. She came to the door and kissed them both. "Come right in, dearies, and take off your hats," she said warmly.

There were so many jolly things to do out here in the country that the twins hardly knew how to begin their play day.

"Let's climb up on the seat in the big apple tree," proposed Harold.

"All right," agreed Helen, "and watch the trains. When does the next one go, grandma?"

Grandma looked at the clock. There's just about time to get into the tree before the express goes to Brockton. In a few minutes another train will go to Boston."

The twins raced to the tree seat. Already the train was whistling at the Avon crossing. It was exciting to watch through the gap in the woods and count the cars as they went swiftly along, with the engine puffing up great white steam clouds.

By and by they climbed upon the great rocks in the sheep pasture and listened to a quail as he whistled "Bob White." Helen picked some sweet fern and yellow tansy for grandma. It was fun to shout "Hello!" and hear the echo among the rocks.

"Our voices bounce back like rubber balls," laughed Harold.

"O, dear grandma," sighed Helen, pushing back her chair after dinner, "you do have the prettiest blue dishes and the nicest chicken stew and dumplings!"

After dinner they went down to the bridge and fished in the shady pool by the roadside. Helen would not use "wiggly worms," so grandma gave her some bits of pork. The little fish and turtles nibbled their bait, but at last they returned to the house with only some brook peppermint and lilies for grandma.

Grandma got supper early, for she knew the twins would be very hungry after playing out of doors.

Helen looked at the table with its bread and butter, honey, baked pears, and tea. "Grandma," she asked bashfully, her blue eyes peeping roguishly from under the tumbled curls, "where's the dumplings?"

"Why, Helen Browning!" cried Harold. "That's not polite!"

"But they were so good!" answered Helen.

Grandma hurried to bring the dumplings. "Helen shall have 'em," she laughed. "I didn't suppose you'd like 'em cold."

As the sun sank low in the west they kissed grandma good-by The way home seemed short, for Helen harnessed Harold with the new reins grandma had knitted, and they trotted homeward with the bells jingling a merry tune.—Nellie M. Leonard.

FEATHERED NEWSBEARERS

You remember that I told you how sensitive the spider is—how she knows that a storm is coming even before we are aware that a cloud is approaching the sun. As soon as she feels a bit of moisture in the air she runs to snuggle down in her cosy corner and get as far from the rain as possible. But Madam Spider is not the only wild creature that can prophesy.

On Sunday morning, the 24th of last January, the folk of the towns and hamlets along the east coast of England were peacefully enjoying their morning naps, when suddenly there was a great commotion among the pheasants. These handsome birds abound in every copse and woodland in that region. Up jumped the farmers and the townsfolk. The good men remarked to one another: "There be rare goings on in the North Sea the morn. The pheasants is all over the place with their fuss." These east coast villagers needed no telegram, no long distance telephone, no mounted messenger, not even a hastening airship to tell them that a great battle was raging on the North Sea. The sensitive pheasants had caught the tremors made by cannon miles away—so faint a vibration that no human ear could detect it—and by their excitement and fright had informed the people of what was taking place.

'Tis said that children and dogs are the best judges of a man's character. Pheasants also might be included in the list. Last autumn a handsome cock pheasant, in great distress, came sailing out of the north and alighted on the roof of my barn. cried to me in his strange, hoa voice for protection. It was as if said: "A hunter is close behind me am spent. Save me."

And before he had ceased pant a man with a gun was clamber over the high fence at the end the garden. "Lady," he cried eag ly, "did you see a pheasant? He m be around here somewhere."

"Whatever wild creature comes my premises," I answered, "is s so long as he chooses to remain." A the man, with a disappointed air, tu ed and retraced his steps.—Marga W. Leighton.

EMORY UNIVERSITY

An institution founded, owned, and controlled by the Methodist Episco Church, South.

The University offers at present courses leading to degrees in the follo ing departments:

1. **The School of Liberal Arts**—Emory College—offers courses in Engli Spanish, French, German, Greek, Latin, Mathematics, Physics, Chemist Biology, Mental and Moral Science, History, Political Economy, and Bibli Literature, leading to the usual literary degrees. This department has library of 40,000 bound volumes.

2. **The School of Theology**—The Candler School of Theology—offers and varied courses leading to the degree of B. D. This is a school theology, as definite in its teaching as it is definite in its aim to serve church to which it belongs. The library of the School of Theology is r and grows richer daily. To it belongs the famous "Thursfield-Smith Coll tion of Wesleyana," which includes hundreds of the autograph letters of Wesleys and other Methodist celebrities.

3. **The School of Medicine**—The Atlanta Medical College—a medi school of the first grade which offers courses in medicine and surgery coveri four years, and leading to the degree of M. D. By arrangement with Grady Hospital, the Municipal Hospital of Atlanta, and the Wesley Mem rial Hospital, which is a part of the University system, the School of Me cine is able to offer clinical advantages of great value to students.

For bulletins, giving full information concerning the University, and several departments, write to

WALKER WHITE, Secretary-Bursar,
Emory University Atlanta, Georg

Vanderbilt University

Opens Monday, Sept. 27th. High educational standards. Vigorous and healthy student life. Wholesome athletics. Revised curriculum. College of Arts and Science. Professional Schools of Law, Medicine, Pharmacy, Engineering, Religion. For catalogue write, naming department to
THE SECRETARY, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY
BOX 109 NASHVILLE, TENN.

GREENSBORO NURSERIES
AGENTS WANTED
For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.
JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

BREVARD INSTITUTE

The school which offers thorough instruction in the most useful branches at less than actual cost and under strong Christian influences. Its courses of study include:

Primary School	Grammar School	High School
Pedagogy	Review Classes	Practice Teaching
Piano Playing	Voice Culture	Musical Pedagogy
Bookkeeping	Stenography	Commercial Law
Dressmaking	Millinery	Fancy Work
Cooking	Housework	Household Economics
Farming	Stockraising	Gardening
Bible	Missions	Christian Work

Its aim throughout is accurate efficiency.

Why not study just what you are fitted for?

C. H. TROWBRIDGE, Principal BREVARD, N. C.

Our Foreign Advertising Is In Charge

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.....E. L. Go
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg...W. B. Porc
Detroit—Hotel Tuller.....C. L. W
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg., M. E. Gamm
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.....J. M. Riddle
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg....J. B. Keo
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.....G. H. Li
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.....A. O'Da
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel...J. W. Li

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A Wood, Presiding Elder Weaverville, N. C.
Third Round

	July
Weaverville Ct., South Fork	24
Black Mountain, Tabernacle	25
Sulphur Springs, Pisgah	31-August 1
	August
Biltmore, Mt. Pleasant	1
North Asheville, night	4
Swannanoa	7-8
Bethel, night	8

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C.
Third Round

	July
Polkton Ct.	23
Marshville Ct., Gilboa	24-25
North Monroe, night	25
Unionville Ct., Zion	26
Spencer Memorial	1
Dilworth, night	1
District Conference at Polkton, July 21-23	

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—James H. Weaver, Presiding Elder Greensboro, N. C.
Third Round

	July
Wesley Memorial, High Point	24-25
Main St., High Point	24-25
East End, High Point	24-25
Deep River Ct., White Hall	31-Aug. 1
	August
Randleman	1-2
Asheboro	1-2
Denton, Siloam	7-8
Uwharrie, Salem	8-9

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Third Round

	July
Morganton Ct., Denton	24-25
Connelly Springs, Warlicks	31-Aug. 1
	August
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Bakersville	7-8
Micaville, Shoal Creek	14-15
Bald Creek, Bald Creek	21-22
Burnsville	22-23
Marion Ct., Concord	28-29
District Conference at Gilkey, July 15-18	

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Third Round

	July
Yadkinville	24-25
Ararat	31
	August
Ararat	1
Mount Airy Circuit	8

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Third Round

	July
Helton, Methodist Chapel	24-25
	August
Sparta, Cox's Chapel	July 31-1
Laurel Springs, Chestnut Hill	7-8
Jefferson, Bethany	14-15
District Conference at Elk Park, June 24-27.	

Revival Meetings

Sparta	July 31-Aug 6
Jefferson, Bethany	Aug. 9-15

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.
Third Round

	July
Cannapolis Circuit, Unity	24-25
New London Circuit	31-Aug. 1
	August
Old Hill Circuit	1-2
Bethel and Loves Chapel	8-9

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C.
Third Round

	July
Crouse	17
Stanly	18
South Fork	24
Lowesville, Hill's Chapel	27-29
District Conference at Lowesville July 28-29.	

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Lee T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Third Round

	July
Taiden Ct., Friendship, 11 a. m.,	3-4
Newton St., Newton, night	4-5
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 11 a. m.,	10-11
Davidson St., Davidson, night	11-12
Troutman Ct., Knox Chapel, 11 a. m.	17-18
Mooresville St., Mooresville, night,	18-19
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 11 a. m.,	24-25
Bethel Spring Ct., Rose Chapel, 11 a. m.	24-25
Bedell Ct., Macedonia, 11 a. m.	25-26
Broad Street St., Broad St., 11 a. m.	25-26
Race Street St., Race St., 11 a. m.,	25-27
	August
Hickory Ct., Pisgah, 11 a. m.,	1-2

The Sunday School Institute and the District Conference of the Statesville District will be held in Broad Street church, Statesville, July 28-31. Wednesday, July 28th, will be devoted to the Sunday school institute. The institute will open promptly at 10 o'clock, a. m., on that day. We earnestly urge every Sunday school superintendent and every pastor in the district to be present at that hour. There will be something doing every minute. You cannot afford to miss a single item on this program.

The work of the district conference will follow that of the institute. Let every delegate, all the pastors, local preachers, and charge lay leaders be present when the roll is called; and we insist that all the members of the Conference remain until we adjourn on Saturday.

The congregations of Broad Street and Race Street churches will provide abundant entertainment, and we desire the fullest possible attendance.

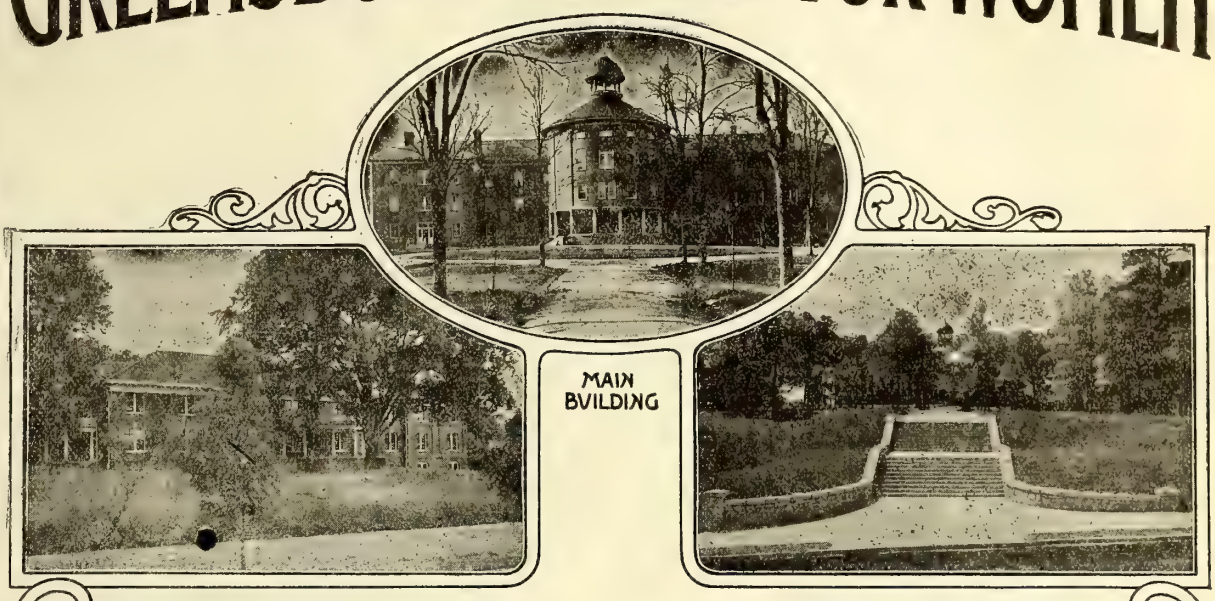
WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, R. F. D. 2, Asheville, N. C.
Third Round

	July
Highlands, Cashiers	1
Bryson and Whittier, Bryson City	3-4
Judson Ct., Judson	4-5
Robbinsville, Trinity	6-7
Murphy Ct., Ogden	10-11
Hayesville, Tusquity	17-18
Ranger, Martins Creek	23
Murphy Station	25
Andrews Station	31-Aug. 1
	August
Franklin Ct., Clarks Chapel	7-8
Franklin Station, Malden Chapel	8
Macon Ct.,	15

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C.
Third Round

	July
Davie, Center	3-4
Mocksville	2-4
Advance, Advance	10-11
West End, night	11
Lewisville, Union	17-18
Salem, night	18
Farmington, Bethlehem	24-25
Cooleemee, night	25
Kernersville, Shady Grove	31-Aug. 1

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY—FITZGERALD HALL ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.



TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 **CHARTERED 1859**

A Christian college steadfast in its fidelity to its highest ideals and noblest traditions. Among the few well endowed Southern institutions of learning. A large faculty of thoroughly trained and wisely chosen teachers. Excellent new buildings, beautiful and large campus. Modern laboratories and fine library.

Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law

Special attention given in the Biblical Department to the wise training of young ministers.

For catalogue and illustrated booklet address

R. L. FLOWERS,

Secretary to the Corporation, Durham, North Carolina.

The Sunday School Lesson

THIRD QUARTER—LESSON IV
July 25, 1915

Solomon Dedicates the Temple
1 Kings 8:1-53

Golden Text—My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. Isa. 56:7.

Summary of the Lesson

In his poem "The Builders" Longfellow sings:

"All are architects of Fate,
Working in these walls of Time;
Some with massive deeds and great,
Some with ornaments of rhyme.

. . . . . .

"In the elder days of art,
Builders wrought with greatest care,
Each minute and unseen part,
For the gods see everywhere.

"Let us do our work as well,
Both the unseen and the seen;
Make the house where gods may dwell
Beautiful, entire and clean."

Solomon was one of the great builders of the world; but it is as the builder of a magnificent material temple rather than as the builder of the invisible structure of a powerful and noble character that he is most remembered. There was genuine outreach after God in yearning prayer as well as spectacular celebration, and so the temple became Israel's center of worship.

The Temple of Solomon

One great king said, "I will be a fighter;" another said, "I will be a patron of letters and art;" another put his ambition thus: "I will be a master of diplomacy and statecraft." Another said, "I will improve the condition of my people;" and still another, "I will be a builder whose works shall remain upon the world generation after generation."

When we think of Solomon we think of the gathering of vast material, of the erection of notable and spacious buildings, and most of all of that great temple which he erected to Jehovah. It was Solomon's temple. His personal enthusiasm, his gift of leadership, his faculty for effective organization, his dreams of beauty expressing itself in architectural forms, made the wonderful building possible, and brought the task of its erection to a successful conclusion.

There were no doubt discouragements and disappointments and perplexities enough in the process of building; but one imperial will held the workers to their task; one strong, unflinching purpose with steady persistence kept all the vast and varied activities in movement until the work was done.

The day of dedication was a time of solemn and triumphant joy to Solomon. None knew better than he the cost of transforming a haunting dream into a concrete reality. Now the temple stood before him, all glittering in beauty—a treasure house of marvel, a shrine of golden radiance. It is a beautiful thing that the writer whose narroative we are following puts into the mouth of Solomon in this very hour of triumph these words: "Behold, heaven and the heaven of heavens cannot contain thee; how much less this house that I have builded." The Infinite glory of God sweeps in upon Solomon with awe and wonder in the very time when he is contemplating the glory of the temple which he has built. His temple, with all its marvelous beauty, can become God's dwelling place only through the condescension of the Most High.

To do a great work and in the very moment of its triumph to see how it is dwarfed by something infinitely greater, is a mark of a deep and noble and growing nature. The temple is Solomon's; but as he is here pictured Solomon is greater than the temple. As we listen to the words of the prayer of dedication we become conscious of the fact that it is possible for a man to be greater than anything he does.

The Temple of the People

"Sir, I am the Queen of England," a certain ruler is said to have cried out, irritated by the insistence of her prime minister. "Your Highness," was the immediate response, "I am the people of England," an epigrammatic expression of the new consciousness of the significance of the people which has come to the modern world.

The temple of Solomon was at the very farthest remove from being an expression of a democratic movement. There was no democratic movement in the world. The sharp and clear sense of the value of the individual man had not emerged in human consciousness. The temple was the achievement of a powerful monarch, with heavy taxes and the kind of labor to which an Oriental king has many a time drawn hordes of workers as a means of securing its erection. You can imagine a later day labor leader shaking his fist at such a building as a symbol of tyranny. We cannot read the ideals of the twentieth century Anno Domini into the tenth century before the birth of Christ. But for all that the great building which Solomon constructed was a temple of the people. It was built for the nation's use. It expressed the nation's ideals of religion and worship. The vast concourse of people on the day of dedication was not merely a gathering of spectators. They were participants in the events of the day. They were sharers in its meaning. The temple was their place of worship. To the people as well as to the king it was a house of the soul.

Indeed, in the very fact of the indidual coming to worship you have a faint foregleam of that sense of his value which is to come into clear consciousness at a later time. When you grant that every man has a right to worship, you have admitted a principle whose corollaries are very far reaching.

"The Church," said Dr. Dan B. Brummitt in a recent notable editorial in the Epworth Herald, "is a worshiping family." In a sense at the dedication of the temple you see the nation as a worshiping family. The temple belongs to all of the people. Religion belongs to all of them, and this is a source of deep and abiding joy.

The Temple of God

"The funeral of God" has been described by a powerful present day poet in lines full of a strange, solemn power. As if frightened by his own achievement he brings the poem to a close with a curious suggestion of returning hope. But the central thought of the extraordinary verses has to do with the obsequies of the Deity.

"Lost, the sense of the eternal out of modern life." "Found, a way to make a man into a machine, and to call the result a finished product." These two sentences express outstanding dangers of our present day life. Machinery seems bent on taking the place of personality. The temporal seems bent on usurping the throne of the eternal. In such a period there is particular significance in studying the really defining thing about the temple built by Israel's great king. It was the temple of Solomon. It was the temple of the people. But the actually important and memorable thing is that it was a temple of God. Jehovah was alive in the life of the people. He was part of their daily experience. The temple was a symbol of their relation to the living God and of His relation to them. Jehovah was the outstanding fact in Hebrew history. The temple was not a station on a side track of Israel's life. It was the grand terminal of all the lines of the nation's activity. If this seems too modern a figure to apply to a remote and ancient life we may say that Israel was conceived and born in religion, trained to maturity through religion. If you take the religion out of the history of Israel there will be no history left.

The temple stood for the fact that men might meet with God, that human life might come in actual touch with the divine. With all the eloquence of its beauty it said continually to the eyes of men: "The Lord is in his holy temple, let all the earth keep silence before him." The temple belonged to Jehovah. It was a concrete declaration of the fact of the presence of God.

The Significance of Worship

A few years ago W. J. Dawson wrote a little book in which he discussed the Forgotten Secret. This forgotten secret he declared to be the art of prayer. It is not too much to say that to multitudes of men in the world today worship is a lost art. The tragic thing about it is that they do not know that it is an art, and they do not know that it is lost.

In the confusing vicissitudes of speech a word may actually lose its meaning and go wandering about the world like a body without a mind. It has become a mere sound with no powerful and living idea corresponding to it. There are sections of modern society where this has happened to the word worship. After this tragic keeping of a word when its meaning is lost, people may still go to church. They may enjoy exquisite anthems and all the noble music of the sanctuary. They may be stimulated by sermons where brilliant epigrams spring forth like sparks from an anvil. They may enjoy the social contacts of a powerful church, and they may undertake to have a share in some of its practical tasks of amelioration. All this is good if the supreme thing is added to it; but the supreme thing is just what such multitudes of people miss. They never think of meeting God in church, and they never think of meeting Him anywhere else.

A man of this type once entered a church renowned for its preserving of a poignant sense of things eternal. The music, the prayers, the atmosphere of the place, hushed expectancy of the congregation, the hurling urgency of the sermon all affected him with a power unlike anything he had ever known. His life seemed shaken to its foundations. Old noble hopes cried out. The memory of old sins uncoiled as if he must face their meaning. He was grasped by something mightier than himself and held in its great grasp. The man went our muttering, "I don't understand it. This— why— this must be—God." It was the beginning of a new life to him. It was his discovery of the meaning of worship. Out of it all came a transforming contact with the living God.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in New York Christian Advocate.

Celery Plants and Summer Cabbage Plants that have been grown right and packed right for shipment. Ask for free pamphlet.
Wakefield Plant Farm,
Charlotte, N. C.

EXPERT KODAK FINISHING
Developing and printing done by artists. Most beautiful work guaranteed at all times. Satisfaction or no charge. Developing, 10c per film. Printing: prints 2 1-4 x3 1-4, 3c; 2 1-2x4 1-4, 4c; 3 1-4x5 1-2, 5c. Quick delivery. Send one film to test our service. Agents wanted.
LIGON DRUG CO., Spartanburg, S. C.

This Hose Lasts Longer Than Others
Goodyear-Akron Lawn Hose lasts lon
than others because it is made to
that. It is made by the makers of the
mous Goodyear Automobile Tires. C
posed of five layers of alternate new,
rubber and strongest braided cotton.
solutely seamless. The thick corrug
outer coat, with its six extra large rub
ribs, does away with twisting and k
ing. They add immensely to its life.
GOOD YEA
AKRO
Lawn Hose
Buy Your Garden Tools Here
We H
Every
You N
ODELL
Hardware Co

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS
Furnished on short noti
Summit Avenue Greenhouses
HOWARD GARDNE
Proprietor
GREENSBORO, N.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone
DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF
STOMACH AND INTESTIN
121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N

MILLER, ROBINS & WE
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity
Deposit Company of Maryl
106 North Elm Street 'Phone

Our Dead

All obituaries exceeding two hundred words will be charged for at the rate of one cent a word. Correspondents will make the calculation and remit the necessary amount with the manuscript. In ordering copies of the paper containing obituaries, it is necessary, in every case, to give date of issue and name of person whose obituary is called for. Additional copies will be sent at the rate of four cents per copy. No verses will be inserted.

GRISSOM—Martha Elizabeth Grissom, the devoted mother of the late Rev. W. L. Grissom, of our Conference, died at Spencer, N. C., April 11th, 1915. She was a native of Randolph county, and with her husband and children worshipped at old Eleazar Methodist church for many years. She retained her membership there as long as she lived. In later years the family moved to Greensboro, and it is in the cemetery there that her remains rest close by the side of others she loved.

She was a great sufferer during her last years, but amid all her afflictions she never relinquished her hold on God. She was a great believer in old-time, heart-felt religion, and could always give a reason for the hope that was in her. She loved all her children, but she was specially devoted to her preacher son. The attachment was mutual. He never forgot his mother. He preceded her by several years to the grave, still she never ceased to mourn her loss of him. She constantly anticipated reunion with him and other loved ones in the house of many mansions.

She was a member of one of the churches on my first charge, and, perhaps for that very reason she had a special attachment for the writer. During her last years I often saw and conversed with her. She greatly enjoyed religious conversation, and frequently expressed her willingness and readiness to go when the Master should call his own unto himself. More than once she specially requested me to be present and conduct her funeral services.

There are of her children one daughter and two sons still living, who, with a goodly company of grandchildren, remember her with strong and tender affections. May the God of all grace comfort them in their bereavement.

F. L. Townsend.

SIMPSON—Martha A. Simpson died May 9th, 1915, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. James M. Parker, near Mount Airy, N. C. She was about 80 years of age. Her husband, Tyra Simpson, has been dead about four years. Sister Simpson professed faith in Christ and joined the M. E. Church, South, at Green Hill, under the ministry of Rev. C. P. Snow, something like thirty years ago, and lived a Christian life. She leaves two sons, six daughters and a large number of grandchildren to mourn their loss.

"Why should our tears in sorrow flow
When God recalls his own,
And bids them leave a world of woe
For an immortal crown?"

—J. M. Folger.

HARDIN—Mrs. Candace Hardin was born Feb. 14, 1831, and died Feb. 11, 1915. Eighty-three years, 11 months and 26 days ended her earthly existence and began her heavenly abode. Thomas L. Hardin, to whom she was married Nov. 13, 1854, died some years ago, leaving Mrs. Hardin a widow for a number of years. To them were born some ten or twelve children, most of whom, I think, are living.

The Scriptures teach us that a good name is to be chosen in preference to riches, and Mrs. Hardin seemed to realize the truthfulness of that Scripture, or proverb, for while she didn't possess a great deal of the wealth of this world, she possessed something better, which was a good name. Nobody ever spoke of her other than in terms of kindness. Her meek and humble disposition won for her friends wherever she went. If she had an enemy it is more than we know of.

As to her church affilitations, she was a consistant member of the Southern Methodist church for a long number of years, joining the church in childhood. Mother Hardin is gone but her influence still lives. Her place cannot be filled in the home, the church or community. There are so many good things to be said of her I am about to forget to mention the cause of her death. Of course old age mainly, but death was hastened on by pneumonia. She resided in Hayesville, N. C. Z. V. Johnston.

THOMPSON—Francis Wilburn Thompson was born at Denver, N. C., January 3rd, 1833, and died June 22nd, 1915. He was converted in early youth and lived a faithful member of the Methodist church until his death. In early manhood he was married to Miss Hannah Elizabeth Rhodes . To this union were born twelve children, four of whom preceded him to the grave, and eight, with his beloved wife, survive him. His children are examples of his Christian faith.

Such is a brief chronology of a dear old saint. But much might be written of his loving devotion to his God, church and family; of his many trials, triumphs, abundant labors and splendid successes in his Master's work. He seemed to live in the atmosphere of gentleness and kindness and his life was such as to command the confidence and esteem of all who knew him.

Being feeble with old age, he was unable to attend church regularly. The writer preached at his home on one occasion at his request. He seemed to greatly enjoy this service and said: "I am ready to go when God shall call."

He was a continual reader of the advocate and many times I have heard him say, "I could hardly get along without it. It is better now than ever before." He was a student of the Bible. He made its counsels the rule of his conduct, and delighted in its pure and wholesome precepts, and in the trying ordeal of death he leaned upon its never failing promises. His God had said to him: "Fear not, for I have redeemed thee; I have called thee by thy name; thou art mine. When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire thou shalt not be burned, neither shall the flame kindle upon thee."

I thank God for his life and that it was ever my privilege to know him. My short acquaintance with him means much to me and I hope by the grace of God to meet him again in a world of heavenly bliss where we will never say good bye.

"Who, who would live always, away
from his God,
Away from yon heaven, that blissful
abode,
Where the rivers of pleasure flow o'er
the bright plain,
And the noontide of glory eternally
reigns;

Where the saints of all ages in harmony meet,
Their Saviour and brethren transported to greet;
While the anthems of rapture unceasingly roll,
And the smile of the Lord is the feast of the soul."

N. C. Williams.

JORDAN—Dr. George Edmund Jordan was born in Alamance county, N. C., Dec. 7, 1859, and peacefully fell to sleep at his home in Gibsonville, Sunday, June 20th, 1915.

In 1891 Dr. Jordan graduated in Medicine and immediately began his chosen life's work. As a physician he was conscientious and safe. He was eminently successful.

On October 4th, 1893, he was happily married to Miss Lydia L. Michael, who, with five children, survives him. He also leaves an aged mother and three brothers.

Brother Jordan gave his heart to God and his life to the church in manhood's early prime and for thirty-five years he was true to this relationship. He joined the church at Gibsonville, by certificate, in 1910, and has since been one of its strongest and most faithful surpporters. No call was ever made by her to which he did not cheerfully and liberally respond.

Dr. Jordan was kind, considerate, generous—always ready to render any service within his power, professionally or otherwise, whenever needed. Hence he was very popular as a man and a physician.

He is gone from us and we shall miss him, but his memory will abide with us until we too are called, as was he, and we meet again beyond the river. W. S. Hales.

KIKER—On the 7th of June, 1915, the spirit of L. J. Kiker returned to Him who gave it. He was first married to Miss Roxana Hatcher. To this union was given two children. Mr. J. W. Kiker is the only child living. He with his family still live near the old home. After the death of his first wife, Uncle Jackson was married to Mrs. Eliza Stogeur, who lingers yet on this side the shore to mourn the loss of her husband.

Brother Kiker always lived in the same community where he was buried. Here he was a leader among men and exemplified in his life those high Christian ideals that help to mould and fashion high standards of Christian living among the people in the community. Early in his young manhood days the call came to serve his country in the war between the states. This he did as a noble soldier. All during his service in the war we are told by one of his comrades, he lived, in his daily conduct, the Christ life.

Brother Kiker was a member of Hopewell Methodist church, which he joined early in life. No truer church member can hardly be found than was Uncle Jackson. He was always faithful in attending the services of his church, only once since the close of the war had he failed to attend church when he could possibly go. The call of his church received first attention in his life and her interests in every way lay near his heart. These marks of deep consecration to God were, as all who knew him can testify, clearly shown in his walks among men. He had been a faithful steward in his church for forty years. He filled this office only as a man can whose life is hid with God in Christ Jesus. He always attended the quarterly meetings when he was able to go. He was his pastor's friend and saw to it that he was cared for in a comfortable way. He will be greatly missed by his church in every way. May the blessings of God dwell richly upon his family and relatives and friends.

The above is offered at the request of the full board of stewards of the Polkton circuit.

W .B. Davis.

MOOREFIELD—Washington Moorefield was born October 20, 1823, and died May 31, 1915, aged 91 years, 7 months and 11 days. He was married to Phebe Moorefield Feb. 13, 1850. This union was blessed with ten children, thirteen grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. He was a member of the M. E. Church, South, at Mt. Olivet church in Davidson county and lived a consistent member for more than forty years.

Brother Moorefield was a quiet, peaceable, good citizen, and a kind-hearted neighbor. He was agreeable and affectionate in the home. His health had been poor for a number of years, but his faith was strong in God and he had great patience. His children did all they possibly could to make him comfortable and happy in his declining years. I have never known any man to have better attention and treatment than they gave him. They shall have their reward. He was not afraid of death for he was trusting in Jesus.

His body rests in the cemetery at old Mt. Olivet church by the side of his wife and other loved ones who had gone before, to await the great resurrection morning. May heaven's richest blessings rest upon the children and loved ones who mourn their loss, and may they all meet him again where sorrow and suffering shall be no more. T. J. Houck.

WINGATE—Mrs. M. J. Wingate died at her home in Charlotte, June 20th, 1915, in her sixty-fourth year. She was almost a life-long member of the Methodist church, and as it was said at the beginning of Methodism, so it may still be said: "Our people die well." She was the mother of thirteen children, ten of whom survive her, the youngest being almost grown. One of the younger sons, George C., received license to practice medicine just about a week before her death. Her interest centered about her home and church. Hers was a personality of unusual force and attractiveness. Justice and tenderness, firmness and sympathy, industry and repose, thrift and generosity, positiveness and tolerence, qualities so seldom found in the same person, were characteristic of her. The comment generally made as the news of the death became known was, "She was a good woman." It might have been said of her as of the women whom the wise man of old praised, "She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness. Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her."

J. A. Baldwin.

Charlotte, N. C.

RESOLUTIONS OF WEST CHAPEL SUNDAY SCHOOL

Whereas, the removal of Mrs. Matilda Williams from our midst to her heavenly home has left a vacancy in our community and we have lost a devoted member of our church and Sunday school; and,

Whereas, she was a regular attendant whose happy, cheerful face and kind heart were an inspiration to us, therefore be it resolved:

First, that we, the members of West Chapel church and Sunday school of Swannanoa circuit, mourn the loss of our sister, but feel assured that now she enjoys supreme happiness in the presence of her Saviour, of whom she so eagerly sought to learn.

Second, that the community has received a great loss, and the sick and afflicted will miss her kind, sweet, Christian character, who was ever ready to administer to them.

Third, that we tender our deepest sympathy to the family and relatives of the deceased, and pray God to strengthen each sorrowing heart.

Fourth, that copies of these resolutions be sent to the family and the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

R. J. Roberts,
Mrs. M. H. Marshall,
Miss Maggie Davidson,
Committee.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, God in His infinite wisdom, has removed from our midst our beloved sister and friend, Mrs. Olive Clay, and whereas she was an ideal Christian, priceless as a church member, indispensable to the community, and the pride and joy of the home, where she was ever a devoted wife and

mother, we, the members of the Ladies' Aid Society of the West Hickory Methodist church, do adopt the following resolutions:

First, that we bow in submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well, striving each of us to emulate her virtues, and meet her in the great beyond.

Second, that we extend to the bereaved mother, sister and brothers, our deepest sympathy, praying that God may ever keep and bless them.

Third, that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon our minutes, a copy sent to the Hickory Democrat, and one to the Christian Advocate for publication.

Mrs. M. E. Hutchinson,
Mrs. B. D. Abernethy,
Mrs. Josephine Starnes.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

(By the Ladies' Aid Society of Main St. M. E. Church)

Whereas, the Lord in His all-wise providence has seen best to remove our sister and co-worker, Mrs. Scott Blackwell, who departed this life on May 21, 1915; therefore, be it resolved:

First, that in the death of Sister Blackwell we have lost one of our most faithful and willing workers. Her membership in the Methodist church dates back from early childhood. She was always ready and glad to help in benevolent work.

Second, that we bow in humble submission to our Master's call. We shall miss her, yet we feel our loss is her eternal gain.

Third, that we extend to the bereaved family our deep and heartfelt sympathy and bid them trust in the Heavenly Father.

Fourth, that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon our minutes, a copy sent to the Christian Advocate, and one to the paper in Smithfield for publication.

Mrs. Lucy Trotter,
Mrs. Kate Balsley,
Mrs. W. D. Hightower.

TRIBUTE OF LOVE

We are again called upon to give up from our Society one of our best and most loyal members, Mrs. Maggie Reeves. Mrs. Reeves is the tenth one of our faithful band that have been called to their reward. Be it resolved:

First, that we, the members of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Biltmore Methodist church, bow in humble submission to him who doeth all things well.

Second, that in her death the Missionary Society has lost one of the truest and most faithful members, and the family a true wife and devoted mother.

Third, that we extend to the husband and son, also the devoted father and sisters, our deepest heartfelt sympathy, sincerely praying that they may prepare to meet their loved one in the bright beyond.

Fourth, that a copy of these resolutions be sent the bereaved family and the Christian Advocate for publication.

Mrs. J. W. Campbell,
Mrs. J. H. Rae,
Mrs. Arthur Watton,
Committee.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

In the providence of God, the Alumnae Association of the Greensboro College for Women is called upon to mourn the loss of one of its most devoted friends and faithful representatives of its Board of Trustees in the death of Mr. J. A. Long.

From the date of the re-organization of this institution, when friends were needed, and in trying days after the disastrous fire, he stood as a mighty tower of strength, and by wise counsel and sage advice guided the affairs of our beloved institution through this trying period of its history, and as chairman of the Board of Trustees, he has ever shown an abiding interest in all its affairs, seldom missing a meeting even when pressed by the arduous duties of large private affairs and important public trusts. It is but fitting that our association express its deep sorrow and great bereavement over the loss so sorely felt in the taking away of our esteemed and devoted friend.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that this Association enter upon its minutes this testimonial of its appreciation of Mr. Long; that a copy of the same be forwarded to the family of the deceased, and that a copy be furnished to the North Carolina and Raleigh Christian Advocates, with a request that same be published in their next issue.

Mrs. C. H. Ireland,
Mrs. J. H. White,
Mrs. W. R. Odell,

REV. WILLIAM OSCAR DAVIS

Rev. William Oscar Davis, a supernumerary member of the Western North Carolina Conference, died very suddenly in Kinston, N. C., on Friday, May 21, 1915.

Brother Davis was born in Randolph county in 1867 and was the son of Alston G. and Lucy Ellen Davis. In early life he professed faith in Christ and joined the Methodist Protestant Church.

We have no date as to when he was licensed to preach, but it was prior to 1895, for that year found him in the pastorate, and serving the Whitakers circuit, in the Methodist Protestant Church. In 1896-97 he served Plymouth and Edenton, in the same church. In 1898-99 he did not take regular work. In 1900-01 he served the Albemarle circuit, in Washington county. This was his last charge in the M. P. Church. In the fall of 1902 he joined the M. E. Church, South, and was assigned to Kitty Hawk circuit, where he remained two years, doing good work.

In 1905 he was on the Mattamuskeet circuit, in Hyde county. In 1906-07 he was on the Spring Hope circuit, and served LaGrange circuit in 1908.

At the close of his pastorate on the LaGrange circuit he transferred to the Western North Carolina Conference, serving the following charges: Carraway Memorial, 1909, and a part of 1910, being removed to Salisbury to finish an unexpired term at Chestnut Hill church.

In 1911 he served the Taylorsville circuit, and in 1912-13 Sylva, in Jackson county, and at the close of 1913 he was given a nominal appointment at his own request. Burdened with a large family, and the failing health of his rendered this advisable, as he thought. At the last session of his Conference he was transferred to the North Carolina Conference, but as he did not see his way clear to make a change, Bishop Waterhouse thought it better to transfer him back to the Western North Carolina Conference, leaving him without an appointment.

Brother Davis was a good preacher, forceful and thoughtful in his presentation of the word. He was above the average in pulpit ability.

He was not satisfied out of the regular work, and talked the matter over with his wife the day before his death, and they both agreed that he ought to take up the regular work at the next Conference, and he was looking forward to this when death came so unexpectedly.

During the past year I saw him frequently in my visits to Kinston where he was living, and I always found him cheerful and sweet spirited, ready to preach whenever he was needed, or to do any work that the church had for him.

He was an industrious man, working hard at his trade to support his wife and children, and was doing well when the war commenced and business became paralized.

To the bereaved mother, with her fatherless children, our hearts go out in tender sympathy. May the God of all comfort be with them in these dark hours, and may they meet husband and father "In the sweet bye and bye." J. E. Underwood.

Children's Home

FIFTH SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

A friend for Catawba S. S., $5.00; Rev. J. H. Robertson, Newton, for South Fork Ct., 60c; H. W. Gibson, Garden City, for Carson Chapel S. S., $2.00; total, $7.60.

AMOUNT RECEIVED ON GENERAL AND SPECIAL SUPPORT AND TEN PER CENT ASSESSMENT

Mrs. Myrtle R. Wooten, Winston-Salem, $5.00; Rev. T. S. Coble, Laurel Hill Ch., Lenoir Ct., $1.00; A. H. Masters, Treas., Centenary Ch., Greensboro, $50.00; Rev. W. S. Cherry Moravian Falls, Beulah Ch., $2.00; a friend, Winston-Salem, $1.00; a friend, High Point, $5.00; Rev. W. T. Albright, Rocky Ridge Ch., Concord Ct., $10.00; C. M. Edwards, High Point, $15.00; Rev. John H. Green, Ingalls, Pine Grove Ch., $6.50; Rev. J. H. Robertson, Newton, South Fork Ct., $8.00; a friend, Greensboro, $1.00 (acknowledgement accidentally delayed); L. H. Phillips, Newton, Newton Ch., $15.00; Rev. Olin P. Ader, Waynesville Ch., $9.50; total, $128.90.

MISSIONARY NOTES FROM FIELD SECRETARY

Lenoir Ct., Thos. S. Coble, P. C.—Littlejohns, $46.90 on assessments. Gamewell, $32.50 on assessments. Pleasant Grove, $30.00 on assessments. Littlejohns and Gamewell each has a new modern church.

Lenoir Station, Z. E. Barnhardt, P. C.— $35.00 Conference Mission Special. This church is nobly standing by its missionary, Brother Anderson, of Korea.

South Lenoir, R. F. Wellons, P. C.—Whitnel, $60.00 on assessments. S. Lenoir, $88.00 on assessments.

North Lenoir Ct., J. C. Keever, P. C.—Mt. Hermon, $40.00 assessments in full. Harpers Chapel, $21.75 on assessments. There is much territory around Lenoir which our church needs to occupy so soon as a man and the means can be had.

Granite Falls-Hudson, W. V. Honeycutt, P. C.—$75.00 Conference Mission Special. Brother Honeycutt has his collections well in hand.

Maiden Ct., J. A. Peeler, P. C.—Maiden, $128.00 on assessments. Pisgah, $35.26 on assessments.

AT PILOT MOUNTAIN

By this caption I do not mean the literal mountain with its towering pinnacle piercing the clouds and stretching high up into the heavens, and which has been standing in solemn silence through all the centuries as the lone pilot or sentinel at his post. I mean the town, Pilot Mountain, in Surry County, on the Southern, formerly known as the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railway, between Greensboro and Mt. Airy. Although the mountain is close by in full view, and may be seen from all sides for twenty-five or more miles away.

Stopping off here I spent the afternoon, the night and the next morning, in company with Bros. Sprinkle, the presiding elder, and Doggett, the pastor, in attending the services of revival meetings in progress here, conducted by the presiding elder, who was doing the preaching, and mingling with the people, meeting acquaintances and friends of former years, and doing good service for the Advocate.

In Pilot Mountain I saw much that I did not expect to see. During the thirty odd intervening years since I

FRECKLES

Don't Hide Them With a Veil; Remov
Them With The Othine Prescription

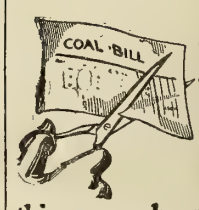
This prescription for the removal freckles was written by a promin physician and is usually so successfu removing freckles and giving a cl beautiful complexion that it is sold druggists under guarantee to refund money if it fails.

Don't hide your freckles under a v get an ounce of othine and remove th Even the first few applications sh show a wonderful improvement, s of the lighter freckles vanishing entir

Be sure to ask the druggist for double strength othine; it is this th sold on the money-back guarantee.



BLUE RIDGE INN
Mount Airy, N. C. W. M. Jordan, P
Mount Airy's Leading Hotel
Rates $2.00 and $2.50—All meals 50 cents—El Lights, Steam Heat, Electric Bell System, Hot and Baths—American plan—A clean up-to-date home fo tourist or traveling man, in a beautiful mountain



Cut Dow
Your Co
Bill

this season by placing your or now for Clinchfield Dome Coal. Burns steadily with inte heat like a hickory back-log stead of wasting your money long flame up the chimney in dense smoke and troubleso soot. By far the most econom and satisfactory fuel for open gr stoves and residence furnaces of all ty Averages over 14,000 heat units to pound and costs no more than the that burns like paper.

Leading railway systems, big co mills and factories use Clinchfield bec it delivers more heat for less mo Follow their lead. Write for literat freight rate and low summer price cars of from 35 to 50 tons each direct the mines.

Clinchfield Fuel C
Desk 12 Spartanburg, S. C.
"THE COAL OF HIGH HEAT VALUE



Standard
Memorial
Windows
Made in High Poi
Beautiful in design strong in constructio Largest and oldest gla plant in the South. Capa ity for any and all orde and prompt delivery. Sat faction guaranteed. Ref ences—any of our o customers or any bank banker in High Point. Write for catalog.
Standard Mirror Co.
High Point, N. C.

DAISY FLY KILLER placed anywh attracts and all flies. Neat, ornamental, co lent, cheap. La season. Ma metal, can't tipp over; will not s injure any th Guaranteed effe Sold by dealer 6 sent by expres paid for $1.

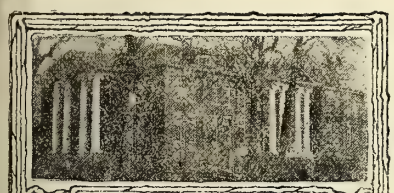


HAROLD SOMERS, 160 DeKalb Ave., Brooklyn,

The North Carolina
COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND MECHANIC ARTS

Young men seeking to equip themselves for practical life in Agriculture and all its allied branches; in Civil, Electrical and Mechanical Engineering; in Chemistry and in Agricultural Teaching will find excellent provision for their chosen careers at the State's Industrial College. This College fits men for life. Faculty for the coming year of 65 men; 767 students; 25 buildings. Admirably equipped laboratories in each department. County examinations at each county-seat on July 8th.

For catalogue, write
E. B. OWEN, Registrar,
West Raleigh, N. C.



OAK RIDGE INSTITUTE

OAK RIDGE, N. C.
J. ALLEN HOLT, Pres.
T. E. WHITAKER, Sec.-Treas.

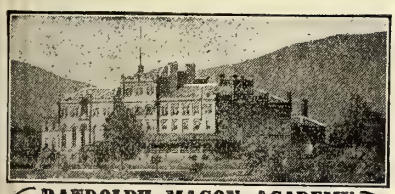
For 63 years a leader in youths' education. Preparation that opens the way to bigger accomplishments, in College, Business and Life.

350 acres in campus, athletic grounds, orchards, and farm. Six modern school buildings. Steam heat and showers. Library. Active, well equipped Literary Societies. Healthful, accessible location, near Greensboro. More than 1000 feet above sea level. Sane moral influences and associates.

Courses thoroughly covering Literature and Science, Business, Teaching, Music, Athletics. Strong teachers, who know boys; discipline and government which appeals to their pride and manliness.

Cost Reasonable. Session opens September 7th, 1915.

Write early for illustrated catalogue.
Address
Oak Ridge Institute
Oak Ridge, N. C.



RANDOLPH-MACON ACADEMY
For Boys Bedford City, Va.
Offers prompt and thorough preparation for college, scientific school or business life. The liberal endowment of the Randolph-Macon System, of which this school is a branch, permits of unusually low terms. $255 covers all charges for the school year. No extras. Randolph-Macon boys succeed—465 graduates of this school have received full college degrees or entered professions in the past 18 years. For catalogue and further information, address
E. SUMTER SMITH, Principal

ROANOKE COLLEGE
SALEM, VA.
Location Situated in the famous Roanoke Valley, unsurpassed for healthful climate and grandeur of surrounding mountain scenery.
Rank A Standard American College for men—its A. B. degree accepted by best American universities.
Courses Courses for degrees arranged in groups, preparing for life and looking to the various professions.
Facilities A strong faculty of twenty; library of 24,000 volumes; working laboratories; 8 buildings, including new dormitory system of 5 sections, 250 ft. in length, and handsome new gymnasium
Roanoke is devoted to Christian education for the service of church and state.
Sixty-third session begins Sept. 15. For free catalogue and illustrated circular address J. A. MOREHEAD, Pres.

CATAWBA COLLEGE, Newton, N. C.
An Ideal Christian College for boys and girls. Healthful location, Excellent Equipment, Strong Faculty, Good Courses—Classical, Scientific, Music, Art and Expression. Expenses Moderate. Next term opens September 7, 1915. For Catalogue write to
Rev. J. D. Andrews, A. B., Pres.,
Newton, N. C.

left this up-country and now, much development and progress have been made. The population has at least quadrupled. The roads have been wonderfully improved. Cement sidewalks stretch far along the length and width of the town. It has become no small center for the sale and shipment of leaf tobacco. Three large warehouses appear to have been doing a good business for years past, and while there was a bank failure in the town several years ago, two new ones appear to be doing well now. Besides many handsome residences and business buildings occupy their respective places and seem to be prospering, although you hear some talk of "quiet, very quiet business and hard times," all of which is charged to the war.

I enjoyed my short stay in that old, new town very much, especially the meetings on the street corner and in the church. Brother Sprinkle was doing some very plain, practical good preaching and the attendance was increasing in number, attentiveness and seriousness. The night service which I attended was indeed a revival already begun, and if you do not later get a good report from there I will be disappointed. Only four denominations are represented there by churches—the Methodist, the Missionary and Primitive Baptist, and the Friends, or Quakers. The Missionary Baptists are perhaps in the ascendency in point of numbers, but the Methodists are equal, if they do not lead in all other respects.

Th Advocate is very well represented in the town. By the help of Bro. Doggett I did some efficient work for it by completely righting up the list and adding a few new ones. Leaving on the Saturday morning train, I soon reached the "Granite City of the Mountains," from which I write, and you may expect to hear from me touching it for your next issue.

Mt. Airy, N. C. James Willson.

ITINERARY OF REV. R. L. DAVIS

Rev. R. L. Davis, Superintendent of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League, who attended the National Anti-Saloon League Convention at Atlantic City, July 6th-9th, will speak on national constitutional prohibition as follows.

Friday night, July 30th, Mocksville.
Sunday, August 1st, Hendersonville
Monday night, Aug. 2, Lake Toxaway
Tuesday night, August 3, Brevard.
Wed. night, August 4th, Tryon.
Thursday night, August 5, Saluda.
Friday night, August 6, Candler.
Sunday, August 8, Waynesville.
Monday night, August 9, Murphy.
Tuesday night, August 10, Andrews.
Wed. night, August 11, Bryson City.
Thursday night, August 12, Clyde.
Friday night, August 13, Canton.
Sunday, August 15th, Marion.

Take your life day by day and hour by hour. Do not look too far ahead. If you are suffering, you have only to suffer that day. If you have an anxiety, God undertakes to see you through it, but only day by day. One of the great secrets of happy, calm, and strong life is to pray day by day, and trust day by day.—Selected.

"They are the long stretches that weary us. To every man and woman who lives, the hours come when it seems, even though we are glad to ro our best, that we can not carry for a whole lifetime the burdens and the duties laid upon us. Well, we do not have to. Sleep comes in between, and the family intercourse and the greetings of friends, and at the mose it is only 'day by day.' Too often we try to live three days at a time, and therein is where we make our mistake. We seek to carry yesterday, and tomorrow and today, too."—Selected.

"WHERE ARE THE DEAD?" by Rev. Len G. Broughton, D. D. Agents wanted. Outfit sent on receipt of 20 cts. Best Terms, Credit given; Express paid. Complete book 427 pages post-paid to any one on receipt of price $1.50. Endorsed by Ministers of all denominations. **R. L. PHILLIPS PUBLISHING COMPANY, Atlanta, Ga., Department 3.**

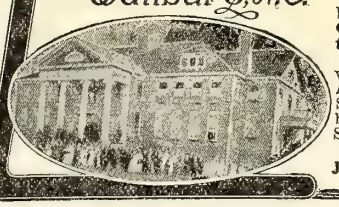
Williams Private Sanatorium FOR DRUGS and WHISKEY
TERMS: Drugs $125 Flat. Whiskey $100 Flat. Women patients pay a small sum extra for nurse. B. B. WILLIAMS, M. D., Greensboro, N. C. Reference, Amr. Exchange Nat'l Bank, Greensboro, N. C.

1898 THE TRINITY PARK SCHOOL 1915
Located on the campus of Trinity College. Faculty of well trained men of successful experience as teachers. Special individual attention given by masters to students. For health location unexcelled. Well equipped study hall under a master. Excellent buildings and beautiful grounds. Every effort exerted to make the school an ideal home for boys. Expenses reasonable. For catalogue address
W. W. PEELE, Headmaster, Durham, N. C.

Asbury College
CO-EDUCATIONAL WILMORE, KY.
Located in the famous "Blue Grass" Region, near the Kentucky River, just three miles from the site of old Bethel Academy, one of the oldest Methodist institutions in America.
Asbury College, named in honor of Bishop Asbury, founder of Bethel Academy, emphasizes the doctrines taught by Asbury and the early Methodists.
Standard course of study based on Major system; four year Academy course; Theology, Music, Expression, Art and Commercial courses given.
Rates Reasonable. Write For Particulars.
HENRY C. MORRISON, D. D., - - - President.

MEDICAL COLLEGE OF VIRGINIA
1838 1915
MEDICAL COLLEGE OF VIRGINIA
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF MEDICINE
(Consolidated)
DENTISTRY---MEDICINE---PHARMACY
STUART McGUIRE, M. D., Pres.
New college building, completely equipped and modern laboratories. Extensive Dispensary service. Hospital facilities furnish 400 clinical beds; individual instruction; experienced Faculty; practical curriculum. 78th session opens Sept. 21, 1915. For catalogue or information address
J. R. McCAULEY, Secretary,
1140 E. Clay Street - - - - - - Richmond, Va.

LIBERTY-PIEDMONT INSTITUTE
Wallburg, N.C.



Endorsed by the leading educators. Affords boys and girls an unusually broad preparation for College and University under ideal home conditions and constructive Christian influences.
Primary, intermediate and high school courses, with many courses not found in the public school. ***Music, Expression and Business Training.*** Small classes; strong teaching force. Modern buildings. Ideal country location near Winston-Salem. Fall term opens August 31.
For Catalogue Address
JOHN MERITT CHEEK, B. A., Principal, Wallburg, N. C.

DAVIDSON COLLEGE
A First Rank College For Men
Davidson, N. C.
Established in 1837. Highly advanced in work and equipment. Places profound emphasis on thorough scholarship, clean manhood and Christian character. Offers young men unusual opportunity for educational development.
$650,000 resources. 13 modern buildings. Library of 24,586 volumes. Five laboratories. Infirmary. Commodious dormitories. Ideally located for health, social life and freedom from undesirable influences.
High standard courses leading to degrees of B. A., B. S. and M. A. Instructors of character and learning. Physical training part of course, prescribed to rectify individual faults. Attendance over 300. 14 States represented. 1915 Session opens Sept. 2nd. For Catalogue, address
The Registrar, Davidson College, Davidson, N. C.

PEACE INSTITUTE FOR YOUNG WOMEN
AN ideal Christian Home School. Preparatory and Collegiate courses. Art, Expression, Physical Culture, Pedagogy, Domestic Science, Business, etc. Conservatory of Music. High standard maintained by large staff of experienced, college trained instructors. Takes only 100 boarders and teaches the individual. Unsurpassed health record. Brick buildings. Steam heat. Electric lights. Excellent table. Good Gymnasium. Park-like campus. Concerts, lectures, tennis, basketball. Write for our catalog before selecting the college for your daughter.
GEORGE J. RAMSEY, M. A., LL. D., President. Raleigh, N. C.

NORMAL AND COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE
FOR YOUNG WOMEN — Asheville, N.C.
Offers a four years teachers' course and four year Collegiate Course at minimum rates. Splendid advantages in music. Practical training in sewing, cooking and household management. In "The Land of the Sky." Beautiful surroundings, magnificent equipment, perfect health conditions. 16 expert teachers. Board and tuition, per year, $100. Next session opens, Sept. 15th, 1915. For Catalogue, address **EDWARD P. CHILDS, Pres., Asheville, N. C.**

A THOUSAND GOOD REASONS MIGHT BE GIVEN FOR SENDING YOUR DAUGHTER TO

DAVENPORT COLLEGE

FOR YOUNG WOMEN

LENOIR, N. C.

A Few Such As The Following Will Suffice

¶ *The College is in the finest climate in the world, and is surrounded by the most beautiful and varied scenery in the state.*

¶ *It has an unparalleled health record, having never had a death within its walls.*

¶ *It has new and modern equipment, and in its plant it provides for the student an ideal college home.*

¶ *For more than half a century Davenport has lived and labored for the uplift of the womanhood of our state, and it still affords soundness of culture and safety of oversight to those committed to its care.*

¶ *Its teachers are men and women of tested efficiency, and thorough instruction in all courses is their constant aim.*

¶ *Its departments of Music, Expression and Domestic Science are in the hands of artists of unsurpassed ability.*

¶ *Its influence is Christian and its product is character.*

¶ *The charges at Davenport are fifty per cent less than those of any other school of like grade.*

For reservation, catalogue or information, address

JAMES BRAXTON CRAVEN, President

Lenoir, N. C.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, July 29, 1915 | Number 30

Lenoir Rhyne College Library

How About It?

J. FREDERICK BISHOP

If you knew you were going to die tonight,
How would you spend today?
Would you endeavor some wrongs to right,
Or waste it in idle play?
Would you foolishly murmur, and fret, and frown?
Would you look on the world with lustful eye?
With a cap and bells would you play the clown?
Would you eat and drink till the end drew nigh?
Would you hoard your wealth like a miser, cold?
Would you lie and cheat, in your greed for gain?
Would you sell your soul for a piece of gold?
Would you scorn the poor in their want and pain?
Would you slander some brother, whose upright life
Had won him a place in the halls of fame?
Would you gossip and tattle and stir up strife?
Would you filch from your neighbor his honest name?
Would you gamble and brawl, and curse and fight—
[Consider, and earnestly] pray;
If you knew you were going to die tonight,
How would you spend today?.—*Northwestern Christian Advocate*

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

ON THE WING

Editorial Letter

Two District Conferences coming on the same date kept the so-called connectional men moving at a lively gait last week. Fortunately, the weather man gave us some cool breezes in the latter half of the week, and this, together with the magnificent fields of corn and cotton greeting the eye on every hand, made travel a delight. In many years we have not seen such a prospect for an abundant harvest of all field crops. Surely the Lord is getting America ready to feed the nations which are sure to be starving ere long if this cruel war continues.

The Salisbury District Conference

convened at Kannapolis on Wednesday morning, July 21, at 10 o'clock. Bishop Kilgo, who had been engaged to preside, had not arrived, and Rev. Dr. W. R. Ware, the presiding elder, took the chair and proceeded to organize the Conference. The roll call revealed a large attendance in the first session, and before the day ended, I think there was reported the fullest attendance I have seen in any district thus far.

Rev. W. T. Albright, the former secretary, called the roll and on motion was elected to serve again as secretary.

The train being late, Bishop Kilgo did not arrive in time for the preaching service at 11 o'clock. This, of course, occasioned some disappointment, but the sermon preached by Rev. C. M. Pickens, so impressed the large congregation that the disappointment was largely forgotten. We do not often hear a stronger or more appropriate sermon.

The Bishop arrived in time for the afternoon session and took the chair. Of course, it goes without saying that the Bishop kept things awake and alive by his ready repartee and wise comment on the various topics coming up from time to time.

A departure from the usual order was suggested by Dr. Ware in the organization and a committee was appointed to hear the reports of local preachers and report as to passage of character and renewal of license. This new order of proceedure was authorized by our last General Conference. Having to leave before the close of the Conference I do not know whether the new method proved more satisfactory or not.

It is evident to those who attend many district conferences that we need some more thorough and yet sympathetic manner of dealing with the matter of local preachers. We need local preachers; but we should have a more efficient type, and those that we have should be kept busy. They need the sympathetic help of the pastor in making a program of service, and they should be sure to make a report of their work to the District Conference.

The visitors present on the first day were, Revs. J. W. Jones, L. T. Mann, W. A. Newell and H. M. Blair, representing various interests of the Conference; Dr. F. N. Parker, representing Trinity College, and Dr. J. S. Hunter. representing the Publishing House in Richmond. These brethren were all patiently heard during the afternoon and left for Polkton on the evening train. As to full particulars of the Conference, I have to refer the reader to the report of the Secretary, printed elsewhere.

Dr. Ware is serving his third year on the district and the work is in good condition. In many respects the Salisbury district makes the very best showing.

Rev. P. W. Tucker, pastor of our church at Kannapolis, and host of the Conference, is serving his second year and his people love him for his faithful service. He has one of the largest congregations in the district and one of the largest Sunday schools in the Conference. The congregation has just recently completed one of the best churches in the Conference.

Spending the night in Charlotte, I took an early train for Polkton on Thursday morning in time for breakfast. The

Charlotte District Conference

had convened at 9 o'clock on Wednesday, and was well under way with the minute business. Dr. J. C. Rowe, the presiding elder, was very courteous to the visiting brethren and all had ample opportunity to represent the work committed to them. The attendance was large, and all the exercises were interesting. The discussions were all helpful and the preaching unusually strong. I mention specially here the very profound effect produced by the sermon of Rev. Dr. F. N. Parker, delivered at the morning hour Thursday. In fact, I might say that the interest of all our District Conferences has been greatly heightened by the preaching of Dr. Parker.

Rev. W. F. Sandford was the secretary and I must depend upon him to give our readers the account of the Conference as I had to leave Thursday night.

Dr. Rowe is serving his first year in this term on the Charlotte District. The people all know and love him, he having served as presiding elder on the district before, also one or two terms as pastor within the district.

Rev. W. B. Davis is pastor at Polkton. When asked how the people like Brother Davis one of his laymen said, "We have a jewel." However, they do not want other people to come there on the hunt of jewels for awhile.

I am indebted to Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Smith for a hospitality of the sort that makes me want to go again.

It is more and more apparent that we must learn how to put the work of our District Conferences into two days. Our people will not stay longer. H. M. B.

CHILDREN'S HOME SUPPORT FUND

There are now 135 children in our Home at Winston-Salem. This is a large family. Let those among our readers who support families, providing food, clothing and all things necessary for comfort, think of the strain to which they are sometimes subjected. Then let them think of the strain and anxiety which must be upon a man having a family of 135 on his hands. No wonder Rev. Mr. Walker, Superintendent of the Barium Springs Orphanage, now prostrate with typhoid fever, in his delirium talks incessantly of how the children are to be taken care of—talks of how he is to make ends meet.

We have it, not by grape vine telegraph, but on reliable authority, that the support fund receipts at our Home at Winston-Salem are wholly inadequate to meet the requirements at this season. Superintendent Thompson is a man of quiet demeanor, and would dislike very much to ding dong the public about the needs of the Home; but it will not do to allow things to drag along in this way or our Superintendent may have deliriums without typhoid. It is enough to unnerve the strongest man to have such an army of helpless, dependent ones—so many hungry little mouths to feed, knowing that there is neither oil in the cruse nor meal in the barrel. And we cannot expect a miracle to solve the problem while there are so many thousand prosperous men and women having plenty and to spare who should come to the rescue.

We suspect that one cause of the trouble is the failure of our pastors to stir up the pure minds of our people by way of remembrance. In some places the bread and clothing of these children is held fast in a budget system that promises little or nothing before the last of the year. Where such is the case the pastor may feel timid about exhorting, because his own support is involved; but we urge that every pastor lay aside such false modesty and urge his people to come to the rescue now and see to it that these 135 children in our Home do not suffer, and that our Superintendent is relieved of needless anxiety. Our people are amply able to take good care of their pastors at home a of these children in our Children's Home.

The Advocate will be read by several th sand good and loyal Methodists this week, a we urge each one to act promptly and see t this situation is relieved at once.

SOME DISTRICT CONFERENCE NOTE

—The people of the Morganton District very fond of Rev. J. E. Gay, who is now closi up four years of faithful and successful se ice among them. The district is a heavy o but Brother Gay has been continuously on job.

—The Morganton District heads the list the number of young men licensed to prea Six fine looking and promising young m were licensed and there are others on the wa ing list.

—The Charlotte District has demonstrat this year that all the preachers do not co from the mountain section. There were fo young men licensed to preach at the recent C ference at Polkton.

—Rev. F. N. Parker, D. D., has done so unusually effective preaching at our Distr Conferences. He is sound to the core on great doctrinal themes and his preaching w undoubtedly do great good. It is with de regret that we give him up and we can o be reconciled by the thought that such a m is needed in the department to which he goes our University. There is plenty of Bishop t ber in him, but we have no doubt he can r der a greater service to the church in the partment of Systematic Theology at Emo than he could anywhere else.

—Bishop Kilgo delighted the Salisbury D trict Conference at Kannapolis. He seemed good shape for work and, as usual, had repar for every occasion. He is now settled down his new residence at Charlotte.

—There has been a good spiritual atmosph in all our District Conferences. This was p ticularly marked in the Greensboro District. Weaver, the presiding elder, is exerting a g cious influence throughout the district.

—The people of the Charlotte District delig to tell of the great pulpit service given th by Dr. J. C. Rowe. He is at home in all pa of the district and the people hear him glad

—Rev. W. B. Davis, pastor of the Polkton cuit, has a strong hold upon his people. Thou serving his first year, he knows his people, a is going to do a great work if he remains w them. A new church is greatly needed at Po ton and we sincerely hope Brother Davis m be able to induce them to rise up and build.

—Rev. P. W. Tucker has a great field at K napolis and he has a strong hold upon the uation. He preaches to a church packed w hearers, and has one of the largest Sun schools in the Conference. It is a great portunity and the responsibility is likewise mendous.

At Lake Geneva, Wis., on July 3, the cor stone of the Hamill Memorial Library was l Mrs. Hamill took part in the exercises, many friends of Dr. Hamill were present pay tribute to our departed brother, who known and loved not only throughout So ern Methodism, but throughout the Sun school world. A news report says in part this interesting event: "The corner stone ing took place Saturday afternoon under direction of W. C. Pearce, Associate Gen Secretary of the International Sunday Sc Association and Dean of the Training Schoo Conference Point. Thirty State Secreta and about two hundred Sunday school l ers were present. Prof. F. S. Goodrich, Albion College, Michigan, spoke on Dr. H ill's career. 'Dr. Hamill,' he said, 'organ the first Sunday school teacher-training partment in the world. He was in the Con erate army and was an orderly sergeant u Gen. Robert E. Lee when Lee surrendere Appomattox. In 1913 he was made chap in chief of the Confederate Veterans. he regarded as the highest honor he ever ceived until his election of last year to the p idency of the International Sunday School sociation."

NOTE AND COMMENT

Honorable William G. McAdoo, Secretary of the Treasury, and perhaps the strongest constructive thinker in President Wilson's cabinet, will visit North Carolina on August 4th, to deliver an address in furtherance of the work so auspiciously begun by the Pan-American Financial Conference at Washington on May 24th. The address will be delivered at the State Normal and Industrial College. A dinner will also be given by the Normal College and the Greensboro Chamber of Commerce. Over 1,500 of North Carolina's leading citizens have been invited with the hope that the occasion will have a far-reaching effect in the future development of this state as well as in the part this commonwealth is to play in developing trade between the United States and the great and growing countries of South America.

Local press correspondents in calling attention to the address of Secretary McAdoo quote the opening sentence of this great American's speech before the financial conference in Washington some weeks ago where were assembled representatives from all the countries of the Western Hemisphere:

"We meet for the purpose of considering how and in what manner the great republics of the Western Hemisphere, representing as they do common ideals of liberty, justice, and self-government, and dedicated as they are to the highest and best interests of humanity, may, through common action and interest not only conserve their material welfare, but become a more homogeneous and powerful moral force for the preservation of peace and the good of humanity."

* * * *

The Most Powerful Lesson to be drawn from the capsizing of the steamship Eastland in the Chicago River with its attendant loss of one or two thousand lives is our national lack of efficiency. Some writer remarks that this "greatest marine tragedy was the strangest and most sudden." We differ. Man has lived something like thousands of years and by this time seems not to have learned the law of gravitation. Nature's laws ignored mean injury, oftimes death. Crowds always know less than the individual, but the poor, ignorant fellow with tobacco juice running down the corners of his mouth is as great a sinner and as great a criminal when his ignorance allows the germ of typhoid to carry away his family as is the steamship company when, through its inefficiency it allows hundreds of lives to be lost. We hope the time will some day arrive when men will be punished, perhaps imprisoned, for permitting what we nowadays call "accidents" to happen. There are really no accidents in the world. They are simply the effect of nature's laws immediately following a great display of human ignorance. Some fool throws the lighted stump of a cigarette on the floor and a block of buildings worth thousands and thousands of dollars goes up in smoke. "What an accident!" we exclaim. Some ignorant citizen collects enough bad habits to weaken his health and give him a pitiful look, and then his friends remark, "Poor John; it is such a pity!" God never has nor never will stop the operation of his great laws because poor John chooses ignorance rather than wisdom. In our Sunday school lessons lately we have had out attention directed to the wisest man who ever lived, and yet we continue to drink dope, yellow our skin with nicotine, loaf, blacken our neighbor's character behind his back, and criminally crowd into our lives more bad habits than a life can hold. Then the whole business, just as did the steamship Eastland, capsizes, and everything is lost. It is then we throw up our hands and exclaim: "Oh, what an accident!"

Poor, ignorant man! When will he ever become possessed of sufficient will-power to live the beautiful life of Jesus!

* * * *

A Certain Baraca Teacher not long since called attention to a very interesting study of words. He was speaking incidentally upon the war and remarked that the hesitancy shown by Roumania and Bulgaria in entering the present war was calculated to cause some one to ask who put the "balk" in the Balkins. And while those who are pro-English may delight in wondering by what means came the "dern" in Dernburg, so those who support Germany may ask if the "rush" in Russia might be indicative of getting away from danger. "Of course," remarked the teacher, "we all know that the word Turkey always has stood for a national thanksgiving offering." Reference was also made to the "It" in Italy as perhaps an intimation of the neutral, or double-dealing, policy of a nation which repudiated its treaty—a nation to be respected about as much as the man who is called an "it" by his acquaintances.

"Then, there is the 'will' in Wilson," added the teacher. "That 'will' stands for something. It stands for the power to think and do what is right regardless of what the world might think. How many of us this morning have that will power? Too many men wear other people's opinions, and there are many men's opinions which if you wish to know you need not ask them—simply find out for whom they work."

* * * *

Rev. Charles F. Aked, former pastor of the Fifth Avenue Baptist church, New York, and the Rev. Walter Rauschenbush, professor of church history at the Rochester Theological Seminary, have issued a joint statement in which they call for an embargo on war supplies on the ground of humanity and actual neutrality. The statement bears the title "Private Profit and a Nation's Honor—A Protest and a Plea." Dr. Aked is a born Englishman and is one of the most noted divines living. Part of the statement follows:

"Our trade in arms is bad because it is inhuman. It is also bad because it is so plainly and tremendously one-sided that our whole neutrality is tilted to a dangerous angle and needs the prop of labored arguments. However our theories may run, the fact is that we are today a part of the economic and military system of Great Britain and her allies."

Then citing that if conditions were reversed, if Germany had the power to buy arms and England were living on potato bread, the statement asks, "How long would our present logic seem convincing? Is a neutrality which does not bear reversal good enough to satisfy our sense of equity and national honor?

"We can not afford to cry out against war to get rich on war. America can not afford to garnish the outside of the cup with peace congresses while the inside of the cup is filled with the red wine of war profits."

* * * *

American Red Cross Doctors and nurses will be withdrawn October 1st from the European battlefields because of lack of funds to maintain them at their stations. The two units in Belgium, where it is said the greatest need exists, may be continued, but the other fourteen detachments will return to the United States. The Serbian sanitary commission and other work supported by special contribution will go as long as those contributions are available, but the general fund collected in the United States, amounting to $1,560,000, will be exhausted October 1st.

Following is a summary of services rendered belligerent countries: Austria: 11 shipments, value, $97,683; Belgium, 12 shipments, $96,-708; England, 13 shipments, value, $87,845; France, 24 shipments, value, $216,155; Germany, eight shipments, value, $182,795; Italy, two shipments, value, $14,451; Montenegro, three shipments, $15,526; Poland, one shipment, $7,200; Russia, nine shipments, $89,613; Serbia, eight shipments, $130,876; Turkey, two shipments, $12,536.

In the work of cleaning up Serbia the Red Cross has used 358,783 pounds of sulphur, 700,000 bichloride tablets, 7,000 gallons of kerosene oil, 6,000 pounds of formaldehyde, 12-200 dozens of cholera vaccine, whitewash-wash brushes, 700 bath tubs, 50 step ladders, and 12 automobile trucks.

President Wilson's Latest Note to Germany has been received by the Teuton press most unfavorably. The Vossische Zeitung in a lengthy editorial, says: "The refusal to accept Germany's practical proposal to protect American passengers shows an absolute lack of readiness to understand the German standpoint. The principle that belligerent states must protect neutrals is untenable if applied in the fullest sense, as it would mean abdictation to neutral states. It is true that belligerents must respect neutral rights, but only provided neutrals do everything to prevent their citizens getting into situations where protection is impossible.

"Victory over the enemy is the supreme law for every belligerent. Those who render more difficult this task than does international law, support the enemy. War on land has shown that restrictions are necessary. A person who remains in a beleagured fortress, or walks into a gunfire zone, risks his life without the right of protection from his home government. The same is also true of naval warfare."

The Tages Zeitung says: "Neutrals have rights, but so also has a great nation fighting for its life. Though maintaining a submarine warfare, Germany is always willing to respect the justifiable wish of Americans, but not at any price."

* * * *

And So It Comes to Pass, remarks a North Carolina editor, that the war is saving the whiskey trade. Alcohol is largely used in the manufacture of smokeless powder and the increased orders from the powder factories for this article have enabled the Distilleries Securities Company to resume the payment of dividends. "The last dividend this company had paid was in October, 1912, and it was but for one per cent. It has now accumulated a clear balance of $1,400,000, which is equal to about five per cent. on the stock. Besides it has been able to eliminate a floating debt of $12-000,000. Of course the war orders have not been responsible for all of this increased volume of business, but they have played a part, and just what part is indicated in the statement that the company's capacity is now fully taxed to meet orders, particularly for denatured alcohol. It is understood the management is about to close a contract involving 16,000,000 gallons of alcohol for two companies, which is probably only a part of the total volume to be contracted for. To meet the requirements of this contract, the plants at Pekin, Ill., and Terre Haute, Ind., both of which have been closed for the past fifteen years, will be re-opened and put into operation."

* * * *

Dr. T. F. Marr's Sermon last Sunday morning in Trinity church, Charlotte, was devoted to the Beatitudes. "These," he said, "are divided into three classes: (1) Those relating to the inner life toward God; (2) those relating to the outward manifestation of the life toward men; and (3) those which set forth what ye shall be. Those relating to the inner life embrace 'the poor in spirit,' 'they that mourn,' 'the pure in heart,' 'the hungry.' The first of these—'poor in spirit'—is a condition for all the rest. The original word for poor means utter destitution. Hence a consciousness of spiritual want whose supply can come only from God. It is the same spirit which is required when we are told we must become as little children. Temporal poverty does not constitute this state. An infallible sign that a man has not this poverty of spirit is the fact that he is so ready to attach blame to others rather than to himself. When this sense of spiritual poverty takes hold of a man he soon begins to mourn for his own and the sins of others. His desires are then all after righteousness, or purity of heart, and the life is made right toward God. The relation to men is also adjusted, and he becomes meek, merciful, and a peace-maker."

—Rev. S. H. Hilliard was a visitor in High Point, where he formerly resided, last week. Brother Hilliard is now residing at his country home near Asheville.

CONTRIBUTIONS

OVER THE SEAS TO EGYPT

J. M. Rowland

Great was that journey down to Egypt. Wonderful seas, historic shores, historic memories, balmy days, soft summer nights with liquid stars and low hung moon. These things will not be forgotten. Our path had passed ancient Troy and crossed the line of Paul's historic missionary journeys.

Sitting upon the deck, with the breeze blowing softly and the sun shining peacefully upon the far flung line of the sea, we read from Acts Paul's account of his experiences there in the years gone by. How different was his experience and ours! We were with friends. We had above us the flag of a great Christian country to protect us. We carried passports from our government guaranteeing us proper treatment among the people where we traveled. We had the fairest skies, gentlest breezes heaven ever dropped down on earth. But how storm-swept Paul's journey was! "And when neither sun nor stars shone for many days and no small tempest lay on us all hope that we should be saved was taken away." It is hard for us to realize what these strong words of the Apostle mean. But God had not lost sight of his child in the teeth of the storm for "There stood by me this night an angel of God whose I am and whom I serve, saying 'Fear not Paul. Thou must stand before Caesar and lo God hath granted thee all them that sail with thee,' wherefore, sirs, be of good cheer for I believe God that it shall be even as He hath said." Thank God for a faith like that! Thank God for such heavenly visitations in the time of life's worst storms. The 27th chapter of Acts gives a thrill at any time that cannot be surpassed by any literature of earth but reading it here gives feelings that are indescribable. Here was the very spot where the heroic Apostle to the Gentiles—weak, frail and half dead, with all the world against him as he was on his way to the court of a brutal Caesar on what he knew was a hopeless appeal, took charge of that boat and its crew in that awful storm and guided it safely ashore, while he made the darkened heavens shine with a faith not of land or sea. He was cast up upon yonder island at our boatside where he shook the viper in the fire and preached the power of Christ to save and deliver. Oh, to have Paul's faith so that in all the storms of life we can feel our Pilot at our side, and looking through the storm clouds behold the shore he is sure to land us on!

Near here we saw a strange phenomenon in the sea. We had been sailing through waters blue and beautiful when suddenly we came upon a well marked line stretching as far as eyes could see. Beyond this line the waters were bluest blue. The line clearly divided the two colors and there was no mingling of the waters. It was a formation something like the Gulf Stream but there was no sign of moving current.

We had a mingled, mixed, and motley company aboard our boat. There were Christian travelers, tourists and missionaries from England and America on their way to Egypt and Palestine. There were merchants from Athens, Smyrna and Constantinople going to Cairo and Alexandria on tours of trade. There were Egyptians going home from those cities from like missions. There was an Austrian count and countess, with attendants and a lazy, greasy bench legged pug dog—their only child. who had to be walked by the maid every day. There were Turkish officers and gentlemen, and a good sprinkling of Italians along with some coal black Sundanese and Kaifer negroes to add color to the parade. But the most numerous and most conspicuous part of the company was the steerage, full of Mohammedan pilgrims en route to holy cities. There were several hundreds of these of every age and kind. There were old men, white of beard and brow; old women, bent and wrinkled; strong men and women in their best days; lads and lasses, full of wonder; little ones and ones still smaller, crying, sleeping, crawling. These were packed on two decks like chickens in a coop, with hardly room to eat, sleep and go through their prayers. Such an array of rags, filth, colors and odors would be hard to find. They ate their stale, dirty bread, pumpkin seeds, dates and whatever they had in their dirty, ragged bags, and drank from their dirty water bottles they had along, while those who had nothing to eat did not seem to greatly mind it, perhaps being so accustomed to it. Some seemed so near starved and so lazy that they couldn't develop energy enough to get hungry. They didn't talk much. They ate, yawned, prayed, stared and slept. Many of them had been making hard sacrifices for a long time to get the means to take these pilgrimages. There was no denial too hard for such a trip. Now they were about to realize a life-long dream and visit their sacred shrines from whence they could go back to their fellows with the triumphant bands upon their caps and with the assurance that whatever came and whatever went, they were sure to reach Mohammed in heaven, because of where they had gone. One of the most interesting things in Eastern travel is these bands of pilgrims. We moved among them but were cautious on account of germs and fanaticism. No wonder the English government enforces examinations and quarantine regulations in these waters, and in spite of all, plague and other disease often break out. We narrowly missed quarantine twice on account of plague among the pilgrims.

One of the most interesting characters on this part of the journey was an Egyptian judge who had been over to Athens on a legal mission of some kind and was en route home to the land of Pharoah to assume his judicial duties. Not being able to exactly understand his name, we called him Judge Bathrobe, for the reason that he came to breakfast just as he got up, wearing a dirty night-shirt, with bare feet, his face unwashed and his hair uncombed. If it didn't suit his honor he didn't change his costume all day, and I remember it didn't suit him until he was ready to leave the boat. The judge was very friendly and tried hard to cultivate the friendship of the Americans. He was very talkative to the men and exceeding courteous to the ladies.

The fourth of July found us on this sea journey, so when the day was done and the stars came out in the soft blue sky, we took ourselves to the outer deck where we could have room to let off steam, and entered into a regular American patriotic celebration. It was indeed a striking ceremony, as far away from our native land, surrounded by staring auditors of many nations, afloat on the Mediterranean, we sang our native songs in our native tongue and paid tribute to our homeland so many miles away. I wondered what impression this service and our religious services made upon those children of the East. Doubtless it was all as strange and comical to them as some of their movements were to us. Anyway we seemed to hold the attention of the people. The Turks, the Jews, the Italians, the Greeks, the Egyptians, the Austrians, the Germans, the English, the Arabians and some others so hard to classify that they would best be put on the remnant counter, came near to look and listen. Even the tired, lazy pilgrims got a little life in them and took a little interest in what was going on. Some laughed, some talked about it in strange sounds, some turned away disgusted, but the most of them looked on silently, with wide eyes and open mouths.

One of our most ardent listeners was His Honor Judge Bathrobe. He seemed to fully catch the spirit of American independence. He clapped his hands in true American style and proposed something that looked and sounded like a toast to the Red, White and Blue, though he had no glass. Having the fires of his patriotism so well stirred he got a good supply of strong wine to help him celebrate, and long after we retired His Honor kept up the exercises by prancing up and down the deck in his night shirt, making the night alive with his patriotic speeches, or maybe they were speeches of anarchy, how could we tell? And like many an American judge, he misjudged the capacity of the court, over-charged the jury with a preponderance of evidence, and being unable to prove an alibi, his friends had to resort to habeas corpus proceedings to get him to bed at 4 a. m., July 5th. (If this is not legal language it gives the idea).

We touched the interesting city of Alexandria, named for Alexander the Great, sailed under the shadow of Pompey's pillar, and went ashore to take our first look at Egypt and supply ourselves with cork hats and thin clothes suited for the heat and the travels that lay ahead of us. We found this great city both ancient and modern. There is in its streets, shops and buildings much to speak of England—much of real elegance, and there is much, very much to speak of the East, the old East, and the dusty ancient days of Egypt.

We resumed our journey to Port Said at the mouth of the Suez Canal. This canal is under the control of the British government, which several years ago purchased a controlling interest from the Khedive of Egypt, the sum being twenty million dollars. It has revolutionized Eastern travel, opening a shorter way around the world and pouring in and out an immense amount of commerce. More than four thousand boats each year, carrying more than half a million souls and ten million tons of freight touch at this custom house, and for the privilege of this waterway pay a toll of twenty million dollars. So great is the traffic through this canal that often a boat is delayed two or three days in getting her clearance papers. This canal gives England a tremendous prestage in commerce and military power, and along with Girbaltar makes John Bull's power hard to shake on this part of this terrestrial ball.

Port Said is said to be one of the most wicked places on the earth, and from what we gathered it could, without a misfit, change its name to Port Perdition. We saw no place where the devil so boldly and persistantly flaunted himself before us at every turn. It was the Sabbath and of all the Sabbaths of my life it stands out as the most harrowing on account of the things that went on about us. And be it said to the shame of many Americans and English, they were the ring leaders in this vileness. It would be greatly to the credit of England to clean up Port Said. She owes it to herself as a Christian, self-respecting nation. She owes it to the heathen at her doors, being debauched, and whom she ought to uplift. She owes it to the stream of human souls passing through her port. If England can halt the encroach of hostile nations in these parts, can't she halt to some extent the encroach of Satan's dominions? And isn't the Old Mother Country learning that the best way to win in the war of men is first to win in the war of morals. If John Bull had conquored John Barleycorn and his cohorts he perhaps would have won the war already.

Among the army of venders that poured on our boat was a very intelligent Mohammedan who pressed us with his wares. We told him it was our Holy Day and on that day we neither bought nor sold. He at once, with evident respect, made ready to move on to other buyers saying as he did, that Friday was his Sabbath and that nothing could induce him to trade on that day. Whether he spoke the truth or no I do not know, but one thing was evident time and again, the Jews and the Mohammedans better regarded their sabbaths than did many Christians we chanced to meet.

One thing of special interest at Port Said was the Egyptians coaling the big ships. They carried the coal in little baskets on their heads and in a little while a crowd of them put six hundred tons on the ship. They moved like clock work, singing a droaning song, all their movements keeping time to the music, like our old cotton-field negroes used to do. What a difference in this method of coaling ships and our method here in Norfolk's port. The big crane picks up a car in a minute down here lifts it clear the track, dumps the load of fifty tons and puts the car back on the track with as much ease as you would put a shovel full of coal on the grate and put up the shovel. But one thing we learned over and over again was that human flesh is cheaper than machinery in the East.

After supper we had our Sabbath service in the dining room, and after committing ourselves to our Father's keeping, we feel asleep thinking of the sacred ground upon which our feet so soon should walk.

REVIVALS AND THE MOURNERS' BENCH

Rev. J. A. Bowles

Historians record that the early settlers of the United States and, in some states, the government established stones, easily detected, at the corner of each square mile. All land transactions, the surveys, the finding of lines, and the establishing of corners thereafter had, as their starting points, these corner stones. If buildings, fences, or anything happened to be placed out of range with these stones, legal action could be brought for the removal of such obstructions or trespassing, and a verdict was always granted the plaintiff.

Methodism has no corner on Bible truth. We lay claim to no such distinction. But as a church we have certain time-honored landmarks. They are peculiar to the people called Methodists because of the emphasis given them by the wise and holy founders of our church. Our sister denominations are at liberty to seek out and adopt whatever methods may seem good and wise to them; but as Methodists we should run our lines from our original "Ebenezers" stones. This is not narrow, bigotry, or sectarianism—it is simply drawing our own cart in our own gears—that's all. There may be many things belonging to public worship for which a free exercise of liberty would not be out of place; but when the matter of the promulgating the kingdom of God, according to what our church stands for, we should keep near our corner stones. What some evangelical folks call a revival, converts, profession, etc., the followers of Wesley would regard as being far from genuine. By this we do not mean that there are no converts except those by the process of our mourners' bench; but we do insist that there are unmistakable evidences manifest when the work of grace measures up to the Bible standard. We further insist that the plan of salvation is not a thing to be manipulated and distorted to suit the fancies of any sect of so called disciples. The Lord is no respecter of persons, therefore, he will not require a rugged, heart-breaking route, penitential tears, for one faith and allow another to simply walk up and "confess" or to allow some of the polished, cultured, easy-going folk to do the same thing in a smooth, fastidious manner without the slightest show of humiliation and repentance toward God. Every converted man and woman knows what it cost to "get through" into an experience of "free from condemnation" when the soul involuntarily cries out "Abba Father." To this experience there is no cross lots, no misplacing of the cornerstone. It is just one narrow way by which the approach to the "fountain filled with blood" is accomplished. No one can approach a "blood atonement" until the meaning of the Scriptural repentance is experimentally known.

There are many happy catch phrases current these days, passing at par in many of our Protestant churches; and, we are sorry to say, in some Methodist churches, such as "confess Christ," "believe," "decide for Christ," "take Christ," and perhaps others which are just as dangerous and misleading as they are popular. Some renowned, high-priced evangelists use them as their principal stock of trade. Whole towns and cities, without protest, are thrown wide open to these easy propaganda. Such phrases, brethren, have no place in orthodox Methodism.

Our denomination is known as a revival church. Historians, critics, and other denominations have ascribed this honor to her. Why? The reason is obvious. Our founders and pioneers had revivals. That is the reason why. How did they have them? I mean those revivals that made history for Methodism? Certainly not by methods such as signing cards, standing up to be counted, taking the front seats, coming forward to confess, etc. Revivals held by these holy and wise men of God came by preaching on sin, eternal punishment, the new birth, repentance, sanctification, and the judgement. Men and women, broken-hearted, under such inviting hymns as "Come, humble sinners, in whose breast a thousand thoughts revolve," wept their way to the mourners' bench, prayed through or returned day and night until they got the witness of sins forgiven. Seekers were exhorted and encouraged to keep digging down until they reached bedrock repentance and to keep on until the joy of salvation flooded their souls. Nothing easy and smooth and dry-eyed about that process.

The mourners' bench is fundamental in our economy. There is just something about it that is wonderfully efficient and effective, and whenever used in the old way, God always graciously blesses. In this special feature of revivalism we are Biblical. The only place of worship in which God had to do with the plan and the specifications, it will be remembered, a mercy seat was placed in the room where the Holy Shekinah dwelt. It was in this holy place that atonement was made for the sins of the people. The mourners' bench, once familiar to Methodist usage, stands for just what the mercy seat stood for in the days of temple worship. The soul that finds God must find Him at the mercy seat somewhere. Paul exhorts us to "come boldly to the throne of grace, and find help in every time of need." The mercy seat is nothing less than the mercy throne. A mercy throne is where God meets a soul and grants unmerited pardon—the forgiveness of sins. This method has little in common with modern ideas of "inquiry room," "take Christ," or "decide for Christ," but, on the other hand, it is the lost, sinful soul coming to the mercy seat confessing sins and seeking pardon through the blood of the crucified One. We do not presume to say that there are no channels of divine grace flowing elsewhere than by the narrow route of the mourners' bench; nor do we say that there are no souls saved in a popular flourish-of-trumpet revival; neither do we say that peace and pardon are contingent upon any specific place or position of the body. It is, however, our candid opinion that where one man or woman has been saved by modern methods one hundred have "tasted the good word of God and the powers of the world to come" by repenting and believing at the mercy seat—the mourners' bench. We know that external manifestations are not infallible. Souls have been "still born" just as truly as those who let the glorious face be known by "explosions" of external manifestations. Yet we have serious doubts when conversions lack signs of change as seen in the countenance, the flush of the face, the expression in the eye, or a smile that sweetly plays over the countenance. When such a glorious work has been wrought within by the power of the Holy Ghost there will be outward expression that will be seen and known of men.

Brethren, let us, by all means, stick to our time-honored landmark of Methodism—the mourners' bench. Let us insist that coming to the mourners' bench means:

(1) A decided break with sin, which is the hardest thing a sinner has to do.

(2) That kneeling publicly is a deadly blow to human pride, which is the last enemy to surrender the fight.

(3) That when the sinner thus humbles himself the battle is more than half fought—the Rubicon has been crossed.

(4) That at the mourners' bench the penitent is brought into an atmosphere of sympathy and encouragement, of faith and instruction, and

(5) That the greatest advantage is that it works in the salvation of souls as no other method that has ever been used in our church.

"NAME THIS CHILD"

Samuel Gardiner Ayres

It has been the fortune of the writer to observe the endless amount of suffering produced by the naming of a child with strange, uncouth, and ludicrous names. It is hardly possible that parents understand how much they are afflicting children when they bestow such a name upon them. In a certain family there are four daughters. They are known as Ruby, Pearl, Emerald and Opal. They are known among their friends as "the collection of gems," and many a smile is passed around because of their names. We have also heard of another family where the daughters of the houshold are given the names of flowers, and they suffer in like manner because of the outlandish names conferred upon them. In our boyhood we looked with great awe upon a man who had the euphonious name of James Peter Cicero Barber Bull. He was named for his grandfather James, his grandfather Peter, and Cicero Barber, the minister who married his father and mother.

We have learned of another instance in which the father gave his daughter this strange name: Rogeniet Rotanskyfan Josephine McClanahan. He evidently had the germ at least of a poetical fancy. A young preacher from Kentucky undoubtedly had a patriotic father, for he answers to Oliver Hazard Commodore Perry Gibbs. Among our acquaintances is a man who bears the name of George Henry Christopher Bain, and we have learned of the existence of Charles Homer Clark Middleton Wright and William Charles Nelson Ottergein Carnine, the latter coming evidently from a family belonging to the United Brethren Church. Still another similar accumulation is that of Israel August Putnam Briggs Horton. A certain physician in Illinois is known as Dupertran Challiac Luciadi. Mease.. He was named after three famous surgeons. Is it any wonder, therefore, that he belongs to that profession? There are names taken from actual life and reveal the worst sin in conferring proper names—namely, the over-lodaing of the child with more names than he can possibly carry. This seems to be a common happening in Germany, but it is a common custom for authors, when they publish a book, to use just one of the many names conferred upon them. For instance, Professor Adolph Harnack, of Berlin, was named Karl August Adolph Harnack. Only his last given name appears on the title pages of his books. This same custom of giving several names to a child is common among foreign-born people in this country, as in the case of Anton Hezekiah Poffenberger Diefenthaler, who was named for both of his grandfathers.

Sometimes a mother, in her fondness for members of the family to which she formerly belonged, confers upon her children her maiden name in addition to some other given name. Often the recipient uses two surnames. We know of one case of this kind where a young man had the given names of Sherman and Briggs coming from the maiden names of his mother and grandmother. Sometimes the combination is good; at other times it is ludicrous. For instance, Paris Green is a rather ludicrous combination for a pleasant-faced, cheerful young man; who has not the least bit of poison in his makeup. We have just learned of a young lady with the surname of Rose, who received her mother's maiden name Wild, but unfortunately for the combination she married a young man by the name of Bull. Such a possibility should be thought of before conferring such a name.

In some instances, families use a name again and again, and that is the reason why some strange and uncouth names persist. A few years ago the writer was officiating at the baptism of some children, and he was amused when the name Hezekiah was given for application to a small, freckled-faced lad. Of course, it is an old Bible name, but is hardly suitable for this day. We cannot cease to be thankful enough to our own parents that they failed to confer upon us the name of Micajah or Jabez, two names possessed by former ancestors in the family. There are those who seem to delight in conferring the father's exact name upon the son, thereby leading to much confusion. We know of one instance where there is a John the fifth in a certain family.

There are plenty of good names which may be selected for the child—names which will not embarrass him in the days to come. If possible, it is well to avoid names which may be changed into nicknames, such as Josephine for a girl's name, which is frequently shortened into "Jo," or Robert, which is frequently shortened into "Bob." In each case, however, the parents are usually to blame, when the nickname persists because they do not insist that the proper name be used. Another mistake that should be avoided is the conferring of names which seem to belong to one sex upon a member of the other sex. We know a man whose given name was Florence, and he was known all over the town in which he lived as "Flossie," and undoubtedly suffered much from this perpetration. We are glad to note that such occurrences are less likely to happen at the

(Continued on page 7, column 3)

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. D. M. Litaker is holding evangelistic services in a large tent which he has erected in rear of his church at Thomasville.

—Rev. Dr. F. N. Parker occupied the pulpit of Tryon Street church, Charlotte, last Sunday morning.

—Dr. C. C. Weaver preached to the congregation at First church, Salisbury, last Sunday morning. He visited his father in Greensboro a few days last week.

Rev. Walter Holcomb, of Nashville, Tenn., is holding evangelistic meetings at Red Springs this week. The services are held in a large warehouse.

—Rev. Dr. T. F. Marr, pastor of Trinity church, Charlotte, left for Brevard, on Monday of this week, where he expects to spend his vacation of three or four weeks.

—Miss Nannie Ardrey, a granddaughter of the late Rev. W. S. Roan, of the North Carolina Conference, died at the home of her parents in Charlotte on last Sunday. Miss Ardrey was an exceedingly bright and attractive young lady, only 21 years of age, and her death is greatly lamented.

—Rev. and Mrs. R. D. Sherrill have both been in the hospital for surgical treatment during the past month. We are glad to note that they are both doing well and will soon be entirely recovered.

—Rev. H. C. Byrum, pastor of South Main Street church, High Point, filled the pulpit at West Market Street church last Sunday morning. His sermon was much enjoyed by the congregation.

—Advocate readers will learn with deep regret that Mrs. Scroggs, wife of Rev. J. R. Scroggs, presiding elder of the Shelby District, suffered a stroke of paralysis some weeks ago and has not been able to walk since. Brother Scroggs himself has been in poor health for quite awhile and much sympathy is felt for the family.

—We sympathize deeply with Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Newell in the death of their daughter, Mrs. Jay B. Linker, of Charlotte, which occurred at her home in that city on last Sunday morning. The deceased was a sister of Rev. W. A. Newell, president of Weaver College. The whole family have our profound sympathy.

—Rev. E. W. Fox, pastor of our church at Weaverville, passed through the city last week on his way to Siler City to visit his father, who is critically ill at his home at that place. We were glad to greet Brother Fox as a visitor to the Advocate office.

—Mr. J. C. Byers, ex-sheriff of Cleveland county, and long a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, passed away at his home, near Shelby, on Sunday, July 18th, at the advanced age of 82. Mr. Byers was a prosperous farmer and was always delighted to have the preachers in his home. He had held his membership for many years at the church at Patterson's Springs.

—Mrs. J. W. Vandiver, widow of the late Rev. J. W. Vandiver, of Weaverville, died at Landrum, S. C., on Monday, July 19. Many readers of the Advocate will remember Mrs. Vandiver as a resident of Weaverville where her husband was a well known local preacher. The body was taken to Weaverville and buried on July 20th.

—A marriage ceremony of unique interest took place in the church at Kannapolis on Thursday afternoon of last week, when Mr. Walter N. Hudson, of Columbus, Ga., was united in marriage to Miss Anna Bell Jordan, of Dallas, Texas, Bishop John C. Kilgo, officiating. Mr. Hudson, the groom, is a brother of Mr. T. Frank Hudson, of Spencer, and a son of the late James A. Hudson, of Rowan county.

itents and two professions the first Sunday.

Linwood Circuit.—Rev. J. W. Ingle, pastor of the Linwood circuit, reports a good meeting just closed at Wesley Chapel. A good evidence that the meeting was one of gracious results is the fact that Brother Ingle sends us a list of new subscribers to the Advocate secured at the close. A similar effort at the close of all the revival meetings this year would give us the largest circulation we have ever had. Who will say it is not worth while to make the effort?

Lewisville Circuit.—Please allow a little space to mention a few happenings on the Lewisville charge. We have eight churches and some of the best people in Western North Carolina Conference to serve. We have just closed a fifteen days' meeting at Union. This was a true revival for the entire church. There were twenty-three conversions and nine accessions to the Methodist church and more, they say, will join later. One of the most interesting works of the meeting was the settling of old troubles of many years' standing. Hence, the channel through which the Holy Spirit comes into the church was cleared up and He came bearing his own light, which revealed to the members many neglected duties of the past, and enabling them to renew their covenant with God and take a new start and stand as a true soldier for Christ and his great cause.

Our two weeks' meeting was crowned by the coming of Dr. H. K. Boyer, our presiding elder. He preached Friday evening, Saturday morning and Sunday morning. He presided over the third quarterly conference Saturday, p. m. Dr. Boyer preached a sermon Saturday at 11 a. m., with unusual depth, firmly clinching the messages given by the pastor up to this time. His theme Saturday morning was, "A man hindering God." On Sunday morning he presented the Methodist view concerning the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, using such Scriptural grounds that could not be disputed.

All these discourses were much enjoyed by all our people and we will always believe that they were "good seed sown in good ground." So we are looking forward for great things this Conference year. J. E. McSwain.

Morganton Circuit.—Dear Brother Blair:—In your issue of July 15th you carried copy of the press notice of the building of our church in a day. I am sorry that such an exaggerated report of our work got in the newspapers . But I have not yet learned who was responsible for it, and I am writing you to ask that you make the correction in your next issue. The facts are, we planned to "build a church in a day" July 3rd. Everything was in readiness for the work, but the morning was unfavorable; in fact, it sprinkled rain most of the forenoon and, of course, kept a great many people from coming. However, we had about seventy-five men and when we stopped work that afternoon the building was considered two-thirds done. Had it not rained the report would have doubtless been true. As it was we demonstrated the fact that it was a possibility. Our church is a splendid building, 35x60, Gothic styles of architecture.

The ladies of the community served dinner and supper to the workmen and such a table as they prepared I have never seen anything to surpass or equal. A. C. Swofford.

Lenoir Circuit.—We have just closed a glorious meeting at Pleasant Grove. About 35 professions and reclamations; 15 additions to the church. Three gave names to join other churches. Thirteen family altars are promised. The stewards raised voluntarily the pastor's salary ten dollars. This church will pay all claims in full. An evangelistic and a social service committee was appointed. Also missionary committee. The evangelistic committee of Fairview in their work have had fifteen professions. They greatly aided us in this meeting. They held the first service and had twelve pen- While we were waiting for the crowd to gather for a baptismal service at Mulberry Ford, two of them held a prayer meeting with a penitent and he made a happy profession and was baptized that evening. When we returned to the church we found four young men had been happily converted in these little prayer meetings of two or three in a circle in the homes Such glorious services in the homes of the people I have never before witnessed. When I came to this charge some wanted to abandon this church the majority of the membership to go to Gamewell. A happy spirit of co-operation now exists among Methodists, Adventists and Baptists. This far we have had about 135 professions and reclamations. Will report 75 additions at district conference, 70 on profession of faith. Yours truly,

T. S. Coble.

Concerning Children's Day Collections

Many of the Sunday schools of the Conference have observed Children's Day and sent in the collection to the Treasurer of the Sunday School Board. Some Sunday schools have observed the day and taken the collection, but they have not yet sent the collection to the Treasurer of the Board. It will be a great convenience to the Treasurer if these collections are sent in immediately.

Some Sunday schools have not yet observed the day. If they will write to the Treasurer of this Board for the official Children's Day program for this year, they will receive the number requested free of charge. When the collection is taken on the observance of Children's Day, it should be sent immediately to the Treasurer of the Sunday School Board, W. A. Lambeth, whose address is Reidsville, N. C.

Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Board of Missions

The above committee met in Winston, July 19th. There was a full attendance. The following action was taken:

1. That a man of national reputation be secured (if possible) to address our Annual Conference Missionary Anniversary.

2. That a statement be printed in the Advocate about September 1st, showing the progress of each charge in securing salaries and collections.

3. That the usual chart be exhibited at the Annual Conference, showing payments to (1) salaries; (2) foreign and domestic missions (3) specials.

4. That information be secured upon the basis of which mission charges (a few very weak ones excepted) may be classified into A, B, or C, and that the Board offer to co-operate in bringing up the salaries to $800, $700 or $600 respectively. The emergency fund to be used largely in making conditioned appropriations to these charges. W. H. Willis,
Chairman

Union Revival at Canton

The leaders were Jimison, Carner and Fisher For a whole week Rev. G. A. Carner, of the Holston Conference, was busy in organizing and conducting prayer meetings in all parts of the town and held one every evening at the church Interest grew fast and there were two converts in these cottage prayer meetings before the Evangelist Jimison arrived, on June 6th The revival had struck before the week of prayer had ended.

For five weeks the Rev. Tom P. Jimison, assisted by his well-known and effective singer Prof. A. N. Fisher, and Rev. G. A. Carner, a very successful helper, preached with great power to the largest congregations ever seen in Canton. Fearless as John the Baptist and with unwavering faith in his Lord, this man of God revealed the backslider and the inconsistent church member to themselves as they had not seen themselves before, and the sinner to himself as most hopelessly lost without God's pardoning mercy. Orthodox to the core and with his wit and sarcasm used with telling effect, he drove the simple gospel home to many a heart

From the second day of the meeting men were saved at almost every service. Often the altar was more than filled with penitents. Many shouted the praises of God. We have no record of any such revival in this part of the state More than 600 persons made profession of reclamation or conversion. To date 75 have been added to our church; about a like number to the Baptist church, and 40 to the Methodist Episco

pal church. Many more are still expected to join.

The meeting seems to mean a real reformation for the town. Rigid enforcement of the law of Sabbath observance is now assured. Much better church attendance is expected. Canton surely faces a better future.

God bless that trio, Jimison, Fisher, Carner. They will do business for the King wherever they go. J. P. Rodgers.

Missionary Notes from Field Secretary

Lowell-Bethesda—O. C. Fortenberry, P. C. South Point, $27.00, on assessments; $1.00, Conference Mission Special. Bethesda, $83.75, on assessments. Lowell, $60.00, on assessments. Brother Fortenberry arranged for a union Sunday school picnic for his charge at Bethesda, which was largely attended. Lowell greatly needs a new church.

McAdenville—D. W. Brown, P. C. $183.00, on assessments; $100.00, Conference Mission Special. This is a superior cotton mill town. It contains, beside the Methodist and Baptist churches and school building, a large library and recreation hall. The library contains 2199 volumes, with the latest magazines and papers. Over its entrance is a bronze tablet containing the following words: "Extract from will of Dr. Giles M. McAden, born April, 1867; died October, 1905. I give in trust this special fund of recreation, a library and public hall simply as a place of recreation for the citizens of McAdenville, N. C., to be known as 'R. Y. McAden Memorial Hall.'" Mr. Ray, secretary-treasurer of the mills, is a friend of our work.

Kings Mountain-ElBethel—E. O. Cole, P. C. ElBethel, $117.75, on assessments; Kings Mountain, $85.00, on assessments.

Gastonia, West End-Franklin Ave.—F. W. Cook, P. C. Franklin Avenue, $98.75 on assessments.

* * * *

I attended the meeting of the Conference Missionary Secretaries at Lake Junaluska, July 19-20, called by Dr. Pinson. There was a good attendance, and I will at an early date report its most important conclusions. Perhaps none received greater emphasis than the unusual need of full collection of assessments.

Salisbury District Conference

The thirty-third session of the Salisbury District Conference, held in Kannapolis, adjourned Thursday at 5 o'clock, at the end of the second day. This adjournment a day ahead of time was due to careful planning of Dr. Ware, the presiding elder, and to the fine work of Bishop Kilgo in the chair. Dr. Ware presided during the morning session of the first day, and Bishop Kilgo, who arrived about 11 o'clock, occupied the chair the remainder of the Conference.

The first day all of the twenty-six pastors were present, and six local preachers, and fifty delegates, besides a number of visitors, including the representatives of our schools, colleges, Children's Home, Publishing House, our Advocate and Conference Insurance Society.

Rev. C. M. Pickens preached at the 11 o'clock hour first day, and Bishop Kilgo preached at 8 o'clock first day and at 11 o'clock second day, and Rev. R. M. Taylor at 8 o'clock second day.

Following are the important things done by the Conference: A paper was passed urging our people to loyalty to our church schools, especially urging our young ministers to attend the Theological Departments of our Uuniversities at Atlanta and Dallas, rather than Vanderbilt University, and requesting our bishops not to appoint any of our preachers to professorship in Vanderbilt University.

Rev. R. L. Forbis was recommended to the Conference for admission on trial. Robert Carl Griffith and Haywood Franklin Deese were granted license to preach.

Dr. Ware, the presiding elder, was granted a vacation.

The district will support a missionary again this year at a cost of $600.00.

Brother T. Frank Hudson, of Spencer, was elected District Lay Leader for the coming year. Brother J. F. Shinn, who has served so efficiently for six years in this capacity, declining to serve longer on account of the pressure of his business.

The delegates to the Annual Conference are: W. R. Odell, of Concord; A. H. Sides, of Kannapolis; J. F. Shinn, of Norwood, and T. Frank Hudson, of Spencer. Alternates: Dr. T. A. Hathcock, of Norwood; J. L. Petree, of Mt. Pleasant, and Henry Simpson, of Salisbury.

Woodleaf was selected as the place of holding the next session of the Conference.

A tabulation of the reports of the pastors showed that nineteen revivals had been held and 377 members received on profession of faith, $7500 are attending the various Sunday schools, and all but two of the charges have one or more prayer meetings. The finances in most of the charges are behind, but it is thought that nearly if not quite all the charges will pay out by Annual Conference.

All in all, this was one of the best sessions of the Salisbury District Conference. The congregation at Kannapolis has just completed a large and modern brick church at a cost of about $12,000. The congregation is growing rapidly under the pastorate of Rev. P. W. Tucker. Brother Tucker is very popular with his people. The Conference was royally entertained by this good people, and we shall be glad to meet there again soon. Kannapolis is perhaps the largest and livest town for its age in North Carolina, about ten years old with a population nearing 8,000.

Just before the benediction was pronounced Bishop Kilgo united in marriage Mr. W. N. Hudson, of Columbus, Ga., and Miss Anna B. Jordan, of Forney, Texas.

W. T. Albright.

Morganton Disttrict Conference

This body met at Gilkey, N. C. The introductory sermon was preached Wednesday evening by Rev. B. Wilson, of Rutherford College.

Thursday morning, July 15th, at 9 a. m., Rev. J. E. Gay, presiding elder, called the Conference to order, and with Rev. Dr. Parker, of Emory University, conducted the opening exercises.

Rev. J. B. Carpenter was elected secretary. There was a good attendance of members of the Conference present. Committees were appointed as required by the Discipline to consider and report on the same. The pastors made written reports on the various subjects, which enabled the committees to sum up the work of the district in a manner very instructive to those present, and the secretary was requested to furnish the same for publication in the Church Messenger, which is supposed to go into the home of each Methodist family in the district.

Glen Alpine was selected as the place of meeting next year.

The following delegates to the Annual Conference were elected: C. F. Cline, of Gilkey; J. R. Howard, of Morganton; Rev. J. L. Smith, Old Fort; F. J. Chapman, Marion, with W. G. Harris, Harris, and S. M. Asbury, of Morganton, as alternates. F. J. Chapman, of Marion, was elected Lay Leader for the district. Revs. L. D. Thompson, E. E. Williamson, A. C. Swafford and M. W. Mann, were elected Licensing Committee.

The following were licensed to preach: Robt. E. Hinshaw, William E. Hauss, James C. Frady, Eli C. Maness and H. Robert Deal, all of Rutherford College, and James D. Pyatt, of McDowell circuit.

Revs. M. T. Hinshaw and H. H. Mitchell were recommended for Deacons' Orders.

Rev. H. H. Mitchell was recommended for admission on trial in the traveling connection.

The Conference had the pleasure of a number of visitors: Rev. Dr. Parker, of Emory University; Rev. Dr. J. S. Hunter, of the Publishing House at Richmond, Va.; Rev. Mr. Newell, of Weaver College; Rev. Mr. Wood, presiding elder of Asheville District; Rev. J. W. Jones, of the Methodist Insurance Company; Rev. Dr. Blair, of the Advocate; Rev. Dr. Turrentine, of Greensboro College for Women; Rev. Mr. Trowbridge, of Brevard Institute. The thanks of the Conference for the visit and the messages brought to us by each of the visitors, and a promise of loyalty to the several causes represented by them.

The preaching at the Conference was done by Rev. B. Wilson, Rev. Dr. Parker, Rev. A. C. Swafford, Rev. E. E. Williamson, Rev. Dr. Turrentine, Rev. M. B. Clegg, Rev. F. B. Rankin, of the Presbyterian church, Rev. J. A. Bowles, and Presiding Elder Gay, and while your scribe does not indulge largely in adjectives, yet it is due to those who did the preaching to say that it was of a high order, taken as a whole, beyond anything that I have heretofore heard at District Conferences.

Gilkey gave the Conference splendid entertainment, and dispelled all caval as to their ability to give every member of the Conference the best home, and several anxious to entertain greater numbers. And yet they had the largest attendance that Morganton District has ever had.

The pastor made a splendid host, and as this was his first trial, we may write him down O. K. for the future.

The presiding elder made a fine impression, and we shall expect him to fill out his quadrennium on the district. Secretary.

Morganton District Missionary Institute, Shoal Creek Methodist Church, Aug. 5-8

Thursday, 7:30 P. M.

Devotional Exercises—Presiding Elder.

The Institute, Its Object and Whyness—Rev. J. E. Gay.

Citizenship—Rev. J. P. Morris.

Sunday School Lecture—Way.

Friday, 10:30 A. M.

Devotional Exercises—Rev. J. A. Fry.

General Discussion on Sunday School Work, Its Purpose and a Missionary Sunday School—Rev. J. E. Gay and Rev. J. P. Morris.

Friday, 2:00 P. M.

Devotional Exercises—Rev. Sam Gibbs.

General Discussion on Sunday School, Its Purpose and Its Central Idea—Rev. J. A. Fry and D. W. Williams.

Friday, 7:00 P. M.

Devotional Exercises—Rev. H. M. Wellman.

Evangelism, Its Scope and Its Necessity—Dr. E. K. McLarty.

Saturday, 10:30 A. M.

Devotional Exercises—Rev. T. F. Higgins.

General Discussion by the Layman and Sunday School Work and Educational Movements in Mountain Section—Prof. W. O. Griffith, M. C. Renfro, James Hoover and C. P. Deyton.

Saturday, 2:00 P. M.

Devotional Exercises—Presiding Elder.

Quarterly Conference.

Saturday, 7:30 P. M.

Devotional Erercises—Rev. J. E. Gay.

Sermon on Missions—Rev. J. H. Barnhardt.

Sunday, 10:00 A. M.

Sunday School

Sermon—Rev. J. E. Gay.

"NAME THIS CHILD"

(Continued from page 5)

present time than twenty-five years ago, but now and then a young couple makes such a mistake. There are at least a hundred names that can be found in one of the supplements of any good dictionary which are worthy of choice. Some names are great favorites. The name of Helen is so great a favorite that in one or two educational institutions they have a "Helen Society" to which are invited the girls bearing that name and none others. Margaret, Katherine, Mary, Elizabeth, and Alice also seem to be favorites in this day. Among the names for boys John, George, James, Henry, Robert, and Ralph seem to be favorites.

One other source of embarrassment to some people is hinted at in the story which is told by a ministerial friend. In his younger days at the baptism of a child in the church on a before he was a mairred man, he was officiating at the baptism of a child in the church on a certain Children's Day. The church was crowded and he had been unable to have a conference with the parents before the baptismal service. He propounded the question, "What name will you give this child." and to his great embarrassment they said George B—, giving his own name, thus giving the child his surname as well as his given name. He was so embarrassed for a few moments that he could hardly proceed creditably with the service and almost dropped the infant.—Northwestern Christian Advocate.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

YET DARK

It was yet dark when came the mourning Mary,
Her full heart bowed with grieving and with loss,
Yet pure in faith, to seek the sealed tomb-door
Of Him who died upon the nail-pierced cross;
No morning sunbeam rent the gloom surrounding,
No early call of matin dove or lark—
Alone she came, amid the night dews chilling,
When it was yet dark.

It was yet dark—but in the place of sorrow
Did ever mourning Christian stand alone?
For him between the earthly and immortal
Forevermore is rolled away the stone.
What wonder she, forgiving and forgiven,
Was first the promised miracle to mark—
The empty tomb, the shining sons of heaven,
When it was yet dark!

It is yet dark—but, Father, when the dawning
Of thy great promise in the east is gray—
We know that Thou, before we reach the tomb-door
Wilt roll for us the dreaded stone away.
So would we come to thee as Magdalene,
And from thy kindly voice in patience hark—
Remembering in trust thy deathless promise,
When it is yet dark.

—Edith B. Spaulding, in Pacific Methodist Advocate.

NEW ORGANIZATION

From Mrs. W. L. Upright, of Mount Ulla, N. C., we are glad to learn of the organization of a Woman's Missionary Society at that place. We are very sorry that we have not a list of the officers for this issue but hope soon to give them in full. In the meantime Mrs. Upright will be glad to get in communication with our Conference officers for she is anxious that the society begin at once to work in earnest.

The August Bulletin which has just come to us and which will be distributed within the next few days, contains, as our Bulletins always do, much interesting information, and we are glad to give some of these items to our readers. Just here, we would like to stress the importance of the Bulletin. We feel that in a number of our societies it is presented while in others it is never read.

This Bulletin is filled with live missionary news which should be given to each of our auxiliaries by the superintendent of mission study and publicity, each month It is sent out monthly to these superintendents by the conference superintendent of mission study and publicity and through this channel it is hoped to reach numbers of women and interest them in the work that is being done to improve conditions under which women must live. Let us urge the auxiliaries to use the Bulletins. Ask the president of your auxiliary for time each month to present these items to the society.

ITEMS FROM AUGUST BULLETINS

Extra Gifts

Such reports as the following are always encouraging. From Mississippi comes a gift of a hundred dollars from a woman who says "I began my little self-denial because I felt that in these hard times all of us ought to do something. O, such a blessing as it has brought to me! Of course He had the blessing for me all along, but I would not let Him give it to me."

From North Carolina: About a year ago I began to tithe, wondering if I could make ends meet and do it. For awhile it was hard; but soon I found that not only had I been cheating God, but myself. Here is the thirty dollars extra that I have because I kept account of all my money. I want it to go to help out the work in some special way in China—great, wonderful China.

From Oklahoma: "I have been reading about the revival meetings in China and Korea. The Korean Christians especially are an example to me. I have pledged myself to do more active work this year. I want to win not one but many. A little extra work has come to me in baking and canning, so that I am able to send twenty dollars for the Korean work. This is over and above my regular work in the auxiliary. I hope to make enough to double it."

What the Station Plan is Doing

One of the districts in the Texas Conference last year gave on pledge, $261.91. They decided recently to undertake the support of one of the missionaries who goes out from that Conference this year. When it was brought before the auxiliaries they very soon pledged seven hundred and fifty dollars for her support.

Outgoing Missionaries

On July 21st the first of the new missionaries sails for the Orient—Miss Kate Hackney, of Asheville, N. C. Quite a party will go out on the Mongolia sailing from San Francisco, August 25th: Miss Leila J. Tuttle to China, Miss Hallie Buie and Miss Laura Edwards to Korea, all of whom have been on furlough; Miss Olive Lipscomb and Miss Ruth Brittain, who are just going out to China; Miss Ellie Gray to Korea; Miss Annette Gist and Miss Charley Holland to Japan. Miss Rebecca Toland, who has spent the greater part of the year in the Kennedy School of Missions at Hartford, returns to Matanzas, Cuba, in August. In July, in company with Bishop Mouzon and his daughters, four workers went to Brazil: Miss Richmond, Miss Brown, Miss Coltrane and Miss Alexander. On Aug. 2, another party composed of Misses Helen Johnston, Maud Mathis, Mary Sue Brown, will sail on the steamer Vuban, for Brazil. Let us pray daily for these missionaries.

Home-Coming

A number of our missionaries will reach the homeland in July and August for furloughs, among them, Miss Mary Minor Tarrant, Miss Sallie J. Smith, Miss May Hixon, all of China; Miss Bertha Smith and Miss Allie Dean Neyes, from Korea; Miss Mary Pescud and Miss Virginia Howell, from Brazil.

A New Missionary

At the Council meeting the women were asked to pray for two nurses who were needed for Korea. One of them has answered the call and been accepted, Miss Rosa May Lowder, who has served as nurse in the Louisville Wesley House for two years past. She is taking a post-graduate course in Johns Hopkins University.

The Congress of Missions

The Congress of Missions, held in San Francisco in June, represented nearly all the home and foreign missionary societies of the Protestant churches of this country. The enrolled delegation was over two thousand. The program, consisting of mission study, methods and addresses, was excellent. One day the meeting was held on the Exposition Grounds and a large audience gathered in Festival Hall. After the program they marched to the great religious exhibit in the Palace of Education and then to the California Building for lunch. Those in attendance were heard again and again to say, "Behold what God hath wrought!" What would the pioneers have said had they been present? A goodly number of members of missionary societies on the coast attended the meetings. Two workers from the Council were present and took part in the program, Miss Estelle Haskin and Miss Mabel Head.

Large Bequests Made by Southern Methodists

The Methodist Missionary Conference in session at Lake Junaluska July 10-20, has closed. Great interest was manifested throughout the meeting. Greater liberality on the part of the American Christians was urged. It is the crucial hour in missionary activity it was urged.

Enthusiasm was shown at the announcement of the bequest of the late Mrs. Shipley, of Baltimore, giving $100,000 to the Southern Methodist Church, for missionary enterprise. This is the largest single gift ever made to the Southern Methodist Church for mission work.

The missionary secretaries plan a vigorous campaign for missions throughout the church. China has been made a special field of endeavor.

Announcement was made of a special bequest of $25,000 from the late Major Toberman, of Los Angeles, to the Southern Methodist Church for missions.

MISSION STUDY TEXT BOOKS FOR 1915-'16

Adults

"Rising Churches in Non-Christian Lands," by J. A. Brown; price, paper, 40 cents. "The Churches at Work," by C. L. White; price, 40 cents, cloth 60 cents. "The King's Highway," by Montgomery, paper 37 cents, cloth 57 cents. Home Missions in Action," by Mrs. John Allen, paper 37 cents, cloth 57 cents.

Young People

"Comrades in Service," by Margaret Burton, paper 40 cents, cloth 60 cents. "John Williams Shipbuilder," by Basil Mathews; paper 40 cents, cloth 60 cts.

Juniors

"Around the World With Jack and Janet," by Norma R. Waterbury; paper 30 cents. "All Along the Trail," by Sarah Gertrude Pomeroy; paper 29 cents.

WHY STUDY MISSIONS?

Because—Nothing lies so near the heart of the Master as the spread of his gospel.

Because—We cannot understand our part of the work unless we know his plan.

Because—It deepens the spiritual life. What individual church does not need this deepening?

Because—It broadens the outlook. This is an age of world movements.

Because—It creates a sense of personal responsibility.

Because—It develops leaders for various lines of church work.

Because—It leads to activity. How a working church is needed to meet the present day responsibility.

Because—It directs life purposes. More than one-half the volunteers for service are fruits of mission study.

Because—It develops the prayer life.

Because—It increases giving—regular, systematic giving as unto the Lord.

Because—It has proven successful in every organization of the church.

Try it now.

WON BY LOVE

A German artist, redeemed from the life of a debauchee, painted a picture of the Christ. His heart was so filled with love for his dying Saviour that every line, shading and color blended into an incomparable expression of th love of Jesus for the lost. The pictur was hung in the village church. Underneath was inscribed:

"All this I did for thee;
What hast thou done for me?"

The painting attracted many peopl One fine morning a young scion of n bility sauntered up the aisle until h eye fell upon that Christ-face, wrough by the Spirit of God through the hear head and hand of the converted artis Surpassing love shone in every featur Blood flowed from the riven sid thorn-pierced brow and lacerated hand and feet. As he read the inscriptio and looked again with eager curiosit at the tender compassion of that lov lit face, a new conception of the su fering love of Jesus was born with him. Surely He who had thus die had a claim upon his careless lif

Thus he sat for hours, and neve took his eyes from that wonderfu face. The day was nearly spent, an the twilight found Count Zinzendo on his face, with broken heart co fessing his sins, and with streamin eyes yielding his life to the Saviour his soul and the Conqueror of h heart. Forth from that Bethel, save by grace and uplifted by love, went spiritual force which for nearly tw hundred years has belted the glob with the many devoted missionaries the Moravians.

Charles Simeon kept a portrait Henry Martyn hanging in his stud and it continually said to him: "Don trifle, be earnest." But better still kept the vision of Christ in the sou for one could not face that picture, tha lofty character, that self-sacrificing d votion, without having his own hea touched. If we are to become lik Christ we must think about him, fo we are unconsciously changed into th image of those things about which w constantly think. Blessed the ma who can say: "My meditation of hi is sweet."

"Jesus, the very thought of Thee,
With sweetness fills my breast."

—Alliance Weekl

KEEPING TRYST WITH GOD—PRACTICAL SUGGESTIONS

First, guard zealously a quiet, unhu ried spirit during the trysting-tim Hurry means flurry. God is never in hurry. Hurry and speed are opposite Nothing so hinders one's inner life a letting the worldly spirit of hurry ge into either this waiting time, or int one's own spirit.

Second, remember you have come t meet the Master. Not even for mor knowledge of the Bible itself, but t know him better through it, to hea his voice, to realize his presence, t look into his face.

Third, your chief business—for while at least—is listening, listenin to God's voice. There are two par to prayer—listening and speaking. Li tening first, then speaking. Keep fir things first. So much prayer is on sided. God has such difficulty to g men to listen to him. What he say to us will make such a difference i what we will say to him. Give Go a chance to be heard. Say earnestly "I will hear what God the Lord wi speak."

Fourth, God is an author. He ha written a book. He speaks today i that book. Give first place to his boo There are countless other books, hel ful and inspiring, written by god men. Put these books down on th second shelf. Put God's Book on shelf by itself. If you have plenty time for both—good; but give his ow Book the place in this quiet trystin time with him.

Fifth, be frank and honest with th Master. His Word is certain to searc your heart and life. It is a mirro and sure to show you your mistake and sins, and meannesses, and prid and selfishness. Let it. Do not e cuse and cover up and dodge. Be fran with him. It will show you, too, h gladness to forgive, and his power cleanse and keep. Let him.—Rev. D. Gordon, in "The Daily Bible."

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

TWO MORE PAPERS FROM THE TRIANGULAR DEBATE AT WEST MARKET, GREENSBORO

(Last week we published the debates of the winners in this debate. We are giving this week papers of the representatives of the other two methods—the evangelistic and the educational.)

Resolved, that the evangelistic method is more efficient in carrying on missionary work than the educational or medical.

Miss Janey Mitchell

Whether it is better to convert the heathen through medical, educational or evangelistic means, it a question difficult to argue, in that they are all good in themselves, if rightly directed. But the fact that all three work toward one aim, the conversion of the heathen, makes them all include evangelism as the most important means of the three.

To prove my side to you, I shall endeavor to show that evangelism is the quickest, most satisfactory and successful way, giving instances of where educational means are proving unsuccessful.

If our aim is to save their souls, why not go about it in the most direct way? and that way certainly is to preach the gospel to them, and bring Christian influences into their lives. It was the method employed by Christ and advocated by Him in the Bible when he said, "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you." It was not the command of Christ or the method of St. Paul to educate heathen before converting them, for all beings have hearts, whether cultured or savage, and surely their hearts are capable of being influenced by the message that "God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son."

To be sure we admit that modern people have as much intellect as the heathen whom Paul converted, and they understood and accepted the gospel. Then why should an education be essential to conversion at the present? Has the Kingdom of Heaven been remodeled and made up-to-date so that a diploma is required for entrance? It seems to me that the most Christ-like act we can do for the heathen is to save their souls first, and then an education founded on Christian principles.

Our opponents may claim that there is opposition to the gospel unless it is preceded by an education. The statistics from the World Missionary Conference in 1910 say that opposition is never made to the gospel if it is brought forth in the right way. By studying the religion of Korea, Japan, or whatever country she may be interested in, the missionary may find out what truths are best to be first declared. She should first emphasize the main good points in their religion, and thus win their confidence. Then she introduces such pure, simple truths as the promise of everlasting life, the forgiveness of sin, God's answer to prayer, and the supreme love of God. Heretofore the only opposition comes from the missionary's attack upon polygamy and immorality too soon. So we see, with this fault eliminated, there can be no opposition whatever. ..NA matter how many educators we may send to the foreign field, it does not give all the heathen a fair chance to be converted. There are some poor heathen as well as poor Americans, and they have to work, and thus do not have time to receive an education even if it were given to them. It does not cost them anything to listen to the gospel. A soul may be saved by hearing the gospel for one hour, and it takes years to educate.

To further prove that evangelism is the best method to pursue, Callaway says, "The Animistic religions are most easily appealed to by preaching the friendship or love of God." A Chinese professor says the Chinese are reached quickest by the gospel of "God so loved the world." J. Milton Greene says that "Only our evangelical missions can withstand and offset the bad influences in Cuba." Howard B. Grose says: "Beneath all the forces which are working for Porto Rico's good, the greatest underlying power is the evangelist, whose faithful effort is slowly but surely permeating Porto Rican life."

Now to show that the educational system does not always prove successful, statistics say that in Japan, where the educational movement is uppermost, in some parts it is working disastrously. Instead of education developing Christian characters, the Japanese begin to read and translate works of atheists, as Huxley, Voltaire and Herbert Spencer, thus leaving them in an agnostic and materialistic attitude, and destroying their faith in the Bible. Here is another instance to show the bad effects of education. A young Chinese, a graduate of the Imperial University, speaking to Rev. G. Heber Jones about his attitude to Christianity, said, "You missionaries say to us that Christianity answers our problems, but our universities tell us that Christianity is like Confucianism and Buddhism, in that it cannot offer an adequate answer to our problems. Indeed, we are at a loss to know what to do. to take a stand with the Christian faith, or attempt some religion that can go beneath these problems." That is just an exampl of how education detracts from the truths of Christianity as put forth by pure evangelism.

Now, picture yourself as a perfect heathen, probably doomed to everlasting punishment unless you were converted by some means. Which of these ways would you consider safest to save your soul from destruction? Would you prefer to spend a long time receiving an education so that you might have sense enough to comprehend the meaning of the truths of Christianity, and probably die before you ever completed your education or accepted salvation? Or would you run the risk of waiting for some illness to bring medical aid that would touch your sympathies so that you would receive the gospel, and probably you would die and go to your destruction without ever being ill—for such things often happen? Or would you not prefer that some Christian worker, filled with the Holy Spirit, should come today and tell you the gospel of Christ and how he died to save us all from sin?

After all, the best way to approach anyone is through the heart, and the heart does not need to be educated to understand the simple gospel of Christ.

I think I have shown that the quickest, the most direct, and the most satisfactory and successful way of propagating the gospel is through evangelism, and therefore is not the evangelical method most efficient?

Resolved, that the educational method is more efficient in carrying on missionary work than the medical or evangelistic.

Miss Fannie Hendrix

It is not my purpose to undervalue the other methods of missionary activity for they too are necessary; but it is my purpose to show that the educational is the most effective, the most far reaching, and the most permanent. I will do this, (1) by showing that education is very essential for leaders, and (2) by showing that schools are a very great means of soul saving.

Of course, the end and aim of the entire missionary enterprise is the evangelization of all heathen nations; but I feel that the way of approach is educational rather than medical or evangelistic. To me Christian education is the foundation of the entire missionary structure and without this foundation the structure can never be permanent. Native leaders and educational ones are necessary before nation can be brought to Christ. Missions would have not made the progress they have without the assistance of native workers.

The time is approaching in certain fields where the missionary's presence is no longer desired, where the natives wish to carry on the work of spreading the gospel in their own way and even without the aid of a foreigner. For instance, in Japan there are churches which no longer seek the missionary as their pastor, but instead a Japanese preacher. This work is dearer to the missionaries than their lives, and how fearful are they lest the native hand into which it falls will destroy rather than enlarge the work. Hence, can you not see that native workers, possessing a full and complete secular as well as religious education would be the happy solution of the problem?

My opponents may say why secular education? Why not confine it to religious training, based upon the Bible? Only that is necessary in soul saving. To them I reply that of a religious leader more is required than merely to be able to preach. How could all the churches founded by Paul have been established, and how could the Christian communities have been trained to carry on the work when their leader had withdrawn and through their influence established other churches if Paul had been a great preacher only? Paul was a great organizer and a financier, and so I declare that education, both secular and religious, is absolutely essential if evangelization in the heathen world is to endure throughout the ages. Take Africa, for instance; what has happened to cities like Alexandria? Where once were Christian communities now Mohammedans dwell. We can not say, yet we feel that there were no educated and efficient leaders who were capable of carrying on the work and winning converts. Swartz worked in South Africa, but was called away before the natives were sufficiently trained to carry on the work. So when other missionaries came to his field years afterwards there was no trace of his work.

I believe that every one present will agree with us that powerful native leaders are the greatest factor in the missionary enterprise, and thus far I have tried to show you how essential education is for creating the useful leader. Just here someone may ask, what do we mean by missionary education? How is it carried on in foreign lands? How much is secular, how much is religious? For what classes is it intended? Is it only for the leader? All these questions and many others no doubt have occurred to you. While I can not answer them all, I shall give an explanation of means and methods employed. Schools are the instruments for education. The kinds of schools depends upon the fields. In Japan the schools are graded and the Christian schools, together with government schools, are required to measure up to a certain standard. But what is the value, you say in establishing mission schools when their work is so similar to that of the government schools? And this brings us to the second point in argument that the school wields the greatest influence on the field for winning souls.

In our Christian schools a religious atmosphere permeates everything within the walls. While the Bible is not required to be used as a text book, there are certain periods each day devoted to Bible talks and an endeavor to save the soul as well as instruct the mind. Morning and evening prayer services are conducted which all in the dormitories are required to attend. In the McTyeire School for Girls there was a girl, belonging to the nobility, whose father refused to allow her to attend these services. As he was one of the school's best paying patrons, he felt confident the school would meet with his demands; but Miss White was firm and the daughter was taken from school. A few weeks later, however, the father, seeing how unhappy his daughter had become, allowed her to return to school. Thus at the end of the term she went forth one of the strongest of Christians, as a living example of the power of missionary education. The work of the school did not end with the conversion of the girl, for she went out an educated Christian who had a great influence over her entire community. So strong is the desire for learning that parents will place their children in school regardless of old religious customs. In no other way could these boys and girls be reached, for in many cases they would never be permitted to enter the doors of a church or listen to a single Sunday school lesson, and surely we would not suggest that they become physical wrecks in order that they might receive treatment in some Christian hospital and in this way hear of the sweet Jesus and of God's love.

It is in the schools, too, that young lives are reached, and if the young Christian is to be valued in the United States he is to be valued more in non-Christian lands.

I suppose that all present are willing to admit that the Bible is the greatest instrument known to either preacher, teacher or layman, whether in America, Korea, Japan or Africa for the conviction and saving of a soul.

The Bible is the key for the entire missionary enterprise, and of what value is the Bible to a man who can not read it? Dan Crawford, who has spent 30 years of his life as a missionary in the heart of Africa, gives a description of his street a mile long of little white cottages in which the natives are taught, declaring that education is the essential thing in Africa and he places the most stress upon educational work. He sums up the whole matter by this trite expression:

"What good is a looking glass to a man who cannot see? What value is the Bible to a man who can not read?" And so, with Dan Crawford, we say EDUCATE.

FROM NEWTON

The Epworth League meeting held tonight was a very interesting one. Miss Dorothy Ervin, third vice-president, and leader, had prepared a splendid musical program which was carried out. The program rendered is as follows: Piano solo, "Schubert Serenade," Miss Edith Sherrill; Reading, History of Old Lang Syne, Mr. T. E. ..right; Liszt Rhapsody No. 2, Miss Kathryne Caldwell; Recitation, "Little Boy Blue," Miss Ione Mebane; Reading, History and Song, Kathleen Manourveen, Mr. Herbert Lowry; Piano Solo, "Narcissus," Miss Marguerite Wright; Piano Solo, "Star of the East," Miss Virginia Phillips. The members of the League present promised to come back next Tuesday evening and bring some one with them. A social will be held on the athletic field at Catawba College on next Wednesday evening. After the program was concluded a short business session of the League was held and the following officers were elected for the ensuing six months: President, Mr. Herbert Lowry; first vice-president, Miss Ione Mebane; second vice-president, Miss Marguerite Wright; third vice-president, Miss Dorothy Ervin; fourth vice-president, Miss Olive Duke; reporter, Miss Floy Trollinger; secretary, Miss Mabel Bacon; treasurer, Mr. Ewell Wright. At the meeting next Tuesday night delegates will be elected to the annual meeting of the Epworth League to be held at Lake Junaluska in August.

H. H. Lowry.

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.----------E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg.--W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller----------C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg.,
M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.------J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg.--J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.----G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.----------A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel---J. W. Ligon

Learn Shorthand

By Mail in 30 Days at my Expense

Send no money. Get my **free lessons.** I do not claim to fit you for a position in thirty days. Nobody can do that. But with my system, you can learn to write in Shorthand with very little effort. That first instruction is **absolutely free.** Then, if you wish to take further instruction, I will give you a **positive guarantee** to refund your money at the end of a specified time if you are not entirely satisfied. Could anything be fairer?

I have taught shorthand for many years. I have taught a dozen different systems. These include nearly all the new and so-called "simple" systems. But I went back to the original Pitman System—and improved on it. I now teach the **Pratt-Pitmanic System,** and I want to prove to you, at my expense, that it is the best. My great success is due to a **new and original method of instruction by mail.**

Positions at Good Salaries

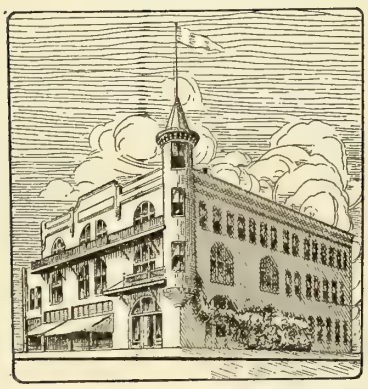
Shorthand is a great advantage to everybody. For a young man or woman there is nothing equal to it. It will give you a start in life and an opportunity for rapid advancement. Many of my students have secured **splendid positions.** The demand for stenographers is increasing. You are practically certain to get a satisfactory salary if you take my course in shorthand. **Become a court stenographer** or fit yourself for other high class positions.

Free Typewriter Instruction

Every one of my students can have a course in typewriting absolutely free. If you do not own a typewriter, I will rent you one for six months for $10; or for $30 I will sell you a rebuilt visible machine that I cannot tell from a new $100 machine.

If you are ambitious and in earnest and really want to learn shorthand, send at once for FREE Lessons. A postal card will do. Simply say: "Send free lessons."

E. D. PRATT 1011 Pratt Bldg. CHICAGO



BLUE RIDGE INN
Mount Airy, N. C. W. M. Jordan, Prop.
Mount Airy's Leading Hotel
Rates $2.00 and $2.50—All meals 50 cents—Electric Lights, Steam Heat, Electric Bell System, Hot and Cold Baths—American plan—A clean up-to-date home for the tourist or traveling man, in a beautiful mountain city.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS

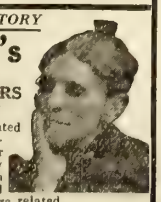
AGENTS WANTED

Liberal Terms! Sells on Sight! Ministers, Teachers, Christian Men and Women Can Make Big Money! First in the field will get results! Write To-day.

"AUNT FANNY'S" OWN STORY

Fanny Crosby's Story OF NINETY-FOUR YEARS

By S. TREVENA JACKSON



Before her death the blind singer dictated her own life-story drawing on an extraordinary memory for her recollections of over ninety years. A book filled with memories, impressions and reminiscences never before related.

ONLY $1.00 net

FLEMING H. REVELL COMPANY, Publishers
158 Fifth Av., New York 125 N. Wabash Av., Chicago

A SATURDAY AND SABBATH AT OLD CENTER CAMP-GROUND

Center church and the old camp meeting place, four miles west of Mocksville in Davie county, including the first Sabbath in July, was the objective point, and the place and occasion of the third quarterly meeting for the Davie circuit. The camp meeting part of it has long since gone into disuse, and the old arbor, weather-beaten and worn, still standing in sacred silence, leaves the marks of its own passing. Ichabod may well be written upon its very face, for its glory has departed. But still pleasing recollections of the past and tender memories of those who have lived and labored here, and whose bodies are sleeping in the silent dust, will forever cluster about the dear old place.

It was here more than a half century since I attended meetings and later preached the gospel in the church and under the arbor. Not very far from here, in two localities, I taught schools for one year. The fall session of my teaching was in Noah's Ark, not the ark, however, in which Noah conveyed the human race across the great flood, landed on Mount Ararat, and started a new generation of mankind and all living creatures upon the world. Many of the boys and girls that went to school to me in that ark were present at this quarterly meeting, not as boys and girls, but as substantial citizens and venerable, hoary-headed members of the church. It goes without saying that after fifty intervening years it was intense pleasure to look into their faces and shake their hands.

When I got to Mocksville I met Dr. Boyer, the presiding elder, Brother Shore, the pastor of the circuit, and Hoyle, pastor of Mocksville station, the former two fixing off for the quarterly meeting, and Brother Simeon Goen, one of the older members of Center and a Confederate veteran, whom I had known from boyhood, and with whom I had gone the rounds in the Civil War. It was mutually a pleasant ride out to the church and many were the reminiscence of the olden time, before and during the war, recalled and recounted in that short intercourse.

The quarterly conference was unusually largely attended by representatives of the churches of the circuit and the sacramental service on Sunday morning was equally so. Dr. Boyer, the presiding elder, seemed in unusually good plight, and preached two excellent sermons on Saturday and Sunday, both of which were much appreciated by the large congregations.

In the business and interest of these meetings the Advocate was not overlooked or neglected. I did this work on Saturday while the work of the conference was going on, as well as before and afterwards. And on Monday, by the help of Brother Shore, the work was finished and your list for the circuit and station is pretty well righted up and some new ones added.

James Willson.

Mocksville, N. C.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER

President Wilson returned to the White House first part of this week from his summer home at Cornish, N. H., greatly benefited by much needed rest. Assisted by his official family, he at once put the finishing touches to the third note to the German government which was sent to the Kaiser yesterday. While the contents of the letter will not be made public for a day or so, it is believed that the President has not only not yielded in a single instance the Kaiser's demands, but has emphasized his former position with still greater force and determination that the American rights must be recognized.

The Mexican situation and the numerous cases of discontent and strikes among labor organizations is also causing more or less concern on the part of the present administration.

Six Upright Pianos at Very Low Prices

1—$350.00 Ivers & Pond (Mahogany case) $215.00
1—$350.00 Ivers & Pond (Mahogany case) $205.00
1—$350.00 Ivers & Pond (Mahogany case) $195.00
1—Lester (practically new) (Mahogany case) $190.00
1—Everett (good condition) (Ebony case) $160.00
1—Kingsbury (good condition) (Mahogany case) $155.00

These pianos were taken in exchange as part payment on the *popular Stieff upright, player and grand pianos* and are well *worth the prices quoted.* Each instrument has been *worked over* in our repair shop *by experts (who know how). Our easy payment plan applies here. No extras, no interest, no collectors.* Write for catalogue and prices of the popular STIEFF and SHAW PIANOS.

921 S. Tryon St. **STIEFF** Charlotte, N. C.

GREENSBORO NURSERIES
AGENTS WANTED
For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.
JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.



BREVARD INSTITUTE

The school which offers thorough instruction in the most useful branches at less than actual cost and under strong Christian influences. Its courses of study include:

Primary School	Grammar School	High School
Pedagogy	Review Classes	Practice Teaching
Piano Playing	Voice Culture	Musical Pedagogy
Bookkeeping	Stenography	Commercial Law
Dressmaking	Millinery	Fancy Work
Cooking	Housework	Household Economics
Farming	Stockraising	Gardening
Bible	Missions	Christian Work

Its aim throughout is accurate efficiency.
Why not study just what you are fitted for?

C. H. TROWBRIDGE, Principal BREVARD, N. C.

MEDICAL COLLEGE OF VIRGINIA

1838
1915

MEDICAL COLLEGE OF VIRGINIA
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF MEDICINE
(Consolidated)
DENTISTRY---MEDICINE---PHARMACY
STUART McGUIRE, M. D., Pres.

New college building, completely equipped and modern laboratorie Extensive Dispensary service. Hospital facilities furnish 400 clinic beds; individual instruction; experienced Faculty; practical curriculur 78th session opens Sept. 21, 1915. For catalogue or information address
J. R. McCAULEY, Secretary,
1140 E. Clay Street - - - - - Richmond. V

Methodist Benevolent Associatio

A Mutual Benefit Brotherhood for Southern Methodists. Issues Whole Life, 20-Premi Life, Term to 60, and Disability Certificates. **Benefits** payable at death, old age, or disabili Over $152,000.00 paid to **widows, orphans, and disabled.** Over $40,000.00 reserve fund. W for rates, blanks, etc. ***J. H. Shumaker, Secretary, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Ten***

Perhaps no cabinet officer has been the recipient of greater meritorious praise than has Secretary Daniels of the Navy in his selection of Thos. A. Edison and other scientists and inventive genius to constitute a board looking to the improvement of our country's implements of warfare.

Just previous to his trip abroad Bishop Mouzon visited Washington and preached two able sermons on Sunday, and on Wednesday was given a reception by our Southern Methodist Minister's Association.

Mt. Pleasant church, located in the most attractive residential portion of the National Capital, is the newest of our half-dozen Southern Methodist congregations as well as the smallest in membership, but it has the reputation of having the most wide-a-wake and energetic pastor and faithful flock of the city. By the assistance of our General Board of Church Extension we just acquired a $20,000 lot 122 feet square, desirably located on the Avenue of the Presidents, and sufficient funds are in sight to begin the erection of a church which will likely be completed before the end of the present Conference year.

Rev. Forrest J. Prettyman, D. D., chaplain of the United States Senate, has few equals as a church builder, as well as an able preacher. His congregation gave him a trip through the Holy Land last summer and now we are being repaid by his splendid illustrated sermons of the country of our Saviour, out in the grove these warm summer evenings. By special invitation, Dr. Prettyman will spend the first week of August at Lake Junaluska, and give one or more steroptican lectures at the large auditorium of the Southern Methodist Assembly. It is quite probable that dates will be made for him to give lectures at Asheville and other Western North Carolina cities on his visit abroad, and also of Washington city, as he is splendidly equipped with hundreds of the latest slides for this purpose.

W. F. Tomlinson.

GOING TO JUNALUSKA

Mrs. Rhodes and I expect to attend the Bible Conference at Lake Junaluska August 8-16, and shall take any of our teachers, pupils, and former pupils who would like to join the party, including husbands and children of those who are married. The party will occupy our cottage, which, while yet unfurnished, is furnished.

Any friends wishing to join us may write for information to J. M. Rhodes, Littleton, N. C.

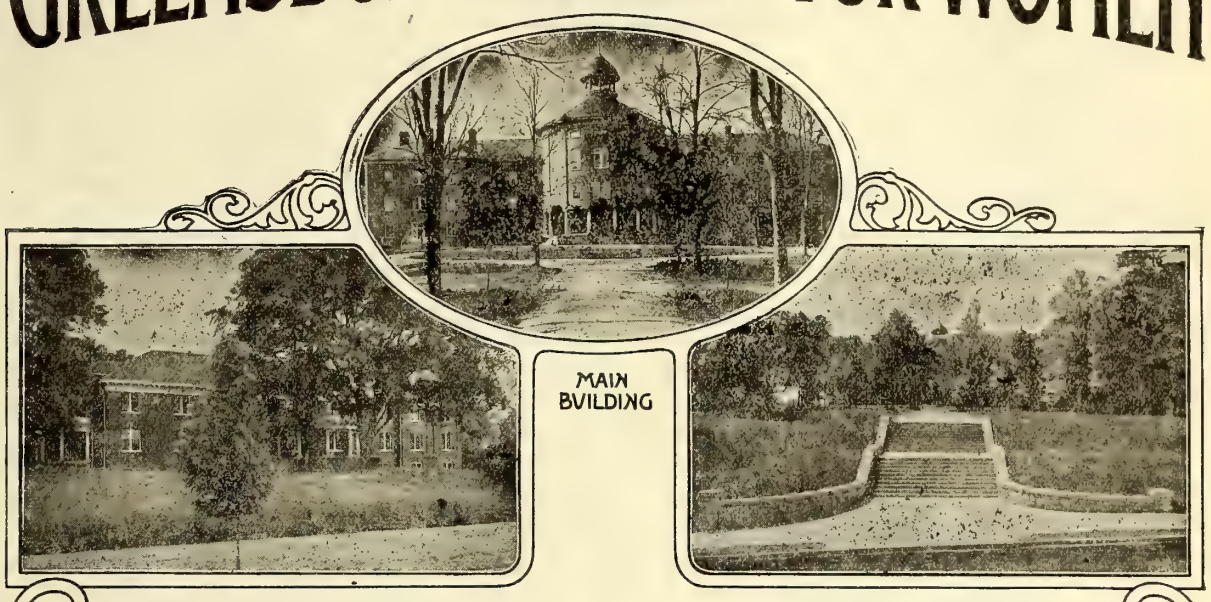
MISSIONARY FIELD SECRETARY'S REPORT

August 16—Flat Rock Circuit.
August 17-18—Henderson Circuit.
August 19-20—Brevard Circuit.
August 21-22—Fairview Ct.
August 23—Marshall.
August 24-25—Leicester Circuit.
August 26-27—Mars Hill Circuit.
August 28-30—Weaverville Circuit and Weaverville Station.
September 4-6—Deep River Circuit.
September 7—Albemarle, 1st Street, night.
September 8-9—Albemarle Circuit.
September 10—Salem Circuit.
September 11-12—Kannapolis Ct.
September 13—Kannapolis.
September 14—Concord Circuit.
September 15—China Grove.
September 18-19—Kernersville Ct.
September 20-21—Lewisville Ct.
September 22-23—Jackson Hill Ct.
September 24—Cooleemee.
September 25-26—Farmington Ct.
September 27-29—Forsyth Circuit.
September 30—Mocksville.
October 3-5—Franklin Circuit.
October 9-11—Hayesville Circuit.
October 12 13—Murphy Ct.
October 14—Ranger.

Celery Plants and Summer Cabbage Plants that have been grown right and packed right for shipment. Ask for free pamphlet.

Wakefield Plant Farm,
Charlotte, N. C.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

If You Suffer from Stomach, Liver or Kidney Troubles

Here is a relief so absolutely certain that it can remove every doubt in your mind by the unqualified proof of making you well.

Read every word of this statement. Let us prove it by the opinion of men and women who have exalted their names and their professions.

NATURE'S OWN REMEDY

First of all it is water. Pure sparkling mineral water from a spring noted the world over for its curative waters. We claim for it that it has made complete restoration to health in cases in which recovery has been deemed remarkable. We claim—and we are ready to send you the proof—that thousands of sufferers from stomach and organic troubles have completely regained their health and strength by the judicious and constant use of Fonticello Mineral Water. Please take this as a personal message. Ask yourself the question, "How can I rely upon the truth of this statement?" That is the question we want to answer. We want to prove our statements—to show what Fonticello Mineral Water has done—that generation after generation after generation has tried it and have been cured by it. We have the written proof from eminent physicians, ministers of the gospel, men and women in all walks of life. They will tell their own story in their own way week after week, in this paper. Do you know any of the famous medical men of this country. Read this list—they have all endorsed Fonticello Mineral Water. Dr. Geo. Ben Johnson, Drs. J. C. Walton, John F. Winn, J. H. Mock, A. M. Wheeler, J. Allison Hodges, Jacob Michaux, J. G. Trevilian, Stuart McGuire, Lewis Boscher, Hugh M. Taylor, John S. Wellford, Edward McGuire, Chas. V. Carrington, M. D. Hoge, Jr., Landon B. Edwards and hundreds of others. Their statements ring true.

M. E. Gary, 516 N. Eighteenth St., Richmond, says he was suffering from a complication of kidney and bladder troubles and Torpid Liver. Dr. Geo. Ben Johnson urged him to try Fonticello Water. Read his own words: "I confess I had but little faith in it at that time. To my surprise I began to rapidly improve and am now in better health than for years. My wife has also been drinking the water for nervous dyspepsia, so has derived great benefit. My son has been wonderfully benefitted."

T. N. Gaines, of Richmond, Va.: "I have used Fonticello Water for the past month for Dyspepsia and Kidney Diseases and have been entirely relieved of both."

Mrs. J. W. Phaup, Manchster, Va.: "Have suffered three or four years from Dyspepsia. Fonticello Water was the only thing that gave me relief. I think a few more bottles will permanently cure me."

We could fill this paper year after year with thousands of testimonials like this. We will be glad to mail you many of them, but if you are a sufferer, we want you to try the Water. We back every statement with a guarantee: if it doesn't help your trouble it costs you nothing.

HERE'S OUR PROPOSITION AND GUARANTEE

We have proven by years of experience that it requires about three weeks for this water to show beneficial results. In that time you should drink about ten gallons of water. We will ship you two five gallon carboys with the understanding that if it does not benefit you WE WILL RETURN FULL PURCHASE PRICE, which is only $2.00. WE RECOMMEND THE WATER for Stomach, Kidney, Liver and Bladder disease, Rheumatism, Uric Acid, Gall Stones, Nervous Debility, headaches resulting from impoverished blood.

Don't wait. A trial of this water costs you nothing if you are not benefited according to our claims.

FILL OUT THIS COUPON AND MAIL IT TODAY

Fonticello Mineral Springs Co., Inc.
Richmond, Va..

Gentlemen: I accept your guarantee offer and enclose you herewith (2.00) Two Dollars for two five gallon carboys of Fonticello Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial in accordance with instructions which you will send me, and if I derive no benefit therefrom you are to refund the price in full upon demand, and upon receipt of the two empty carboys which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
P. O. .....
Express Office .....

The Sunday School Lesson

THIRD QUARTER—LESSON V—
August 1, 1915

The Queen of Sheba Visits Solomon
1 Kings 10:1-10, 13

Golden Text—Wisdom is better than rubies. Prov. 8:11.

Summary of the Lesson

A thoughtful poet once wrote about a very wise man. He was the wisest man alive. And the second wisest man in the world, according to the poet, was the one who was listening to this wise man's speech. Our study today has to do with a wise man who spoke, and an appreciative woman who listened. We behold Solomon through the eyes of the Queen of Sheba.

The Fame of Solomon

"Forty centuries are looking down upon you," cried Napoleon to his soldiers as they drew up in battle array before the pyramids. One of the secrets of Napoleon's power lay in his ability to capture the imagination. By becoming ruler of men's emotions he became captain of their activities. There was what amounted practically to a Napoleon myth while he was yet alive.

Solomon captured the imagination of his world. He was a brilliant publicity man before the days of publicity men. The whole East was full of stories of his opulence, his sagacity and of all the wonder of his golden rule. In distant lands, when men sat by their tents under the silver shining of the far-off stars, they would tell stories of the great king. A new and glittering sense of beauty stirred in men's hearts as they talked of the achievements of this gorgeous king. He fairly rained magnificence into the imagination of the world. He colored men's thoughts with purple. He almost made the world feel that kings could manufacture sunsets out of the sheer radiance of their imperial dreams.

So the fame of Solomon grew until the day came when the very mention of his name brought a quick flash of bright color before the eyes of those who heard. That old world had one marvelous picture, its joy and pride. In the center of that picture stood Solomon the Magnificent.

The modern advertising movement is an attempt to capture the imagination of the public as Solomon captured the imagination of his world. The alert and efficient advertising man knows that if he can get people to talk about his goods his work will be a success.

"The ink which makes the millions think,
Is printer's ink,"

he tells you with delight, and he means to make the millions think about the thing which he wants to sell. The study of the sources of effective publicity is rapidly becoming something very like a science. The manufacturer wants to make a product famous; the thinker wants to make an idea famous; the reformer wants to make a method famous. To clothe an idea in imperial robes and put it in the center of a great picture which all men see is the consuming ambition of the publicity man.

The emphasis on publicity, whether in the age of Solomon or in the world today, has one outstanding danger. It easily degenerates into an interest in the spectacular rather than the real; in that which is striking rather than that which is important; in that which is vivid rather than in that which is significant. Fame is one thing. A moral justification of fame is quite another.

A Distinguished Guest

Zenobia, or the Fall of Palmyra, by William Ware, tells of a queen whose dreams were winged by a vaulting ambition, but who became at last a captive to adorn the triumph of a victorious Roman. We remember the Queen of Sheba only as she heightens the sense of the triumphant grandeur of Solomon. She was a woman who believed in herself and in the wealth and beauty of her own court. She had the mentality which can ask disconcerting questions if she did not possess the power to resolve all of her own riddles. She was a little skeptical about the stories which she heard regarding Solomon. At length she decided to make a personal investigation. She went to see Solomon, traveling with the greatest pomp and bringing presents worth a king's ransom. To tell the truth she probably hoped to surpass Solomon in the very things for which he was renowned. She was perfectly willing to have the visitor outshine the host.

There was excitement enough when the great cavalcade came to Jerusalem. The city, accustomed to being dazzled only by its own beauty, could not look with condescension upon the queen who came in such sumptuous array, so splendidly attended.

What the queen found, however, was greater than what she brought. As she looked upon the achievements of Solomon the builder, as she watched the stately pageant of his daily life, as she listened to the flashing insight of his speech, she was filled with amazement. When she matched her own nimble mind with that of Solomon, his replies had an instant penetration and adroitness which quite put her to confusion. The narrative which we are studying puts it all into one pregnant phrase: "there was no more spirit in her." The queen, who, if the truth must be told, had come to criticise, remained to praise. "The half," she declared, "was not told me; thy wisdom and prosperity exceed the fame which I heard."

After a memorable visit the queen returned to her own land. If she was greatly impressed by what she saw and heard she also made a great impression. She had swept into the city like a golden dream; she passed out of it to become a haunting memory.

The Realization of an Ideal

If a great man fails to express the spirit of an age the age is likely to ignore him. If in him the age's dreams come true, he will receive an adulation which is unbounded. Each age has its own ideal. If what a man says is entirely foreign to that ideal, he will be a voice crying in a wilderness where none come to hear. If he speaks in the very terms of an enthusiastic acceptance of that ideal the whole age will listen and applaud. If he speaks in the vernacular of the age, using his very knowledge of its ideal as a basis for criticism of its inadequacies, the age will listen and some will heed. A man must be in a measure a child of his age in order to become a citizen of the ages.

In Solomon an age and its ideal met together. He did the kind of things the age most admired. He lived the kind of life which most appealed to his contemporaries. He uttered the kind of words which the men of his time felt to be most extraordinarily wise. It is probable that in intellect and in achievement no man ever more perfectly fulfilled the ideal of his own period than did Solomon.

In a wonderful way Erasmus was the typical man of letters to the men of his day. Hegel became the king of philosophers in his period. But you can go over age after age without finding a man who so satisfied the dreams of his contemporaries as did Solomon. Such an analysis at once brings to light the limitations as well as the greatness of Solomon. To serve your period in the profoundest way you must outgrow it. The best friend of an age must be its critic. The apostle of a noble discontent is the prophet of the better time to come. Solomon was like an exquisite rose window in which in beautiful symbolism the past and present meet. He was not like a window, flung wide open, through which one gazes at the infinite wonder of the night sky, dreaming all the while of the great days which are yet to be.

The Receding Ideal

An ideal is no sooner realized than it is outgrown. As a literary masterpiece is a book you are all the while mastering and never entirely master, so an adequate ideal always commands you, and so grows in your hands that you never entirely satisfy it. The ideal which Solomon represented lacked this expanding power. To put it in an epigrammatic way we may say that it was inadequate because he could realize it. When you enter what you believe to be the throne room of a great ideal it always proves to be but the portal to a nobler audience room of the spirit into which you must pass.

When we begin to analyze the social and economic foundations upon which Solomon's greatness rested we make very remarkable discoveries. The disruption of the kingdom was actually prepared for by the reign of Solomon. Only a nation of serfs could make possible such magnificence. Solomon does not represent one man become great through serving many. He represents one man become great through being served by many. Judged by the spirit of Jesus the ideal of Solomon appears pitiably inadequate and small.

Of course we must not judge Solomon personally by standards which did not come to light until a later age; but we have a perfect right to judge his type of life and achievement by those later standards. And we have a right to protest against a revision to the type of ideal represented by Solomon.

However brilliant and prosperous and efficient a civilization may be, it has a fatal weakness if it is built on the suppression of personality rather than on the development of personality. The end of civilization is not to produce a human machine, but to produce a human being who is greater than all machinery. Rudolf Eucken has called attention to the inner poverty of much modern life. He has led many people to see that the heart of a great material prosperity may be a sad and tragic thing to behold. The truth is that a generation must be judged not by the amount of mechanical efficiency which it produces, but by the capacity it reveals for the production of rich and creative personality.

Henri Bergson in a recent address discussed the battle of life with matter. It is an old battle. As we think of it we must confess that taken in the large Solomon represents the side of matter rather than the side of life. No material prosperity will make up for the depletion of the spirit. We must not be suffocated—not even by magnificence.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in N. Y. Christian Advocate.

EXPERT KODAK FINISHING
Developing and printing done by artists. Most beautiful work guaranteed at all times. Satisfaction or no charge. Developing, 10c per film. Printing: prints 2 1-4 x3 1-4, 3c; 2 1-2x4 1-4, 4c; 3 1-4x5 1-2, 5c. Quick delivery. Send one film to test our service. Agents wanted.
LIGON DRUG CO., Spartanburg, S. C.

CATAWBA COLLEGE, Newton, N. C.
An Ideal Christian College for boys and girls. Healthful location, Excellent Equipment, Strong Faculty, Good Courses—Classical, Scientific, Music, Art and Expression. Expenses Moderate. Next term opens September 7, 1915. For Catalogue write to
Rev. J. D. Andrews, A. B., Pres.,
Newton, N. C.

This Hose Lasts Longer Than Others
Goodyear-Akron Lawn Hose lasts longer than others because it is made to do that. It is made by the makers of the famous Goodyear Automobile Tires. Composed of five layers of alternate new, live rubber and strongest braided cotton. Absolutely seamless. The thick corrugated outer coat, with its six extra large rubber ribs, does away with twisting and kinking. They add immensely to its life.
GOODYEAR AKRON
Lawn Hose
Buy Your Garden Tools Here
We Have Everythin You Need
ODELL Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS
Furnished on short notice
Summit Avenue Greenhouses
HOWARD GARDNER
Proprietor
GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345
DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF
STOMACH AND INTESTINES
121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEIL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland
108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

Our Little Folks' Department

THEIR FIRST REAL DOLLS

When Bettie Holmes awoke one morning, she was much puzzled. Surely the roses on her wall paper had always been pink, and now they were yellow. What could have changed their color overnight? Fairies? Now, hadn't she really seen a row of little fairies at the foot of her bed?

Peeping through half closed lashes, she saw, not fairies, after all, but Arabella, Maud, Alice, and Ted, her own dolls. Then Bettie remembered all at once the long journey on the train, the ride on the stagecoach, and the new home in which she had gone to bed the night before for the first time. Her father had come to this Western state to be a missionary to the Indians, and mother and Bettie had come with him, of course.

Mother, after the little girl was dressed, pointed to the open window. Then Bettie saw for the first time an Indian, a little girl no bigger than herself. Fat and brown she was, with straight black hair and eyes like shiny black beads. She was sitting on the porch floor. Clasped in her arms was something—a dolly, of course. Bettie knew that in a flash. Lifting it, the Indian girl unrolled from an old red handkerchief a broken brown pottery jar. Very carefully she re-arranged the handkerchief about it, rocking back and forth and singing all the while in a motherly way.

Tender-hearted little Bettie looked at her mother with quivering lips. Two big tears rolled down her pink cheeks. "Do you 'spose," she whispered, "that's all the dolly she has?"

"I think it's very likely, dear," was the answer.

"I'll give her a really, truly doll baby myself," declared Bettie. "O mother, may I give her Alice?"

Mother said that she was perfectly willing. Then Bettie gave Alice a farewell hug, and, stealing quietly out, she dropped the doll into the little Indian's lap. With a cry of delight, the little brown girl clasped the new treasure to her heart. Then, jumping up, she ran swiftly down the road.

Bettie went in to her breakfast. She was eating her oatmeal when she spied her little Indian friend returning. Up the road she came, hair flying, feet pattering in the dust; and close behind her were more little Indian girls, perhaps a dozen of them. When they reached the mission house, each of the newcomers held up before the window her pitiful substitute for a doll. Some had old bottles, some had cracked jars, and others had sticks, all wrapped in tattered scraps of cloth.

"I wish," said Bettie sadly, "that I had a whole store full of dollies." The next moment her smiles returned, and she cried happily: "I know just what to do. I need a piece of chalk, please." That mother found. Going out onto the porch, the little girl drew pictures on its cement floor of ever so many little girls; each one held a doll in her outstretched arms. "They're the juniors in the home church," she explained to her mother; "we'll ask them to send some dollies."

Now, all this Bettie might have been able to explain to the Indians by motions, as she had planned; but just then the stagecoach arrived, and the driver, who could talk to the Indians, told them how some far-away little white girls would send them each a real doll by and by. Then the little Indians laughed and clapped their hands and pretended to take the dolls from the hands of the little girls that Bettie had drawn.

Not many weeks later a big box arrived at the mission house, and in it there was a doll for each little Indian girl who lived near to the missionaries. Bettie's mamma took a picture of the happy little brown girls with their first real dolls and sent it to the junior society in the home church; and when they saw it, how their faces did shine with joy too!

But who were the happiest, the little Indian girls in the far western desert or the little junior givers? I leave it to you to guess. If you can't possibly guess, just dress a dolly yourself for some little girl who has never had one; then you'll know.—Mary Ritchie Ward.

WOOD BOXES AND COOKIES

"Hi, Dave! Come along to the woods with me," called Bert Rawson one Saturday morning in October. "There'll be loads of chestnuts on the ground this morning, as there was such a sharp frost last night. Hurry up, or the other boys will beat us to them."

"I can't go just yet," replied David Dunn; "I must fill mother's wood box first."

"Can't you skip it this once?" urged Bert. "I tell you, the other boys will get all the nuts if we don't hurry."

"Skip it!" achoed Dave. "I guess not. Mother's going to make a jar full of cookies this morning, and I reckon I'll eat my share of them; so it's only fair I should furnish the wood to keep the fire going. Say," he continued, "you must have got up early to have filled your wood box and got over here as early as this."

Bert looked rather shamefaced. "To tell the truth, Dave," he said, "I didn't fill it, I was in such a hurry; and it was pretty near empty, too. Somehow I never thought about it before just the way you put it. My mother's baking this morning, too. Guess I'll run back home and fill it now."

"Tell you what," said Dave, "you pitch in here and help me fill this box, and then I'll go over to your house, and the two of us will fill your wood box in pretty near no time."

So the two boxes were filled higher than ever before, for pleasant company turned work into play. When the boys returned from the woods that afternoon, with pockets and bags loaded with chestnuts, the cookies tasted even sweeter than usual, as the boys remembered the heaping wood boxes and knew that they had done their share toward producing such delicious results.—Elsa Gorham Baker.

THE GRUMBLE FAMILY

Did you ever hear of this family? O, so many belong to it! They are all over the world, and you can tell them just as soon as you see them. They travel a great deal, too; yes, and they stop in hotels. This big family is all the time on watch for something to grumble about; you can't suit them, no matter how hard you may try. Don't grow up to be grumbly, children; you will never be liked if you do, and the family is too large already. Look bright and cheerful and happy, satisfied with everything that is done for you. Join that other large company, the Happy Family, and so bring comfort and cheer to everybody about you.—Exchange.

THE NEW HAT

"O mamma, isn't it ugly?" cried Mary Frances, holding up the new hat which had just come by parcel post from Aunt Mary, in the city.

A little shadow passed over Mrs. Austin's face. "I was just thinking how pretty it is and what good taste Aunt Mary has," she answered slowly.

"I don't think it pretty at all," replied Mary Frances with a long sigh. "I did hope she would send me one like Susie Bently's. It has the sweetest wreath of pink roses around it and long streamers to tie under the chin."

"But Susie's hat seems to be quite too grown-up for a child of her age," said Mrs. Austin gently.

"O, I just think it lovely!" protested Mary Frances.

Mrs. Austin made no reply, but put the new hat back in its box with a troubled expression.

The next day was Sunday; and instead of being ready for Sunday school on time, Mary Frances came slowly downstairs, where her mother was waiting for her, nearly an hour late. She wore the new hat, but her eyes were red, and the corners of her mouth turned slightly down, and she was looking very unlike the little girl who usually came flying down the stairs on Sunday morning, eager to be off.

Mrs. Austin looked up with a smile, pretending not to see thet red eyelids. "We were lazy people this morning," she said cheerfully; "and now we are too late for Sunday school. Suppose we go for a little walk before time for church."

It was a beautiful sunshiny day, and before they had gone a block Mary Frances was smiling faintly at something her mother was telling. Presently they met two ladies and a little girl with whom Mary Frances and her mother were only slightly acquainted.

"It is really delightful," one of them said when they had passed, "to see a child as simply and as prettily dressed as that one. I do wonder where Mrs. Austin got that little hat. It is so pretty and childish. I'd like one for Lorain."

The breeze bore the conversation clearly back to the ears of Mary Frances and her mother, and the little girl looked up penitently.

"O mamma," she said, "I'll never be ugly again about my clothes. I just thought my hat wasn't pretty because I wanted a flowered one like Susie Bently's. Please forgive me, mamma."

"Indeed I will," returned Mrs. Austin warmly. "Mother thinks it best to wear plain little hats that will not make other little girls envious."

"O," said Mary Frances understandingly, "I see now, mamma."—Beth S. Whitson.

"WISDOM IS BETTER THAN RUBIES"

"I wonder if she'll like it, mother." Olive put her birthday book on the table by the rocking-chair in the pretty guest room that mother had been making ready for Helen.

Helen was mother's niece and Olive's big cousin. She had been very, very ill and was coming to Olive's home in the country to try to grow well and strong again. She was just "grown up" and had been so gay during the winter that when spring came she was ill. The doctor said she must go away from the city, or—and he shook his head and looked very sober. So Helen's father had written to his sister, Olive's mother, and Helen was coming that very afternoon.

"I hope she will enjoy her visit, dear; we'll try to help her have a pleasanter time than ever she has known before, poor child," and mother sighed as she thought of the big girl who had "too many things" in her home in the great city.

It wasn't long before Helen was with them. How beautiful her costly clothes seemed to Olive! And two trunks of dresses! Olive looked down at her own simple muslin frock and sighed just a little. And the wonderful ruby and diamond rings! Helen's father was a jeweler. The rings had belonged to her mother. They were given to the little daughter when the mother died.

Helen kissed her aunt and hugged her little cousin as she exclaimed: "How glad I am to be here, Aunt Olive!" She went upstairs to her room and stood still by the door. "O, how lovely and sweet and quiet."

Aunt Olive and little Olive made the traveler comfortable, because she was very, very tired after the journey. "You are not a bit strong yet, dear. Lie down and rest till the supper bell rings."

When she came down to supper, Olive's eyes were fascinated by the lovely pink dress and the gold chain with a pearl pendant that her cousin wore.

The next day the visit fairly began. Olive helped her cousin unpack the big trunks and hang the costly gowns in the closet.

"How beautiful they are! I wish"—sighed Olive as she smoothed the folds of a blue silk dress. "And those lovely slippers! May I try them on, Cousin Helen?"

"O, you little gocsey," laughed Helen. "These slippers are for you, dear; and here is material for a pink dress, and I will help Aunt Olive make it for you." Then Helen looked down into her little cousin's face. "You wish you had things like these of mine. Why, dear, let me tell you something. You have things for which I would give all there is in both my trunks; yes, gladly." And Helen's eyes filled with tears. "I would give my jewels. When I came down to breakfast this morning and heard Uncle Matthew ask the blessing, when I listened to the morning prayers, when I heard dear Aunt Olive making plans for keeping Sunday—why, Olive, you do not know how I envy you these things!" Helen put her arm around her cousin as she continued: "My home is different. These things are greater than all my jewels, Olive, greater than anything else in all the world."—M. Florence Brown.

BACK TO HEALTH BY NATURE'S ROUTE

This is the title of a most interesting booklet issued by the Celebrated Shivar Mineral Spring. The booklet contains the strongest letters of testimonial from men eminent in the professions of medicine, law and theology, from bankers, merchants, manufacturers and others, telling how this remarkable water has relieved them of dyspepsia and indigestion, nervous headache, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney and liver diseases, uric acid poisoning and other ailments due to impure blood. Sign and mail the following letter and you will have no cause to regret it.

Shivar Spring,
Box 5D, Shelton, S. C.

Gentlemen:

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns, which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)

Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You run no risk whatever in accepting his offer. I have personally witnessed the remarkable curative effects of this water in a very serious case.

FRECKLES

Now Is the Time to Get Rid of These Ugly Spots

There's no longer the slightest need of feeling ashamed of your freckles, as the prescription othine—double strength—is guaranteed to remove these homely spots.

Simply get an ounce of othine—double strength—from any druggist and apply a little of it night and morning and you should soon see that even the worst freckles have begun to disappear, while the lighter ones have vanished entirely. It is seldom that more than an ounce is needed to completely clear the skin and gain a beautiful clear complexion.

Be sure to ask for the double strength othine as this is sold under guarantee of money back if it fails to remove freckles.

BLYMYER CHURCH BELLS. UNLIKE OTHER BELLS SWEETER, MORE DURABLE, LOWER PRICE. OUR FREE CATALOGUE TELLS WHY. Write to Cincinnati Bell Foundry Co., Cincinnati, O.

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A Wood, Presiding Elder
Weaverville, N. C.
Third Round

	July
Weaverville Ct., South Fork	24
Black Mountain, Tabernacle	25
Sulphur Springs, Pisgah	31-August 1
	August
Biltmore, Mt. Pleasant	1
North Asheville, night	4
Swannanoa	7-8
Bethel, night	8

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C.
Third Round

	July
Polkton Ct.	25
Marshville Ct., Gilboa	24-25
North Monroe, night	25
Unionville Ct., Zion	26
Spencer Memorial	1
Dilworth, night	1
District Conference at Polkton, July 21-23	

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—James H. Weaver, Presiding Elder
Greensboro, N. C.
Third Round

	July
Wesley Memorial, High Point	24-25
Main St., High Point	24-25
East End, High Point	24-25
Deep River Ct., White Hall	31-Aug. 1
	August
Randleman	1-2
Asheboro	1-2
Denton, Siloam	7-8
Uwharrie, Salem	8-9

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Third Round

	July
Morganton Ct., Denton	24-25
Connelly Springs, Warlicks	31-Aug. 1
	August
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Bakersville	7-8
Micaville, Shoal Creek	14-15
Bald Creek, Bald Creek	21-22
Burnsville	22-23
Marion Ct., Concord	28-29
District Conference at Gilkey, July 15-18	

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Third Round

	July
Yadkinville	24-25
Ararat	31
	August
Ararat	1
Mount Airy Circuit	7-8

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Third Round

	July
Helton, Methodist Chapel	24-25
	August
Sparta, Cox's Chapel	July 31-1
Laurel Springs, Chestnut Hill	7-8
Jefferson, Bethany	14-15
District Conference at Elk Park, June 24-27.	

Revival Meetings

Sparta	Juy 31-Aug. 6
Jefferson, Bethany	Aug. 9-15

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.
Third Round

	July
Kannapolis Circuit, Unity	24-25
New London Circuit	31-Aug.-1
	August
Gold Hill Circuit	1-2
Bethel and Loves Chapel	8-9

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scrogge, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C.
Third Round

	July
Crouse	17
Stanly	18
South Fork	24
Lowesville, Hill's Chapel	27-29

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Lee T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Third Round

	July
Maiden Ct., Friendship, 11 a. m.,	3-4
Newton St., Newton, night	4-5
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 11 a. m.,	10-11
Davidson St., Davidson, night	11-12
Troutman Ct., Knox Chapel, 11 a. m.	17-18
Mooresville St., Mooresville, night,	18-19
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 11 a. m.,	24-25
Coel Spring Ct., Rose Chapel, 11 a. m.	24-25
Iredell Ct., Macedonia, 11 a. m.	25-26
Broad Street St., Broad St., 11 a. m.	25-26
Race Street St., Race St., 11 a. m.,	25-27

	August
Hickory Ct., Pisgah, 11 a. m.,	1-2

The Sunday School Institute and the District Conference of the Statesville District will be held in Broad Street church, Statesville, July 28-31. Wednesday, July 28th, will be devoted to the Sunday school institute. The institute will open promptly at 10 o'clock, a. m., on that day. We earnestly urge every Sunday school superintendent and every pastor in the district to be present at that hour. There will be something doing every minute. You cannot afford to miss a single item on this program.

The work of the district conference will follow that of the institute. Let every delegate, all the pastors, local preachers, and charge lay leaders be present when the roll is called; and we insist that all the members of the Conference remain until we adjourn on Saturday.

The congregations of Broad Street and Race Street churches will provide abundant entertainment, and we desire the fullest possible attendance.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, R. F. D. 2, Asheville, N. C.
Third Round

	July
Highlands, Cashiers	1
Bryson and Whittier, Bryson City	3-4
Judson Ct., Judson	4-5
Robbinsville, Trinity	6-7
Murphy Ct., Ogden	10-11
Hayesville, Tusquity	17-18
Ranger, Martins Creek	23
Murphy Station	25
Andrews Station	31-Aug. 1
	August
Franklin Ct., Clarks Chapel	7-8
Franklin Station, Malden Chapel	8
Macon Ct.,	15

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C.
Third Round

	July
Davie, Center	3-4
Mocksville	2-4
Advance, Advance	10-11
West End, night	11
Lewisville, Union	17-18
Salem, night	18
Farmington, Bethlehem	24-25
Ceoleemee, night	25
Kernersville, Shady Grove	31-Aug. 1

THE JUNALUSKA BIBLE CONFERENCE

The second session of the Junaluska Bible Conference will embrace the eight days from August 8th to 15th inclusive. The plan of this conference is to put through within a week's time a program of discussion and work that will bring the largest and best results to preachers, young and old, and to Sunday school leaders, and Christian teachers and workers in general.

The work of each day will be divided into hours representing continuous lines of Bible and Evangelistic work. Thus the first hour of the day, known as "The early morning hour," will be under the direction of Dr. S. D. Gordon, the widely known author of "Quiet Talks."

The value of several days of such instruction and fellowship can be readily seen.

Another hour, "the ten o'clock Bible Hour," will be occupied by Dr. Wilbur J. Chapman, the eminent and successful evangelist. His work will be in the way of interpretation, as also the practical evangelistic application of the Scriptures. Dr. Tillett will also contribute to this section.

Dr. Len G. Broughton, the American-English preacher, will give a series of illuminating and inspirational talks on his work and experiences as a preacher in two continents.

The "Eleven O'Clock Hour" will be the high tide of the season of each day, at which one or the other of the eminent men already named, or some one of our bishops or other leading pastors, or evangelistic laymen, will speak.

Evangelistic services will be held each evening. At each of these services Dr. Chapman, Dr. Broughton, Rev. Bob Jones, or some other well known evangelist will preach. Dr. J. A. Baylor is chairman of the evangelistic platform. Dr. H. M. DuBose is general director of program.

A good musical program has been prepared.

Write to Southern Assembly, Waynesville, N. C., for program and other particulars.

Children's Home

AMOUNT RECEIVED ON GENERAL AND SPECIAL SUPPORT AND TEN PER CENT. ASSESSMENT

Rev. L. L. Smith, Ansonville, Cedar Hill church, $3.00; Rev. A. G. Loftin, Catawba, Catawba Ct., $5.88; Rev. A. L. Latham, Canton, Bethel charge, $20.00; Rev. J. T. Ratledge, Mooresville, McKendree church, $9.00, Fairview, $2.30; Rev. J. G. W. Holloway, Dobson church, $10.66; Rev. C. M. Campbell, Statesville, Race St. church, $2.31; Mr. E. B. Claywell, Jr., Morganton, Morganton Station, $35.00; Mr. C. E. Decker, Treas., Marion, Marion Sta., $100.00. Total, $188.15.

BUILDING FUND—Rev. J. H. West, Agent

Mrs. Lizzie B. Craddock, Spencer, $10.00; Mrs. H. M. Gudger, Biltmore, $5.00; Dr. J. F. Miller, Ashboro, $10.00; Mrs. F. W. Bradley's S. S. class, Franklin Avenue church, Gastonia, $25.00. Total, $50.00.

FIFTH SUNDAY COLLECTION

Grace church S. S., Monroe, Mr. Hadley Helmes, Sec., $1.33.

Grateful acknowledgement is made of two boxes of canned fruits, jellies and other articles of food, and one box of books for the children's library, from Mrs. C. H. Ireland, and others.

BREVARD INSTITUTE SUMMER SCHOOL

The third session of the Brevard Institute summer school has been a greater success than any of the preceding sessions. The enrollment has been considerably larger, and the work has been done in a most satisfactory way. The course of study has been considerably enlarged to accommodate a number of students who are preparing to enter college and others who are getting ready for teaching this fall. Attendance at the summer school is accepted by county superintendents in lieu of attendance at county institutes, and quite a number of teachers from the Piedmont and Coastal regions have spent six weeks or less time doing in a leisurely manner the work that is usually rushed through in a two weeks' institute.

A number of the vocational departments have been in operation and will continue open through the summer. This includes the Commercial Department, the Domestic Art Department, and Carpentry. A class in telegraphy will probably begin immediately after the close of the summer school. The carpentry class has been larger and more enthusiastic than in any previous summer.

The new building has been used for the first time in the summer session, and it makes a vast difference in the efficiency and convenience of the work. The laboratory is so well arranged and the class rooms are so commodious that pupils work with the greatest ease.

The summer colony of families who rent cottages has been larger than in previous summers. All the cottages are now occupied by a very delightful class of people who bring their children to the mountains and turn them loose on the Institute campus except the mornings which they spend in one or more classes in the summer school. It is possible, however, that one of the cottages may be vacant in August.

The prospects for the session which begins in September are very bright. The catalogues have been completed and several hundred of them will be put into the mails within a few days. The first cut of the re-modelled Taylor Hall appears in this issue; otherwise there have been few changes from the 1914 catalogue. There has been a vast amount of correspondence with young people who wish to enroll in Brevard Institute, and it seems probable that all the dormitory accommodations will be pledged before school opens as has been the case for the last four years.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Trains leave Greensboro as follows:

N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information and are not guaranteed.

12:55 a. m.—No. 112, daily. Local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh which may be boarded at 9:30 p. m. and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m

1:47 a. m.—No. 30, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars Birmingham and Augusta to New York, and Birmingham and Jacksonville to Washington. Observation sleeping car Atlanta to Richmond. Tourist sleeper for Washington from San Francisco. Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars New York to Birmingham and Augusta, and Washington to Jacksonville and Birmingham. Observation sleeping car Richmond to Atlanta. Tourist sleeping car Washington to San Francisco via Sunset Route. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:45 a. m.—No. 11, daily. Local for Atlanta and points south. Pullman sleeping cars Richmond to Charlotte and Norfolk to Asheville. Coaches.

7:15 a. m.—No 37, daily. NEW YORK, ATLANTA AND NEW ORLEANS LIMITED. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section drawing room sleeping cars New York to New Orleans, Asheville and Macon. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service. No coaches.

7:30 a. m.—No 108, daily. Local for Raleigh and intermediate points.

7:30 a. m.—No. 154, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

8:10 a. m.—No. 44, daily. For Washington and points north.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily. For Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Handles Pullman sleeping car for Winston-Salem from Raleigh.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily. For Mt. Airy.

9:40 a. m.—No. 144 daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Free reclining chair car Charlotte to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily. For Salisbury, Statesville and Asheville. Connecting at Asheville with Carolina Special which handles through sleepers for Cincinnati and Chicago.

12:45 p. m.—No. 130, daily. For Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

12:50 p. m.—No. 45, daily. For Charlotte, connecting with trains for Columbia and Seneca.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Washington, New York and points north. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

2:00 p. m.—No. 207, daily. For Winston-Salem, connecting daily, except Sunday, with trains for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daily except Sunday. For Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily. For Raleigh Selma and Goldsboro.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily. For Mt Airy.

6:30 p. m.—No. 35, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham. Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham and Charlotte to Atlanta. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily. For Winston-Salem.

6:40 p. m.—No. 46, daily. For Danville

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily. For Sanford.

7:24 p. m.—No. 43, daily. For Charlotte, connecting with No. 35 for the South.

10:15 p. m.—No. 12, daily. For Richmond and Norfolk. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Asheville to Norfolk.

10:20 p. m.—No. 233, daily. For Winston-Salem.

11:20 p. m.—No. 38, daily. THE NEW YORK, ATLANTA AND NEW ORLEANS LIMITED. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section, drawing room and compartment sleeping car New Orleans, Macon and Asheville to New York. Dining car service. No coaches.

E. H. COAPMAN, Vice-President and General Manager, Washington, D. C.

W. H. TAYLOE, Passenger Traffic Manager, Washington, D. C.

H. F. CARY, General Passenger Agent Washington, D. C.

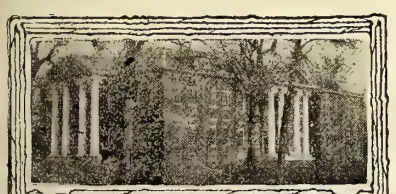
R. H. DeBUTTS, Division Passenger Agent, Charlotte, N. C.

C. G. PICKARD, Passenger and Ticket Agent, Greensboro, N. C.

The North Carolina
COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND MECHANIC ARTS

Young men seeking to equip themselves for practical life in Agriculture and all its allied branches; in Civil, Electrical and Mechanical Engineering; in Chemistry and in Agricultural Teaching will find excellent provision for their chosen careers at the State's Industrial College. This College fits men for life. Faculty for the coming year of 65 men; 767 students; 25 buildings. Admirably equipped laboratories in each department. County examinations at each county-seat on July 8th.

For catalogue, write
E. B. OWEN, Registrar,
West Raleigh, N. C.



OAK RIDGE INSTITUTE

OAK RIDGE, N. C.
J. ALLEN HOLT, Pres.
T. E. WHITAKER, Sec.-Treas.

For 63 years a leader in youths' education. Preparation that opens the way to bigger accomplishments, in College, Business and Life.

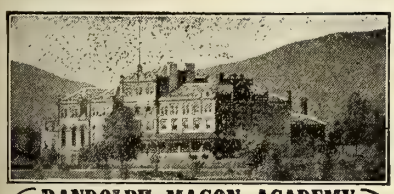
350 acres in campus, athletic grounds, orchards, and farm. Six modern school buildings. Steam heat and showers. Library. Active, well equipped Literary Societies. Healthful, accessible location, near Greensboro. More than 1000 feet above sea level. Sane moral influences and associates.

Courses thoroughly covering Literature and Science, Business, Teaching, Music, Athletics. Strong teachers, who know boys; discipline and government which appeals to their pride and manliness.

Cost Reasonable. Session opens September 7th, 1915.

Write early for illustrated catalogue.

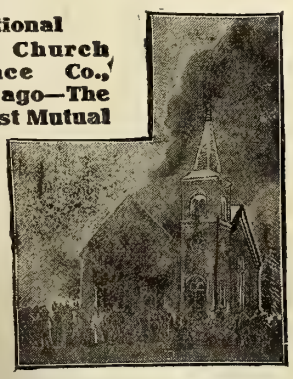
Address
Oak Ridge Institute
Oak Ridge, N. C.



RANDOLPH-MACON ACADEMY
For Boys Bedford City, Va.
Offers prompt and thorough preparation for college, scientific school or business life. The liberal endowment of the Randolph-Macon System, of which this school is a branch, permits of unusually low terms. $255 covers all charges for the school year. No extras. Randolph-Macon boys succeed—465 graduates of this school have received full college degrees or entered professions in the past 18 years. For catalogue and further information, address
E. SUMTER SMITH, Principal

It Is a Burning Shame
that so many Churches are without sufficient insurance, and not properly safe-guarded against fire.

The National Mutual Church Insurance Co., of Chicago—The Methodist Mutual



furnishes protection and assists in prevention. Also writes tornado insurance. Take part and you can save money.

Advantageous rates; easy payments; profits to policy holders. And your Church is entitled to share in these benefits. IT IS UP TO YOU. For applications and particulars address
HENRY P. MAGILL, Sec. and Manager
Insurance Exchange, Chicago, Ill.
Mrs. Alice Hargrove Barclay, Agent M. E. Church South
814 Norton Building, Fourth and Jefferson, Louisville, Ky.

Religion is the expansion and most perfect form of the moral faculty of man. What is religion? It is the soul lifting itself up to its Maker.—

Our Dead

All obituaries exceeding two hundred words will be charged for at the rate of one cent a word. Correspondents will make the calculation and remit the necessary amount with the manuscript. In ordering copies of the paper containing obituaries, it is necessary, in every case, to give date of issue and name of person whose obituary is called for. Additional copies will be sent at the rate of four cents per copy. No verses will be inserted.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

On Tuesday morning, June 22nd, 1915, our brother, Prof. W. M. Cundiff, was called from earth to heaven and we believe the messenger who was sent by our Heavenly Father to call him to the home above, found him ready, for his life of three score and six years had been spent in helping humanity heavenward. He was especially interested in the Sunday school work and we shall greatly miss his wise counsel and Godly influence in our school here, and especially in our teacher's meetings. While he had been with us only a few months, we had learned to love him as a brother and to esteem him as a workman that needed not to be ashamed. Therefore, be it resolved:

1. That we give this expression of our sorrow in the departure of our dear friend and brother, and extend to Mrs. Cundiff our heartfelt sympathy in this hour of suffering and loss and assure her of our love and prayers.

2. That in the death of Brother Cundiff the Sunday school has lost a most faithful and influential member, one whose life was warm in sympathy and love for his fellow friends and laborers. The services he rendered the Sunday school both as member and teacher, were efficient and most praiseworthy.

3. With gratitude to an all-wise God for the services of Brother Cundiff in our Sunday school, we are resigned to the dispensation of that Providence which has transferred him to the celestial home on high.

4. That the heartfelt sympathy of the entire membership of the Sunday school be extended to his bereaved wife and that a page in our Sunday School Record be inscribed to his memory, a copy of these resolutions be furnished the North Carolina Christian Advocate and the Elkin Tribune for publication, and a copy sent to the widow of our deceased brother.

Respectfully submitted,
J. H. Allen,
I. T. Roth,
Rev. J. P. Hipps,
J. S. Bell,
A. G. Click,
Committee.

BRITTAIN—Mrs. Sarah C. Brittain was born in Burke county, N. C., May 22, 1835, and died in Murphy, N. C., July 9, 1915, aged 80 years, 1 month and 17 days. She was married to the late Marcus L. Brittain March 2, 1854. Four sons, J. V., A. M., W. P. and L. W. Brittain, and one daughter, Mrs. Nellie Miller, survive her. She was converted and joined the Methodist church in early life and remained a faithful member of the same to the day of her death. For the past few years she has been an invalid, but bore her suffering with fortitude and Christian resignation. She expressed to her pastor and others her readiness and willingness to depart and be at rest.

Sister Brittain served her day and generation well and will be sadly missed by a large circle of relatives and friends. May the grace which sustained her through the long years of her busy life, and comforted her amid the afflictions of her declining days, be sufficient for each of them in this time of sorrow. Ira Ervin.

Vanderbilt University

Opens Monday, Sept. 27th. High educational standards. Vigorous and healthy student life. Wholesome athletics. Revised curriculum. College of Arts and Science. Professional Schools of Law, Medicine, Pharmacy, Engineering, Religion. For catalogue write, naming department to
THE SECRETARY, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY
BOX 109 NASHVILLE, TENN.



PEACE INSTITUTE FOR YOUNG WOMEN

AN ideal Christian Home School. Preparatory and Collegiate courses. Art, Expression, Physical Culture, Pedagogy, Domestic Science, Business, etc. Conservatory of Music. High standard maintained by large staff of experienced, college trained instructors. Takes only 100 boarders and teaches the individual. Unsurpassed health record. Brick buildings. Steam heat. Electric lights. Excellent table. Good Gymnasium. Park-like campus. Concerts, lectures, tennis, basketball. Write for our catalog before selecting the college for your daughter.
GEORGE J. RAMSEY, M. A., LL. D., President. Raleigh, N. C.

CORZINE—Mr. Robert Washington Corzine was born November 12, 1833, and died June 28, 1915. He was born in Cabarrus county, near Concord, but has been a resident of Haywood county for quite a number of years, and was widely known and liked by Haywood people.

Early in the year of 1856 he was married to Miss Jane Elizabeth Lee, and to this union were born seven children, two of whom survive, his daughter, Mrs. W. P. Leatherwood, of Lake Junaluska, N. C., and his son, E. G. Corzine, of Waynesville, N. C.

He was converted and joined the Methodist church at Long's Chapel when he was about fifty-six years of age. Ever afterwards he remained faithful and true to the church. He was devout, sincere and courageous, and lived a life of usefulness and integrity.

He will be missed because of his influence and faithfulness. Yet it is sweet to think that death is not an eternal sleep. It is only a separation—the dawn of a beautiful tomorrow when the care-worn soul begins anew a day of endless peace and rest.

The funeral services were held at Long's Chapel, near Lake Junaluska, being conducted by Rev. G. A. B. Holderby and Rev. W. P. Fincher.
Clara Leatherwood.

TILLEY—Miss Jane Tilley was born on the 8th day of May, 1852, and departed this life May 1st, 1915, being near 63 years old. She professed faith in Christ at the age of sixteen years, and joined the M. E. Church, South, living a consistent Christian life until our Father called her to the other side. It is very consoling to loved ones and friends to know that Sister Tilley lived a beautiful, unassuming, consecrated Christian life, impressing those who knew her that she had been born from above, and was only a pilgrim and sojourner here. Her sickness was of short duration, being called rather suddenly. No doubt, however she was expecting the call from this to the better life, and gladly stepped into the celestial chariot and went sweeping through the gates to await her final reward for a life of faithful service.

While Sister Tilley is gone, loved ones and friends rejoice in the thought "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord," for their influence still lives and will live to bless humanity.

Let loved ones and friends rejoice and take consolation in the fact that if they live as she lived they may see her and enjoy her fellowship forever.
C. C. Totherow.

Speedwell, N. C.

McGEHEE—Mr. B. F. McGehee was born in Madison, N. C., Nov. 4, 1870. In early childhood he gave his heart to God and joined the Madison Methodist church. He was one of her most useful members. He practically filled all the offices of his church. He was a wise counselor in church affairs. He was one of the leading merchants of his town for about twenty years. He was extremely popular and greatly beloved by the people of the town and surrounding country. He was one of the few very best men of which this writer was ever pastor. He was true, affectionate, kind, generous, loyal, dependable—pure gold. He was closely identified with the business of the town, both municipal and financial. He served as commissioner, mayor and was president of the bank of Madison.

He was married to Miss Fannie Alderson, of Baltimore, July 5th, 1899. To this union were born two children. One died in infancy. He is survived by his wife and one son, B. F. McGehee, Jr., and by two brothers, Mr. H. W. McGehee, of Nichols, S. C., and Dr. J. W. McGehee, of Reidsville, N. C., and by four sisters, Mrs. E. L. Hege, Roanoke, Va.; Mrs. W. J. McAnally, High Point, N. C., and Misses Irene and Sallie McGehee, of Roanoke, Va.

For several years he had been in declining health. Last October he went to Philadelphia and was treated by Dr. Dercum, a nerve specialist, but was not cured. He was taken to Laurel Farm, Maryland, to help regain his health but was not benefited. He passed away July 9, 1915.

He has gone to reign with the Prince of Peace in that sabattic pleasure and beatific calm.

The funeral service was conducted at Bungalow farm, Maryland, by his pastor, Rev. E. K. Hardin, of Mt. Vernon church, Washington, D. C., and his former pastor, Rev. A. R. Surratt, of Madison, N. C., and his body was laid to rest in that large and beautiful cemetery of Baltimore.
A. R. Surratt.

WALKER—Sarah Josephine Walker was born July 29, 1837, and died June 28, 1915, at the age of 78 years, 10 months and 30 days. She was the daughter of Joseph and Sarah Rich, of Davie county, and was married to James Walker, in 1859, and after 13 years of happy wedlock life, the husband died. To them were born 6 children, three sons and three daughters, all of whom passed away in early life except one daughter, Emma Victory, who married Wm. M. Wellman in 1879. Of this union there are seven living children, the father and mother having passed away a number of years ago. The names of the grandchildren are: W. F. Wellman, of Cooleemee; J. C. Wellman, of Danville, Va.; Rev. H. M. Wellman, of Burnsville; J. W. Wellman, of Marion; V. W. Wellman, U. S. Navy; Miss Josephine and Mrs. Milhollen, of Cooleemee.

The deceased was converted at 16 years of age and joined the M. P. church at Elbaville in Davie county, later uniting with the M. E. church at Advance, where she remained till death. She left an abundance of evidence that she was prepared to enter into a fuller and more beautiful life. Her last words were, "Up yonder," pointing upward and smiling. Her body was laid to rest beside her husband in the family plot, near Smith Grove church, to await the resurrection morn. C. M. Short.

The same everlasting Father who cares for you today will take care of you tomorrow and every day. Either he will shield you from suffering, or he will give you unfailing strength to bear it. Be at peace, then, and put aside all anxious thoughts and imaginations.—Francis de Sales.



QUEENS COLLEGE

FOR YOUNG WOMEN **CHARLOTTE, N. C.**

Delightfully located in Myers Park, suburban Charlotte. Five new buildings of tapestry brick and limestone; two stories high, fireproof throughout. Confortable and convenient dormitories; baths adjoining each room; hot and cold water. Extensive 50 acre campus. One of the best equipped woman's colleges in the South.

Standard college courses leading to B. A. degree. Special fitting course. 22 trained instructors. Complete laboratory equipment, gymnasium, library. ***Splendid Musical Advantages:*** 3 manual pipe organ; 22 piano practice rooms containing all new instruments. ***Diplomas in Voice, Violin, Piano, Organ, Art and Expression.***

Non-sectarian but distinctly Christian. Terms per session $300. For catalog address

JOHN L. CALDWELL, M. A., D. D., President **CHARLOTTE, N. C.**

JACOBS & CO.

TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 **CHARTERED 1859**

A Christian college steadfast in its fidelity to its highest ideals and noblest traditions. Among the few well endowed Southern institutions of learning. A large faculty of thoroughly trained and wisely chosen teachers. Excellent new buildings, beautiful and large campus. Modern laboratories and fine library.

Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.

Special attention given in the Biblical Department to the wise training of young ministers.

For catalogue and illustrated booklet address

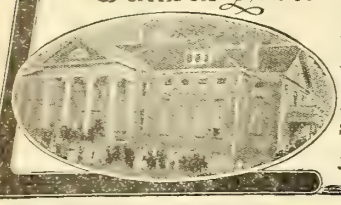
R. L. FLOWERS,

Secretary to the Corporation, Durham, North Carolina.



LIBERTY-PIEDMONT INSTITUTE

Wallburg, N.C.



Endorsed by the leading educators. Affords boys and girls an unusually broad preparation for College and University under ideal home conditions and constructive Christian influences.

Primary, intermediate and high school courses, with many courses not found in the public school. ***Music, Expression and Business Training.*** Small classes; strong teaching force. Modern buildings. Ideal country location near Winston-Salem. Fall term opens August 31.

For Catalogue Address

JOHN MERITT CHEEK, B. A., Principal, Wallburg, N. C.

1898 THE TRINITY PARK SCHOOL 1915

Located on the campus of Trinity College. Faculty of well trained men of successful experience as teachers. Special individual attention given by masters to students. For health location unexcelled. Well equipped study hall under a master. Excellent buildings and beautiful grounds. Every effort exerted to make the school an ideal home for boys. Expenses reasonable. For catalogue address

W. W. PEELE, Headmaster, Durham, N. C.

Wesleyan College

Macon, Georgia

Founded in 1836. Graduated its First Class in 1840. Seventy-nine Years of Eminent Success. Ranks Easily With the Best Colleges in the Country.

THE WESLEYAN, an "A" grade college in the truest sense, offers courses in the languages, literature, mathematics, the sciences, philosophy, education, history and economics, household arts and sciences, the Bible and religious education. The full four years of college work are credited by the best universities. Excellent equipment and a large faculty afford ample opportunity for election of preferred branches of study.

While supreme emphasis is laid upon the courses leading to the Bachelor's degree, the strongest possible departments of music, art and expression are maintained.

Fourteen eminent American artists and teachers are employed in the Conservatory of Music. The three men at the head of the departments of piano, voice and pipe organ respectively, are unsurpassed on the continent, while the violin teacher is easily the South's greatest.

The departments of expression, painting and drawing and china painting are in charge of several teachers of rare qualifications.

The situation of Wesleyan is ideal, its health record practically perfect, its social and moral atmosphere delightful.

The Wesleyan diploma is the highest academic honor. The thousands of alumnae are leaders everywhere and in every realm of woman's influence.

Write

C. R. JENKINS, D. D., President.

DAVIDSON COLLEGE



A First Rank College For Men

Davidson, N. C.

Established in 1837. Highly advanced in work and equipment. Places profound emphasis on thorough scholarship, clean manhood and Christian character. Offers young men unusual opportunity for educational development.

$650,000 resources. 13 modern buildings. Library of 24,586 volumes. Five laboratories. Infirmary. Commodious dormitories. Ideally located for health, social life and freedom from undesirable influences.

High standard courses leading to degrees of B. A., B. S. and M. A. Instructors of character and learning. Physical training part of course, prescribed to rectify individual faults. Attendance over 300. 14 States represented. 1915 Session opens Sept. 2nd. For Catalogue, address

The Registrar, Davidson College, Davidson, N. C.



STATESVILLE Female COLLEGE



A Christian College offering all the best advantages at low cost. For 58 years a leading factor in the education of Southern womanhood.

Particularly fitted by location and equipment to train young women for social and domestic stations requiring efficiency in knowledge and responsibility in character. Beautifully situated in a town of educational and religious activity.

Modern buildings, complete equipment. Lovely campus. Out-door sports.

Thoroughly capable instrutors. Standard college courses; A. B., B. L. and B. S. degrees. Splendidly equipped music department; schools of Domestic Science, Art, Expression, Physical Culture and Bible. Safe home life, and attractive surroundings. ***Rates unusually low.***

For Catalogue and Full Information Write to

J. M. MOORE, A. M., President, - - STATESVILLE, N. C.

BLACKSTONE COLLEGE FOR GIRLS, Blackstone, Va.

JAMES CANNON, Jr., A. M., D. D., President.

Established 1894



Faculty of 33; 427 Students, from 20 States. Accredited by Virginia State Board of Education. Hundreds of graduates now teaching. $160 pays charges in Academic Department; $200 in College Department.

The Leading Training School for Girls in Virginia

Where can parents find a college with as fine a record, with such experienced management, at such moderate cost? For catalogue and application blank address GEO. P. ADAMS, Secretary, Blackstone, Va.

EMORY UNIVERSITY

An institution founded, owned, and controlled by the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

The University offers at present courses leading to degrees in the following departments:

1. **The School of Liberal Arts**—Emory College—offers courses in English, Spanish, French, German, Greek, Latin, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Mental and Moral Science, History, Political Economy, and Biblical Literature, leading to the usual literary degrees. This department has a library of 40,000 bound volumes.

2. **The School of Theology**—The Candler School of Theology—offers full and varied courses leading to the degree of B. D. This is a school of theology, as definite in its teaching as it is definite in its aim to serve the church to which it belongs. The library of the School of Theology is rich and grows richer daily. To it belongs the famous "Thursfield-Smith Collection of Wesleyana," which includes hundreds of the autograph letters of the Wesleys and other Methodist celebrities.

3. **The School of Medicine**—The Atlanta Medical College—a medical school of the first grade which offers courses in medicine and surgery covering four years, and leading to the degree of M. D. By arrangement with the Grady Hospital, the Municipal Hospital of Atlanta, and the Wesley Memorial Hospital, which is a part of the University system, the School of Medicine is able to offer clinical advantages of great value to students.

For bulletins, giving full information concerning the University, and its several departments, write to

WALKER WHITE, Secretary-Bursar,

Emory University Atlanta, Georgia.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, August [illegible]915 | Number 31

Heralding Room Trinity College

GOD KEEP MY CHILD

God keep my child! The hour has come;
Thou goest forth from friends and home,
While life and love and hope are new,
And all seems bright that meets the view=
God keep my child!

God keep my child! The world is wide;
I may not hold thee at my side,
But strong as angel guards shall be
The earnest prayers that follow thee=
God keep my child!

A father's eye, a mother's hand,
They cannot reach the stranger land;
But One is ever present there;
I give my treasure to His care,
God keep my child!

=*From the German of Karl Gerok.*

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE JOURNEYINGS
Editorial Letter

On Tuesday, July 27th, I got out of Greensboro at 6:40 A. M., on my way to the

Shelby District Conference

which was scheduled to meet at Hill's Chapel, near Lowesville, at 9 o'clock. The distance, by the route I had in mind was just 110 miles. Of course I had no hope of being present for the opening service, but expected to reach the chapel by 12 o'clock, notwithstanding eighteen miles was to be made, as we say, by private conveyance. Arriving at Charlotte at 10:30, I soon had arrangements for the last stage of the journey, in a fifty-horse-power car, with Mr. I. B. Robertson at the wheel. I found myself, again and again saying, "great is the automobile." I doubt if even ten years ago I could have made this trip so as to have been with the Conference at all on Tuesday. But for the blowing up of a tire on the way I would have been on the ground before the close of the morning session. As it was the tire was repaired and I was safely landed in time for dinner on the ground. Every mile of that trip from Charlotte to Lowesville was a smoothe macadam or sand-clay, but as hot as a radiator. Nevertheless, the driver could speed along without fear of being indicted for "cruelty to animals." The machine is not only a great saver of time, but a great saver of horse flesh.

I found the Conference had been organized and one or two representatives who were hurrying along had been heard before the preaching hour, and Dr. Parker had preached them a great sermon.

There was much expression of regret that Rev. J. R. Scroggs, the presiding elder, could not be present on account of the illness of his wife as well as his own physical condition. Having improved in health somewhat recently, he had expected to be present and preside, but at the last he found this impossible. Much sympathy was expressed and many prayers were offered for both Brother Scroggs and his wife. For many years Brother Scroggs has been one of our most prominent and faithful leaders and he and his wife are widely known and greatly loved.

By unanimous choice Rev. H. H. Jordan, pastor of our Main Street church, Gastonia, was called to the chair and he presided throughout the Conference with great acceptability. "Coming events cast" ——— here my pencil got hot and refused to perform.

Rev. W. T. Usry was elected secretary, and I am glad that he has given a full report of the Conference which is printed elsewhere.

The attendance was large, and despite the distance from the railroad, (ten miles to nearest station) there seemed no special inconvenience, although few preachers and delegates had their own conveyance. Here the automobile came in again for a demonstration of its utility in overcoming vast difficulties. My home was two and one-half miles from the church, with Brother Hager; yet I was in and out so quickly that I felt as if I were but a half mile away.

The country is beautiful. Dotted with attractive homes and bisected with splendid sand-clay roads, there is little, it would seem, to be desired by these dwellers in the rural places, but to be content and build upon the great foundations of rural prosperity which have already been laid for them. Good roads, good schools, good churches and the automobile will soon make it possible for them to turn the joke on the man who pronounced country life a dreary thing and piddled out the price of his country home trying to find happiness and prosperity in the city.

The reports from pastoral charges seemed quite up to the average. There is no reason to expect any great falling off in the financial budget. In fact, the tone was in every way hopeful, and the note of spirituality sounded out loud. I have not been in a district where more has been achieved nor where so much has been planned for the immediate future in the evangelistic field. Under the report of the Committee on The Spiritual State of the Church the whole Conference went down upon their knees and had a continued season of fervent prayer for God's blessing upon the churches throughout the district.

Great meetings are to be held at Rock Spring and at Lincolnton. The one at Rock Spring is in progress this week, led by Rev. J. H. Green. The feeling is general that this meeting will not only be harmonious but eminently successful. Brother Green has a strong grip upon the people and they believe in him and are willing to follow his leadership. He has a great responsibility upon him and craves the prayers of Advocate readers. Let all who read this pray for him.

Rev. Z. Paris and his people are preparing for a great tent meeting at Lincolnton under the direction of Rev. Raymond Browning and Charlie Tighlman. Great things are expected as a result of these meetings.

I had the utmost consideration as the Advocate representative and after speaking for the Advocate and preaching at eleven o'clock and a hurried dinner on the ground, on Thursday, I left in the blazing heat for an automobile trip of forty miles in order to make sure of two good days at

The Statesville District Conference

I had not proceeded far on the journey till I was admonished that perhaps too much had been undertaken for that hot day. However, I arrived at Statesville about 5 P. M., without having suffered great discomfort other than that of the intense heat. I had delightful companionship on the way, with Prof. Trowbridge and Revs. M. T. and Robert E. Hinshaw. Under other conditions this trip of forty miles would have been a great delight.

Passing through portions of Lincoln, Mecklenburg and Iredell counties, one is impressed with the vast agricultural possibilities of the country. There are many beautiful homes along the way and the sand-clay roads are magnificent.

I was fortunate in having received a special invitation to be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Ballance while in Statesville. Becoming quite ill during the night I found it quite a relief to feel that I was in the hands of sympathetic friends whose lives had become linked with my own through many days of dwelling under the same roof. Even little "Constance" seemed chastened with the thought that "Pa Blair" was sick, and she wanted to do something for him.

Here the whole chapter about district conferences for 1915 ended, and, on Monday afternoon, August 2nd, I look back to what now seems a dream of exquisite pleasure suddenly broken off and lost. Suffice it to say that all I saw of Statesville District Conference was the service on Wednesday evening in which Dr. Parker preached a splendid sermon on the Religious Education of Youth.

The Sunday School Institute for the District had been held on Wednesday and was an occasion of interest. The District Conference proper convened on Thursday and Brother Mann, the presiding elder, I understand, as his custom is, had a well prepared program. I have been expecting a full report from the Secretary, Rev. R. E. Hunt.

The following were elected delegates to the Annual Conference: Dorman Thompson, L. H. Phillips, Zeb Deaton and Dr. W. H. Nicholson. Alternates: Rev. M. A. Abernethy and J. L. Nelson.

The Conference will meet in Taylorsville next year.

I cannot express the regret I feel in having been deprived of the pleasure of attending this last District Conference. For many reasons I had looked forward to it with more than ordinary interest, not the least being the fact that within the district is located the home of my childhood and most of my kinsmen in the flesh.

Rev. Lee T .Mann, the presiding elder, is closing a four-year term of very efficient and successful work on the district.

Rev. Jno. F. Kirk, the Conference host is serving his third year as pastor of Broad Street church. The people love him, and a man so well fixed ought to be satisfied to remain it would seem. I do not hesitate to pronounce Broad Street the most beautiful house of worship in our Conference. Taking this beautiful and commodious church and parsonage, together with the district parsonage adjoining, as one plant, one wonders how Statesville Methodism ever managed to get so well lxed.

I shall hope some time when the weather is not so hot to pick up this lost stitch so far as Statesville is concerned. Methodists who do things as these Statesville Methodists must be a good people to mix with. H. M. B.

CHILDREN'S HOME GETS $10,000.00

It will be cheering news to Advocate readers that the will of the late Prof. W. M. Cundiff provides $10,000.00 for the erection of a building at our Children's Home. It is understood that the money will be available at an early day.

Knowing Brother Cundiff intimately for some twenty years or more, we are not at all surprised at this announcement. This will be a monument far more enduing than any elaborate mausoleum, costing as much or more, and which many men in like circumstances are wont to provide for themselves. We trust many others who read this will be moved to go and do likewise, so that, ere long, a constant stream will be flowing into the treasury of this very deserving institution of our Conference.

A WORTHY APPEAL

The appeal by Rev. L. T. Cordell in behalf of Rev. A. W. Jacobs and wife is one that should bring a general and generous response. The church has never had a more faithful and devoted minister than Rev. A. W. Jacobs. Moreover, during their days of health and strength, Mrs. Jacobs was in the very best sense a true helper in the work of her husband. A woman of the noblest character, intelligent, refined, she never hesitated to go with Brother Jacobs into the most difficult and trying fields. A woman of the deepest consecration, it was apparently her delight to leave all and follow the Master.

Now in their helplessness and pathetic condition we beg that our people show the Christly spirit by writing expressions of sympathy, accompanied by a substantial contribution for their relief. The editor of the Advocate is well acquainted with Mr. T. R. Gray, as one of our very best and most intelligent layman. Our readers need not fear to send contributions direct to him as suggested by Brother Cordell. May God's blessings rest upon our afflicted brother and sister and may the people see to it that they do not lack for earthly comforts.

NOTE AND COMMENT

The Direct Money Cost of the war has, according to the International News Service, been something enormous. Altogether it has cost the belligerent governments $16,500,000,000 in direct expenditures for military purposes. It is said that experts agree fairly well on these figures. The Berlin Vorwaerts finds the total $16,676,130,000; the French Economist Edmond Thery, $17,400,000,000; and the statistician William Michaelis of Berlin, $15,240,000,000. This is the expense of putting about 9,000,000 men into the field for the Central Powers, and about 13,000,000 for the Allies. It does not include, however, the far greater amount lost through the destruction of towns and villages, the razing of the countryside, the wreckage of bridges and railroads, and the wholesale sinking of ships, and the economic loss through the diminution in productive in-

dustry, the killing of the strongest men in the community, and the creation of a class of cripples and madmen. The war is now costing about $15,000,000 a day, $2,000,000 an hour, and $300,000 a minute. Day by day this cost steadily grows larger.

* * * *

One Year of War Passed last Saturday. Only approximately accurate tables of the killde, wounded, and missing during this first year are possible, because France and Russia and Austria-Hungary do not give out their figures, while Germany has changed her policy recently to one of secrecy. Great Britain still tells her losses from month to month. Of the Teutonic Allies Germany has lost 2,300,000; Austria-Hungary, 1,900,000; Turkey, 230,000, making a total of 4,430,000. Of the Entente Allies France has lost 1,700,000; Russia (including 1,750,000 prisoners.), 3,500,000; Great Britain, 480,000; Belgium, 260,000; Serbia, 240,000; Japan, 1,210; Italy (no report of losses) 75,000; Montenegro, 30,000, making a total of 6,286,210. From these figures must be deducted the wounded who recover and return to the front. This factor can not be estimated, but Lord Kitchener said in a recent speech that it was very large. The figures given above do not include naval losses.

* * * *

The North American Review for August is at hand. Its editor, Colonel George Harvey, has a blood-thirsty, down-with-Germany article entitled "America First," wherein he arraigns President Wilson not for his policy but for his method, for his words instead of action. Hear him: "But we can go no further along a road which leads nowhere; a new way, an effective way, must be found to uphold the dignity and maintain the honor of the Republic. Reasoning has proved futile, pleading has been spurned; no course is left but to suit the action to the word."

Surely some one must have stepped upon the horny and patriotic induration of epidermis of the Colonel's commonly known as a corn. The great, silent, reading and thinking American public is not much impressed nowadays by these flamboyant strugglings of such men as Colonel Harvey and Colonel Roosevelt and Colonel Watterson. Be it known that the wise men of history are not those who clamor for war, nor those who jump with muddied feet upon the characters of their eminent contemporaries.

If we fiight because we are afraid what other nations might think of us, then, indeed are we cowards—cowards to other people's opinions.

The great national and intangible dignity of these three colonels has been touched in a sore place and they want to shoot somebody for it, preferably some Germans. Doubtless Colonel Roosevelt would be satisfied with biting off the Kaiser's ear, seeing he has the osseous and chitinous or dental appendages wherewith to do it; Colonel Watterson might be content with pulling Von Tirpitz's whiskers, especially since there are certainly whiskers galore on the old gentleman's face; and Colonel Harvey, according to his August tirade would be happy to get hold of Von Hindenberg's mustache, a proceeding which might be desirable inasmuch as it would likely rid us of much "I-AM-ITY."

* * * *

It Has Recently Been Remarked that the greatly increased national revenue from the income tax is especially pleasing to Democratic editors, and especially in view of the shrinkage in customs receipts due to the war. A slight drop in the tax on corporation incomes for the fiscal year ending June 30th, was more than made up by a rise from $28,000,000 to $41,000,000 in the revenue from personal incomes. This is held to be due, not from any large increase in the number of taxables, or any great accessions of wealth among those already well-to-do, but to better methods of collection. New York, Boston, Philadelphia and Chicago in order led the cities in income tax payments. The East, as an editor notes, seems still to hold the purse strings of the country, with New York, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts and New Jersey paying more than half the entire income tax.

The British Government Is Alarmed at the food-supply problem and has appointed an influential committee to inquire into conditions and recommend legislation. A recent number of the London Times has this striking paragraph:

"The first of all elements in national economy is the food-supply. We know that the enemy has with characteristic thoroughness made every preparation in advance; he has organized his resources for the future with the utmost care. It is high time for us to think about our own supply. Want of food may starve us into offering ignominious terms of surrender."

The London New Statesman remarks: "By putting back under the plow the 4,000,000 acres that have grown in grass since 1872, the nation could add $250,000,000 worth of food to its production, and thus diminish its annual imports by that large sum. No nobleman's park has been plowed up since the war began, in order to diminish our dependence on imported wheat, yet it is a universal obligation under which we have come—an obligation which will presently have to be embodied in law if we do not voluntarily respond with sufficient alacrity."

These hunting preserves remaining intact remind us of the tennis courts and flower-pots in Germany being planted in vegetables and grain.

* * * *

The Friends' Yearly Meeting began its two hundred and eighteenth session at Guilford College yesterday. This yearly meeting is always looked forward to as the big event by the Friends of North Carolina. For more than a century these meetings have been held in Guilford county. For a long while they were held at Guilford College, then called New Garden Boarding School, but several years ago a site was given in High Point for the Yearly Meeting grounds, and for a number of years that town entertained these annual gatherings. However, a few years ago the desire to return to the old grounds became strong, the property in High Point was disposed of, and it was determined to make Guilford College the permanent meeting place.

Among the speakers this year will be Rev. Thomas Newlin, the newly elected president of Guilford College; Rev. Sylvester Newlin, D. D., formerly of Pasadena, Cal., who becomes pastor of the High Point church; Rev. Robt. L. Simkin, formerly of New York, now a missionary to China; Dr. L. L. Hobbs, president emeritus of Guilford College, who has been clerk and presiding officer of the Yearly Meeting for twenty-five years.

* * * *

Press Despatches Report that the session of the Woman's School of Missions for 1915, which has just closed at Montreat, N. C., was the most successful of the school yet held. The attendance was the largest in the history of the school, 470 delegates having registered, representing 24 states and seven foreign countries.

The program this year consisted of a daily Bible study period, two mission study periods, a story-telling period, and an address. The leader of the Bible hour was Mrs. E. P. Bledsoe, of Charleston, W. Va., she being a Bible teacher of large experience and great spiritual insight. The junior mission study hour was conducted by Miss Mary Wallace Kirk, of Tuscumbia, Ala., and Miss Emma Roberts, of Atlanta, led the mission study class for adults. The story-telling period was for those of different ages and was conducted by Mrs. S. H. Askew, of Atlanta, and Mrs. Motte Martin, of Luebo Africa.

Addresses during the school were on "How to Study the Bible," "Suggested Methods for Young People's Societies," "America Leading the World, but Whither?" "The Education of Our Sons and Daughters," "The Aged Watchman, Do We Owe Him Anything?" "Christ and Chinese Womanhood."

A sermon was preached by Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman, D. D., of New York, on "The Value of the Christian Home," and also a discourse was delivered by Dr. Walter W. Moore, of Richmond, Va., on "The Meaning of the Word Christian."

* * * *

The Sunday School Workers' Institute, which was in session some days ago at Lake Junaluska, put itself down decidedly as an advocate of advertising as a means of getting people to Sunday school. Modern, wide-awake business Christian laymen have come to realize what an effective agency is the daily paper. They say it reaches the people—and it does. It was urged at the Institute that Sunday schools everywhere use paid advertising—stress was put upon the word "paid"—as a means of pushing the great Sunday school campaign which is now on throughout the Methodist Church, South. Not a dissenting voice was heard on the proposition. Rather was there enthusiastic support of the movement from strong men like Mr. J. M. Way, Rev. Emmett Hightower, and Mr. John R. Pepper.

The idea seems to be that if the Sunday school is to reach the great mass of people, it must go after them. And the newspaper has been hit upon as an effective agency. Many of the more progressive schools use the electric sign in the cities. Mr. John R. Pepper told how his own Sunday school in Memphis used recently this electric sign: "April, 1912, the Titanic Went Down Carrying With it 565 Persons. Every Eight Days in America, 1,565 Souls Go Down Because of Intemperance. Come to Sunday School at First Methodist Church Sunday Morning at 9:30." Miss Kilpatrick said recently while in Memphis she read an invitation to attend Sunday school placed at the entrance of one of the largest theaters of the city.

Advertise, advertise, it was urged.

* * * *

General Carranza Has Occupied Mexico City and has ordered patrols along the Mexican railroad between Mexico City and Apizaco so as to protect it from bandit raids. This order followed closely the receipt by General Carranza of the vigorous representations sent by Secretary Lansing urging that the railway be reopened and kept open so the starving population of Mexico City could be fed. Similar representations went also to Generals Villa and Zapata.

News despatches say that General Gonzales, under orders from General Carranza, entered the Capital City last Monday where he will re-establish civil government and formulate plans for relieving the people.

Carranza's prompt response to insistance by the United States is regarded in Washington as averting necessity for immediate action by our government to insure transportation of provisions to Mexico City. General Carranza was told in the message sent him last week that if he could not act the United States would.

After proper establishment in Mexico City it is hoped that municipal elections in the various states can be held and an extra session of the Mexican Congress called in order to choose a provisional president.

* * * *

"He died of Typhoid Fever" will some day very likely be a disgrace. It at least will show that somebody has been criminally neglectful. In an address "to be delivered over the body of a young man dead of typhoid fever" Assistant Surgeon General W. C. Rucker, of the United States Public Health Service, concludes with these words:

"At any rate the death of this young man could have been prevented! It was entirely unnecessary. It is the price which we are made to pay for somebody's ignorance and carelessness. The day is fast approaching when such sacrifices will cease to be. It will arrive only when we have learned that the presence of typhoid in a community means that one has been criminally negligent of his duty. Today with hearts bowed down by the grief of the loss of this young man, let us resolve that we will henceforth so order our lives that we may conduct them without menace to others. Let us take unto ourselves the lesson of this hour, and in our own sorrow fix our determination to prevent the coming of sorrow to others. If we do this, this dead shall not have died in vain."

CONTRIBUTIONS

TRINITY BANQUETS, YOUNG MINISTERS AND TOBACCO

Rev. D. H. Tuttle

The General Conference of May, 1914, enacted the following: "The Committee on Admission shall require all applicants for admission on trial to agree to abstain from the use of tobacco." Par. 148, Sec. 5, Page 62 Discipline. Ministers and laymen both voted for this law.

I find in the minutes of the last session of our North Carolina Conference, page 36, in the report of the Committee on Temperance: "In view of the fact that the law of our church requires all who are admitted on trial to agree to abstain from the use of tobacco, your committee recommends that the Conference request those who have in hand the management of the Conference Trinity College Alumni banquet that no cigars be furnished the guests." Page 20 records that this resolution was adopted, both ministers and laymen voting. Not being present at the last session of our Conference, I do not know whether this request was regarded or not, but I do know that at the Trinity commencement banquet on June 8th last, cigars were furnished to all guests who would accept them. Now it strikes me that the above resolution ought to have gone further and included ALL Trinity College banquets. Proper reverence for God, in whose presence both the law and the resolution were passed, requires our habitual obedience to them. It is not a light thing to speak or enact a thing in God's presence. Read right now Num. 30:2, Deut. 23:21-23, Eccle. 5:1-7. This neglect or disregard for what we have said before God is all too common a sin. Is it not a shame that our Lord cannot trust us to do what we say we will, either as individuals or in our Conference. God will resurrect our resolutions and our laws to witness against us. When that anti-tobacco law was passed for preachers it was meant to serve as a "High Mark" unto which the entire membership of the church would be eventually lifted. God expects ALL his people to dwell in and richly enjoy the benefits of 2 Cor. 7:1 and Col. 3:17.

The great majority of our young preachers are being trained at Trinity College, therefore, the teaching, the daily living, the moral and spiritual atmosphere of this great institution should be one of loyal obedience to every law of our church. The young preachers going from such an institution would not expect to find tobacco being used at a Conference banquet. The Alumni of Trinity College, both ministerial and lay, owe it to our young preachers to remove from their presence every appearance of disobedience to the law of our church.

"Let us not, therefore, judge one another any more: but judge this rather, that no man put a stumblingblock or an occasion to fall in his brother's way."—Rom. 14:13.

For the further reasons this ought to be done:

1. I have noticed that when cigars are brought in some alumni and others quit the building. Cannot endure the smoke. Do not all have a right to remain and enjoy all the profits and pleasures of the occasion?

2. By this banquet use of tobacco, are we not antagonizing a great educational movement against the tobacco evil? Is not the best medical science revealing to us the evil effects of the tobacco habit?

3. Does not the use of tobacco on banquet occasions have a tendency to destroy our moral and spiritual unity, and does not our church need all the strength that can be had from being united in order that we may be able to hold our own against the drift toward State Institutions?

4. Do not the people of the world expect the church to maintain a higher standard of excellence along all lines of progress toward the best things in physical, mental and spiritual life, and if the church meets their expectation, will she not reap the result of their appreciation?

5. Should we not "cut out" tobacco from banquet occasions for sanitary reasons? Is there not real danger of disease infection from breathing an atmosphere filled with smoke that has passed through diseased mouths, throats and nasal organs? I'm no germ crank, but what right has any man to sit by me, or walk just in front of me and spoil the air I am to breathe?

6. May we not be grieving the Holy Spirit on these banquet occasions by yielding to a useless and unclean habit of "needless self-indulgence" in open violation of general rule No. 13 of our discipline? Grieved, because we make ourselves "aiders and abetors" in a humanity-wide waste of money, and that at a time when the power of a dime or a dollar was never greater for doing good in the church of God?

Then hereafter, on these glad commencement occasions, let us see each other clearly face to face, and not through dim mists of smoke, rising as incense from self-indulgent sacrifices to a god of this world.

"God has his best things for the few
Who dare to stand the test;
He has his second choice for those
Who will not have his best."

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN

Department of Fine Arts—School of Music

By Conrad Lasher, Director

While the courses in Music given by this time-honored institution have for years been wide and attractive as is testified by the splendid patronage this school has received in the past from all over this state, the Department of Music has now a personnel far in advance of anything ever before enjoyed. It is expected as soon as possible to have a well equipped Music Building that will accommodate from 300 to 400 students. And because the need of equalization within the various departments, and the unification of academic standard is keenly felt, the college has therefore inaugurated a course of four years leading to the Baccalaurate Degree in Music.

Heretofore the Music School has issued a diploma in music at the end of a four years' course in Piano, Voice, or other branches of the musical art. The requirements for this diploma were a good high school education and the satisfactory passing the various theoretical classes in music. There was, however, no definite curriculum or plan of study prescribed.

In addition to this course the college opened several years ago, a one year post graduate course, at the end of which, together with three years of collegiate English and two years of modern languages, a B. M. degree was conferred upon the student.

There were of course several minor requirements to be satisfied but, again, no definite plan of study to be followed was prescribed.

This system, while it was appropriate in some way, has proved to work some hardship for our students, especially to those who entered the college after finishing their high school education or even with some work of this type still to be made up during their residence here. These students found themselves in many instances unable to meet the requirements for the post graduate course, and thus were debarred from working for, and attaining the B. M. degree. In order to overcome this inadequacy, and to furthermore simplify the music course in general, the following definite plan of study has been outlined and adopted by the college, and will be used alongside with the old schedule of work until the readjustment necessary to enable the student to become a candidate for this degree, is accomplished, which it is expected will be done within the next few years. This new curriculum of music course leading to the B. M. degree, comprises as before four years of collegiate work. The main difference lies first in the fact that the student is required to present fourteen units for entrance to the Freshman class of the college.

The second point in which this new curriculum differs from the old course is: a well defined and evenly balanced plan of work, which covers four years of study, and gives 64 hours of collegiate work as is required for the baccalaureate degree of this college.

In order to assist the student in her endeavor to enter the collegiate music course the college has added to the many advantages offered to the student in this school a Preparatory Piano Department, arranged in four grades, so that any student may be enabled to make up deficiencies.

In comparing the present arrangement with the old course of study it will be noticed that the Post Graduating class, being no longer an isolated class, has become the Senior Class, and the former Senior Class and the Junior, and so forth; a general shifting of classes has therefore taken place. The students are advised to mark this change carefully.

Special attention is called to the increase of the number of recitations in the various theoretical classes, such as first and second Harmony, Counterpoint, Fugue and Composition, and first and second History of Music. These classes had in the old course two recitations a week. This number is increased to three recitations a week, and besides the scope of the work is very materially broadened and deepened in order to merit the high credit given. For the coming year, however, there will be no additional charge for this extra expense on the part of the college.

A schematic form of the new course has been prepared to enable the student to readjust her studies in case she intends to become a candidate for this degree in music.

A few remarks of information concerning this new preparatory department and its scope of work may not be amiss, since there are a few slight changes made.

The Preparatory Department in Piano

This department, conducted by thoroughly trained teachers, aims to prepare the student for the collegiate Freshman Class in the college. The department is divided into four grades, arranged in progressive order and leading direct into the Freshman Class. The work in each grade must be entirely finished, and a satisfactory examination passed before a pupil may become a member of the next higher grade. In every case, however, the individual work is fitted to each pupil's needs, but the standard of the grade is never lowered.

A student may enter any one of these four grades provided, as has already been said, she is technically and musically qualified to do so. This fact opens this department to any one who desires to take music as an additional study to other courses.

The qualification to enter a higher grade in the preparatory department may be ascertained either through an examination, held at various intervals throughout the academic year, or by means of a certificate of an accredited school or teacher of high standing, testifying to the work done preparatory to the entrance into the higher grade.

In these grades the pupils are required to take one weekly class lesson in Elementary Theory, and in Sight Singing, and Ear Training, thus leaving to the private lessons the actual technical and playing work of teacher as well as pupil, thereby the actual waste of the short and valuable time and energy of the teacher in charge of the individual technical work of the pupil is greatly reduced.

The opening of this department gives the student from the very beginning of her music course the advantage of a completely organized school of music, together with the influence of the collegiate atmosphere and those associations which make for genuine culture.

EVANGELISM IN NORTH CAROLINA

By Evangelist J. V. Williams

It delights my heart to hear of great meetings and great ingatherings of souls all over our commonwealth. Many churches in the country districts that need the services greater than the towns, cannot get the evangelist. Means are lacking. There ought to be a district movement to pay a competent evangelist to work in the country districts.

Have just closed a meeting on the Hatteras circuit; preached thirty days, twice a day, and three times on Sunday, and am still singing "I feel like going on."

After two more meetings on the coast I will take up the work in the mountain country, near Lincolnton, N. C. In the east they sing with me the old songs and often shout like the Methodist saints did in the long ago. I won-

der if the mountain folks will like that. I hope so, for it is my way. What is the matter with our churches anyway? We have had revival after revival, and yet many of them are icy. We find almost everywhere that a very large per cent. do not claim to be Christians. In many places as much as 75 per cent. or more. What's the matter?

It looks like some evangelist or preacher has been pulling a lot of green fruit, and packed it too green. If there is not a stop to that business the sinners may rise up some day and turn out all the saints. The big work today is to revive the church—to get the unsaved members converted. Am I right? Then let us do it.

In many places the real spiritual forces are discouraged. The ungodly in the church dancing, playing cards, going to theatres, etc., and preacher not attacking it from the pulpit.

Browning denounced card-playing at New Bern, and they hit back. Of course. They have come to think that to be a Christian does not imply cross-bearing and self-denial. Some of that gang will meet Browning some day at the judgment unprepared. The devil was never so bold as now. If he can get the church folks, the others will not bother him.

We must have a revival of old-time preaching. Billy Sunday has no monopoly on it. We have the same Bible that Wesley, and Peter Cartwright had. Shall we preach it? All of it? God help us.

Raleigh, N. C.

BOOK REVIEWS

The Open Court Publishing Company, of Chicago, has recently brought out a scholarly $3 volume of 357 pages and 185 illustrations of "Goethe: With Special Reference to His Philosophy" by Dr. Paul Carus.

The book is a sympathetic study of one of the most notable men in the world's history. The author delineates to us Goethe, the man, the poet, the thinker, and Goethe the man is almost a more attractive figure than the poet or the thinker. He was sanely human; liberal, but not infidel; religious, but not dogmatic or addicted to church partisanship; he worshipped God in Nature, so that we may call him either a pantheist or a monist. He was positive in his inmost nature and so opposed the destructiveness of all negativism.

Among the large number of books on the interpretation and appreciation of the ethics and philosophy of Goethe's writings, this one contains the best statement of its undercurrent of philosophic thought.

The July number of The Open Court, which is just out, contains an interesting article on "The Weak Man and the Strong Fleet, i. e., Sir Edward Grey," by F. C. Conybeare, the famous Oxford scholar. One sentence in the article reads: "I hold that Sir Edward Grey did wrong in binding England by his secret engagements (unknown even to the English cabinet and probably to the King) to take part against Germany in a war over an issue which did not concern us."

* * * *

The Bobbs-Merrill Company, of Indianapolis, Ind., have within the last few weeks issued two books of timely interest. They are "The American Army" by William Harding Carter, Major General in the United States Army, and "America in Ferment," by Paul Leland Haworth. They are both 12 mo. cloth, $1.50 volumes.

The Honey Bee, a novel, by Samuel Merwin, continues to have an extraordinary sale and to be commented upon by the metropolitan newspapers as the book of the season. Its price is $1.35, net.

* * * *

The George H. Doran Company, of New York, have recently issued many interesting volumes of fiction consisting of "Millstone," by Harold Begbie; "The Rat-Pit," by Patrick McGill; "The Invisible Event," by Sara Ware Bassett; "The Eagle of the Empire," by Cyrus Townsend Brady. The last of these is a story of Waterloo, through which stalks the giant and romatic figure of Napoleon. The volume by Sara Ware Bassett is a story of shadowy woods and sun-brightened shores of Cape Cod, in which the reader catches the exhilarating scent of sea-breeze and hears the drawling voices of the old sea-captains. "The Rat-Pit" is an astonishing picture of the unspeakable poverty of the Irish peasantry together with a fine strain of poetry running all through their lives. The net price of all these volumes is $1.25, except "The Eagle of the Empire," which is, net, $1.35.

Other books more serious, by the George H. Doran Company, are the "Soul of Germany," by Dr. Thomas F. A. Smith, who gives an intensive study of the Germans at home during the period 1902-1914. Their schools, morals, ideals, daily habits, he tells frankly and fearlessly. The book is worth $1.25, net.

This Company has also just given to the public "Boon: The Mind of the Race," by Renigald Smith, with an introduction by H. G. Wells. Of this book some one has remarked: "You must have noticed everywhere the eager articles about this book some one has remarked: "You must fully satirizing England of today—from its writers to its parliament—there is seen a new satirist of the rank of Dean Swift. The volume is handsome in appearance, costing $1.35.

"When Blood Is Their Argument" is another Doran book written by Ford Madox Hueffer, costing $1.00, net. It is a strong indictment of German "civilization."

SHELBY DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Shelby District Conference was held at Lowesville July 27-29. The visitors came to Mt. Holly by the Seaboard and Interurban Railways and were taken by automobiles over a beautiful macadam road to Lowesville ten miles distant.

The hospitality of the Lowesville people was unsurpassed. Rev. B. M. Jackson, the pastor, had so planned for the Conference that the caring for a hundred or more visitors seemed an easy task. He is in high favor with his people. During his pastorate the work has grown wonderfully. He travels over the good roads of his circuit in an automobile.

The Conference was unusually well attended. All the preachers were present except one who was detained by sickness. Besides the visitors from outside the District, there were eighty-six delegates and members in attendance. The proceedings were thoroughly harmonious. The preaching was of the highest order and the discussions interesting. Still there was a feeling of sadness because of the absence of the presiding elder who was detained at home by the serious illness of his wife. On the first day of the Conference a pathetic letter was read in which he expressed his interest in the Conference, his desire to be present, and the assurance of his prayers. The letter was ordered to be incorporated into the minutes of the Conference, and the secretary was instructed to make a suitable response by telegram. The telegram is as follows:

"The District Conference, in session at Lowesville, learns with deep regret of the sickness of its esteemed presiding elder and the serious illness of his beloved wife. We miss the inspiration of his presence, and trust that he may be cheered by this assurance of our affection and prayers. By order of the District Conference. Unanimously adopted."

The hold this dear man has on the affections of his district is wonderful. Never was an absent leader more present in the hearts of his people.

Rev. H. H. Jordan was elected president and Rev. W. T. Usry secretary. Brother Jordan presided with the grace and skill of a practiced hand. He was the unanimous choice of the Conference at the beginning and there was unanimous approval of his presidency at the close.

The preaching at Hill's Chapel, where the sessions of the Conference were held, was by Rev. F. N. Parker of Emory University, Rev. A. J. Burrus, Rev. H. M. Blair, Rev. J. H. Green, and Rev. H. H. Jordan. There was preaching each night also in the other churches of the charge by the visiting pastors. The following were elected delegates to the Annual Conference: C. A. Jonas, J. W. Dellinger, R. L. McCorkle and C. C. Cornwell. G. W. Wilson, S. J. Whitener, R. B. Miller and K. B. Nixon were elected alternates. S. J. Durham was elected lay leader for the district, and W. H. Sigmon assistant lay leader. Revs. W. E. Abernethy, A. J. Burrus, Z. Paris and J. F. Moser were appointed as a licensing committee to serve in the interim of the District and Annual Conferences. Rev. Avery S. Abernethy was recommended for admission on trial into the Annual Conference. Brother Abernethy is a young man of great promise. He has been very active and successful in revival work, and is regarded with high favor by the pastors with whom he has labored.

Among the visitors from outside the District representing our various institutions and interests were Dr. F. N. Parker, Prof. M. T. Hinshaw, Rev. J. H. West, Rev. J. W. Jones, Dr. J. S. Hunter of the Richmond Publishing House, Prof. C. H. Trowbridge, Dr. Frank Siler, Rev. H. M. Blair, Rev. W. A. Newell, and Rev. W. M. Curtis. Dr. Siler raised $55.00 for Paine College. Rev. N. R. Richardson asked for a collection to be used in defraying the expenses of Rev. D. W. Brown as a student in Emory University and secured $42.

Lowesville is most interesting from a historic point of view. In this section Dr. Wm. Hall Morrison, the founder of Davidson College, settled when driven by failing health from the presidency of that institution. Here Thomas Jonathan Jackson, then a professor in Virginia Military Institute, afterwards the famous General Stonewall Jackson, was married to Mary Anna Morrison, July 16, 1857. Other daughters of Dr. W. H. Morrison married Gen. D. H. Hill, Gen. Rufus Barringer and Judge A. C. Avery. Govs. Graham, Morrison and Burton all lived in this section. Three miles distant is Cowan's Ford where Gen. Davidson lost his life in the early morning of Jan. 31, 1781 in a brave attempt to prevent Gen. Cornwallis from crossing the Catawba River. Brother Jackson had planned to take the visitors on automobiles to Unity Presbyterian church, Tarleton's Rock, McPelah Burying Ground and other points of interest, but to our sorrow time permitted of only a part of this trip.

St. Paul, on the Cherryville circuit, was chosen as the place for the next meeting of the Shelby District Conference.

W. T. Usry, Sec.

Some Committee Reports and Resolutions

Sunday School

Whereas, by virtue of our history, polity, numerical strength, prominent and influential position in the state, our accountability to God and responsibility to humanity are exceedingly great, and as the teaching of the Bible is the work of first importance, we should secure the best equipment and develop the best agencies for that work; therefore, resolved:

First, that our preachers in pulpit and pastoral visitation make prominent the claims and importance of the Sunday school.

Second, that a house to house soliciting canvass be made in every church community by suitable committees, all acting in concert for the purpose of awakening interest and increasing Sunday school attendance.

Third, that Rally Day be observed as recommended by our General Board.

Fourth, that in the absence of separate class rooms that the church auditorium be curtained or partitioned off for separate classes.

Fifth, that pastors in co-operation with teachers and officers stress the work of evangelism in the Sunday school, appointing special days or periods of the Sunday school hour for proper efforts to bring the young people and children to definite and intelligent decision for Christ and to give them a working knowledge of the doctrine, polity and history of the Methodist church.

Sixth, that Wesley Adult classes be organized and carefully developed and used in all Methodist Sunday schools.

Seventh, that Sunday school institutes and inspirational conferences be held in charges or groups of charges.

(Continued on page 7, column 3)

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—It has been decided by the committee that the next General Conference shall be held in Atlanta, Ga., May, 1918.

—Henry Litaker, son of Rev. and Mrs. D. M. Litaker, will teach at Reeds, in Davidson county, next year.

—Rev. J. P. Hipps, pastor of our church at Elkin, was with Rev. T. B. Johnson in revival services at Summerfield last week.

—Rev. J. M. Folger, pastor of the Mount Airy circuit, is holding revival services at Salem, near Mount Airy, this week.

—Rev. W. F. Quillian, who has been president of our Methodist Training School at Nashville, for several years, has been elected president at Paine College, our school for negroes at Augusta.

—Our readers will regret to learn that Mrs. Few, wife of Dr. W. P. Few, of Trinity College, is ill of typhoid fever at the home of her parents in Martinsville, Va. We sincerely hope and pray for her speedy recovery.

—Rev. F. L. Townsend, pastor of the Greensboro circuit, is holding revival services at Mount Pleasant this week.

—Mr. William A. Sparger, one of Surry county's oldest and most highly respected citizens, passed away, last week, and was buried at old Salem church.

—Rev. W. L. Sherrill changes his post office address from 200 Realty Building, Charlotte, to R. F. D. No. 2, Sharon Road, Charlotte. Correspondents will note this change.

—Rev. W. I. Hughes announces that the annual camp meeting at Bethel, Cabarrus county, will begin with the quarterly meeting on Sunday, August 8th. The meeting is expected to continue over the following Sunday.

—At the recent annual meeting of the Sunday School Board, held at Lake Junaluska, Rev. John W. Shackford, of the Virginia Conference, was elected Superintendent of Teacher Training, succeeding the late Dr. H. M. Hamill.

—Frank Richardson, son of Rev. and Mrs. N. R. Richardson, of Mount Holly, has accepted a position as principal of the school at Broadway. Frank was among the graduates at Trinity College this year.

—Rev. R. L. Holroyd, a member of the Upper South Carolina Conference and presiding elder of the Rock Hill District, died at his home in Rock Hill, on Sunday, July 25th. Brother Holroyd had kept right up with his work to within a few days of the end. The immediate cause of his death was pneumonia.

—A family reunion was held at the home of Mr. M. W. Sherrill, near Sherrill's Ford, on Saturday, July 31st. This was Brother Sherrill's 79th birthday. He has one brother living at Troutman, Mr. J. A. Sherrill, who is 91 years old. M. W. Sherrill is the father of Prof. A. C. Sherrill, of Catawba College.

—Revs. D. H. and R. M. Tuttle and their sister, Miss Lelia, are enjoying a reunion at the old home near Lenoir for a few days. They went up last week, and were joined by their families. The splendid old country home is occupied by their brother, Mr. George Tuttle, and their sister, Mrs. Sigmon. It would be impossible to find a happier aggregation. How we would love to drop in and see them enjoy life!

—By some oversight we failed last week to note the death of Brother D. G. Fox, of Siler City, father of Rev. E. W. Fox, of our Conference. Brother Fox died on Friday, July 23. He had been ill for quite awhile with cancer. He was in his seventieth year and had been a faithful member of the Methodist church from early boyhood. He is survived by his wife and three children. His life was full of good works and he leaves to his loved ones the priceless legacy of a good name.

—The visit of Mr. McAdoo, Secretary of the Treasury, to Greensboro on Wednesday night of this week was an incident of more than ordinary interest. The Advocate going to press on Wednesday of course makes it impossible to make any definite report of the occasion.

—Rev. Z. Paris assisted the pastor, Rev. W. T. Usry, in a successful revival at Bethlehem on the Cherryville circuit, last week. There were 29 accessions and a large number of professions and reclamations. Prof. Rudd Newsom had charge of the singing.

—Mrs. Mary J. Boren, one of the oldest and most devoted members of our church at Muir's Chapel, on the West Greensboro charge, passed to her reward on Friday of last week. She died at the home of her son, Mr. W. C. Boren, at Pomona. The funeral services were held at Muir's Chapel on Sunday. Deceased was the mother of the Boren Brothers, prominent business men, of Pomona, and of Mrs. Edwards, of Kernersville, and Mrs. J. A. Bowles, of Forest City. Such a family of children surviving is the highest testimony to the great worth of her life and character. Deprived of her companion many years ago, she never lost control of her children but transmitted to them the noble traits so marked and manifest in her own life.

—The Lexington Dispatch says: The organized Bible classes of the city, and the Ministerial Association are arranging for two Sunday night mass meetings in August in the interest of organized class work. It is understood that the first of these will be held on Sunday night, August 8, in the First Methodist church and the second on Sunday night, August 29, in the Baptist church. There will be some local Sunday school worker to make a speech at both services, while a recognized Sunday school expert will make the address of the occasion. * * * * The movement is intended to boost the organized class work in all of the churches of the city and has the full endorsement of every pastor and Sunday school worker in the city.

Wentworth Circuit.—The Reidsville Review, in its issue of July 27th, contains the following:

The protracted meeting which has been conducted during the past week at Salem Methodist church by the pastor, Rev. T. C. Jordan, has been productive of great good and lasting benefit. Many conversions are reported and a general revival of the church membership along spiritual lines has been noted by all attending. The meeting closed Saturday night. Pastor Jordan, it is learned, commenced a protracted meeting at Bethlehem M. E. church last Sunday morning and intends to hold meetings daily for the next week or more. Mr. Jordan is an earnest, spiritual leader, and his sermons are filled with the plain truths of Christian living. He is deeply in earnest and is never happier than when delivering a message to interested men and women about their soul's salvation.

Haywood Street Baracas, Asheville.—The Asheville Citizen on Tuesday, referring to the prospective Chapman-Alexander meeting, said:

Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Alexander, evangelistic singers who are affiliated with the Chapman-Alexander revivalists, yesterday held a meeting with the members of a committee from the local Baraca-Philathea Union. It was conducted at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. Buckner, on Aston Street, and Mr. Alexander told the members of the organized classes of the work which they can do in making the November revival campaign here a success. "Dr. Chapman has not yet decided whether he will come to Asheville," said Mr. Alexander, "but I'm sure that if he does decide to accept the invitation extended to him to conduct the meetings, he will be governed largely by the splendid spirit shown by the Baracas and Philatheas of this city." * * * * Forty of the Haywood street Baracas joined the league, signing the pledge which membership carries, and the order for Testaments will be made today. They will be received within the next few days, it is expected.

The class report for the year 1914-1915 shows that this class, which is taught by Mrs. N. Buckner, enrolled 97 and had an average attendance of 47. There were five conversions in the class and six accessions to the church. The report also showed 542 visits to the sick, and a total raised for all purposes of $1,287.50. This is surely a working class and must be a great blessing to the church.

Report from Conference Evangelist

We have recently held a meeting with Rev. J. P. Morris at Alta Pass, which resulted in much good to the community. There were several professions. We aim to build a church house there in the near future. We also held a meeting with Rev. R. F. Honeycutt at Mills River, which resulted in much good to the church. There were about twenty-five professions and fifteen accessions. We are now in a meeting with Rev. W. M. Boring at Center, near Yadkinville.

W. L. Dawson.

A Brother and Sister in Need

Rev. A. W. Jacobs is now in great affliction. He is being carried to Atlanta for an operation. His condition is serious. His good wife has been for a number of years the most afflicted person I know of, entirely helpless and constantly in pain. She has to be cared for as an infant day and night. Brother Jacobs has had to be constantly at her bedside, or have some one else there, day and night, so there has been little time to provide for material supplies. Brother Jacobs is now without means for present demands. If any brother has a little to divide, it will be well used in helping Brother Jacobs. Any means may be sent to Cullasaja, N. C., in care of T. R. Gray. Fraternally,

L. T. Cordell.

The Textile Industrial Institute

Having had opportunity recently to see the above institution, I cheerfully commend it to young men and women who may wish to secure for themselves an education, and pay for the same by working half time in a cotton mill.

The building is a three-story stone structure with modern equipment. The whole plant, valued at $75,000, is owned and supported by the two South Carolina Conferences, and is assisted by both the General Board of Education and by the General Board of Missions. It is presided over by a young Methodist preacher, and has a competent faculty. It prepares for college, and at the recent commencement, was able to exhibit a student body of fine promise.

Parties interested should write to the president, Rev. D. E. Camak, Spartanburg, S. C.

Respectfully, W. H. Willis.

Missionary Notes from Field Secretary

Gastonia, Main St.—H. H. Jordan, P. C. $623.00, Conference Mission Special.

Ozark-Dallas—W. E. Poovey, P. C. $40.00, Conference Mission Special.

Pineville—B. F. Hargett, P. C. $62.50, Conference Mission Special.

Mount Holly—N. R. Richardson, P. C. $5.00, Conference Mission Special.

Monroe, Central—J. E. Abernethy, P. C. $99.00, Conference Mission Special.

* * * *

The Woman's Missionary Society of Harrison church, a country church on the Pineville circuit, supports two Bible women in China.

* * * *

It is just four weeks until our annual September financial exhibit. Did you read in last week's Advocate the items to be reported? If not, look them up in Brother Willis' report of Executive Committee meeting.

* * * *

I told Dr. Pinson and the secretaries the other day that so far as I knew all the foreign

specials of the Conference would be continued this year. I hope he will not be disappointed.

* * * *

I note in a number of places signs of increasing business prosperity. A number of cotton mills are being enlarged so as to double their capacity.

* * * *

A farmer, after handing me a check for $25.00 for the Emergency Fund last week before breakfast—for I had to go to see him this early, otherwise he had been gone—said, "I'm going to ———, where I expect to make that again." John Wesley's rule needs often to be recalled: "Make, save, and give all you can." God help us preachers to keep up with these active laymen that we may help to save them from the perils of "the cares of this world and the deceitfulness of riches" —perils alike to men in the country and the town.

Report of Treasurer of Board of Missions For July, 1915

Received on Assessments

	Foreign	H. & C.
Walkertown, D. C. Moir	$ 25.00	
Bald Creek, Joseph Fry		24.00
Alexander Ct., R. L. Snow	15.00	20.00
Charlotte, Trinity, W. H. Deal, Tr.	150.00	150.00
Walnut Cove, E. J. Poe		5.00
Jonesville, D. A. Oakley		8.25
Davie, P. L. Shore	10.00	
McDowell, M. W. Mann		15.25
Davidson Ct., T. J. Houck	16.00	16.00
Franklin Ct., W. J. Warren	12.00	13.00
North Charlotte, W. B. West	13.00	18.85
Advance, E. Myers	47.00	3.00
Elkin, Mason Lillard		133.00
Wilkesboro, Otho Jones	5.00	
Jefferson, E. P. Stabler		20.90
J. M. Barber		6.00
Farmington, D .C. Ballard		10.00
Total on assessment for July	$293.00	$443.25

Specials

	Foreign	H. & C.
Hickory, First, P. A. Setzer		$ 10.00
Hickory, First, J. T. Setzer		10.00
Mt. Airy, W. H. Willis	125.00	7.00
Hendersonville, Mrs. E. M. Patterson		1.00
Morganton, T. L. Hemphill		5.00
Franklin, Mrs. G. A. Jones		1.50
Davidson Ct., J. L. Zimmerman	25.00	
Franklin, Mrs. T. L. Jones		1.00
Franklin, Lee Crawford		5.00
West End, N. V. Stockton, Tr.		26.67
Spruce Pine, J. P. Morris		5.00
Newton, J. E. Setzer	100.00	
Centenary, Taylor Bynum		33.34
Hickory, First, G. F. Ivey	100.00	
Centenary, J. J. Norman		25.00
Asheville, Haywood, H. A. Dunham	9.16	
Lenoir, Frank Siler		35.00
Granite Falls, Frank Siler		30.00
Hickory, First, W. E .Caldwell	50.00	
Lenoir, Z. E. Barnhardt		10.00
Hendersonville, H. F. Stewart	50.00	
Advance, E. Myers	39.14	
Total specials for July	$498.30	$205.51
Total receipts for July		$ 1440.06
Previously reported on—		
Foreign assessment		1775.65
Home and Conf. assessment		2024.50
Foreign specials		2411.31
Home and Conf. specials		2919.80
Total receipts to August 1, 1915		$10571.32
Total receipts to August 1, 1914		8607.76
An increase of		$ 1963.56

While there is an increase in total amount paid in August 1st over last year, there is a shortage on the assessments. There are a great many charges from which nothing has been received. Brethren, why not get these matters in shape and be ready to make a good showing in the exhibit to be made in the Advocate about Sept 1st? Cards will be sent to every pastor for a report and the information obtained will be given in the Advocate.

R. M. Courtney, Treas.

Winston-Salem, August 1, 1915.

Charlotte District Conference

The Charlotte District Conference met in its forty-ninth session at Polkton, N. C., Wednesday morning, July 21st, and concluded its work Friday morning following, when all who attended returned to their homes in the full confidence that "it was a good Conference." Prominence was given to the spiritual side, three services being held each day, with preachers of ability occupying the pulpit.

Dr. J. C. Rowe, presiding elder, who was in the chair, carefully guided the deliberations and work to a successful finish.

The district contains twenty-five charges. Every pastor was on hand and made his report. One hundred men of the district and ten visitors, representing the various interests of the church, with quite a number of visitors on the side, gave prominence to Methodism in Polkton.

Dr. F. N. Parker, of Emory University; Dr. S. B. Turrentine, Greensboro College for Women; Prof. C. H .Trowbridge, Brevard Institute; Prof. M. T. Hinshaw, Rutherford College; Rev. W. A. Newell, Weaver College; Rev. H. M. Blair, editor Advocate; Dr. J. S. Hunter, Richmond branch of Publishing House; Rev. L. T. Mann, presiding elder Statesville District, Davenport College; Rev. J. W. Jones, Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Co., were all there and the interest each represented had time for consideration.

Every interest of the district was duly considered. Outside of the routine work, the customary resolutions, the usual papers of commendation and suggestive talks, some advance steps were taken.

It was decided to sell the present district parsonage property and build or purchase a more eligible site and building, the property being unsuited to the present needs and requirements, and of such value as to make it to the material interest of the church to dispose of it.

The Advocate had its place in the discussions and the Conference voted the pledge of "our support in raising the amount asked for to put the Advocate out of debt, and in increasing the circulation."

Four young men were licensed to preach—Marcus Boyles Woosley and Julius Franklin Campbell, of Morven; Adrian Alfred Godfrey, of North Charlotte; James Edward Gordon Hancock, of North Monroe.

Dr. L. C. Smith, of Polkton; J. L. Little, Morven; A. H. McLarty, Marshville; J. A. Jones, Charlotte, were elected delegates, with J. M. Niven, Waxhaw, and T. J. W. Broom, Prospect, as alternates, to the Annual Conference.

C. W. Ramsey, of Charlotte, was elected District Lay Leader for the coming year.

Revs. E. K. McLarty, T. F. Marr, R. S. Howie and L. A. Falls, Messrs. J. B. Ivey and E. A. Cole, were elected the Licensing Committee.

Harrison church, Pineville circuit, was chosen as the place for holding the next session of the Conference.

Polkton entertained the Conference in a manner that delighted all, and a rising vote of thanks was given.

Report of Committee on Finance

The Committee on Finance beg leave to submit the following report:

1. In view of the calamitous conditions in the South, imposed by the war now raging, and especially in the cotton producing sections where the price has been reduced one-half, and is likely to remain low until the war ceases, we deprecate any increase in general assessments until better conditions prevail.

2. We desire to go on record as favoring progress by increased collections along all lines; but we believe that discretion should be exercised in this matter, as in other business matters, and extra assessments and appropriations should not be levied or made, except at opportune times and when collections are practicable and available.

3. We believe that the Annual Conference should not send out any minister, with a family to support, to any charge or circuit where there is not at least a strong probability that the collections will be sufficient to support that family in a reasonable manner and keep them from financial distress.

4. As to pastors' salaries and other collections, we favor the Envelope System and believe that every member should be furnished with them, in order that our people may be educated to regular and systematic payments. We condemn any system which ignores the regular and constant needs and places the burden of all collections within the last few days of the Conference year.

5. We believe that preachers should not be required or expected to collect their own salaries in any event.

6. We call on all of our Conferences and law-making bodies to introduce such systems of finance into all of our church work, that the maximum of benefit may be derived out of the minimum cost, and that all useless boards and offices should be eliminated or abolished, and that extravagance never be permitted.

Respectfully submitted.

W. S. Blakeney,
L. C. Smith.

The final act of the Conference was to express its appreciation of the administration of Dr. J. C. Rowe in this resolution:

Recognizing the fact that our dearly beloved and most efficient presiding elder, Dr. J. C. Rowe, has been untiring in this work and so faithful in the Charlotte District, and that the district is in such good condition at this time; therefore, be it resolved by this Conference that we grant him a vacation for the month of August, or as much of the time as he may choose to take."

W. Francke Sandford, Sec.

Shelby District Conference

(Continued from page 5)

Your committee is pleased to record that reports from pastoral charges given at this Conference indicate considerable progress towards the attainment of the standard of efficiency outlined by our General Board and endorsed by our last Annual Conference.

We commend our Conference Sunday School Board in offering free literature for observance of Children's Day and urge our pastors and Sunday school officers to take full advantage of this important occasion in the Sunday school year.

E. O. Cole,
R. B. Miller,
D. W. Brown.

Spiritual State of the Church

Your Committee on the Spiritual State of the Church feels encouraged with the results of the past eight months, and we are impressed with the hopeful spirit that seems to pervade the atmosphere at this Conference. Most of our pastors seem to be filled with sincere desires and eagerness for real soul-saving revivals. Some are rejoicing with expectancy.

Reports show the following to date is our district: Family altars, 189; professions and reclamations, 809; additions on profession, 363.

As we consider the world-mindedness and indifference of some of our people and then remember the sinfulness of many outside the church, we feel that it would be a timely cry to say, "Awake, awake, put on thy strength O Zion," until a great and mighty Holy Ghost revival sweeps over the district.

We, therefore, beseech every pastor and layman to emphasize, (1) holy living; (2) family altars, and (3) daily, fervent, intercessory prayer for at least 2,000 more conversions in Shelby District before Annual Conference.

W. L. Killian,
J. H. Green.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Resolved: That as preachers and delegates of the Shelby District Conference, we appreciate the indispensable service rendered our church and District by the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and that we do all in our power to increase its circulation and usefulness, and that the various charges be requested to look carefully after the pledges which were made last year.

H. H. Jordan,
N. R. Richardson,
R. B. Miller,
W. E. Poovey,
H. C. Sisk.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

TAPESTRY WEAVERS

Let us take to our hearts a lesson—
no lesson can nobler be—
From the ways of the tapestry weavers, on the other side of the sea.
Above their heads their pattern hangs;
they study it with care;
And while their fingers deftly work,
their eyes are fastened there.
They tell this curious thing, beside of the patient, plodding weaver:
He works on the wrong side evermore,
but he works for right side ever.
It is only when the weaving stops, and the web is loosed and turned,
That he sees his real handiwork, that his marvelous skill is learned.
Oh! the sight of its delicate beauty!
How it pays him for all it cost!
No rarer, daintier work than his was ever done by the frost.
Then his master bringeth him golden hire, and giveth him praise as well,
And how happy the heart of the weaver is, no tongue but his own can tell.

The years of man are the looms of God
let down from the place of the sun,
Whereon we are weaving always till the appointed task is done.
Weaving blindly, but weaving surely, each man for himself his fate,
We may not see how the right side looks, we can only weave and wait.
But looking above for the pattern, no weaver need have fear;
Only let him look clear into heaven—
the perfect pattern is there.
If he keeps the face of the Master forever and always in sight,
His weaving is sure to be perfect, his work is sure to be right.
And at last when the task is ended, and the web is turned and shown,
He shall hear the voice of his Master:
it shall say unto him, "Well done!"
And the white-winged angels of heaven to bear him thence shall come down;
And God for his wage shall give him, not coin, but a golden crown.

—The Zion Herald.

From the Charlotte Observer of Sunday, July 25th, we clip the following concerning the beautiful poem above—this poem so full of encouragement to us as Christian workers:

"C. T. Wettstein of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in searching for the author of this poem which has appeared so often anonymously, has heard through Mr. F. Marvin, and Mrs. Frances Carter, of Missouri, that Anson G. Chester, M. D., penned the lines. Mr. Carter says: 'The poem has as wonderful a history as the man who wrote it. It has been published in all the modern languages, including Hindustania, Chinese and Japanese. It appeared first in the Century Magazine. The University of Tokyo gave it out to 400 students for interpretation. Mr. Wettstein says: "In my opinion it is one of the most beautiful, almost sublime, inspired poems that ever was written."

TREASURER'S REPORT

Second Quarter, 1915

To our faithful, efficient, painstaking and splendid treasurer, Mrs. P. N. Peacock, we are indebted for the report of our work for the second quarter. We are glad to give to our readers the part of it relating to the dues, Conference Expense Fund and Pledge, and urge a careful reading of same. We are sorry that we cannot give it in full, just as Mrs. Peacock has prepared it.

Adult Societies

District	Dues	Pledge	C. Ex. Fund
Asheville	$ 80.50	$ 181.48	$ 8.90
Charlotte	178.17	159.70	31.15
Greensboro	185.45	198.65	26.45
Morganton	29.15	15.35	2.85
Mount Airy	64.65	46.85	17.63
N. Wilkesboro	16.25	8.70	
Salisbury	141.55	173.80	13.70
Shelby	88.40	55.85	10.80
Statesville	88.30	67.34	5.25
Waynesville	79.50	10.15	6.65
Winston	101.07	113.71	15.40
Total	$1060.99	$1031.58	$138.78

Young People's Societies

District	Dues	Pledge	C. Ex. Fund
Asheville	$ 9.05	$ 23.30	$ .30
Charlotte	34.65	21.55	3.05
Greensboro	36.59	106.80	2.30
Morganton	3.00		
Mount Airy	19.05		
N. Wilkesboro			
Salisbury	12.85	28.00	.70
Shelby	1.90	14.00	
Statesville	17.00	8.50	1.10
Waynesville			
Winston	16.00	40.95	1.25
Total	$ 140.09	$ 243.10	$ 8.70

Junior Societies

District	Dues	Pledge	C. Ex. Fund
Asheville	$ 18.25	$ 15.66	$ .20
Charlotte	22.40	58.75	.57
Greensboro	21.74	22.94	.65
Morganton	1.75		
Mount Airy	2.90	5.00	.25
N. Wilkesboro	7.00	5.05	
Salisbury	20.95	12.75	2.75
Shelby	12.56	15.00	
Statesville	15.93	14.16	1.90
Waynesville	6.06	1.26	
Winston	12.25	19.51	.25
Total	$ 139.49	$ 170.08	$ 6.57

The total amount raised for the quarter for all purposes, including dues, pledge, Conference Expense, Bible Women, Relief and Retirement Funds, Baby Division and Scholarships, is $3,184.38.

For Local Work, $999.62, and for City Missions, $162.50.

NEW ORGANIZATION

Woman's Missionary Society—Mt. Ulla, N. C.

President, Mrs. R U. Davis, Mooresville, N. C., R. F. D. 3; first vice-president, Mrs. U. L. Poston, Mount Ulla, N. C., R. F. D. 2; second vice-president, Mrs. W. M. Howard, Mooresville, N. C., R. F. D. 3; superintendent of mission study, Mrs. W. A. London, Mount Ulla, N. C., R. F. D. 2; superintendent of social service, Mrs. J. L. Brown, Mount Ulla, N. C., R. F. D. 2; treasurer and recording secretary, Mrs. L. G. Sloop, Mt. Ulla, N. C., R. F. D. 2; corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. L. Upright, Mount Ulla, N. C., R. F. D. 2.

HAYWOOD STREET STUDY CIRCLE

We have received from Mrs. R. W. Betts, Superintendent of Mission Study and Publicity of Haywood Street church, Asheville, a most interesting program of a recent meeting held by this circle, which proved an occasion of the most intense interest to those who were fortunate enough to be present.

Although of a recent organization, this circle is one of the most enthusiastic of which we know. It is growing steadily and each meeting proves to be more interesting than the preceding one. Mrs. Betts says "In Mark 11:24 we find "What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them and ye shall have them." We are praying for 100 members and we believe that with His help and guidance we will have reached the mark when the Conference year closes."

We earnestly pray that their fondest hopes for this mission study circle may be realized.

THE PASTOR AND MISSIONS

(Selected from Review of Missions)

The Pastor's Task

The pastor's task is to produce missionary conviction in the hearts of his people. To accomplish this he must feed them on the great missionary principles in the Word of God, the great missionary facts as they have been wrought out in the extension of the kingdom.

How many missionary sermons a year?

Twenty? Archbishop Temple, when Bishop of London, asked the clergy of his diocese to preach twenty each year.

Twelve? Some of the leading missionary secretaries, after a careful study of the churches, recommend twelve.

Five? A study of twenty-five churches which have yielded large results for missions showed that their pastors averaged five sermons on foreign missions each year.

Four? John R. Mott gives four sermons on world-wide missions as the minimum for each year.

One? Some pastors say so, the time and occasion being the annual collection for missions.

"The subject of missions should have the same relative place in preaching that it has in the Word of God," says the Missionary Survey. What say you?

The Pastor the Key Man

The pastor is the key man. In no line of Christian effort is this more evident than in the development of missionary interest in the churches. A missionary pastor makes a missionary church, almost without exception. "It is possible," says a well known bishop, "to trace some men from church to church by the influence they have exerted in arousing missionary enthusiasm. Unfortunately, the opposite is also true."

Of all the means at the disposal of the church for instructing and inspiring its members along missionary lines, the ministrations of the pulpit are the greatest. 'By his sermons the pastor can bring the subject before the largest number of members," says John R. Mott. Probably three-fourths of them do not read the missionary and other church periodicals. In what way save by preaching can we hope to bring the facts to their attention? All experience shows that the public presentation of the subject by one to whom the members look for guidance in all things spiritual is the best means of making an impression upon them."

The amount of missionary preaching is said to be greatly in excess of what it was a half a century ago. But it is still far from what it should be. This is largely due to the fact that so many ministers are not really interested in missions. According to the reports of the denominational leaders consulted by the Home Base Commission of the Edinburgh Conference the number of ministers vitally interested in missions is only five per cent. in one denomination and ten per cent. in another. Several denominations reported less than twenty-five per cent. interested, and in one only did the proportion reach seventy-five per cent. In most cases this lack of interest is shown, not so much by oppositions as by indifference, and is due to a lack of knowledge of the facts. The remedy would seem to be, more missions in the seminaries and more gatherings like the Pastors' Missionary Conference in Rochester last December.

Missions the Best Tonic

Phillips Brooks was once asked: "What is the first thing you would do if you had accepted a call to become the rector of a small, discouraged congregation that is not even meeting the current expenses?

"The first thing I would do," he replied, "would be to preach a sermon on missions and ask the congregation for an offering for foreign missions."

Phillips Brooks was never called to that kind of a church, but many pastors and congregations are today proving in their own experience that the best way to keep out of debt, develop a healthy church, and serve the local community is to adopt a world missionary policy and make offerings for carrying the message of Christ into all the world.

"My own missionary appeal," says Brooks, "has consisted of the recital of the facts and conditions in the work abroad, particularly emphasizing the wonderful providential forces at work during the last decade (notably in China, but in a measure in all the great mission fields), bringing the entire missionary world to a condition of peculiar 'ripeness unto harvest,' preparing it for an aggressive and effective forward movement of world-wide evangelization, and thus for the completion of the task given the church to accomplish during the present dispensation. What is needed, if the churches are to be aroused, is a marshaling of the great facts of the mission fields according to some well-chosen principles of selection and then such an interpretation of these facts as will compel attention and bring conviction. The present world situation means something to Christ people and it will mean something when the people know about it. There is no one thing more important just now than a definite and earnest purpose on the part of pastors to 'preach up' missions. Let our pastors master the facts, become afire with enthusiasm as they consider their meaning and then speak with the ring of conviction and we shall see the situation changing with great rapidity."—Missionary Voice of July, 1915.

THE LAW OF SUCCESSFUL LIVING

Thus I have sought to unfold the supreme condition of successful living. Thus far I have dwelt upon it under the sterner aspect of law and duty. There it stands, immovable as the mountains, inevitable and inexorable as gravitation. Let me now, in closing, urge it upon you in the higher form of a glorious privilege. It is necessary for the spiritually dull that they feel the compulsion and menace of the law; but for nobler souls that is altogether too low a key. The kingdom of God—how glorious in its membership! The first-born sons of light, the great intelligences fair who range above our mortal state, the glorious company of the apostles, the goodly fellowship of the prophets, the noble army of martyrs, the great multitude of the holy dead, the lovers of God and righteousness in all worlds—these are the members, and this the glorious fellowship, bound together in the common love of a common Lord. The kingdom of God, how glorious also in its aim! For this is nothing less than the full realization of the perfect will of the perfect God, so that the human may become one with the divine. In that large and abundant life, full and complete, we shall live, yet not we, but Christ shall live in us. Then humanity shall be the fit organ for the expression of God; and the divine life shall flow through us and all our thoughts and works, and be the life of our life.

O love, that wilt not let us go,
We yield our being up to thee!
We give thee back the life we owe,
That in thy ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.

How all things else fade and vanish in comparison. How poor and paltry the aim and interests of the Gentiles! Now are we the children of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be, but when he shall appear we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.—Borden P. Bowne.

If a man is at heart just, then so far is he God; the safety of God, the immortality of God, the majesty of God, do enter into that man with justice.—W. R. Emerson.

CATAWBA COLLEGE, Newton, N. C.

An Ideal Christian College for boys and girls. Healthful location, Excellent Equipment, Strong Faculty, Good Courses—Classical, Scientific, Music, Art and Expression. Expenses Moderate. Next term opens September 7, 1915. For Catalogue write to

Rev. J. D. Andrews, A. B., Pres., Newton, N. C.

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

Some Things We Saw and Did at Lake Junaluska



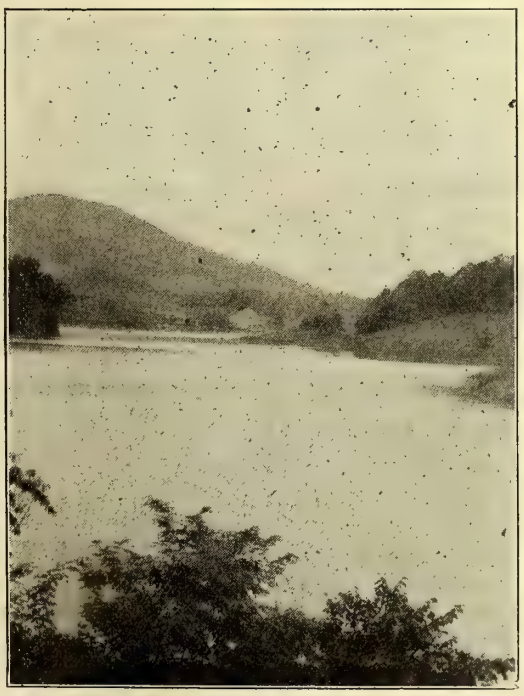
STARTING ON A HIKE



BOATING



PICKING BERRIES

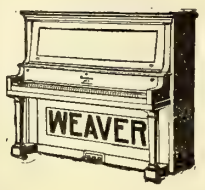


A VIEW OF THE LAKE



RESIDENCE OF BISHOP ATKINS

Prominent Tennessee Attorney Endorses WEAVER Piano.



"The Weaver Piano I purchased from you some seven years ago has proven entirely satisfactory. My wife and daughter are very much pleased with its appearance, as well as its tone. I have purchased three pianos and this is the best of them all."

Yours very truly,
JAMES B. COX,
United States Attorney, Eastern District of Tennessee.

The Weaver Piano everywhere graces the home of refinement. It is an investment from which daily dividends of useful service and delight of ownership are drawn in the best Southern homes.

Why Do WEAVER Pianos Please?

Because we have been building pianos and organs for forty-five years and have never manufactured any instrument except a good one. Our whole ambition has been to conduct a business that would grow a little higher in the respect of the public each year. That kind of a business house pays and it is a pleasure to be connected with it. Our present position as manufacturers of the Weaver—the highest standard of piano quality so far attained—is due to that ambition.

Only a piano that is artistically made can give adequate expression to what is in the soul of the musician: it is this distinctive quality in the Weaver that so appealed to Miss Alice Nielsen, who so delighted Chautauqua audiences in North Carolina this summer. Miss Nielsen, says: "The Weaver Piano is a superb and delightful instrument which responds to every requirement and wish of the artist."

We also make and sell the charming toned York Piano, the popular Livingston Piano and the celebrated Weaver Organ.

These instruments are everywhere conceded to be

THE LEADING LINE

Send immediately for catalogue and prices.

Weaver Organ & Piano Co., Manufacturers, York, Pa.

AUGUST 19-29—AUGUST 20-21

What do these dates mean to you? Where will you be at that time? At LAKE JUNALUSKA? I hope so.

We are publishing below card of rates at the Public Service Building, which is headquarters for the delegates, also rates of other boarding houses:

PUBLIC SERVICE BUILDING

Mrs. T. L. McClees, Manager
Lake Junaluska, Waynesville, N. C.
Two in a room ....$10 each per week
One in a room .....$13 per week
Transients .....$2.50 per day
Parties or families, three in a room .....$9 per week
Children under 12 at half price.
Nurses, $1 per day.

The Atkins House, rates, $12.50 to $15 per week.

Epworth Lodge, rates, $10.50 per week.

If you can't stay all the time stay as long as you can, but be sure to be there for our Conference the 20th and 21st. Write for rooms before you go, so you will be sure to have accommodations.

THE LITTLE PLANT

Oliver Wendell Holmes was once asked why he troubled to attend a small church where the preacher was a most ordinary man with no originality as a thinker. Dr. Holmes gave this reply:

"I go because I have a little plant called Reverence, and I must needs water it once a week or it will die."

There are other and deeper reasons why we should go to a place of worship regularly—to confess our sins; to ask God's pardon; to praise him for his goodness, to encourage one another in our most holy faith. But there is also need to water the "little plant called Reverence," which soon fades and dies unless we remember it at least once a week by assembling ourselves together for God's worship.—Ex.

WHERE DRUGS FAIL

Many chronic diseases fail to respond to drug treatment, even in the hands of the best physicians, whereas acute diseases usually respond readily. When a disease has become **chronic**, drugs often seem to do as much harm as they do good, for the system rebels against them. It is just this class of cases which derive the greatest benefit from Shivar Mineral Water. If you suffer with chronic dyspepsia, indigestion, sick headache, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney or liver disease, uric acid poisoning or other conditions due to impure blood, do not hesitate to accept Mr. Shivar's liberal offer as printed below. His records show that only two in a hundred on the average have reported "no beneficial results." This is a wonderful spring. Simply sign the following letter:

Shivar Spring,
Box 5F, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen:

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price **in full** upon receipt of the two empty demijohns which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)

Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You **run no risk whatever** in accepting his offer. **I have personally witnessed** the remarkable curative effects of this water in a very serious case.

THE HAPPY HABIT

The habit of being happy is one that can be deliberately formed and encouraged. It can be begun at any time by any person, in almost any cimcumstances. Crushing sorrows come to every one; but at least one can wear one's mourning inside, and refrain from being a blot on other people's sunshine. And the happy habit, once established, is one that persists even in trouble and trial and loneliness and poverty, like those Alpine roses that bloom above the snows.—Exchange.

TEN DAYS IN MOUNT AIRY INCLUDING TWO SABBATHS

This time, Mt. Airy, "The Granite City of the Mountains," was the objective point. Starting in advance, and spending a night and part of two days at Pilot Mountain, of which I wrote in a former issue, I reached my destination on Saturday morning before the second Sabbath of July. I was met at the depot by Rev. W. H. Willis, our pastor, and escorted to the parsonage, where I was dined, but not wined, by him and his daughters in the absence of Sister Willis.

I spent the Sabbath morning hours with Brother Willis in the Sunday school and morning service. I was asked by the Sunday school superintendent if I could "hold down" a certain class of boys. I told him I thought I could. But such a task I never had before. They were not bad boys, but so full of life and frisk it was impossible to hold the attention of the class as a whole. You might take them one at the time, but you could not hold him longer than your eyes were turned upon another. I got through with the fifteen minutes' lesson somehow, but utterly failed to do what I said I thought I could do. That experience brought to light and impressed on me a fact very generally prevalent, that to the children of the present and previous generations there has been and now is a very great lack of parental training and control in the homes of our country.

It fell to my lot to preach at the eleven o'clock hour, which I did with pleasure to myself and the congregation, if not to the satisfaction of both and the pastor. In connection with that service, I made this remark: In other years when there were not so many as now, I knew every man, woman and child in that community, but very few of their faces looked into mine at that hour. But I could see the shadows of very many of them reflected from the faces of their children, grandchildren and even great-grandchildren who sat before me. Of the large congregation and membership of the church when I began to preach there forty years ago, only thirteen names of them appear on the church roll now as reported by the pastor that morning.

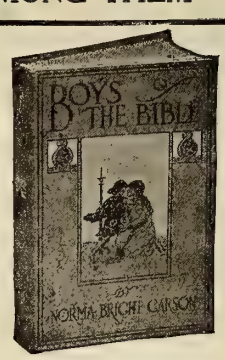
We had no evening service in our church that day. That hour was yielded to the Friends, or Quakers, who were holding evangelistic meetings in one of the large warehouses. I attended that and several other meetings during the week. The preaching was by a Quaker evangelist from Ohio or Pennsylvania, and was very much like, or the same as we have been used to hearing from other evangelists, and the meetings were conducted in the old Methodist way, excepting they had the organ and the choir. Penitents were invited to the altar, or to the "mourners' bench," and many of them "came through" or "got religion," and made an open profession, although there was no shouting, but a hearty hand-shaking and much rejoicing.

By the way our Quaker friends are doing a good work in Mt. Airy and surrounding country. They have recently built a splendid granite church on a lot adjoining the one on which our old church stood, which we abandoned ten or twelve years since, and are taking the crown which we threw away.

Early one morning I walked down the treet pavement and stood at the gate entrance to the old church in which I preached as pastor for four years, and attended services, more or less, for five years or more, and in silent meditation and mental survey, I asked to myself, Where are the fifty or more families of as good people as ever lived in any community, whose homes dotted those hills and along the fertile valleys of that immediate country when I first began my ministry among them? Not one of them is left intact at this time. They

Books for Children AND FOR WORK AMONG THEM

By NORMA BRIGHT CARSON *Editor of "Book News"*



Boys of the Bible *Illustrated, 12mo, cloth, net 75c.*

In a chatty, informal way such as youngsters love, and in which all stories for children should be told, Mrs. Carson relates the outstanding incidents of the early years of the great Bible heroes. The idea is a capital one, which the author carries out in an able and interesting way.

By H. THISELTON MARK

The Bible for Children Bible Stories in Bible Language *Illustrated, 12mo, cloth, net 50c.*

A selection of Bible stories, told in the language of the Bible itself, such as children up to ten or eleven years of age can readily understand. The stories are admirably chosen so as to give a general view of the leading incidents recorded in both the Old and New Testament, and illustrated by some pictures of artistic worth.

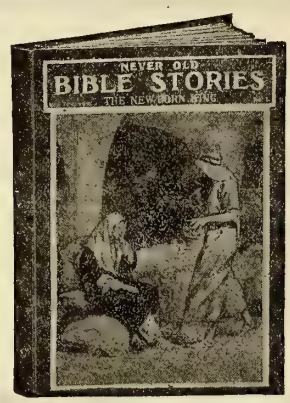
The Young People's Bible

Vol. I. Old Testament Stories. *Illustrated, 12mo, cloth, net 50c.*
Vol. II. New Testament Stories. *Illustrated, 12mo, cloth, net 50c.*

Prepared to be read after the stories contained in *The Bible for Children*. An aptly chosen series of word-pictures presenting a concise view of the history of the people of Israel as related in the Old Testament. Both in text and illustrations, this book will be found to stimulate a new zest in young people for ampler Bible study.

NEW TOY BOOKS FOR CHILDREN

"Never Old" Bible Stories *Illustrated, octavo boards, each, net 25c.*



No. 1. Old Testament. The Lord Thy Maker.
No. 2. Old Testament. The Lord Thy Guide.
No. 1. New Testament. The New-Born King.
No. 2. New Testament. The Hidden Years of Jesus.

Old Testament Combined, or New Testament Combined may be had in one volume. *Each, boards, net 50c.*

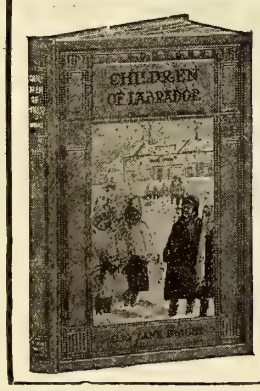
An attractive new quarto series (size 8x10 in.) of Bible Picture Books written in simple language that every child can understand and yet keeping to the Bible narrative.

By CHARLES LINCOLN WHITE

Prince and Uncle Billy

A First Reader in Home Missions
16mo, cloth, net 50c., or net 75c.

"Prince" is a pony, once owned by the Indians, and "Uncle Billy" an old horse, used formerly by a frontier missionary on his preaching journeys. These, too, and many other animals tell missionary stories and other incidents of their earlier lives.



By MARY LANE DWIGHT

Children of Labrador

Illustrated, 16mo, cloth, net 60c.

It is hard to picture a more delightful addition to "*The Children's Missionary Series*" than this vivid story of Dr. Grenfell's land. Its simplicity and clearness appeals to children, yet grown-ups will be equally fascinated in its descriptions of the children of the Eskimos and fishermen of this barren land, so pathetically described by an old native as "wonderful bleak and dreary."

Earlier Volumes in The Children's Missionary Series

Children of Africa	James M. Baird
Children of Arabia	John C. Young
Children of China	C. Campbell Brown
Children of India	Janet Harvey Kelman
Children of Ceylon	Thomas Moscrop
Children of Jamaica	Isabel C. Maclean
Children of Egypt	Miss L. Crowther
Children of Persia	Mrs. Napier Malcolm
Children of Japan	Janet Harvey Kelman

CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

PELL'S BIBLE STORIES

FOR YOUNG FOLKS

By EDWARD LEIGH PELL

The Story of Joseph

"The Jewish shepherd lad who became prime minister of Egypt here lives in a very real way, his whole life being given in this lovely story, which is told by one who knows how to do it."
—*Religious Telescope.*

The Story of David

"These favorite Bible stories are retold by Dr. Pell in simple, reverent language—vividly, delightfully. Read it and become better acquainted with that most human, lovable character."
—*Day Star.*

FOR LITTLE PEOPLE

The Story of Jesus

"A very direct appeal is made to the child's mind. It seems as though the author was talking to the boy or girl on his knee and making him see the real Saviour as he appeared among men."
—*Heidelberg Teacher.*

Each, 35 cts. net

If You Suffer from Stomach, Liver, or Kidney troubles

Here is a relief so absolutely certain that it can remove every doub in your mind by the unqualified proof of making you well.

Read every word of this statement. Let us prove it by the opinion of men and women who have exalted their names and their professions.

NATURE'S OWN REMEDY

First of all it is water. Pure sparkling mineral water from a spring noted the world over for its curative waters. We claim for it that it has made **complete restorations to health** in cases in which recovery has been deemed remarkable. We claim—and we are ready to send you the proof—that thousands of sufferers from stomach and organic troubles have **completely** regained their health and strength by the judicious and constant use of Fonticello Mineral Water. Please take this as a personal message. Ask yourself the question, **"How can I rely upon the truth of this statement?"** That is the question we want to answer. We want to prove our statements—to show what Fonticello Mineral Water has done—that generation after generation has tried it and **have been cured by it.** We have the written proof from **eminent physicians, ministers of the gospel,** men and women in all walks of life. They will tell their own story in their own way, week after week, in this paper. Do you know any of the famous medical men of this country? Read this list—they have **all endorsed** Fonticello Mineral Water. Drs. Geo. Ben Johnson, J. C. Walton, John F. Winn, J. H. Mock, A. M. Wheeler, J. Allison Hodges, Jacob Michaux, J. G. Trevilian, Stuart McGuire, Lewis Boscher, Hugh M. Taylor, John S. Wellford, Edward McGuire, Chas. V. Carrington, M. D. Hoge, Jr., Landon B. Edwards and hundreds of others. Their statements ring true.

M. E. Gary, 516 N. Eighteenth Street, Richmond, says he was suffering from a complication of kidney and bladder troubles and torpid liver. Dr. Geo. Ben Johnson urged him to try Fonticello Water. **Read his own words:** "I confess I had but little faith in it at that time. To my surprise I began to rapidly improve and am now in better health than for years. My wife has also been drinking the water for NERVOUS DYSPEPSIA, so has derived great benefit. My son has been wonderfully benefited."

T. N. Gaines, of Richmond, Va.: "I have used Fonticello Water for the past month for Dyspepsia and Kidney Diseases and have been entirely relieved of both."

Mrs. J. W. Phaup, Manchester, Va.: "Have suffered three or four years from Dyspepsia. Fonticello Water was the only thing that gave me relief. I think a few more bottles will permanently cure me."

We could fill this paper year after year with thousands of testimonials like this. We will be glad to mail you many of them, but if you are a sufferer, we want you to **try the water.** We back every statement **with a guarantee: if it doesn't help your trouble it costs you nothing.**

Here is our Proposition and Guarantee:

We have proven by years of experience that it requires about three weeks for this water to show beneficial results. In that time you should drink about ten gallons of water. We will ship you two five gallon carboys with the understanding that if it does not benefit you WE WILL RETURN FULL PURCHASE PRICE, which is only $2.00. WE RECOMMEND THE WATER for Stomach, Kidney, Liver and Bladder diseases, Rheumatism, Uric Acid, Gall Stones, Nervous Debility, headaches resulting from Impoverished Blood.

Don't wait. A trial of this water costs you nothing if you are not benefited according to our claims.

Fill Out this Coupon and Mail It Today

Fonticello Mineral Springs Co., Inc., Richmond, Va.: Gentlemen—I accept your guarantee offer and enclose you herewith ($2.00) Two Dollars for two five gallon carboys of Fonticello Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial in accordance with instructions which you will send me, and if I derive no benefit therefrom you are to refund the price in full upon demand, and upon receipt of the two empty carboys which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
P. O. .....
Express Office .....

have swept through the gates into the eternal city. Of the more than two hundred brought into the church during my pastorate comparatively few are there now. Many of them have passed over; others have transferred their membership to our church elsewhere; and those who remain are becoming the old men and women of the church. Only one man of all those families, James M. Durham, who was sexton, "a door keeper in the house of God," and one of the most useful in the church, and five or six mothers in Israel, are to be found walking along this mundane shore, "only waiting for the boatman" who will soon come to bear them over and make the company complete on the other shore. What a host of God's people have gone up from Mt. Airy to swell the vast throng on the other side!

Without father or mother, I began to itinerate when a boy of not more than eight years, and have kept on in one way or another, running through the Civil War, until now. I joined the North Carolina Conference and began the Methodist itineracy in 1871. My wife joined me in this itinerary about three years later, beginning at Wilmington in 1874, and we have been following the winding, zigzag way ever since. We were changed from Kinston station in the eastern to Mt. Airy station in the western part of the state and began our work there in 1876. It has been thirty-one years since we left and nine since our last visit during the meeting of our Annual Conference, which was held there. I served the church here for four years as pastor, taught school, an academic high school, a little over one, and served other charges continously for four years more, making nine of service and living with that people.

On Tuesday between the two Sabbaths my wife joined me during the six remaining days, including the last Sabbath, of the ten days' visit. Perhaps never in the history of our itinerant life, did we spend so much time with more pleasure as we did during our visit among the children of those parents with whom we lived and labored and loved so long. Their memory is tender and precious in our hearts and ever will be "till we meet again."

What wonderful changes and developments have been brought to pass during the passing of a half century. Forty miles from any railroad the little town isolated and nestled among the hills in the basin of the Blue Ridge and other ranges, has grown to be styled "the Queen City of the Mountains," and is destined still to far greater growth and progress in the passing of the next half century. The coming of the railroad has wtought marvelous changes in the population and face of the country. The vast beds of granite rock, especially "the flat rock," buried in the earth, and untold forests of lumber that cover the hills and mountains for miles and miles, with the rich and best corn producing bottom lands and the almost countless acres of orchards, hill or tablelands above the thermal belt, hitherto crude and useless, are now being developed and are sending out their products on the markets of the world in the form of polished granite, beautiful furniture and luscious fruits, as fine as any that comes from any other part of the world. The largest industries now are the granite quarries and furniture factories. What possibilities and untold wealth in these hills and mountains will hardly be fully revealed in the next fifty years. But hundreds of men at a cost of several thousand dollars per week are uncovering this granite and lumber and transforming them into palatial residences, mercantile houses, our church buildings, and tons on tons of it shipped all over the country for various building purposes. The removal of granite from the quarry to a depth of nine feet is hardly appreciable, and I think it has been estimated by the knowing(?) scientists that thousands of men working for several millions of years would not exhaust the inexhaustible store. So the people up there may count on living a long, long time in successive generations if the judgment should happen not to come sooner and take them all away.

The churches of Mt. Airy have been keeping pace with the development and progress with the advancing civilization. There are five denominations, the Methodists, Baptists, Presbyterians, the Friends and the Episcopalians, represented in the town by splendid modern church edifices, and all appear to be making progress, unless I except the Episcopal.

The last Sunday of our visit was spent with the pastor, Rev. W. H. Willis, who delivered a thoughtful and edifying sermon on our transformation into the divine image from grace to grace as by the Spirit of the Lord. By the way, Brother Willis is closing successfully the last year of his quadrennium on that station, and his going away will leave an appreciative and regretful people behind him.

While in Mount Airy we had the short privilege and pleasure of the dinner hour in the cultured home of Rev. H. C. Sprinkle, the presiding elder, who was absent on the district most of the time we were there. Also I enjoyed a short stay with Brother Folger, our pastor on the circuit, who was suffering with rheumatism and unable to fill his appointment for that Sunday.

Last, but not least, it was a great pleasure to spend a short while in the home of our superannuated brother, Rev. D. Vance Price, who is quietly and patiently, with fixed purpose and unwavering faith and steadfast hope, passing the time of his superannuation in his cozy mountain cottage and fruit-garden.

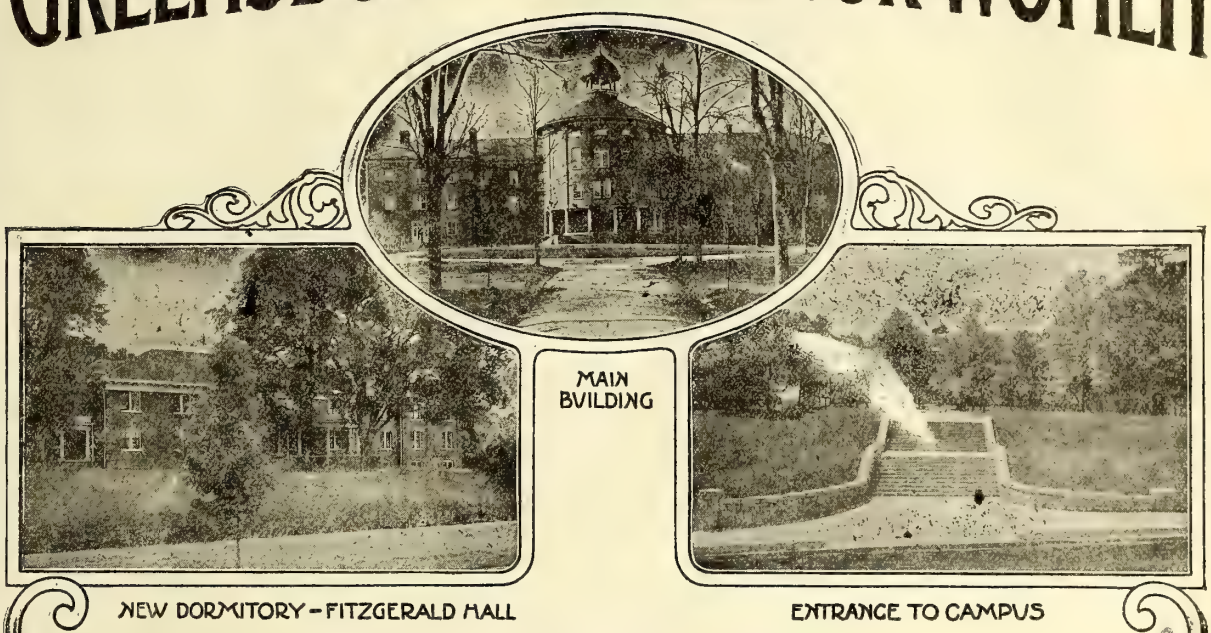
That was a visit for business as well as pleasure—a killing of two birds with one stone. I did pretty thorough and successful work for the paper while up there. Your long list was right well righted up as the statement and check sent in to the office will show.

I have said good bye and gone to other pastures and shall hope for other and better reports to follow.

James Willson.

Statesville, N. C.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

GREENSBORO NURSERIES

AGENTS WANTED

For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.

JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

Children's Home

AMOUNT RECEIVED ON GENERAL AND SPECIAL SUPPORT AND TEN PER CENT. ASSESSMENT

E. B. Brittain, Sec., Gastonia, $150.00; D. C. Ballard, Farmington Ct., $12.00; W. F. Snuggs, Central church, Albemarle, $10.00; E. B. Claywell, Treas, Morganton Station, $45.00; Rev. A. G. Loftin, Catawba Ct., $10.50; Rev. J. C. Harmon, Bethel church, Asheville, $15.00; Rev. R. F. Wellons, Whitnel church, Lenoir, $3.20; Rev. E. E. Yates, Helton Ct., Sturgills, $5.00; Geo. A. Hoyle, Treas., Central church, Shelby, $40.00; Rev. P. H. Brittain, Macedonia church, Iredell Ct., $6.00. Total, $296.70.

FIFTH SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

H. W. Gibson, Garden City, Carson Chapel S. S., 85c, omitted in last week's report; R. E. Ward, Donnaha, Mt. Pleasant church, Rural Hall Ct., 75c. Total, $1.60.

BUILDING FUND

Rev. J. H. West, Agent

West Market Street church, Greensboro, $130.00.

The North Carolina

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND MECHANIC ARTS

Young men seeking to equip themselves for practical life in Agriculture and all its allied branches; in Civil, Electrical and Mechanical Engineering; in Chemistry and in Agricultural Teaching will find excellent provision for their chosen careers at the State's Industrial C This College fits men for life. Faculty for the coming year of 65 men; 467 students; 25 buildings. Admirably equipped laboratories in each department. County examinations at each county-seat on July 8th.

For catalogue, write

E. B. OWEN, Registrar,

FRECKLE-FACE

Sun and Wind Brings Out Ugly Spots. How to Remove Easily

Here's a chance, Miss Freckle-face to try a remedy for freckles with the guarantee of a reliable dealer that it will not cost you a penny unless it removes the freckles; while if it does give you a clear complexion the expense is trifling.

Simply get an ounce of othine—double strength from any druggist and a few applications should show you how easy it is to rid yourself of the homely freckles and get a beautiful complexion. Rarely is more than one ounce needed for the worst case.

Be sure to ask the druggist for the double strength othine as this is the prescription sold under guarantee of money back if it fails to remove freckles.

The Sunday School Lesson

THIRD QUARTER—LESSON VI—AUGUST 8, 1915

THE KINGDOM TORN ASUNDER

I Kings 12:1-24

Golden Text—Pride goeth before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall.—Prov. 16:18.

Summary of the Lesson

Martin Luther wrote a famous little treatise on "Christian Liberty." In it he made two important contentions: "A Christian man is the most free lord of all, and subject to none; a Christian man is the most dutiful servant of all, and subject to all." When Rehoboam consulted the elders as to what reply he should make to the people's request for larger liberty, they replied in effect, "Serve the people now and they will serve you forever." He was to approach lordliness through humility. When he consulted the younger men, they replied in effect: "Show your metal now. Seize the reins with a firm hand. What the people need is to see that they have a real king over them."

Rehoboam accepted the advice of the younger men and cracked the whip of his authority in the face of Israel. The result was a divided kingdom.

The Man Who Listened

An American multi-millionaire is said to have quoted some nonsense lines to describe a part of a method which he used with serious purpose in dealing with men. The lines were these:

"A wise old owl sat on an oak,
The more he saw the less he spoke.
The less he said the more he heard;
I'd like to be like that wise old bird."

The man who knows how to listen has taken the first step toward reaching influence and power. There are a great many people in the world who speak before thinking. There are multitudes who speak without hearing all the evidence. Some men know how to be silent in a way which fairly forces other men to say the very things they do not want to say.

Rehoboam began well. He sought advice. He went to the elders who had stood before his father, and he went to the young bloods who had grown up with him about the court.

Of course the worth of an opinion does not depend upon its age. An idea does not have to have gray hair in order to be significant. The world has known overripe opinions as well as overripe fruit. On the other hand the insight of experience always has something of genuine importance to give to the untried mind. A man cannot take the past as a master. For all that he will often find in the past a wise guide.

There were other voices. Rehoboam had heard them first of all. These voices came from the people—a great company of men whose toil and devotion made the nation's greatest asset. They had been hard pressed under Solomon. They asked for a lightening of burdens. They were ready to be loyal, but they cried out for more air to breathe, for the opportunity to live a larger life. When once the people become articulate their voices speak with the solemn tones of destiny. Rehoboam heard the people's voice.

The Man Who Advised

"That man doesn't want advice. He wants to be confirmed in his own opinion." So said a shrewd observer, when a man he knew was consulting his friends about an important matter. There are a good many men who ask the judgment of others, really wanting all the while to find a mirror and not a critic.

Then there are men who are the victims of their advisers. They cannot get beyond the last plausible and brilliant suggestion. They do not know how to work over advice, and analyze it, and test it, and so by a careful process to decide just how much it is worth. They become the shadows of their friends.

To be open minded without being empty minded is a high achievement. To live a life of one's own while taking due account of the opinions of others is the work of a well developed personality.

The advisers of Rehoboam were quite ready with their suggestions. The old men had a shrewd sagacity and a pithy way of expressing their opinions. They had not been the companions of Solomon without catching the contagion of some of his most striking qualities. Their advice practically came to this: "The man who knows when to submit is sure in the long run or ruling." They knew the hot and angry mood of the people. Let them hear words of kindness and concession now, and in days to come the king would be absolutely their master. Diplomacy could be made the handmaid of strength.

The younger men were for no such half-way measures. In haughty and patrician fashion they despised the people. What they needed was not concessions which might be made, but the opening wedge for greater claims. What they needed was to hear their master's voice and to feel the power of their master's hand. It was not by retreating from the position of Solomon, but by advancing to a stronger position that Rehoboam would succeed. A faltering policy now might ruin everything. A firm and regal position once taken would establish the throne and secure the national strength. So age and youth counseled while the king listened. And the people whose destinies hung in the balance waited.

The Man Who Acted

A critic once remarked that Carlyle admired men of action while Emerson admired men of thought. An enthusiastic reader carried the comparison a step farther by saying, "Emerson carried me above the world and told me to think. Carlyle brought me to the world and told me to act." Rehoboam needed both to think and to act after he had heard the advice which was offered to him by the older and the younger men. One group had appealed to his judgment. The other had appealed to his pride. Which would he heed?

It soon became evident that Rehoboam had more pride than judgment. He had arrogance without sagacity. He had a king's will without having a king's mind.

The people listened in hushed anxiety for his reply to their solemn and urgent request. Rehoboam flung out his loud and challenging and unsympathetic phrases very rapidly. He gave the people nothing to hope for and everything to fear. He tried to prove his mastery by masterful speech. He would quell and control this rude and too-aspiring people by an adequate show of kingly authority. His father had been a mild ruler compared to the strong and implacable monarch he would be. It was not the people's business to question. It was theirs to obey.

So Rehoboam played the fierce and terrible king in the presence of his people. It was an empty and futile pretense, for events proved that his most dangerous weapons were biting words. His moment of action broke into pitiable fragments of failure.

It is not enough to say something. A man must say the right thing. It is not enough to do something. A man must do the compelling and effective thing, if he is to take his place among the strong and potent men of the world.

The biting phrase of Horace about the mountain and the mouse describes the anti-climax between the words and the deeds of a man like Rehoboam. It is the ever recurring tragedy of the man who takes counsel with his vanity and not with his strength.

But the fault of Rehoboam was not merely in the fact that he overestimated his own powers. It was not merely that he threatened what he could not perform. He not only failed to understand himself, he quite failed to understand his people. Their burdens, their sorrows, their battle for life never caused him a moment's serious thought. He was unfit to be a king, because he thought only of a king's power and pride, and not at all of the king's responsibilities for the welfare of his people.

The Nation Broken Apart

David had begun to make loosely united tribes into a nation. Solomon, despite his exactions, had held the people together. The first task of Rehoboam was to cement more firmly all the ties which made for national solidarity. The nation, as a nation, was not old enough as yet to stand a great strain. The rashness of Rehoboam broke apart what he should have fastened more firmly together. Israel had a consciousness of its own, and was jealous of the leadership of Judah and the magnificence of Jerusalem. The ties which bound the two groups were drawn almost to the point of breaking. After Rehoboam's audacious and ill-timed words they suddenly snapped. Israel broke away to live its own life and to form a separate kingdom. So what Saul had loosely united and David had joined together, Rehoboam broke asunder.

National justice is the rule basis of national solidarity. National strength is to be built upon the foundation of the recognition of the rights of the individual. The government which regards the welfare of the people has the least to fear from anarchy.

Shortly after his haughty words we find Rehoboam glad enough to escape with his life. He sees the kingdom rent apart before his eyes and he is unable to prevent it. A few days before he was the one man in the kingdom who could have held the people together. His moment of strategy has passed. He has set in motion machinery which he cannot control. Now he watches helplessly. He thought he was to be a master. It turns out he is only a spectator. He is one of the men with whom we will always associate the solemn haunting sadness of the words "It might have been."

So sacred ties were broken. So hate was created where love should have reigned. So two struggling nations looked at each other out of angry eyes where one strong nation should have stood facing the world.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in New York Christian Advocate.

EXPERT KODAK FINISHING

Developing and printing done by artists. Most beautiful work guaranteed at all times. Satisfaction or no charge. Developing, 10c per film. Printing: prints 2 1-4 x3 1-4, 3c; 2 1-2x4 1-4, 4c; 3 1-4x5 1-2, 5c. Quick delivery. Send one film to test our service. Agents wanted.

LIGON DRUG CO., Spartanburg, S. C.



Standard
Memorial Windows
Made in High Point

Beautiful in design—strong in construction. Largest and oldest glass plant in the South. Capacity for any and all orders and prompt delivery. Satisfaction guaranteed. References—any of our old customers or any bank or banker in High Point. Write for catalog.

Standard Mirror Co.
High Point, N. C.

This Hose Lasts Longer Than Others

Goodyear-Akron Lawn Hose lasts longer than others because it is made to do that. It is made by the makers of the famous Goodyear Automobile Tires. Composed of five layers of alternate new, live rubber and strongest braided cotton. Absolutely seamless. The thick corrugated outer coat, with its six extra large rubber ribs, does away with twisting and kinking. They add immensely to its life.

GOODYEAR AKRON
Lawn Hose

Buy Your Garden Tools Here

We Have Everything You Need

ODELL Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER

Proprietor

GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY

DISEASES OF STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL

General Insurance

General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland

108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

Our Little Folks' Department

A GRAY DAY AND HOW IT ENDED

It was a gay day in the calendar of the Thompson children. Mother had gone to spend two days with grandma, who was ill; father had been called to the neighboring town of Eastdale on business; and Uncle Jack, who was "great fun" when he could find time to play with them, was too busy at the store to come home to lunch.

The morning dragged along; even their most cherished dolls and picture books failed to give the usual pleasure.

"I never was so mizzable," said five-year-old Dorothy, throwing herself down on the rug in front of the fire.

"Mizzable?" repeated a gay voice. "Why, what's wrong Dolly Dimples? And how gloomy you look, Nancy, child! What is the matter? Even my merry Lucy looks like all the sunshine had gone out of the world. Here, cheer up, everybody. I've come to stay for lunch."

"O Aunt Ruby! Have you, really?" said matter-of-fact Nan; while small Dorothy left the rug for Aunt Ruby's lap, and Lucy gave her a bearlike hug.

In a few minutes nurse appeared to announce lunch. An hour later they were again seated in the nursery, and Aunt Ruby was telling them about her dog Mac, a Scotch collie, that had saved the life of a small terrier the day before.

"And did Mac really run in front of the car, grab the little frightened dog, and jump with him to a place of safety?"

"Yes, Lucy, dear. Wasn't it fine?"

"Dogs have lots more sense than some people think they have," said Nan, who was musical. "Mamma read me the story of Wagner's dogs the other day."

"Who's Wagner?" asked Baby Dot, as the family still called Dorothy, in spite of her five years.

"He was a great musician. His dogs had such funny names. One he called Pol, and another Leo. The latter he saved from starvation. But it was Peps, who was his companion for thirteen years, who was his favorite dog. If his master stayed too long at his work, Peps would jump about him and bark until Wagner would have to leave the piano and go with him for a walk."

"By the way," said Aunt Ruby," "who can tell me which animal minds the cold weather least?"

"I know," cried Lucy, "'cause Uncle Jack told me. It's the rabbit."

"Correct, chickabiddy; and of domestic animals, by which I mean cows, horses, hogs, and such, the sheep can endure cold the longest. In a great blizzard many years ago in England sheep which had been buried in snowdrifts for twenty-four hours were dug out, and they were still alive. Speaking of animals, father told me something interesting yesterday about squirrels. Some red squirrels which live in the wood lot next to us have been giving him trouble lately by inviting themselves to a feast in our corncrib. When telling mother and me about the little thieves, father said that the red squirrel is very much like the rat in habits; but the gray squirrel never goes about the house or does the harm which his cousin does. But I have talked until Dorothy is almost asleep. Let's make popcorn balls."

"Goody!" cried Lucy, while Nan and little Dorothy clapped their hands to show their delight; and all three had forgotten what a gray day it was.—Iona Capitola Carter.

DOLLY'S NEST

The sun was shining, the birds were singing, and the flowers were blooming. You might think that little girls would be smiling; but instead, Dolly White was crying.

"What is the matter now?" asked a neighbor who had stopped at the gate. "Dolly is crying again?"

So, you see, it was not the first time!

"I don't have anyone to play with!" Dolly sobbed. "Mother is busy."

"If you will come down here,"—the lady leaned over the hedge—"and sit very still, you can see some one build a little house."

Dolly jumped up and ran down the path.

"Very quiet," the lady whispered. "Stand still and watch."

Dolly almost held her breath. In a minute she saw a small, pretty bird fly down from the tree overhead and pick up a little square piece of paper. Then he flew up into the tree where Dolly could not see him through the leaves.

"He is building his nest," whispered the lady, "but he hasn't much material to build it with. Suppose you bring tiny, tiny pieces of thread, and tiny, tiny pieces of anything you can find that would be nice and soft for tiny, tiny birds to nestle into, and put them down—just there. You will have to be quiet, or birdie will be frightened. It will be pleasant to have a bird build in your tree."

The lady went on her way to the stores. Dolly did not cry again, for she had a busy morning. Her mother came out and gave her some nice bits of very soft stuff, and Dolly pulled them into shreds. Then she crept down to the place where the bird had found the bit of paper, and put her shreds, one by one, on the grass. Sometimes it was many minutes before Mr. Bird would come down to get her present; but he always came.

When luncheon was ready, a smiling Dolly sat at the table. "And what has my Dolly been doing?" asked her father.

"I've been building a nest," said Dolly. And she quite forgot to mention the neighbor from next door!—Frances Harmer.

MISCHIEF AND FLAXSEED

Fred and Ed lived in the hot city, and they liked to visit their sister, whose home was in a small, near-by town. There they found plenty of grass and shade. It was always cool in the long, shady street and there were porches and hammocks, and trees, the branches of which stretched over the house.

Fred and Ed enjoyed it all, because in their city home they did not have such a delightful outdoors. One afternoon when their sister went downtown and left the boys playing mumble-the-peg under the maple, she did not tell them not to go away. She thought they were contented; but you cannot tell how long boys are going to be contented with mumble-the-peg. Behind the house there stretched a daisy field, and just beyond that was the railway. The first track that you reached was not the one used by the express trains that thundered by every little while; it was a side track for freight cars. The boys could see the tops of the cars from the big maple, and when they grew tired of their game, Fred said, "Let's go over and look at the train."

Ed agreed, and away they went. There was no engine near, and the children looked curiously at the big wheels and strong black machinery. Soon they climbed up and looked inside the car; at one end of it there was a compartment that held many bushels of flaxseed. The boys did not know what the shiny brown particles were; but in about two minutes they were playing in it. At first they let it run through their fingers, and then they began to burrow and roll in the slippery heap; they threw it over each other and buried themselves up to their necks.

They had great fun; but the sun shone so hot that after a while they remembered the ice-cold water in tne well by the back porch.

"Let's go," said Fred. "I'm thirsty."

"All right, let's," agreed his brother, and they crawled out of the car.

When they came to the light they hardly knew each other! Flaxseed is small and it looks harmless, but when it is wet it grows very sticky and holds on. The boys were damp with perspiration, and the seed had stuck to them everywhere. It had run down their necks and up their sleeves; it was glued on under their knees, and it covered their legs and filled their short socks; it coated their faces; and they looked as if they were wearing suits of mail, like the knights of olden times.

"Brush me," begged Fred, "and I'll brush you."

But the flaxseed would not be brushed; it stuck as if every little seed had grown upon them. Their sister saw them coming, but she hardly knew her little brown brothers. Getting the flaxseed off was not fun, for neither water, nor soap, nor wash cloths, nor flesh brushes seemed to start it. The seed stuck tighter and tighter, until Ed decided that he would never have a clean face again.

"I don't want to look this way when I'm a ma-an!" he wept.

"It almost looks as if you might have to," said his sister soberly.

Finally, with a wooden paper knife, they scraped the flaxseed off—one seed at a time; and they were red and smarting when at last they were ready to be put to bed. They had to eat supper upstairs, because they were not fit to be seen. They had enougn o flaxseed to last them all their lives, and during the rest of their visit they could not be coaxed even to cross tne daisy field.—Elizabeth Price.

A CHINESE SCHOOL

The little boys in Chinese schools
Have very odd and curious rules.
To us it hardly would seem right
To turn our backs when we recite.
And fancy what a din and noise
A schoolroom full of little boys
All studying out loud would make!
O, how the teacher's ears must ache!
Then, too, how queer their books must be,
Written from back to front, you see,
All up and down the page, instead
Of straight across, as ours are read!
How strange to use a paint brush, too,
And not a pen, as we all do!
They'd think us dunces there, I fear,
Our lessons are so different here.

—Rose Mills Powers, in Picture Story Paper.

"Well, Davie, did you enjoy your visit to the museum?"

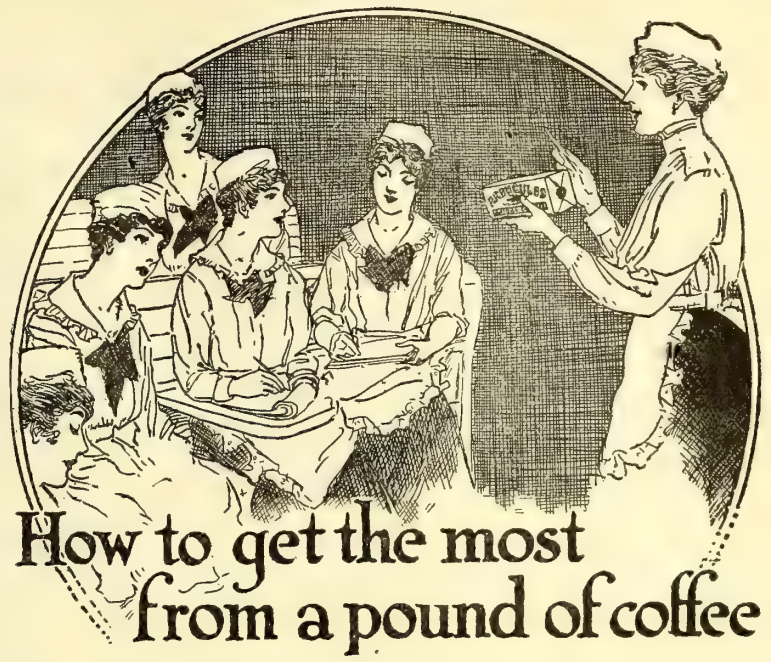
"Yes, mother."

"Do you remember any of the nice things you saw?"

"O, yes, I remember lots of them."

"And can you tell me what they were called?"

"Yes, most of them were called 'Do not touch.'"—Exchange.



How to get the most from a pound of coffee

First, get a coffee that has been thoroughly aged when green. Proper aging changes the raw, strong taste of the bean to a mellow, rich flavor.

Next, it must be roasted by experts under perfect conditions. Skillful roasting brings out the full delicacy of the natural flavor. Unskillful roasting spoils the flavor and causes a heavy and wasteful loss in weight.

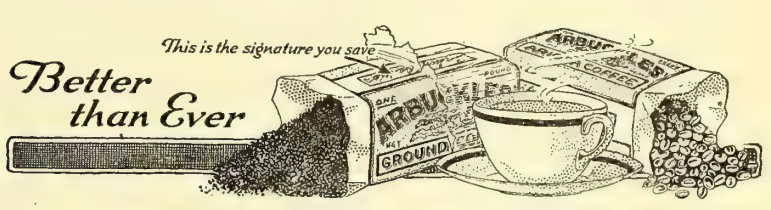
Finally, coffee must be packed in a way that will keep it fresh, and protect it from outside odors and from moisture.

In Arbuckles' Coffee you get all these advantages. You get a coffee thoroughly aged when green, skillfully and uniformly roasted; then guarded from moisture and odors in special, sanitary, sealed packages.

If you haven't used Arbuckles' Coffee lately, do so now. See what big value you get—how the delicious flavor will please and satisfy. Get a package today.

This is the signature you save

Better than Ever



The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.

LEADING JEWELERS

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.....E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg...W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller.....C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg., M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.....J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg...J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.....G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.....A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel...J. W. Ligon

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.
Weaverville, N. C.
Third Round

July
Weaverville Ct., South Fork 24
Black Mountain, Tabernacle 25
Sulphur Springs, Pisgah 31-August 1
August
Biltmore, Mt. Pleasant 1
North Asheville, night 4
Swannanoa 7-8
Bethel, night 8
Fourth Round
Brevard Ct., Lake Toxaway 14-15
Brevard, night 15
Henderson Ct., Edneyville 21-22
Hendersonville, night 22
Leicester, Teagues 28-29
Riverview Church, night 29
September
Mills River, Avery Creek 4-5
North Asheville, night 5
Mars Hill, Valley Union 11-12
Weaverville, night 12
Flat Rock, Upward 18-19
Central, night 19
West Asheville 26
Tryon and Saluda, night 26-27
Fairview, Fairview 2-3
October
Haywood St., night 3
Spring Creek, Antioch 9-10
Hot Springs, night 10
Weaverville Ct., Salem 16-17
Elk Mountain, night 17
Hot Springs & Marshall, Marshall .23-24
Walnut, Jewel Hill, night 24-25
Sulphur Springs, Snow Hill 30-31
Bethel, night 31
November
Swannanoa, Swannanoa 6-7
Black Mountain, night 7
Biltmore & Mt. Pleasant, Biltmore ...14

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C.
Third Round

July
Polkton Ct. 23
Marshville Ct., Gilboa 24-25
North Monroe, night 25
Unionville Ct., Zion 26
Spencer Memorial 1
Dilworth, night 1
District Conference at Polkton, July 21-23

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—James H. Weaver, Presiding Elder
Greensboro, N. C.
Third Round

July
Wesley Memorial, High Point 24-25
Main St., High Point 24-25
East End, High Point 24-25
Deep River Ct., White Hall 31-Aug. 1
August
Randleman 1-2
Asheboro 1-2
Denton, Siloam 7-8
Uwharrie, Salem 8-9

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Third Round

July
Morganton Ct., Denton 24-25
Connelly Springs, Warlicks ..31-Aug. 1
August
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Bakersville 7-8
Micaville, Shoal Creek 14-15
Bald Creek, Bald Creek 21-22
Burnsville 22-23
Marion Ct., Concord 28-29
District Conference at Gilkey, July 15-18
Fourth Round
Marion Station 29
September
Old Fort, Greenlee 3
McDowell, Glenwood 4-5
Thermal City, Thermal 4-5
Table Rock, Oak Hill 11-12
Morganton Station 12-13
Green River, Bethlehem 18-19
Broad River, Tanner's Grove 25-26
Henrietta and Caroleen, Caroleen ..26-27
October
Forest City, Pleasant Grove 2-3
Cliffside, Oak Grove 2-3
Rutherfordton, Gilkey 9-10
Morganton Ct., Oak Forest 16-17
Connelly Springs 23-24
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Spruce Pine 30-31
November
Micaville, Martin's Chapel 5
Bald Creek 6-7
Burnsville 7-8
Marion Ct., Capernaum 13-14

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Third Round

July
Yadkinville 24-25
Ararat 31
August
Ararat 1
Mount Airy Circuit 7-8

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Third Round

July
Helton, Methodist Chapel 24-25
August
Sparta, Cox's Chapel .....July 31-1
Laurel Springs, Chestnut Hill 7-8
Jefferson, Bethany 14-15
District Conference at Elk Park, June 24-27.
Revival Meetings
Sparta .....Juy 31-Aug. 6
Jefferson, Bethany .....Aug. 9-15

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.
Third Round

July
Kannapolis Circuit, Unity 24-25
New London Circuit 31-Aug. 1
August
Gold Hill Circuit 1-2
Bethel and Loves Chapel 8-9

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby, N. C.
Third Round

July
Crouse 17
Stanly 18
South Fork 24
Lewesville, Hill's Chapel 27-29

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—Lee T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Third Round

July
Malden Ct., Friendship, 11 a. m., 3-4
Newton St., Newton, night 4-5
Mooresville Ct., Triplett, 11 a. m., 10-11
Davidson St., Davidson, night 11-12
Troutman Ct., Knox Chapel, 11 a. m. 17-18
Mooresville St., Mooresville, night, 18-19
Statesville Ct., Chapel Hill, 11 a. m., 24-25
Coal Spring Ct., Rose Chapel, 11 a. m. 24-25
Iredell Ct., Macedonia, 11 a. m. 25-26
Bread Street St., Bread St., 11 a. m. 25-26
Race Street St., Race St., 11 a. m., 25-27
August
Hickory Ct., Pisgah, 11 a. m., ...1-2

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, R. F. D. 2, Asheville, N. C.
Third Round

July
Highlands, Cashiers 1
Bryson and Whittier, Bryson City ..3-4
Judson Ct., Judson 4-5
Robbinsville, Trinity 6-7
Murphy Ct., Ogden 10-11
Hayesville, Tusquity 17-18
Ranger, Martins Creek 23
Murphy Station 25
Andrews Station 31-Aug. 1
August
Franklin Ct., Clarks Chapel 7-8
Franklin Station, Maiden Chapel 8
Macon Ct., ...15

WINSTON DISTRICT—Hugh K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C.
Third Round

July
Davie, Center 3-4
Mocksville 3-4
Advance, Advance 10-11
West End, night 11
Lewisville, Union 17-18
Salem, night 18
Farmington, Bethlehem 24-25
Cooleemee, night 25
Kernersville, Shady Grove 31-Aug. 1
Fourth Round
August
West End, 11 a. m. 8
Grace, night 8
Burkhead, 11 a. m. 15
Southside, night 15
Centenary, 11 a. m. 22
Salem, night 22
September
Linwood, Ebenezer 4-5
Lexington, night 3-5
Davidson, Centenary 11-12
Thomasville Ct., Zion 18-19
Thomasville, Main St., night 17-19
Forsyth, Mount Tabor 25-26
October
Jackson Hill, Poplar Spring 2-3
Farmington, Smith Grove 9-10
Cooleemee, night 10
Walkertown, 11 a. m. 17
Advance, Advance 16-17
Lewisville, New Hope 23-24
Davie, Hardison 30-31
Mocksville, night 29-31
November
Kernersville, Kernersville 6-7

Our Dead

All obituaries exceeding two hundred words will be charged for at the rate of one cent a word. Correspondents will make the calculation and remit the necessary amount with the manuscript. In ordering copies of the paper containing obituaries, it is necessary, in every case, to give date of issue and name of person whose obituary is called for. Additional copies will be sent at the rate of four cents per copy. No verses will be inserted.

WELCH—Anna Catherine Welch was born April 27th, 1835, and departed this life July 2nd, 1915, being 80 years, two months and five days old. Sister Welch was baptized in infancy, and united with the Methodist church, in which she lived a consistent member until the day of her death. She was married to J. C. Welch Sept. 16, 1866, from which union nine children were born, and four of these have already preceded the mother into the spirit world. Surviving her are. J. C. Welch, her husband, Mrs. N. W. Propst, Mrs. A. H. Whitener, John J. Welch, and Mrs. B. L. Hull, children.

Though a great sufferer the last years of her life, Sister Welch endured to the end with Christ-like patience, and remained strong in the faith of her Saviour, speaking to this writer often of that hope and consolation which she enjoyed in Christ. We deposited her remains in the church yard of Bethel church June 3rd, in the presence of many friends and loved ones, and as we turned our faces homeward, we felt that a "Mother in Israel" had been taken from our midst.

E. O. Smithdeal.

BRITTAIN.—Mrs. Sarah Catherine Brittain, who died in Murphy, N. C., July 9th, 1915, was born in Burke Co., on May 22, 1835. She was a daughter of David Henesa and Catherine Hennesa, who removed to Cherokee Co. several years before the war of 1861-65, and settled near Andrews, on Valley River. It was in this beautiful valley that she spent her girlhood and no little of her life.

She was married to the late Major Mark L. Brittain on March 2, 1854, and was the mother of twelve children, of whom five survive her. They are Mark Brittain, Wm. P. Brittain, John V. Brittain, Lon W. Brittain and Mrs. Mellie C. Miller, all of whom were at the bedside and closed the dying eyes. Seven children preceded the good mother to the great beyond, and she grieved for them as only a mother can, when they were taken away. Within the last eight years three of the children, who had grown to maturity and had families of their own, have died, and her husband passed off the scene nearly eleven years ago.

Mrs. Brittain joined the Methodist Church when only sixteen years of age, and lived a devoted consistent Christian life. She was noted for her lovable, sweet character, and was a devoted wife and mother. In all the sorrows and trials which were hers, she was strong and patient and was an humble follower of the Master.

Being blessed with good old age, her life was gentle; she was loved of all. And indeed, what can be better than her last days—the race well run, a life devoted to her God and to the service of her family; and at last, with all her children around her death-bed, all possessed of the love and confidence of their neighbors and enjoying the respect of their acquaintances, she passed to the presence of Him whom she had served throughout all the years of her life.

ASHBURN.—Roby Ashburn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Ashburn, died at the home of his parents on Route 1, Mt. Airy, N. C., on July 7, 1915, age 23 years, 7 months and 18 days. H is survived by his parents, two si ters, three brothers, and a large circ of relatives and friends. Two brot ers preceded him to the spirit worl

For about three years previous t his death, he had to combat with tha dreaded malady, tuberculosis. An while all was done for him that kin hands and loving hearts could do t stay the hand of disease, yet it claime its victim in the person of this nob young man.

In infancy he was baptized by h great-grandfather, Rev. James Nee ham, now of sainted memory. Whe about seventeen years of age he mad a profession of religion under the mi istry of Rev. J. C. Richardson, an joined the M. E. Church, South, New Hope, on Pilot Mountain Circui He lived a consistent life, being tru and faithful to his church, and fro a small boy he manifested much i terest in the Sunday school.

For some time before his death, h was fully aware that his stay on eart would soon be over, and, during tha time, he gave his loved ones satisfa tory evidence that he was going heaven. Just a short time before h went away, he said to his father: "A is well, the gates of heaven are ope I can see the city." "All come to s me."

On the following day his mortal r mains were tenderly laid to rest the cemetery at New Hope church await the resurrection of the just.

May all the bereaved ones so li that there shall be one undivided fa ily in the home of the redeemed.

W. M. Wall.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, God, in His all-wise pro dence, has seen fit to take from o midst our dear friend and co-worke Mrs. W. T. Rowland, a member of Ta lorsville Woman's Missionary Auxi ary of the M. E. Church, South; the fore be it resolved:

First—That we submit to the l vine hand which bereaves us of o of our most faithful and devoted me bers.

Second—That in her death t Church has sustained a sad loss.

Third—That we extend to the gri stricken husband and family o heartfelt sympathy, assuring the that the deceased held a promine place in our esteem, and that h memory will be tenderly cherished us.

Fourth—That a copy of these res lutions be placed on our minutes, copy sent to Captain Rowland, a that they also be published in t North Carolina Christian Advoca and the Mountain Scout.

Miss Esther Bolick,
Mrs. W. LeGette,
Mrs. D. C. Henley,
Mrs. R. E. Hunt,
Committee.

McCAIN.—The many friends French M. McCain, age twenty yea youngest son of M. and Mrs. H. McCain, were shocked to learn of t tragic accident at the yards of t Southern Railway on July 13, 191 The young man was throwing a swit when the engine came upon hi crushing him beneath the whee Both limbs were severed below t knee, and seldom have men old in t service shown more courage and fo titude than French McCain. His pre ence of mind and quick action in ti ing up his wounds saved his life, an this courage and fortitude and braver never left him until death claimed hi 27 hours later.

Not once was he heard to murmu or complain, and to the end his co posure and thought for his mother ne er ceased, and won the approbation an sympathy of friends as well as phys cians and nurses of the Mission Ho pital.

He was buried from Haywood St. M E. Church, South, and the service wa

conducted by Rev. J. C. Harmon, pastor of Bethel church, assisted by Rev. Calvin B. Waller, pastor of the Baptist Church, and a life-long friend of the family. The crowded church and the wealth of floral offerings attested to the love and esteem in which he was held by the community. The Baracas and Philatheas of the church had six representatives from each class to act as honorary pall-bearers and carry the flowers. As the casket entered the church these young people were stationed on each side of the door with flowers in their hands, and the class colors as badges. Across the casket was a large Baraca pennant. The service was beautiful and impressive.

The two classes attended in a body. The grave had been lined with flowers, and as the burial service was read the class representatives dropped white carnations into the grave as a token of their love and esteem.

The following letter was sent to the family:

Tribute of Haywood St. Baraca Class

Asheville, N. C., July 18, 1915.

The Haywood Street Baraca Class at its Sunday morning meeting, July 18, 1915, unanimously voted to extend to the parents and other members of the family of French M. McCain, the sincere sympathy of the entire class, upon his tragic and untimely death, which was such a sorrow and shock to us all.

French was a valued member of our class, and his bright cheerful presence will be sadly missed by the class. It is our prayer that Divine Grace will enable you and us to so live that some bright day all may meet to separate no more in the heavenly home of the soul.

Yours in Christian fellowship,
Ray DeVault, President,
T. M. Duckett, Secretary,
Mrs. N. Buckner, Teacher.

HERBERT.—Capt. Robt. Lee Herbert was born November 29, 1847, and died April 19, 1915. He had been confined to his bed three months when death came. He was 77 years of age. His church membership was held at Oak Forest Methodist Church, of the Hayesville charge. He was a liberal contributor to the support of his church.

The funeral was conducted in the presence of a large number of sorrowing friends. His occupation was the building of railroads and macadamized roads. The Hiawassee Valley railroad from Hayesville to Andrews now in process of building was under his supervision when he died.

Capt. Herbert was a highly honored citizen, and while he might have had some enemies, yet he was loved and respected by almost if not all who knew him. He had once represented his county in the legislature, and had held many other prominent offices.

Z. V. Johnston.

CLAYWELL.—Mrs. Sarah Grant Claywell was born March 20, 1836, and died July 3, 1915. She was married to Mr. J. A. Claywell August 28, 1855. She joined the Methodist Church in early girlhood, and she brought her church letter to Morganton Methodist church in 1858. She was very faithful to her church, and was a leading factor in all the enterprises of the church. She was the founder of the Ladies' Aid Society, and one of the first members of the Woman's Missionary Society.

Her splendid accomplishments, together with the noble Christian spirit she so beautifully exemplified in all she undertook enabled her to carry out nearly all her cherished plans. She knew how to get others interested, and she put others in the lead and then helped and encouraged them, taking no credit for herself, but finding great joy in the realization that God's work was being done. She was utterly unselfish. Hers was a life of great simplicity and tender beauty. Her home was the object of her tenderest care. Here her charming personality was revealed. She put impress of her own lofty faith and Christian life upon her loved ones, and her children have arisen to call her "blessed."

She had walked hand in hand with her husband for nearly 60 years, and no lives have been richer in tender fellowship and sweet companionship. They have had more of sunshine than of shadow, for they were the "children of the light," and in seeking the best, they found it.

She is survived by her husband, our oldest and most beloved member of Morganton Methodist Church, who was Superintendent of our Sunday school for more than 10 years, and who is now in his 90th year.

All her children are now living. They are: Messrs. E. B. and R. T. Claywell, Mrs. Bessie Claywell Rountree, and Mrs. Jennie Claywell Hagan, all of Morganton. There are also 15 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren; one brother, Mr. A. T. Grant, of Mocksville, N. C., and one sister, Mrs. Virginia Grant Cagle also survive.

Her earthly work is done, but the influence of her gentle life remains. In the "house of many mansions" she waits the coming of her loved ones as one by one God shall call tahem home.

E. E. Williamson, Pastor.

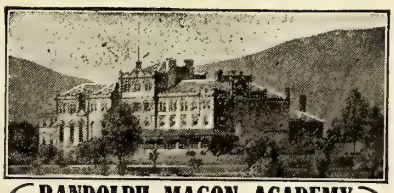


MILLIONS of Dollars WASTED

every year on coal that heats the *chimney* instead of the *room*. Many soft coals burn riotously like shavings, wasting their heat in a long flame up the chimney and in dense smoke and troublesome soot and are quickly reduced to ashes and clinkers. Save big money on your next winter's coal bill by burning Clinchfield—the coal that burns like a hickory back-log—with a short flame and a big bed of intensely hot coals of wonderful *lasting* quality, that radiate their heat into every nook and corner of the room. Clinchfield holds fire over night, saving labor and kindling bills. Hard, clean, lumpy, readily kindled. By far the most *economical* and satisfactory fuel for open grates, stoves and residence furnaces of all types. No trouble with clinkers or choked flues.

Write for literature, freight rate and low summer prices on cars of from 30 to 50 tons each direct from the mines.

Clinchfield Fuel Co.
Desk 12 Spartanburg, S. C.
"THE COAL OF HIGH HEAT VALUE"



RANDOLPH-MACON ACADEMY
For Boys Bedford City, Va.

Offers prompt and thorough preparation for college, scientific school or business life. The liberal endowment of the Randolph-Macon System, of which this school is a branch, permits of unusually low terms, $255 covers all charges for the school year. No extras. Randolph-Macon boys succeed—485 graduates of this school have received full college degrees or entered professions in the past 18 years. For catalogue and further information, address

E. SUMTER SMITH, Principal

ROANOKE COLLEGE
SALEM, VA.

Location Situated in the famous Roanoke Valley, unsurpassed for healthful climate and grandeur of surrounding mountain scenery.

Rank A Standard American College for men—its A. B. degree accepted by best American universities.

Courses Courses for degrees arranged in groups, preparing for life and looking to the various professions.

Facilities A strong faculty of twenty; library of 24,000 volumes; working laboratories; 8 buildings, including new dormitory system of 5 sections, 250 ft. in length, and handsome new gymnasium

Roanoke is devoted to Christian education for the service of church and state. Sixty-third session begins Sept. 15. For free catalogue and illustrated circular address J. A. MOREHEAD, Pres.

Standard Form Collection Envelopes

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

HOLT'S CHAPEL

FOR PASTOR'S SALARY

AMOUNT

Name ..... | Dollars | Cents |

Date.....191....

MISSIONS AND CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

MOUNT ZION CHURCH

Name..... | Dollars | Cents |

Date .....

$1.90 for 1000, delivered

$1.40 for additional 1000, delivered

FOR EITHER FORM

This price is based on using the above forms, changing name of church only. The large envelope is manila, and of the quality regularly used for Pastor's Salary collections. The small envelope can be furnished in white, green or cherry. Its difference in color and size from the Pastor's Salary form makes it ideal for Missions and Conference Collections.

If special form is desired the price will average $2.40 for the first 1000, and $1.40 for additional 1000's, delivered.

Special rates on large quantities.

The Advocate Press, Greensboro, N. C.

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective April 18th, 1915

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester.....Lv.	7 43 a m	12 05 p m			
Yorkville..... "	8 29	1 55			
Gastonia ..... "	9 24!	4 00			
Gastonia ..... "					
Lincolnton ..... "	10 15	5 30			
Newton..... "	10 55	6 15			
Hickory ..... "	12 05 p m	7 05	1 00 p m	6 45 a m	
Lenoir..... "	1 08	8 20	2 04	8 30	
Lenoir..... "	2 00x				
Mortimer..... "	3 17				
Edgemont.....Ar.	3 27				
Southbound	**NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only**	**NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.**
Edgemont.....Lv.	10 00 a m				
Mortimer ..... "	10 08				
Lenoir ..... "	11 20!				
Lenoir..... "	1 35 p m	6 00 a m	8 15 a m		
Hickory ..... "	2 35	7 15	9 12		
Newton..... "	3 05	8 00			
Lincolnton ..... "	3 43	8 55			
Gastonia..... "	4 30	10 23			
Gastonia..... "	5 00x	11 00			
Yorkville..... "	5 47	12 28 p m			
Chester.....Ar.	6 35	2 15			

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. CHESTER, S. C.



QUEENS COLLEGE

FOR YOUNG WOMEN **CHARLOTTE, N. C.**

Delightfully located in Myers Park, suburban Charlotte. Five new buildings of tapestry brick and limestone; two stories high, fireproof throughout. Confortable and convenient dormitories; baths adjoining each room; hot and cold water. Extensive 50 acre campus. One of the best equipped woman's colleges in the South.

Standard college courses leading to B. A. degree. Special fitting course. 22 trained instructors. Complete laboratory equipment, gymnasium, library. ***Splendid Musical Advantages:*** 3 manual pipe organ; 22 piano practice rooms containing all new instruments. ***Diplomas in Voice, Violin, Piano, Organ, Art and Expression.***

Non-sectarian but distinctly Christian. Terms per session $300. For catalog address

JOHN L. CALDWELL, M. A., D. D., President **CHARLOTTE, N. C.**

JACOBS, R. CO.

TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 **CHARTERED 1859**

A Christian college steadfast in its fidelity to its highest ideals and noblest traditions. Among the few well endowed Southern institutions of learning. A large faculty of thoroughly trained and wisely chosen teachers. Excellent new buildings, beautiful and large campus. Modern laboratories and fine library.

Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.

Special attention given in the Biblical Department to the wise training of young ministers.

For catalogue and illustrated booklet address

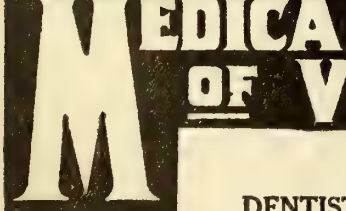
R. L. FLOWERS,

Secretary to the Corporation, Durham, North Carolina.



LIBERTY-PIEDMONT INSTITUTE

Wallburg, N.C.



Endorsed by the leading educators. Affords boys and girls an unusually broad preparation for College and University under ideal home conditions and constructive Christian influences.

Primary, intermediate and high school courses, with many courses not found in the public school. ***Music, Expression and Business Training.*** Small classes; strong teaching force. Modern buildings. Ideal country location near Winston-Salem. Fall term opens August 31.

For Catalogue Address

JOHN MERITT CHEEK, B. A., Principal, Wallburg, N. C.

1898 THE TRINITY PARK SCHOOL 1915

Located on the campus of Trinity College. Faculty of well trained men of successful experience as teachers. Special individual attention given by masters to students. For health location unexcelled. Well equipped study hall under a master. Excellent buildings and beautiful grounds. Every effort exerted to make the school an ideal home for boys. Expenses reasonable. For catalogue address

W. W. PEELE, Headmaster, Durham, N. C.



BREVARD INSTITUTE

The school which offers thorough instruction in the most useful branches at less than actual cost and under strong Christian influences. Its courses of study include:

Primary School	Grammar School	High School
Pedagogy	Review Classes	Practice Teaching
Piano Playing	Voice Culture	Musical Pedagogy
Bookkeeping	Stenography	Commercial Law
Dressmaking	Millinery	Fancy Work
Cooking	Housework	Household Economics
Farming	Stockraising	Gardening
Bible	Missions	Christian Work

Its aim throughout is accurate efficiency.
Why not study just what you are fitted for?

C. H. TROWBRIDGE, Principal BREVARD, N. C.



DAVIDSON COLLEGE

A First Rank College For Men

Davidson, N. C.

Established in 1837. Highly advanced in work and equipment. Places profound emphasis on thorough scholarship, clean manhood and Christian character. Offers young men unusual opportunity for educational development.

$650,000 resources. 13 modern buildings. Library of 24,586 volumes. Five laboratories. Infirmary. Commodious dormitories. Ideally located for health, social life and freedom from undesirable influences.

High standard courses leading to degrees of B. A., B. S. and M. A. Instructors of character and learning. Physical training part of course, prescribed to rectify individual faults. Attendance over 300. 14 States represented. 1915 Session opens Sept. 2nd. For Catalogue, address

The Registrar, Davidson College, Davidson, N. C.

MEDICAL COLLEGE OF VIRGINIA

1838 1915

MEDICAL COLLEGE OF VIRGINIA
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF MEDICINE
(Consolidated)

DENTISTRY---MEDICINE---PHARMACY

STUART McGUIRE, M. D., Pres.

New college building, completely equipped and modern laboratories. Extensive Dispensary service. Hospital facilities furnish 400 clinical beds; individual instruction; experienced Faculty; practical curriculum. 78th session opens Sept. 21, 1915. For catalogue or information address

J. R. McCAULEY, Secretary,

1140 E. Clay Street - - - - - Richmond, Va.

Vanderbilt University

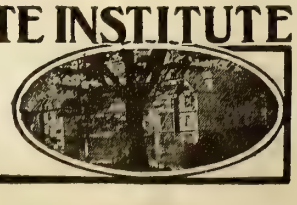
Opens Monday, Sept. 27th. High educational standards. Vigorous and healthy student life. Wholesome athletics. Revised curriculum. College of Arts and Science. Professional Schools of Law, Medicine, Pharmacy, Engineering, Religion. For catalogue write, naming department to

THE SECRETARY, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY
BOX 109 NASHVILLE, TENN.

NORMAL AND COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE

FOR YOUNG WOMEN — Asheville, N.C.

Offers a four years teachers' course and four year Collegiate Course at minimum rates. Splendid advantages in music. Practical training in sewing, cooking and household management. In "The Land of the Sky." Beautiful surroundings, magnificent equipment, perfect health conditions. 16 expert teachers. Board and tuition, per year, $100. Next session opens, Sept. . 1915. For Catalogue, address **EDWARD P. CHILDS, Pres., Asheville, N. C.**



Williams Private Sanatorium FOR DRUGS and WHISKEY

TERMS: Drugs $125 Flat. Whiskey $100 Flat. Women patients pay a small sum extra for nurse.

B. B. WILLIAMS, M. D., Greensboro, N. C.
Reference, Amr. Exchange Nat'l Bank, Greensboro, N. C.

SHADOWS HERE

Let a man get but one glimpse of the King in his beauty, and then the forms and shapes of things here are but the types of an invisible loveliness—types which he is content should break and fade. Let but a man feel the truth that goodness is greatness, and there is no other greatness, and then the degrading reverence with which the titled of this world bow before wealth, and ostentation with which the rich of this world profess their familiarity with title, all the pride of life, what is it to him? The love of the inward, everlasting, real, the love that is of the Father, annihilates the love of the world.—F. W. Robertson.

THINK KINDLY

"The little I have seen in the world and known of the history of mankind, teaches me to look at their errors in sorrow, and not in anger. When I take the history of one poor heart that has sinned and suffered, and represent to myself the struggles and temptations it has passed through—the brief pulsations of joy, the tears of regret, the feebleness of purpose, the scorn of the world that has little charity, the desolation of the soul's sanctuary, the threatening voices within, health gone, happiness gone—I would fain leave the erring soul of my fellowmen with him from whose hands it came."—Chalmers.

The most I can do for my friends is simply to be his friend. I have no wealth to bestow on him. If he knows that I am happy in loving him, he will want no other reward. Is not friendship divine in this?—Thoreau.

METHODIST NEWS BUREAU

The Book Committee and Publishing Agents, acting under the instructions of the General Conference, have provided for a Methodist News Bureau. This Bureau will send out to all of the church papers such items as will be of general interest. It is expected that these items will be sent by individuals in every part of the church. Perhaps not all items sent will be used, but our connectional officials, school representatives, evangelists, presiding elders, pastors and others will confer a favor on those having in charge this work by sending in the items of general interest, to reach us not later than Friday of any week.

Address Methodist News Bureau, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

All virtues grow from a compassionate love of mankind.—Buddhist.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, August 12, 1915 | Number 32

Reading Room
Trinity College

WAIT PATIENTLY

The chances are that you will have to wait anyway, so why not do it patiently? It will be much easier on you, and much easier, too, on the people who have to look at you. You know that you do not yourself care to be near a fussy, impatient individual; it gets on your nerves. And, really, there is not much sense in complaining that you have to wait for so many things. Those things that come right off without any waiting are seldom worth much. The very best things in life are the things we must wait for, the sweetest, most satisfying fruit of living is never of mushroom growth, but ripens slowly, and sometimes through dark and sunless days. And to have waited patiently for it is the only way to thoroughly enjoy it when it does drop into our hand. So often we wear ourselves out with worry and fret because our fruit doesn't ripen, and then when it does we have no tranquility of soul left to enjoy it. "Wait patiently for Him"—that is the secret of restful, happy living.—CHRISTIAN GUARDIAN.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

TO SUBSCRIBERS

The date on your label shows when your subscription will expire. Promptly at this date you should send in your renewal. Failing to do so you may expect a notice from the office reminding you. This is not a dun. It is only business. Many of our subscribers are already much behind. Please let us hear from you. A renewal order blank may be found on page 11.

EPWORTH LEAGUE CONFERENCE

Our readers interested in the Epworth League are requested to look up the notice of the President, Dr. E. L. Bain, which is printed elsewhere in this issue. It has been decided better to postpone the Conference Assembly to September 24-26, and change the place of meeting from Junaluska to Spencer. Spencer will give the delegates free entertainment and it is far more accessible to all the Leagues in the Conference. This change, however, does not affect in any way the Epworth League Assembly for the whole Church, South, which will be held as already announced at Lake Junaluska August 19-29. It is hoped that many of our young people will be on hand at Junaluska.

GREAT BENEFACTION TO NORTH CAROLINA METHODISM

The communication of Bishop Kilgo printed on the fifth page of the Advocate this week will be read with more than ordinary interest by the Methodists of North Carolina. This is, in many respects, the greatest benefaction that has ever come to our church in North Carolina. It is uniquie in that it provides help for promoting directly the regular work of the church.

We have long desired to see some foundation laid for largely increasing our resources in the effort to strengthen the home base, especially to aid our home mission work. For two decades our pull for resources to establish the church in foreign fields has been out of all proportion to our expenditures for development of the home field. The result is that the base of supply is in danger of being weakened so as to imperil the very existence of our church in the home land.

The Advocate bespeaks for North Carolina Methodism a hearty appreciation of the generous spirit which has prompted Mr. Duke to provide this fund, and we trust that all will join in the earnest prayer that he may be led by the Spirit into the fullest personal benefits of that religion which he endeavors thus to promote— the religion of his fathers.

It is well known that Mr. Washington Duke greatly loved and revered the old fashioned Methodist preacher, and that he, in his time, frequently made special donations for the support of our superannuates. May God lead us to so use this gift as to make it a great blessing both to the church and to the donor.

MRS. MARY LEE HUDSON

Many Advocate readers will be saddened by the announcement that Mrs. Mary Lee Hudson, widow of the late Rev. H. T. Hudson, D. D., passed away at the home of her sister. Mrs. W. H. Miller, in Shelby, on Sunday afternoon, August 8th. Mrs. Hudson had been growing more feeble for some months, but was not ill until the summons came, translating her to her eternal home. She was about eighty-one years old according to the press notice given out from Shelby.

It is not extravagant to class the departed sister among those preeminently worthy to be classed among the saints. If we were going to select a list of those whom we have had the pleasure of claiming as intimate personal friends and classify for canonizing we would place the name of Sister Hudson among the very first. We have known but few who equaled for her sane, common-sense religious views on all matters, and her piety was perennial and beautiful without being in the least sense ostentatious. Herself a sufferer for many years, she never carried a shadow or suggestion of discomfort into any sick room. Beautiful sunrays always shone out from her very presence. It seems that such a person should have lived always, and it is a joyous thought that she is living, and will live, forever freed from the encumbrance of the frail house of clay in which she suffered.

Mrs. Hudson was a woman of rare attainments. Possessed of an unusually bright mind, she made good use of her splendid opportunities for education and for many years did excellent work as a teacher. At Louisburg, Greensboro and various places her great personality was brought to bear in educational work upon the young womanhood of the State. Many yet living will rise up and call her blessed.

Devoted to her church, she was always in her place and her faith was as simple as a child's. No Methodist preacher serving as pastor of Central church, Shelby, during the last thirty years has failed to find in Sister Hudson a faithful helper. She was a constant inspiration. She possessed the happy art of inspiring hope and courage even in the face of difficulties apparently insurmountable. It goes without saying, therefore, that she was a great preacher's wife; and what higher meed of praise can be accorded to any woman!

She was generous with her means. Besides the thousands of untold and unrecorded benefactions bestowed upon individuals, she gave in larger amounts to Greensboro College, Brevard Institute and our Children's Home, also to her local church. While, first and last, she had a fairly good estate, she administered most of it during her life time, and passed away leaving little behind save such things as conspire to receive one into everlasting habitations.

We shall look for a suitable memoir with full data to be printed in an early issue of this Advocate which her sainted husband labored to establish.

THE LAST STAGE

It may be well for all Advocate readers to be reminded that we are now entering upon the last stage of our Conference year. This week we are printing the list of appointments for the fourth round in several of the districts. This indicates that, officially speaking, the year is rapidly coming to a close.

It is important that we cast about and take our bearings. If there has been postponement of effort in any department the probability is that our efforts must be remdoubled if we are to reach the goal of complete success. The fact is that with some things the harvest is already past and the summer of opportunity ended. What a pity if, by our negligence, we have allowed souls to slip by without an earnest effort to lead them to salvation! To save souls is our great work, and no amount of diligence in looking after the material intrests of the Kingdom can be pleaded in extenuation of failure to attend to our chief work.

If the revival meetings have not been held, by all means let the work begin. The Chief Helper in the protracted meetings is always at hand. If the neighboring pastor or evaugelist can not be secured, let no man who is conscious of a divine call be afraid to launch the meeting and trust the Holy Spirit and the Lord's people to make the work effective. Not a few have found by experience that the failure to secure a helper has somtimes proved a great blessing. It has caused a sincere and consecrated man to go down upon his knees and secure the presence of the Holy Spirit as he could not, or would not, if he had not been thrown upon his own resources.

A pastorate without revival services is like a desert without an oasis—a dry and thirsty land. A Methodist preacher, to say the least, should be a very unhappy man if he cannot say that, some time during the year, there has been the experience of refreshing from the presence of the Lord. By all means call the people together from day to day and talk with them of the prospects of eternal life—of the hope of heaven,—if you think there are none unsaved. Preach to them on this text: "If a man love me he will keep my words and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him and make our abode with him." (John 14:23) If all your people are converted they will know what you are talking about and it will greatly edify and strengthen them to speak of this divine fellowship and the conditions upon which this fellowship is assured, so simply stated in the text.

In all probability, before you get through some will discover that they lack this fellowship and that the reason is in themselves. By their own attitude they will discover how they have kept the door shut against the heavenly guest. Then there will be penitents indeed and who will say that it is not worth while to do work of this sort in our revival services. The good pastor—the real shepherd of the sheep—will not be willing to let the year close without leading all his people into heart-searching lest they should be deceived—lest the adversary should deceive the very elect.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Another preacher in knee pants has broken loose at Hendersonville. This time it is 7-year-old Chas. Turner, of Orlando, Fla. "At 4 years of age he began to prophesy not knowing a "letter in the book." The report continues:

"He entered school and in ten months made six grades. For three months he has not missed preaching one sermon a day and on many days he has preached as high as four sermons and as many as two every Sunday. It is said that more than 2,000 baptisms have resulted from his preaching."

Will Brother Womble, or some one in the vicinity, give our readers the facts in this case? The public is entitled to know just how much is truth and how much pure fiction in a report like this. Perhaps some of our readers are ready to say that Samuel was called of God at the age of four, and that Jesus was found in the temple disputing with the doctors of the law and confounding them with his wisdom at twelve. But let it be noted that Samuel was not called to officiate in the priestly office at four, but rather to enter fully upon a course of training at that age; also that even the supernatural wisdom of the Son of God was not put upon exhibition at twelve years of age but that his parents took him home where he remained subject to them till he was thirty years of age. Our opinion is that these so called boy preachers are nothing but ecclesiastical mushrooms and the public needs to be warned against them. We hope our pastors will not belittle the sacred office of the ministry by inviting them in. It is significant that one Mr. Harrison, who some thirty or more years ago figured so largely as a "boy preacher," is just now, in the evening of life endeavoring to climb back upon the platform of orthodoxy from which he fell many years ago.

* * * *

The Watchman-Examiner is quoted as follows: "At a recent students' convention Dr. John Timothy Stone declared that the churches need in their pulpits 'men,' not 'orators.' He said that a young minister once in a dream telephoned Demosthenes and said, 'I understand that in your training in oratory you were obliged to put gravels in your mouth. What would you advise me to put in mine?' Demosthenes replied, 'I would advise that you use Portland cement.' The next night after Dr. Stone had used that story W. T. Ellis referred to it as 'a concrete illustration!'" Will some young theologues who have been exercising before a mirror "read, meditate and inwardly digest"?

NOTE AND COMMENT

During the Pan-American Conference in Washington last week there was considerable discussion of the question of financing any government which might be set up in Mexico, either through a peace conference of the faction leaders or by direct action of the Pan-American concert.

Undoubtedly American financiers will have to be consulted and this week is being given to the study of the problem by Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo and to his approaching these financiers.

The attitude of the United States outlined officially for the first time a few days ago makes clear that it considers the purposes of the Mexican revolution accomplished when Huerta was deposed; that all the fighting since has been over some factional differences; that neither Carranza nor Villa control Mexico to any extnt entitling either to recognition, although it is admitted that both must be taken into consideration; and that the first problem to be solved is to find a man for the provisional president who represents the cause of the original revolution against Huerta, but who is not necessarily identified with any of the warring factions.

* * * *

Our "Note and Comment" Columns would prefer to avoid the war, but the activity of the German-Austrian armies make it impossible. The fall of Warsaw brings dangerously to the fore the wavering attitude of Bulgaria, Rumania, Greece, and Sweden. The London Morning Post recently declared that the attitude of Sweden toward Russia and the latter's allies for some time past has revealed elements of a disquieting character.

"Emboldened by recent German successes," the paper says, "the latent hosility of Sweden, which has never forgiven the loss of Finland, has become strongly developed. Considereable preparations for warlike contingencies have been made in north Sweden, and the Swedish army is fully mobilized. If Sweden persists in her unfriendly attitude toward Russia she may rapidly drift into a war which would inevitably be a great obstacle to her future progress."

* * * *

The Following Striking Paragraph came into our ken a few days ago:

"Better start that marketing association right now. Here is a good example for co-operative marketing reported to us the other day. Said a farmer:

" 'About two or three months ago I was in town and saw one of my farmer neighbors sell some hay to a store. I asked him what he was getting for it and he told me $12 a ton. This week I was at that same store and saw another farmer buying some of that same hay. I was curious to know what he was paying and when I asked him he said $25 a ton.'

"Moral: Isn't it time for farmers to learn more about buying and selling? And isn't it time for farmers in your county to begin organizing a 'marketing association,' as farmers in many progressive counties have done and are doing? Hadn't you better speak to your neighbor about this?"

* * * *

In the Asheville Citizen of last Sunday appears a very interesting letter from Crawford Jackson, General Secretary, Juvenile Protective Association, in which among other things he says:

"But another consideration which is higher in the prevention of crime and in leading to constructive citizenship. It is **environment, not heredity.** The advocates of heredity have, in my opinion, unintentionally done untold harm to society with certain of their theories too frequently enunciated and too often accepted. Let a general psychological truth be stated. If you get a sick person fully persuaded that he will remain sick and he keeps on believing this fully, he will remain sick until death overtakes him. If you convince a man and keep him convinced that he was born to be poor, that Providence and circumstances are against him, he will remain poor as long as he holds to this nonsense. On the other hand let a man believe that he will be rich and let him live in harmony with the law of opulence continually, and he will leave poverty behind him. Let a child be made to believe and to continue to believe that he will be educated, scholarly, and useful to his own and succeeding generations, and by and by he will measure up to this high standard.

"Tell a child oftn enough that he is born a criminal, a little devil and the like, and if this falsehood enters deeply into his make-up and stays there, he will sooner or later come to the dark diabolical standard set for him. **'As a man thinketh in his heart so is he.'** Close students of the crime problem no longer hold the old notion that criminals are born, not made. Let us give every child a Christly chance."

* * * *

The New Woman's Section of the Navy League, the only woman's national defense organization in America, shows amazing growth. The section's call to the women of America to rally to the cause of "patriotism, Americanism, and national defense" struck a responsive keynote in the hearts and imaginations of the patriotic women of the country. Over 7,000 in all parts of the country have already joined and signed the pledge to work, think, and talk patriotism, Americanism, and national defense which is its own requirement for membership. Miss Elizabeth E. Poe, General Secretary Woman's Made in U. S. A. league, says: "The assertions of the professional peace advocates that the women of Amereica are for peace even at the price of dishonor, and for naval and military unpreparedness as a policy for our nation, is at once a slander and a travesty on the patriotism of American womanhood and an insult to the intelligence of all women. Of course the women of this country want peace, as do all other good citizens, but who can look back on the history of the women of this country in our struggles for independence and on both sides in our trrible Civil war and say that its women are less patriotic than its men and less willing to suffer and make sacrifices that our national honor may remain untarnished and that our nation may endure?"

* * * *

A Last Monday Press Despatch announces that a recent translation of a tablet now in the possession of the University of Pennsylvania museum gives the information that the fall of man was brought about by Noah instead of Adam and Eve. An announcement to that effect made by museum officials, said this tablet which was written before the days of Abraham and translated by Mr. Stephen Langdon, professor of Assyriology in Oxford University, England, recorded that Noah was ordered not to eat of the Cassia tree in the Garden of Paradise and when he disobeyed the curse fell upon him. The curse, however, was that he should have ill health and an early death instead of living to be fifty thousand years old like his ancesetors. According to the announcement it is stated that Mr. Langdon believes the tablet is at least one thousand years older than the book of Genesis.

There is no need of any one's faith being perturbed over this. Let us just rest content and aftr we die and go to heaven we can ask Moses or some of the angels or Christ all about the matter and find out for sure. Jonah and the whale, for instance, will never save anybody. It is Christ, the God-Man, who saves. He it is who even in this life dispels sin, sickness and sorrow, and gives instead peace, power and plenty.

CHURCH INSURANCE

In his condemnation of the unfaithful servant, into whose keeping He had placed the one talent, the Lord indicated unmistakably that He expected His servants to apply business principles, and exercise good business judgment, in the execution of His affairs.

What business house goes for a day without adequate protection against loss by fire? Is it right for church officials to ask of the members of their congregation the sacrifice usually involved in building a church, and then, even for a day, risk rendering that sacrifice absolutely and fearfully futile through lack of business care and judgment.

The losses on property of the Methodist Church in North Carolina have averaged $3,000 a year for the past seventeen years, over and above the amount of insurance collected. This amount is lost forever, nothing in return, except in the way of a useful lesson taught in a wasteful manner. This $3,000 would feed, clothe and educate thirty orphans in one of our institutions; it would maintain several missionaries.

The unfaithful servant at least returned to the Lord the one talent entrusted to him. What would have been the judgment on him had his answer been: "Lord, I have been very careless and through poor business methods have lost the one talent thou gavest me?" Church officials cannot prevent a fire, but they can prevent the loss of this $3,000 by having adequate protection on church property.

It was primarily to stop this leak in the church resources that the Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Company was organized. The promoters realized that by adopting the mutual plan the rates could be so reduced that there would be no excuse for any church property being left uninsured. They found that of every dollar paid in premiums to the outside companies only 16½ cents came back to the church in the form of payment on losses. In other words, 83½ per cent. went to the support of outsiders that could just as well be kept in the church, and thus lower the rates of insurance.

This plan has been thoroughly proven by many other organizations. It has for some time been successfully operated by the hardware dealers, druggists, retail furniture dealers, and some of the largest lumber organizations in the country. Some of these are returning dividends to their policyholders as high as 40 per cent.

If these mutual companies, insuring classes of risks of such hazardous nature, can return these large dividends to their policyholders, the Methodist Mutual should be able to do at least as well, if not a great deal better, for the obvious reason that when church property is properly cared for we have a far better risk; and, on account of our risks being scattered, it would be impossible for a conflagration to occur. It is authoratively stated that a conflagration on lower Manhattan Island would break the largest companies doing business in America. Thus you see it is not the largest companies that can afford the best protection.

By thorough co-operation and a strong pull, which will turn all the business of the Methodist Church in North Carolina our way, we can give you fire protection at actual cost. In this respect, let us say that the actual cost is not inflated by the expenses of high salaried officers and other corresponding expenses. Our cost of doing business is very small, as we pay no taxes and have no regularly employed agents; and let us emphasize the fact that every individual effort on the part of church officials towards co-operation reduces that cost just that much.

The promoters of the Methodist Mutual want to offer you every facility for protection, remove every excuse for lack of protection. It is their earnest desire to obviate a single necessity for the circulation of a petition in any community asking help for the rebuilding of a Methodist church on account of loss by fire, with no insurance or only partial insurance. It is enough to ask the sacrifice on the part of many of the members ONCE, and why not apply this money to the enrichment of the efficiency of the church, rather than to its depletion?

In the same measure that He held the servant responsible for the care of the one talent, will not the Lord hold officers of the church accountable for the proper protection of the many talents entrusted to their care?

W. E. Webb, Sec.

MORE FOOD AND CHEAPER

If all the land now used in making tobacco were used in making wheat, corn, and other grain, fruit and vegetablese, we would soon grain, fruit and vegetables, we would soon

A. D. Betts.

CONTRIBUTIONS

THE ATLANTIC CITY CONVENTION

J. Frank Armstrong

Having been elected one of the five delegates to represent the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League and seeing that I was the only member of the delegation living in the western half of the state, I decided to go. Putting it before my congregation they very readily voted me a ten days' vacation and money to defray half of the entire expense. Taking the matter up with some neighbor pastors and the laymen of our church, I secured as companions for the trip, Hoyle from Asheville, Campbell from Biltmore, Groce from Sulphur Springs and two of my enterprising laymen, M. D. Shook and W. V. Felmit. It was regarded as the greatest, by far, of the sixteen National Conventions thus far held in this country in the interest of a saloonless nation and a stainless flag. In gay, gaudy, almost Godless, but beautiful Atlantic City, on Young's famous Million Dollar Pier, known the country over as the scene of the greatest pleasure gatherings of modern times, was opened on July 6th, 1915, a monster, militant gathering of sober, far-seeing, "forward-looking" men and women, the like of which has never been assembled on the American continent. The thousands had come from every state in the union, from the District of Columbia, from far-away Alaska and from the islands of the sea. As to numbers all former records for attendance were broken: as to array of pulpit and platform talent all Conventions were outdone: as to enthusiasm it was simply unbounded and indescribable from the opening session till the climax-close on Friday night.

What man of us can ever forget the mighty thrill of that moment on Thursday morning, when nearly 5,000 Philadelphians, unloaded from six solid trains, led by a great band, tramped down the famous board-walk to the tune of "My Country, 'Tis of Thee," and surged into the great Hippodrome while ten thousand delegates from every part of the nation standing on seats and chairs waving wildly their handkerchiefs, thundered back the inspired battle-cry of an eventually victorious army, "Onward Christian Soldiers, Marching as to War?" However, let it be clearly understood, it was not a gathering of enthusiasts. The nation's brain and the nation's heart were here. They knew too that they had undertaken a work staggering in its magnitude; a work the successful and glorious accomplishment of which will require a strength and endurance not simply Herculean but **divine.** Perhaps the moral forces of this country never realized as keenly as they did at Atlantic City that to dethrone and behead "King Alcohol" is to be no child's play, no May-day excursion, but that it is to call for the best that is in our national life linked on to the almightiness of God. How the body felt regarding the question is best expressed in a word by an editorial utterance in one of the daily papers reporting the Convention: "Perhaps no convention in the history of the world ever had before it the consideration of such an important task. Perhaps, too, no other convention ever had in it the spirit of optimism, the willingness and the determination which this Convention possesses." But to be more specific, this convention brought out and emphasized three or four facts of outstanding interest.

1. The phenomenal growth of temperance sentiment in every part of the United States. Only a few years ago when speakers went into a town to help carry it for no-license or into a State to canvass for prohibition they not only had to fight the saloon but the most powerful business interests as well. Merchants, bankers, real estate men, mill owners and mine owners were all on the side of the saloon. A big change has come. Dr. Louis Albert Banks told of attending the National Council of Safety in Chicago a short while ago. There were 500 representative business men from every part of the country who employed more than 1,000,000 workmen, and without a preacher or sociological reformer among them they passed with great enthusiasm a resolution eliminating strong drink from their employes. Three months ago the Board of Trade of the city of Pittsburgh passed amid wild cheers a resolution petitioning Congress to submit national prohibition for ratification by the states. He declared neither of these things could have been done ten years ago with the aid of gattling gun. A noted Philadelphian declared that that city had 41 representatives in the last legislature and that they voted solidly against local option but if an election were held now the "City of Brotherly Love" would send to Harrisburg 41 men pledged to vote for local option or state prohibition.

But perhaps the growth of sentiment may best be seen by the use of figures. In 1868 three and one-half millions of our people were living in dry territory. In 1900 the number was eight millions. In the next eight years it had doubled and the number at present is above sixty million. Ninety per cent. of the total area of the country is dry. Half of all the people living in license territory are found in four states, viz., New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois and New Jersey. There are fewer saloons south of the Mason and Dixon line than in the city of Chicago. Fifty years ago the North saved the nation from disunion and comparative death. Today the South is leading the moral forces of the nation in its determined effort to save the people from a curse a thousand times worse than that of human slavery. Dr. Bane declared this nation-wide and universal war on alcohol to be a "titantic struggle to save the human race."

2. Woman's large share in the success so far achieved. The number of women sitting as delegates and taking a prominent place on the program was a surprise to some of us; but why? Have they not suffered more than any others at the hands of this terrible enemy? And in the war-council preceding the desperate charge to take his strong-holds should she not have a conspicuous seat? It is perhaps not too much to say that of all the wonderful addresses made at this convention the one most heart-thrilling and powerfully effective was that delivered by Mrs. Florence D. Richards, President of the W. C. T. U. of the state of Ohio. With much feeling she declared the W. C. T. U. of America had prayed for twenty years and at last a child was born—the Anti-Saloon League, which child of Providence would surely break the shackles of drink and make men free. Dr. A. W. Leonard, of Seattle, after recounting the awful fight out of which his splendid state of the Northwest had just victoriously come, asserted with mighty emphasis, "But we never could have won had it not been for the help of Washington's noble women." Governor Carlton, of Colorado, said, "When the victory of national prohibition is won we must give high honor to the handful of women who kept alive this issue in a long, dark night of error."

In this connection, too, it may be said that if there has been any serious doubt as to whether the ballot is to be placed in the hands of American womanhood it was dispelled when every incidental reference to it was greeted with remarkable demonstrations of approval. Who knows but that the crowning act of the men of this nation immediately before entering the last great battle against the saloon is to be the calling to their side the finest, bravest body of women the world ever saw? Anyhow, it is certain that before or soon after the defeat of alcohol there will be given to the women the right to vote.

3. The overshadowing issue now is national prohibition by constitutional amendment. This will necessitate its being considered no longer as a moral question simply but as a great political question to be grappled with and decided by "big politics." This is the very thing the leaders of the old parties have avoided though greatly feared. If it is not injected into the next presidential campaign it will surely be the absorbing issue in 1920. It will be remembered that on December 22 of last year the Shepherd-Hobson resolution was introduced in both houses of Congress and notwithstanding the fact that it was the first time the friends of prohibition had ever been able to get the matter before our law-makers, and notwithstanding the fact that the floor leaders of both parties not only made set speeches against it but exhausted parliamentary tactics to defeat it, and that the powerful prestige of the President and his Secretary of State was invoked repeatedly, there was a clear majority of eight exclusive of pairs. This same resolution asking Congress for the permission to submit the question to the several states for their ratification or rejection, will be introduced again as soon as this body meets in December. In order to become a law it will have to be ratified by 36 of the 48 states. Eighteen are ready to ratify as they have already voted dry. It is believed that the fight can be concentrated in 18 other states where the sentiment is strongest and thus the necessary number secured. In order to show their faith in the cause and to bring the thing referred to above, at a great banquet, held in the Hotel Rudolph, it was agreed to raise the sum of $5,000,000 to carry on this work in the next two or three years.

4. At last there is unity of effort never before known. Practically all the Protestant denominations sent delegates to this convention and many of the strong men from these denominations were on the program. For the first time in the history of this epoch-making movement the Catholics sat in the Convention and one of the leaders presided over the great body, making a fearless arraignment of his church for her failure to co-operate to drive out rum. With our army united, mobilized, and thrown against the saloon it cannot stand. The national leaders who have had their ear to the ground for years seem to be supremely confident of the outcome of this bold policy outlined above. Dr. Baker said, "A movement which for a hundred years has rooted itself in the heart of the church and the conscience of the people does not lie down and die at the behest of its enemies. To those who think so we wish to say you had as well try to stop the mouth of Vessuvius with a wisp of straw, or turn back Niagara with a child's hand as to try to stay the progress of this mighty movement.

In conclusion let me suggest to all Advocate readers, if you have any doubt as to whether the moral forces of a state can capture the forces of rum in his strongest entrenchments, read the address of Dr. A. W. Leonard, of Seattle. If you have some fears as to whether a prohibition law can be enforced, read the speech of Hon. Fred O. Blue, of West Virginia. If you want the thrilling story as to the twenty-five years' fight to get liquor out of the United States Army read the address of Gen. Nelson A. Miles. If you have any doubt as to your duty to the government and the government's responsibility to its citizens, read the speech of Malcom R. Patterson, of Tennessee. If you are not sure as to the cost of a drink, don't fail to read Judge Dan Morgan Smith, of Chicago. If you want to read one of the finest orations of this generation, don't overlook that of Hon. John G. Woolley. If you want to know the strategy to be employed in the coming fight, read Hon. R. P. Hobson, of Alabama—Oh well, if you want to be informed and inspired to do your best in this titantic conflict, read every speech delivered at the Atlantic City Convention.

FROM OKLAHOMA

R. S. Satterfield

With Paul I say, "By the grace of God I am what I am." But God used many agents in applying his grace to make me what I am. Not least among these agents was a Christian father and mother. Our home was one where the Bible was read and loved, and where Christ was known and worshipped. Of course in such a home the preacher found a welcome, a good bed in which to sleep and something good both for himself and his horse to eat. And of the many preachers who visited that home, I do not remember a single one who did not like these things. But for the preacher, both pastor and presiding elder, there was in that home that which I now know the minister prizes higher than good food and feather beds; there he was loved. Twice a day that

family gathered in the living room for Scripture reading and prayer, and twice a day these apostles, pastor, presiding elder and bishops, were remembered at a throne of grace.

The editor of the Advocate can testify as to the welcome accorded and the provisions made for the comfort and pleasure of the minister in that home, just a plain country home where plain country folks lived. But of another matter the writer can testify: Just now I can recall only one sermon, preached by Brother Blair. I do not remember any of that one except the theme, "Drift-Wood." But there are many things I do remember about him in the home. Gentle and unassuming, showing a genuine appreciation, but free from lavish praise and thanks with which another embarrassed mother and amused the children in conversation, free from vulgar stories or harsh criticism, and anything but a scandal monger, he was such a man of God as makes lasting impressions for good upon growing youth. He was the man who, when he became pastor of the church in town, could come out and solicit and secure a donation from father for the new church building in town. He was the man who, though neither our pastor nor presiding elder at the time, must "tie the knot" when sister was given in marriage to the man of her choice. Yes, we loved Brother Blair. And, though all but two of nine are gone to try the realities of the other world, the love for him still abides.

But it was of another I was thinking when I began to write. I have just read "The Preacher In a Strait-Jacket," by Brother R. M. Hoyle. He was another of the agents used in making me "by the grace of God what I am." It is not the things he said in his sermons that I remember, but the man so full of energy, so full of the Holy Spirit, and literally running over with a gospel message delivered "according to Hoyle." For no one else, so father said, could preach like Hoyle. The harder he preached—and no other word except "harder" expresses it—the further around to one side of his collar would his necktie crawl. Then his collar would begin to wilt, and then to collapse altogether, as thoroughly absorbed with perspiration as he was with fiery fervour for his Master. But such preaching! Brother Hoyle, you must be getting old. How I do wish I could hear you again. I need, this Monday morning, just the message you could give. But whether we ever meet again on this side, by the grace shed on us so abundantly through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour, I mean to meet you over yonder.

But there are others: Charlie Snow, under whose ministry I was converted. Sherman Parker, whose tragic death by accidental poisoning cut short a most promising career; Samuel Peter Douglass, who never preached without singing Amazing Grace, and the one—you will all pardon me—whom I loved best of all, Hardin L. Atkins. How hard it must be for one, so full of zeal for his Master, to be inactive and so far separated from the scenes of his religious activity. But we know His grace has been sufficient. And we want you, Brother Atkins, to know that "your works do follow you" in the lives of many, many who love you and remember you at a throne of grace. May the good Lord sustain, comfort and cheer you until you go to that final rest from your labors. And, even then, remember your works will continue to follow you.

Yes, "by the grace of God I am what I am" through the prayers, precepts and examples of godly parents and godly men and women, such as these and many others who have ministered unto me.

Pauls Valley, Okla.

A GREAT GIFT TO NORTH CAROLINA METHODISM

Jno. C. Kilgo

It was my good fortune recently to spend a day and night with Mr. J. B. Duke, and his brother, Mr. B. N. Duke, at the "Duke Farm" in New Jersey. Twenty years ago Mr. J. B. Duke went out into New Jersey and bought a tract of land which from time to time he has increased till now it contains more than twenty-three hundred acres. He has developed it into a place of such magnificence that one would not dare even a modest attempt to describe it. It is a complete encyclopedia of landscape architecture. It has been my privilege to see much of the world's greatest and most famous landscape work, but this work stands without anything in its class. He undertook it as a matter of taste, and truly he has given trees, grass, flowers, shrubbery, rocks, water, mountains, sculpture, colors, shades, lines, and forms their bast chance, all of which stand as a monument to the taste of this industrial master.

But I did not intend to write of the "Duke Farm." Sitting on the porch of his great residence after dinner he and his brother asked me many things about our church and its work. They grew up in a strong and loyal Methodist home, and while free from every tinge of exclusiveness, they are strongly attached to the church of their father and childhood. Several months previous Mr. J. B. Duke had said that he wished to have such a talk with me, and the surroundings made it a rare place and time to discuss such questions. After considerable talk on various phases of our work, he said in the quiet tones so characteristic of his great father, "I have determined to give you annually thirty-five thousand dollars to be used in North Carolina in our church enterprises. Fifteen thousand to be used for church extension, ten thousand for domestic missions, and ten thousand for the worn-out preachers." This is equivalent to five per cent. on $700,000.00 endowment, a sum that which our church never before received for such purposes. But as great as the amount is frankness requires me to say I was more impressed by the serious, interested, and gracious spirit in which he gave it. In my inadequate efforts to properly thank him, he simply replied, "I wish to do some good and I feel that this is the best way to do it. I have no other purpose. The church is the only institution that lasts. Other institutions change and pass away, but the church abides, and the good I try to do I wish to do through the church. And I have great faith and interest in the country church. From it comes the best we have in the church, state, or business. It should be kept strong and active. I have thought much about our country churches and wish to help them some." The conversation drifted with much freedom into many lines of thought and I am strongly tempted for many reasons to repeat many things these two brothers said that night.

In the direction of these gifts he turns over the fifteen thousand dollars for church extension and the ten thousand dollars for domestic missions to the General Board of Church Extension to be administered through it; and the ten thousand dollars for worn-out preachers to the Trustees of Trinity College to be administered by them. In selecting this plan I was deeply impressed with the great care with which his genius for business went over every possible detail in the various relations and complications and with what delicacy he discussed them. The worn-out preacher has a strong place in his sympathies and concern. He wishes me to distinctly understand that he did not make this gift to lessen the gifts of the Conferences to these causes, but simply to increase them, and this was one of the considerations in deciding the policy of administering his gifts. He was much interested in the work of the Board of Church Extension, and especially the management of it under Dr. McMurry, and expressed an earnest desire to meet the Secretary of this Board. Of this Board's work and methods he made close inquiry and manifested distinct approval of its policies.

I am sure all our church will welcome with hearty thanks this munificent act of Mr. Duke. It should, as he desires, not lessen any of our efforts, but on the contrary it should greatly increase them. Here in North Carolina he wishes to see what may be done to enlarge all our work, especially our work on the circuits. From his father he inherited a marked esteem for the circuit preacher and his work, and this interest abides. It gives me peculiar pleasure to bear to our church this gift of Mr. Duke. On the same occasion Mr. B. N. Duke gave to Trinity College funds to place a rock fence around the campus, a distance of fifteen hundred yards. For more than twenty years I have known this family, the father and the sons. I should write of them, but I know they do not like to be written of, especially in connection with any act of benevolence. I shall say, however, that during all my intimate association with them I have never known them to entertain a small view of anything, to show any sort of a spirit of obstruction, or to be lacking in the most genuine interest in every good cause. I take this method to bear to our church this gift of Mr. J. B. Duke, and call on all our people to make it a great blessing as it is desired to be by the giver.

ROBERT SAWYERS SHEFFEY

T. F. Glenn

This eccentric and saintly man belonged to a prominent and influential Virginia family. The old aristocratic town of Abingdon, Washington county, Virginia, was the place of his birth. Southwestern Virginia was the scene of his activities—chiefly the counties of Washington, Tazewell, Giles, Pulaski, Smythe, Montgomery, Grayson, etc. It was here that he spent his blood and sweat and toil as a local itinerant preacher to cultivate Immanuel's land. His brothers were able and eloquent lawyers and members of the Presbyterian church. His brother Jim proposed to give him a fine blue grass farm if he would desist from traveling and preaching. Vanderbilt's millions and the diamonds of Golcoda would have been no temptation to Robert Sheffey. He had a genius for holiness. Prayer was his vital breath, his native air. He was generous and liberal almost to a fault. He has been known to take off his coat and give it to some poor man.

Once upon a time the writer preached a carefully prepared sermon on missions and had what the preachers call "liberty," and Brother Sheffey being present was called on to pray. He commenced by saying, "O Lord, the brother touched on missions. Bless Brother Glenn. I love every bone in his body. Make him useful as well as ornamental." Some sentences were full of stirring pathos and genuine eloquence. Before he closed he told the Lord that he would pay five dollars for missions. It took him more than a year to pay his subscription. It was all silver, paid in installments, and every dime, quarter and half dollar was wrapped in a piece of paper on which was written the name of the person who gave it to him with exclamations of praise: "Glory to God!" "Thank the Lord!" "The Lord will provide!" He was fond of honey and maple syrup and often praised God for his loving providence over us. One day he got happy out in the forest, and putting his arms lovingly around a tree lifted up his voice in devout thanksgiving to the Lord for sugar maples, but pausing a moment to look up in the tree he exclaimed, "Why, it's a buckeye!"

He never failed to attend the camp meetings at Wabash, Giles country. One year Dr. Cox of the Baltimore Conference was present. Sunday night the altar was crowded with penitents. Brother Sheffey was especially interested in a young woman who manifested great concern for her soul. Our veteran soul-winner knelt down by her and commenced singing, "The devil's mad, and I am glad." "Brother Sheffey, sing 'Jesus Lover of My Soul,' " said Dr. Cox, thoroughly disgusted with the song. The singer went right on, "He's lost a soul he thought he had." "Brother Sheffey, sing 'Jesus Lover of My Soul.' " Apparently oblivious of the presence and protest of the Baltimore preacher, several stanzas of the ditty were sung, the singer intent upon the conversion of the girl. Again the Doctor broke in with, "Sing Jesus Lover." "I see the brother doesn't like my song, but for the life of me I see nothing wrong." Just then the face of the penitent brightened, and she rose from her knees rejoicing. "Get out of the way, Dr. Cox, and let her shout."

Several stillhouses in Virginia were destroyed in answer to his prayers. The destruction was so sudden, so signal and so striking as to convince the people that it was providential. The place where one of these houses was destroyed in Montgomery county was pointed out to the

(Continued on page 7, column 3)

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. N. R. Richardson, of Mount Holly, has been assisting Rev. J. T. Stover in a meeting at Pleasant Grove, near Lincolnton.

—Rev. L. F. Brothers assisted Rev. A. R. Surratt in revival services at Madison last week. We have, as yet, no report of results.

—Rev. J. W. Ingle, pastor of the Linwood Circuit, began revival services at Cotton Grove last Sunday.

—Rev. E. M. Avett, pastor of Fine's Creek Circuit, held revival services last week at Fine's Creek. Rev. G. A. Carner, of the Holston Conference, assisted the pastor. Up to August 3rd there had been twenty-five professions.

—Rev. W. L. Dawson, Conference evangelist, is moving his family to a residence on the Guilford College road near Muir's Chapel. He will be a near neighbor to Messrs. R. B. and C. P. Boren. His post office address will be Guilford College, R. F. D. No. 2.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Winningham, who for some years have resided in Thomasville, have moved to Greensboro and will live on Simpson street. They lived in this city before going to Thomasville, and they will receive a warm welcome among their old friends.

—Rev. Dr. C. W. Byrd returned on Thursday of last week from a stay of some two weeks or more in the mountains, and occupied his pulpit at West Market Street last Sunday morning and evening. Mrs. Byrd will remain in the mountains for some time yet.

—Rev. M. T. Hinshaw, president of Rutherford College, is filling the pulpit at Trinity church, Charlotte, during the absence of the pastor, Rev. Dr. Marr, on his vacation. Prof. Hinshaw is delighting the congregations with his sermons.

—Presiding Elder Cordell preached two splendid sermons at the Methodist church last Sunday. The reports at the Quarterly Conference of the Andrews church were fine last Sunday. The financial report was 20 per cent better than at this date last year.—Andrews Sun.

—Mr. John W. Vanstory, a very worthy citizen of Olin, Iredell county, and a faithful member of the Methodist church, passed away at his home near Olin on Monday, July 26th. He was a brother of Mr. C. M. Vanstory, of this city, and the father of Mrs. Farrington, wife of Rev. J. A. J. Farrington. He was for twenty years superintndent of the Sunday school at Olin. May God greatly comfort the bereaved ones.

—A marriage of interest to many Advocate readers occurred at Dobson on Tuesday evening, July 27th, when Miss Kate Hollingsworth, of Mount Airy, became the bride of Mr. Edwin Sparger, of Greensboro. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. M. Folger. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Cora Hollingsworth of Mount Airy, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Sparger, of Greensboro. The Advocate joins in congratulations.

—Mrs. Fannie Swift Hearne, one of the oldest and most prominent members of our church in Albemarle, passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. L. Horton, in that place, on Tuesday, August 3rd. Mrs. Hearne was the widow of the lat Capt. William H. Hearne, and was prominently connected throughout this section of the State.

—Rev. W. O. Goode and Mrs. Goode were called to Shelby some days ago by the illness of Mr. J. S. Martin, father of Mrs. Goode. Last week Brother Martin was reported slightly improved, but is still considered quite ill. Mrs. Martin is also quite sick, having been confined to her room for several months. These good people have always been faithful members of our church and we commend them to the prayers and sympathies of Advocate readers.

—Rev. T. J. Ogburn, pastor of Mt. Zion church, at Cornelius, preached his semi-centennial sermon at Bethel church, near Greensboro, on the first Sunday in this month. Brother Ogburn preached his first sermon at Bethel in 1865, just fifty years ago. He must have been a "boy preacher" sure enough, for he is apparently a young man still.

—Mr. James Carter, a member of our church at Kernersville, met a tragic death at that place on Tuesday night of last week. He was returning with three of his children from the services at the church. He approached the railroad station just as a through freight came in. A lantrn was being carried by the children, who, on seeing the train, rushed across the tracks. The father, however, not knowing that they were safe and being blinded by the light from the oncoming headlight, rushed frantically after the children. He was caught by the engine and dragged about thirty feet before his body was drawn under the wheels. The train then proceeded several yards before it could be stopped. Several persons were on the railroad yard and saw the accident, but were unable to reach Mr. Carter before he had been horribly mangled. Life was extinct when his body was removed from the tracks.

—The Bible Conference opened at Junaluska on last Sunday morning with a sermon by Rev. Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman. Dr. Chapman preached morning and night. Dr. S. D. Gordon delivered the first of a series of lectures on Sunday aftrnoon. Dr. Gordon is speaking once a day through this week. Other prominent ministers present are Dr. H. M. DuBose, of Atlanta, and Dr. W. F. Tillett, dean of the Vanderbilt University.

WANTED.—An Assistant High School teacher in Trinity State High School. Applicant must hold a State H. S. Certificate. Subjects to be taught are English, History, Physiology, Physical Geography, and Arithmetic. Salary $45 a month. Address

D. C. Johnson, Trinity, N. C.

Swannanoa Circuit.—We have just closed another very gracious meeting on this circuit at Bethel church, resulting in about 30 conversions and reclamations, with several additions to the church. My brother, Rev. C. F. Starnes, is with me and we take it time about preaching.

We are now in the midst of a very fine meeting at Haw Creek. I will report it later.

Our third quarterly meeting has just been held with splendid reports showing much improvement in some places over previous records. We are praying and expecting greater days for the Swannanoa circuit.

Respectfully,

J. F. Starnes.

From Conference Evangelist

We had a good meeting with Rev. W. M. Boring at Center on the Yadkinville Charge. There were about twenty-two professions and seventeen accessions. The church was revived. The attendancew as good all the while. We were glad to be back with those kind people whom we served as pastor during the years 1906-1907. Bro. Boring is one of our truest and best men, and is in fine favor with his people.

We next go to be with Rev. T. J. Ogburn at Mount Zion Station. W. L. Dawson.

Missionary Notes from Field Secretary

Rock Spring Ct., Rev. J. H. Green, P. C.—Rehoboth, $181.00 on assessments. Bethany, $35.00 on assessments.

Marion Ct., J. E. Woosley, P. C.—$10.00, Conference Mission Special.

Brother Green is preaching this week at Rock Spring Camp Ground.

Brother Woosley is conducting a revival campaign at McFarland's church. He is holding a special meeting in each of his churches, doing the preaching himself. His son, Marcus, a rising Junior at Trinity College, and student for the ministry, is aiding him in personal work and otherwise.

I visited Brother and Sister Pusey at Morven. Brother Pusey suffered a stroke of paralysis in one side January first. He sits up much of the time. He bears his affliction with cheerfulness. His faithful wife waits on him. It was a benediction to be with them. Such lives preach sermons the heathen need to hear. The real test of our gospel is its stay in affliction—its comfort for the aged.

Leaguers, Take Notice—Date and Place of League Conference Changed

The place and date of holding the Western North Carolina Epworth League Conference has been changed. It will be held at Spencer, N. C., on September 24th, beginning at 8 p. m., and running through the 25th and 26th.

It is hoped that all who can go to the League Assembly at Junaluska August 19-30 will do so. We found, however, by correspondence and otherwise, that the local interests of the League would be best promoted by deferring the conference and placing it nearer the center of the League activities of the Western North Carolina Conference.

E. L. Bain, President.

Randolph Charge

We have a great people on this charge, and our work is going on very well. We are in the midst of our protracted meetings.

Brother Rogers, of Ramseur, was with us at Hopewell. He did some fine preaching. Our people were delighted with him. While we did not have the results we expected, yet the church was revived, and the meeting closed with the old-time shout.

The meeting at Fairview was splendid. The meeting was warm from the first service. There were about fifteen professions. It was good to be there on Sunday morning in that old-time love-feast. Nearly every one took part. The cup ran over and so the preacher did not get to preach that morning, but we had some seven professions. These people believe in shouting and practice it. This is a live little band.

Our next meeting is at Pleasant Hill. Pray for us. E. N. Crowder.

Good News from Thomasville

My tent meeting is great, old-fashioned revival full fledged. Penitnts came forward at nearly every service and many have been converted at the altar. This is a new order of things for us here. The Chautauqua idea is carried out by having as large a variety in speakers and special singers as we can secure. The unity is preserved by my having charge of all the service except the sermon. The sermons are short and full of fire. I am delighted with the plan, and so are the people, for they are coming in large numbers from all parts of the town. As we go into the third week the enthusiasm grows and the attndance increases. We seat 445 on chairs and the others sit on the grass around the tent. From the first we have had all we could take care of. The order has been the best I have ever seen. The congregational singing of the old revival songs has delighted the hearts of the older saints, and the special singers are fully up to the standard set by the Chautauquas. Best of all, these fine singers fill their songs with religion and win people to Christ. While the meeting is mine, the other pastors and churchese are lending most valuable aid, and their people as well as mine are being converted. It is a meeting after my own heart. This is my vacation and it is one of the most delightful I have ever had.

Brother Plyler gets the tent first of September for a meeting in Lexington.

D. M. Litaker.

Statesville District Conference

The twenty-fifth session of the Statesville District Conference met with Broad Street church, Statesville, Wednesday morning, July 28, at 10 o'clock. All of the twenty-five pastors were present, together with eight local preachers and

seventy-six lay members.

The organization was completed by the election of R. E. Hunt as secretary and R. L. Snow as assistant, and the confirmation of the various committees nominated by the presiding elder.

The first day was set apart for the consideration of the Sunday school interests. Strong and practical addresses were delivered by Mr. J. M. Way, Field Secretary for the Atlantic Coast Division of the Sunday School Department; Revs. J. J. Edwards, T. J. Ogburn, W. M. Biles, D. F. Carver, and Messrs. J. B. Parks and J. F. Anderson.

Strong resolutions were passed. One of these will cause a new departure in this Conference if carried out, for this District Conference went on record as favoring the employment by the Sunday School Board of a Field Secretary for the Western North Carolina Conference.

One of the most pleasing incidents of the day was an address by Rev. C. E. Raynal, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, Statesville. He very appropriately used his time in making a plea that the true brotherhood spirit might prevail.

Thursday and Friday were taken up with routine work. The reports from the various charges, as embodied in the committee reports, showed the affairs of the district in good condition. One very encouraging fact was brought out in the report of the Committee on Evangelism. The number of additions on profession of faith for the first eight months of the year is 647, an increase of 55 over all of last year. This would indicate that the final year under the leadership of Rev. L. T. Mann is going to be the best year. Such faithful service as he has rendered merits success. Evidence of the esteem in which he is held by the people of the district is found in the resolutions of appreciation passed by the Conference, a copy of which is printed below.

Whereas, the Reverend L. T. Mann has given to the administration of the affairs of the Statesville District four of the maturest and richest years of his life, without reservation as to time, strength, or expense, with no thought of selfish consideration and with the consecration of all his powers to the task in hand; therefore be it resolved:

1. That the District Conference, now in session, as a body, desires to express its cordial appreciation of this service.

2. That we wish for him for the future the same high place in the hearts of those whom he shall serve, as he has deservedly won and now enjoys in the hearts of the people of the Statesville District.

3. That we pledge to him a spot in our hearts kept green in grateful memory of the four years of our association together, and a place in our prayers that he may be kept by Grace Divine.

Signed by twenty-six members of the Conference.

R. L. Snow, recognized as the most efficient lay leader in the Conference, was unanimously re-elected.

On invitation the Conference will meet next year at Taylorsville.

For the third successive time the delegates to the Annual Conference were elected on the first ballot. Messrs. Dorman Thompson, L. H. Phillips, Zeb Deaton and Dr. W. H. Nicholson were chosen to go to Reidsville. Rev. M. A. Abernethy and Mr. J. L. Nelson were elected alternates.

The preaching was of a high order. Dr. Franklin S. Parker, of Emory University, who has won for himself a place in the hearts of all North Carolina Methodists as a result of his stay at Trinity, preached Wednesday night. Rev. Z. E. Barnhardt, of Lenoir, preached Thursday at 11 o'clock, and did it well. Dr. Ed. F. Cook, Foreign Missionary Secretary, fresh from the Orient, was on the boards for Thursday night.

Revs. Jno. F. Kirk and C. M. Campbell and the congregations of Broad and Race Street churches proved ideal hosts, leaving nothing undone that could add to the comfort of their guests.

I was about to forget to say that about all the brethren were on hand to represent their various causes. All were disappointed that the Editor was kept from the Conference room by physical indisposition. We hope to see you next year. Robt. E. Hunt, Sec.

The Revival in North Asheville Methodist Church

On Sunday, July 11th, Rev. J. M. Bass and O. W. Stapleton began a revival campaign which continued twenty-two days, including four Sundays. Services were held every day at 4 p. m. and 8:15 p. m., with three services every Sunday. Rev. J. M. Bass did all the preaching and Brother Stapleton led the singing. On two Sunday afternoons Brother Bass preached to men and boys only—once on Manhood and once on Cain's Wife. On two Tuesday afternoons, to women and girls only. Once on The Modern Woman, once on God's call to Womanhood. He gave two illustrated sermons for children and young people. He preached a special sermon on the Home, one on Mothers, one on Worldly Amusements. The preaching made a very deep and permanent impression. There was a growing interest and increasing congregation from start to finish. The house was filled at every service and after the second Sunday night when the first call was made there were professions at every service, often large numbers. No count was kept of those who professed to get right with God. Seventy-five gave their names for membership in the church. There must have been twice that number who got right with the Lord, and as many church members were greatly helped. Our church has been revolutionized spiritually. Some of the worst men in town were saved and went to work who will be very efficient members. All in all, I think I have never seen a better revival. Considerably over $500 was raised without any effort to meet the expenses of the meeting. The singing was a very attractive feature of the meeting. We had a choir of fifty voices. Brother Stapleton has no superior as a leader of song in a revival. His solos are sermons in song and his work in training Christian workers half hour before every evening service were largely attended and were crowned with splendid permanent results.

Brother Bass is a very strong and efficient evangelist. He is thoroughly orthodox, speaks the truth boldly, deals tremendous blows on every phase of sin, makes much of the half-hearted Christianity in the church work very ridiculous. I can heartily commend these brethren as evangelists of power.

North Asheville church is looking up and going forward. When those who have given their names during this meeting have been received the increase for this year will be about 125. There ought to be fifty more this year.

D. Atkins.

Rock Springs Camp Meeting

Rock Springs camp meeting began Monday and closed today, Saturday. All close, unbiased observers pronounce it a great meeting. Thousands came. Hundreds of them tented. The first day afternoon the devil's so-called "merry go round" crowd began, as in other years, to giggle and sport and pace about. That evening few prayers were heard. But organized prayer bands, hundreds strong, every following day at 7 p. m. gathered at five different points on the campus for prayer meetings. So every way a sinner might turn, he saw and heard the saints at prayer. Sometimes penitents were called and shouts were heard. All times during the day and almost anywhere prayers could be heard—in tents, in the woods, etc. The police, on going to a tent to quell what he thought was a "fuss," found some shouting over three penitents, who were soon converted. So "Tom" made no arrest there.

The second and following evenings were like some great calm after a storm. Awful conviction settled down very much as in Whitfield's day.

Friday was the "biggest" service I ever saw. Probably 75 souls were blessed that day. Service began at 8:30 and we did not get to preach any until 2 p. m. But today (Saturday) we gathered at 8:30 for the closing service, especially for the young folks. The climax came. After a season of earnest prayer and personal testimonies from the young folks and the short sermon, a deep and mighty sense of consecration and of God's presence held us. A call was made for volunteers who felt called of God for service. Four young women and five young men, mightily moved by the Holy Spirit, came and stood at the altar, some for preachers, some for trained nurses, and some for missionaries. The tenderest, deepest and most glorious hour came when their pastor clasped them by the hand and consented to not only say Amen, but pray daily for them as they prepare and go. I can not describe what my heart has felt today. It has been sufficient pay for my ten years in the ministry, and I shall never forget it.

In the meeting there were approximatly 150 professions, about 100 professed conversion, and 50 or more Christians came to the altar and received the Holy Spirit as a second blessing. O how glorious!

The music, led by Prof. Newson, was great—even surpassing anything I ever heard. It is said by many that this was the best camp meeting ever held here in the memory of any of the living. Everything went off smoothly. Leaving out Sunday worked like a charm. All the best people are in favor of leaving Sunday out ever after this. "So might it be."

Sincerely,
Jim Green, Pastor.

Robert Sawyers Sheffey

(Continued from page 5)

writer. Some twenty years before the date here referred to Brother Sheffey held a meeting in this neighborhood. The still was in full blast, and the preacher prayed mightily for its destruction. Not many days after God's prophet had left the community the answer to his prayer came swift and sudden. It struck terror to the hearts of the wicked men. The stiller felt that it was divine judgment and abandoned the nefarious business. During the meeting Brother Sheffey asked the Lord to raise up in that community three Methodist preachers. Four itinerant preachers came from the neighborhood, and the distiller's son is one of the number. They are good preachers—they joined the Holston Conference.

The fact that his children are all consistent church members speaks well for him. His youngest son, "Eddy," a prosperous Lynchburg merchant, is a high-souled Christian gentleman, of splendid physique, intelligent, sociable, a Sunday school superintendent, and an influential Methodist layman in his city.

If the forest and streams, the valleys and hills of picturesque Southwestern Virginia had tongues, what a story they could tell you of the child-like faith, the fervent devotion, and the beautiful simplicity of this saintly man who "carried music in his heart" amid the tumult and turmoil incident to this mortal life.

Here is an incident which illustrates one phase of our brother's character. Back in the 90's, when I was editor of the Holston Methodist, Knoxville, Tenn., I went up to Virginia to attend a district conference at Pulaski City. Saturday morning our venerable Brother entered the Conference room. Bishop Granbery was in the chair. I arose to meet my old friend in the aisle, whereupon he took me in his fatherly embrace and kissed me. The scene moved the congregation to tears. What a great, tender, loving, and affectionate heart throbbed in that bosom! If all men's hearts were as loving as his

Tropic storms would cease to beat;
The frozen zones would melt with heat.

He strikingly exemplified in his consecrated life the beautiful lesson taught in Coleridge's Rime of the Ancient Mariner:

Farewell, farewell! but this I tell
To thee, thou Wedding-Guest;
He prayeth well, who loveth well
Both man and bird and beast.

He prayeth best, who loveth best
All things both great and small;
For the dear God who loveth us,
He made and loveth all.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

READY

I would be ready, Lord,
My house in order set;
None of the work thou gavest me
To do unfinished yet.

I would be watching, Lord,
With lamp well trimmed and clear,
Quick to throw open wide the door,
What time thou drawest near.

I would be waiting, Lord,
Because I cannot know;
If in the night or morning watch,
I may be called to go.

I would be working, Lord,
Each day, each hour, for thee;
Assured that thus I wait thee well
Whene'er thy coming be.

I would be living, Lord,
As ever in thine eye,
For those who live the nearest thee,
The fittest are to die.

—Margaret J. Preston.

"When you don't know what to do,
When you're tempted, faint and weak,
Fall upon your knees and listen,
Listen, listen—God will speak."

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY AT FARMER

The following communication comes to us from Mrs. C. E. Stedman, Cor. Secretary of the woman's auxiliary at Farmer. This is one of our live societies at one of our country churches and what these good people are doing in the missionary work should be an encouragement to other country auxiliaries:

"Sunday, July the 11th, was a day long to be remembered not only by the Woman's Missionary Society at Farmer, but also by the whole community because of the many good things we enjoyed on that day.

"Mrs. A. E. Fordham, District Secretary of the W. M. Societies of the Greensboro District, was a visitor with us, and under her auspices two services were held, one at 11 a. m. and the other at 2 p. m.

"At the morning service Mrs. Fordham gave a most interesting and enthusiastic address on the world-wide cause she represents, closely holding the attention of her audience, and arousing in them a greater zeal for this the noblest work commissioned to us, originating as it does with God Himself. Mrs. Fordham presented facts relating to missions which could not be denied, following them up closely with urgent appeals.

"At 2 p. m. the Junior Division gave a most excellent program which was full of interest and showed careful preparation by all those who participated. This band of workers deserves especial commendation for the faithfulness of its members and the regularity with which the meetings are held. We believe this auxiliary would stand near to the top of the list in this Conference in this respect. Much of the success of their work is due to the untiring efforts of the efficient leader, Mrs. G. T. Macon.

"Following the service by the Juniors a business meeting of the Woman's auxiliary was held and the following officers were chosen for another year: President, Mrs. J. H. Kearns; 1st Vice President, Mrs. I. S. Kearns; 2nd Vice President, Mrs. G. T. Macon; Superintendent Mission Study and Publicity, Mrs. C. C. Hubbard; Superintendent of Social Service, Mrs. E. T. Kearns; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Rosa Kearns; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. C. E. Stedman; Treasurer, Mrs. W. E. Kearns; Superintendent of Supplies, Mrs. M. F. Skeen.

"Mrs. Fordham's visit was a benediction to us, and her earnestness and zeal in her work for her Master is the cause of the great success she is achieving as District Secretary. Besides the address she gave on this occasion, the heart-to-heart talks with her by different members of the society were a great inspiration.

"We trust that the fresh impetus given us by this visit will result in increased effort on the part of each member and that this may be the greatest year we have ever known in our missionary societies at Farmer."

REPORT OF EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY

We are in receipt of the second quarter's report of our Educational Secretary, Mrs. Hume R. Steele. In comparing this report with that of the first quarter, we find that in some departments of the work we have made an advance, while in others we have gone back. Mrs. Steele asks that we again urge prompt and accurate reporting from the auxiliary superintendents of Mission Study and Publicity. She especially deplores the fact that so few of our young people report the work they are doing along the line of mission study. May we not insist that each auxiliary, taking up the study of a new book, fill out the enrollment card that will be sent upon application, and send to Mrs. Steele. We find that in our own Conference only eight classes reported by card to Mrs. Steele: 6 Adults, 1 Young People's and 1 Junior. We are sure that there are more societies than these that should have been reported. Any one desiring these cards may get them from Mrs. Steele, Nashville, Tenn., or Mrs. W. R. Harris, Asheville, N. C.

We give the report for the benefit of those of our readers who are interested in the department of Mission Study. We want to see that there is no going back in our next quarter's report but a decided advance.

Report of Educational Secretary for 1st and 2nd Quarters

	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.
No. of Adult Classes ...	475	241
No. of members	13,208	10,841
Young People's Classes .	21	34
Members	748	1,051
Children's Classes	134	111
Members	3,376	3,134
Reading Circles	104	99
Missionary Libraries ...	97	110
Bible Study Classes, Adult and Y. P.	279	260
Members Bible Classes, Adult and Y. P.	3,870	5,252
No. aux's using Bulletins	1,195	1,105
No. aux's using daily papers regularly	163	216
No. auxil's using weekly papers regularly	352	236
No. members reporting reading woman's page	400	353

The above figures speak for themselves. Where does your auxiliary stand? Of course, this report includes all the Conferences in Southern Methodism and it is gratifying to know that out of the forty conferences thirty-four have reported to Mrs. Steele. We are glad that our W. N. C. Conference is included in the thirty-four, but we do want to make this quarter's report mean more than it has ever meant before. A Mission Study Class in every auxiliary, Adult, Young People and Juniors? Have you a Study Class? If not, will you not be the first to organize? Let us be in earnest about this matter. Only a few months until another annual meeting and the Supt. of Mission Study is so anxious to make a full report. Will you not give her your hearty co-operation? We are sure you will.

PRAYER CIRCLES

In the Prayer Circle covenant we pledge ourselves to search diligently the Word in order to compare our lives by it, whether in spirit, soul and body, we conform to Christ's nature and life, in our impulses, thoughts, words, affections, desires and acts. The Prayer Circle has proved a blessing and a comfort to many and promises to enlarge and increase the spiritual helpfulness of many in the future.

Prayer Circles may be organized by personal endeavor. Wherever a group of women agree that they will, at a specified hour, be in united prayer for a definite object, a Prayer Circle may be formed. If it is not convenient for the women to meet together for prayer, let them agree upon a certain hour when they may all be together in spirit and unite in prayer for the work and the workers, praying by name for the persons and objects agreed upon.

BEAUTIFUL ANSWERS

A Persian pupil of the Abbe Sicord gave the following extraordinary answers:

What is gratitude? Gratitude is the memory of the heart.

What is hope? Hope is the blossom of happiness.

What is the difference between hope and desire? Desire is a tree in leaf, hope is a tree in flower, and enjoyment is a tree in fruit.

What is eternity? A day without yesterday or tomorrow—a line that has no end.

What is time? A line that has two ends; a path which begins in the cradle and ends in the tomb.

What is God? The necessary Being, the Son of eternity, the Merchant of nature, the Eye of Justice, the Watchmaker of the universe, the soul of the world.—Young Christian Worker.

THE NEED OF TRAINED WORKERS

Mrs. Fred Felmet

Trained workers in the cause of converting the nations of the world are a necessity as in any other work. The trained worker of today in any capacity of work is the one who accomplishes things. Take for illustration the physician, as with skilled fingers he performs the difficult operation. He knows just what instruments to use and to just what extent he may go in order that the operation may prove successful. The carpenter, in order that his work may be successful must understand the fitting in of this piece of wood or the planing down of that, otherwise his work cannot be a success in the highest term. With the Christian worker how important it is to be able to recall the right passage of scripture in order to impress forcibly the truth that is being presented. A passage of scripture readily recalled has many times proved to be the sword with which one has cut down the barrier of indecision and excuse with which he is met in pleading with the unsaved.

With training tact is also required. It is necessary to use tact in bringing a soul to Christ. You cannot drive him. He must be led. There is no doubt that there are those who have been driven away from the altar because of the failure of the Christian worker to use tact. For example: a worker at the altar, intending to express sympathy, said to the pastor in the presence of the penitent: "Poor child. She is to be pitied because she has to work for a living." As though salvation for this reason was at a premium and would be far easier to obtain if one was surrounded with luxury. Other workers have said, "Your father was a drunkard, your mother a profligate, and there is all the more reason why you should be a Christian." It is necessary also to know the time to speak. Take the Christian physician in foreign lands. He wants to mention the subject of soul salvation to his patient, but does not choose the time when his patient is racked with pain, but patiently waits, using his skill in healing the body that he may thereby be instrumental in healing the soul. The patient then, in a feeling of gratitude, says, "Give me also the medicine which will make me as you are, patient, tender and kind." Th physician, seeing his opportunity, then points him to the Christ who through us heals not only bodies but souls.

THE MISSIONARY BEATITUDES

"And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

1. Blessed are the messengers of the gospel, for to them is given the promise of the presence of Christ.—Matt. 28:19, 20.

2. Blessed are the bearers of precious seed who sow in tears, for at the time of harvest they shall abundantly rejoice.—Ps. 126.

3. Blessed are the winners of souls, for theirs is the joy of saviorhood.—James 5:20.

4. Blessed are the compassionate who spend themselves in helpful service amongst the needy, for they shall have the benediction of the King.—Matt. 25:34-36.

5. Blessed are the intercessors, for they have the assurance that their prayers prevail. John 45:13, 14.

6. Blessed are the generous hearted whose gifts forward the kingdom of God, for these have the approval of the Savior.—Acts 20:35.

7. Blessed are they who surrender loved ones for the sake of the Name, for they shall have eternal compensations.—Matt. 19:29.

8. Blessed are the obedient for they shall enter through the gates into the city of God.—Rev. 22:14.

9. Blessed are the despised and persecuted for the sake of the gospel, for great is their reward in heaven.—Matt. 5:10-12.

10. Blessed are the faithful for they shall receive the commendation and joy of the Lord.—Matt. 25:21, 23.
—Kenred Smith, in Congo Mission News.

Learn Shorthand

By Mail in 30 Days at my Expense

Send no money. Get my free lessons. I do not claim to fit you for a position in thirty days. Nobody can do that. But with my system, you can learn to write in Shorthand with very little effort. That first instruction is **absolutely free.** Then, if you wish to take further instruction, I will give you a **positive guarantee** to refund your money at the end of a specified time if you are not entirely satisfied. Could anything be fairer?

I have taught shorthand for many years. I have taught a dozen different systems. These include nearly all the new and so-called "simple" systems. But I went back to the original Pitman System—and improved on it. I now teach the **Pratt-Pitmanic System,** and I want to prove to you, at my expense, that it is the best. My great success is due to a **new and original method of instruction by mail.**

Positions at Good Salaries

Shorthand is a great advantage to everybody. For a young man or woman there is nothing equal to it. It will give you a start in life and an opportunity for rapid advancement. Many of my students have secured **splendid positions.** The demand for stenographers is increasing. You are practically certain to get a satisfactory salary if you take my course in shorthand. **Become a court stenographer** or fit yourself for other high class positions.

Free Typewriter Instruction

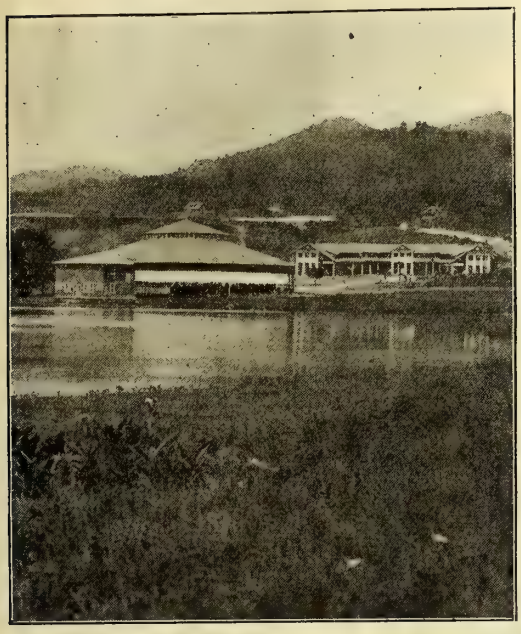
Every one of my students can have a course in typewriting **absolutely free.** If you do not own a typewriter, I will rent you one for six months for $10; or for $30 I will sell you a rebuilt visible machine that I cannot tell from a new $100 machine.

If you are ambitious and in earnest and really want to learn shorthand, send at once for FREE Lessons. A postal card will do. Simply say: "Send free lessons."

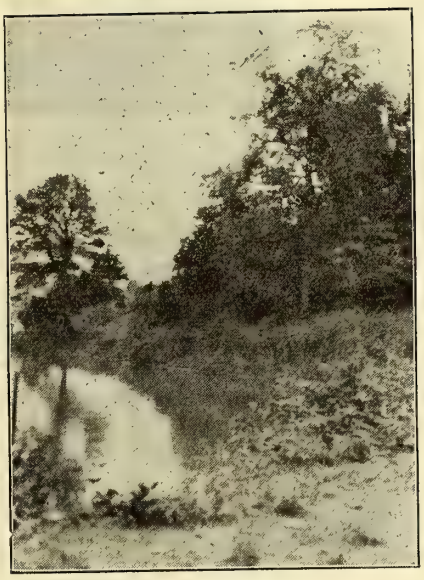
E. D. PRATT 1011 Pratt Bldg. CHICAGO

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.



THE AUDITORIUM AND PUBLIC SERVICE BUILDING AT LAKE JUNALUSKA



A ROMANTIC NOOK ON THE LAKESHORE



PUBLIC SERVICE BUILDING

PICTURE GIFTS FOR THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY

Two highly interesting and valuable collections of pictures have been given to the American University by friends of the institute in the National Capital. Mr. and Mrs. John C. Letts, learning that the Camp Gallery of National Portraits was for sale, bought the entire collection and presented it to the university. This remarkable gathering of steel engravings, etchings and crayons, showing, in life-sized proportions, eminent Americans who represent the heroic era of our past history, now fittingly adorns the university Assembly Hall.

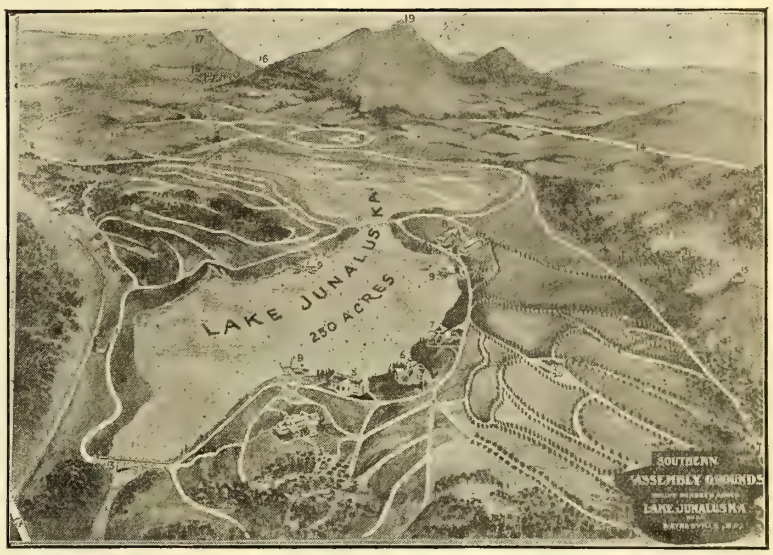
Thoroughly in keeping with this first gift is the second offering of pictures, though different in character. These were presented by Mr. William S. Corby, a trustee of the university. Mr. Corby, an intelligent collector and connoisseur of art, had gathered twenty-one choice examples of the work of Lucian Powell in water color and oil, showing classic and sacred scenes. These all now in their vivid and romantic coloring decorate the library and trustees' room in the College of History.

A unique accompaniment is the gift to the university by Bishop and Mrs. Cranston of a Chinese mother of pearl inlaid picture of the board of bishops of the Methodist Episcopal church, at the time of Bishop Cranston's election. This curious and valued gift accompanied a donation of a goodly portion of the bishop's library with additional interesting souvenirs. Not the least of these is an ancient lamp excavated by Bishop Hurst with his own hands at the site of the city of Sidon, and afterwards given to Mrs. Cranston.

Albert Osborn, Asst. Sec.

LOOK AHEAD

It is always well to look beyond the dark clouds and anticipate the flower and the fruit that will follow the showers. We would always be wretched if we would live only in the present. Our brightest time is ye to come. Anticipation is far better than to lament over what is, or what has happened.



KEY TO BIRD'S-EYE VIEW OF SOUTHERN ASSEMBLY GROUNDS, ON SOUTHERN RAILWAY, NEAR WAYNESVILLE, N. C.

1. Richland Creek, 2,550 feet. 2. Raccoon Creek. 3. Concrete Bridge over Reënforced Concrete Dam, 925 feet long. 4. Hotel Junaluska. 2,700 feet. 5. Public Service Building. 6. Auditorium, capacity, 4,000. 7. Model Sunday School House. 8. Assembly Building. 9. Boathouses. 10. Minor Bridges. 11. Athletic Field. 12. Southern Railway Station. 13. Road to Asheville. 14. Road to Waynesville. 15. Sunset Lodge, 3,550 feet. 16. Town of Waynesville, three miles from Auditorium. 17. The Great Divide. 18. Balsam Gap. 19. Mt. Junaluska (Eagle's Nest Hotel), 5,150 feet. 20. Hotel, 2,710 feet.

Asbury College

CO-EDUCATIONAL **WILMORE, KY.**

Located in the famous "Blue Grass" Region, near the Kentucky River, just three miles from the site of old Bethel Academy, one of the oldest Methodist institutions in America.

Asbury College, named in honor of Bishop Asbury, founder of Bethel Academy, emphasizes the doctrines taught by Asbury and the early Methodists.

Standard course of study based on Major system; four year Academy course; Theology, Music, Expression, Art and Commercial courses given.

Rates Reasonable. Write For Particulars.

HENRY C. MORRISON, D. D., - - - President.



STATESVILLE Female COLLEGE

A Christian College offering all the best advantages at low cost. For 58 years a leading factor in the education of Southern womanhood.

Particularly fitted by location and equipment to train young women for social and domestic stations requiring efficiency in knowledge and responsibility in character. Beautifully situated in a town of educational and religious activity.

Modern buildings, complete equipment. Lovely campus. Out-door sports.

Thoroughly capable instrutors. Standard college courses; A. B., B. L. and B. S. degrees. Splendidly equipped music department; schools of Domestic Science, Art, Expression, Physical Culture and Bible. Safe home life, and attractive surroundings. *Rates unusually low.*

For Catalogue and Full Information Write to

J. M. MOORE, A. M., President, - - STATESVILLE, N. C.

EMORY UNIVERSITY

An institution founded, owned, and controlled by the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

The University offers at present courses leading to degrees in the following departments:

1. **The School of Liberal Arts**—Emory College—offers courses in English, Spanish, French, German, Greek, Latin, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Mental and Moral Science, History, Political Economy, and Biblical Literature, leading to the usual literary degrees. This department has a library of 40,000 bound volumes.

2. **The School of Theology**—The Candler School of Theology—offers full and varied courses leading to the degree of B. D. This is a school of theology, as definite in its teaching as it is definite in its aim to serve the church to which it belongs. The library of the School of Theology is rich and grows richer daily. To it belongs the famous "Thursfield-Smith Collection of Wesleyana," which includes hundreds of the autograph letters of the Wesleys and other Methodist celebrities.

3. **The School of Medicine**—The Atlanta Medical College—a medical school of the first grade which offers courses in medicine and surgery covering four years, and leading to the degree of M. D. By arrangement with the Grady Hospital, the Municipal Hospital of Atlanta, and the Wesley Memorial Hospital, which is a part of the University system, the School of Medicine is able to offer clinical advantages of great value to students.

For bulletins, giving full information concerning the University, and its several departments, write to

WALKER WHITE, Secretary-Bursar,
Emory University **Atlanta, Georgia.**

CATAWBA COLLEGE, Newton, N. C.

An Ideal Christian College for boys and girls. Healthful location, Excellent Equipment, Strong Faculty, Good Courses—Classical, Scientific, Music, Art and Expression. Expenses Moderate. Next term opens September 7, 1915. For Catalogue write to

Rev. J. D. Andrews, A. B., Pres.,
Newton, N. C.

EXCHANGE YOUR OLD BODY FOR A NEW ONE

You can do it in three weeks and thereby renew your health. This article is written by a physician who has seen it demonstrated in numerous cases and explains how it is done.

Listen: If your weight is one hundred and thirty-three pounds your body contains eighty pounds of water, for, according to standard medical books, the human body contains sixty-seven and one-half per cent. of water. Now disease is invariably caused by impurities which we call poison, and these are readily dissolved by the right kind of natural mineral water. Drink ten gallons (eighty pounds) of Shivar Mineral Water (use no other water for twenty-one days), and you will have exchanged your old body for a new one, so far as the soluble part of it is concerned. The impurities will be dissolved and pass away. If you suffer with dyspepsia, indigestion, sick headache, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney or liver disease, uric acid poisoning, or other conditions due to impure blood, accept Mr. Shivar's liberal offer which appears below. Read the following letter carefully; then sign and mail it:

Shivar Spring,
Box 5G, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen:

I accept you guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)

Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You run no risk whatever in accepting his offer. I have personally witnessed the remarkable curative effects of this water in a very serious case.

SEND US YOUR FILMS

for prompt, highest grade developing and printing at lowest prices. KODAK WORK A SPECIALTY. Personal attention given to all orders. Results guaranteed. Write

W. I. VAN NESS & CO., Charlotte, N. C.

EXPERT KODAK FINISHING

Developing and printing done by artists. Most beautiful work guaranteed at all times. Satisfaction or no charge. Developing, 10c per film. Printing: prints 2 1-4 x3 1-4, 3c; 2 1-2x4 1-4, 4c; 3 1-4x5 1-2, 5c. Quick delivery. Send one film to test our service. Agents wanted.

LIGON DRUG CO., Spartanburg, S. C.

FRECKLES

Don't Hide Them With a Veil; Remové Them With The Othine Prescription

This prescription for the removal of freckles was written by a prominent physician and is usually so successful in removing freckles and giving a clear, beautiful complexion that it is sold by druggists under guarantee to refund the money if it fails.

Don't hide your freckles under a veil; get an ounce of othine and remove them. Even the first few applications should show a wonderful improvement, some of the lighter freckles vanishing entirely!

Be sure to ask the druggist for the double strength othine; it is this that is sold on the money-back guarantee.

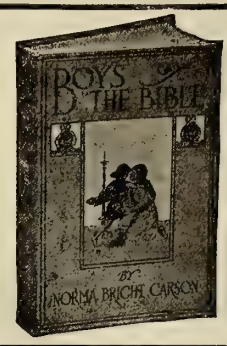
Books for Children AND FOR WORK AMONG THEM

By NORMA BRIGHT CARSON *Editor of "Book News"*

Boys of the Bible

Illustrated, 12mo, cloth, net 75c.

In a chatty, informal way such as youngsters love, and in which all stories for children should be told, Mrs. Carson relates the outstanding incidents of the early years of the great Bible heroes. The idea is a capital one, which the author carries out in an able and interesting way.



By H. THISELTON MARK

The Bible for Children

Bible Stories in Bible Language
Illustrated, 12mo, cloth, net 50c.

A selection of Bible stories, told in the language of the Bible itself, such as children up to ten or eleven years of age can readily understand. The stories are admirably chosen so as to give a general view of the leading incidents recorded in both the Old and New Testament, and illustrated by some pictures of artistic worth.

The Young People's Bible

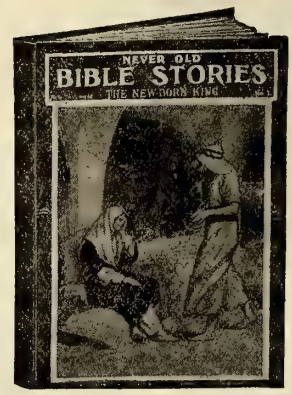
Vol. I. Old Testament Stories. ***Illustrated, 12mo, cloth, net 50c.***
Vol. II. New Testament Stories. ***Illustrated, 12mo, cloth, net 50c.***

Prepared to be read after the stories contained in *The Bible for Children*. An aptly chosen series of word-pictures presenting a concise view of the history of the people of Israel as related in the Old Testament. Both in text and illustrations, this book will be found to stimulate a new zest in young people for ampler Bible study.

NEW TOY BOOKS FOR CHILDREN

"Never Old" Bible Stories

Illustrated, octavo boards, each, net 25c.



No. 1. Old Testament. The Lord Thy Maker.
No. 2. Old Testament. The Lord Thy Guide.
No. 1. New Testament. The New-Born King.
No. 2. New Testament. The Hidden Years of Jesus.

Old Testament Combined, or New Testament Combined may be had in one volume. ***Each, boards, net 50c.***

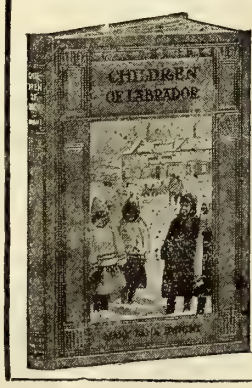
An attractive new quarto series (size 8x10 in.) of Bible Picture Books written in simple language that every child can understand and yet keeping to the Bible narrative.

By CHARLES LINCOLN WHITE

Prince and Uncle Billy

A First Reader in Home Missions
16mo, cloth, net 50c., or net 75c.

"Prince" is a pony, once owned by the Indians, and "Uncle Billy" an old horse, used formerly by a frontier missionary on his preaching journeys. These, too, and many other animals tell missionary stories and other incidents of their earlier lives.



By MARY LANE DWIGHT

Children of Labrador

Illustrated, 16mo, cloth, net 60c.

It is hard to picture a more delightful addition to "*The Children's Missionary Series*" than this vivid story of Dr. Grenfell's land. Its simplicity and clearness appeals to children, yet grown-ups will be equally fascinated in its descriptions of the children of the Eskimos and fishermen of this barren land, so pathetically described by an old native as "wonderful bleak and dreary."

Earlier Volumes in The Children's Missionary Series

Children of Africa	James M. Baird
Children of Arabia	John C. Young
Children of China	C. Campbell Brown
Children of India	Janet Harvey Kelman
Children of Ceylon	Thomas Moscrop
Children of Jamaica	Isabel C. Maclean
Children of Egypt	Miss L. Crowther
Children of Persia	Mrs. Napier Malcolm
Children of Japan	Janet Harvey Kelman

CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, Greensboro, N. C.

PELL'S BIBLE STORIES

FOR YOUNG FOLKS

By
EDWARD LEIGH PELL

The Story of Joseph

"The Jewish shepherd lad who became prime minister of Egypt here lives in a very real way, his whole life being given in this lovely story, which is told by one who knows how to do it."
—*Religious Telescope.*

The Story of David

"These favorite Bible stories are retold by Dr. Pell in simple, reverent language—vividly, delightfully. Read it and become better acquainted with that most human, lovable character."
—*Day Star.*

FOR LITTLE PEOPLE

The Story of Jesus

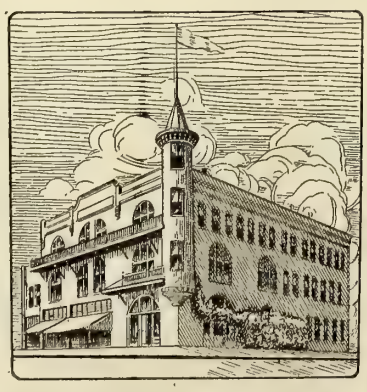
"A very direct appeal is made to the child's mind. It seems as though the author was talking to the boy or girl on his knee and making him see the real Saviour as he appeared among men."
—*Heidelberg Teacher.*

Each, 35 cts. net



RANDOLPH-MACON ACADEMY
For Boys Bedford City, Va.

Offers prompt and thorough preparation for college, scientific school or business life. The liberal endowment of the Randolph-Macon System, of which this school is a branch, permits of unusually low terms. $255 covers all charges for the school year. No extras. Randolph-Macon boys succeed—465 graduates of this school have received full college degrees or entered professions in the past 18 years. For catalogue and further information, address
E. SUMTER SMITH, Principal



BLUE RIDGE INN
Mount Airy, N. C. W. M. Jordan, Prop.
Mount Airy's Leading Hotel

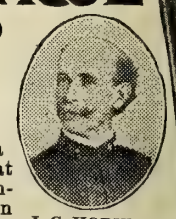
Rates $2.00 and $2.50—All meals 50 cents—Electric Lights, Steam Heat, Electric Bell System, Hot and Cold Baths—American plan—A clean up-to-date home for the tourist or traveling man, in a beautiful mountain city.

HORNER MILITARY SCHOOL

CHARLOTTE, N. C. (FORMERLY AT OXFORD, N. C.)

A School of Strong Purpose and Splendid Accomplishment.

Founded in 1851 and thoroughly equipped to prepare boys for College, University, the Government and Technical Schools and business life.



J. C. HORNER

Under sixty-four years' administration of a family of eminent Christian educators. Now at Charlotte with improved equipment and ideal conditions. A nonsectarian though strictly Christian School. Parental discipline. Military training develops obedience, sense of responsibility, neatness, control, manly carriage and health. Daily military drills and exercise in the open air.

Beautiful elevated campus, athletic field, baseball and football fields, tennis courts and running track. Buildings the best for health, comfort and safety. Personal individual instruction and intimate association. Strong faculty. Rates very reasonable.

For Handsomely Illustrated Catalogue Giving Views and Full Particulars, Address

J. C. Horner, B. A., M. A., Principal, Charlotte, N. C.



Children's Home

Amount Received on General and Special Support and on the Ten Per Cent Assessment

Mr. J. T. Lambert, Moffitt, $1.00; Mr. C. M. Grier, Macon, Ga., $18.00; "A Friend," $5.00; Rev. A. G. Loftin, Catawba Ct., $11.50; Miss Julia E. Brookshire, Biltmore Ch., $4.25; Rev. F. L. Townsend, Greensboro Ct., $20.00; Rev. C. R. Allison, Rural Hall Ch., $10.00; Mr. A. H. Eller, Trust Officer, $50.00; Rev. J. G. W. Holloway, Dobson Ch., $4.50; Mr. John L. Beal, Treas., Main St. Ch., Gastonia $25.00. Total, $149.25.

5th Sunday Collection

Mr. J. F. Carruthers, Denim, Carraway Memorial S. S., $3.36.

SPECIAL EXCURSION TO MOREHEAD CITY, N. C., AND RETURN
August 19-24th.

Southern Railway will operate special low fare excursion from Asheville and intermediate points up to and including Greensboro to Morehead City August 19th, special train consisting of both day coaches and Pullman sleeping cars leaving Asheville at 2.30 p. m., arriving Morehead City following morning.

Following low round trip fares will apply from stations named:

Charlotte	$6.00
Concord	6.00
Lexington	5.50
High Point	5.50
Winston Salem	6.00
Gastonia	6.50
Salisbury	6.00
Thomasville	5.50
Greensboro	5.00
Statesville	6.50

Other points on same basis.

Tickets for this excursion will be good going on the special train, except from branch line points passengers should use regular trains from the several junction points connecting with the special train. Returning tickets will be good on any regular train reaching original starting point by midnight of August 24th.

This is an exceptional opportunity to visit Morehead City and enjoy fine fishing and surf bathing at that point.

For further information see any Agent Southern Railway or write.

R. H. DeButts, D. P. A.,
Charlotte, N. C.

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS



Destroyed by Lightning, Saved by Insurance

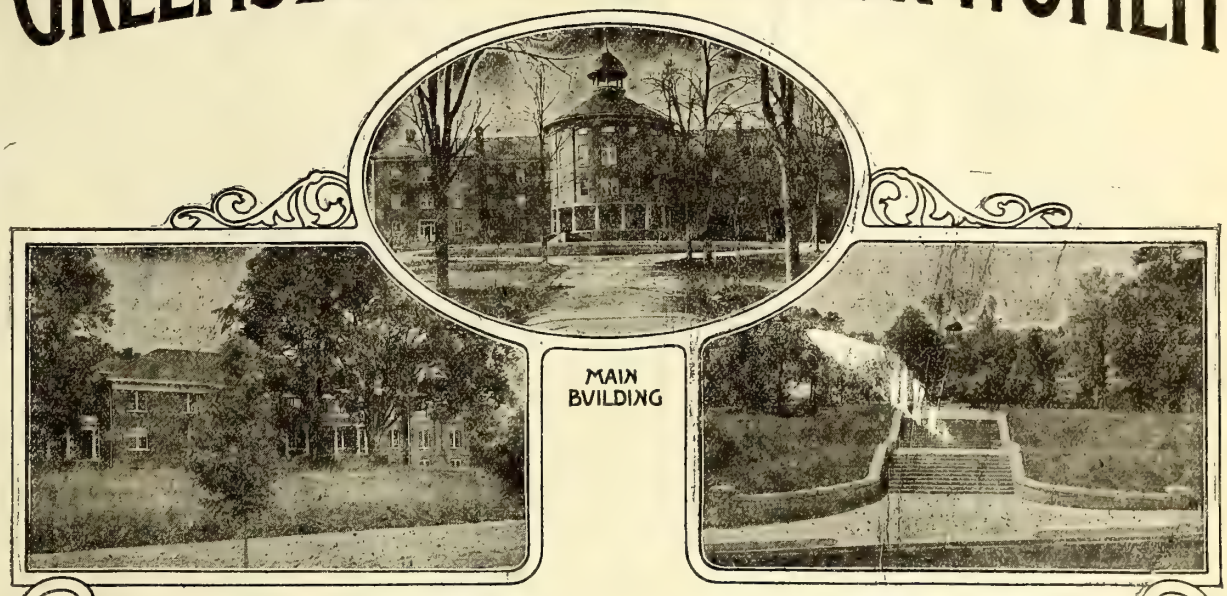
That is the story of many churches, and yet many are damaged or destroyed—and no insurance whatever. This latter number is decreasing and has been since our

Methodist Mutual, The National Mutual Church Insurance Co., of Chicago

began to impress upon church officials the importance of insurance and sufficient insurance, and to furnish it on such terms that none could afford to put it off. Just think of it! Protection for a few cents or less a day on easy payments, and no assessments. Write for particulars.

Henry P. Magill, Sec. and Mgr., Insurance Exchange, Chicago
Mrs. Alice Hargrove Barclay, Agent M. E. Church South
314 Norton Building
Fourth and Jefferson, Louisville, Ky

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

.....

.....

GIVE ATTENTION TO READING

Paul had a few books, which were left perhaps wrapped up in the cloak, and Timothy was to be careful to bring them. Even an apostle must read. Some of our self-sufficient brethren have thought a minister who reads books and studies his sermons must be a deplorable specimen of a preacher. A man who goes up in to the pulpit, professes to take his text on the spot, and talks any quantity of nonsense is the idol of many. If he speaks without premeditation, or pretends to do so, and never produces what they call a dish of dead man's brains—ah! that is the preacher. How rebuked are they by the apostle! He is inspired and ye he wants books! He has been preaching for thirty years, and yet he wants books! He has seen the Lord, and yet he wants books! He has had wider experiences than most men, and yet he wants books! He has been caught up into the third heaven, and heard things which it was not lawful for man to utter, and yet he wants books! He had written the major part of the New Testament, and yet he wants books! The apostle says to Timothy, and so he says to every preacher, "Give thyself unto reading." The man who never reads will never be read; he who never quotes will never be quoted; he who will not use the thought of other men's brains proves that he has no brains of his own. Brethren, what is true of ministers is true of all people—you need to read.—C. H. Spurgeon.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

Reverence the highest, have patience with the lowest. Are the stars too distant? Pick up the pebble that lies at thy feet.—Margaret Fuller.

Cold words freeze people, hot words scorch them, bitter words make them bitter, and wrathful words make them wrathful. Kind words make people good-natured. Though they do not cost much, ye they accomplish much. —Pascal.

HERE'S PERMANENT WORK FOR YOU, in the State of North Carolina, with an old-established institution whose fame is nation-wide. The work requires sober, industrious men; the position is as good as you make it. Liberal commissions paid.

Box 789, Raleigh, N. C.

The Sunday School Lesson

THIRD QUARTER—LESSON VII—AUGUST 15, 1915

JEROBOAM LEADS ISRAEL INTO SIN—1 Kings 12:25-33

Golden Text—Thou shalt not make unto thee a graven image, nor any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: thou shalt not bow down thyself unto them, nor serve them.—Exod. 20: 4, 5a.

Summary of the Lesson

In his "Child's Garden of Verses" Robert Louis Stevenson has a quaint conceit which runs thus:

"The rain is raining all around,
It falls on field and tree,
It rains on the umbrellas here,
And on the ships at sea."

The child is coming to think of the rain, not merely as a personal happening, but as the experience of many widely scattered people and things. This sense of something in common, binding widely severed peoples, pushed far apart by space and time, is the very genesis of history. The same rain falls on my umbrella and on the ships at sea. The same deep principles affect my life and the life of Jeroboam. Our study today tells of a man who made religion the servant of politics. It is the story of a modern temptation in an ancient setting.

The Religious Life of Israel

A man who was in the habit of thinking long and deeply about life's solemn mysteries, was talking in the twilight to a friend who delighted to listen. "Man lifts his voice," he said, "in a cry which only a voice from the far vaulted heavens can answer."

This call to the infinite is the most far reaching and significant fact of human life. You come to the heart of a nation's experience when you write the history of its religion. The very temper of Israel was constantly and enthusiastically responsive to the sanctions of religion. There was never a question as to whether Israel should have a religion or no. The question was always as to what kind of a religion Israel should have. The people of Israel were sure to be religious. The difficult matter was to keep their religion noble. They were sure to worship. The question was whether they would worship a god who pulled up or a god who dragged down. It was not a question simply of the name of the deity. It was a question of the character of the deity. You can call a god Jehovah and still ascribe ignoble characteristics to him. Leadership in Israel had no more important task than to preserve and protect the deep and growing ethical quality of the nation's religion.

In this high sense the king had the opportunity of being the defender of the faith long centuries before Henry VIII received that proud title. The king and the court had much to do with the popular conception of God, and with the practical loyalty of the people to the divine behests. In a very real sense a king might become the intellect of the nation, and the conscience of the nation as well. His thoughts about religion and his decisions about conduct were felt to the farthest edge of the country's life. Such were the conditions which confronted Jeroboam as he set about solving the problems of the religious life of the kingdom which he was founding.

The Political Life of Israel

Plato would have said that the idea of the State was more real than the State itself. Or to put it more accurately, that the State itself was the idea and not any particular embodiment of that idea in human government. It is surely true that in such matters a man must be captured by an idea before he can make that idea a fact.

The dream of nationality is at the basis of the fact of nationality. The swinging measure of the ideal of national life works to create a corresponding reality. Jeroboam knew that he must get the people to dreaming in the terms of the new kingdom if it was to become permanent. He knew that he must get them to singing in the tunes of the kingdom of Israel if it was to be a practical power. He must command their imagination if he was to command their fighting arms. He must provide them with a nation of the mind before they would build the solid fabric of national life.

There are men today who would lift the cry, "America for Americans," in order to produce a sharper and more powerful sense of nationality. Jeroboam wanted the equivalent of the cry—"Israel for Israelites." He wanted to give them a land of the Spirit in which they could live, for which they would fight, and to which their unbounded love should be given.

The practical politician of our own day may not discuss the matter publicly, but he knows that a most significant part of his work is the creation and the maintaining of party loyalty. In very much this temper Jeroboam faced his task of creating national loyalty. The politician may be tempted to put party in the place of principle. Jeroboam was tempted to put the nation in the place of principles, when he should have built the nation upon loyalty to principles. It is a pathetic thing to see a political party standing upon a platform which consists of inflated words, and has no basis of enduring principles. A nation as well as a political party needs to stand for something. Israel was in danger of becoming a well made political organization with no purpose beyond the smooth running of its national machinery. It was in danger of becoming a body politic without a soul.

Religion Enslaved by Politics

"What I wish, that is a canon," cried one of the sons of Constantine, when as emperor he had tasted the experience of dictating the policy of the Christian Church. After the centuries of persecution the Church had known the relief which comes from having the State as an ally. Now it was sensing the meaning of having the State as a master.

Jeroboam always thought of religion in the terms of politics. He was afraid if the people continued to think of Jerusalem as the nation's religious center, they would not maintain their integrity as a separate nation. Old loyalties would reassert themselves. Israel must be self-supporting religiously if it was to continue as a separate nation. It must have a religion which was a home product. It must not import religion from abroad.

The whole religious policy of Jeroboam was planned and carried out with relation to political exigencies. He was ready to turn to the past, and bring back that appeal to the eye by the use of golden symbolic figures, which Israel had already outgrown and which was such a danger to a spiritual religion. He was not thinking of the moral or spiritual outcome. He made religion the slave of political expediency. He used the national worship as a tool to further the ends of statecraft.

All this was done by Jeroboam with much political astuteness. Clearly and with shrewd insight he appraised the situation, and he moved skillfully and effectively, but he quite left out of account the ethical aspects of his policy, and it never seems to have occurred to him that religion has rights of its own.

Would the nation be pure and noble as a result of the changes he introduced? Would the people have loftier and more adequate conceptions of Jehovah, so that the new practices would represent a genuine advance in the religious life? These questions Jeroboam did not ask. The changes he had in mind would insure a new sense of the solidarity of the life of Israel, and that was the only thing he cared about. He put back the clock, and brought in practices full o fterrible moral and spiritual danger. His mind was essentially secular. He had never stood in the presence of a bush which was burning, but not consumed.

The Imperial Religion

"They are so afraid of God that they have no fear of kings," was the tribute paid to stern, brave men of the Puritan type. Whatever their limitations, the Puritans did possess an imperial religion. It lifted its head in solemn majesty ever before them, like some lofty snow-covered mountain gazing down upon the small activities of living, busy men in a populous city at its feet. The snow-covered mountain was a perpetual background of all their thought and of all their life.

Jeroboam did what he could to rob his people of a religion of imperial quality. He did not realize that a religion of moral majesty and spiritual kingliness is a nation's greatest possesslon. He had never been mastered by religion and he did not know the far-reaching power of that high mastery.

The god who is only a politician's tool is in reality no god at all. The god you can manipulate becomes a deity you cannot respect.

Over against Jeroboam's conception of religion towers that thought of God and His will, which flashes with the lightning of moral demand, and shines with the white light of spiritual supremacy. The capture of a man by an imperial religion is the great fact of his life. The surrender of a nation to the moral behests of the Infinite God is the greatest act of the nation's life.

One of the important matters of the present day is to preserve the imperialism of the Christian religion. We cannot have a doctrine of recall of the judicial decisions of the Almighty, without moral shipwreck. We cannot apply the initiative and referendum to the modification of the moral law. We cannot elect a deity by popular vote.

Christianity is the shrine of tender sympathy. It comes to men with a wealth of understanding and a boundless compassion, but it also comes with a regal step. It comes to be a king, and it can give its scepter into no other hand. The secular mind in its own way is always saying, "We have no king but Caesar." The Christian mind, which is aware of the meaning of its own life must always fling back the challenge, "We have no king but Christ."—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in New York Christian Advocate.

TAKE ME WITH YOU

Are you going to the seashore?—Sunburn. Take me with you.

Are you going on a picnic?—Insect bites. Take me with you.

Are you going in for athletics?—Bruises. Take me with you.

Are you learning how to cook?—Burns. Take me with you.

Are you often afflicted with headaches?—Take me with you.

Are you readily subject to colds?—Take me with you.

—Mentholatum.

BLYMYER CHURCH BELLS. UNLIKE OTHER BELLS SWEETER, MORE DURABLE, LOWER PRICE. OUR FREE CATALOGUE TELLS WHY. Write to Cincinnati Bell Foundry Co., Cincinnati, O.

This Hose Lasts Longer Than Others

Goodyear-Akron Lawn Hose lasts longer than others because it is made to do that. It is made by the makers of the famous Goodyear Automobile Tires. Composed of five layers of alternate new, live rubber and strongest braided cotton. Absolutely seamless. The thick corrugated outer coat, with its six extra large rubber ribs, does away with twisting and kinking. They add immensely to its life.

GOODYEAR AKRON Lawn Hose

Buy Your Garden Tools Here

We Have Everything You Need

ODELL Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER

Proprietor

GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY

DISEASES OF STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL

General Insurance

General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland

108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

Our Little Folks' Department

THE TRAVELER

Mattie Lee Hausgen

I've been around the world today;
At first I saw my Auntie May.
She lives two blocks, straight down our street—
She gave me cookiesf or a treat.
My grandma's house is farther still,
And just a little bit uphill.
She held me comfy in her lap,
And there I guess I had a nap.
I last to father's office ran;
He said: "My iittle son's a man."
I'm back here now, and tired of play—
I've been around the world today.

HOW HER LIGHT SHONE

Sundari, only nine years old, had to leave the mission school and go back to her heathen village. Long after this a missionary visited that village and found that every Sunday the people came together to hear the Bible and sing and pray, because Sundari had told them what she had learned in school.—Selected.

HE NEEDS YOUR HELP

"Mother," said Alfred, "I prayed three prayers, and the Lord has answered two of them. Do you think he'll answer the other?"

"I think he will, my dear. What were the prayers?"

"One was that he would make you well, and not let you be sick any more. Another was to make father more kind."

"Yes, dear. Now, what's the third?"

"I prayed that God would keep us children from quarreling; but he hasn't answered that yet, for Daisy and I quarreled dreadfully today."

"Ah! my son, you will have to help the Lord to answer that one."—Olive Plants.

A BEAUTIFUL STORY OF GIVING

One of the most beautiful stories of giving is told in "One Hundred Girls of India".

The little Miss Sahabi had received a letter from a sister in America, who was connected with an orphan's home. These schoolgirls in India had become interested in the orphans in America, and they were anxious to hear the letter read. It was a letter with a sad message. There had been hard times in America. The gifts to the orphanage had decreased. The children who had been having bread and milk for supper were now given just bread. When this was read, one of the girls exclaimed: "Nothing but bread, dry bread, for their suppers! Poor little things! We thought we were poor, but we always have something in which to dip our bread." The little girls went out of the room, but after a short time returned again. They had consulted together and had decided to put together their little coins and give them to the little Miss Sahabi. "It is not much," they said, "but it is all we have; please send it quickly to help feed those poor little orphans." When the money was counted, it was found that the pile of small coins contained two dollars—all of the spending money of those one hundred girls.—Young Christian Worker.

BOYS WE LIKE

The boy who never makes fun of old age, no matter how decrepit or unfortunate or evil it may be. God's hand rests lovingly on the aged head.

Cheating is contemptible anywhere and at any age. His play should strengthen, not weaken, his character.

The boy who never calls anybody bad names, no matter what anybody calls him.

The boy who is never cruel.

The boy who never lies. Even white lies leave black spots on the character.

The boy who never makes fun of a companion because of a misfortune he could not help.

The boy who never hesitates to say, "No" when asked to do a wrong thing.

The boy who never quarrels.

The boy who never forgets that God made him to be a joyous, loving, helpful being.—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

BEDS IN CHINA

The bed of the common people is a plain board about six feet long and three feet wide. A bit of matting is spread on this. The pillow is a little porcelain box six inches long and four inches wide. Sometimes it is just a block of solid wood. They look so hard and uncomfortable.—Exchange.

SAMMY'S TRAIN

Why are you sitting so quietly, my little boy? Why aren't you at play this fine morning?" Cousin Laura inquired as she ran merrily up the steps, at the top of which Little Brother sat, moping.

"'Cause I've nothing to play with. I've broken my new train of cars. The engine won't work, and I can't fix it," the lad answered moodily.

"How about the nursery full of toys?" Cousin Laura questioned surprisedly.

"O, I'm tired of all those old things. I don't like any of my toys 'cept my train, and it's broken; so I shan't play at all," Little Brother replied.

Cousin Laura hurried on into the house, leaving her small kinsman to brood over his loss.

Just then there was the sound of a shrill whistle from the far end of the yard, and Little Brother glanced up expectantly. Sammy, the hired man's son, was coming in the side gate. He held a short stick in his mouth, and behind him swept a long, narrow strip of towsack cloth, which was fastened with a safety pin to the back of his shirt.

Little Brother watched his slow, even progress through the yard with keen interest. Of all his acquaintances, Sammy was possibly the most entertaining and remarkable. There seemed to be absolutely nothing that he could not do, and he produced really magical results from the simplest sources. He had invented a merry-go-round out of a pole and a plank, had made a pair of stilts with two long sticks, had fashioned any number of whistles from reeds and slings with bits of rubber and wood. As for food, it seemed never necessary for him to go hungry, as he could always find some delicious fruits growing in the woodland—wild grapes, hanging in clusters on the clinging vines; huckberries, with their large stones; or sassafras or sweet gum.

"What you got there now?" Little Brother called as the object of his admiration approached, blowing his whistle warningly and now and then glancing back cautiously at the long strip of cloth that was trailing after him.

"Dis here is a train of cars, and I'm de injin," Sammy replied in a most delightful way as he removed the whistle from his mouth.

"The engine?" Little Brother echoed laughingly.

"Yes. Ain't you done hear me whistle when I crossed de driveway dar? Don't want to run over nobody."

"And what are all of those sticks wrapped in leaves for?"

"Dey's de passingers, and de leaves is dey clothes, whut I put on 'em."

"And what are those chips of wood and small stones here toward the front of the train?"

"Dat's de baggage coach."

"Well, well, Sammy, you're the funniest thing in the world," Little Brother laughed. "I've just been feeling bad 'cause I broke my train and didn't have any to play with. Let me play with you, please."

"All right, come along; I'll let you be de injin whilst I runs in de house and he'ps mammy wash dem dishes."

"You've a fine substitute for your train," said Cousin Laura, coming back down the steps and hurrying through the yard to her own house next door. "There's always much enjoyment to be derived from simple pleasures, if only we'll find it."—Med Ransom.

POTRACK, THE BREAD CARRIER

"O mamma," cried Corrine Daly as she came hurrying into the house with an ordinary-sized shoe box under her arm, "here's a package the expressman has brought. It's to me, and it's from grandma. Help me open it quick, mamma!"

Mrs. Daly cut the cords and lifted the lid off the box, and Corrine looked in amazement on the sight before her.

"What are they, mamma?" she questioned as she drew nearer and lifted two tiny fuzzy gray birds from a bed of cotton and began cooing to them.

"They are little guineas, dear," said the mother. "Now they are a solid dove-gray color; but after a while, when they begin to grow and their down turns into stiff feathers, you will see a little dot of white on the end of each feather, and by the time they are grown they will be gray fowls speckled with white."

Corrine kept a close watch over her beloved pets; and, sure enough, just as mother had said, their color changed as they grew, and finally she realized that her pets were really grown-up guinea fowls. They were very gentle with their little mistress and would follow her anywhere over the place; but when a stranger would enter the yard, my! how they would flutter their wings and prance about, screaming "Potrack! Potrack!" until, for punishment, Corrine would fasten them up in the henhouse.

One day when the little girl came home from school she ran out to feed her pet fowls, and the little guinea hen was missing. For days and days she looked in vain for the little hen, but could find no sign of her. One morning she noticed the guinea rooster acting mightly queerly. He had pecked a whole biscuit from the scrap pan and was guarding it securely. Finally Corrine saw him take it between his bill and start toward the woods, near her home, on a run. She decided to follow at a safe distance and watch him.

She climbed the fence carefully and went into the woods. She saw the rooster dart under a pile of brush with the biscuit, and instantly there was a chattering of guineas, and she knew then that her little guinea hen wasn't dead, but had just slipped away off in the woods and made herself a little nest; and now she would soon own a little flock of "potracks." Hurrying to the house, she told her mother of the incident.

"They always hide themselves during nesting time," said mother.

"And," laughed Corrine, "I'd never have found her if old 'Potrack' hadn't carried her the biscuit."—Alice L. Whitson.

ALL ABOUT BEAVERS

Uncle Frank, drowsing before the fire, was suddenly aroused by the onslaught of two lively boys.

"We're through with our lessons," announced Robert.

"Yes; we worked like beavers, I tell you," said Charles.

"Why do we talk about people working like beavers?" asked Robert. "Beavers," he announced somewhat importantly, "do all their work with their tails."

"Do they?" questioned Uncle Frank.

"Don't they?" voiced Charles uncertainly.

"Lots of folks say they do," said Robert. "There are beavers in our park. Sometimes at night you can hear them make loud slapping noises, and the big boys say that they are plastering mud on their houses with their tails, and they say that they carry things with their tails too."

"That is a common mistake," said their uncle. "It probably comes about from the noise that the beavers make by hitting the water with their tails as they dive; then, too, as they work mostly after dark, it is hard to observe their habits."

"How do they carry things?" questioned Charles.

"Between their chins and forepaws," answered Uncle Frank.

"O," exclaimed Robert, "I thought they used their feet for swimming!"

"Only the hind ones," said Uncle Frank. "They are webbed like ducks' feet, but the fore feet are not."

"They do work hard, don't they?" asked Charles.

"Yes, Charlie boy; and that explains the expression, 'Working like a beaver.' But there is one way in which I hope that you boys will not imitate the example of a beaver that I once saw," said their uncle, laughing.

"If it's a story, please tell us," begged both boys.

"When I was up North last year," began Uncle Frank, "I visited a friend who had charge of a lumber camp. Arriving there late in the afternoon, very tired and cold, I threw myself down on a blanket by the fireplace. Presently something crept close to me. I naturally supposed that it was a dog and paid no attention to it. I was aroused from my nap by the call for supper. As I arose my hand touched my companion. Surprised at the soft silkiness of his fur, such as no dog ever had, I looked closely and discovered that he was a beaver. My friend, coming in at that moment, introduced me to Castor, the pet of the camp. Castor was about two feet long and of a beautiful brown color. A party of trappers, several years before, had discovered a colony of beavers in that neighborhood and had, they supposed, captured them all for their valuable fur. In some way Castor, then a baby, had been overlooked, and the lumbermen, finding the half-starved little creature, had brought him to camp and made a playmate of him. Now, although he was fully grown, he still stayed about the camp, sleeping in a lean-to shed off the bunk house. My visit was delightful except for one slight annoyance. A number of my belongings disappeared. The first thing I missed was a book. I was sure that I had left it on my bunk, but it was nowhere to be found. Another time I dropped my whisk broom. A minute later it was gone. I noticed that the men poked the fire with a stick, always remarking that they supposed the poker was still borrowed. A general laugh always followed, and I soon saw that each article that disappeared only served to increase the fun. Finally on the morning of my departure, one of my boots was missing. 'Well, sir,' laughed the cook, 'as long as you are leaving I reckon I'll have to help you find your belongings, though I do hate mightily to discommode our friend Castor. Opening the door of the lean-to, he motioned to one corner, where I saw a laughable sight. There, across the corner, Castor had built himself a dam of the only material available, and such an assortment as it contained—the camp poker, sticks of firewood, ax handles, old hats, and all of my missing property! Behind this barricade sat the beaver, evidently as happy as in his native element. I sorted out my things, all but the whisk broom; it was old, and I left it and a parting pat with the beaver. So you see, boys, that while you should work as industriously as beavers, you must try always to work more intelligently than Castor, at least."—Mary Ritchie Ward.

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.
Fourth Round

August
Brevard Ct., Lake Toxaway 14-15
Brevard, night 15
Henderson Ct., Edneyville 21-22
Hendersonville, night 22
Leicester, Teagues 28-29
Riverview Church, night 29

September
Mills River, Avery Creek 4-5
North Asheville, night 5
Mars Hill, Valley Union 11-12
Weaverville, night 12
Flat Rock, Upward 18-19
Central, night 19
West Asheville 26
Tryon and Saluda, night 26-27
Fairview, Fairview 2-3

October
Haywood St., night 3
Spring Creek, Antioch 9-10
Hot Springs, night 10
Weaverville Ct., Salem 16-17
Elk Mountain, night 17
Hot Springs & Marshall, Marshall .23-24
Walnut, Jewel Hill, night 24-25
Sulphur Springs, Snow Hill 30-31
Bethel, night 31

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C.
Fourth Round

August
Hickory Grove 22-23
Chadwick, night 22
Pineville, Harrison 29-30
Calvary, night 29

September
Thrift, Thrift 4-5
Seversville, night 5
Morven, Pleasant Hil 11-12
Matthews, Matthews 18-19
Belmont, night 19
Prospect, Bethlehem 25-26
Monroe, Central 26-27

October
Weddington, Hebron 2-3
Waxhaw, Mineral Springs, 3 p. m.....3-4
Lilesville, Lilesville 9-10
Trinity, night 10
Polkton, Hopewell 16-17
Unionville, Mill Grove 23-24
North Monroe, N. Monroe, night 24
Marshville, Marshville 30-31
Brevard, night 31

November
Ansonville, Concord 6-7
Wadesboro, night 7
Dilworth, 11 a. m. 14
Spencer Memorial, 3 p. m. 14
Tryon, night 14

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—James H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Walnut Street 5-6
Walnut Street 5-6
Ruffin Ct., Carmel 11-12
Wentworth, Wentworth 12-13
Greensboro, Bethel 18-19
Gibsonville 19-20
Pleasant Garden, Pleasant Garden, 25-26
Spring Garden 26-27

October
West Greensboro 2-3
Centenary 3-4
Coleridge Ct., Coleridge 9-10
Ramseur and Franklinville, Franklinville 16-17
Deep River, Central Falls 16-17
Uwharrie 23-24
Denton 24-25
Randolph, Trinity 30-31
Wesley Memorial, High Point 30-31
Main Street, High Point 31-32
East End 31-32

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Fourth Round

August
Marion Station 29

September
Old Fort, Greenlee 3
McDowell, Glenwood 4-5
Thermal City, Thermal 4-5
Table Rock, Oak Hill 11-12
Morganton Station 12-13
Green River, Bethlehem 18-19
Broad River, Tanner's Grove 25-26
Henrietta and Caroleen, Caroleen ..26-27

October
Forest City, Pleasant Grove 2-3
Cliffside, Oak Grove 2-3
Rutherfordton, Gilkey 9-10
Morganton Ct., Oak Forest 16-17
Connelly Springs 23-24
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Spruce Pine 30-31

November
Micaville, Martin's Chapel 5
Bald Creek 6-7
Burnsville 7-8
Marion Ct., Capernaum 13-14

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Fourth Round

August
Mount Airy, Central 15
Summerfield, Summerfield 21-22
Stokesdale, Stokesdale 28-29

September
Walnut Cove, Pine Hall 4-5
Pilot Mountain, Pilot Mountain 11-12
Debson, Stony Knoll 18-19
Yadkinville, Long Town 25-26

October
Rural Hall, Rural Hall 2-3
Mount Airy Ct., Salem 9-10
Danbury, Snow Hill 16-17
Madison and Stoneville, Madison ...24-25
Leaksville 26
Spray 27-31
Draper 28-31

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Fourth Round

August
North Wilkesboro 22-29

September
Wilkes, Lebanon 4-5
Elk Park, Banner Elk 7-8
Avery, Pine Grove 11-12
Boone, Boone 18-19
Watauga, Valle Crucis 23
Creston, Clifton 25-26

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby N. C.
Fourth Round

August
Ozark-Dallas, H. Shoals 21
Cherryville, Beulah 28
Gastonia, Main St. 29

September
Lowell, Bethesda 4-5
McAdenville, McAdenville 5-6
Polkville, Casar 11-12
Lincoln Ct., McKendree 18
Lincolnton, Lincolnton 19
Rock Spring, Webb's Chapel 25-26

October
South Fork, Ebenezer 1
Belwood, Fallston 2
Stanly, Stanly 3
Bessemer, Bessemer 9-10
King's Mt., King's Mt. 9-10
Lowesville, Salem 16-17
Mt. Holly, Mt. Holly 17-18
Crouse, Crouse 23-24
Shelby Ct., Sharon 30

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Fourth Round

August
Lenoir Ct., Collier's, 11 a. m. 14-15
S. Lenoir and Valmead, S. Lenoir, night 15-16
Catawba Ct., Camp Ground, 11 a. m. 21-22

September
N. Lenoir Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 a. m. 4-5
Lenoir Sta., Lenoir, night 5-6
Granite Falls and Hudson, Granite Falls, 11 a. m. 11-12
First Church, Hickory, night 12-13
Rhodhiss Sta., Rhodhiss, 11 a. m. ..18-19
West Hickory, West Hickory, night 19-20
Stony Point Ct., Stony Pt., 11 a. m., 25-26
Alexander Ct., Hiddenite, 3 p. m. ..26-27

October
Iredell Ct., Snow Creek, 11 a. m. 2-3
Broad St., Statesville, night 3-4
Cool Spring Ct., Clarksburg, 11 a. m. 9-10
Race St., Statesville, night 10-11
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 a. m., 16-17
Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, night 17-18
Troutman Ct., Shiloh, 11 a. m. 23-24
Davidson Sta., Davidson, night 24-25
Statesville Ct., N. Statesville, 11 a. m. 30-31
Mooresville Sta., Mooresville, night 31-Nov. 1

November
Hickory Ct., Fairgrove, 11 a. m. 6-7
Newton Sta., Newton, night 7-8
Maiden Ct., May's Chapel, 11 a. m., 13-14

Final Meetings

October
Lenoir Ct. (all churches), Lenoir, 11 a. m. 5
South Lenoir and Valmead, South Lenoir, night 5
South Lenoir and Valmead, Whitnel, night 6
Granite Falls and Hudson, Granite Falls, 3 p. m. 12
North Lenoir Ct., (all churches) Lenoir, 11 a. m. 13
West Hickory, (all churches) West Hickory, night 14
Alexander Ct., (all churches) Hiddenite, 3 p. m. 19
Stony Point Ct., (all churches) Stony Point, 11 a. m. 20
Statesville Ct., Marvin, 11 a. m. 21
Statesville Ct., Bethel, 3 p. m.....21
Mooresville Ct., (all churches) Mooresville, 11 a. m. 26
Troutman Ct., (all churches) Troutman, 11 a. m. 27
Cool Spring Ct., (all churches) New Salem, 11 a. m. 28
Iredell Ct., (all churches) Olin, 11 a. m. 29

November
Catawba Ct., (all churches) Catawba, 11 a. m. 2
Statesville Ct., Bethlehem, 11 a. m. ..3
Race St., Statesville, night 4
Davidson Sta., Davidson, night 9
Mt. Zion-Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 11 a. m. 10

Since 1842

The firm of Chas. M. Stieff has been noted for making the very finest pianos. The tone of the Stieff has been the admiration of artists and the wonder of owners. After usage of 25 years or more, there are many Stieff pianos in actual use and retaining their delightful tone qualities.

Why the Stieff Piano Is the Safe Piano to Buy

Here you deal with the makers. You have our direct guarantee and come direct to us if anything should go wrong. Dealing direct with us, you save fully 20 per cent. To be safe, see what we offer and compare for yourself.

COUPON

Please send me your book of pianos and details of your Direct Selling Plan without interest or extras. Also your list of bargains in used pianos.

Name .....

Address .....

STIEFF

1021 S. Tryon St., Charlotte, N. C.

Wesleyan College

Macon, Georgia

Founded in 1836. Graduated its First Class in 1840. Seventy-nine Years of Eminent Success. Ranks Easily With the Best Colleges in the Country.

THE WESLEYAN, an "A" grade college in the truest sense, offers courses in the languages, literature, mathematics, the sciences, philosophy, education, history and economics, household arts and sciences, the Bible and religious education. The full four years of college work are credited by the best universities. Excellent equipment and a large faculty afford ample opportunity for election of preferred branches of study.

While supreme emphasis is laid upon the courses leading to the Bachelor's degree, the strongest possible departments of music, art and expression are maintained.

Fourteen eminent American artists and teachers are employed in the Conservatory of Music. The three men at the head of the departments of piano, voice and pipe organ respectively, are unsurpassed on the continent, while the violin teacher is easily the South's greatest.

The departments of expression, painting and drawing and china painting are in charge of several teachers of rare qualifications.

The situation of Wesleyan is ideal, its health record practically perfect, its social and moral atmosphere delightful.

The Wesleyan diploma is the highest academic honor. The thousands of alumnae are leaders everywhere and in every realm of woman's influence.

Write

C. R. JENKINS, D. D., President.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C.,
August
Bethel Ct., Liberty 27
Haywood Ct., Mt. Zion 28
Fines Creek, Teague 29

September
Jonathan, Shady Grove 4-5
Webster Ct., Webster 11-12
Sylva 12
Bryson and Whittier 18-19
Judson Ct., Judson 25-26
Robbinsville 30

October
Murphy Ct., Peachtree 2
Murphy Station 3
Haysville Ct. 9-10
Ranger Ct., Rodgers 13-14

WINSTON DISTRICT—Hugh K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C.
Fourth Round

August
West End, 11 a. m. 8
Grace, night 8
Burkhead, 11 a. m. 15
Southside, night 15
Centenary, 11 a. m. 22
Salem, night 22

September
Linwood, Ebenezer 4-5
Lexington, night 3-5
Davidson, Centenary 11-12
Thomasville Ct., Zion 18-19
Thomasville, Main St., night 17-19
Forsyth, Mount Tabor 25-26

ACCIDENT AND HEALTH INSURANCE

SHOULD APPEAL TO ALL MEN

It provides an income when needed most.
Write for particulars in regard to the Aetna Disability Contract. It will pay you.
I am also prepared to furnish all forms of bonds, such as are required by public officials in court proceedings, etc.
See, write or phone me for

Anything in Insurance

WM. B. MERRIMON

Agents Wanted **Dixie Building**

GREENSBORO, N. C.

RUTHERFORD COLLEGE ANNOUNCEMENTS

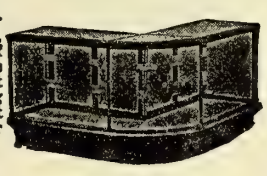
Fall term begins August 31st. The economic conditions and the good advantages offered make Rutherford College an unusually favorable place for those of limited means. More than fifty boys boarded in the dormitory last year for less than six dollars per month. Other expenses are cheap in proportion.

For catalogues and other information, address

M. T. HINSHAW, Rutherford College, N. C.

Show Cases Direct From Factory

The Famous Gurley Show Cases cannot be had from any other manufacturer in America. Our goods received double award at the Jamestown Exposition. A jobber who has been selling Gurley Show Cases for nine years, says that only one customer has made any complaint of our goods, and only one small case was involved in his complaint. This is a wonderful record. We sell direct to the merchant. Drug store outfits a specialty. For drug store outfits ask for catalogue "V"; for wall or street cases ask for catalogue "W"; for general line ask for catalogue "Y."



HIGH POINT SHOW CASE WORKS High Point, North Carolina

GREENSBORO NURSERIES

AGENTS WANTED

For Fruit, Shade and Ornamental Trees, Vines and Plants.

JOHN A. YOUNG & SONS, Greensboro, N. C.

Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

A mutual fire insurance company, organized, owned and operated by the Methodist Church in North Carolina, for the purpose of furnishing protection for church property and personal property of preachers at ACTUAL COST.

Write for information and rates.

W. E. WEBB, Secretary **Statesville, N. C.**

Business Preparation--Thorough instruction in Bookkeeping, Banking, Accounting, Shorthand, Typewriting, etc.—rendered at minimum cost in shortest time. *Either school or home courses.* Good paying positions secured on completion of either.

Write for our illustrated catalogue and learn how this school is equipped to make something of you in the business world. Address

S. P. BROWN, President, LYNCHBURG, VA.

VIRGINIA COMMERCIAL AND SHORTHAND COLLEGE

Methodist Benevolent Association

A Mutual Benefit Brotherhood for Southern Methodists. Issues Whole Life, 20-Premium Life, Term to 60, and Disability Certificates. **Benefits** payable at **death, old age, or disability.** Over $152,000.00 paid to **widows, orphans,** and **disabled.** Over $40,000.00 reserve fund. Write for rates, blanks, etc. ***J. H. Shumaker, Secretary, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.***

Standard Form Collection Envelopes

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

HOLT'S CHAPEL

FOR PASTOR'S SALARY

AMOUNT

Name ..... | **Dollars** | **Cents** |

Date ..... *191*....

MISSIONS AND CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

MOUNT ZION CHURCH

Name ..... | **Dollars** | **Cents** |

Date .....

$1.90 for 1000, delivered

$1.40 for additional 1000, delivered

FOR EITHER FORM

This price is based on using the above forms, changing name of church only. The large envelope is manila, and of the quality regularly used for Pastor's Salary collections. The small envelope can be furnished in white, green or cherry. Its difference in color and size from the Pastor's Salary form makes it ideal for Missions and Conference Collections.

If special form is desired the price will average $2.40 for the first 1000, and $1.40 for additional 1000's, delivered.

Special rates on large quantities.

The Advocate Press, Greensboro, N. C.

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective April 18th, 1915

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester Lv.	7 43 a m	12 05 p m			
Yorkville "	8 29	1 55			
Gastonia "	9 24!	4 00			
Gastonia "					
Lincolnton "	10 15	5 30			
Newton "	10 55	6 15			
Hickory "	12 05 p m	7 05	1 00 p m	6 45 a m	
Lenoir "	1 08	8 20	2 04	8 30	
Lenoir "	2 00x				
Mortimer "	3 17				
Edgemont Ar.	3 27				
Southbound	**NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only**	**NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.**
Edgemont Lv.	10 00 a m				
Mortimer "	10 08				
Lenoir "	11 20!				
Lenoir "	1 35 p m	6 00 a m	8 15 a m		
Hickory "	2 35	7 15	9 12		
Newton "	3 05	8 00			
Lincolnton "	3 43	8 55			
Gastonia "	4 30	10 23			
Gastonia "	5 00x	11 00			
Yorkville "	5 47	12 28 p m			
Chester Ar.	6 35	2 15			

x Leave " ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. **CHESTER, S. C.**



QUEENS COLLEGE

FOR YOUNG WOMEN **CHARLOTTE, N. C.**

Delightfully located in Myers Park, suburban Charlotte. Five new buildings of tapestry brick and limestone; two stories high, fireproof throughout. Confortable and convenient dormitories; baths adjoining each room; hot and cold water. Extensive 50 acre campus. One of the best equipped woman's colleges in the South.

Standard college courses leading to B. A. degree. Special fitting course. 22 trained instructors. Complete laboratory equipment, gymnasium, library. ***Splendid Musical Advantages:*** 3 manual pipe organ; 22 piano practice rooms containing all new instruments. ***Diplomas in Voice, Violin, Piano, Organ, Art and Expression.***

Non-sectarian but distinctly Christian. Terms per session $300. For catalog address

JOHN L. CALDWELL, M. A., D. D., President **CHARLOTTE, N. C.**

JACOBS & CO.

TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 **CHARTERED 1859**

A Christian college steadfast in its fidelity to its highest ideals and noblest traditions. Among the few well endowed Southern institutions of learning. A large faculty of thoroughly trained and wisely chosen teachers. Excellent new buildings, beautiful and large campus. Modern laboratories and fine library.

Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.

Special attention given in the Biblical Department to the wise training of young ministers.

For catalogue and illustrated booklet address

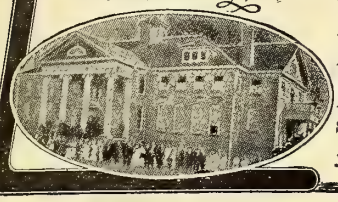
R. L. FLOWERS,

Secretary to the Corporation, Durham, North Carolina.



LIBERTY-PIEDMONT INSTITUTE

Wallburg, N.C.



Endorsed by the leading educators. Affords boys and girls an unusually broad preparation for College and University under ideal home conditions and constructive Christian influences.

Primary, intermediate and high school courses, with many courses not found in the public school. ***Music, Expression and Business Training.*** Small classes; strong teaching force. Modern buildings. Ideal country location near Winston-Salem. Fall term opens August 31.

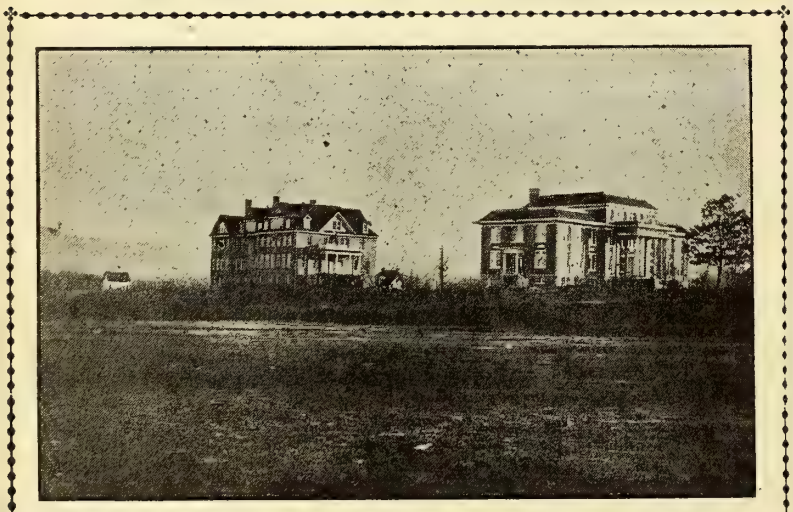
For Catalogue Address

JOHN MERITT CHEEK, B. A., Principal, Wallburg, N. C.

1898 THE TRINITY PARK SCHOOL 1915

Located on the campus of Trinity College. Faculty of well trained men of successful experience as teachers. Special individual attention given by masters to students. For health location unexcelled. Well-equipped study hall under a master. Excellent buildings and beautiful grounds. Every effort exerted to make the school an ideal home for boys. Expenses reasonable. For catalogue address

W. W. PEELE, Headmaster, Durham, N. C.



BREVARD INSTITUTE

The school which offers thorough instruction in the most useful branches at less than actual cost and under strong Christian influences. Its courses of study include:

Primary School	Grammar School	High School
Pedagogy	Review Classes	Practice Teaching
Piano Playing	Voice Culture	Musical Pedagogy
Bookkeeping	Stenography	Commercial Law
Dressmaking	Millinery	Fancy Work
Cooking	Housework	Household Economics
Farming	Stockraising	Gardening
Bible	Missions	Christian Work

Its aim throughout is accurate efficiency.
Why not study just what you are fitted for?

C. H. TROWBRIDGE, Principal **BREVARD, N. C.**

DAVIDSON COLLEGE



A First Rank College For Men

Davidson, N. C.

Established in 1837. Highly advanced in work and equipment. Places profound emphasis on thorough scholarship, clean manhood and Christian character. Offers young men unusual opportunity for educational development.

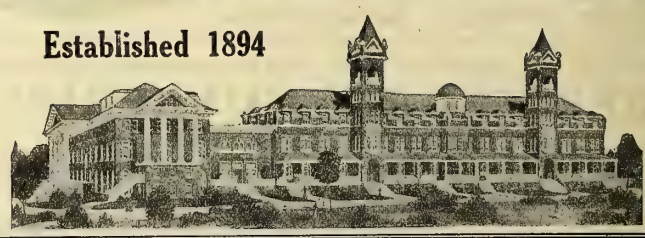
$650,000 resources. 13 modern buildings. Library of 24,586 volumes. Five laboratories. Infirmary. Commodious dormitories. Ideally located for health, social life and freedom from undesirable influences.

High standard courses leading to degrees of B. A., B. S. and M. A. Instructors of character and learning. Physical training part of course, prescribed to rectify individual faults. Attendance over 300. 14 States represented. 1915 Session opens Sept. 2nd. For Catalogue, address

The Registrar, Davidson College, Davidson, N. C.



Established 1894



BLACKSTONE COLLEGE FOR GIRLS

JAMES CANNON, Jr., A. M., D. D., President.

Faculty of 33; 427 Students, from 20 States. Accredited by Virginia State Board of Education. Hundreds of graduates now teaching.

$160 per year in Academic Dept.; $200 per year in College Dept.

The Leading Training School for Girls in Virginia

Where can parents find a College with as fine a record, with as experienced management, at such moderate cost? For catalogue address

G. P. ADAMS, Secretary, **BLACKSTONE, VA.**

MEDICAL COLLEGE OF VIRGINIA

1838 1915

MEDICAL COLLEGE OF VIRGINIA
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF MEDICINE
(Consolidated)

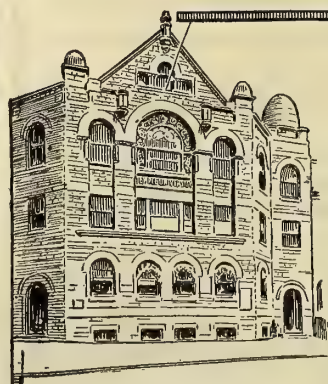
DENTISTRY---MEDICINE---PHARMACY

STUART McGUIRE, M. D., Pres.

New college building, completely equipped and modern laboratories. Extensive Dispensary service. Hospital facilities furnish 400 clinical beds; individual instruction; experienced Faculty; practical curriculum. 78th session opens Sept. 21, 1915. For catalogue or information address

J. R. McCAULEY, Secretary,

1140 E. Clay Street - - - - - Richmond, Va.



Professional and Vocational Courses for Men

Theology, Law, Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Industrial Chemistry, Civil Engineering, Plan Reading, Banking, Certified Accounting, Realty and Advertising taught in small groups insuring individual instruction, by thoroughly practical men who have made successes in their respective lines. Two large hospitals connected with the University insure bedside instruction in medical course. Regular college courses. A. B. and B. S. degrees. Write today for circular, stating course in which you are interested.



Temple University, Dept. S. R.

Russell H. Conwell, Founder and President
Broad & Berks Sts., Philadelphia, Pa.

Vanderbilt University

Opens Monday, Sept. 27th. High educational standards. Vigorous and healthy student life. Wholesome athletics. Revised curriculum. College of Arts and Science. Professional Schools of Law, Medicine, Pharmacy, Engineering, Religion. For catalogue write, naming department to

THE SECRETARY, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY

BOX 109 **NASHVILLE, TENN.**

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Reading Room Trinity College

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, August 19, 1915 | Number 33



NEW CHURCH EXTENSION OFFICE BUILDING, LOUISVILLE, KY.

The building proper is 44 by 103 feet, with portico in front, 10 by 32 feet, the Ionic columns of which are monolithic and the proportions true in every respect. The material is of best quality of Bedford stone and fireproof construction has been the aim. The lot is 63 by 180 feet and located on the south side of Fourth Avenue near St. Catherine, in walking distance of the hotels. The Board of Church Extension, which has never had a permanent habitation through all its history, expects to occupy this building by the first of the new year.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

TO SUBSCRIBERS

The date on your label shows when your subscription will expire. Promptly at this date you should send in your renewal. Failing to do so, you may expect a notice from the office reminding you. This is not a dun. It is only business. Many of our subscribers are already much behind. Please let us hear from you. A renewal order blank may be found on page 11.

NEW CHURCH EXTENSION BUILDING

No department of our church work has had a more satisfactory history that that of Church Extension. Organized in 1882, the administrative office was located in the city of Louisville, Ky., and Rev. David Morton, D. D., was the first Corresponding Secretary. Dr. Morton proved the providential man for laying deep and broad the foundations of this work, and it has grown steadily through all the years and especially during the past ten years.

The first annual report submitted in 1883 showed $2,302.61 received on general assessment, and $2,437.00 on specials. At first there was much prejudice against this "new assessment." People could not understand why the church should "pile up things on them." So the work of education had to be carried on and things moved slowly. However, at the end of the first decade the report was as follows:

Amount received on General Assessment, $62,637.22; Amount received on specials, $2,-639.72; Amount received on Loan Funds, $11,-054.87; Annual Interest, $3,383.20; Increase of Loan Fund Capital during they ear, $14,438.-07; total Loan Fund Capital, $92,780.81.

The report for 1915 shows the following: Received on General Assessment, $188,015.69; received on special, $15,957.16; On Loan funds, $103,074.49; Annual interest earned, $7,779.07; Increase of loan fund capital, $110,-853.36; Loan Fund Capital at the close of the year, $671,436.19.

These figures show haw rapidly the amounts have climbed during the later years, the loan fund having reached nearly the one million mark.

Rev. W. F. McMurry, D. D., was elected Corresponding Secretary in 1902. He has likewise proved a providential man. Under his administration every department has been organized upon strictly business methods, and the loan fund has been greatly increased. By experience our people have come to understand that Church Extension is the strong right arm of our missionary work at home and abroad, and they value it for its great economic advantage in all our efforts to build churches, both in the cities and in the waste places.

At the annual meeting of the Board in May, 1914, it was determined to erect a suitable building in the city of Louisville so designed, located and constructed, as to provide the office with the necessary room and equipment for the highest efficiency in its work, and properly safeguard and protect the records, mortgages, notes, deeds, and other valuable papers, and at the same time adequately represent our great Church at the home of this growing department.

We are pleased to give our readers a view of this building on our front page this week.

The building proper is 44 feet by 103 feet, with portico on front 10 feet deep and 32 feet wide. The Ionic columns of this portico are monolithic and the proportions true in every respect. There is a porch across the rear 12 feet deep and 44 feet wide, the floor of which is on a level with what may be termed the second floor of the building. The portico, front and sides of the building are to be the best quality of Bedford stone. The rear wall in hard-pressed clay brick. The roof is covered with flat English tile, dark red in color. Fire-proof construction has been the aim of the Committee and the architect throughout.

The basement, which is 7 feet above grade level, contains, vestibule, lavatory, chapel, 28 feet by 40 feet, with committee and coat room adjoining, 10 feet 3 inches by 16 feet 3 inches. Th entrance to the vestibule of the chapel is on the grade level on the south side of the building near the front corner. The height of the ceiling of the chapel is 12 feet. This room is especially designed for the Annual Meetings of the Board, and such other Church gatherings as may have need of it. This floor also contains a room for old records, 18 feet 2 inches by 44 feet, fuel room, boiler room, storage rooms, room for janitor, and corridor, 12 feet by 44 feet, with entrance at the rear. This rear entrance and corridor are designed for the reception of all supplies, and doors open from the corridor into all other rooms in the basement except the chapel, it being necessary to pass through the old-record room to reach the chapel from the corridor. The vestibule to the chapel is also reached by stairway from the corridor above.

The main office floor, which is entered from the portico, contains vestibule, corridor, Executive and Finance Committee room, four offices, library, mailing room, bookkeeper's room, vault, three stenographer's rooms, coat room and lavatory for men, rest room and lavatory for women. The corridor runs the entire length of this floor and is 8 feet by 27 feet in front to a point where it is divided by desk and gate; from this point to the rear it is 12 feet wide, and is designed to contain the small safe, filing cases and central desk fronting desk and gate which divides the corridor. This floor is 7 feet above grade level, and there is no rear door. In the right of the vestibule as you enter from the portico there is a door opening into a hall with stairs leading to the floor above, and immediately on passing into the corridor from the vestibule, there is a door entering a stairway leading to the vestibule of chapel on the floor below. There is also an entrance from the portico to the stair hall referred to above.

The second floor is not needed at this time for the work of the Board and has, therefore, been arranged as a commodious and convenient living apartment. The proper architectural proportions of the structure demanded this additional height. It was also the judgment of your Committee that it would be unwise to provide at this time only the room needed.

The third or attic floor, with a height on the sides of 6 feet, and in the center of some 14 feet, is divided into two rooms. The rear room, 30 feet by 40 feet, which is well lighted by windows in the rear wall and a skylight, may be used as a drafting room or for other purposes as our work develops. The remaining space on this floor is designed for storage. It is well-lighted by skylights and as nearly dust-proof as a room can be made.

On the north side of the building, near the center, there is an entrance on the grade level with concrete stairs down to basement corridor and up to the three floors above. There is an entrance into this stairway from each of the four floors in the building.

Provision has been made for an elevator running from the basement floor to the top or attic floor, which will be especially useful in carrying supplies from the basement corridor to the storage rooms in the top floor and in bringing supplies from the storage rooms to the mailing room.

The building will be heated by a system utilizing steam at a very low pressure. This system will be absolutely noiseless in operation.

A covenant of prayer will do more to promote evangelism than all sorts of devices in the way of methods of work.

KEEPING THE CONGREGATION UP

If we think a populous community and a neat, commodious and attractive house of worship will insure a congregation at the preaching hour we deceive ourselves. The pull of the world is strong, and only those who are conscientiously religious or under the influence of others who are, will decide to attend church on Sunday when there are perhaps a dozen attractions nearby which appeal to the flesh.

To be sure we must have, if possible, a comfortable and attractive house of worship; but, having this, it is a sad reality in some communities that the congregations have gradually gone to nothing. In many places today where we have spent money for years in the effort to keep up our work and have made comfortable provision for housing congregations, and where, for a time, we have had congregations, they have gradually slipped away although the population accessible to these churches has been increasing all the while.

Now there must be a reason for this. In fact, there may be a number of reasons, and we ought to try to find out and remove the cause or causes which are operating to destroy interest in our work. One thing no doubt which has had much to do with breaking up our congregations in some places, is the facilities for transportation from place to place. Convenient railroad schedules, trolley cars, automobiles, etc., make it easy for our people to get away and spend the Sabbath in recreation and pleasure-seeking. These things are rapidly making the Sabbath a mere holiday and it is only a step from such a Sabbath to a social condition in which the people forget God. Atheism flourishes where such a Sabbath prevails.

No pastor can stem such a tide if he undertakes to accommodate himself to it in the least degree. Yet in dealing with it he must be capable of a holy tact that will save him from so blundering as to fix between himself and his erring people an impassible gulf. Surely such conditions demand that he shall be as wise as the serpent and as harmless as the dove.

The first requisite, if a pastor would hold and build up his congregation in the face of such conditions, is that he establish and maintain the reputation of being a truly godly man. Old fashioned godliness, without cant or pretense, is still at a premium everywhere in the character of a minister. The people will follow a man's leadership no further than the point where he manifests other than the spirit of a godly man. If he spends his afternoons at the ball park or in lazy loafing about the store or other places where idle men resort, instead of going from house to house to acquaint himself with the families and pray with them he need not be surprised if his congregation gradually slips out of his hands.

Then the pastor must show his people that he loves them—that he is really after the flock and not the fleece. With all the counter attractions—in spit of them—the man who lives a life so blameless as that no man can have occasion to speak aught against him, and who shows by his daily attitude that he is in sympathy with his people, will find that he is not doomed to preach to empty benches no matter how strong the lure of the world may be. There is still that in men, even the worst of men, which responds to the touch of sympathy and the voice of love.

INSURING CHURCH PROPERTY

In our advertising columns will be found the advertisement of the Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Company. We call the attention of church officials especially to the importance of moving at once to place all of church insurance with our own company. All the benefits of security and reimbursement in case of loss by fire may be had and at the same time the profits placed to the credit of the policy.

Many of our country churches are without protection against loss by fire. This ought not

to be, and we are writing this with the hope that many of the officials in the 4th quarterly conference will decide to take this matter up and see that steps are taken to provide for a reasonable amount of insurance on each one of the churches in the charge. The weak churches in country places are the very ones that can not afford to carry all the risk themselves. The cost is so insignificant that almost any member of the congregation in moderate circumstances could well afford to pay the fee rather than let the property go unprotected. Then the fact that by this method of insurance we save all the profits to the church should appeal to all our official men.

Write to Mr. W. E. Webb, Secretary, Statesville, N. C., and get full information. Do it now.

CHURCH EXTENSION EXHIBIT

The following very interesting figures have been furnished us through the Corresponding Secretary, Rev. W. F. McMurry, D. D.:

1882—Report of Progress—1915

Total Receipts from beginning to March 31, 1914	$4,892,750.38
Total Receipts for year ending March 31, 1915	395,798.90
Grand Total	$5,288,549.28

These receipts were from the following sources:

I. Annual Collections

From beginning to March 31, 1914	$2,704,573.29
For year ending March 31, 1915	188,015.69
	$2,892,588.98

II. Special Donations

From beginning to March 31, 1914	$ 201,327.99
For year ending March 31 ,1915	15,957.16
	$ 217,285.15

III. Contributions to Loan Funds

From beginning to March 31, 1914	$ 423,262.11
For year ending March 31, 1915	103,074.49
	$ 526,336.60

IV. Interest on Loan Funds

From beginning to March 31, 1914	$ 187,070.26
For year ending March 31, 1915	15,612.22
(Expenses against Interest, Annuities, etc., $57,582.89)	
	$ 202,682.48

V. Principal Repaid on Loans

From beginning to March 31, 1914	$1,034,657.18
For year ending March 31, 1915	63,825.09
	$1,098,482.27

VI. Donations Refunded

From beginning to March 31, 1914	29,226.88
For year ending March 31, 1915	6,050.40
	$ 35,277.28

VII. From Miscellaneous Sources

From beginning to March 31, 1914	$ 32,164.27
For year ending March 31, 1915	2,848.85
	$ 35,013.12

VIII. Parsonage Aid

From beginning to March 31, 1914	$ 280,468.40
For year ending March 31, 1915	415.00
	$ 280,883.40
Grand Total	$5,288,549.28

N. B.—From 1882 to 1915, Churches and Parsonages have been aided as follows:

	Churches	Parsonages
By General Board to the amount of	$2,727,515.90	$ 39,849.14
By Con. Boards to the amount of	1,463,020.91	51,862.70
By W. H. M. Society, Gen. Board to the amount of		186,126.36
By Women's Conf. Soc. to the amount of		205,610.76
A net total of 9,235 churches and 2,458 parsonages, to the amt. of	$4,190,535.81	$ 483,548.96
Grand Total		$4,674,085.77

NOTE AND COMMENT

Rehoboam, who figured so prominently in our Sunday school lesson recently, was a very foolish son of a very wise father. He tried to roll back the waves of democracy and was drowned. Poor fellow; he was like so many unfortunate people today; he never realized the great God-Consciousness within himself. And that realization makes all the difference in the world between people. We have been divided as rich and poor, as old and young, as optimists and pessimists, as lifters and leaners, but God divides us into people who know him and people who do not know him . What a blessed thought to know that he accompanies us every hour, every minute, every second of the day and night. That the blessed God-Spirit thrills us, warms us, wooes us into the divinity which is HIS. With such an abundant and powerful Presence there can not possibly be any room for discouragement. His peace of overcoming passeth all understanding.

Then, too, the wisdom of Rehoboam's father did not save the son. A mother's love will reach very far, even unto the end of the earth, but it can not save, oftimes, the son. We all stand or fall according to our own ability. Mothers and fathers and friends may live for us, but no one can die for us. In common street parlance, "Every tub must stand on its own bottom." Whether king or pauper, rich or poor, old or young—every single individual must die for himself or herself. To make life a prolonged and insistent communion with God causes us not only to overcome life but death as well,—to overcome them as kings and queens. Are you fulfilling God's desire for you in this respect?

* * * *

The question in the minds of many parents just now is the one which involves the destiny of the children. We have in mind the case of a very honorable man who, by hard labor, had accumulated a good estate, but, in the meantime, had so organized his plans as to be well nigh dependent upon his sons and daughters as field hands. By utilizing them for most of the farm labor he was doing fine business. When the question of educating his children was laid upon his conscience he declared that he could not make the sacrifice. The result was that in a few years his sons and daughters were scattered here and yonder, doomed to a life of mediocrity, and he himself, worn out with toil, was spending the evening of life a broken and disappointed man. One of his sons became a criminal and spent much of the strength of his manhood in vain attempts to escape justice. Such a case brings up vividly the words of the prophet, "Wherefore do ye spend money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which satisfieth not?"

* * * *

Col. Al Fairbrother, editor of that unique publication, "Everything," is a good exhorter, and justifies his reputation as a philosopher in the following from a recent issue:

"Father A. D. Betts, perhaps as good a man as ever lived, makes this suggestion to be considered in the mystry of cheaper food stuffs:

" 'If all the land now used in making tobacco were used in making wheat, corn, and other grain, fruits and vegetables, we would soon have more food and cheaper for man and beast.

" 'A. D. Betts.

" 'Greensboro, N. C.'

"The tobacco luxury—perhaps harmful, or at best a luxury, takes up much of the ground in the South. It is a 'money crop' so-called—but why raise a money crop if you spend all the money for things to eat? Why not raise the things to eat and not go through the motion twice?"

It is altogether a matter of taste. After all that may be said or written the Billy Goat will still stand and, with a look of serene satisfaction, chew hoofs, horns and tin cans. All a matter of taste, and the reformer's job is one which must deal with the appetite.

The last paragraph of the appeal sent by the North and South American governments to Mexico a few days ago is very suggestive:

"We, the undersigned, believe that if the men directing the armed movements in Mexico —whether political or military chiefs—should agree to meet, either in person or by delegates, far from the sound of cannon, and with no other inspiration save the thought of their afflicted land, there to exchange ideas and to determine the fate of the country—from such action would undoubtedly result the strong and unyielding agreement requisite to the creation of a provisional government, which should adopt the first steps necessary to the constitutional reconstruction of the country—and to issue the first and most essential of them all, the immediate call to general elections.

"An adequate place within the Mexican frontiers, which for the purpose might be neutralized, should serve as the seat of the conference, and in order to bring about a conference of this nature the undersigned, or any of them, will willingly upon invitation, act as intermediaries to arrange the time, place, and other details of such conference, if this action can in any way aid the Mexican people."

To the appeal was signed the names of Secretary Lansing, the ambassadors from Brazil, Chile, and Argentine, and the ministers from Bolivia, Uruguay, and Guatemala.

* * * *

"Holland may join Germany" comes a report headlined London. It is said the incessant propaganda in that country is about to be crowned with success. If this happens, of course Germany will be able to use not only Antwerp, which at present is useless as a seaport because ships can not enter or leave it without passing through Dutch waters, but also the splendid port of Rotterdam as a German naval base from which England may be threatened. The report continues that the German people as a whole are anything but friendly towards the Germans, but the press, with the exception of two newspapers, has during the whole war exhibited a strong pro-German tendency and the highest army officers also have not tried to conceal their admiration for the German army. It is also said that the Prince Consort, who is of German birth, has been a very active champion of his native country in army circles, and although he does not possess any power under the Dutch constitution his high position gives his word much weight.

The report continues to say that an English army landed in Denmark, possibly reinforced by Russian troops, would constitute a serious danger to Germany, as Schleswig-Holstein is practically denuded of troops and it would be comparatively easy for an English force landed in Denmark to advance south and reach the Kiel Canal. But this report is dated London, and like all reports from that source contains little truth. It is much after the manner of the reports which at the beginning of the war remarked upon the presence of English and French and Russian troops in Berlin within three months. These are the reports which refer to the Russians scampering for life from the Germans and Austrians as " a masterly retreat." The Germans have been taking away from the Russian soldiers their guns; therefore th Germans are barbarians. These, too, are always the reports which refer to two or perhaps three babies, or four women killed in the Zeppelin raids. Also they call attention to the horrible, "bally doncher-know" devils of Germans who will even use poisoned gases to defend themselves. It would appear that the soldier who did not want to smell of it might move on. Nobody is holding his nose to it. They are all barbarians when they are at war: Germany, England, France, Russia, and all the rest of them. War is no pink tea affair, and if a man or a nation doesn't want death it would be best to stay out of it.

The reward of a thing well done is to have done it.—Emerson.

Churches and Church Extension

Paper read by Rev. G. D. Herman at Charlotte District Conference and published by request of the Conference

The visible difference between civilization and savagery is roads, schools and churches. Roads imply commerce, schools imply education, and churches imply religion. The least that can be said of churches is that they are essential to civilization and moral progress.

Churches—congregations of men, women and children—must be housed. A congregation without a house in which to worship is like a swarm of bees without a hive in which to make honey. If the Christian religion has ever been permanently established in any country without building good houses of worship I am ignorant of the fact. The testimony of our missionaries is that we have suffered on the foreign field for lack of houses of worship which would command the attention and the respect of the heatheen; and we all know how many communities have thus suffered in the homeland.

Church Extension means more church buildings, better church buildings, and church buildings for every homeless congregation. It is the efficient and available agency by which weak congregations can build for the present and for the future. Before calling your attention to some startling facts in regard to Church Extension it will be well for us to consider some facts about the value of churches to a community.

I. Material Wealth

Churches increase the material wealth of the communities in which they are located. The preacher who succeeds in getting a community to build a good house of worship has increased the material wealth of that community more than the man who organizes a cotton mill. Keen-eyed business men will not give much for property in a place where there is no church, or where the church edifice is old and out of date. The best men will not live in such a place. My point is: Church Extension is a wealth-producing agency.

II. Education and Progress

Good church buildings promote education and progress in all lines. I know a town in North Carolina that up to fifteen years ago had no up-to-date buildings of any sort. The Methodists, by the aid of our Board of Church Extnsion, erected a modern house of worship. Then that town built a $40,000 graded school building and a $75,000 court house. Next our Baptist brethren built a $35,000 church-house. Then the hotels and residences were improved and beautified. And to my personal knowledge the beginning of that progress was due to a beautiful modern church edifice made possible by our Board of Church Extension. Church Extension promotes education and progress by furnishing backward communities the right sort of object lessons.

III. Social Life.

The churches furnish the best manifestation of our social life. Man's nature is social, and his relations are social. Morality and religion are largely matters of correct social development. If a man wants to get into the best moral and religious environment he must get into the church and the Sunday school. The modern Sunday school is the only great organization in the world which offers equal social advantages to the rich and the poor alike. About the only social and religious training millions of children get is that which they get in the Sunday school. Church Extension promotes the best social life of a community because it encourages the building of commodious houses of worship with class rooms, parlors, reading rooms, and dining rooms. The Church is bound to furnish the young with the right sort of social entrtainment, or the devil will furnish cards and the dance. The weakest point in modern church life is that in many places it has ignored the social nature of the young—made no provision to develop the social nature of the young along moral and religious lines—and turned the whole matter over to the devil. Church Extension, by aiding in the erection of attractive and commodious houses of worship, promotes the highest social life of a community.

IV. Startling Figures

The Western North Carolina Conference was assessed last year $11,825.00 for Church Extension, and paid on this assessment $8,502.87. This shows that many charges failed to appreciate the pressing importance of Church Extension. The Charlotte District was assessed $1,631.00, and paid $1,225.00. This means that even in this strong district somebody failed to recognize the essential value of Church Extnsion.

In the Western North Carolina Conference there are 832 houses of worship. Of this number 350 have been aided by Church Extension. We have 199 parsonages in our Conference, and about 50 of these have been aided by Church Extension. Surely the most thoughtless can appreciate an agency which develops or helps us to build churches and parsonages for ourselves. A healthy self-interest ought to make every charge pay this claim in full.

The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has 19,780 congregations, and only 16,976 houses of worship. This means that we have 2,804 homeless congregations. A homeless congregation is like a homeless family—it is at the disadvantage of having to move from place to place, and take what others do not want, and pay a heavy rental when it is least able. In our great Church with its 2,050,000 members, there are 6,635 pastoral charges and only 5,590 parsonages. This shows that we have 1,045 homeless preachers, that is, preachers who are under the necessity of renting their homes. It is plain that these preachers cannot do the best work, because it often happens a house in the right locality for the preacher's work cannot be rented.

During the last thirty-three years Church Extension has aided 8,994 congregations to build houses of worship and 2,370 parsonages. More than half the church buildings and parsonages in Southern Methodism have been made possible by the gracious aid of Church Extension. An agency which has accomplished such wonders in the past ought to have the prayers and cash of our members from Korea to Africa.

Between the years 1882 and 1914 Church Extension has donated to churches and parsonages $2,821,566.58, and has loaned to churches and parsonages on long time at a low rate of interest $1,484,422.59—a grand total of $4,305,-989.17. The Board of Church Extension has a loan fund which has grown from year to year, until it has reached the handsome amount of $671,436.19. This money is loaned at a low rate of interest to weak congregations, struggling with debt too heavy to be paid at once. There is one church in this district that now has $1,000.00 of this fund borrowed.

Because Church Extension increases wealth, stimulates education and progress, elevates the social life of a community, gives stability to government, and inspiration to worship, it has established its right to the faith and cash of our people. It will be our wisdom to pay the assessment for Church Extension in full—and more.

The great trouble with the world is not intellectual ignorance; is not environment; it is simply unredeemed personal wills, and nothing will ever cut home to the roots of all the world's appalling need but the power that penetrates to the depths of life and relates men in the springs of their being to God, the fountain and foundation of all truth and holiness and strength.—Robert E. Speer.

MRS. MARY T. HUDSON

An Appreciation

By W. E. Abernethy

The best part of a perfect day is its close. The empurpled splendors of the dawn are far behind. The heat of high-noon has passed, and its passionate thunders have throbbed into softened echoes. Then the calm, cool twilight under whose shadowy curtains crowd, in rich review, the events of all the day, the familiar friends and faces of the long ago; the silent, sacred after-glow before the evening song and prayer, before the winds turned seaward, and the call comes from across the bar.

I first knew Mrs. Mary Hudson in the high-noon of her womanhood: when her graces of soul, fine mind, and extensive culture shone like favors on shield and helmet of her knightly husband, Hilary T. Hudson; when her consecrated motherhood made that ideal, unbroken home in Shelby.

Years passed; and I came to know her as her pastor. That rare womanhood, fair flower of the old South, had not faded, but mellowed. There was about it the fragrance of the falling rose-leaf; the tang of rich wine of the vintage of buried years. Her memory was a garner of all—and only—the good things of life; to her pure eyes all things were pure. Her cultured mind was unimpaired by the passing years. Her love for her church was an intense passion; her intelligent interest in all its institutions was unabated, and her self-sacrificing liberality toward its causes limited only by her means.

The purest women know of a door into Christ's heart that is locked to men, and so her radiant faith in Jesus had fed and flowered on the common sorrows of life, like the peerless lily growing on graves. So, as I knew her—gentle, gracious, tender, womanly—she sat in the gloaming, the best part of a perfect day, waiting with no touch of impatience; the windows through which entered the sights and sounds of earth slowly and softly curtained: the upper window opening more and more through which human love that had passed, leagued with love divine to lure her homeward. The memory of this dear mother in Israel will abide as a priceless legacy to her family and friends; to the church she loved, to the beautiful city in which she lived and died.

WOFFORD COLLEGE AND ITS FOUR PRESIDENTS

By Rev. Samuel A. Weber

From August, 1854, to August, 1915 is a good long time. It doesn't seem long to me today (August 9th), so rapid has been the flow of the years between my callow youth and my nascent old age; and yet sixty-one years is nearly the life-time of two generations of the race. It has been just that long since, in August, 1854, Wofford College (Alma Mater) opened her doors to her first two College classes, numbering less than twenty students, under the able presidency of the first of her four presidents. The fourth—Thank God for it!—is not only alive but very much alive in the discharge of his great trust.

South Carolina Conference Methodists, included in the whole of South Carolina and in a fine section of the Old North State (in that section where your folks and mine had their homes, Mr. Editor Blair) turned their faces quite naturally and for the very best of reasons to the then able and successful editor of the Southern Christian Advocate, Rev. William M. Wightman, D. D., when once there developed a need for a president of the College recently founded by Benjamin Wofford. It was, as intimated above, at our Conference session in 1853-54. The Conference met that winter in Newberry, S. C., and elected the first faculty of the College. It also elected its delegation to the General Conference to meet in the Spring of 1854 at Columbus, Ga. Dr. Wightman, as usual, led the delegation. At the election of Bishops by the General Conference, the doctor, but for the merest mischance, would have gone into the Episcopacy and not to the presidency of the College. It occurred in this

way. One of the electors inadvertently wrote his ticket, "William M. Bishop." That cost the Doctor an honor that came to him twelve years later at New Orleans, when were elected four among the greatest men ever chosen to that office and Wightman at the head of the list: Wightman, Marvin, Doggett, McTyeire. You may say that this is neither here nor there, but I say that it is both here and there. It means, for example, that our president (our first president) was a full grown man and came to us as easily the first man in our reach. What a noble specimen of the **genus homo** was he as I first saw him at such a time, as it may be said that there were giants in the earth in those days. We had other great men, but since the death of Wm. Capers, Dr. Wightman was the greatest (and without controversy the greatest) man among us. He loomed up in splendid proportions before the student body of those days (1854-1859). In the pulpit, in the chapel and the class-room, on the campus, and on the streets of Spartanburg, he towered without a rival. In form and in feature, in fine equipment and great ability, and in the outflow of a wonderful personality, he was, as he proved to be, the right man in the right place as our first president. He went from us (it was thought to be a promotion in those days) to be the first Chancellor of the Southern University at Greensborough, Ala.

Our second president was a North Carolinian. Like you and me, Brother Blair, he was born and born again within the bounds of the S. C. Conference, but was a Tar Heel and was glad of it.

Hurrah! hurrah! for the Old North State!
Hurrah! for the Old North State forever!

Dr. Albert M. Shipp was elected a member of the first faculty of the College in 1854. He declined the chair which Dr. Whiteford Smith first occupied, that of English and **Belles Lettres**, and only came to the College (and then as its second president) on the retirement of Dr. Wightman. He came to us from a professorship in the University of his native State, of which he was a first-honor alumnus. He came to us with a splendid reputation as pastor, presiding elder, and University professor. He was easily our first choice and was the logical successor to Dr. Wightman, whom he also suceeded as leader in the S. C. Conference. He did a great work for the College, the hardest work any president ever did because of our bloody war which occurred during his administration. His tact, judgment, force of will and heroic faithfulness were unfailing and were greatly appreciated by the Conference and throughout our Conference territory. It was during his term of office that many of the first men in the high places of service in Church and State in South Carolina went out as graduates of the College. He was a model College officer. It would not be venturing too much to claim that the very greatest work of his life was done while he was here at Wofford, and that, too, despite the circumstance that he was, from an incurable disease, utterly unfitted for platform or pulpit work, in which he had made a fine reputation in his early ministry. For nearly twenty years he served in the presidency. He was afterwards Dean of the Theological Department of the Vanderbilt University.

Dr. James H. Carlisle was third in the succession. He served as president and president emeritus until his death only a few years ago. He was in my confessedly partial estimate of him the greatest man I ever knew. He was my teacher and the teacher of my sons and he was my personal friend in more ways than it would be proper for me to say. For a quarter of a century I served under his administration as trustee of the College. I was intimate in his family. I was his correspondent, his letters coming to me when I most needed the help they brought me. In private, in the class-room while I was in College, on the platform for high moral purposes, in the courts and conferences of the Church, near the pulpit as a great lay-preacher,—in all such opportunities and responsibilities he spoke to me with more compelling force and with more authority than any man at whose feet I ever sat. In some respects, Wofford has never had a greater president, nor will she ever have a greater. The work for which he was best fitted, and only fully fitted, was the great work only possible to a great personality in conscious touch with Him who called him and empowered him and enthused him to be the great teacher and a great man and hence to be a great force among men.

As to Dr. Henry Nelson Snyder I will only say what I must say, if I say anything; namely, that he is my only choice for the high place which he worthily fills. He won my admiration and high appreciation in the tender regard and great deference which he ever showed to his predecessor in their joint administration of the College. Dr. Snyder has a commanding influence in work open to a lay-leader in spiritual things, as well as in such work as becomes a Christian educator, and an intelligent Christian scholar and gentleman for the public welfare. His work in the College and for the College and for the public go hand in hand.

Inman, S. C. (for the summer).

TIDINGS FROM THE MISSION FIELD

Thirty Thousand Chinese Hear the Gospel

Late in the year 1914 the two denominations (Southern Presbyterian and Southern Methodist) doing work in this city, met to discuss the advisability of having some sort of a gathering to celebrate the Tenth Anniversary of the coming of Protestantism to Changchow. To be sure many missionaries and Chinese workers had been here before, and some of them left faster than they came, and that to the tune of stones and the then usual title given to the foreigner; but it was in the year 1904 that the first house was rented and the first Protestant preacher moved into the city. It was decided to have the celebration in April, 1915. We had such a meeting as this people had never seen. All former pastors were invited and some came. The Soochow District tent was used as no church was large enough to accommodate the crowds. This we pitched on the lot formerly occupied by the jail in the center of the city. Changchow has never been so stirred in all these ten years. Everywhere we went we could hear the people talking of "The Jesus Church." Great crowds came for the services. Except for two or three when it was raining hard, the tent, seating about one thousand, was full and most of the time more than full. Fully 2500 people attended the services each day for twelve days. All classes came. Some 1200 portions of the Scripture were sold, and 4,000 tracts distributed. Over 200 probationers were enlisted. The hardest work is before us—that of training these who have started. Pray for us that we may be able to lead them all the way into the kingdom.—John C. Hawk, Changchow, China.

Home Missions in Louisiana

The Houma Mission is located in the most densely populated rural territory of the United States. There are one hundred thousand white people living in the section served by the Houma Mission, and there are less than one thousand Protestants of all denominations among the one hundred thousand. Our church placed a man on the ground six years ago, and now we have three hundred members and about $7,000 worth of property. This year there have been fifty-two accessions, and a one-to-win-one campaign is on just now to run the accessions up to seventy-five. There are all the difficulties to be contended with here that are to be found in any place where the population runs 99 per cent. Romanist.—C. V. Breithaupt, Houma, La.

"The First Time"

An Exposition is being held in Hiroshima now. It is a Government enterprise. There are beautiful buildings, many exhibits from all parts of Japan, and crowds of visitors. It is a great opportunity for evangelistic work and all the Missions in Hiroshima are united in their efforts to reach as many of these people as possible. Twice each day, in a large hall down on the main street, services are held, and hundreds of people are attending. Many who could not be induced to go inside a Christian group stop to listen,—at first attracted by the singing, and, from curiosity as to what the minister is saying, often they stay through the service. This afternoon on account of the rain the meeting was smaller than usual, but there was much interest shown and many went forward when those were asked to come forward who wished to hear more of the message of Jesus Christ. One man I noticed especially, with his little boys. He stopped to listen to the singing, and came in finally in response to an invitation from one of the Japanese ministers. He sat the long afternoon through while four men spoke to the people; at last the tears were on his cheeks, and when inquirers were asked to come forward he went at once. I heard the minister ask him if it was the first time he had heard the Gospel, and he replied, "The first time."—Janet Miller, Hiroshima, Japan.

Getting Subscriptions for the Conference Paper

During the quarter I have held no less than three services a week in Spanish and one in English, with a very satisfactory increase in attendance at the Spanish services, and consequently a revival of the membership. Fifteen candidates have been received. Quite a number of Bibles and New Testaments have been sold. The natives are absolutely ignorant of the Gospel, and the work we are trying to do. I find that it is not only so among those who can scarcely read, but among the better and higher social element. Catholicism still has a strong hold, but sin a still stronger one. I have been especially rejoiced lately in being able to place the **Evangelista Cubano** in forty-two homes and business establishments. This makes a total of sixty-eight. The work of the Sunday school is encouraging. We are organized into a Missionary School, and the collection taken on the first Sunday is double that of the others. We send this direct to the Treasurer asking that it be applied to the support of native workers, and in this way the congregation cannot depend on the school's collection to pay out its assessment. It is indeed inspiring to see how willingly they rally to this opportunity.—W. M. Mullen, Guantanamo, Cuba.

Brazilians Publicly Accept Christianity

During the past month we have had the joy of reaping some of the results of our sowing. At Pirassununga we received fifteen on profession of faith, and seven at Santa Rita, leaving on the roll of candidates twenty others who had applied for membership in the church. In the last week forty-five others, the majority of them men, have publicly confessed Christ. At Dourado where we opened work in January, I preached three nights in succession, using the stereopticon for the first time at that point. My congregation varied from one hundred and ninety the first night to almost five hundred the last night, and many were turned away. At the close of the last service I gave the people an opportunity to accept Christ and thirty-three responded.—W. G. Borchers, Santa Rita, Brazil.

Mulkey Memorial Sunday School Special

I saw the notice yesterday in the Adult Student and the Magazine about the agreement between the two Boards to ask for Specials for China from all the Sunday schools during the coming year. I heartily endorse this plan, but wanted to tell you that Mulkey Memorial Sunday school has anticipated this idea of the two great Boards by one year, and some months ago the classes of this school pledged $350 for this year as a Special for China, which is to be applied on the Soochow Church building. Already about one-half of this amount has been collected, and all of it, we verily believe, will be paid before the middle of November. Remember, this too is in the face of an assessment for Conference collections of $500 more than the Church has ever been assessed before. If every Adult Class would have a Missionary Special how the classes would grow, and how the missionary cause of the church would be advanced!—W. Erskine Williams, Ft. Worth, Texas.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. R. G. Tuttle assisted in revival servicesat Cleveland last week.

—Rev. W. A. Lambeth and family, of Reidsville, have been visiting the home people at Thomasville for a few days.

—Rev. W. M. Biles, of Newton, was with Rev. T. E. Wagg in a meeting at Stony Point last week.

Rev. E. E. Williamson, of Morganton, conducted a revival meeting at Arney's Chapel, near Morganton, last week.

—Rev. A. L. Aycock and family were at Wrightsville Beach for a few days' recreation recently. They had a most enjoyable time.

—Rev. A. L. Stanford, of Hickory, will assist Rev. Loy D. Thompson in revival services at Marion beginning September 1st.

—Rev. L. P. Bogle conducted revival services at Hickory Grove on the Ruffin circuit last week.

—Rev. J. W. Vestal, pastor of the Forsyth circuit, began revival services at Marvin, four miles north of Winston-Salem, last Sunday night. He is assisted by Rev. J. F. McCuiston, of Winston-Salem.

—Rev. J. W. Bradley, of the North Carolina Conference and pastor at Hookerton, has been visiting his home people in the vicinity of Old Fort.

—Rev. J. W. Ingle conducted a very successful revival at Cotton Grove on the Linwood circuit last week. He was assisted by Rev. Odell Kinney.

—A Statesville special referring to Rev. C. M. Campbell says: "Mr. Campbell has labored as pastor of Race street church for nine months very successfully and it is with regret that his congregation gives him up. He will go to Lenoir next week to take up his work there.

—Rev. Loy D. Thompson, pastor of our church in Marion, received ten members into the church on the first Sunday in August, seven on profession of faith and three by certificate.

—The many friends of Mr. J. S. Martin, of Shelby, will be grieved to learn that he suffered a second stroke of paralysis last week. His children are at his bedside and the end is expected at any moment.

—We regret to learn that Mr. T. B. Crawford, of Winston-Salem, had the misfortune last week to lose his home by fire. The loss is about $5000 or $6000 with only partial insurance.

—Rev. R. D. Sherrill, pastor of Centenary church, this city, will begin revival services on the fifth Sunday in this month. Rev. W. H. Willis, pastor of Central church, Mount Airy, will assist in the meeting.

—Rev. Dr. J. H. Weaver, presiding elder of the Greensboro District, makes some changes in his district appointments this week. Let all concerned look up the corrected list as it appears in this issue. Dr. Weaver is now spending a short vacation with his son, Dr. Charles Weaver, at Emory, Va.

—The McFarlan correspondent of the Wadesboro Messenger says: "The revival meeting closed at the Methodist church here last Thursday night. Rev. Woosley preached some able sermons and there were a good many conversions and a number joined the church.

—The membership of Central Methodist church has given their pastor, Rev. J. E. Abernethy, a vacation and besides that they gave him a purse sufficient to cover the expenses of a trip to the Pan-American Exposition. Mr. Abernethy left last Sunday night for San Francisco.—Monroe Enquirer.

—Mr. Charles A. Burrus, son of Rev. A. J. Burrus, of Shelby, has recently been elected principal of the Washington School for Boys in Alexandria, Va., and will go to take charge of his work there September 1. Mr. Burrus is well-known in Monroe and throughout Union county, as well as in several other sections of the State. He was a student at Union Institute for four years before entring Trinity College, and after hisg raduation there he was elected principal of the Weddington Academy where he worked during the past school year. Prof. Burrus is another of Prof. Hamilton's students who is making good, and his many friends here congratulate him on his success in being elected to fill so responsible a position.—Monroe Enquirer.

—Cards were received last week reading as follows: "Rev. and Mrs. Wm. R. Ware announce the marriage of their daughter, Allie Brown, to Mr. John Luther Randleman, on Tuesday, August 10th, 1915, Salisbury, N. C." The Advocate joins in expressions of congratulation and good wishes for long life and happiness to this young couple.

—A correspondent of the Durham **Herald,** writing of the revival services held by Rev. J. W. Bennett at Rougemont, near Durham, says that Brother Benett preached a good sermon on Sunday morning and sang a beautiful solo. Happy the preacher who can sing as well as preach.

—Mr. E. O. Shaver, of Statesville, and his wife, who was formerly Miss Ottie Brown, of Guilford County, are visiting relatives in Greensboro and vicinity. Mr. Shaver is a gospel singer and has just returned from Price, on the Madison circuit, where he led the singing in a great meeting.

—We take the following item from the last issue of Charity and Children: "Rev. Walter Holcombe recently closed one of the most remarkable meetings in Red Springs that town has ever known. The services were held in a warehouse and all the denominations co-operated. Hundreds were converted and the community was profoundly stirred."

—Attention is called to the advertisement of Rutherford College. School opens on Tuesday, August 31, and it is expected that many worthy young men will enter for the first time with the purpose of preparing for a life of usefulness. Education without frills is the motto here and we commend the school especially to young men who must reduce expenses to the minimum.

—The advertisement of Weaver College appears in this issue. Located in the most beautiful and healthful section of the mountains, our young men and women have here an opportunity for first rate educational advantages at low cost with modern conveniences and comforts. This is the Methodist Junior College of Western North Carolina.

—We referred last week to a meeting at Madison in which the pastor, Rev. A. R. Surratt, was assisted by Rev. L. F. Brothers. We were mistaken as to the place. The meeting was at Price, about twelve miles from Madison. The results we learn were very fine, and some twenty or more professed conversion and twelve or more joined the church. Besides the help rendered by Rev. L. F. Brothers, Mr. E. O. Shaver, of Statesville, led the singing and rendered very efficient help. This is said to have been the best meeting ever held at Price.

—Rev. F. L. Townsend is busy all the time in revival work on the East Greensboro charge. He recently closed a good meeting at Mount Pleasant and was engaged last week in a meeting at Rehoboth, closing on Monday night of this week. At Rehoboth he was assisted by Rev. C. M. Short, of Cooleemee. There were about 50 professions and 25 accessions to the church. This was a very gracious revival, and the church was greatly strengthened. Brother Short preached with great acceptability to his old neighbors.

—A splendid Children's Day program was rendered by the Sunday school at Bethel in the Northwestern suburbs of the city of Greensboro last Sunday afternoon. The program had been prepared principally by the young ladies of the school and the little children rendered their parts in an almost faultless manner. Mr. Charles T. Archer is the superintndent and had charge of the exercises. A short address was made by Mr. T. C. Hoyle, a former superintendent. A male quartette, led by Prof. Simmons, added great interest to the occasion. A liberal contribution was made at the close. Bethel is one of our coming little congregations. It is now served by Rev. F. L. Townsend, pastor of the East Greensboro charge.

Cottonville.—Rev. H. F. Starr, pastor of the Cottonville charge, began revival services at Zion church last Sunday, holding two services daily this week. He expects to begin at Cedar Grove the fifth Sunday and continue the following week. He has just recently closed a very profitable meeting at Rehobeth.

Davenport College.—Rev. Lee T. Mann, presiding elder of the Statesville District, sends us the following very important notice: "Please announce in the Advocate that the Executive Committee of Davenport College has elected Rev. C. M. Campbell Bursar of the College. Brother Campbell has accepted, and by authority of Bishop Waterhouse has been appointed to that work. Rev. J. W. Jones will succeed Brother Campbell at Race Street, Statesville."

Cherryville Circuit.—Rev. W. T. Usry, the pastor, writes:

The several Sunday schools of Cherryville Charge will hold their annual all-circuit meeting at Beulah Saturday, August 28. The address will be delivered by the presiding elder, Dr. J. R. Scroggs. Discussions of timely topics will be led by Messrs. J. H. Workman, W. J. Allran, H. C. Sisk and C. L. Eaker. The singing will be a special feature. This is the fourth annual celebration held by the Sunday schools of this charge. It has become a fixity for Cherryville and is beginning to be of more than local interest.

Asheville.—Rev. Forest J. Prettyman, D. D., of the Baltimore Conference, Chaplain of the United States Senate and pastor of one of our Washington City churches, has been spending some time in and about Asheville. On Sunday, August 8th, he gave a full day to the Asheville Methodists, speaking in the morning at 10 o'clock to the Haywood Street Baraca Class, preaching to the Contral congregation at 11, and at Haywood Street in the evening. Dr. Prettyman is not only a good preacher, but he is a man of charming personality, and the Asheville Methodists were greatly pleased with him. In his talk to the Haywood Street Baracas, he took occasion to pay a deserved tribute to the Baraca teacher, Mrs. N. Buckner. He said he had in other fields seen her build up a powerful class of young men in a former charge. He congratulated the class on having her as teacher and leader. Dr. Prettyman also gave an interesting lecture at the Y. M. C. A. on Monday evening under the auspices of the Haywood Street Baracas. This was a travel talk illustrated with views taken in the Holy Land, also some taken in the European war zone.

Cottonville Charge.—We closed our meeting at Rehoboth last Sunday, August 8th. Had a gracious revival of the old-time religion. Men and women were made to fall before God and cry out, "What must I do to be saved?" A number of men and women attended who had not been there for five or ten years. And one old man about 70 years old who had not attended church anywhere for thirty years or more came and was saved and joined the church. Another man and wife—he a grandson of the old man, were both happily con-

verted and joined the church, and also two other grandsons of the old man joined and were all baptized. We had the pleasure of baptizing one whole family—father, mother and baby—at the same time with the grandfather of the child. It seemed as if the old-time power came down as it did when the Phillippian jailer was made to believe, and he and his whole house were baptized. Another family of children of five were baptized. The two oldest joined the church and the three smallest were baptized at the same time.

Eleven joined the church from the ages of ten to seventy years. All were to baptize but two, and we baptized six children the same hour. We praise God for the old-time power that still convicts men and women of sin. Pray for us as we are trying to lead men to Jesus.

The pastor did all of the preaching, and the people joined in the service continually. Thank God for a church where the pastor can yet do his preaching and sinners come to Christ and be saved. H. F. Starr, Pastor.

Revival at Asbury, Lincoln Circuit

Rev. J. H. Green assisted Rev. Nathan Modlin in a glorious revival at Asbury, July 11-22. About 215 were saved and reclaimed, and a goodly number received the Holy Spirit. About 75 applied for church membership.

The people at Asbury are on fire for God and are free to work anywhere. They are going far and near to assist in revivals.

A great revival wave is sweeping through Lincoln county, such (old people tell us) as never has been known before. It is impossible to describe some of the scenes we have witnessed through the months of July and August, especially at Asbury and Rock Springs camp meeting. We are now in a great meeting at Iron Station, N. C., with Jim Green, Nathan Modlin and Neal Williams, the pastor.

Yours in the Master's service,
Rudd Newsom.

Thomasville.—We go into the fourth week of our tent meeting on my church lawn with the most sweeping revival I have seen in years. Last night registered the highest point when three five-minute sermons were preached on the subject: "Five Minutes in Which to Save a Lost Soul," delivered by Dr. Mercer of the Baptist Church, Rev. J. B. Tabor, and myself. Estimated that five hundred people could not be seated in the tent but gathered around it in the grass. The order was perfect; the singing never to be forgotten; the preaching proving that the best sermons can be preached in five minutes. The revival is one largely of soulful, heavenly singing of the old revival songs. The choir composed of the church choirs of the town, lead by some singers of first rank among our own people, has rendered me a service of surpassing faithfulness and spiritual charm. About two-thirds of our time is spent in singing and we still have a different preacher every service; God owns the plan and the people do not tire. Toward the close last night when inspired voices in mighty power swung into "My Mother's Song" with the chorus, "When We've Been There Ten Thousand Years," the shouts of the saints resounded in the camp. The meeting and religion is the talk of the town. We have worked hard and prayed earnestly for a revival here and God has graciously sent it. About forty professions at the altar to date, and hundreds of church members revived. And the ministers recommissioned. D. M. Litaker.

Troutman.—The protracted meeting which began in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at Troutman, N. C., on the first Sunday morning, came to a close on Wednesday night of last week lasting eleven days. We had the gospel brought to us in a most forceful way. Our pastor, Rev. J. J. Eads, did all of the preaching and his sermons were filled with the plain truths of Christian living. He is a very able speaker and preacher and he with the co-operation of the Christian people have brought about much and lasting good.

We had between forty and fifty conversions, and a general revival of the church membership along spiritual lines has been noted by all attending. The majority of this number being members of some church, we received only seven in the church. These services were well attended throughout and much interest manifested. The preaching was plain and practical and yet in the profoundest sense was in accordance with the will of God which evidently came from the heart of the speaker, and strong men gave way under its influence. The meeting came to a close on Wednesday night with a general hand-shaking and a testimony meeting, and everybody was well pleased with the preaching and the good results of the meeting.

E. M. Wagner,
Herman Kyles.

Franklinville.—A correspondent of the Asheboro Courier writing from Franklinville says:

The celebration of Old People's Day at the M. E. church last Sunday was quite a success and will doubtless prove a blessing to every one who attnded. Although the weather was warm and sultry there was a large congregation and nothing was left undone to show our appreciation of the reverence for our aged people. The exercises opened with a song of jubilee by the Baraca and Philathea classes. Then came a song by the children. After this the married women sang "How Firm a Foundation." This was followed by a talk by Mr. Hugh Parks, Jr., on the encouragement of old people in Sunday school and church. Then came a song by the Baraca and Philathea classes, "God Will Take Care of You." Mr. J. H. Fentress then made a talk on the influence that old people have over the young in Sunday school and church. Next was a song by the children, "Clap Your Hands for Joy." Mr. D. M. Weatherly then gave a talk on Why and How We Should Respect Older People. This was folowed by a very suitable address by the pastor, Rev. J. T. Rogers. Much was added to the occasion by the music of Mr. Herman M. Cohen, a violinist, of Baltimore, Md., and Miss Hazel McAdams, of Siler City, an excellent organist.

Burkhead Institutional Church.—The Winston-Salem Journal in a recent issue says:

The Bible school begins at Burkhead Institutional church every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock and lasts until 11:30. The pastor has charge of the entire school from 11 o'clock until 11:30, and usually talks along the line of the lesson. Evangelistic appeals are made at almost every service and as a rule some one joins the church. Only one Sunday in sixteen has been missed in taking members in the church.

The church is rendering its full share in helping the city to protect its citizens against preventable disease. More than six hundred visits have been made to the Burkhead dispensary, and at least 150 people have been vaccinated against typhoid.

The church also lends its influence directly to help the city educate her sons and daughters. A large number of children who are compelled to work through the hours of day take advantage of the opportunities offered by the Burkhead night school.

While the equipment for the play-ground is somewhat limited yet, it furnishes recreation for the children of the community. Many children heretofore finding their recreation in questionable places with bad company can now be found on the play ground, playing under the supervision of a Christian worker. Miss Miller, the deaconess, who has charge of the work, is big-hearted, and spares no pains in looking after the welfare of the children.

The night service begins at 8:15, and is well attended. Strangers find a hearty welcome in Burkhead Institutional church.

Revival at Norwood

Last Tuesday night we closed a very fine meeting here. There were, in all, something over fifty professions of conversion. I have thirty-seven names for church membership, all but two of them on profession of faith. The church was greatly revived and strengthened, and much good accomplished.

The preaching was done by Rev. H. H. Jordan, of Gastonia, and gave great satisfaction to our people. There was no foolishness and no questionable methods used. It was all done according to the most approved Methodist standards. The gospel was plainly and pointedly preached, and men urged to accept the same, in scripture language and by sound argument. I have never seen better work done and am persuaded it will be as permanent as any I have seen.

Sunday afternoon there was held a meeting for men, following a great children's meeting Sunday morning. Both these services were of a high order. The aftrnoon meeting was especially effective, and must surely prove of lasting benefit to those present. The crowds were large, attentive, and appreciative all the way through.

We have the plans and specifications of our church improvement, from the architect, and about half the amount subscribed, and it will be only a short time till we will let the contract for the work. We are to build an annex containing ten Sunday school rooms, brick-veneer the whole, and overhaul the old part of the house.

We hope to have all things in shape for our report to conference at Reidsville.

R. M. Taylor.

An Appeal to the Sunday Schools of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South

A movement is on foot to erect on the campus of our Methodist College in Kobe, Japan, a building that is to be a center for the training of Sunday school leaders. The building will be furnished with a complete assortment of Sunday school supplies and a large Sunday school library, and in it will be conducted classes in child study, religious pedagogy and Sunday school organization.

When Dr. H. M. Hamill visited Japan a few years ago, he became greatly interested in the evangelization of the Japanese people and offered $1000 towards the erection of a building to be dedicated to the training of Sunday school teachers and pastors. This offer has been made good since his death by his wife.

In view of the peculiar relation which he thus sustains to the enterprise and in view of his great contribution through personal service to Sunday school work in the Island Empire, it has been decided to name the proposed building the Hamill Memorial Building.

The building will cost, when completed, $8,000. Of this the sum of $6000 has already been provided for. It is deemed fitting on account of Dr. Hamill's peculiar relation to the Sunday school work of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, that our Sunday schools and Sunday school leaders should show their appreciation of his long and faithful service by raising the balance of $2000. The matter of bringing this to the attention of our people has been placed in the hands of a committee composed of John R. Pepper, A. J. Lamar, E. B. Chappell, B. M. Burgher, and W. W. Milan. Through this committee the matter was brought before the General Sunday School Board at its recent meeting at Lake Junaluska. The Board unanimously passed a resolution approving the enterprise and the plan to ask our schools to help in furthering it and suggesting that the **third Sunday in September be set apart as Hamill Memorial Day** and that on that day each of our schools take a voluntary offering for the fund.

Surely one who has given such eminently useful and fruitful service to our great Sunday school work richly deserves a memorial that will continue the splendid labor wrought by him for so many years. We believe the response will be widespread and liberal. Send offerings to Rev. A. J. Lamar, D. D., Treasurer, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tennessee.

J. R. Pepper,
Chairman Hamill Memorial Committee.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

JESUS WANTS THEM

"The harvest is plenteous," the Master said,
But his face was sad as he bowed his head;
"Yet they are so few, ah! so few," said he,
"Who labor to garner the sheaves with me."
Aye, the workers are few! O girls and boys,
With your many blessings, your countless joys,
It is eJsus who wants you the most of all—
Will you listen and heed his loving call?
By the Savior who came from his home in heaven
The greatest of earthly tasks is given.
He knows the need upon every shore,
He has counted your powers and your talents o'er
And he calls you forth in your strength and youth
To bear his message and teach his truth.

May Griggs VanVoorhis.

THE YOUNG MISSIONARY'S EQUIPMENT

Jane G. A. Carter

Lord, not alone my quickened feet
Be made for thy sweet service meet;
Not only be they swift to move
On blessed errands in thy love;
Not only may I, while I yield
To call of need from foreign field,
Be eager for the distant strand,
And joyful travel sea or land;
But may my ardor tempered be
With deepest wisdom drawn from Thee,
With the clear sight and steadfast love
That proves my calling from above;
Sweet yielding of both heart and brain
That brings God's peace, that conquers pain;
The pure unstudied tenderness
That He bestows who came to bless;
The strong, brave will, the Christlike power
To succor hearts in sorrow's hour—
These be thy gifts, my Lord, to me,
These be in all I do for Thee.
So not alone my eager feet
Shall prove me for thy service meet,
But head and hands and heart shall show
How well prepared, through Thee, I go.

OUR CAMPAIGN

My dear sisters, what are we doing to increase members in our missionary societies in the W. N. C. Conference? Are we praying and working that every woman in the Southern Methodist Church may become enlisted in this great work? When we get in earnest about this matter, when we determine that we shall have more women interested, results will come.

It is almost unbelievable that of our twelve hundred thousand women and girls, in the Church, only two hundred thousand are members of a missionary society, and that of the nineteen thousand churches in Southern Methodism only seven thousand of them have a missionary organization. Is it not time that we rally to this work?

Let us see what the next few months of faithful untiring work and earnest prayer for God's blessings on our efforts may bring forth.

MISS LEILA JUDSON TUTTLE

Miss Leila Tuttle of the McTyeire School, Shanghai, China, who has been in North Carolina for the past several months with friends and loved ones, will sail on August 25th for China on the steamer Mongolia. During her stay in the States, Miss Tuttle has visited numbers of our societies giving to each of them a message of encouragement and helpfulness. At several of our District meetings she was present to add to the interest and profit of the occasion.

Nowhere that she visited during her stay in North Carolina did she find a more loyal welcome than at Concord, N. C., with the members of the auxiliary of Central Church—that auxiliary that has adopted her as their very own daughter, and whose pleasure it is always to contribute to her support in China. Throuh a personal message from their president, Mrs. W. D. Pemberton, we hear of a most delightful reception tendered Miss Tuttle while on a visit to Concord, at which time she was given a miscellaneous shower, of many pretty and useful things. She lives in the hearts of these good women and they with others in the W. N. C. Conference, we are sure, will pray daily for the safe return of Miss Tuttle to her loved field of labor in China.

VISION, PRAYER, SERVICE

Woman's Foreign Missionary Address at Sewickley Camp-Grounds

Rev. Daniel Westfall, D. D.

Never before were we compelled to be world-thinkers as we are this day. The history of nations has never presented a spectacle of war involving such numbers and destinies as is now being staged in Europe. Does the claim for Christianization break down in the march of angry nations? No. The perils of an imperfect civilization are proclaimed as a warning to all other nations to make their civilization complete by the incarnation of scriptural standards.

True Vision

In these challenging times it becomes us to have a true vision of our relation to the world-field. Our eyes have been holden against the world's greatest need because we have not a clear vision of Jehovah. For a clear perspective of the world-parish we must see God as face to face. Not until we have been with God in Sinai's awful summits or Hermon's solitudes may we hope to build nations in righteousness. Life, duty, personality, all wait for their true interpretation until we have seen God face to face. Such a vision is necessary to esteem the holiness of God, his infinite power and boundless love. The lack of it spells defeat. Its possession is a better assurance of success than the combined strength of warring millions. That vision made Saul of Tarsus the flaming missionary of his generation; it made the Pentecost converts the nucleus of the Christian church, and sent your missionaries to duty's call, seventy of whom have gone to their coronation.

Vision of Humanity

From the shining mountaintop and glory-filled temple we face about to see the field of humanity. Now we see them as our sisters and brothers. We measure their needs, share their burdens and yearn for their deliverance. What a world meets us!

"Faces, faces,
Crowding city streets and places,
Bright with hope and love and laughter,
Dark with passions of despair.
O the story of the faces!
Angel faces, demon faces,
Faces, faces everywhere."

Behold the marching columns of women numbering 465,000,000 passing between the two eternities without Christ. See in that young republic of China enough women for one to pass your door every other second of time for nine years; enough of the Moslem women to keep up such a procession for seven years, and enough Hindu women to file past for six years. If Jesus wept over Jerusalem, how shall we look upon these wretched millions with undimmed eyes?

Every time you open your Bible to read will you remember that there are as many Chinese women and girls as there are letters in thirty-five Bibles? Remember it would take the letters of twenty-one Bibles to equal the number of women and girls in India, and the letters of eighteen Bibles to equal the number of women and girls of Africa.

Since there are two heathen women for one Christian woman, and since only one of eight of our Methodist women belongs to our Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, each one of our members must care for sixteen heathen women.

The social conditions will come in the range of your vision. The story of child-widows, women slavery, grinding poverty and superstitious ignorance is familiar to most of you who are interested in world-womanhood. Your intelligence is at the same time your badge of freedom and of suffrage rights. What can be the hope of your sisters in India when only seven of a thousand can read, or of the Chinese women when only ten of a thousand read? The vision should burn into your conscience of duty when we remember that we send but one out of seven thousand of our evangelical Christians to the foreign field.

Great Britain sets aside one of eighty-four of her population for war on a peace basis; Germany one of ninety-five, France one of sixty-six, Russia one of one hundred and thirty-nine, and the United States one of nine hundred and nineteen. Great Britain keeps ten times as many men in arms in times of peace as the whole church sends to the heathen world, and forty times as many are subject to her call to arms. The standing armies of the leading countries of the world number three hundred and fifty-five times as many as our foreign missionaries of all Protestant bodies. For purposes of denominating territory a continent is at war.

What is your vision of duty that Jesus may dominate the thought and life of races? Le us quicken our pace under the vision, for

"God himself waits and must wait till thou come,
Men are God's prophets though ages lie dumb;
Halts the Christ-Kingdom with conquest so near?
Thou art the cause, thou one at the rear.
More to the fore."

Faithful Prayer

When to us is revealed the vision farther-reaching than that which put Isaiah on his face in the Temple, and filled is lips with prayer, we will betake ourselves to the "Mercy Seat" for that power which is essential to carry out the world program for humanity.

We are needing so many things. Protestantism should raise her number of missionaries from 25,000 to 40,000; we should make our collections read $80,000,000. As a Society you need 110 new missionaries and $1,000,000 a year. Great as are these needs, the whole church needs above everything else a revival and maintenance of faithful, intercessory, victory-claiming prayer. God's largest interpretations to us are at the mercy-seat. Men may coin money from mountainsides and factories, but God must stamp character as we come from the crucibles serving us at our altars of consecration.

Jehovah will defeat the enemies of righteousness in answer to prayer. The same prayer of trust which turned the heat of a furnace outward, pulled down a strong city and shut the mouths of lions, is able to crumble a Chinese Wall to dust, or drive the blackness from darkest Africa. The Knowles Bible School of China was born in the dying prayer of Anna Stone. Four years ago a great revival came to China. It came as the harvest of prayers by two people—the native pastors of the Hinghua Church and the mother of a Woman's Foreign Missionary Socley worker from Texas. The mother wrote the daughter, saying: "The revival is on its way," and before the letter came to hand the showers of refreshing were upon them, and thousands were brought into the kingdom. "If ye abide in me and my words abide in you, we shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you." (John 15:77.)

True incentive for missionary work is begotten in prayer. Do we do missinary work from a sense of the need of the heathen lands, vast as is that need? Does the grandeur of the idea of world-conquest plunge us into the world-field? It is commendable to covet the "Well done," but does the appeal for reward make us martyrs to the Mission cause? Will not the joy of service answer our quest for the true incentive? None of these, good as they are, have been responsible for the missionary graves in the foreign fields. No one painted a banner with, "The joy of service constraineth me," and died beneath it for humanity's sake. The Divine command of "Go ye," "teach," "preach," "disciple all nations," has been falling upon the ears of the people for nineteen centuries, and yet the cry is, "The laborers are few." To secure the true incentive love's fires must burn away selfish seeking of ease and pleasure, and these fires are only found where Jehovah hears his children pray. Rising from such an altar you will read the true incentive in Paul's language—"For the love of Christ constraineth us." This incentive, which kept Jesus in the darkness of Gethsemane and the agony of Calvary, is the only one able to keep us at the task till the day is won.

Why did Paul hold fast in spite of stripes and imprisonments, perils by sea and by land, hunger and weariness? Why did Livingstone brave the dangers of Africa, and Williams and Chalmers the South Sea Islands? Why did Mackay and Moffatt and Paton remain at the post of duty when life was in peril? Why did Melville Cox drag his diseased body into an African grave? Why have your true toilers bidden adieu to home and loved ones to face strangers, disease and death? There can be but one reply—"The love of Christ constraineth me."

If the true incentive has its birth and propagation in the prayer of self-abandon, how essential to accept the means to the end!

The high crime of the church is its neglect of prayer. Samuel said: "God forbid that I should sin against the Lord by ceasing to pray for you." Sisters, do not allow this high crime in the courts of God to cut your sinews of missionary power. Nothing can be a substitute for prayer. Wesley said: "Give me a hundred preachers who fear nothing but sin and care for nothing but God, and I care not a straw whether they be clergymen or laymen; such alone will shake the gates of hell and set up the kingdom of God on earth." God does nothing but in answer to prayer.

John Hunt, as he lay dying, prayed: "Lord, bless Fiji!" "Save Fiji!" "Thou knowest my soul has loved Fiji; my heart has travailed for Fiji;" and as he drew nearer to the gates of death he said, "O let me pray once more for Fiji; save Fiji." The same spirit of consecration in prayer made a Moravian mother able to say when her son was gone: "Is Thomas gone

to heaven through the missionary life? Would that God would call my son John." John went, and died. When the committee informed her of John's death, she said: "Would that he would call William, my last son." William went and fell; and then she said: "Would that I had a thousand sons to give." Compare this with the attitude of thousands who pray for the salvatin of the heathen but would not consent for their sons or daughters to go to the field.

Only by prayer do we come to absolute surrender, and that is a condition to victory. Gideon was utterly in God's hand to do his will. Read Judges 6:34: "The Spirit of the Lord clothed himself with Gideon." He was the garment of God.

This kind of faithful prayer (a) looks straight into the face of Jesus regardless of number, size or combination of difficulties; (b) it counts all the promises of God at full value and cashes them with heart endorsement at the bank of God; (c) it depends on the hidden resources.

Faithful Service

When you have visited the throne-room by faithful prayer, you will be anxious for service, and each day you will gladly say:

"We're working together, my Jesus and I;
In order to help me, he comes from on high;
The mountains he makes into valleys replete,
The hills and rough places he smooths for my feet.

"While working with Jesus the labor is light,
There's strength for the day, and there's songs in the night;
And when I am hungry he gives me that meat
The world does not know, but to me it is sweet."

Every one can be a missionary in spirit of service. These on the home field form an endless chain with those of the foreign field by which we are to bind the nations to the throne of our King.

In the home field we must serve by giving. Last year the Woman's Foreign Missionary Sociey registered the fine advance of $74,112.94 over the preceding year. This made them an average of about three dollars per capita to their membership, while the whole church paid about sixty-nine cents per capita for Foreign Missions. "Where our hearts are there are our treasures also." The heart of the United States is more in the "moving-picture and tobacco" business than in the kingdom of Christ. We are spending $1,000,000 per day for the movies. This would make a shaft of nickles higher than the Woolworth Tower Building, New York City, with old Trinity church placed upon it as a capstone. Does His love constrain us?

As a nation we are consuming about two million pounds of smoking-tobacco daily, and enough cigars to girdle the earth twenty-eight times per year, and enough cigarettes to bind the earth twenty-seven times per year. The total consumption of tobacco, cigars and cigarettes amounts to $3,223,046 per day. Can we hear Jesus say, "Lovest thou me more than these," when we spend $22.74 per day for tobacco for each male inhabitant of the United States?

We are told that China spends $100,000,000 per year on the worship of their ancestors. We are spending more than that on the idols of appetite per year. How blessed when our Methodists shall say with Benjamin Francis:

"With my substance I will honor
My Redeemer and my Lord;
Were ten thousand worlds my manor,
All were nothing to his word;
While the heralds of salvation
His abounding grace proclaim,
Let his friends of every station
Gladly join to spread his fame."

If England can vote $525,000,000 for an initial war appropriation; if the belligerent countries can spend $37,000,000 per day in the destruction of men, property and peace, how much should the churches pay toward the building of men and property, and the enthronement of the world's King?

Any political power must spend money to extend its possessions, make exploratins or care for its inventions. The United tates put $4,000,000,000 into the Civil War to care for our highest interests. The Queen of Spain put $7,000 into the ships with which Columbus discovered America. The missionary is the finest asset and the most productive investment sent to any field of the earth. Any one regarding the by-products of Missions in the scale of monetary values may readily see that our nation would do itself honor in distributing most of its seventy per cent. for taxes paid in war for aggressive missionary work. Missionaries are the advance agents of commercial enterprises. In China our commerce is based upon the missionary. It cost about $1,200,000 to Christianize the people of the Sandwich Islands. The United States receives from $5,000,000 to $8,000,000 per year in commerce from these islands. England has been receiving ten pounds a year for every pound invested in Christianizing the South Sea Islands. The United States receives forty dollars per year for each dollar spent on missions in Micronesia. You who are relatives of big-hearted business men may plead your cause in terms which will appeal to them.

How the nations are grappling for supremacy in the name of peace! Their billions in money are to be poured out upon the altar of Mars ineffectually. Let the nations turn their yearly expenditures of two and a half million men into the channels of service along the missionary lines, and one year would turn the tides of nations toward victory under the Cross.

We must serve by building the home church into a salvation port, buttressed by uncompromising character, having its foundations in a sanctified intelligence. The missionary horizon will be measured by the spiritual altitudes of the home field. The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society is putting out most helpful literature by which information may be carried to our Methodist womanhood. We congratulate them upon passing the fifty-thousand count for the "Woman's Missionary Friend." Building the kingdom in righteousness is worthy of our best. It is more than building empires or crowning kings among men. You are building the kingdom for the universal reign of King Emmanuel.

"They never fail who die
In a good cause; the block may soak their gore,
Their heads may sodden in the sun, their limbs
Be strung to city gates and castle walls;
But still their spirits walk abroad."

When our home base is made as strong as these faithful toilers of the Society here represented would have it be, there will be millions for God's treasury and thousands of volunteers for the foreign fields. Oh, the readiness of our homes to furnish sons for the call of war and the honor piled upon those who a few weeks ago fell in defense of our flag, national honor, none too great! When our homes are as enthusiastic in teaching fealty to th Cross of the world's redemption as they are in teaching patriotism, our home base will meet the demands of God and humanity in the world program. Mothers of Methodism, this task is largely yours. Talk it, teach it, pray it into the character of your homes until the public life shall regard it more honorable to die in service under the Cros of Jesus than to fall for the colors of any flag in a barbarous conflict. The day is coming when Temples of Fame will be marked by the statues of God's soldiery of consecrated manhood and womanhood, and that will be a better day. Thank God! Emphasis will go where emphasis belongs.

My sisters of missionary toil, you belong to the minority now, but more than one-eighth of our sisters are to join you in this heaven-inspired work, and, few or many here, you are to belong to the triumphant, undying hosts in the grand review on victory's plains, and behold your harvests garnered from all quarters of the world. There, where neither color nor nationality will be attributed to souls, you shall join them marching through the gates of the City of God. Pray God for the "fullness of vision," the victory of "intercession," and the "faithfulness of service" for universal conquest.

A WONDERFUL NEW COUNTRY

The Treasurehouse and Wonderland of Eastern America.

A wonderful Railroad through a wonderful country! Such is the exclamation of surprise and delight with which visitors view the beauty and grandeur of the Appalachian Wonderland from trains of the Carolina, Clinchfield & Ohio Railway. This wonderful new Line has been built at an enormous expense of time, engineering skill and capital, as a quick-service short-line, cutting off two days in time of freights between the Central West and South-East, by a direct route through the Great Appalachian Mountain barrier. The dream of our forefathers—a direct route from "Cincinnati to the Sea"—is at last an accomplished fact and in its accomplishment the Nation has acquired a treasure-house of surpassing richness in undeveloped wealth of forests, fields and mines. A Mineral Paradise! The greatest body of standing hard-wood timber in the Eastern half of the Continent! Farm, stock and orchard lands of surpassing productiveness. The loftiest mountain peaks! The deepest canyon! The most beautiful water falls and picturesque river gorges! The grandest scenery! The highest altitudes and the most delightful and invigorating climate in Eastern America! These are but a few of the superlatives with which nature has endowed this hitherto inaccessible region whose beauties and treasures are now unlocked by modern transportation facilities.

On July 1, 1915, the passenger and freight service over the Carolina, Clinchfield & Ohio Railway was inaugurated between Elkhorn City, Ky., where connection is made with the Chesapeake & Ohio Railway, and Spartanburg, S. C., where connections are made for all points in the Southeast. The Line traverses Eastern Kentucky, Southwestern Virginia, Eastern Tennessee, Western North Carolina and the Piedmont region of South Carolina, crossing four great mountain chains, the Cumberland, Clinch, Great Smoky and Blue Ridge, which comprise the loftiest section of the Appalachian System.

This wonderful new country is bidding for men—for brains, brawn and capital—in terms of wonderful opportunity. With unlimited resources of forest, soil and mine; with close proximity to the populous consuming centers of the East, South and Central West; and with its splendid and newly acquired transportation facilities, this great new country, the latest and richest addition to the wealth of the Nation, bids highest for human enterprise and endeavor. Unfettered by fixed conditions, this new land offers almost unlimited opportunities to both capital and labor.

Come, see it for yourself, or write for descriptive literature including the scenic, resort, agricultural, horticultural, stock raising, mining and manufacturing features. Address the Information Bureau, Carolina, Clinchfield & Ohio Railway, Johnson City, Tenn.—Adv't.



A HEALING SPRING AT YOUR DOOR

Here is a very unusual and peculiar offer—one that you rarely meet with. It evidences the greatest faith on the part of its maker and inspires confidence. It is made by an earnest and enthusiastic man who not only thinks but knows from personal experience that he is right. He proposes to give you the equivalent of a three weeks' visit to a Mineral Spring of most remarkable restorative powers and make no charge if you are not benefited. His offer has been accepted by several thousands of sufferers in all parts of the United States and his records show that only two in a hundred, on the average, report no benefit.

If you suffer with dyspepsia, indigestion, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney, bladder or liver disease, uric acid poisoning, or other condition caused by impure blood, take Mr. Shivar at his word and sign and mail the following letter:

Shivar Spring,
Box 5H, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen.

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Spring Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns, which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)

Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You run no risk whatever in accepting his offer. I have personally witnessed the remarkable curative effects of this water in a very serious case.

FRECKLES

Now Is the Time to Get Rid of These Ugly Spots

There's no longer the slightest need of feeling ashamed of your freckles, as the prescription othine—double strength—is guaranteed to remove these homely spots.

Simply get an ounce of othine—double strength—from any druggist and apply a little of it night and morning and you should soon see that even the worst freckles have begun to disappear, while the lighter ones have vanished entirely. It is seldom that more than an ounce is needed to completely clear the skin and gain a beautiful clear complexion.

Be sure to ask for the double strength othine as this is sold under guarantee of money back if it fails to remove freckles.



Standard
Memorial Windows
Made in High Point

Beautiful in design—strong in construction. Largest and oldest glass plant in the South. Capacity for any and all orders and prompt delivery. Satisfaction guaranteed. References—any of our old customers or any bank or banker in High Point. Write for catalog.

Standard Mirror Co.
High Point, N. C.

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

THE CONFERENCE AT SPENCER

The plan of the Epworth League Conference to be neld at Spencer, N. C., September 24, 25 and 26, is maturing rapidly.

Within two days after publication in the Advocate of change of date and place, letters were received from Mount Airy and West Asheville assuring attendance from those two distant points.

The basis of representation is as follows. all pastors are members of the Conference, all chapter presidents and one delegate for each thirty members and fraction above the multiple of thirty. If a chapter has thirty-one members, in addition to its president, it is entitled to two delegates.

Spencer will provide entertainment for the members of the Epworth League Conference free of cost. This is generous indeed, and Spencer expects us to bring a blessing to the young life of its congregation and of the community.

Rev. C. M. Pickens will welcome the Conference in a brief address Friday evening, which will be responded to by a member of the Conference. At the conclusion of this short service, a reception will be given for the purpose of getting acquainted.

Saturday will be a full day with reports from officers, district secretaries and chapter representatives, brief addresses, discussions, music, reports of committees and election of officers.

Sunday at 11:00 o'clock a sermon will be preached appropriate to the occasion, and at 3:00 o'clock a Salisbury-Spencer Young People's Mass Meeting will be held. One of the strongest men in the Western North Carolina Conference has been secured for a timely address at this hour and arrangements are being made to have present the Male Quartet from Centenary church, Winston-Salem.

Presidents of Epworth League Chapters should write Rev. C. M. Pickens, Spencer, N. C., names of delegates, preceded in each case by Mr., Mrs. or Miss, that proper and convenient assignment of homes may be made.

E. L. Bain, President.

VIRGINIA APPLES SOLD IN PANAMA

Virginia apples were sold in the Panana Canal Zone for the first time during the past season, the market agent of Southern Railway having put the growers in touch with the purchasing department of the Panama Railroad which supplies food products to the population throughout the Zone. Many carloads of Pippins and Winesaps from orchards along the Southern Railway, north and south of Charlottesville, were sent to the Isthmus, weekly shipments having varied from 150 to 5' barrels.

Despite the tropical weather, the Virginia apples reached Panama in excellent condition and gave such entire satisfaction to consumers that growers have been assured another permanent export market. This new market was particularly valuable to the Virginia growers, coming in a year when prices rere relatively low on account of interference with the usual exports to Europe, and market agent of Southern Railway has received a number of letters expressing appreciation of this practical aid extended to growers.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY INSTALLING ELECTRIC AUTOMATIC BLOCK SIGNALS

Southern Railway has started work on electric automatic block signals covering 77.5 miles of the Washington-Atlanta line as follows: Orange and Arrowhead, Va., 36 miles, Elma and Amherst, Va., 18.5 miles, Whittle and Danville, Va., 23 miles. All of this is for double track nearing completion except 9 miles of single track between Whittle and Dry Fork.

At intervals of approximately two miles, 109 signals of the upper quadrant, three position type, will be erected. Power will be furnished from substations at Charlottesville, Shipman, and Danville. These signals will be so controlled that they will indicate to the engineer the presence of a train ahead, a broken rail, open switch, or any other obstruction to traffic four miles in advance of his train, thus giving him all the information necessary to control the train safely and expeditiously. The signals will be operated by a three phase alternating current of 4400 volts carried on special pole lines erected along the right-of-way. The current will also light stations and other buildings.

When these signals are completed, the protective system which they afford will cover the entire line between Washington and Charlotte, N. C., with the exception of the 20 mile stretch between Arrowhead and Elma, Va., which has not ye been double-tracked. There will also be a total of 415 miles so protected of the 649 miles between Atlanta and Washington.

WILL YOU READ THIS PERSONAL MESSAGE?

It may mean the beginning of the happiest moment of your life—a complete restoration to health and strength—the thrill of once more feeling that you are well. We want you to read the simple truthful statement of one of the most noted of Richmond's medical men, a plain impassioned truth from a man who reached the very highest pinnacle of success as measured by his work and what he did for "the cause" and for Christian-like humanity. Read this message from—

Jud B. Wood, M. D., D. D. S., late president Society Prevention Cruelty to Animals: "For the past three years my office has been in the same building and so situated that I could see what takes place in the office of the Fonticello Lithia Water, and out of thousands of persons who have used this water for various diseases and especially for stomach, bladder, kidney and liver troubles it is a rare exception that they do not declare that they have either been cured or benefited by its use and a large number of these cures have come under my observation. In some instances where they had no faith in the water unti after they had commenced its use, they then became very enthusiastic. I am convinced that it is the peculiar combination of the alkalies in this water that causes it to act so very promptly on the kidneys, skin and lymphatics, thus relieving the system of accumulated poison. I have great faith in Fonticello Lithia Water, and unhesitatingly recommend it to any one who is suffering with dyspepsia, indigestion, urinary and kidney affections, gravel, stone in the bladder, uric acid, rheumatism and gout."

Fonticello Mineral Water is sold on guarantee. Order two carboys—ten gallons—price $2.00. If it doesn't benefit you we will refund your money.

Fill out this coupon and mail today

Note our guarantee

I want to try Fonticello Mineral Water and promise to use it regularly, daily, drinking the number of glasses prescribed in the directions which you agree to send me. If this treatment does not prove beneficial, yoou agree to refund purchase price upon receipt by you of the two empty carboys which I promise to return promptly. Enclosed find $2.00 for which please send me two gallons of Fonticello Mineral Water referred to above.

Name .....

P. O. .....

Express Office .....

Note.—This coupon is our acceptance of above terms and guarantee.

FONTICELLO MINERAL SPRINGS CO.

"Now, Willie, give me a sentence using the word dozen," said a country school teacher.

"Bobby dozen like school."

"Dear me, no! Bobby, correct him."

"I dozen Willie don't."

Williams Private Sanatorium FOR DRUGS and WHISKEY

TERMS: Drugs $125 Flat. Whiskey $100 Flat. Women patients pay a small sum extra for nurse. B. B. WILLIAMS, M. D., Greensboro, N. C. Reference, Amr. Exchange Nat'l Bank, Greensboro, N. C.

Business Preparation—Thorough instruction in Bookkeeping, Banking, Accounting, Shorthand, Typewriting, etc.—rendered at minimum cost in shortest time. *Either school or home courses.* Good paying positions secured on completion of either.

Write for our illustrated catalogue and learn how this school is equipped to make something of you in the business world. Address

S. P. BROWN, President, LYNCHBURG, VA.

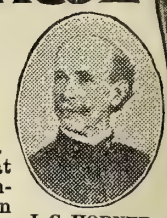
VIRGINIA COMMERCIAL SHORTHAND COLLEGE

HORNER MILITARY SCHOOL

CHARLOTTE, N. C. (FORMERLY AT OXFORD, N. C.)

A School of Strong Purpose and Splendid Accomplishment.

Founded in 1851 and thoroughly equipped to prepare boys for College, University, the Government and Technical Schools and business life.



J. C. HORNER

Under sixty-four years' administration of a family of eminent Christian educators. Now at Charlotte with improved equipment and ideal conditions. A nonsectarian though strictly Christian School. Parental discipline. Military training develops obedience, sense of responsibility, neatness, control, manly carriage and health. Daily military drills and exercise in the open air.

Beautiful elevated campus, athletic field, baseball and football fields, tennis courts and running track. Buildings the best for health, comfort and safety. Personal individual instruction and intimate association. Strong faculty. Rates very reasonable.

For Handsomely Illustrated Catalogue Giving Views and Full Particulars, Address

J. C. Horner, B. A., M. A., Principal, Charlotte, N. C.



No More Failures

Alfalfa, Clover, Vetch can be Raised Everywhere.

Prepare Your Field and Use

NITRA-GERM

NITRA-GERM has raised these crops where farmers have failed with them time and time again. **NITRA-GERM** has been sold for seven years in the South and has the endorsements of many prominent farmers. Our aim is to PRODUCE RESULTS IN THE FIELD and not just sell our product. We do not promise the impossible, but say that **NITRA-GERM** is here to stay, and for this reason we will see that every one who uses **NITRA-GERM** *must be satisfied* with the results.

Why You Should Plant Alfalfa, Clover and Vetch

You and every other farmer knows, or should know, if profitable farming is the object.

FIRST—Have your field covered with a crop during the winter months.

SECOND—These crops will produce humus in your field.

THIRD—They will store nitrogen in your soil available for your next cash crop, thereby eliminating the necessity of your buying ammoniated or nitrate commercial fertilizers, **saving you two-thirds of present fertilizer bills.**

A single pound of **NITRA-GERM,** enough for one acre mixed with the seed, easily and cheaply applied to legumes, will make the richest possible soil of any acre of land. If you want to **enrich your soil, improve your crops** and **reduce fertilizer expense, DON'T FAIL** to **WRITE** us **TODAY** for further information. It will not obligate you in any way. **Address**

NITRA-GERM COMPANY, Department "R" Savannah, Ga.

Beware of imitations with similar sounding names. Remember our trade-mark reads N-I-T-R-A—G-E-R-M. (Look for the "a" in the word NITRA-GERM.)

Children's Home

AMOUNT RECEIVED ON GENERAL AND SPECIAL SUPPORT AND THE TEN PER CENT ASSESSMENT

Rev. P. E. Parker, Thomasville, $1; Capt. W. T. Rowland, Taylorsville, $12.50; W. S. Bradley, Charlotte, Primary Department Trinity S. S., $3.00; Rev. Z. E. Barnhardt, Lenoir Station, ton S. S., 86c; Rev. Robt. F. Mock, Micaville Ct., $1.90; W. H. Owen, Tr. Spray ch., $8.85; Rev. A. G. Loftin, Catawba Ct., $9.62; Rev. E E. Yates, Sturgills, $5.00; C. M. Edwards, High Point, $15.00; Rev. J. J. Edwards, Cleveland, Cool Springs Ct., $32.90; total, $110.63.

FIFTH SUNDAY COLLECTION

Miss Lucy Reeves, Marshall, Teagues Chapel, $2.40; Earl Armstrong, Belmont, South Point S. S., $1.10; total, $3.50.

BUILDING FUND—REV. J. H. WEST, AGENT

P. C. Whitlock, Charlotte, $50.00; Rev. M. A. Abernethy, Newton, $10.00; loose collection, Newton, $4.60; H. H. Lowry, Newton, $1.00; W. T. Huckabee, Albemarle, $10.00; loose collection, Albemarle, $1.10; Main Street S. S., Gastonia, Carl Finger, Treas., $5.60; Miss Minnie J. Corland, Fletcher, $5.00; two friends, Salisbury, $2.00; total, $89.30.

MENTHOLATUM—
Cooling, Soothing, Antiseptic, Healing

Effective for external application in cases of inflammation of various kinds, such as insect stings, sunburn, burns, chapped skin, poison oak, sores, sprains, Mentholatum is cleanly and safe—an indispensable home remedy.

ROANOKE COLLEGE
SALEM, VA.

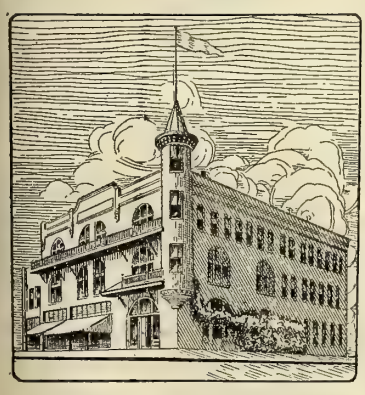
Location Situated in the famous Roanoke Valley, unsurpassed for healthful climate and grandeur of surrounding mountain scenery.

Rank A Standard American College for men—its A. B. degree accepted by best American universities.

Courses Courses for degrees arranged in groups, preparing for life and looking to the various professions.

Facilities A strong faculty of twenty; library of 24,000 volumes; working laboratories; 8 buildings, including new dormitory system of 5 sections, 250 ft. in length, and handsome new gymnasium

Roanoke is devoted to Christian education for the service of church and state. Sixty-third session begins Sept. 15. For free catalogue and illustrated circular address J. A. MOREHEAD, Pres.



BLUE RIDGE INN
Mount Airy, N. C. W. M. Jordan, Prop.
Mount Airy's Leading Hotel

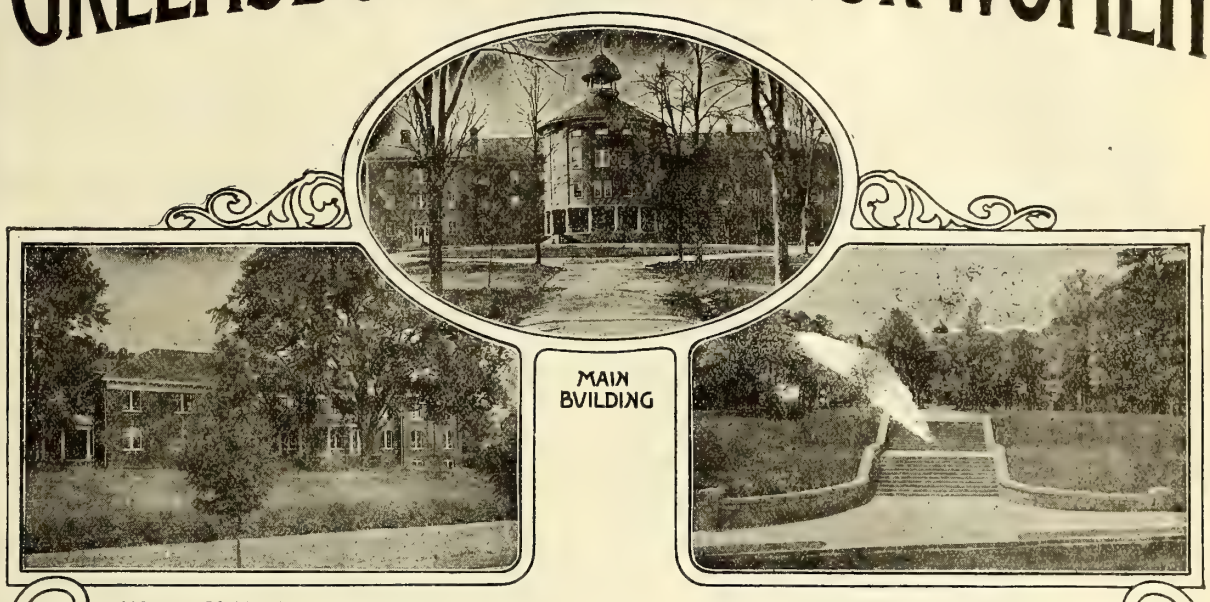
Rates $2.00 and $2.50—All meals 50 cents—Electric Lights, Steam Heat, Electric Bell System, Hot and Cold Baths—American plan—A clean up-to-date home for the tourist or traveling man, in a beautiful mountain city



RANDOLPH-MACON ACADEMY
For Boys Bedford City, Va.

Offers prompt and thorough preparation for college, scientific school or business life. The liberal endowment of the Randolph-Macon System, of which this school is a branch, permits of unusually low terms. $255 covers all charges for the school year. No extras. Randolph-Macon boys succeed—465 graduates of this school have received full college degrees or entered professions in the past 18 years. For catalogue and further information, address
E. SUMTER SMITH, Principal

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to
REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

.....

.....

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.....E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg...W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller.....C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg., M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.....J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg...J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C—421 S. Main St.....G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.....A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel...J. W. Ligon

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

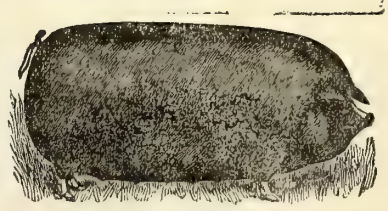
SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS

WHY HE RESIGNED

In a small New England town, the janitor of the schoolhouse, much to the surprise of his friends, resigned his office. When he was asked why he did so, he said:

"I'm honest and mean to be above suspicion. If I find anything when sweepin' the school, I allus return it. A few days ago I read on the blackboard, 'Find the greatest common divisor.' Well, I looked all over for it, but I wouldn't know the thing if I bumped into it. Last night, in big writin' on the board, it said, 'Find the least common multiple.' So I says to myself, 'Both these things are lost now, and I'll be accused of takin' 'em.' So I just up and left."

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION



MAMMOTH BLACK

The greatest pork producers ever originated. We originated this hog. One we sold dressed 978 pounds. See statement from the man that raised this hog:

Wallburg, N. C., June 15, 1907.

John A. Young, Greensboro, N. C.
Dear Sir:

I have killed the Mammoth Black pig I bought of you and he dressed 978 lbs. net. Yours truly,

J. L. Guyer.

Until Oct. 1st we will sell at $10.00 each, $15.00 per pair, pigs 8 to 10 weeks old.

The Sunday School Lesson

THIRD QUARTER—LESSON VIII—
AUGUST 22, 1915

ASA'S GOOD REIGN—
2 Chron. 15:1-15

Golden Text—Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you.—James 4:8.

Summary of the Lesson

A wise old man was speaking, with all the brooding poetry and thoughtfulness of the far East in his voice: "The king has the key to many doors. He has the key which unlocks the door of joy, and the key which unlocks the door of sorrow. He has the key of prosperity and the key of poverty. He holds the key of peace and he holds the key of war. He will unlock the door and his people will follow him into the room which he enters."

We are studying a picture of Asa which portrays him as a godly and efficient king. He was effective in war and wise in peace. He upheld the sanctions of religion and he developed the strength of the nation at home and abroad.

A Good King

Once the silver moon was seized by a fit of vanity caused by the adulation of the poets, and declared that she was greater than the sun. "I am the queen of the world," she cried. "I clothe the night with beauty." The lordly sun smiled indulgently as he heard her words. "I clothe day with light," he said, "and I cause the growth of all living things. Even when you shine at night you borrow your radiance from me. I am the ruler of the world because I give it life and light."

The true king in all ages has been a giver of light and life. He has worked for the advancement of his people. He has sought to secure for them the largest life. The author of the narratives which we are studying would number Asa among the kings of light and life. He sees in him the benefactor and wise leader of his people. Under Asa their arms are triumphant. Under Asa their religious life is unified an enriched. Loyalty to Jehovah becomes the very watchword of the people. Strength and the beauty of a noble devotion are in the sanctuary of the nation's life.

The thing which impresses you about this portrait of Asa is his sense of dependence upon Jehovah. He felt that God was the first fact of history, and the deciding influence in the affairs of men. Then came a time, we are told, when Jehovah was not so much in the thought of Asa, and that was the period when he made false steps. But the main impression you receive from the canvas which portrays Asa's reign, is that of a simple, direct, commanding, godly man, doing his work with a constant sense of the overlordship of Jehovah.

A man becomes great only when he finds some one greater than himself to whom he can be loyal. When a king was the centr of a people's hope, he needed to have God as the center of his hope if he was to become a nobly successful ruler. The small man is quite contented to be the center of his own petty universe. The great man is happy only when his planet is moving in far-flung orbit about some vast sun, whose shining glory is his constant delight. You can measure a man by his admirations. You can test a hero by his capacity for hero worship. You can read the secret of a king's life when he knows who sits in the throne room of his own soul. Because Jehovah ruled over Asa, Asa was a good king for Judah.

A Good People

One of the African chiefs whom David Livingstone profoundly influenced complained that while he had absolute control over his people before he became a Christian, they were very difficult to influence in the direction of the religion which the king had accepted. The remarkable thing about the reign of Asa is the way in which the people are said to have responded to the deeper summons which went forth from the throne. King and people were one in a new and joyous allegiance to Jehovah.

To be sure the rule that any person who refused to conform to the Jehovah worship should be put to death shows that the modern views of the sanctity of a man's right of freedom of worship had not dawned upon the world of Asa. At least while all the people were hearty in their devotion to Jehovah and there was no need of applying the stern regulation, we have a wonderful picture of the religious unity and serious high purpose of the nation.

There was brilliant and impressive religious ceremonial, there was a wealth of sacrifices and the spectacle of great public devotion, but under it all one thing really mattered. The heart of the people was in the worship. Jehovah was enthroned not merely in formal fashion. "They had sworn with all their heart, and sought him with their whole desire." The people were built into solidarity of a common devotion. So they found themselves possessed of a new quality of life.

In our modern emphasis on the individual we sometimes forge the fact that there is such a thing as a sincere and deep and far-reaching mass movement, in the great matters of morals and religion and social advance. A new idea flashes from eye to eye. A new thought leaps from heart to heart. A new devotion melts a mass of men into oneness of purpose and activity. The crowd has ceased to be made up of separate units. It has become one gigantic personality with a will and a passion of its own. When this mass consciousness is built upon a new sene of God and the great matter of moral and religion, a whole nation moves forward with almost bewildering rapidity. An emotion does not have to be superficial because many people share it. A purpose does not have to be transient because it binds together a multitude. The social organism will be a powerful servant of religion, when it receives from religion its progress and its passion.

A Good Reign

The military efficiency of Asa's government defended the nation from foes without, the religious policy of Asa built up the deepest things in the people's life, and defended them from foes within. As fighting men the soldiers were protecting that which was of priceless value; as a company of worshipers the people were cherishing a religion which was worthy of all the loyalty of the fighting men. By developing a type of life worth defending, and by adequately defending it, Asa won a place among the good kings, and made his reign one of the good reigns in Judah.

The question of national defense is one of those matters which constantly appear in the life of all people. The fair flowers of civilization bloom in lands where a sure and permanent protection is offered to the gardens and the gardeners. In long continued periods of peace it is easy for men to forge that all the precious and tender things which they regard with such loving pride must be hedged about by adequate defense if they are to be preserved when the hard and testing days arrive. There are exquisite summer evenings when it seems as if there could never be another storm in the world. The man who has only a light and fragile summer house is likely to perish when the winter tempests come.

If national defense is an important matter, it is even more important to have something worth defending in the nation's life. The cultivation of noble ideals, the development of lofty types of character, the promoting of all the sanctions of justice and righteousness and brotherhood—these give a nation a moral right to survive, even as its defenses give it the physical power to survive.

The old "Liberty Bell" has just made a triumphant journey across the continent. Multitudes of people have confessed themselves strangely moved as they have gazed upon it. Long ago the bell rang out its glad challenge. Has the nation whose birth it celebrated fulfilled the promise of that first ringing peal of joy? Are we building a nation whose noble quality makes it worth the sacrifice of the past, and the other sacrifices which the future may bring? Are we welding the nation in a noble moral and spiritual unity? Have we learned the lessons of Asa's ancient reign in Judah?

When Evil Is In the Minority

Evil may not have the most votes. but it often seems to make the most noise, and frequently it makes a disconcerting showing when the day of voting comes. In the reign of Asa the forces of goodness were in control, and the forces of evil were an overwhelmed and speechless minority.

The more one studies the matter, the more the conclusion becomes compelling that the inadequute mobilization of the forces of righteousness will account for many of the defeats which goodness has suffered. It is not so much the lack of good purpose as the lack of good generalship which has wrought havoc in many a campaign. With a small but well-disciplined force of men resolutely bent on securing some evil end. and an amiable mob. whose good intentions are equaled only by their lack of discipline, the result is not hard to foresee.

The moral capital of the world is usually vastly larger than its practical resources when the day of conflict comes. As Samuel Crothers has brilliantly suggested, it sometimes seems as if we ought to go into the hands of a receiver until our immediate moral assetes equal our immediate moral liabilities.

When the forces of righteousness and good will are adequately organized and trained to work together we have a situation like that in the reign of Asa. The forces of evil are reduced to an impotent and hopeless minority.

It is some years since an able young politician standing at the parting of the ways resolved to be a party man rather than an independent. because he believed that only organized righteousness could win concrete victories. He decided to become a practical politician in order to use the party for the furtherance of lofty civic ideals.

When good men become capable of "team work" the defeat of evil is near. There are indications that a new consciousness of these things is coming to the earnest men who are eager for a better day. The reign of the righteous depends upon the organization of the righteous. That organization is rapidly going forward.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in N. Y. Christian Advocate.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

This Hose Lasts Longer Than Others

Goodyear-Akron Lawn Hose lasts longer than others because it is made to do that. It is made by the makers of the famous Goodyear Automobile Tires. Composed of five layers of alternate new, live rubber and strongest braided cotton. Absolutely seamless. The thick corrugated outer coat, with its six extra large rubber ribs, does away with twisting and kinking. They add immensely to its life.

GOODYEAR AKRON
Lawn Hose

Buy Your Garden Tools Here

We Have Everything You Need

ODELL
Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL
FLORAL
DESIGNS
Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER
Proprietor
GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF
STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland
108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

Our Little Folks' Department

MARY ANNE'S LITTLE INDIAN

She lived in the Long Ago—that little pioneer girl, Mary Anne, who was afraid of Indians.

In the beginning, Mary Anne had no reason to fear Indians, because her home was on Manhattan Island, where early settlers were protected. When her brothers told Indian stories in those days, Mary Anne used to shiver and look scared, but she knew that war-like Indians lived far away and that she was as safe on Manhattan Island as little girls in old England.

At last there came a time when Mary Anne went to live near Lake Geneva in the wilds of New York. Her uncles and aunts, as well as many friends and neighbors, also moved West to make new homes in the wilderness. They traveled in a long procession of covered wagons and were several weeks making the journey.

Every night the pioneers camped in the forests, and every morning pushed on toward Lake Geneva. Mary Anne would have enjoyed the stories told around camp fires much more than she did, and the picnic dinners in green woods, if she had not been so afraid of Indians. Not that Indians disturbed the pioneers, but Mary Anne insisted every morning, noon and night that "something might happen"; which made her brothers laugh.

On reaching their new home the settlers from Manhattan Island quickly built log houses and began clearing the land.

A year passed. Although Indians were frequently seen, they were friendly and only little girls like Mary Anne were frightened by their very shadows.

One baking day, Mary Anne's mother discovered that her flour bin was empty.

"Dear me!" said she, "I shall need more flour for my baking. I wonder, Mary Anne, if you would like to go to our nearest neighbor and borrow a little flour? The boys are all at work on the farm so far away I can't make them hear, and I must have flour."

"Indians!" suggested the scared little girl. They often tell us that in those days little boys and girls obeyed their fathers and mothers without a word of protest. However that may be, Mary Anne laid aside her corncob doll and put on her sunbonnet when her mother placed the cover on a four-quart pail and passed it to her daughter.

"Indians won't touch you, Mary Anne," said mother, "so run along. I wouldn't let you go if there was any danger. I would rather make the family get along without bread than to risk losing our only little girl. Be careful not to spill the flour on your way home. This cover doesn't stay on very well, so don't le it fly off."

Mary Anne ran like a deer through the woods until she reached the home of her nearest neighbor.

"Flour?" said the neighbor. "I will see."

In a few moments the woman returned with Mary Anne's pail.

"You'll have to go slowly with that," said she. "It is pretty heavy for a little girl."

"It is heavy," agreed Mary Anne, lifting the pail and starting toward the door.

"You tell your mother," the neighbor went on, "that I'm sorry to disappoint her, but I'm out of flour. I've sent her a little Indian, and perhaps she can ge along until tomorrow."

"A little Indian!" Mary Anne didn't stub her toes on her way home. "A little Indian!" Neither did she allow the cover to fly off that pail. Poor little Mary Anne was frightened almost out of her senses. What if that little Indian should push the cover off the pail and pop out! What could she do!

Holding the pail as far away as the strength of her little arm would allow, Mary Anne hurried along the forest path, repeating over and over, "A little Indian!"

"Take it quick, mother, please!" begged Mary Anne on entering the door. "She—she sent you a little Indian and said she hopes you can get along with him until tomorrow."

When mother lifted the cover Mary Anne hid under the table. She stayed there but a few seconds though, because mother laughed and said, "Why, Mary Anne, what is the matter? There is nothing in this pail but Indian meal!"

Even when Mary Anne was a great-grandmother she never saw Johnny cake without remembering the time when she believed she was carrying a little Indian boy in a tin pail.—Selected.

DO IT WELL

A group of children were happily playing on the broad door stone, under protecting shade trees. They were going to play "mother."

"I'm the mother," cried the largest little girl. "There always has to be a mother, and I'm it."

Black-eyed Ned sat next. I'm the father," he asserted, sturdily. "Nellie and Rob can be the children, but I'll be the father, and, of course, I'll see to things and make everybody do what I say."

A little blue-eyed tot of a girl saw a very good chance of being left out in this family game.

"What am I?" she asked, a little pitifully. Very little girls are so apt to be left out, anyway.

"There has to be servants," said the self-selected father and mother. "That's all that's left that we can see."

"Well," remarked the little girlie, very sweetly, "I'll be a real nice one, then. Somebody has to do something for the rest, and it's just as good as anything if you do it well."—Selected.

WORTH KEEPING

"I can never, never keep anything!" cried Edith, stamping her foot with vexation because she could not find her scissors. "Somebody always takes my things away and loses them. I wish they could be let alone."

Edith showed no little fretfulness and irritation of temper.

"There is one thing," said her mamma, "that I think you might keep if you would try."

"I should like to keep even one thing," answered Edith.

"Well, then, my dear, keep your temper; if you will only do that, you will find it easier to keep other things. If you had used your time in searching for the lost scissors you might have found them before this. You have only got into a passion, and you have accused somebody, perhaps unjustly, of taking away your scissors and losing them. Keep your temper, Edith, even if you lose all the little property you have; getting into a passion never brings anything to light except an unhappy face; and besides getting yourself into a passion, you accuse somebody else of doing wrong."

Edith began to think; she got over her ill humor, searched for her scissors, and found them in her own work-bag."

"Why, mamma!" she exclaimed, "here they are; I might have been sewing all this time if I had kept my temper."—Jewels.



BREVARD INSTITUTE

The school which offers thorough instruction in the most useful branches at less than actual cost and under strong Christian influences. Its courses of study include:

Primary School	Grammar School	High School
Pedagogy	Review Classes	Practice Teaching
Piano Playing	Voice Culture	Musical Pedagogy
Bookkeeping	Stenography	Commercial Law
Dressmaking	Millinery	Fancy Work
Cookin.	Housework	Household Economics
Farming	Stockraising	Gardening
Bible	Missions	Christian Work

Its aim throughout is accurate efficiency.
Why not study just what you are fitted for?

C. H. TROWBRIDGE, Principal BREVARD, N. C.

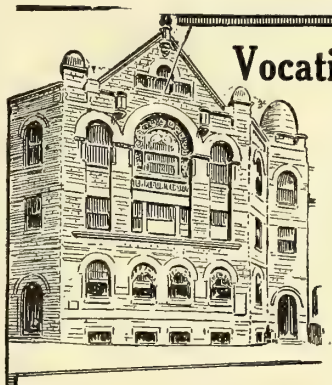
MEDICAL COLLEGE OF VIRGINIA

1838
1915

MEDICAL COLLEGE OF VIRGINIA
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF MEDICINE
(Consolidated)
DENTISTRY---MEDICINE---PHARMACY
STUART McGUIRE, M. D., Pres.

New college building, completely equipped and modern laboratories. Extensive Dispensary service. Hospital facilities furnish 400 clinical beds; individual instruction; experienced Faculty; practical curriculum. 78th session opens Sept. 21, 1915. For catalogue or information address

J. R. McCAULEY, Secretary,
1140 E. Clay Street - - - - - Richmond, Va.



Vocational Courses for Women

Physical Education, 2 years' course, preparing women as teachers. Kindergarten training course prepares thoroughly for work in the public schools and for state board examination. Domestic Art and Science and Household Economy thoroughly taught. Normal Commercial and Secretarial courses. School Gardening and Music. Household Arts and Sciences and Nurses' Training School in connection with two large hospitals and Medical School. Other Vocational courses. Regular college courses. A. B. and B. S. degrees. Write for circular.



Temple University, Dept. S. R.
RUSSELL H. CONWELL, Founder and President
Broad and Berks Sts., Philadelphia, Pa.



Two Commercial Departments.
Separate Banking and Office Department.



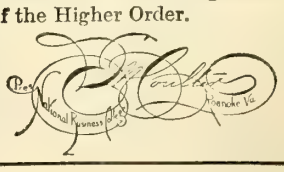
E. M. COULTER

ROANOKE National BUSINESS COLLEGE

Eleven Teachers.
100 Typewriters.
Shorthand Department Seating 200 Students.
Auditorium Seating 400.

The One Big BUSINESS COLLEGE of Virginia.
A Commercial School of the Higher Order.

Established Successful, Progressive and Thorough. Wholesome, Social and Moral Influences. Seven Full Courses and Various Combinations. **Commercial, Shorthand, Banking, Telegraphy, Stenotype, Penmanship, English.** $75,000 building owned by the college.



FALL SESSION OPENS SEPT. 1.

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.
Fourth Round

August
Henderson Ct., Edneyville 21-22
Hendersonville, night 22
Leicester, Teagues 28-29
Riverview Church, night 29

September
Mills River, Avery Creek 4-5
North Asheville, night 5
Mars Hill, Valley Union 11-12
Weaverville, night 12
Flat Rock, Upward 18-19
Central, night 19
West Asheville 26
Tryon and Saluda, night 26-27
Fairview, Fairview 2-3

October
Haywood St., night 3
Spring Creek, Antioch 9-10
Hot Springs, night 10
Weaverville Ct., Salem 16-17
Elk Mountain, night 17
Hot Springs & Marshall, Marshall .23-24
Walnut, Jewel Hill, night 24-25
Sulphur Springs, Snow Hill 30-31
Bethel, night 31

November
Swannanoa, Swannanoa 6-7
Black Mountain, night 7
Biltmore & Mt. Pleasant, Biltmore ...14

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C.
Fourth Round

August
Hickory Grove 22-23
Chadwick, night 22
Pineville, Harrison 29-30
Calvary, night 29

September
Thrift, Thrift 4-5
Seversville, night 5
Morven, Pleasant Hil 11-12
Matthews, Matthews 18-19
Belmont, night 19
Prospect, Bethlehem 25-26
Monroe, Central 26-27

October
Weddington, Hebron 2-3
Waxhaw, Mineral Springs, 3 p. m.....3-4
Lilesville, Lilesville 9-10
Trinity, night 10
Polkton, Hopewell 16-17
Unionville, Mill Grove 23-24
North Monroe, N. Monroe, night 24
Marshville, Marshville 30-31
Brevard, night 31

November
Ansonville, Concord 6-7
Wadesboro, night 7
Dilworth, 11 a. m. 14
Spencer Memorial, 3 p. m. 14
Tryon, night 14

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—James H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Reidsville 5-6
Walnut Street 6-7
Ruffin Ct., Carmel 11-12
Wentworth, Wentworth 12-13
Greensboro, Bethel 18-19
Gibsonville 19-20
Pleasant Garden, Pleasant Garden, 25-26
Spring Garden 26-27

October
West Greensboro 2-3
Centenary 3-4
Coleridge Ct., Coleridge 9-10
Ramseur and Franklinville, Franklinville 16-17
Deep River, Central Falls 16-17
Uwharrie 23-24
Denton, Denton 24-25
Randolph, Oak Grove 30-31
Wesley Memorial, High Point 30-31
Main Street, High Point 31-32
East End 31-32

November
Asheboro 6-7
Randleman 6-7
West Market 13-14

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Fourth Round

August
Marion Station 29

September
Old Fort, Greenlee 3
McDowell, Glenwood 4-5
Thermal City, Thermal 4-5
Table Rock, Oak Hill 11-12
Morganton Station 12-13
Green River, Bethlehem 18-19
Broad River, Tanner's Grove 25-26
Henrietta and Caroleen, Caroleen ..26-27

October
Forest City, Pleasant Grove 2-3
Cliffside, Oak Grove 2-3
Rutherfordton, Gilkey 9-10
Morganton Ct., Oak Forest 16-17
Connelly Springs 23-24
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Spruce Pine 30-31

November
Micaville, Martin's Chapel 5
Bald Creek 6-7
Burnsville 7-8
Marion Ct., Capernaum 13-14

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Fourth Round

August
Mount Airy, Central 15
Summerfield, Summerfield 21-22
Stokesdale, Stokesdale 28-29

September
Walnut Cove, Pine Hall 4-5
Pilot Mountain, Pilot Mountain 11-12
Debson, Stony Knoll 18-19
Yadkinville, Long Town 25-26

October
Rural Hall, Rural Hall 2-3
Mount Airy Ct., Salem 9-10
Danbury, Snow Hill 16-17
Madison and Stoneville, Madison ...24-25
Leaksville 26
Spray 27-31
Draper 28-31

November
Jonesville, Ebenezer 6-7
Elkin 6-7
Ararat, Hunters 13-14

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Fourth Round

August
North Wilkesboro 22-29

September
Wilkes, Lebanon 4-5
Elk Park, Banner Elk 7-8
Avery, Pine Grove 11-12
Boone, Boone 18-19
Watauga, Valle Crucis 23
Creston, Clifton 25-26

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby N. C.
Fourth Round

August
Ozark-Dallas, H. Shoals 21
Cherryville, Beulah 28
Gastonia, Main St. 29

September
Lowell, Bethesda 4-5
McAdenville, McAdenville 5-6
Polkville, Casar 11-12
Lincoln Ct., McKendree 18
Lincolnton, Lincolnton 19
Rock Spring, Webb's Chapel 25-26

October
South Fork, Ebenezer 1
Belwood, Fallston 2
Stanly, Stanly 3
Bessemer, Bessemer 9-10
King's Mt., King's Mt. 9-10
Lowesville, Salem 16-17
Mt. Holly, Mt. Holly 17-18
Crouse, Crouse 23-24
Shelby Ct., Sharon 30

November
Gastonia, West End 6
Shelby, Central 14

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Fourth Round

August
Lenoir Ct., Collier's, 11 a. m. 14-15
S. Lenoir and Valmead, S. Lenoir, night 15-16
Catawba Ct., Camp Ground, 11 a. m. 21-22

September
N. Lenoir Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 a. m. 4-5
Lenoir Sta., Lenoir, night 5-6
Granite Falls and Hudson, Granite Falls, 11 a. m. 11-12
First Church, Hickory, night 12-13
Rhodhiss Sta., Rhodhiss, 11 a. m. ..18-19
West Hickory, West Hickory, night 19-20
Stony Point Ct., Stony Pt., 11 a. m., 25-26
Alexander Ct., Hiddenite, 3 p. m. ..26-27

October
Iredell Ct., Snow Creek, 11 a. m. 2-3
Broad St., Statesville, night 3-4
Cool Spring Ct., Clarksburg, 11 a. m. 9-10
Race St., Statesville, night 10-11
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 a. m., 16-17
Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, night 17-18
Troutman Ct., Shiloh, 11 a. m. 23-24
Davidson Sta., Davidson, night 24-25
Statesville Ct., N. Statesville, 11 a. m. 30-31
Mooresville Sta., Mooresville, night 31-Nov. 1

November
Hickory Ct., Fairgrove, 11 a. m. 6-7
Newton Sta., Newton, night 7-8
Maiden Ct., May's Chapel, 11 a. m., 13-14

Final Meetings

October
Lenoir Ct. (all churches), Lenoir, 11 a. m. 5
South Lenoir and Valmead, South Lenoir, night 5
South Lenoir and Valmead, Whitnel, night 6
Granite Falls and Hudson, Granite Falls, 3 p. m. 12
North Lenoir Ct., (all churches)
Lenoir, 11 a. m. 13
West Hickory, (all churches)
West Hickory, night 14
Alexander Ct., (all churches)
Hiddenite, 3 p. m. 19
Stony Point Ct., (all churches)
Stony Point, 11 a. m. 20
Statesville Ct., Marvin, 11 a. m. 21
Statesville Ct., Bethel, 3 p. m.....21
Mooresville Ct., (all churches)
Mooresville, 11 a. m. 26
Troutman Ct., (all churches)
Troutman, 11 a. m. 27
Cool Spring Ct., (all churches) New Salem, 11 a. m. 28
Iredell Ct., (all churches) Olin, 11 a. m. 29

November
Catawba Ct., (all churches) Catawba, 11 a. m. 2
Statesville Ct., Bethlehem, 11 a. m. ..3
Race St., Statesville, night 4
Davidson Sta., Davidson, night 9
Mt. Zion-Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 11 a. m. 10

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder
Fourth Round

August
Ozark-Dallas, High Shoals 21
Cherryville, Beulah 28
Gastonia, Main St. 29

September
Bessemer, Bessemer 11-12
Kings Mountain, Kings Mountain ..11-12
Lowell, Bethesda 18-19
McAdenville, McAdenville 19
Lincoln Ct., McKendree 25
Lincolnton, Lincolnton 26

October
South Fork, Ebenezer 1
Belwood, Fallston 2
Stanly, Stanly 3
Polkville, Casar 9-10
Lowesville, Salem 16-17
Mt. Holly, Mt. Holly 17-18
Rock Spring, W. Chapel 23-24
Crouse, Crouse 30-31

November
Shelby Ct., Sharon 6

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.
Fourth Round

August
Salisbury, First Church, 11 a. m. 15
Salisbury, Holmes Memorial, night ..15
Spencer, 11 a. m. 29
E. Spencer and N. Main St., N. Main St., night 29

September
Salisbury Ct., Mt. Tabor 4-5
Salisbury, South Main St., night 5
Norwood 11-12
Cottonville and Oakboro 11-12
Concord, Epworth and Center, Epworth, 11 a. m. 19
West Concord, Kerr St., night 19
Woodleaf, Ebenezer 25-26
China Grove and Landis, China Grove, night 26-27

October
Mt. Pleasant, Cold Springs 2-3
Concord, Central, 11 a. m. 3
Concord, Forest Hill, night 3
Albemarle, Central, 11 a. m. 10
Albemarle, First Street, night 10
Albemarle Ct., Pine Grove 16-17
Salem Ct., Salem 17-18
Concord Ct., Rocky Ridge 24-25
Westford, night 24
Bethel and Loves Chapel 30-31

November
Gold Hill Ct., Zion 6-7
New London Ct., Bethel 7-8
Kannapolis Ct., Shiloh 13-14
Kannapolis Sta., night 14

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C., R. F. D. 2
Fourth Round

August
Bethel Ct., Liberty 27
Haywood Ct., Mt. Zion 28
Fines Creek, Teague 29

September
Jonathan, Shady Grove 4-5
Webster Ct., Webster 11-12
Sylva 12
Bryson and Whittier 18-19
Judson Ct., Judson 25-26
Robbinsville 30

October
Murphy Ct., Peachtree 2
Murphy Station 3
Haysville Ct. 9-10
Ranger Ct., Rodgers 13-14

WINSTON DISTRICT—Hugh K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C.
Fourth Round

August
West End, 11 a. m. 8
Grace, night 8
Burkhead, 11 a. m. 15
Southside, night 15
Centenary, 11 a. m. 22
Salem, night 22

September
Linwood, Ebenezer 4-5
Lexington, night 3-5
Davidson, Centenary 11-12
Thomasville Ct., Zion 18-19
Thomasville, Main St., night 17-19
Forsyth, Mount Tabor 25-26

WEAVER COLLEGE

A COEDUCATIONAL JUNIOR COLLEGE

High School and College Courses.

Owned, supported and controlled by the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Clean athletics, unrivalled health conditions, good brick buildings, modern conveniences, Christian atmosphere, wonderful scenery and capable teachers make this an ideal school for our people.

Total expenses, $150.00 per year.

For Bulletin address

W. A. NEWELL, President

WEAVERVILLE, N. C.

Vanderbilt University

Opens Monday, Sept. 27th. High educational standards. Vigorous and healthy student life. Wholesome athletics. Revised curriculum. College of Arts and Science. Professional Schools of Law, Medicine, Pharmacy, Engineering, Religion. For catalogue write, naming department to

THE SECRETARY, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY
BOX 109 NASHVILLE, TENN.



SAVE Money on COAL

Others are doing it by using Clinchfield, the coal that burns like a hickory back-log, slowly, steadily and with intense heat that radiates into every nook and corner of the room. If you have been throwing away your money on coals that burn up like shavings, wasting their heat in a long flame up the chimney and in dense smoke and troublesome soot, try *Clinchfield* this season and note the big saving and bigger satisfaction.

Clinchfield is hard, clean, lumpy, easily kindled and holds fire over night, saving labor and kindling bills. By far the most *economical and satisfactory* fuel for open grates, stoves and residence furnaces of all types. No trouble from clinkers and choked flues.

Leading railways, cotton mills and factories have tested all kinds of coal. They prefer Clinchfield because it delivers more heat for less money. Follow their lead. Write today for literature, freight rate and low summer prices on cars of from 30 to 50 tons each direct from the mines.

Clinchfield Fuel Co.
Desk 12 Spartanburg, S. C.
"THE COAL OF HIGH HEAT VALUE"

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Trains leave Greensboro as follows:

N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information and are not guaranteed.

12:55 a. m.—No. 112, daily. Local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh which may be boarded at 9:30 p. m. and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m

1:47 a. m.—No. 30, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleepin cars Birmingham and Augusta to New York, and Birmingham and Jacksonville to Washington. Observation sleeping car Atlanta to Richmond. Tourist sleeper for Washington from San Francisco. Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars New York to Birmingham an Augusta, and Washington to Jacksonville and Birmingham. Observation sleeping car Richmond to Atlanta. Tourist sleeping car Washington to San Francisco via Sunset Route. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:45 a. m.—No. 11, daily. Local for Atlanta and points south. Pullman sleepnig cars Richmond to Charlotte and Norfolk to Asheville. Coaches.

7:15 a. m.—No 37, daily. NEW YORK, ATLANTA AND NEW ORLEANS LIMITED. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section drawing room sleeping cars New York to New Orleans, Asheville and Macon. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service. No coaches.

7:30 a. m.—No 108, daily. Local for Raleigh and intermediate points.

7:30 a. m.—No. 154, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

8:10 a. m.—No. 44, daily. For Washington and points north.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily. For Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Handles Pullman sleeping car for Winston-Salem from Raleigh.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily. For Mt. Airy.

9:40 a. m.—No. 144 daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Free reclining chair car Charlotte to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily. For Salisbury, Statesville and Asheville. Connecting at Asheville with Carolina Special which handles through sleepers for Cincinnati and Chicago.

12:45 p. m.—No. 130, daily. For Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

12:50 p. m.—No. 45, daily. For Charlotte, connecting with trains for Columbia and Seneca.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Washington, New York and points north. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

2:00 p. m.—No. 207, daily. For Winston-Salem, connecting daily, except Sunday, with trains for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daiy except Sunday. For Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily. For Mt. Airy.

6:30 p. m.—No. 35, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham. Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham, and Charlotte to Atlanta. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily. For Winston-Salem.

6:40 p. m.—No. 46, daily. For Danville.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily. For Sanford.

7:24 p. m.—No. 43, daily. For Charlotte, connecting with No. 35 for the South.

10:15 p. m.—No. 12, daily. For Richmond and Norfolk. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Asheville to Norfolk.

10:20 p. m.—No. 233, daily. For Winston-Salem.

11:20 p. m.—No. 38, daily. THE NEW YORK, ATLANTA AND NEW ORLEANS LIMITED. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section, drawing room and compartment sleeping cars New Orleans, Macon and Asheville to New York. Dining car service. No coaches.

E. H. COAPMAN, Vice-President and General Manager, Washington, D. C.

W. H. TAYLOE, Passenger Traffic Manager, Washington, D. C.

H. F. CARY, General Passenger Agent, Washington, D. C.

C. G. PICKARD, Passenger and Ticket Agent Greensboro, N. C.

R. H. DeBUTTS, Division Passenger Agent, Charlotte, N. C.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE BULLETIN

We have just received the summer edition of the bulletin of Greensboro College for Women, which is attractive in its make-up and gives in condensed form valuable information about this excellent institution. We have learned from President Turrentine interesting facts regarding the college. It is thought that thhe prospects were never brighter for a full attendance and a successful year's work than at present. At no time has there been felt greater need for the proposed new dormitory. Some gratifying progress has been made in the interest of this new building.

It is believed that the college was never in better condition for doing all-round, thorough work in all departments of genuine culture than at this time.

A year ago last spring the President and the Director of Music made an extensive itinerary in selecting members of the faculty. Baltimore, New York City, Boston, Savannah, and other places were visited. No new members were selected without a personal interview. The result was the securing of a cohesive working force that was re-elected almost in a body for another year.

Last year marks an era of great prosperity in the college, a year of fine attendance, harmonious cooperation and thorough work. One of the older teachers in the college stated some time since that she believed there had never been a year of more thorough work done in the college than was realized last year. Greensboro College for Women has a literary standard corresponding to that of our best colleges.

In the Music Department, described in the bulletin, the scope of work has been enlarged and the standard has been raised so that there is now a standardized College of Music, granting the degree of Bachelor of Music in four years.

During this year there has been established a preparatory department connected with the school of music which aims to prepare the student for the freshman class in college. In all departments of culture it is recognized that to begin aright is as important as to finish aright. The opening of this department gives the student from the very beginning of her music course the advantages of a completely organized school of music together with the influence of the collegiate atmosphere and those associations which make for genuine culture. In order that as many students as possible may have the best advantage during the first years of their music course reduced rates have been made on tuition in this preparatory department, while the price has not been raised on tuition in the regular college of music.

Substantial improvements are being made in the college plant. Improved conditions especially for day students will be provided for the ensuing college year.

The preparatory literary department under a separate corps of teachers is open to students having finished the eighth grade. This department is so correlated with the collegiate course that all work done counts for full value in preparing for the college classes. Students thus enjoy the two fold advantage of having superior training and the cultural benefits of the college.

Since an education means much more than the class room, such cultural advantages mean much in the education of a young person.

The young women of the community thus have an excellent opportunity of receiving the advantages of a thoroughly equipped, high grade college without going away from home.

The fall term opens Wednesday, 9 A. M., Sept. 8th.

ACCIDENT AND HEALTH INSURANCE

SHOULD APPEAL TO ALL MEN

It provides an income when needed most.
Write for particulars in regard to the Aetna Disability Contract.
It will pay you.
I am also prepared to furnish all forms of bonds, such as are required by public officials in court proceedings, etc.
See, write or phone me for

Anything in Insurance

WM. B. MERRIMON

Agents Wanted **Dixie Building**

GREENSBORO, N. C.

RUTHERFORD COLLEGE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fall term begins August 31st. The economic conditions and the good advantages offered make Rutherford College an unusually favorable place for those of limited means. More than fifty boys boarded in the dormitory last year for less than six dollars per month. Other expenses are cheap in proportion.

For catalogues and other information, address

M. T. HINSHAW, Rutherford College, N. C.

TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 CHARTERED 1859

A Christian college steadfast in its fidelity to its highest ideals and noblest traditions. Among the few well endowed Southern institutions of learning. A large faculty of thoroughly trained and wisely chosen teachers. Excellent new buildings, beautiful and large campus. Modern laboratories and fine library.

Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.

Special attention given in the Biblical Department to the wise training of young ministers.

For catalogue and illustrated booklet address

R. L. FLOWERS,

Secretary to the Corporation, Durham, North Carolina.



1898 THE TRINITY PARK SCHOOL 1915

Located on the campus of Trinity College. Faculty of well trained men of successful experience as teachers. Special individual attention given by masters to students. For health location unexcelled. Well equipped study hall under a master. Excellent buildings and beautiful grounds. Every effort exerted to make the school an ideal home for boys. Expenses reasonable. For catalogue address

W. W. PEELE, Headmaster, Durham, N. C.

Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

A mutual fire insurance company, organized, owned and operated by the Methodist Church in North Carolina, for the purpose of furnishing protection for church property and personal property of preachers at ACTUAL COST.

Write for information and rates.

W. E. WEBB, Secretary **Statesville, N. C.**

Board of Church Extension

1. Its Aim

1. An adequate church building for every congregation.
2. A comfortable parsonage for every itinerant preacher.

2. Its Achievements

1. Aided in housing 9,235 of our 19,735 congregations.
2. Aided in building parsonages for 2,458 itinerant preachers.

3. Its Present Task

1. A roof over 2,593 homeless congregations and modern buildings for thousands inadequately housed.
2. Parsonages for 1,155 homeless itinerant preachers and better homes for thousands of others.

4. Its Resources

1. Annual assessment on the Church of $300,000.00.
2. Loan Fund Capital of $671,436.19.

5. Its Appeal

1. That pastors and churches everywhere make special effort to secure the Conference Collections in *full*, and that in case of failure to secure full payment on total connectional claims, the Church Extension assessment and all others be given a "square deal" in the division of receipts.
2. That borrowers from the Loan Fund Capital of the Board pay installment of interest and principal promptly when due, that others may receive needed and promised aid.
3. That pastors, presiding elders, lay leaders and others be on the lookout for contributions of money, land, notes, or other securities to the Loan Fund Capital of the Board, either as absolute gifts or on the annuity plan, and to be used in creating Memorial or other Loan Funds.

6. "Finally, Brethren"

1. Appropriations already made cannot be paid in full if there is a decrease in receipts on assessments.
2. In almost every community may be found those willing to increase the efficiency of the Board and their own income by the purchase of the Annuity Bonds of the Board. The security is absolute. The office wants their names.
3. Send for six-page folder describing more than three score *free* publications, and pick out what you want for personal use, Sunday school, Epworth League and congregation.
4. Is your Sunday school using the Birthday Sunday School Loan Fund Jar? If not, why not? Write for booklet.

Board of Church Extension
of the
Methodist Episcopal Church, South
[Incoporated]

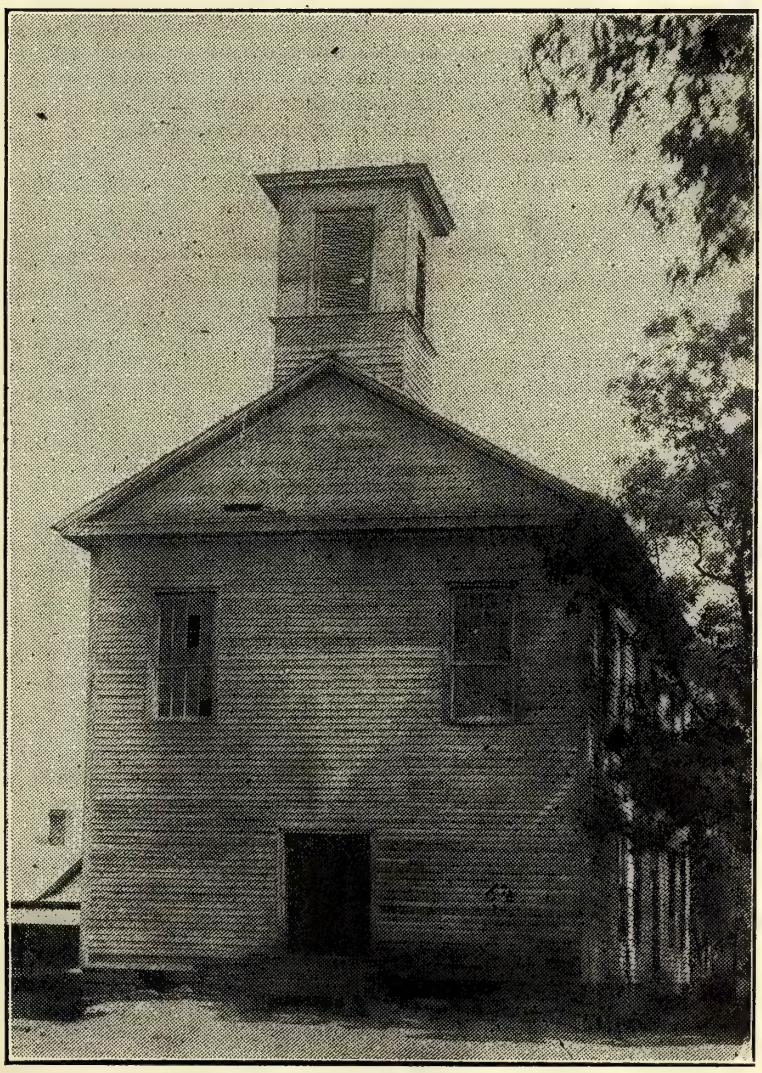
Address W. F. McMURRY
Corresponding Secretary
LOUISVILLE, KY.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Randolph Macon Woman's College

Volume LX | Greensboro, N. C., Thursday, August 26, 1915 | Number 34



THE OLD JONESVILLE ACADEMY

Famous old school of ante-bellum days where many preachers and teachers were educated under Prof. Vaneaton.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

TO SUBSCRIBERS

The date on your label shows when your subscription will expire. Promptly at this date you should send in your renewal. Failing to do so, you may expect a notice from the office reminding you. This is not a dun. It is only business. Many of our subscribers are already much behind. Please let us hear from you. A renewal order blank may be found on page 11.

CORN CLUBS AND RELIGION

There were said to be more than two hundred corn club boys in attendance on the annual meeting at the A. & M. College last week. These boys were not only intensely interested in the growing crops left behind for a few days, but they were hearing lectures which will fire them still more with an enthusiasm which will express itself in vast economic advantage to the country in the near future. It is our opinion that the days of "bumble bee" cotton and "nubbiny" corn are about numbered in North Carolina; and with the passing of these will go much of the nubbiny religion that has been the curse and blight of our country.

The old idea that poverty promotes piety cannot be accepted unconditionally. As a rule poverty entrenches itself in ignorance and vice, and, at best, is incapable of producing a militant type of religion. This is the secret of the large number of impotent church organizations all over our land. The people are ignorant. They have not discovered that they live in a world of vast possibilities—that the soil beneath their feet and the atmosphere that they breathe are teeming with resources ready to yield them wealth and make it possible for them to be a positive power for good. They are the descendants of generations that accepted poverty as their lot and long since ceased to make any serious effort to improve their condition.

Now that these boys have got in line for the march of progress, and are gradually discovering themselves and their opportunity to be and do something, we verily believe that nothing is to be the beneficiary more than the church and that for which the church stands; namely, religion. Let those who have despaired of the country church take note of this constantly increasing army of boys who are learning to do things. Let pastors get in touch with the corn club boys and the tomato club girls, for these are the ones that are going to do things, and, therefore, are the ones to whom we must look for removing the grave clothes from our country churches.

There is no hope from the old set who still whine about the poverty of the country church, and its disadvantages. The sooner we get them off of official boards, the better for the cause of religion. Their influence is as deadly as the asphyxiating gas of the German army. The wonder is that the church has continued to exist under the blighting influence of such leaders. Of course, we do not mean to say that all our leaders in advanced life are of this type, but many of them are. Many are little and narrow and mean, and there is no hope of advancement with such men in the lead. Most of them are men who will plant and scratch over twenty acres to get one hundred bushels of miserable, wormy nubbins, in sight of one of these boys who has demonstrated over and over that, with less labor and expense, he could get two hundred bushels from two acres.

The only thing to do with such men is to superannuate them and wait patiently for their funeral, while we pray the Lord to multiply the corn club boys and convert them so that they may carry intensive methods into the church as well as into the field. Let us have consecrated prosperity instead of sniveling, hook-worm piety.

THE REIGN OF THE RABBLE

The whole country was shocked last week by the announcement that Leo M. Frank had been taken from the Georgia State prison and hanged by a mob. The papers carrying the account of this unspeakable crime told also of the lynching of one negro in Georgia and of two in Alabama.

We are not disposed to cast slurs upon or point the finger of scorn at the States of Georgia and Alabama. The whole country is shamed and shares in the infamy of such outbreaks. It makes any good citizen who has proper respect for law and order sick at heart. The blood of these men, both white and black, like that of Abel, crieth out from the ground for vengeance, and we must all suffer on account of it. It is no small matter that even a negro of the vilest and lowest order, may be the victim of a wild and irresponsible mob. With the same ease that such an one may thus be done to death, the best citizen of any community may be set upon in his home by hoodlums and put out of their way. If such deeds continue to be repeated from time to time, no man's life or property can be considered safe if he happens to incur the displeasure of the evil-minded.

This being the case it is not so much a question as to the guilt or innocence of Frank, or of even the poor negroes whose lives have been snuffed out without time for sober investigation. The question is whether the country is to be ruled by the orderly processes of civil government or whether it is to be ruled by an irresponsible mob. Governor Harris is no doubt sincere in the avowal of his purpose to probe to the bottom of the trouble and bring to account the guilty ones. But what can he do in the face of such utterances as those accredited to the Mayor of Atlanta, who unblushingly speaks out in defense of those who trampled upon the law and took the life of the prisoner. To be sure Mayor Woodward and Tom Watson are men of influence, and such men make it hard for a man of conscience to stand firm for the right and for the enforcement of the law. Thus they are already intimidating the Governor and helping an oathbound set of outlaws to defeat the ends of justice. We doubt seriously if anything ever comes of the effort to find and punish the guilty ones.

The mob spirit seems to have permeated Georgia so completely as to intimidate court and jury, and few people outside of Georgia believe that Frank had a fair trial. From the beginning he seemed to be in the hands of a mob, the only man brave enough to rise above the clamor for his blood being Governor Slaton, who commuted the death sentence to that of imprisonment for life. Immediately he was set upon and, by the edict of Mayor Woodward he is warned to become an exile forever from his own State. Is it possible that the city of Atlanta is so steeped in corruption as to tolerate the rule of a man like this? If so, it is time for Southern Methodists to consider the question of continuing their educational exodus.

It will be a long time before the South will hear the last of this. The moral lectures that used to come with the regularity of the seasons from high latitudes will likely be renewed. The almost extinct crater that used to belch forth the lava of wrath will become active again, in all probability; but let us of the South not content ourselves by saying, "You're another." Let us repudiate this shameful record of violence, and begin a holy crusade against those who would drag the fair name of one of the original States of this Union in the dust of outlawry and violence. Sackcloth would be suitable habilament for a people shamed with such a record of crime as we have seen during the past week.

THE LIFE MORE THAN MEAT

This is what Jesus said in rebuke of thos who placed the higher estimate upon materia things. So many people in his day were tak ing thought—were anxious—about feeding an clothing the body, and laying up treasur upon earth so as to make sure against the rain day. Is it not so today? Do not the multi tudes join in the mere struggle for existence without even a thought of living in the highe realm, where such things are rightly estimate as only means to a great end?

Such is the common estimate of life. "Afte all these things do the Gentiles seek." Th common herd of humanity, making no clain to a knowledge of divine revelation,—thos having no conception of the fatherhood of Go or the brotherhood of the race redeemed b the blood of Christ—such are they who exal material things and fret and worry becaus of a fear that they shall suffer from hunge or nakedness. The faith of God's people ha no more beautiful or powerful manifestatio than in that humble trust which says, "Giv us day by day our daily bread."

One of the great dangers of an inordinat care for the things necessary for the comfor of the body—food and raiment—is that of de veloping a spirit of selfishness, so that one wh at first only sought a competency is now ab sorbed in the effort to lay up treasures o earth. It is only a step from being providen to that of being covetous and miserly, and vast deal of the trouble of society as we se it today grows out of jealousies about materia possessions. The strifes of individuals, of fam ilies and of nations are all of a piece and ca usually be traced to where the selfish desire t have and to hold first asserted itself.

An examination of the docket in our civ courts would reveal many a wicked plot o the part of one neighbor to take away fro another what rightfully belongs to that other or, on the other hand, to wrest from anothe what has been wrongfully taken by force There is scarcely a community, the peace an harmony of which is not constantly imperile by one or more men in whom the spirit o selfishness is abnormally developed. As w write, we recall the case of one man, who, i our boyhood, was the dread of the whole cou tryside in which he figured, because of th facility with which he was accustomed to fin flaws in land titles and project law suits b which old settlers were frequently ousted an dispossessed. This man had become so abs lutely callous in his moral instincts—so i tensely selfish—that the cry of a helpless wido had no effect upon him. Is it any wonde that in the presence of one such character ou Lord should have expressed His horror of and said, "Take heed and beware of covetou ness," for there is nothing to which it wi not stoop. And remember, it has its beginnin in too much concern about that which, in i place, is not only harmless, but necessary.

What we have said here of the family an the small community may be said of the natio There is but one answer to those who, in amaz ment, ask the cause of the dreadful Europea war. It is only the relentless hand of gre stretched out after its object on a vaster scal The vast armies that struggle against ea other, devastating happy homes and puttin millions of the choicest men, women and ch dren into untimely graves, are all to grati somebody's greed for gain of wealth and po er. Let the reader stop and think for a m ment how this terrible sin of greed and selfis ness may be clamoring now for possession the heart, and listen to Him who says, "Ta no thought for your life, * * * * for the li is more than meat."

Have a meeting occasionally for the pu pose of talking about religious experien Nothing strengthens the faith of a church me ber more than testifying as to the work grace in his heart. Nothing helps one mo in the struggle against temptation than t fact that he is publicly committed to a life consistency.

NOTE AND COMMENT

The Arabic, a 5,000-ton English Vessel, of the White Star line, which for many months has been engaged in carrying ammunition and arms and money and passengers to and fro between England and America, has been sunk off the coast of England by a German submarine. Of the 423 persons aboard, 181 passengers and 242 crew, 32 are missing, all but six of these being members of the crew. As far as reports now have it there was no warning given by the submarine, nor did the Arabic attempt to escape. Two American lives are reported lost.

When one says what he will do if such or such an event occurs, he then weaves a net for his own entanglement and embarrassment. It is a pedagogical law never to tell a pupil what will come to pass if he does or does not do so and so, for by doing so a teacher entangles himself to be true to his word no matter what the conditions may be, and we know conditions are so changeable we can never foretell them. And this is a most worthy, dignified, and excellent rule applied in any individual's or any nation's life. So it is rather unfortunate our government should ever have said what it would think or what it would not think should another American lose his life in the danger zone.

Apart from such regrettable diplomacy, however, there are many paths yet left open whereby war, or even an unfriendly breach with Germany, may be avoided.

From a glance at the editorial opinions as culled by the associated press last Sunday morning it would seem that the editors of leading American newspapers have gone mad in conspiring to do England's fighting for her, and the unfortunate situation in the United States is that the reading public believes what the prejudiced editors say. The ignorant editor and the ignorant swallower-down of what he thinks have never read any side but the highly-colored London and Paris side, and it does seem that England's press has so "pulled the wool over America's eyes" that John Bull will be using Uncle Sam's long arms and fingers to scratch the chestnuts out of a very hot fire for him, just as the fabled monkey used the cat's paws, or just as poor France and Russia are scratching around in hot ashes today in order that England may continue her role of domineering the sea and gobbling up all the land of the globe.

It is a great pity that men are not sufficiently unprejudiced to read such authentic magazines as the Yale Review and The Open Court, periodicals edited by the wisest of modern American philosophers.

No one denies the right of Americans to travel the seas, and so has a man the right to stand on the railroad track in front of an approaching train, but he is none the less a fool for doing so, and a nation fighting to defend such action is as foolish as the man. American citizens were warned to get out of Mexico and to keep out. Why should they not be warned in the present instance?

* * * *

Mr. Roosevelt is Again Clamoring that we should at once declare war against Germany because she sank a British ship and one or two foolhardy Americans lost their lives. It is deeply regrettable that some one does not give Mr. Roosevelt a little gasoline boat with a ten-cent American flag tied to it and a popgun and send him to search out the German fleet and sink it.

* * * *

Another Hurricane Struck Galveston last Monday, destroying millions of dollars of property. The loss of lives, however, has been, as far as counted, only 21, but outside of Galveston proper 101 are reported dead and 260 missing. Houston housed as many as 100 in her hospitals.

Had not Galveston profited by the flood of 1900, the loss of life would have been appalling, but after that destructive catastrophe her wise citizens built a great sea-wall at enormous cost. The wisdom of this preparedness was demonstrated Monday when the sea-wall saved the Texas city from a loss which would probably have exceeded that occasioned by the former hurricane.

It was fifteen years, but preparedness pays. It is so in one's life. A great flood will come some day. Have you built the wall?

* * * *

We Are Giving a Considerable Amount of our "Note and Comment" space today to the remarks of one of America's wisest men. It is worth more than we could ever say on this or any other current event happening. We hope our readers will ponder it well. It is a statement given out by William Jennings Bryan last Sunday night:

"I have read the editorial opinions concerning the sinking of the Arabic as those opinions were reproduced in Sunday morning papers, but they seem to me to avoid the most important question. The real question is not whether American citizens have, under international law, a right to travel through the danger zone on the ships of belligerent nations. That is admitted. The question just now is whether an American citizen should put his convenience or even his rights above his Nation's welfare. If American citizens refuse to consider their own safety or the safety of the Nation, then a second question arises, namely, whether the Government should permit a few persons to drag the country into this unparalleled war.

"Our Government has made its protest and there is no doubt that the question taken is abundantly supported by precedent, but that does not necessarily mean that we are going to war. Diplomacy has not yet concluded its work, and even if diplomatic efforts fail, we have recourse to the treaty plan which must be resorted to in case of disputes with Great Britain, France, Italy and Russia, and should be resorted before going to war with any other belligerent Nation.

"If the treaty plan fails, we still have a choice between entering this war and the postponement of final settlement until peace is restored. In the meantime it will be well to think of the thousands or possibly the hundreds of thousands who would be sacrificed if we enter this war; these brave men are certainly entitled to consideration as well as the few who by deliberately incurring unnecessary risks bring harm upon themselves and danger to their country.

"It is time for unneutral portion of the press of the United States to lay aside its bias and unite in helping the President to keep the country out of war.

"The pro-Ally papers are insisting upon war with Germany, for the benefit of the Allies, and the pro-German papers are insisting upon an embargo on arms and ammunition for the benefit of Germany. If these two groups of papers would join together and urge measures to restrain American citizens from going into the danger zone on belligerent ships, and prohibiting American passenger ships from carrying arms and ammunition—if they would do this they would aid in preventing war, and in reserving for our Nation the priceless opportunity to act as peacemaker when the time for peace arrives."

* * * *

A Plan to Settle the War has recently been suggested by Henry Clews, president of the American Peace and Arbitration league. According to this tentative plan Germany is to sell to France Alsace-Lorraine for an equivalent of its real value and retire from France and Belgium, but to have commercial access to the Belgian seaport, which would be declared a free port; Germany to pay over to Belgium the amount acquired from France to restore Belgium; the Colonies to be restored to Germany to be England's and Japan's peace concessions; Austria and Italy to agree between each other for a settlement and urged to do so by the other Nations; Constantinople to be a free port to appease Russia; Turkey to acquiesce and Austria and Servia to agree between themselves to settle their differences, establish a World Court able to enforce its decrees by an international police force of the world—military and naval forces superior to those of any single power in the world. All of the above Nations to pledge themselves for a peace to last fifty years at least, agreeing as advantages to be gained thereby to reduce their armies and navies to a peace basis, which would admit during that period, of their liquidating their liabilities incurred by the war. All these Nations to obligate themselves to work in unison to maintain peace not only amongst themselves but throughout the world. Mr. Clews expresses it as his confident belief that the United States, South America, and China would gladly join in the combination for the great advantages which would accrue to them by the certain assurance of peace prevailing for the next fifty years.

THESE THREE THINGS

And they are all coming our way. They are even now in sight. Their music and achievements thrill in the hearts and lives of our North State marching Methodists, who have an ideal and are hastening to it. Reference is made to this trio: religious education, revivals of religion and a superannuate home in every presiding elder district; from which home nothing but religion of the old time and the new will radiate. The education of our church boys and girls, practical if not thorough in all cases, is not only the desire but the demand of our times, brought into view by the shamefacedness of our present generation. But the road to skepticism and infidelity and the higher science foolishness are so easily traveled now that education that is not strictly and experimentally religious is a perilous step upward. And how are we to have religious education if the Bible is kept excluded from our public and private schools? and more care taken in seeing that our teachers are genuinely Christian and Protestant. In passing let us remark that in legislation we need to be more Americanized, not so much foreignized. As Americans and Protestants we need legislation and home influence that will keep the open Bible and the love of liberty in the hands and hearts of all the children.

But we cannot expect education even of the purest type to fill the place and keep the fires of vital godliness kindled on our home and church altars of revivals and evangelistic activities and church work. The church needs the revival, as outside influences these days tend to lower the spiritual tone. These are days of competition and rush in business and glittering parade in social walks; and the steadfast as well as the wavering need the mourners' bench and altar glory of the revival straight down from above.

These in brief are some Methodist ideals in our Western North Carolina Conference kept before us during the year by the vigilant Editor of the Advocate—religious education, revivals of religion, and the care of our superannuates. These three rapturous ideals which are to be realities in the lives of our brilliant young preachers and lay workers under Advocate leadership.

Future Methodism will take time to write the three following items of history in our conference: Every Methodist child religiously educated; a glorious revival in every church each year; and twelve or twice twelve superannuate homes shining on as many hills right near the heavenly hill of Zion. And by our side the other Christian denominations will keep these three victorious steps, and with us come in possession of the three glorious ideals. Then our section of the kingdom of Christ on earth will be ready to take our part in the Great Revival when He comes. This superannuate desires now to say that this cottage by the brook has been furnished to me free of rental by President S. B. Tanner, one of our princely and generous laymen whose left hand knowsb ut little of the many noble deeds being performed by his right hand. In truth and deed this has for many years been a free superannuate home.

S. M. Davis.

Caroleen, N. C.

Mount Airy District Report—Third Quarter

By REV. H. C. SPRINKLE, Presiding Elder

TO THE FINISH

Brethren, we should rejoice greatly in the glorious revivals we have had on the district. The Lord has been, and is, blessing the word as it is preached by our faithful pastors. Many souls have professed conversion, and many more will "come through" before the revival campaign closes. Shouts of praise have gone up from many camps. This is as it should be. The saving of souls is the first work of the church; but let us not forget that wherever there is a real revival, that awakens an intelligent conception of religion and duty, there is a revival of interest in the welfare of humanity.

Our reports show that within three months of the close of the conference year we are very far behind with pastors' salaries and conference collections. The Lord has been good to us, and is blessing us with abundant crops, as well as the conversion of souls, and He expects us to be true to Him. Your pastor is wholly dependent on the salary promised for the means to pay the grocery bills he has been compelled to make, during the spring and summer, when quarterage has been short, as well as for a little substance with which to lay in the winter's clothing and fuel. Your missionaries, faithful men, on the difficult charges of the home field, as well as the foreign, are dependent upon the conference collections for their support, and likewise your Superannuates, heroes worn out in the cause, look to this source for their pittance.

Upon the stewards rests the responsibility of collecting the pastor's salary. If they fail, the pastor suffers. On the other hand, the pastor must assume, largely, the responsibility for securing the conference collections. If we will do our whole duty, in these two official capacities, and if the rank and file of the church membership will do its duty, we can raise every dollar of these claims on each charge in the Mount Airy District, between now and conference, and every one who has an adequate part in the doing will be blessed thereby. The Lord has placed the means in the hands of his people, and expects us to care for his work.

Preachers, stewards, and laymen, for the love of God and in His fear, let's do our level best.

PREACHERS' SALARIES

Amount Paid by Each Church, and Balance Due, at End of Third Quarter.

Ararat.—Chestnut Grove, paid, $26.00; due, $14.92. Mount Herman, paid, $65.10; due, $7.97. Hunters, paid, $52.30; overpaid $9.40. Carters, paid, $17.15; due, $15.73. McBride's, paid, $9.00; due, $9.26. Hatcher's, paid, $21.50; due, $.42. Greenwood, paid nothing; due, $3.69.

Danbury.—Danbury, paid, $108.50; due, $19.38. Davis' Chapel, paid, $29.75; due, $22.86. Delta, paid, $16.75; due, $38.05. Sandy Ridge, paid, $32.50; due, $4.76. Smith's Chapel, paid, $4.00; due, $3.30. Snow Hill, paid, $10.50; due, $19.84. Vade Mecum, paid, $3.90; due, $7.05. Union Hill, paid, $3.64; due, $3.66. Mt. Carmel, paid, $2.11; due, $20.52.

Dobson.—Dobson, paid, $38.50; due, $85.00. Old Siloam, paid, $21.96; due, $14.58. Pleasant Ridge, paid, $24.30; due, $65.58. Rockford, paid, $42.57; due, $59.50. Siloam, paid, $82.25; due, $72.67. Stony Knoll, paid, $12.75; due, $23.79.

Draper.—Paid, $119.75; due, $54.67.

Elkin.—Paid, $1.011.00; overpaid, $20.42.

Summerfield.—Summerfield, paid, $84.86; due, $89.96. Center, paid, $73.75; due, $79.71. Pisgah, paid, $21.49; due, $55.29. Battle Ground, $21.00; due, $41.11. Lee's Chapel, paid, $46.60; due, $77.63. Gethsemane, paid, $28.50; due, $19.00. Morehead's, paid, $4.50; due, $43.00. Hopewell, paid nothing; due, $10.96.

Walnut Cove.—Stokesburg, paid, $95.20; due, $76.53. Pine Hall, paid, $68.21; due, $30.09. Bethesda, paid, $58.25; due, $86.44. Palmyra, paid, $69.85; due, $58.03. Pisgah, paid, $14.85; due, $15.84. Bethlehem, paid, $36.50; due, $25.61. Forest Chapel, paid nothing; due, $18.27.

Jonesville.—Ebenezer, paid, $26.90; due, $5.25. Grassy Creek, paid, $12.50; due, $19.65. Jonesville, paid, $69.85; due, $30.76. Maple Springs, paid ,$89.15; overpaid, $20.46.

Leaksville.—Not reported.

Madison and Stoneville.—Madison, paid, $293.00; due, $160.07. Mayodan, paid, $43.40; due, $84.48. Mount Hermon, paid, $10.00; due, $50.00; Stoneville, paid, $49.81; due, $132.88. Price, paid, $60.75; due, $8.67.

Mount Airy, Central.—Paid, $1,232.75; due, $8.09.

Mount Airy Circuit.—Salem, paid, $121.25; due, $49.75. Green Hill, paid nothing; due, $10.23. Oak Grove, paid, $41.75; due, $67.86. Laurel Bluff, paid nothing; due, $27.77. Zion, paid, $47.25; due, $76.98. Epworth, paid, $24.75; due, $36.63. Beulah, paid, $26.50; due, $22.46. New Hebron, paid, $6.25; due, 24.44.

Pilot Mountain.—Chestnut Grove, paid, $53.50; due, $41.50. Fairview, paid, $10.00; due, $19.23. Little Yadkin, paid, $10.00; due, $11.92. New Hope, paid, $4.00; due, $29.23. Pilot Mountain, paid, $104.00; due, $42.14. Pinnacle, paid, $35.15; due, $41.58. Trinity, paid, $33.82; due, $31.94. Whitaker's, paid, $6.00; due, $4.96.

Rural Hall.—Not reported.

Spray.—Paid, $437.50; due, $116.29.

Stokesdale.—Eden, paid, $46.05; due, $59.91. Glenco, paid, $51.08; due, $7.38. Mt. Carmel, paid, $31.90; due, $34.82. Stokesdale, paid, $165.90; overpaid, $.48. Tabor, paid, $21.00; due, $19.19. Zion, paid, $7.85; due, $39.65.

Yadkinville.—Boonville, paid, $32.60; due, $33.15. Center, paid, $88.90; due, $64.56. Long Town, paid, $14.82; due, $21.72. Mount Pleasant, paid, $24.16; due, $12.38. Prospect, paid, $63.51; due, $9.58. Yadkinville, paid, $18.95; due, $35.86.

Honor Roll

Churches having paid salaries in full, or overpaid, to date: Elkin Station; Maple Springs, on Jonesville Charge; Stokesdale, on Stokesdale charge; Hunter's Chapel, on Ararat charge.

REVIVALS

The Ararat charge has had five revivals, resulting in sixty-five professions, and forty accessions to the church.

Rev. W. H. Willis assisted the pastor in a meeting at Mt. Herman church which closed August 11. The church was greatly blessed in this meeting, twenty souls professed faith, and there were eleven accessions.

Revivals have been held on the Dobson Ct., at Pleasant Ridge and Siloam. There were four professions at the first named place. The results of the other meeting not yet reported.

Rev. G. W. Williams closed a very fine meeting at Draper, in June. The church membership was increased by thirty, on profession, and seven by vows, including a number of the best men of the community.

Two revivals have been held on the Jonesvillee Circuit resulting in three accessions to the church.

The congregation at Leaksville was very much delighted and strengthened by the eloquent sermons of Dr. C. W. Byrd, for a week, during the month of June.

Bro. J. M. Folger, of the Mount Airy Circuit, has held two protracted meetings, greatly strengthening the church life, and resulting in some conversions. He expects to reach all his churches with revivals during August and September.

Bro. Doggett says: "Our revival at Pilot Mountain, although the regular services closed July 18, with six professions and five additions to the church, has not closed in returns yet. Four on August 8, with more expected, and the church alive."

Two other revivals have been held on the Pilot Mountain charge, at Chestnut Grove and Pinnacle, respectively, resulting in seven accessions and the awakening of the churches.

Rev. J. A. J. Farrington held a good meeting at Spray, in May. The church was greatly revived, and thirteen new members were received.

Three revivals have been held on the Stokesdale charge, resulting in forty-two professions in all. Rev. T. B. Johnson assisted the pastor at Glenco, Rev. T. J. Honck at Stokesdale, and the writer at Mt. Carmel.

The warehouse meeting held at Walnut Cove during the month of May added to the church at Stokesburg about twenty-five members.

Rev. G. W. Williams recently assisted the pastor, Brother Poe, in a revival at Palmyra, where there were eight or ten professions, and eight candidates for church membership.

Rev. A. R. Surratt, himself an effective evangelist, has had fine meetings at Mayodan, Price and other points, resulting in forty-three additions to the church.

The Summerfield charge has been blessed with an ingathering of eighteen souls. Details of meetings not reported.

Rev. J. P. Hipps held his own meeting at Elkin in May, and the congregation speaks highly of the edifying sermons he delivered. There were some additions to the church.

Rev. C. R. Allison has had fine revivals at Rural Hall, East Bend, Germanton, Antioch, and other points, but is too busy to send in report.

The writer assisted Brother Boring in a meeting at Yadkinville, from July 25 to 29, where we made a "water haul."

The people of Center Church, Yadkinville Circuit, were pleased to have their former pastor, our Conference Evangelist, with them for a meeting early in August, at which time the congregation was greatly blessed.

Prospect, Yadkinville Circuit, speaks in highest praise of the preaching done by Rev. W. H. Willis, in their recent meeting.

NEW MEMBERS

We extend the right hand of fellowship to the following persons who have been received on profession of faithd uring the quarter:
on profession of faith during the quarter:
man, Mollie Gates, A. M. Collins, Effie Bowman, Lillie Childress, Sarah Childress, Susie Collins, Susie Smith, Lizzie Collins, Dena Goins, C. Collins, B. C. Bowman, Joe Montgomery, John Raines, J. L. Pack, Mary Newman, Kenneth Brim, William Childress, T. C. Lawson, Mrs. L. C. Lawson, Lucy Lawson, Mollie Woods, Lena White, Robert Hatcher, C. M. Jones, Joe Jones, Will Everhart, Wade McBride, Ima Ayers, Alice Ayers, Walter Mabe, Robert New, Mrs. Robert New.

Danbury.—Nellie Chilton.

Draper.—Pearl Sanders, Sarah Emmerson, Jesse Moore, Angeline Moore, James Slatery, Gillie Walker, Ella Moore, Harry Gaulding, Nettie Nowlin, J. E. Shaw, Clyde Shaw, J. W. Slaughter, S. D. Walker, Mrs. G. C. Truslow, G. C. Truslow, Will Haygood, Mattie Jones, Luther Dunlap, Lillie Shopshire, Nora Purdy, B. F. Parish, Charlie Boswell.

Dobson.—D. M. Wright, Blair Apperson, Wade Apperson, Dona Key.

Mount Airy, Central.—Louisa Kocktitzky, Joe Bill Rierson, Addie Robertson.

Mount Airy Circuit.—R. B. Greenwood, Mrs. Dovie Greenwood, Charlie Vaughn.

Pilot Mountain.—Cora Patton, William Patton, Thomas Moore, Della Moore, Margaret Doggett, Myrtle Fulk, George Denny, Alton Watson, Kate Watson, Homer Wall, Blanche Wall, Beatrice George.

Spray.—Daisy Austin, William Austin, Grace Haizlip, John W. Haizlip, Clyde Mangrum, Dallie Money, Nelson Roberson, Myrtle Robertson, Frank Martin, Ethalinda Jones, Nellie Hopper, Sidney Hoges, Henrietta Blizard.

Stokesdale.—Claude Kellum, Arthur Tickle, Enie Tickle, Elmie Barham, Leroy Barham, Mack Alley, Albert Southered, Leo Vaughn, Virgil Vaughn, Edward Vaughn, Tom Rumbley, Martin Rumbley, David Powell, Lucille Powell, Meta Powell, Elvie Rumbley, Frank Rumbley, Edgar Williams, Burton White, Chester Orrell, Luther Lee, Della Isley, Mrs. T. J. Folger, Nellie Edmondson, Alva Lester, Harney Bailey, Jessie Cook, John Satterfield, Bob Satterfield, Frank Pegram, Roy Marshall, William Barham and Flossie Walker.

Walnut Cove.—Eunice Gertrude Vaughn, Mary Hester Martin, Mary Louise Linville, Wilma Irene Rierson, Nancy Hammock Lasley, Jamie Meacum Lasley, Robah O. Lasley, John Archie Lasley, Robert E. Stanley, Rebecca Lillian Harrington, Mollie Ruth Lasley, Thomas Martin Welch, Jennie Medlay Welch, Gladys Elizabeth Wheeler, Eugenia Ella Wheeler, Andrew E. Strode, Ruby O. Lasley, Willie Ledotia Didson, Carrie Elenor Carter, Catherine Jefferson Fulp, Robertie Macie Burton, Eliza Ellen Burton, Nina Leota Butner, Vallie Gertrude Moser, Nannie Florence Greene, Charlie Ray Blaylock, Ila Grace Young, Mattie Elma Tatum.

Yadkinville.—Marler Willhelm, Mina Cook, Jasper Long, Davis Long, Troy Pendry, Miles Bates, Rufus Jentry, Howard Speer, John Brannon, Jennings Long, Burtis Long, Percy Brannon, J. L. Dunnagan.

DEATHS

Martha Smith, Danbury Church, May 6.

Jno. E. Albright, Mt. Airy, May 5.

Mrs. F. F. Simpson, Green Hill church, Mt. Airy Ct., May 9.

Ruby Ashburn, Pilot Mountain Ct., July 7.

Jasper J. Moser, Palmyra, Walnut Cove Ct., May 23.

Mrs. Malinda Moser, Palmyra, Walnut Cove Ct., May 27.

Mrs. Lizzie C. Webster, Stokesburg, Walnut Cove Ct., May 30.

T. M. Glenn, Bethesda, Walnut Cove Ct., July 25.

Mrs. Wesley Shore, Yadkinville Ct.

BUSY MEN

Combs—has preached 35 sermons and made 60 pastoral visits.

Routh—58 sermons, 80 visits.

Holloway—30 sermons, 60 visits.

Williams—43 sermons, 75 visits.

Oakly—Not reported.

Aycock—Not reported.

Willis—40 sermons, 110 visits.

Folger, J. M.—30 sermons, 100 visits.

Doggett—100 sermons, 90 visits.

Farrington—37 sermons, 75 visits.

Folger, T. J.—45 sermons, 60 visits.

Poe—33 sermons, 87 visits.

Surratt—50 sermons, 75 visits.

Johnson—38 sermons, 107 visits.

Boring—30 sermons, 50 visits.

Hipps—Not reported.

Allison—Not reported.

Sprinkle—116 sermons, 140 visits.

HERE AND THERE

The congregation at Chestnut Grove, Ararat charge, is now worshiping in its new church, and is expecting a great revival in the meeting begun August 15.

Brother James Nester, one of our faithful exhorters, has just closed a very gracious revival at Kimball's School house, on the Ararat charge. The meeting was held under a brush arbor, and resulted in thirty professions, with fifteen accessions to the church. A new class will probably be organized in this section in the near future. The days of usefulness for the local preacher, the exhorter and the lay-preacher have not passed.

Bro. Holloway does not believe in "setting his fence in." He expects to hold a protracted meeting at a new place, four miles west of Siloam, beginning the fourth Sunday in August. May the Lord bless his labors there.

Our new charge at Draper proposes to meet all her assessments this year, and has already vindicated, by her progress, the action of the last Conference in setting her up as a separate charge.

Rev. W. H. Willis, Chairman of our Conference Board of Missions, is missionary in practice, having preached as many sermons outside his own charge during the quarter as he has within it.

Rev. E. L. Bain, D. D., President of the Epworth League Board, addressed the young people at Central, and assisted Bro. Willis in the organization of an Epworth League, in June.

Rev. Geo. D. Naylor, of Maryland, who takes the place of Rev. M. M. Marshall in the Isle of Pines, will be supported by Central for the remainder of the year.

Dr. Moyer Martin, a Methodist from Stuart, Va., has purchased the Irving Memorial Hospital, and will make Mount Airy his home.

There are only eight charges within the Conference that report a larger membership than Central now has.



New Church and Parsonage, Jonesville, N. C.

Mrs. Woltz, our efficient District Secretary, made a visit to Walnut Cove in May and assisted in organizing a Woman's Missionary Society. The Society now numbers sixteen, and much interest is manifested by its members.

Two new Sunday schools have been organized during the quarter, one on the Ararat Ct. and the other on the Mt. Airy Ct.

Rev. W. L. Hutchins, of Winston-Salem, recently made a visit to Yadkinville, his old home. He preached twice, to the delight of his many friends, during the series of meetings held in the Methodist church.

Bro. Doggett reports eight new family altars erected on the Pilot Mountain charge during the quarter.

Rev. R. M. Hoyle, former Presiding Elder of the district, brought joy to his friends by a visit, in July, being accompanied by his wife. Bro. Hoyle looked so vigorous and well kept that the folks hardly knew him.

LIFT THE BASE LINE

By W. W. Pinson

That is, raise the assessment and go a step beyond. The assessment is the minimum. It is the least we can get on with. To fall below it is the dig under the foundations. The assessment is not what is really needed. It is the measure of what we can, with fairness, expect of the poorest churches. To fall below it is to fail of this lowest standard. It is the only basis of appeal to the entire church. The Board of Missions asks of our two mission members an average of less than a penny a week, less even than three cents a month for Home and Foreign Missions. Could less be asked with self respect? Wouldn't it wound our pride and be altogether undignified to ask less? There is not much margin downward; there is alot of room upward. Which way are we headed, you and your church, and what are you going to do about it? You can just **do nothing.** (That is unthinkable and since I am in a thinking mood, I dismiss it.)

You will do one of three things:

1. You will **fall short** of the assessment. By so much you will tell the church and the Mission Board to lower the flag and sound a retreat. If all the others did that we should have to retire from many a hard-won field, and sadly close the door to eager souls begging for the bread of life.

2. Or you will **pay out.** You will stop at the base line. You will reach the complacent minimum, the satisfying goal of the average church. Yet if every church did that, it would break the record. It would lift the Board of Missions above embarrassment, and usher in a new era. Does it not seem a pity we should have to plead for a thing so simple, so obvious and so potential?

3. Or you will pay **out and over.** You will go the second mile. You will take your eye off the assessment and fix it on the cause. You will say, "Here is a big thing to be done for God," and you will do it in a big way. You will not give just to pay out, but to help a loving Christ win a suffering world. You will find with joy that you have swept past the rear rank. To mix the metaphors, you will not only reach the base line, but you will give it a tug and lift it a little, and you will do it, not because you have to, but because you want to. Then you will lift your head and your preacher will lift his head and report "a surplus for Missions," and the rest will lift their heads and say "we can do it too," and so it will be a lift all around.

Which do you prefer? Under which—"or" will you enlist. It is a question you can help answer. You are helping, you have helped **already.**

But it is not a question of assessments, of Boards and reports. If it were, it would be far less serious. It is a small thing to be judged of men. **But shall we disappoint our Lord?** In this dark hour when His world trembles on the verge of its supreme crisis, shall we fail Him? Shall we eat and drink our fill and spend and spend, then toss Him a few left-over pennies? Or shall we face duty like Christian men and women and measure our giving by His love and longing? This is a question of eternal significance. What proportions it will assume in the white light, after it has been fatally and finally answered!

If missions never had a right to first place before, that right cannot be disputed now. Half a world at war. Only one missionary nation free from war's blight and blood. The whole responsibility for an unclouded testimony and unhindered service shifted to American churches. The whole non-Christian world opening its doors wide, and we forced to cut our appropriations and mark time, while the great hour sweeps by. Shall we continue, or shall we awake from Savannah to San Francisco and from Baltimore to Galveston? For once let the whole line advance. **At least let us pay out.** It is not much to ask, but it means much. Will you help, and do it now? Help your pastor and help your brethren do the square thing and make 1915 a red letter year for missions.

Conference is approaching. Do not let it find you without a full report for missions. These are extraordinary times and they call for extraordinary effort. An easy-going spineless Christianity will not stand the test of this hour.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. Geo. D. Naylor, missionary to the Isle of Pines, is now supported by Central church, Mount Airy.

—Rev. W. E. Abernethy, of Central church, Shelby, visited friends in Morganton recently. He also visited relatives at Rutherford College.

—The historic Balls Creek Camp ground in Catawba county was the scene of great throngs last week, and there seemed to be profitable and orderly services.

—A good revival was recently closed at Mount Herman, on the Ararat circuit, in which the pastor, Rev. J. W. Combs, was assisted by Rev. W. H. Willis, of Mount Airy.

—Rev. W. L. Hutchins, of Burkhead, Winston-Salem, was one of the speakers at the Randolph county Sunday School Association meeting at Ramseur last week.

—In a meeting held by an exhorter, James Nestor, near Friends' Mission on the Ararat circuit, about 35 professions were reported. It is something unusual for an exhorter to report such fine results.

—Rev. A. R. Bell, pastor of Walnut Street and Caraway Memorial, returned last week from the Denton circuit where he had been for about ten days assisting Rev. J. M. Varner in revival services.

—Rev. T. C. Jordan, pastor of the Wentworth circuit, is assisting Rev. A. R. Bell in revival services at Walnut Street church, Proximity. The services began Sunday and will continue through next week.

—Mr. Joshua L. Weaver, brother of Rev. Dr. James H. Weaver, died at his home in Ashe county on Saturday, August 15, and was buried on Sunday following. He was a good man and will be greatly missed.

—The editor of the Advocate left Monday for a week or ten days' vacation. On Wednesday of this week he attends the Ramsaur Reunion, near Lincolnton. Next Sunday he will preach at Cedar Valley, the old home church, in Caldwell county.

—Rev. T. B. Johnson, pastor of the Summerfield circuit, has been busy day and night for six weeks in revival work. Five meetings have been held and there have been twenty-one accessions to the church. There are three more meetings to hold on this charge.

—We regret to learn that Rev. J. E. Underwood, presiding elder of the Newbern District, North Carolina Conference, has been suffering from the effects of a severe fall which put him out of commission for a while. We trust he may soon be well again.

—Rev. D. H. Comann, general evangelist, recently preached ten days at Center on the Summerfield circuit, Rev. T. B. Johnson pastor. The congregations were large and attentive and evidently the strong preaching of Brother Comann will abide in great spiritual help. There were three or four conversions.

—Mrs. Frank Siler, who has been spending the summer months at Lake Junaluska, will return to Greensboro September first to resume her duties as Dean of Greensboro College for Women and to re-enter her daughter, Virginia, in the College. Correspondents will address Rev. Frank Siler at Greensboro.

—Rev. J. Ed Thompson, pastor of our church in Asheboro, was a visitor at the Advocate office on Friday morning. He was visiting relatives in this place and Burlington last week. He went to Bethlehem Saturday, where on Sunday he assisted Rev. P. L. Terrell in the camp meeting.

—Rev. D. M. Litaker is one of the most consecrated as well as one of the ablest preachers we have ever had in Thomasville, and at the same time he is one of the fairest and most brotherly of men. His interest in the Baptist cause here, and his practical help during the time we have had no pastor, have endeared him to our people.—Charity and Children.

—We are glad to see it announced that Rev. J. A. Baldwin has succeeded in effecting arrangements whereby the Southern Industrial Institute is to open again. This school is located at Chadwick, near Charlotte. The property consists of 278 acres and is very valuable, being admirably located for such work as is designed to be done by this institute.

—Many Advocate readers will learn with interest of the approaching marriage of Miss Emma Renn, daughter of the late Rev. Dr. J. J. Renn, and Mr. James A. Jones, of Charlotte. The engagement was announced at a reception held at the home of the prospective bride in this city on last Friday evening. The marriage will take place in Centenary church on Wednesday, September 8th.

—Mr. D. B. Coltrane, of Concord, Chairman of our Board of Publication, was a visitor at the Advocate office on Monday morning. He was returning from Randolph county, where he had been visiting for a few days in his old home community, attending service at Ebenezer church Sunday. He was accompanied by his daughters, Misses Elizabeth and Mary Branson and Mrs. Dr. Garrison, of Bessemer City.

—The Mooresville correspondent of the Statesville Landmark says: "Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, pastor of the Methodist church, has been granted a vacation by the board of stewards "for as long as he desires." Mr. Kirkpatrick has gone to Ball's Creek campmeeting, Catawba county, where he will assist in the preaching for several days. At the conclusion of the meeting he will join Mrs. Kirkpatrick and children, who have gone to Lake Junaluska. Mr. Kirkpatrick and family will be away about three weeks."

—Miss Julia Simpson, only daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Elmer Simpson, of Table Rock Circuit, was married to Mr. Jacob C. Shaffer, of Erie, Pa., on July 29. Rev. J. E. Gay, presiding elder of the Morganton District, performed the ceremony, at the parsonage, in the presence of a few friends. Mr. Shaffer and Miss Simpson had known each other for about ten years, having attended school together. Mr. Shaffer is a young man of good moral character, and is a successful business man, filling a position in the office of a railroad company. Miss Simpson is a refined and cultured woman, valuable in church and Sunday school work, and will be much missed at Oak Hill. The couple left the parsonage next day for their future home in Erie.

—Mrs. Julian S. Carr, wife of General Julian S. Carr, who is so widely known and loved in North Carolina, passed away at their country home at Occoneechee farm, near Hillsboro, on Wednesday morning, August 18th. Mrs. Carr had been in declining health for many months, but had been seriously ill for only about three weeks. Mrs. Carr was Miss Mamie Parish before her marriage. She was a native of Orange county, where she was born about 63 years ago. Much sympathy is felt for General Carr, which was attested by the abundant floral offerings and the large attendance at the funeral service, which was held in Durham on Saturday. The local correspondent reporting Mrs. Carr's death says: "Mrs. Carr has made Durham her home for the past forty years and is known and loved by the whole of the city. She was a woman who was active in any work for the uplift of the community or for the betterment of the town. She was for many years a member of Trinity Methodist church, and that institution will feel her loss very keenly. She was modest and retiring by nature, but those who knew her well loved her best."

Lewisville Circuit.—We began a meeting at Concord August 1st, which continued eleven days. Rev. J. C. Mock assisted us. Great good was accomplished in the name of the Master. The church was revived and nineteen professed faith in Christ.

Thursday, August 12, we met our Sharon congegation. Here Rev. J. N. Patton of Hickory delivered a series of thirteen sermons. By these the church was aroused to see her duty and admonished to renew her covenant and press forward in the Christian warfare.

J. E. McSwain.

Derita.—On last Wednesday night, August 18, we closed a ten days' meeting at Derita, the pastor doing the preaching; services were held only at night. Derita is a Presbyterian community. There are not more than twenty-five Methodists in and out of the church. Our congregations were largely composed of the Presbyterian element.

The meeting was a success. More than fifty were re-dedicated, reclaimed, or converted. Sunday night's service was a memorable one; the presence of the Spirit was manifest to all present. He was there with convicting and converting power on Tuesday and Wednesday nights also.

Yesterday we took four men into the church. One of them was baptized with four of his children.

W. B. West.

West Concord.—You may say for us that we have built an addition to our church this year in the way of a two-story Sunday school annex. This was made possible by the untiring efforts of our two organized Wesley classes. This gives us five more separate class rooms.

We now have more Sunday school accommodations than any school in this part of the town. Some of my people thought that we could not build this year on account of the times, but we did build and now we are all proud we did.

This is a loyal congregation here at Kerr St. We have added 43 to the roll here this year and with our tent meeting to begin here in September, we hope to make it 100 by conference.

Yours truly,

R. K. Brady.

Pastors and Official Boards—Take Notice

Return postals are being sent to all pastors asking for information, from which the Board of Missions will publish in the Advocate about September 9th the financial exhibit of each charge up to September 1st. Prompt response is respectfully solicited.

W. H. Willis.

Great Revival at Ball's Creek

Please stop your press and change your forms in order to say to your readers that we have just had the greatest revival ever held at Ball's Creek Camp Ground. There were more than two hundred conversions, nearly one hundred of whom gave their names for church membership. I regard this the supreme victory of the year. Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick and Rev. M. T. Smathers led the services.

Fraternally yours,

L. T. Mann.

Statesville, N. C.

Thanks to Mr. Duke

It is very becoming in us and a beautiful step we take to thank Mr. Duke through the Advocate for his munificent gift to us superannuates. And let us thank God for such noble, Christian men and for the earthly treasures He entrusts them with.

Let us hope that in these times of superannuate need the donation will be distributed to the conference claimants.

Some good day a Duke Home for worn-out preachers will be built in every presiding elder District. Let this be our faith.

S. M. Davis.

J. J. Eads and His Work

It was my pleasure last week to visit home people and my old home church, Rocky Mount, on the Troutman Circuit. To go back after some years have passed and walk again over grounds of sacred memory and to kneel at the old altar of one's childhood, to mingle with

those who are left and think of those who have gone home to glory, is indeed a great pleasure and privilege.

But I started to speak of Bro. Ead's work. He is preaching the old-time doctrines of the gospel in such a way as God does and will honor. His two sermons on Hell, or "The Eternal Destiny of the Wicked," are the strongest I have ever heard, not excepting Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman's sermon, "Is There a Hell?" Eads does not even ask the question, is there such a place or state, but proceeds to preach it. I was glad to see that by such preaching as he can do and by his deep earnestness and politeness of action, Bro. Eads is getting even a better hold on his people. May God continue to bless Troutman charge and his servant, the pastor.

J. O. Ervin.

Some Pertinent Questions

"About 215 were saved and reclaimed and a goodly number received the Holy Spirit."

The above quotation is taken from Bro. Newsom's report of the meetings held by Bro. Green and himself. Now I just what to ask; does not one receive the Holy Spirit when saved or reclaimed? or does the Holy Spirit come to one in conversion and depart to return again at some future time to do a second work or finish the one already begun? Jesus said to Nicodemus, who was not converted at that time, "Ye must be born from above." "That which is born of the spirit is spirit." He taught Nicodemus that sinners are united to Him by the Spirit. Conversion is the Spirit's work. The scriptures teach that He abides with the believers. If so, and one becomes a believer at conversion, in what sense does one receive the Holy Spirit at some future time?

Are not such statements as the one quoted above confusing, unsafe and unscriptural?

The Holy Spirit makes fuller displays of His goodness and graciousness to the believer as he more perfectly follows His guidance, but He never leaves the believer and so does not have to return to him. The believer does not receive the Holy Spirit anew. The believer always has the Holy Spirit. His body is the temple of the Holy Ghost.

Let us be careful to promote only sane, safe and sound evangelism. D. F. Carver.

A Home for Aged Sisters
Some Religious Denominations Have Them—Others Do Not.

The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has not a home for the aged sisters of the church.

There are those who have been honored members of the church, have worked in some of the different organizations of the church, have been Sunday school teachers, have given of their means to help support the church; they are old and feeble, perhaps able to help themselves, have only a small income, not sufficient to keep house; others have no income, and the small sum they receive from the church is not sufficient to support them.

In the case of a widow being left, who has children, they mostly care for their mother, as is the case with the writer—she is taken care of. But there are some who have no children living, and have outlived nearly all relatives,—perhaps some distant ones who would rather contribute to the support of the Home than take her into theirs.

We could give many instances that have come under our notice, where the old and last resource for the aged Christian woman is the County Home. Does not that sound cold?

Will not some good brother or sister who intends to leave a sum of money to some charitable object give it now in their life, and come to the help of God's poor by putting a building on the grounds of the Children's Home in Winston-Salem? S.

Winston-Salem, N. C.

Appreciation

Mrs. Mary Langston Dobbins, daughter of George M. and Amanda Patterson Langston, was born April 6, 1874, in Laurens county, S. C. She was married to Belvie Jackson Dobbins September 2, 1896. As a result of this union six children were born and survive; viz., Leroy, Willie, Bilvie J., Jr., Heyward, James Wilson, and two daughters, Mamie and Genevieve. At the age of fourteen years she joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at Patterson's Chapel, Laurens county, South Carolina. She died April 15, 1915, at Caroleen, N. C.

The writer having been her pastor for three years, is permitted to speak the more freely concerning her. Mrs. Mary Dobbins was the kind of woman for the lack of which the world is suffering much at this very hour. First of all, she was a home-builder. It mattered not to her that the husband's business and financial standing opened the door to "society." Wisely enough she preferred to spend her time and energy in making her husband happy and in the proper upbringing of her children.

Deftly did she twine and weave the roses of heaven into these lives. Quietly but powerfully did she help to mold the lives of scores of other little ones entrusted to her in the Sunday school. Keenly interested in her loved ones, the church and her friends to the last, we prefer to believe she is no less interested in all of us yet and will daily beckon us to the "land that is fairer than day."

J. Frank Armstrong.

Would You Believe It?

E. H. Rawlings

In 1890, 25 years ago, the per capita foreign mission assessment upon the Church was 29 cents. From 1890 to 1914 the aggregate assessment increased from $350,000 to $400,000 only. But since the membership of the church was increasing so much more rapidly all the time, of course the per capita assessment was decreasing, till in 1914 the per capita assessment was less than 20 cents. Now, in the twenty-four years intervening from 1890 to 1914, the assessment for every other claim of the Church had been increased, going forward for superannuates an aggregate of 100 per cent., for Conference Missions 200 per cent., and for Church Extension 248 per cent. But since, as we have seen above, the assessment for foreign missions in the same twenty-four years had increased in the aggregate so little—just 15 per cent.—the per capita had decreased 30 per cent.

To be sure, the income of the Mission Board has greatly increased, and from two causes: (1) The Woman's Missionary Society has developed its work very largely in twenty-five years and makes a good offering; and (2) a few churches, disregarding the assessment,—maybe 700 in all, are paying liberal Specials. But the Woman's Missionary Society reaches only a very small section of the Church's membership, and while 700 churches are paying Specials, about 16,000 that do not pay Specials are still working at the assessment, and only at the assessment.

This then is what the present situation in the Church with reference to the missionary assessment means: Over against the greatest missionary opportunity the world ever saw, nine-tenths of our churches that pay, and only try to pay, the assessment as the ultimate goal of their missionary endeavor—at the end of the greatest missionary generation the world ever saw, in 1914 nine-tenths of our loved Southern Methodism were not only doing less per member, but doing 25 per cent. less for the world's evangelization than at its beginning.

That is why in 1914 the Foreign Mission assessment was increased to 25 cents a member, and why, since that 25 cents a member is 4 cents less than it was 25 years ago, little or no complaint has been made through the Church against the little raise of 5 cents a member; and why, mainly, at the present moment it begins to look as if the membership of the Church, awaking to the real situation,, will meet without grudging this small advance and we are hoping that the largest per centage on the assessment, even in this war year, will be paid that was ever paid in our history.

Nashville, Tenn., August 18, 1915.

Missionary Notes from Field Secretary

Mills River Ct.—R. F. Huneycutt, P. E.—Horse Shoe, $67.00 on assessments; Mills River, $103.57 on assessments; Avery Creek, $21.00 on assessments; Sardis, $47.91 on assessments.

The Executive Committee of the Board of Missions in its classification of the charges of the Conference put the Mills River Circuit in Class "B" for next year, and instructed the Missionary Secretary to raise $50.00 to offer the Circuit on condition it would raise another $50.00 to make the preacher's salary $700.00. When I approached Mr. A. Cannon, of Horse Shoe, about enabling the Board to make this offer, he stated that he was set for the $700.00 this year and was going to give $100.00 of it.

This is fine. Our Board is more than willing that Key men lead the charges to adequate support of their preachers directly rather than making it possible for the Board to do so out of an emergency fund.

This fund is sorely needed with which to open new work.

Brother Cannon will undertake the "B" classification of his circuit at the fourth quarterly conference—that is, to raise it from the "C" class of $600.00, the lowest, to $700.00.

Are there not at least one hundred laymen in the Conference who will stand for a similar advance?

Remember the Conference resolution for a minimum salary of $800.00 for married preachers and $600.00 for single men.

The Sunday school at Horse Shoe will undertake to raise $100.00 special for a native worker for Korea. May this forward step at Horse Shoe arouse the school at Mills River and elsewhere to awake to the possibilities that lie all around them.

Flat Rock Circuit.—A. Burgess, P. C.—$40.00 Foreign Mission special, by Mrs. Isabella Straton. This is a part of a widow's tithe. She has reared her children in a hosiery mill. After the death of her husband, her oldest son was drowned. She has a comfortable little home. Some of her children are happily married. She is zealous for her Lord's work.

Brevard Station.—W. M. Robbins, P. C.—$60.00 Conference Mission Special.

Brevard Circuit.—C. M. Carpenter, P. C.—Pine Grove, $25.00 Conference Mission Special. Rosman, $87.50 on assessments, $80.00 Conferencee Mission Special. Lake Toxaway, $15.00 on assessments. East Fork, $5.00 on assessments.

Fairview Circuit.—E. B. Troy, P. C.—Patty's Chapel (Fletcher's), $116.00 on assessments. Tweed's Chapel, $58.00 on assessments. Fairview, $44.25 on assessments. Sharon, $17.00 on assessments.

The new church at Fairview is nearing completion. More foresight is needed in locating churches. Fairview has churches all around her. This is our first in the town. At Fletcher's the town people go a mile and a half to our church in the country. The good roads movement means ultimately village life to the country and fewer churches.

Wide awake pastors will study new railways and highways and the probable center of new community life before locating new churches.

"On assessments" means all the Conference collections.

A brother preacher said to me the other day, "I am convinced now that the every-member, personal canvass by the pastor is the thing." Of course it is where the committee has not been developed. In either case, in most of our charges it is the only hope for getting the collections in full. And where it is begun in time and pressed to a finish it will yield the desired results.

Brother pastors, don't put off getting the assessment pledged to the last. Conference collections and pastors' salaries pressed at once make too great a strain on the average charge and defeat each other.

Get collections secured by all means before Septmber 1st, or 15th at the latest.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

GIVE YE THEM TO EAT

"Give ye them to eat."
Not I, Lord—surely, Lord, not I?
Thou see'st my scanty store, and
know'st if I had more
'Twould be a joy to give, a joy com-
plete.
But these poor loaves, and fishes few,
Dear Lord, how vain to try with these
to make supply
For all the hungry multitudes now in
Thy view.

"Bring them to me," the Master said.
I bring them, Lord—I place in Thy
dear hand
All that I have that may mean bread
To those who perish if they be not
fed,
And with bowed head before Thee,
Lord, I stand.

My little store so incomplete, behold!
He blesses it,
Then gives it back to me, and I give
them to eat;
And still give more and more,
Nor think me of the scanty store,
But only that my Lord has blessed
my feeble word,
Or humble gift, or prayer, and suffers
me to share
With Him the blessing sweet of giv-
ing them to eat—
To eat from an exhaustless store,
which, blessed by Him,
Shall feed forevermore the hungry
multitude.

—Selected.

PRAYER CYCLE FOR AUGUST

Motto.—"Ye also helping together by prayer for us." (2 Cor. 1:2.)

Topic.—"Cuba, Cubans."

"Every Christian is by his calling a missionary—one sent. * * * He is a home missionary and also a foreign missionary. * * * Through the whole world his affections will travel, and over all nations he will spread his prayers." (Charles E. Jefferson.)

August 1-7

Pray for Cuba, that it may have the open Bible and the Christian Sabbath, that it may be freed from superstition and idol worship, and that morality may be established and the marriage vow be kept. Pray that it may become in national life what it is in physical surroundings—the "Pearl of the Antilles." Pray that we of the United States may come to recognize our responsibility in espousing its cause and that we may send Christian teachers and preachers who will point out the way of truth and light.

August 8-15

Pray for the government schools of Cuba, that the standards of efficiency and morality may become higher and the teachings of the Man of Galilee be set forth. Pray that all Church schools may be centers of life and light and for our own by name. Pray that from them shall come strong Christian young men and women who shall be leaders in the nation's government and that from them shall go a spiritual influence which shall permeate the life of the people.

August 16-23

Pray for the teachers and missionaries in our own schools in Cuba and in Cuban schools in Florida by name, that they may have health of mind and body and that they may faithfully study the child life committed to them. Pray that they may bring these children into knowledge of and right relationship with Christ. Pray that they may live the Christ life they teach and leave its impress on every young life.

August 24-30

Pray for the boys and girls in our schools, that they may yield themselves to Christian teaching and find in Christ "the One altogether lovely." Pray that they may give their hearts to him and that many of them will be called to lead their own people out of the bondage of igonrance and immorality into the liberty of truth. Pray that through them Cuba may become Christian in her politics and that from our Cuban schools in Florida the pupils may go out to be strong Christian citizens.

A NEW WORD ABOUT THE VOICE

We take pleasure in sending to the women of the Church a new word about the Missionary Voice.

Mrs. E. B. Chappell, of Nashville, Tenn., has been elected editor of the pages bearing upon the woman's work and, with Mr. Eleazer, the managing editor, is making enthusiastic plans for the improvement of the paper.

Articles bearing upon the topics in the Yearbook will continue to appear monthly in "Our Own Land" and in "Regions Beyond"; and the "Home Base" will contain the program, the Bible lesson, and helpful plans and methods of auxiliary work.

No effort will be spared to make the Voice indispensible to the women of the auxiliaries and interesting and valuable to all the men and women of the Church who are interested in the religious activities of our day.

The success of the Missionary Voice depends upon the co-operation of the pastors, the earnestness and fidelity of the agents in the auxiliaries, and the loyalty of the members of the Church. We appreciate this co-operation and bespeak a like effort, with even greater enthusiasm, for the future. Subscribe for the Voice! Read the Voice!! Work for the Voice!!! Help to make it the best missionary magazine published by any board. — Missionary Voice.

GROWTH OF WOMAN'S FOREIGN WORK

The Woman's Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, opened its first work in China in 1878, sending to that field Miss Lochie Rankin, who is still an effective member of the mission. In 1881 work was opened in Brazil by Miss Martha Watts, and the same year Miss Rebecca Toland began Mexican work at Laredo. The society entered Korea in 1898, Mrs. J. P. Campbell being transferred to that field from China.

At the end of the first sixteen years the Woman's Board reported sixteen missionaries, four boarding schools with seven hundred and fifty-eight pupils, fifty-two native helpers, six Bible women, one hospital treating one thousand seven hundred and fifty-one patients, two medical missionaries, and property valued at $60,000.

Twenty years later the Foreign Department of Woman's Work reports forty-seven missionaries, nine boarding schools, forty-three day schools, two thousand and seventy-two pupils, a hospital treating six thousand seven hundred and twenty-four patients, a medical school, a nurse-training school, a kindergarten training school, and property valued at $214,105.

CHURCH-WIDE CAMPAIGN

A movement in which every woman in Southern Methodism should be greatly interested just now is the Church-Wide Campaign inaugurated by the Woman's Missionary Council at the recent meeting at Little Rock, Ark. Not only is the support and co-operation of every council and conference officer and each District Secretary necessary to bring about a successful result in this campaign, but the co-operation of every individual member in each auxiliary is very necessary for the organization of new societies and the enlistment of our many unenlisted women in this great missionary work.

We hope very soon to present through our columns plans that are being formulated, whereby the women of our own conference may get suggestions for carrying forward this campaign. In the meantime, let each one of us be much in prayer and faithfully working for an increase in the membership of our auxiliaries. Some of our auxiliaries in the conference are already at work. Many of them have adopted the every-member canvass, and gratifying results come to us through this plan. The formation of prayer circles are helpful in this great work. Let us work with the assurance that our efforts will succeed!

ITEMS FROM AUGUST BULLETIN

We Have Made a Wonderful Beginning

The enthusiastic adoption of the plans for our Membership and Organization Campaign has borne ringing testimony to the loving interest in the missionary work which fills the hearts of many of the women of the Church. The officers of the great majority of the Conferences have laid definite plans for projecting the campaign throughout their borders, and hundreds of district secretaries have begun to put into operation the part of the work committed to them. Volunteers have offered for organizing new societies and canvassing for new members. Everywhere there have been a hearty willingness and a joyousness in the campaign plan that speak loudly of loving devotion to the cause. No one but the Home Base Secretary knows how enthusiastic and general is the interest and how varied and original are the plans that are being used by the workers in the different Conferences.

The Next Word is Persist

And the scripture for it is: "Let us not be weary in well-doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not." This is the real testing time of our zeal. To plan a schedule of endeavor is only the beginning of the enterprise. To persistently push forward through the obstacles that are sure to arise in our paths, to overcome the temptation to discouragement, to face seeming defeat, and to renew the attack with courage when the effort has seemed unavailing—this is the real battle and is the only hope of victory. The great necessity for this effort is as imperative as it was at the beginning. We cannot diminish our efforts. The Master is counting on this work and is pledged to its success. Let us keep our eyes upon him and our ears open to his commands and go forward. Nothing is too hard to do in his strength and power.

The Campaign a Revival

Shall we women of Southern Methodism not come during these days of active effort for our Master into a closer fellowship with him than we have ever known before? We are not doing this work to carry out a plan of our own. The cause is his, and as we work for it we are working with him for a lost world. It is our privilege and opportunity at this time of special service to feel his great heart throbs of love for the world and to have an experience of partnership with him as we call upon him for power and wisdom for our service. Those of us who truly work with him and for him shall be strengthened in faith and shall have our love kindled anew. A campaign like this should be a revival throughout our entire Church, because the effort to enlist women in the missionary service should be also an earnest effort to win them to consecration to the Master. This is the real need. When this is done there will be no indifference to his cause, no lack of zeal in his service. O that there may be in every heart an appreciation of the real meaning of our campaign and a deep consecration of heart and life to him whom we are serving!

THE TWO GREATEST WARS

By J. Campbell White

The European War

1. Twenty million soldiers in physical peril.
2. One million men killed in first six months.
3. Cost to kill a man, about $3500
4. Cost of European War, about $40,000,000 daily.
5. Fighting strength of armies over 20,000,000.
6. Develops hatred.
7. Is destructive.
8. Settles nothing finally.

The World War

1. Fifty times twenty million people in spiritual bondage and death.
2. Two million people die every month in heathen lands.
3. Cost to give the gospel to the world, about $2.00 per person.
4. Expended in world war about $35,000,000 annually.
5. Total missionary force, 12,000 men and 12,000 women.
6. Promotes friendliness.
7. Is constructive.
8. Establishes Christ's enduring Kingdom and ultimately eliminates all war.—Isaiah 2:2-4.

Will the Church make a serious effort to put its world war on something approaching an adequate basis?

What Basis Is Adequate?

1,000 millions of people in the non-Christian world await Christ's offer of salvation.

600 millions of these are in territory occupied by American missionaries.

10,000 missionaries represent North America in all the world, of whom 5,500 are women, or a total of only one missionary out of 2,500 Church members. Every one of these missionaries has an average parish of 60,000 souls.

14,000 more missionaries from America would be required to reduce the average parish to 25,000 for each missionary.

$17,168,000 contributed by North American Churches in 1914 for work abroad, against over $300,000,000 expended by the Church in America for all purposes.

$50,000,000 needed annually to evangelize our share of the world in this generation. This amount annually for twenty-five years would be a total of only two dollars expended for each person to be reached with the gospel message. How many times two dollars is your knowledge of Christ worth to you?

This Fifty Millions of Dollars Can Be Provided

If 20 millions out of the 24 millions of Protestant Church members would give 5 cents a week, or

If 10 millions would give 10 cents a week, or

If 5 millions would give 20 cents a week, or

If 2 millions would give 50 cents a week, or

If 1 million would give $1.00 a week.

Probably the best and quickest way to do it would be to get 500,000 shares underwritten at one dollar a week (or fifty dollars a year), making a total of $25,000,000, and secure the other half by the smaller subscriptions which already aggregate over $17,000,000 annually. How many shares at fifty dollars each will you take? How many shares can you get others to take? This should be in addition to what you are now subscribing to the entire missionary and benevolent budget of your own Church.

BLYMYER CHURCH BELLS. UNLIKE OTHER BELLS SWEETER, MORE DURABLE, LOWER PRICE. OUR FREE CATALOGUE TELLS WHY. Write to Cincinnati Bell Foundry Co., Cincinnati, O.

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

NOW IS THE TIME TO PAY YOUR DUES

By Fred Lawrence

(The Editors heartily indorse the sentiment of these verses, which well express a need of both Central Office and local Chapters.)

Now, Leaguers, we've a song to sing
And hope you won't refuse,
When you have heard the simple rhyme,
To come and pay your dues.

Pay up your dues, don't wait at all;
The Treasurer suffers from the blues.
No matter what you leave undone,
Be sure to pay your dues.

We have to have the ready cash
To speed us on our way;
We cannot run the League's good work
On promises to pay.

The Treasurer is a Leaguer brave;
He's steadfast, good, and true;
And if you treat him as you should,
He'll do the same by you.

So if you want to push the work,
To gain and never lose,
Be quick, get ready with the cash,
And kindly pay your dues.
Hackett, Ark.

SEPTEMBER 5: EPWORTH LEAGUE RALLY DAY

Aims

1. To start a membership campaign.

2. To enroll members in the Quiet Hour, the Fellow Workers' and the Stewardship Covenants.

3. To increase the circulation of the Epworth Era.

4. To propose a plan of work for the year.

Too Big a Program?

(By the leader.)

Is this too big a program for the average League Chapter? Most assuredly not. A program not heavy enough to cause some one to question its practicability is not likely to bring the Chapter to undertake a worthy task.

The four aims proposed lie close to the heart of the Epworth League. Without a positive plan to work resolutely in the direction in which each of them points, no Chapter can attain efficiency. The simplicity of the points themselves is the best sort of encouragement to accept the whole program.

The Membership Campaign

Sitting in the morning session of one of the largest Epworth League Conferences last June, the General Secretary of the Board of Missions remarked, with a fine show of appreciation: "There ought to be half a million young people in the Epworth League."

Do you agree with Dr. Pinson? Then why not swing your Chapter into line to secure its fair share of new members? There are 125,000 members of the Epworth League at present. We need 365,000 additional enrollment to make the half million. How many should it be possible to secure for your Chapter? Set the mark high; and then "go after them" in a determined, statesmanlike way.

"Determination is easy enough," say some, "but statesmanship is difficult." Apply the following principles in the work of seeking new members:

1. Send the Leaguer out after his friend. The interest of one friend in another will be more effective than much labored argument and begging by a stranger or even by a committee.

2. Give reasons for joining the League that will have in them a permanent instead of a momentary appeal. For example, the invitation to join the League in order to swell the ranks of the "Whites" or the "Golds" merely may gain a "joiner," but hardly a "sticker." We want stickers. Present the value of the League for high comradeship, for self-improvement in mental discipline and in the art of expression, and for the widest and wisest service in co-operation with other young people.

3. Make all the activities of the Chapter attractive to non-members. This can be done by devoting time to preparation and arrangement and by putting thought and patient counsel into every event, not simply special occasions. Something being done in an efficient way by enthusiastic young people will invariably win new members.

4. Persistently repeat the invitation to join. The intelligently enthusiastic Leaguer will not be daunted by refusal after refusal. The aim is to win a new member, not simply to score an invitation delivered. Send several persons, one after another at proper intervals, to keep the matter fresh in the mind of the person sought. Persistence is one of the best signs of earnestness. Tactfully employed, it is almost irresistible.

5. Invite Sunday school classes of Senior and Intermediate grades to join the League in a body. Try to influence these classes to adopt the policy of urging every new member to join the League without delay.

6. Set every recruit at once to some piece of work that he can do. It is a mistake to require too many things or too difficult duties of new members, but no single one should be left without some important thing to do. This is one of the most serious and solemn tasks of the Council.

7. Pray for new members. This is not put last because it is of least importance, but because it ought to be present in every other kind of effort employed. Prayer will do more to make Epworthians go out after new members, it will do more to sustain them in the campaign, and it will exert a mightier drawing power upon non-members than any other activity possible.

The Covenants

The Epworth League covenants offer a perfectly simple method of getting every member busily employed upon a definite task:

1. The Quiet Hour Covenant is a solemn agreement on the part of Epworthians to devote some definite time every day to the study of the Bible and to prayer. It ought to include every member of the Chapter. A well-worked-out plan enables the young person of least experience to be entirely faithful to the covenant.

2. The Fellow Workers' Covenant is an agreement on the part of Epworthians to try to win persons to Jesus Christ. In the nature of things its membership is more limited than that of the Quiet Hour Covenant, and yet every thriving Chapter ought to take special interest in enlarging the membership of this covenant.

3. The Stewardship Covenant is an agreement among Epworth Leaguers to give a tenth of their income to the cause of Jesus Christ. This covenant has fewer members than either of the other two. Ought this to be true? Is there not a fine opportunity in your Chapter to form a Stewardship Covenant with a good membership?

Folders explaining how to conduct all these covenants and cards for enrolling members may be had by addressing the Epworth Era, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

Wesleyan College

Macon, Georgia

Founded in 1836. Graduated its First Class in 1840. Seventy-nine Years of Eminent Success. Ranks Easily With the Best Colleges in the Country.

THE WESLEYAN, an "A" grade college in the truest sense, offers courses in the languages, literature, mathematics, the sciences, philosophy, education, history and economics, household arts and sciences, the Bible and religious education. The full four years of college work are credited by the best universities. Excellent equipment and a large faculty afford ample opportunity for election of preferred branches of study.

While supreme emphasis is laid upon the courses leading to the Bachelor's degree, the strongest possible departments of music, art and expression are maintained.

Fourteen eminent American artists and teachers are employed in the Conservatory of Music. The three men at the head of the departments of piano, voice and pipe organ respectively, are unsurpassed on the continent, while the violin teacher is easily the South's greatest.

The departments of expression, painting and drawing and china painting are in charge of several teachers of rare qualifications.

The situation of Wesleyan is ideal, its health record practically perfect, its social and moral atmosphere delightful.

The Wesleyan diploma is the highest academic honor. The thousands of alumnae are leaders everywhere and in every realm of woman's influence.

Write

C. R. JENKINS, D. D., President.

EMORY UNIVERSITY

An institution founded, owned, and controlled by the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

The University offers at present courses leading to degrees in the following departments:

1. **The School of Liberal Arts**—Emory College—offers courses in English, Spanish, French, German, Greek, Latin, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Mental and Moral Science, History, Political Economy, and Biblical Literature, leading to the usual literary degrees. This department has a library of 40,000 bound volumes.

2. **The School of Theology**—The Candler School of Theology—offers full and varied courses leading to the degree of B. D. This is a school of theology, as definite in its teaching as it is definite in its aim to serve the church to which it belongs. The library of the School of Theology is rich and grows richer daily. To it belongs the famous "Thursfield-Smith Collection of Wesleyana," which includes hundreds of the autograph letters of the Wesleys and other Methodist celebrities.

3. **The School of Medicine**—The Atlanta Medical College—a medical school of the first grade which offers courses in medicine and surgery covering four years, and leading to the degree of M. D. By arrangement with the Grady Hospital, the Municipal Hospital of Atlanta, and the Wesley Memorial Hospital, which is a part of the University system, the School of Medicine is able to offer clinical advantages of great value to students.

For bulletins, giving full information concerning the University, and its several departments, write to

WALKER WHITE, Secretary-Bursar,
Emory University Atlanta, Georgia.

Business Preparation—Thorough instruction in Bookkeeping, Banking, Accounting, Shorthand, Typewriting, etc.—rendered at minimum cost in shortest time. *Either school or home courses.* Good paying positions secured on completion of either.

Write for our illustrated catalogue and learn how this school is equipped to make something of you in the business world. Address
S. P. BROWN, President, LYNCHBURG, VA.

VIRGINIA COMMERCIAL AND SHORTHAND COLLEGE

Methodist Benevolent Association

A Mutual Benefit Brotherhood for Southern Methodists. Issues Whole Life, 20-Premium Life, Term to 60, and Disability Certificates. **Benefits** payable at **death, old age, or disability.** Over $152,000.00 paid to **widows, orphans,** and **disabled.** Over $40,000.00 reserve fund. Write for rates, blanks, etc. ***J. H. Shumaker, Secretary, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.***

The Epworth Era

In three years the Epworth Era has increased in circulation from nine thousand to twenty thousand copies. The General Conference of 1914 put an additional burden upon the Era by charging to its account the salary of the assistant editor. A circulation of twenty-five thousand copies will enable the Era to meet its increased obligation with a surplus.

For a business reason, then, it is important to secure many new subscribers for the Era. A better reason, however, is that the Era is necessary to efficiency in Epworth League work. As an examination of any number of the magazine cannot fail to convince one of its value to the individual as well as to the Chapter as a whole. It should be the definite and steady aim of every Epworth League to put the Era in every home represented in its membership.

The Policy

A written outline of the main things the Chapter intends to do during the year is called the policy of the Chapter. In one of the best Epworth League conferences held last summer only half a dozen out of some forty Chapters represented claimed to follow any policy at all. Such a state of affairs is to be regretted. More than that, it ought not to be tolerated. A major point in the Standard of Efficiency authorized by the General Board is "a written policy for the year." This season, then, ought to see the beginning, in hundreds of Chapters, of the practice of following a well-considered policy for the year. It should be a matter of pride and of conscience with every Chapter Council to make this a leading feature or their administration.

Write to the Epworth Era for a copy of "The League Workshop," which tells how to prepare and how to follow a policy. Do this in time and get your policy ready to be proposed at the meeting of the League.

Suggested Order of Service for the Meeting

Song: "Awake, Jerusalem, Awake" (standing).

Prayer (kneeling).

Song: "Arm of the Lord, Awake."

Apostles' Creed.

Scripture reading (responsively): Ephesians vi. 10-20.

Leader's talk.

Song: "Be Strong! We Are Not Here."

Talk (by member). "How to Get New Members."

Song: "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

Talk: "The Covenant" (by First and Fourth Department superintendents).

Prayer.

Talk: "Doubling the Number of Subscribers to the Era" (by the Era agent).

Talk: "Our Policy" (by the President).

Song.

Talk by the pastor.

Benediction.

HERE'S PERMANENT WORK FOR YOU, in the State of North Carolina, with an old-established institution whose fame is nation-wide. The work requires sober, industrious men; the position is as good as you make it. Liberal commissions paid.

Box 789, Raleigh, N. C.

MURINE FOR YOUR EYES

Murine is prepared by our Physicians, as used for many years in their practice, now dedicated to the Public and sold by Your Druggist. Try Murine to Refresh, Cleanse, and Strengthen Eyes after exposure to Strong Sunlight, Wind and Dust and to restore healthful tone to Eyes Reddened and made Sore by Overwork and Eye Strain.

Some broadminded Physicians use and recommend Murine while others perhaps jealous of its Success, talk and rush into print in opposition; those whose Eyes need care can guess why, as there is no Prescription fee in Murine. Just hand your Druggist 50c and you have a Complete Pkg. Eye Book—Murine—Dropper—and Cork Screw—ready for use. Try it in your Eyes and in Baby's Eyes for Eye Troubles—No Smarting—Just Eye Comfort. Write for Book of the Eye Free.

Murine Eye Remedy Company, Chicago

SUGGESTIONS TO CONFERENCE MISSIONARY SECRETARIES REGARDING THE CHINA SPECIAL

By an agreement between the Board of Missions and the Sunday School Board, China is assigned to the Sunday schools as their special missionary object for the Conference year 1915-16. The agreement is embodied in a resolution adopted by the Mission Board and by the Executive Committee of the Sunday School Board, which reads as follows:

"Be it Resolved,—

"That in the assignment of Mission Specials to Sunday schools for the year 1915-1916, emphasis be laid upon the China Mission, and that while schools may continue to take specials in all other fields, our leading cultivation, so far as our Foreign Work is concerned, shall be for China and with the understanding that specials taken for China do not count on the missionary assessment upon the congregation."

Helps for the Special Cultivation Proposed

1. The topic of our program in the Missionary Messenger for December will be "China," and, probably, specific phases of China's need wil be presented in other monthly programs through the year.

2. The topic of the December denominational uniform lesson will be China, and probably one other quarterly lesson will be devoted to China.

3. Pictures on China, sets of picture cards and curios.

4. Stereopticon lecture with views to the minute.

5. A new illustrated leaflet entitled, "A Handful of Facts for China."

6. A map of China with our stations marked.

7. An optional quarter of lessons on China specially prepared for this plan of cultivation and arranged in four grades, viz., Beginners, Juniors, Intermediates and Adults.

Things Conference Secretaries May Do to Promote China Special

1. Secure endorsement and co-operation of Conference Boards.

2. Get plan enthusiastically before Annual Conference session.

3. Handle Annual Conference Streamer.

4. Get plan before the Midyear Meeting so as to secure co-operation of Presiding Elders.

5. Make plan for China the outstanding feature in the Presiding Elder's institute and district campaign.

6. Write up plan in Conference organ.

7. Arrange itinerary of Sunday schools for the China stereopticon lecture.

8. Cultivate pastors and superintendents through—

(1) Board's literature,
(2) Special Conference literature,
(3) Special corespondence,
(4) Visitation of Sunday schools.

Objective

1. A Quarter's Study Course on China in every Sunday school.

2. Intelligent and definite prayer for China in every school.

3. A liberal special offering for China in every school.

Among the questions considered at the late meeting of the Conference Mission Secretaries none aroused quite the enthusiasm as the foregoing which sets forth the policy of the General Board adopted at its last meeting of missions in the Sunday schools.

This plan was unanimously endorsed and I was instructed to bring it at once to the attention of our Conference.

Frank Siler.

This is the mark of **HIGH QUALITY** in ready-to-wear garments for women and children. Honest work, best materials, correct styles. Ask your dealer for **GRIMBALL GARMENTS** and verify the trade mark.

GRIMBALL GARMENTS
SPARTANBURG S.C.

GRIMBALL MFG. COMPANY,
Spartanburg, S. C.

LITTLE DROPS OF WATER

Little drops of water,
Little grains of sand,
Make the mighty ocean,
And the pleasant land.
So the little moments,
Humble though they be,
Make the mighty ages
Of eternity.
Little deeds of kindness,
Little words of love,
Help to make earth happy,
Like the heaven above.

—Julia A. Fletcher.

THE OUT-OF-DOOR BOY

The out-of-door boy is the fellow for me
Who finds a companion in mountain and sea;
Who likes to go camping, who likes to be near
His good mother nature all through the long year.
Who never complains when a rough spot is met,
Whose flag at the masthead of honor is set,
in his play,
Who has an ambition to better each day.
The boy who loves nature, and all that she lends,
And with all creatures living is bound to be friends—
He may not be huntsman or fisher, and still
Be prince of the river and king of the hill.
The out-of-door boy is the fellow for me,
Who betters his pastimes, whatever they be;
May he grow in his numbers till every boy
Is an out-of-door scholar, partaking its joy.

—Selected.

FOR SALE—8-room house on Main St., including four-acre tract and two front lots. Good barn and convenient out-houses. Terms reasonable. For particulars address

Mrs. Lou C. Goode,
Rutherford College, N. C.

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS

Learn Shorthand

By Mail in 30 Days at my Expense

Send no money. Get my **free lessons.** I do not claim to fit you for a position in thirty days. Nobody can do that. But with my system, you can learn to write in Shorthand with very little effort. That first instruction is **absolutely free.** Then, if you wish to take further instruction, I will give you a **positive guarantee** to refund your money at the end of a specified time if you are not entirely satisfied. Could anything be fairer?

I have taught shorthand for many years. I have taught a dozen different systems. These include nearly all the new and so-called "simple" systems. But I went back to the original Pitman System—and improved on it. I now teach the **Pratt-Pitmanic System,** and I want to prove to you, at my expense, that it is the best. My great success is due to a **new and original method of instruction by mail.**

Positions at Good Salaries

Shorthand is a great advantage to everybody. For a young man or woman there is nothing equal to it. It will give you a start in life and an opportunity for rapid advancement. Many of my students have secured **splendid positions.** The demand for stenographers is increasing. You are practically certain to get a satisfactory salary if you take my course in shorthand. **Become a court stenographer** or fit yourself for other high class positions.

Free Typewriter Instruction

Every one of my students can have a course in typewriting absolutely free. If you do not own a typewriter, I will rent you one for six months for $10; or for $30 I will sell you a rebuilt visible machine that I cannot tell from a new $100 machine.

If you are ambitious and in earnest and really want to learn shorthand, send at once for FREE Lessons. A postal card will do. Simply say: "Send free lessons."

E. D. PRATT 1011 Pratt Bldg. CHICAGO

LETTERS THAT INSPIRE CONFIDENCE

I wish very much that every reader of the N. C. Christian Advocate could spend sufficient time in my office to read the thousands of letters which I have received from all parts of the country. I have printed several hundreds of them in a booklet, but I wish you could see the originals, for I would like for you to realize the wonderful results which they report in the relief of dyspepsia, indigestion, persistent headache, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney, bladder and liver diseases, uric acid poisoning and other conditions due to impure blood.

Before my own health was restored by Shivar Mineral Water and I purchased this Spring, and before I received all of these letters from sufferers, I didn't take very much stock in advertisements like this. I therefore can not blame you if you doubt, but, my friend, I am **absolutely convinced** that the Shivar Spring is the greatest restorative mineral spring ever discovered, not excepting the famous Spas of Europe. I have shipped this water to thousands of sufferers in all parts of the United States, and they almost invariably report either permanent restoration or beneficial results. That is why I make the guarantee offer contained in the following letter. Sign it now and mail it.

Shivar Spring,
Box 5J, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen,

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)

Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You run no risk whatever in accepting his offer. I have personally witnessed the remarkable curative effects of this water in a very serious case.

FRECKLE-FACE

Sun and Wind Bring Out Ugly Spots. How to Remove Easily

Here's a chance, Miss Freckle-face to try a remedy for freckles with the guarantee of a reliable dealer that it will not cost you a penny unless it removes the freckles; while if it does give you a clear complexion the expense is trifling.

Simply get an ounce of othine—double strength from any druggist and a few applications should show you how easy it is to rid yourself of the homely freckles and get a beautiful complexion. Rarely is more than one ounce needed for the worst case.

Be sure to ask the druggist for the double strength othine as this is the prescription sold under guarantee of money back if it fails to remove freckles.

LOOK UP the insurance and write us. Glad to furnish information. Glad to assist you in any way.

THE NATIONAL MUTUAL CHURCH INSURANCE CO. CHICAGO

Serves and saves Methodism, and is now rendering a greater service than ever. Insures against fire, lightning and tornado on easy terms of payment.

Is your church participating in these benefits? If not, why not? Pastors protect your property on advantageous terms with us. Write for our calendar and pamphlet.

HENRY P. MAGILL, Sec. & Mgr., Insurance Exchange Bldg., Chicago
MRS. ALICE HARGROVE BARCLAY, Agent, M. E. Church, South,
314 Norton Building
Fourth and Jefferson Louisville, Ky.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

Children's Home

SOME FACTS, A POSSIBILITY, AND A QUESTION

To the Editor of the Advocate:—

Here are some facts concerning the Children's Home, which every Methodist in the Western North Carolina Conference ought to know. They should be read, marked, and inwardly digested, until the reader has them straight, and then they should be passed around until every member of the church is familiar with them.

First of all is the fact that we have here the equipment for the shelter and education of 135 children, and no more. How completely adapted to the purposes of an ideal orphanage this equipment is would take more space to tell than we have at our command. It is sufficient to say that all who visit it have nothing but words of commendation for it. The next fact is that the Home is full to the brim. It is impossible to admit more without great discomfort to all. The next fact is that it is only by the exercise of the most rigid economy, and the most careful administration of all its affairs that it is possible to supply the needs of the children already in the care of the Home, so that, even if there were room for them, no more children ought to be admitted. The next fact is that almost every mail brings one or more appeals for the admission of destitute orphan children of the church. Most of these are sent in by the preachers in charge, and some of them are accompanied by the statement of facts that, if they were published, would bring shame on the church or community that allows such conditions to exist. The next fact, and the one we want considered most carefully, is that only 307 out of the 811 Sunday schools in the Conference are contributing to the work of the Home through the fifth Sunday collections. To be exact, 290 Sunday schools contributed to the January collection, and 307 to the May collection. The January 5th Sunday gave us $1,108.80, and that of May gave us $1,121.61. These are the facts. What the possibilities of our 811 Sunday schools would be, if they were all working, a little figuring will show. But these are the facts, now one question to the reader. Is yours one of the working Sunday schools, and if not, who is to blame?

The foregoing was prepared from records in the office, at my request, and I would be glad for you to publish it in the Advocate, for general information. Walter Thompson.

Building Fund

Rev. J. H. West, Agent

Mrs. Ida M. Cathey, $12.50, S. P. Burton, $12.50, both of Asheville; E. W. Brown, $10.00, C. W. Miller, $5.00, P. L. Campbell, $5.00, Dr. J. H. Smathers, $5.00, all of Waynesville; Miss Lesca Freeman, $5.00, Albemarle; Miss Alice Beverlt, Wadesboro, $2.00; Mr. and Mrs. F. Fentriss, $2.00, C. H. Julian, $1.00, Lula V. Hayes, $1.00, Jas. Buie, $1.00, Miss Minnie Tippett, $1.00, Miss Bessie Martindill, 50 cents, Miss Fannie Garrison, 50 cents loose collection, $2.25, all of Franklinville. Total, $66.25.

Amount Received on General and Special Support and the Ten Per Cent. Assessment

"A Friend," Mechanic, $2.00; Edward Gyrley, High Point, $2.50; J. C. Curtis, Pleasant Hill Ch., Candler, $16.00; Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick, Mooresville Station, $6.33; total, $26.83.

5th Sunday Collection

J. B. Swayngim, Elizabeth S. S., Clyde Ct., $1.01.

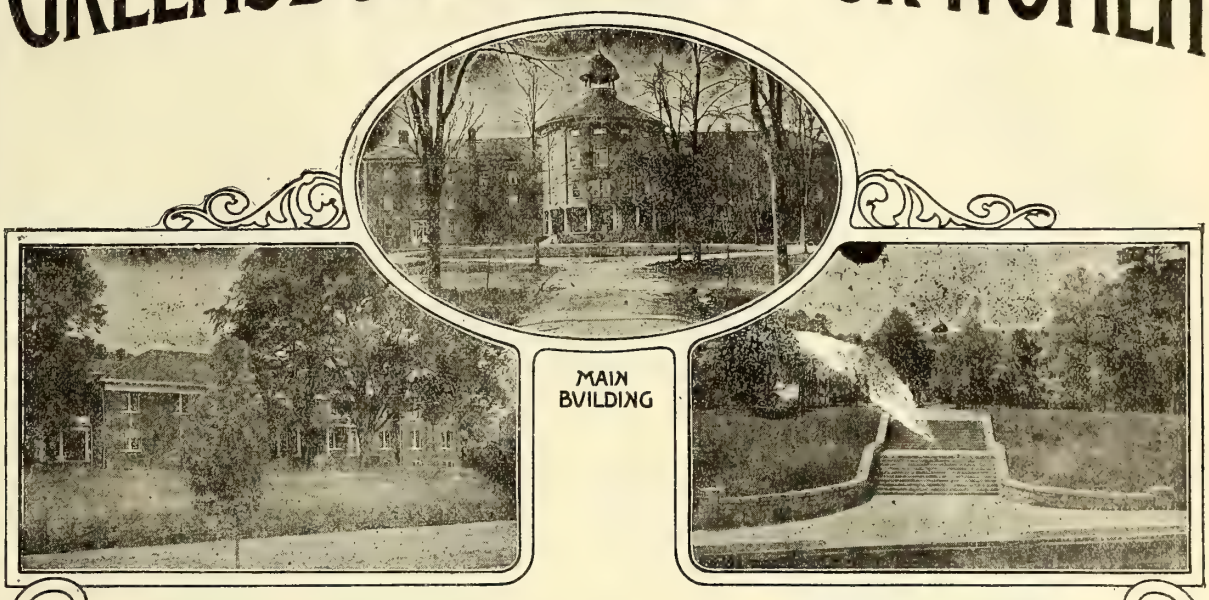
Acknowledgment

Mrs. T. S. Gash, Horse Shoe, has our thanks for several articles of boys' clothing and a quilt, all new and highly acceptable.

Out of the 811 Sunday schools of the Conference 290 of them contributed to the January 5th Sunday collection, and 307 of them were represented in the 5th Sunday collection in May. There are 500 Sunday schools that never have a penny in this free-will offering that constitutes so large a part, and the only voluntary part, of the money and feeds and clothes the naked and hungry, and puts a roof over their heads; and somebody is to blame. We are running an 800 loom mill with 500 of the looms idle, and expect the owner to say, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant," but the question is: Will He?

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY—FITZGERALD HALL

ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D. D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

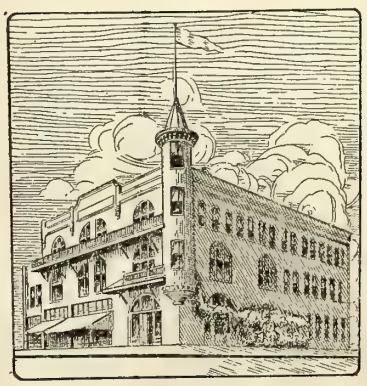
Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....



BLUE RIDGE INN

Mount Airy, N. C. W. M. Jordan, Pres.
Mount Airy's Leading Hotel

Rates $2.00 and $2.50—All meals 50 cents—Electric Lights, Steam Heat, Electric Bell System, Hot and Cold Baths—American plan—A clean up-to-date home for the tourist or traveling man, in a beautiful mountain city.

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.....E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg...W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller.....C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg., M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.....J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg...J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.....G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.....A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel...J. W. Ligon

SEND US YOUR FILMS

for prompt, highest grade developing and printing at lowest prices. KODAK WORK A SPECIALTY. Personal attention given to all orders. Results guaranteed. Write

W. I. VAN NESS & CO., Charlotte, N. C.

The Sunday School Lesson

THIRD QUARTER—LESSON IX—
AUGUST 29, 1915

GOD'S CARE OF ELIJAH—
1 KINGS 17:1-16

Golden Text—Casting all your anxiety upon him, because he careth for you.—1 Pet. 5:7.

Summary of the Lesson

Thomas Carlyle once remarked that the same universe was reflected on the optics of Newton and of Newton's dog, but that after all the two saw very different universes. The mind and heart back of the eye determine the meaning of what the eye sees. The Israel of the period of Ahab was a land of a brilliant life breaking away from a narrow provincialism, or a land of base degeneracy to Jehovah, according to the mind and conscience back of the eyes which looked upon it. Elijah sees the whole situation from the standpoint of a passionate loyalty to Jehovah, and the high moral meaning of religion. He condemns the national faithlessness. He foretells dire calamity. He suffers in the suffering of the people, and he is wonderfully preserved and sustained by the power of God.

The Eyes of Ahab

"How can the body touch the flower which only the spirit may touch?" cries out Rabindranath Tagore in one of the poems of "The Gardener." In truth the man who sees only with the eyes of his body will always fail to perceive what he might see with the eyes of the soul. Ahab had no eyes for the unseen and eternal. He had eyes only for the easily visible and the temporal. He wanted to make Israel a wealthy and powerful nation, with brilliant connections and a fascinating and far-famed social life. His marriage with Jezebel, the Phoenician princess, seemed to him a master stroke of effective policy. The very presence of this woman of powerful personality seemed to rescue the little court of Israel from provincialism. She carried an alluring atmosphere of cosmopolitan life. She brought the breath of a world which was larger, more vivid, more passionately alive. Ahab surrendered himself enthusiastically to her influence. She was to give distinction, and charm, and new prestige to Israel.

On the surface the picture was brilliant enough, and Ahab was not the sort of man to probe. He did not appraise the moral corruption which was entering with Jezebel and the Phoenician worship. He did not stop to consider the moral and spiritual distinction of that pure Jehovah worship which he was treating so cavalierly. He had no eyes for the gleam of the one priceless jewel of Israel's life. He was without moral vision and without spiritual passion. His eyes were sharp and shrewd in the circle of his interests, but that circle did not include the most significant things of life. The flowers which he plucked had the red luxuriance of his own hot and indulgent nature. He had no feeling for the pure white flowers which bloom in the land of moral strength. Matthew Arnold once wrote of a certain man, "The soul looked out of his eyes." You could not write that of Ahab. He well represents the tragedy of soulless eyes. "I am afraid of moral color blindness," said an ardent young American religious leader. If Ahab had felt this fear all his life would have been different.

The Eyes of Jehovah

A little child was in the habit of taking stolen sweets to an attic, where they might be enjoyed undisturbed. One day a strange old print attracted the child's attention. It was an enormous eye. There was a curious, uncanny fascination about this eye. It seemed to see the stolen fruit. So disturbed did the little culprit become, that one day a sharp knife was used to cut out the eye, so that its rebuke might no longer be felt. Then the strangest thing of all happened. From the empty space where the eye had been a powereful, unescapable eye seemed always gazing upon the child. Conscience and imagination worked together, and no more stolen fruits were brought to that attic.

Many men seem able to forget the all-seeing eyes. They enjoy their stolen sweets, quite as if the plunder and the plunderer were not under the immediate gaze of God. When we study the reign of Ahab, the important matter is not to see Israel through the eyes of Ahab. The really significant mater is to see Israel through the eyes of Jehovah.

For though, as so often, "Careless seemed the great Avenger," it was yet true that within the shadow the great God was standing, keeping watch upon his own. That silent, infinite watcher is the great fact in any age's life. The time comes when He breaks silence, and speaks in deeds whose impact is felt everywhere.

While Ahab was thinking his vain and inflated thoughts about a nation lifted out of provinciality and become a part of the brilliant, powerful world, the lonely watcher saw a nation in decay, its leaders admitting false gods, its people surrendering to corrupting influences. Those simple, solemn, moral and spiritual sanctions which make up a nation's glory, were being surrendered. There was a little glitter, a little court gayety, a little shrewd diplomacy, and a nation with a canker worm eating at its heart. The eyes of the silent watcher moved up and down the land, and then the great Spectator prepared for action which should shake the moral lethargy from Israel's life.

The Eyes of Elijah

"Oh, God, I think Thy thoughts after Thee," cried the astronomer Kepler, as with reverent enthusiasm he thought of the laws of planetary motion which he had discovered. It was the glory of the Hebrew prophet that he thought the thoughts of Jehovah. He spoke the words of Jehovah. He saw with the eyes of God.

There was a moral element in the insight of the prophet which should not escape our attention. The eyes see the things they choose to see. Ejijah was surrounded by people who saw Israel through the eyes of Ahab and the eyes of Jezebel. There is a contagion of vision as well as a contagion of opinion. It would have been perfectly easy for the eyes of Elijah to get the focus and the perspective of the men and women among whom he lived. On the other hand there was that sternly lofty and uncompromising view of the situation which Elijah felt was the view of Jehovah. Attaining and keeping this view was by no means a matter of course. Ejijah had to struggle to secure it. He had to do battle to keep it. His own character grew, and his own manhood attained stature and power in the process. He was able to give new eyes to the conscience of Israel because his own vision was touched with the moral clarity which belongs to the eyes of God.

It was a rude age. Men might not understand the eloquence of words. They would understand the eloquence of deeds. So Jehovah spoke in deeds which none could evade and none could ignore. A prolonged drought was to leave the land barren and desolate. Elijah declared the sentence of Jehovah with a stern power which cut deeply into the consciousness of Israel. Like an incarnation of the divine wrath he suddenly appeared, spoke his terrible message, and then went away, leaving the rainless days to speak for Jehovah more powerfully than any word of the prophet would be able to speak.

"One man and God make a majority," runs an arresting sentence. There is no clearer illustration of its truth than the career of Elijah. His eyes were clear to see as Jehovah saw. He was one with the purpose of God, and thus he became stronger than all Israel. His personality is the outstanding feature of the life of the age.

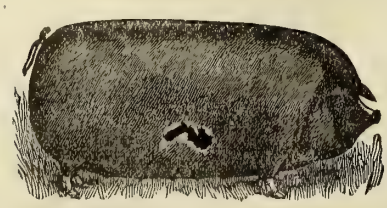
The Eyes of the Widow of Zarephath

This woman did not belong to Israel. She had no part in Israel's religion. She controlled the bitterest fate. She believed that with her son she would soon perish of starvation. A stranger confronted this woman and asked for nourishment. She studied him with a woman's sharp eyes, and a woman's deep intuitions, and welcomed him to share the scant food which remained in her house. So it was that the woman and her son were saved in the time of famine. The willingness to minister proved the open door to safety. Giving proved the very best method for receiving.

The woman of Zarephath had no shrewd outlook on the diplomacy of states. She did not have a prophet's flaming vision of the weal and woe of a nation. Her eyes had not been opened in wide outlook to see God's appraisal of the world. Humbler sights engaged her. Humbler thoughts filled her mind. But within her own range her eyes were true and clear-seeing. She knew how to recognize sincerity and goodness. She saw at once the quality of moral and spiritual strength in Elijah. She felt that he made demands from a higher world than her own, and she was willing to recognize and honor these demands. She had that instinct for reality which is one of the greatest things to have back of the eyes. It changes sight into insight. A wealth of new and transforming experiences came into her home with the entrance of Elijah. The moment of crisis was the time when with eyes fixed upon him she decided that with death and despair at the door of that house, she would yet welcome the stranger who asked for help.

Eyes of shrewd diplomacy, eyes of moral passion, and eyes of simple, direct sincerity still gaze upon the world, and back of all, the tireless eyes of the All-Seeing still gaze upon the life and struggle of mankind.

Each new life has its problem of sight. With what kind of eyes will it looko ver each day's experiences? What kind of a mind will be back of the eyes? What kind of a soul will be back of the mind?—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in N. Y. Christian Advocate.



MAMMOTH BLACK

The greatest pork producers ever originated. We originated this hog. One we sold dressed 978 pounds. See statement from the man that raised this hog:

Wallburg, N. C., June 15, 1907.
John A. Young, Greensboro, N. C.
Dear Sir:
I have killed the Mammoth Black pig I bought of you and he dressed 978 lbs. net. Yours truly,
J. L. Guyer.

Until Oct. 1st we will sell at $10.00 each, $15.00 per pair, pigs 8 to 10 weeks old.

This Hose Lasts Longer Than Others

Goodyear-Akron Lawn Hose lasts longer than others because it is made to do that. It is made by the makers of the famous Goodyear Automobile Tires. Composed of five layers of alternate new, live rubber and strongest braided cotton. Absolutely seamless. The thick corrugated outer coat, with its six extra large rubber ribs, does away with twisting and kinking. They add immensely to its life.

GOODYEAR AKRON Lawn Hose

Buy Your Garden Tools Here

We Have Everything You Need

ODELL Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER

Proprietor

GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY

DISEASES OF STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL

General Insurance

General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland

108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

Our Little Folks' Department

A CLEVER ELEPHANT

A gentleman who lived in India for many years tells an interesting story of the cleverness of an elephant which he owned.

This gentleman had two small sons, to whom the elephant took a great fancy. So devoted was this elephant that the father felt perfectly safe in leaving his little boys in its care.

One day the elephant and the two boys went off on a tramp together. They remained away so long, however, that the father became anxious, and finally went to look for them. After searching for some time he came to the river-bank, and there a funny sight met his eyes.

The great elephant was standing knee-deep in the mud, with a happy small boy squatting on either side of him, and all three were fishing just as hard as they could. The boys held their rods in their hands, and their companion held his with his trunk. By and by the elephant's line gave a flop, and the boys crowded up to see whether it really meant that he had caught a fish. He had, and while the big brute watched them solemnly they pulled out the line, detached the fish, and then, putting on another worm, gravely handled the rod back to its owner.—Herald and Presbyter.

A little lad of our acquaintance recently discovered why the giraffe had such a long neck—"'Cause his head is so far from his body," he explained, and none of us present could dispute it.—Boston Transcript.

TO LITTLE BORROWERS

If trouble you borrow
'Twill bring only sorrow
And discord and strife
To mar your whole life.
When you borrow, be wise:
Borrow Hope for your eyes;
For your lips borrow Smiling,
Sweet, true and beguiling;
And such Love for your heart
It can never depart.
Hope, Love, and a Smile,—
What else is worth while?
—Oliver Penmark.

A VOYAGE AT NIGHT

The hands of the sitting-room clock were moving rapidly toward half-past seven. Carl watched them from out the corner of his eye. Sometimes he glanced cautiously at mother. She seemed to see nothing except the little coat she was sewing, but Carl knew from long experience that she never failed to notice when the minute touched the half-after. He kept on playing with his soldiers, but he played very quickly.

The hand moved nearer, nearer; it touched. Mother laid down the sewing, and wnt to the closet for Carl's night gown.

"O mother, it is as cold as Greenland up there!" he complained. "Must I go now?"

"It is Greenland," responded mother in a matter-of-fact tone.

"What?" demanded Carl, dropping his soldiers in astonishment.

"Capt. Peary and his crew are just starting on a voyage there," she continued.

Carl knew all about Capt. Peary,—how he sailed away for the frozen north, and stayed there years, searching for the north pole, which wasn't a pole at all, but just a place that no one had been able to reach because of the snow and ice, the northernmost place in the world.

"I choose to be Capt. Peary," he said, "and you're the crew. Now let's get ready."

Capt. Peary came over to the fireplace and sat on the crew's knee, while she got him out of his every-day clothes and into his arctic suit.

"Hadn't I better take some provisions for the voyage?" he inquired.

The crew said that was a wise thought, and got him an oyster cracker out of the pantry. Then Capt. Peary was wrapped up in a large gray shawl that trailed behind, and, holding the crew's hand, started out of New York Harbor.

First they sailed up the Atlantic—which stupid people call the front hall—till they came to Climbup Mountain. Capt. Peary's legs were short and the shawl was bothersome, but he puffed bravely up to the landing. There the crew said, "If I may be so bold, sir, I'll cary you; I've often carried young men up this mountain." And Capt. Peary accepted this kind offer.

After the mountain climb came a dash across the plain to the big iceberg for which they were aiming. Capt. Peary scaled this and slid right into the middle of it.—Selected.

Tommy took his little gray kitten when he went to visit his grandmother. No one knew until the last minute that he meant to take Arethusa; what a commotion that one small kitten made!

"My kitty must go," Tommy had declared. "I can't leave her at home alone." And then he added, "The conductor will not make her pay her fare. She is not five years old."

Arethusa was placed in a market basket, and when she "miaued" all the people turned and looked at Tommy. But he did not mind.

Arethusa travelled safely and had a happy visit, but when the time came to go home she had grown to be a large cat, and the question of carrying her came up again. Mother wanted to leave her behind to catch the mice in the barn, but Tommy said, "You would not leave me—and Arethusa belongs to me!"

One day Tommy came down from the attic with a nice brass bird-cage in his hand. His eyes were shining.

"We can carry kitty in this," he said. "She can have meat in one side and milk in the other."

He had forgotten that a cat's head is larger than a bird's; of course, to feed her in that way was impossible.

When the time came to go, they placed kitty in the cage. It held her very well—all but her tail; that waved between the bars. She waved it often, for she was pleased with her new quarters. She purred happily when the passengers spoke to her.

"Why, this must be the cat that ate the canary," one said.

"Oh, no," said Tommy; "my cat loves our bird. The bird was all moved out before kitty was moved in."—Edith P. Bodwell, in Youth's Companion.

GEESE

When folks do silly, foolish things,
Then people laugh and cry:
"Why, they are geese!" and yet, you know,
I often wonder why.
For geese are stately, queenly birds,
Too grave to fly or sing;
And I have never seen a goose
That did a foolish thing.
An ostrich has been famed in jokes.
Because he hides his head;
And chickens run across the road,
'Neath cars that leave them dead.
But geese—they walk with solemn grace,
They seldom shriek or call;
Perhaps you'd like, for all folks say,
To be one after all!
—Margaret E. Sangster, Jr., in the Christian Herald.



BREVARD INSTITUTE

The school which offers thorough instruction in the most useful branches at less than actual cost and under strong Christian influences. Its courses of study include:

Primary School	Grammar School	High School
Pedagogy	Review Classes	Practice Teaching
Piano Playing	Voice Culture	Musical Pedagogy
Bookkeeping	Stenography	Commercial Law
Dressmaking	Millinery	Fancy Work
Cooking	Housework	Household Economics
Farming	Stockraising	Gardening
Bible	Missions	Christian Work

Its aim throughout is accurate efficiency.
Why not study just what you are fitted for?

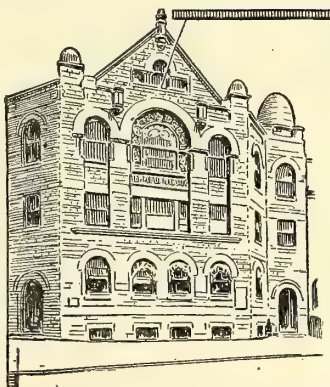
C. H. TROWBRIDGE, Principal BREVARD, N. C.

MEDICAL COLLEGE OF VIRGINIA

1838
1915

MEDICAL COLLEGE OF VIRGINIA
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF MEDICINE
(Consolidated)
DENTISTRY---MEDICINE---PHARMACY
STUART McGUIRE, M. D., Pres.

New college building, completely equipped and modern laboratories. Extensive Dispensary service. Hospital facilities furnish 400 clinical beds; individual instruction; experienced Faculty; practical curriculum. 78th session opens Sept. 21, 1915. For catalogue or information address
J. R. McCAULEY, Secretary,
1140 E. Clay Street - - - - - Richmond, Va.



Professional and Vocational Courses for Men

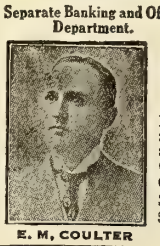
Theology, Law, Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Industrial Chemistry, Civil Engineering, Plan Reading, Banking, Certified Accounting, Realty and Advertising taught in small groups insuring individual instruction, by thoroughly practical men who have made successes in their respective lines. Two large hospitals connected with the University insure bedside instruction in medical course. Regular college courses. A. B. and B. S. degrees. Write today for circular, stating course in which you are interested.



Temple University, Dept. S. R.
Russell H. Conwell, Founder and President
Broad & Berks Sts., Philadelphia, Pa.



Two Commercial Departments.
Separate Banking and Office Department.



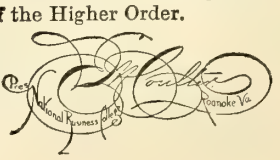
E. M. COULTER

ROANOKE National BUSINESS COLLEGE

Eleven Teachers.
100 Typewriters.
Shorthand Department Seating 200 Students.
Auditorium Seating 400.

The One Big BUSINESS COLLEGE of Virginia.
A Commercial School of the Higher Order.

Established Successful, Progressive and Thorough. Wholesome, Social and Moral Influences. Seven Full Courses and Various Combinations. **Commercial, Shorthand, Banking, Telegraphy, Stenotype, Penmanship, English.** $75,000 building owned by the college.



FALL SESSION OPENS SEPT. 1.

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.
Fourth Round

Henderson Ct., Edneyville 21-22
Hendersonville, night 22

August

Leicester, Teagues 28-29
Riverview Church, night 29

September

Mills River, Avery Creek 4-5
North Asheville, night 5
Mars Hill, Valley Union 11-12
Weaverville, night 12
Flat Rock, Upward 18-19
Central, night 19
West Asheville 26
Tryon and Saluda, night 26-27
Fairview, Fairview 2-3

October

Haywood St., night 3
Spring Creek, Antioch 9-10
Hot Springs, night 10
Weaverville Ct., Salem 16-17
Elk Mountain, night 17
Hot Springs & Marshall, Marshall .23-24
Walnut, Jewel Hill, night 24-25
Sulphur Springs, Snow Hill 30-31
Bethel, night 31

November

Swannanoa, Swannanoa 6-7
Black Mountain, night 7
Biltmore & Mt. Pleasant, Biltmore ...14

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C.
Fourth Round

August

Hickory Grove 22-23
Chadwick, night 22
Pineville, Harrison 29-30
Calvary, night 29

September

Thrift, Thrift 4-5
Seversville, night 5
Morven, Pleasant Hil 11-12
Matthews, Matthews 18-19
Belmont, night 19
Prospect, Bethlehem 25-26
Monroe, Central 26-27

October

Weddington, Hebron 2-3
Waxhaw, Mineral Springs, 3 p. m.....3-4
Lilesville, Lilesville 9-10
Trinity, night 10
Polkton, Hopewell 16-17
Unionville, Mill Grove 23-24
North Monroe, N. Monroe, night 24
Marshville, Marshville 30-31
Brevard, night 31

November

Ansonville, Concord 6-7
Wadesboro, night 7
Dilworth, 11 a. m. 14
Spencer Memorial, 3 p. m. 14
Tryon, night 14

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—James H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.
Fourth Round

September

Reidsville 5-6
Walnut Street 6-7
Ruffin Ct., Carmel 11-12
Wentworth, Wentworth 12-13
Greensboro, Bethel 18-19
Gibsonville 19-20
Pleasant Garden, Pleasant Garden, 25-26
Spring Garden 26-27

October

West Greensboro 2-3
Centenary 3-4
Coleridge Ct., Coleridge 9-10
Ramseur and Franklinville, Franklinville 16-17
Deep River, Central Falls 16-17
Uwharrie, Oak Grove 23-24
Denton, Denton 24-25
Randolph, Trinity 30-31
Wesley Memorial, High Point 30-31
Main Street, High Point 31-32
East End 31-32

November

Asheboro 6-7
Randleman 6-7
West Market 13-14

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Fourth Round

August

Marion Station 29

September

Old Fort, Greenlee 3
McDowell, Glenwood 4-5
Thermal City, Thermal 4-5
Table Rock, Oak Hill 11-12
Morganton Station 12-13
Green River, Bethlehem 18-19
Broad River, Tanner's Grove 25-26
Henrietta and Caroleen, Caroleen ..26-27

October

Forest City, Pleasant Grove 2-3
Cliffside, Oak Grove 2-3
Rutherfordton, Gilkey 9-10
Morganton Ct., Oak Forest 16-17
Connelly Springs 23-24
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Spruce Pine 30-31

November

Micaville, Martin's Chapel 5
Bald Creek 6-7
Burnsville 7-8
Marion Ct., Capernaum 13-14

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Fourth Round

August

Mount Airy, Central 15
Summerfield, Summerfield 21-22
Stokesdale, Stokesdale 28-29

September

Walnut Cove, Pine Hall 4-5
Pilot Mountain, Pilot Mountain 11-12
Debson, Stony Knoll 18-19
Yadkinville, Long Town 25-26

October

Rural Hall, Rural Hall 2-3
Mount Airy Ct., Salem 9-10
Danbury, Snow Hill 16-17
Madison and Stoneville, Madison ...24-25
Leaksville .....,26
Spray 27-31
Draper 28-31

November

Jonesville, Ebenezer 6-7
Elkin 6-7
Ararat, Hunters 13-14

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Fourth Round

August

North Wilkesboro 22-29

September

Wilkes, Lebanon 4-5
Elk Park, Banner Elk 7-8
Avery, Pine Grove 11-12
Boone, Boone 18-19
Watauga, Valle Crucis 23
Creston, Clifton 25-26

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby N. C.
Fourth Round

August

Ozark-Dallas, H. Shoals 21
Cherryville, Beulah 28
Gastonia, Main St. 29

September

Lowell, Bethesda 4-5
McAdenville, McAdenville 5-6
Polkville, Casar 11-12
Lincoln Ct., McKendree 18
Lincolnton, Lincolnton 19
Rock Spring, Webb's Chapel 25-26

October

South Fork, Ebenezer 1
Belwood, Fallston 2
Stanly, Stanly 3
Bessemer, Bessemer 9-10
King's Mt., King's Mt. 9-10
Lowesville, Salem 16-17
Mt. Holly, Mt. Holly 17-18
Crouse, Crouse 23-24
Shelby Ct., Sharon 30

November

Gastonia, West End 6
Shelby, Central 14

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Fourth Round

August

Lenoir Ct., Collier's, 11 a. m. 14-15
S. Lenoir and Valmead, S. Lenoir, night 15-16
Catawba Ct., Camp Ground, 11 a. m. 21-22

September

N. Lenoir Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 a. m. 4-5
Lenoir Sta., Lenoir, night 5-6
Granite Falls and Hudson, Granite Falls, 11 a. m. 11-12
First Church, Hickory, night 12-13
Rhodhiss Sta., Rhodhiss, 11 a. m. ..18-19
West Hickory, West Hickory, night 19-20
Stony Point Ct., Stony Pt., 11 a. m., 25-26
Alexander Ct., Hiddenite, 3 p. m. ..26-27

October

Iredell Ct., Snow Creek, 11 a. m. 2-3
Broad St., Statesville, night 3-4
Cool Spring Ct., Clarksburg, 11 a. m. 9-10
Race St., Statesville, night 10-11
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 a. m., 16-17
Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, night 17-18
Troutman Ct., Shiloh, 11 a. m. 23-24
Davidson Sta., Davidson, night 24-25
Statesville Ct., N. Statesville, 11 a. m. 30-31
Mooresville Sta., Mooresville, night 31-Nov. 1

November

Hickory Ct., Fairgrove, 11 a. m. 6-7
Newton Sta., Newton, night 7-8
Maiden Ct., May's Chapel, 11 a. m., 13-14

Final Meetings

October

Lenoir Ct. (all churches), Lenoir, 11 a. m. 5
South Lenoir and Valmead, South Lenoir, night 5
South Lenoir and Valmead, Whitnel, night 6
Granite Falls and Hudson, Granite Falls, 3 p. m. 12
North Lenoir Ct., (all churches)
Lenoir, 11 a. m. 13
West Hickory, (all churches)
West Hickory, night 14
Alexander Ct., (all churches)
Hiddenite, 3 p. m. 19
Stony Point Ct., (all churches)
Stony Point, 11 a. m. 20
Statesville Ct., Marvin, 11 a. m. 21
Statesville Ct., Bethel, 3 p. m.....21
Mooresville Ct., (all churches)
Mooresville, 11 a. m. 26

WEAVER COLLEGE

A COEDUCATIONAL JUNIOR COLLEGE

High School and College Courses.

Owned, supported and controlled by the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Clean athletics, unrivalled health conditions, good brick buildings, modern conveniences, Christian atmosphere, wonderful scenery and capable teachers make this an ideal school for our people.

Total expenses, $150.00 per year.

For Bulletin address

W. A. NEWELL, President

WEAVERVILLE, N. C.

Vanderbilt University

Opens Monday, Sept. 27th. High educational standards. Vigorous and healthy student life. Wholesome athletics. Revised curriculum. College of Arts and Science. Professional Schools of Law, Medicine, Pharmacy, Engineering, Religion. For catalogue write, naming department to

THE SECRETARY, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY
BOX 109 NASHVILLE, TENN.

Troutman Ct., (all churches)
Troutman, 11 a. m. 27
Cool Spring Ct., (all churches) New Salem, 11 a. m. 28
Iredell Ct., (all churches) Olin, 11 a. m. 29

November

Catawba Ct., (all churches) Catawba, 11 a. m. 2
Statesville Ct., Bethlehem, 11 a. m. ..3
Race St., Statesville, night 4
Davidson Sta., Davidson, night 9
Mt. Zion-Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 11 a. m. 10

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder
Fourth Round

August

Ozark-Dallas, High Shoals 21
Cherryville, Beulah 28
Gastonia, Main St. 29

September

Bessemer, Bessemer 11-12
Kings Mountain, Kings Mountain ..11-12
Lowell, Bethesda 18-19
McAdenville, McAdenville 19
Lincoln Ct., McKendree 25
Lincolnton, Lincolnton 26

October

South Fork, Ebenezer 1
Belwood, Fallston 2
Stanly, Stanly 3
Polkville, Casar 9-10
Lowesville, Salem 16-17
Mt. Holly, Mt. Holly 17-18
Rock Spring, W. Chapel 23-24
Crouse, Crouse 30-31

November

Shelby Ct., Sharon 6

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.
Fourth Round

August

Salisbury, First Church, 11 a. m. 15
Salisbury, Holmes Memorial, night ..15
Spencer, 11 a. m. 29
E. Spencer and N. Main St., N. Main St. night 29

September

Salisbury Ct., Mt. Tabor 4-5
Salisbury, South Main St., night 5
Norwood 11-12
Cottonville and Oakboro 11-12
Concord, Epworth and Center, Epworth, 11 a. m. 19
West Concord, Kerr St., night 19
Woodleaf, Ebenezer 25-26
China Grove and Landis, China Grove, night 26-27

October

Mt. Pleasant, Cold Springs 2-3
Concord, Central, 11 a. m. 3
Concord, Forest Hill, night 3
Albemarle, Central, 11 a. m. 10
Albemarle, First Street, night 10
Albemarle Ct., Pine Grove 16-17
Salem Ct., Salem 17-18
Concord Ct., Rocky Ridge 24-25
Westford, night 24
Bethel and Loves Chapel 30-31

November

Gold Hill Ct., Zion 6-7
New London Ct., Bethel 7-8
Kannapolis Ct., Shiloh 13-14
Kannapolis Sta., night 14

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C., R. F. D. 2
Fourth Round

August

Bethel Ct., Liberty 27
Haywood Ct., Mt. Zion 28
Fines Creek, Teague 29

September

Jonathan, Shady Grove 4-5
Webster Ct., Webster 11-12
Sylva 12
Bryson and Whittier 18-19
Judson Ct., Judson 25-26
Robbinsville 30

October

Murphy Ct., Peachtree 2
Murphy Station 3
Haysville Ct. 9-10
Ranger Ct., Rodgers 13-14

WINSTON DISTRICT—Hugh K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C.
Fourth Round

August

West End, 11 a. m. 8
Grace, night 8
Burkhead, 11 a. m. 15
Southside, night 15
Centenary, 11 a. m. 22
Salem, night 22

September

Linwood, Ebenezer 4-5
Lexington, night 3-5
Davidson, Centenary 11-12
Thomasville Ct., Zion 18-19
Thomasville, Main St., night 17-19
Forsyth, Mount Tabor 25-26

HEADACHES

There are several different kinds of headaches classified according to their causes.

And whether induced by nervous disorders, or disorders of the digestive organs or disorders of the blood, they are alike very unpleasant symptoms.

Headaches are something more than symptoms, for the pain reacts upon itself and grows worse if not relieved.

It is fortunate that relief can usually be obtained by the use of Mentholatum externally applied to the forehead and temples and within the nostrils.

This usually gives relief and avoids resort to the use of opiates and anodynes.

Mentholatum can do no harm.

As a delicate counter irritant its usefulness in giving relief in all classes of headaches is well known.

The causes of the headaches should however, be determined and a general systematic treatment should be adopted to rectify the conditions which cause them.

Mentholatum also has a wide range of usefulness for sunburn, bruises, insect bites, summer colds and other forms of inflammation.



A MONUMENT OF REGAL BLUE

is a monument of beauty and permanence

It is a marble that withstands the rigors of every climate; its color is a beautiful deep, unchanging blue. Government tests show the highest resistance to absorption of moisture and the greatest crushing strength. Finished at our own plant in a great variety of designs. Special work to order. Awarded the Gold Medal at the St. Louis Exposition. Regal Blue is the only blue marble produced in the South.

THE REGAL MARBLE CO., - - Regal, N. C.



STATESVILLE Female COLLEGE

A Christian College offering all the best advantages at low cost. For 58 years a leading factor in the education of Southern womanhood.

Particularly fitted by location and equipment to train young women for social and domestic stations requiring efficiency in knowledge and responsibility in character. Beautifully situated in a town of educational and religious activity.

Modern buildings, complete equipment. Lovely campus. Out-door sports.

Thoroughly capable instrutors. Standard college courses; A. B., B. L. and B. S. degrees. Splendidly equipped music department; schools of Domestic Science, Art, Expression, Physical Culture and Bible. Safe home life, and attractive surroundings. ***Rates unusually low.***

For Catalogue and Full Information Write to

J. M. MOORE, A. M., President, - - STATESVILLE, N. C.

Time Table Watauga & Yadkin River Railroad Co. and Connections

WESTBOUND					STATIONS—So. Ry.	EASTBOUND		
A. M. 8 15 9 30		A. M. 8 15 9 30			Eastern Time Lv Greensboro Ar Winston-Salem	P. M. 9 15 6 35	P. M. 9 15 6 35	
5 Sun. Only	3 Sun. Only	1 Daily Ex. Sa. Su.	7 Sat. Only	Miles	STATIONS W. & Y. R. R. R.	2 Daily Ex. Sun.	4 Sun. Only	6 Sun. only
P. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.		Eastern Time	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
4 80	10 15	2 00	2 00		Lv N. Wilkesboro Ar	10 20	10 00	5 15
4 35f	10 20f	2 04f	2 05f	1	Gordon	9 59f	9 57f	5 12f
4 41f	10 31f	2 19f	2 15f	5	Brown's Ford	6 44f	9 45f	5 00f
4 46f	10 38f	2 28f	2 26f	7	Minton	9 34f	9 37f	4 52f
4 54f	10 45f	2 38f	2 35f	9	Goshen	9 24f	9 29f	4 44f
5 06f	10 55f	2 51f	2 51f	11	Marley Ford	9 07f	9 18f	4 33f
5 16f	11 05f	3 00f	3 00f	13	Goulds	8 55f	9 03f	4 18f
5 26s	11 13s	3 12s	3 20s	16	Ferguson	8 43s	8 53s	4 08s
5 35s	11 20s	3 25s	3 40s	19	Elkville	8 33s	8 45s	4 00s
5 36	11 22	3 30	3 45		Elkville Junction	8 30	8 43	3 58
	11 33f		4 00f	20	McNeils	8 15f	8 33f	3 48f
	11 42		4 15	23	Denny	8 10	8 25	3 40
				27	Darby			
	11 43		4 16	23	Denny	8 00	8 24	3 39
	11 48f		4 25f	20	McNeils	7 20f	8 16f	3 31f
	11 54		4 30		Elkville Junction	7 10	8 10	3 25
5 45	12 04	4 00	4 40	21	Grandin	7 00	8 00	3 15

f Stop on Signal s Regular Stop

NOTE—Trains will commence running to Darby about Sept. 15.

LIST OF OFFICERS

W. J. GRANDIN, President - - - - - - - - - Grandin, N. C.
M. K. McMULLEN, Vice-President - - - - - - - - Pittsburg, Pa.
R. T. ROSSELL, Secretary - - - - - - - - - Pittsburg, Pa.
W. W. BEATY, Treasurer - - - - - - - - - Warren, Pa.
H. C. LANDON, General Manager - - - - - North Wilkesboro, N. C.

DRINKING THAT HAS PROVEN BENEFICIAL

This is not a statement to cause consternation among our readers, because the beverage is Fonticello Mineral Water. The waters from this Mineral Spring have made restorations to health in cases of sickness of such long standing that the sufferers had given themselves up to believe that recovery was impossible. The proposition in a nutshell is this: Pure Water—water that is free from organic matter is known by the medical profession to be the safest and best of all agents to cleanse the system—and flush the blood and vital organs before the refuse can contaminate them and interfere with their functions. It is through intemperate eating and drinking of beverages, or the failure to drink plenty of water, and the exercise of common sense in living that we incur sickness, which finally becomes chronic.

But to prove the truth of the statement that Fonticello Mineral Water has made these wonderful restorations to health we make this **Guarantee:**

We will send you statements from physicians of acknowledged high reputation, of ministers and others who will show positively that Fonticello Water has cured them of many chronic diseases, including dyspepsia, indigestion, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney and liver diseases, uric acid, etc.

We will ship you two five gallon carboys of Fonticello Water with the understanding that if it does not benefit you, **we will return full purchase price.**

Fill out this coupon and mail today

Note our guarantee

I want to try Fonticello Mineral Water and promise to use it regularly, daily, drinking the number of glasses prescribed in the directions which you agree to send me. If this treatment does not prove beneficial, yoou agree to refund purchase price upon receipt by you of the two empty carboys which I promise to return promptly. Enclosed find $2.00 for which please send me two gallons of Fonticello Mineral Water referred to above.

Name .....
P. O. .....
Express Office .....

Note.—This coupon is our acceptance of above terms and guarantee.

FONTICELLO MINERAL SPRINGS CO.
Department C

The Desk With a 25 Year GUARANTY



The desk that stands hard usage without becoming shaky. It is of extra strong construction throughout and has these exclusive points of excellence: **Heavy Semi-Steel Frame, Patent Noiseless Hinges** and **Extra Wide Seats.** The design, construction and finish is perfect in every detail. Our proven claim is—the best desk regardless of price. The only desk made in the South.

SOUTHERN DESK COMPANY,
Box 2300, HICKORY, N. C.

ACCIDENT AND HEALTH INSURANCE

SHOULD APPEAL TO ALL MEN

It provides an income when needed most.
Write for particulars in regard to the Aetna Disability Contract.
It will pay you.
I am also prepared to furnish all forms of bonds, such as are required by public officials in court proceedings, etc.
See, write or phone me for

Anything in Insurance

WM. B. MERRIMON

Agents Wanted **Dixie Building**

GREENSBORO, N. C.

RUTHERFORD COLLEGE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fall term begins August 31st. The economic conditions and the good advantages offered make Rutherford College an unusually favorable place for those of limited means. More than fifty boys boarded in the dormitory last year for less than six dollars per month. Other expenses are cheap in proportion.

For catalogues and other information, address

M. T. HINSHAW, Rutherford College, N. C.

TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 **CHARTERED 1859**

A Christian college steadfast in its fidelity to its highest ideals and noblest traditions. Among the few well endowed Southern institutions of learning. A large faculty of thoroughly trained and wisely chosen teachers. Excellent new buildings, beautiful and large campus. Modern laboratories and fine library.

Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.

Special attention given in the Biblical Department to the wise training of young ministers.

For catalogue and illustrated booklet address

R. L. FLOWERS,
Secretary to the Corporation, Durham, North Carolina.



1898 THE TRINITY PARK SCHOOL 1915

Located on the campus of Trinity College. Faculty of well trained men of successful experience as teachers. Special individual attention given by masters to students. For health location unexcelled. Well equipped study hall under a master. Excellent buildings and beautiful grounds. Every effort exerted to make the school an ideal home for boys. Expenses reasonable. For catalogue address

W. W. PEELE, Headmaster, Durham, N. C.

Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

A mutual fire insurance company, organized, owned and operated by the Methodist Church in North Carolina, for the purpose of furnishing protection for church property and personal property of preachers at ACTUAL COST.

Write for information and rates.

W. E. WEBB, Secretary **Statesville, N. C.**

Board of Church Extension

1. Its Aim

1. An adequate church building for every congregation.
2. A comfortable parsonage for every itinerant preacher.

2. Its Achievements

1. Aided in housing 9,235 of our 19,735 congregations.
2. Aided in building parsonages for 2,458 itinerant preachers.

3. Its Present Task

1. A roof over 2,593 homeless congregations and modern buildings for thousands inadequately housed.
2. Parsonages for 1,155 homeless itinerant preachers and better homes for thousands of others.

4. Its Resources

1. Annual assessment on the Church of $300,000.00.
2. Loan Fund Capital of $671,436.19.

5. Its Appeal

1. That pastors and churches everywhere make special effort to secure the Conference Collections in *full*, and that in case of failure to secure full payment on total connectional claims, the Church Extension assessment and all others be given a "square deal" in the division of receipts.
2. That borrowers from the Loan Fund Capital of the Board pay installment of interest and principal promptly when due, that others may receive needed and promised aid.
3. That pastors, presiding elders, lay leaders and others be on the lookout for contributions of money, land, notes, or other securities to the Loan Fund Capital of the Board, either as absolute gifts or on the annuity plan, and to be used in creating Memorial or other Loan Funds.

6. "Finally, Brethren"

1. Appropriations already made cannot be paid in full if there is a decrease in receipts on assessments.
2. In almost every community may be found those willing to increase the efficiency of the Board and their own income by the purchase of the Annuity Bonds of the Board. The security is absolute. The office wants their names.
3. Send for six-page folder describing more than three score *free* publications, and pick out what you want for personal use, Sunday school, Epworth League and congregation.
4. Is your Sunday school using the Birthday Sunday School Loan Fund Jar? If not, why not? Write for booklet.

Board of Church Extension
of the
Methodist Episcopal Church, South
[Incoporated]

Address W. F. McMURRY
Corresponding Secretary
LOUISVILLE, KY.

VOLUME LX NUMBER 35

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Reading Room
Trinity College

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

GREENSBORO, N. C., THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 1915

ENDURANCE

How much the heart may bear and yet not break!
How much the flesh may suffer and not die!
I question much if any pain or ache
Of soul or body brings our end more nigh;
Death chooses his own time; till that is sworn
All evils may be borne.

We shrink and shudder at the surgeon's knife,
Each nerve recoiling from the cruel steel
Whose edge seems reaching for the quivering life,
Yet to our sense the bitter pangs reveal
That still, although the trembling flesh be torn,
This also can be borne.

We see a sorrow rising in our way
And try to flee from the approaching ill;
We seek some small escape; we weep and pray;
But when the blow falls, then our hearts are still,
Not that the pain is of its sharpness shorn,
But that it can be borne.

We wind our life about another life;
We hold it closer, dearer than our own;
Anon it faints and falls in deathly strife,
Leaving us stunned and stricken, and alone;
But ah! we do not die with those we mourn—
This also can be borne.

Behold, we live through all things—famine, thirst,
Bereavement, pain; all grief and misery,
All woe and sorrow; life inflicts its worst
On soul and body—but we cannot die,
Though we be sick, and tired, and faint, and worn.
Lo, all things can be borne.—*Anonymous.*

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

IN WOODS AND FIELD

EDITORIAL LETTER

For a few days during the past week I turned my back upon office duties and really tried for the time being to forget that I had ever been in the grind of such program of worry and work. The season as well as a special occasion set for the week made insistent call for a visit to one of the most inviting rural communities in Western North Carolina. Early in the eighteenth century Deitrich Ramsaur (then spelled Rhamsaeur) found his way to the banks of the beautiful South Fork of Catawba river. He seemed to have had the instinct for finding the most fertile lands and, as a result, preempted for his posterity some of the very choicest lands in this upper piedmont section, lying along the waters of the said stream just north of the town of Lincolnton. Through his sons this section was soon stocked with a thrifty type of the best German element coming thus early into America. Mingling with the Shufords, Warlicks, and other families of similar extraction they have developed a type of the German-American upon which we can rely to stand by American institutions against all comers, even though they come in the name of the Fatherland.

It was the second semi-annual

REUNION OF THE RAMSAUR FAMILY

held at the residence of Mr. Thomas J. Ramsaur, on Wednesday, August 25th, that took me to Lincoln county early last week. The reunion was held near the site of the original settling place of this very large and influential family. Early in the day crowds began to gather, coming from the four counties of Lincoln, Gaston, Catawba and Cleveland, with scattering representatives from Charlotte, Statesville, Greensboro, Lenoir, Morganton, and some from South Carolina.

By eleven o'clock the large and handsome home and grove surrounding were filled with a happy, chattering throng, busy forming and renewing acquaintances, and the scene was one never to be forgotten. Representatives of at least six generations were present, from men and women, halting with age, down to little babes in the arms of the mothers. It was indeed a scene of happiness and good cheer.

Mr. A. Nixon, Clerk of the Superior Court, of Lincoln County, who, though not a relative of the family, has taken quite an interest in their history and given much time to research, presided and read an interesting paper. At 11:30 he rapped for order and from the porch of the residence introduced Rev. H. M. Blair, who led in prayer, after which Mr. T. J Ramsaur was introduced and spoke words of welcome to which Rev. Mr. Warlick, of the German Reformed Church, responded. Following this, Mr. Jo Nixon, of Lincolnton, spoke in high tribute to the great worth of the family. Following this, Mr. Nixon introduced Mr. J. F. Anderson, of Statesville, who made a very felicitous speech, Mr. Anderson himself being a descendant through his mother. Following Mr. Anderson Rev. J. L. Murphy, D. D., pastor of the German Reformed Church in Hickory, was introduced and delivered a truly great address. Dr. Murphy has been connected with the family as pastor more or less for more than thirty years, and is also connected by marriage.

A great feast was spread in the grove immediately following the exercises, and the vast throng spent the remainder of the day in social intercourse and happy greetings.

Let no one say that such occasions are not worth while. I do not recall an occasion more enjoyable in the best sense, nor one calculated to promote higher purposes. Some Advocate readers might suppose that these people, being of German extraction, and connected with a family in the very heart of the German Reformed and Lutheran churches, would hardly furnish an occasion worthy of mention in a Methodist paper. Yet as I sat there and looked upon the throng and listened to the speakers, I could but note how the melting pot of this free and democratic America had played havoc with things, so that out of this great German family the Methodists, Baptists, Presbyterians and Episcopalians had appropriated so much as to have with these other churches a common interest. The heroine of the day—the only living representative of the third generation present—Mrs. Kate E. Shuford, daughter of David and Annie Ramsaur—is a life-long Methodist. She was introduced by Mr. Nixon amid cheers from the throng. She is now past eighty-five, and quite active. Mr. James F. Anderson, one of the chief speakers, is a shouting Methodist, often on shouting ground, though I believe does not shout himself.

The great evangelical denominations of this country have effectually forestalled any plans of denominational exclusiveness, and it is well that it is so. The spirit of fraternity, fellowship and cooperation which has resulted, while it has not and should not destroy denominational identity, has made it possible for protestantism in this country to present a solid phalanx against the common evils and perils of our church and civilization.

When twitted on one occasion for having twice married outside of my own communion, my only reply was that I had built up Methodism more by marrying outside of my own communion than I could have by marrying inside. Thirty-seven years ago I became a part of this family connection by marriage and it has brought much good to me in the providence of God. It is a family that cherishes its own to the latest generation and does not disown them —that has made an honorable history and deserves to be perpetuated.

Visiting for a day or two following the reunion, I went on Saturday to Caldwell county, where

AT CEDAR VALLEY

I preached to a few old acquaintances and many of the children of former friends and neighbors. How the generations come and go! One has only to revisit familiar scenes after the lapse of years to realize the truth spoken by one of old that here we are only sojourners. Twenty-five years will almost completely change the personnel of any congregation or community. It seems but yesterday that, as a barefoot boy, I wended my way along the shaded pathway leading to the little schoolhouse, then serving as both church and schoolhouse for the community, and which, a little later, began to be known as Cedar Valley. Today the congregation is mostly a congregation of strange faces.

Epitaphs in the near-by cemetery tell the story of how the generations have been pressing along in the march toward the better land. The beautiful little mountain peaks, silent sentinels of the marching throng, stand in their places to remind us of the immutable Father who is the same yesterday, today, and forever, and into whose house we shall all soon be gathered.

My time is up and this must get into the mail with the promise of a finis later.

H. M. B.

RETICENCE IN RELIGION

Reticence is a hindrance to development, no less in religious life and experience than in mental power. The reserved and timid develop slowly and sometimes lapse into a condition of semi-imbecility.

The remedy for this evil is largely in the hands of those who train the young. By all means the teacher should be able to invent some scheme by which the timid child can be gradually delivered from a spirit of reticence which will, if left alone, soon stop all development and leave him to drift along through life in irremediable mediocrity. If the limbs become strong they must be used in walking, running and handling things. We have known a child at twenty months to be the cause of much anxiety to parents because he had not yet learned to walk. The failure to learn to walk could be attributed to nothing but physical reticence—the fear of a fall and a hurt.

The same principle is involved in the religious life. In the beginning all Christians are but babes in Christ. Every power is weak and one finds himself, through reticence, inclined to settle down into a state of helpless imbecility. This accounts for so many in our churches that are sometimes referred to as "dumb Christians." All development has been arrested and they have no word of testimony. They are the sad victims of religious impotency. They can say nothing—they can do nothing. They make a pitiful spectacle.

Discussing this subject, Rev. James Mudge says:

The decadence of Christian testimony has become a very serious evil in the church. It is both a source and a sign of weakness. The neglect of such testimony points unmistakably to a low condition of spiritual life. It also aids in prolonging and intensifying that condition. It indicates an unworthy subservience to the dictates of fashion, an acceptance of the standards of the world. For it has come to be understood in certain circles that it is not "good form" to say anything about one's inner life. Hence, at this mandate, lips are sealed lest it be supposed that one does not know what is demanded by the best society, or what is customary in the ranks of "culture." This operates with some. With others witnessing is restrained because there is a consciousness that the life is too faulty to stand close examination, and that if much of anything be said people will be provoked to make remarks about the jewel of consistency. And, of course, where there is no such thing as a warm, vital, present experience of salvation, where religion is only of the cold, outward, formal variety, there is really nothing to talk about, silence is suitable and necessary.

But is it simply a fashionable fad, or an evidence of spiritual emptiness, or a token of conscious inconsistency, when one has nothing to say for the Saviour? Must one indeed wear his heart upon his sleeve? Is there not a natural and commendable reserve to be exercised about one's inmost sacred feelings? Yes, no doubt. Times and places are to be considered. Pearls are not to be thrust into the swine's trough. In the midst of a sneering and jeering crowd, wholly unsympathetic and hostile, one must act differently from what he would if surrounded by a select company of Christian believers. Judgment may rightly be exercised. But cowardice is always a crime. If one's best friend is being assailed, a craven silence or a sneaking retreat prompted by fear is plain disgrace. "Thou hast given a banner to them that fear thee that it may be displayed because of the truth," says the Psalmist. And again, "In the name of our God will we set up our banners." An army without banners or bands is not likely to win victories or do credit to its country. A soldier that does not care to wear the uniform lest he be recognized by the enemy is of no value.

After all due allowance is made for the timid, shrinking souls of whom as much can not be expected in this line as of their bolder brethren, and after it is freely admitted that talk is not everything—did ever anybody claim that it is? —there remain certain clear precepts of Holy Writ, amply substantiated by sound reason, which ought to settle the matter. When Jesus said: "Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh," he uttered a universal truth which everybody understands. And when Paul declared: "If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus thou shalt be saved," he said something which the Christian centuries have fully confirmed. Confession "with the mouth" as well as with the life runs parallel, in the Scripture, to belief with the heart. The Lord said, addressing his disciples: "I will give you a mouth." Of the dumb idols

t is written: "They have mouths, but they speak not." What a pity that this same should be true of so many that profess to love the Lord! Paul asked his converts to pray for him that he might open his mouth boldly. "The law shall not depart out of thy mouth," said Jehovah to Joshua. And how full are the Psalms of such expressions as, "His praise shall continually be in my mouth;" "He hath put a new song in my mouth;" "My mouth shall show forth thy praise."

In view of all this is there any sufficient excuse for those who close their lips with a padlock on matters of religion while they have plenty to say on all other topics? We can find none. They grievously wrong themselves, and others too.

JOSEPH M. REECE

Joseph M. Reece, Editor of the Greensboro Record, died last week at his home in this city, but this paper was mailed too soon for editorial mention of the matter. However, though it may seem late, the Advocate desires to pay its tribute to the deceased editor, and to extend its sympathy to the bereaved family.

The writer of these lines has known Mr. Reece for about fifteen years, and has known him quite intimately for the past eight or ten years. He wishes to bear testimony to his kindly spirit, and to his fairness as an editor.

The Advocate has not always agreed with Mr. Reece, and has often taken issue with him on public questions; but the writer feels that Mr. Reece was honest in his sentiments, and that, when convinced of his error, he was quick to acknowledge his mistake.

He was a man of ability and integrity and will be greatly missed by the community, by newspaper men generally, but above all by his own beloved Record.

THE METHODIST HANDBOOK

This is a book of reference for all Methodists and costs only 25 cents, postpaid. The book is carefully revised every year by the editor, Rev. Dr. T. N. Ivey, editor of the Christian Advocate, Nashville, and gives information concerning every department of our church work. Smith & Lamar, Nashville, Tenn., publish the book and have many hundred copies of the 1915 edition still on hand. Every pastor should interest himself in distributing this Handbook among our people. The price per dozen is $2.50, postpaid.

NOTE AND COMMENT

Speculation Has Been Aroused in London whether the Germans intend to follow the Russians further or prepare fixed positions and attempt an offensive in the Balkans or in France. It is stated that London military observers believe this question must be settled soon, arguing that any ventures undertaken before winter must commence now. Thus far the Germans have made no move toward a great offensive in the West and the threatened Austrian attack consisted mainly of long distance artillery engagements.

It is also vaguely hinted in London that mid-October has been chosen as the time for the long-delayed "big push" of the Allies in the West, but the point at which an attack is to take place is not being mentioned.

According to a Turkish official report there has been more fighting on the Gallipoli peninsula wherein the Allies suffered heavily in a series of attacks attempted by them last Friday. Neither the Paris nor London war offices have made any mention of any of these engagements.

* * * *

The Standard Oil Company has failed to conclude a permanent contract with the Chinese Government for the exploitation of oil fields in China. Last year the Standard Oil Company entered into a preliminary agreement with China for the development of oil districts in the northern part of the Celestial Republic. This agreement expired last Monday. It was planned if the oil developments proved sufficiently valuable to form a Chino-American Company, in which the Standard Oil was to have a controlling interest, the Chinese government receiving a certain per cent. of the shares.

This failure has caused much comment in commercial and diplomatic circles of Washington where speculation was rife as to a possible connection between the failure of these negotiations and the recent granting by China of commercial demands made by Japan.

* * * *

The Saturday Evening Post not only carries some of the best stories to be found in modern literature, but its serious writers on current event questions are among the foremost of living writers. In two recent numbers Norman Angell contributed two exceptionally instructive articles on "Suppose America Declared War on Germany?" In one of these numbers was also a thought-provoking article by that inimitable wielder of the pen, Samuel Blythe. He was writing on "China Japanned," and in the course of his remarks has this paragraph:

"Not only did the Japaneseg eet a firm foothold in China, and an unlimited and fertile field wherein to carry out their plans, increase their prestige, bolster up their finances, wipe out their poverty, magnify their commerce, and enlarge their military power to any point desirable, but it is more than likely they succeeded in creating the impression on the outside world that all this was a friendly move for China's own good, and in order to preserve peace in the Far East. They are a crafty people, these Japanese. They know full well the advantage of palaver and of the constant assumption of honorable design. Unless Japan secured what she demanded, Japan intended to preserve the peace in the Far East by slaughtering a few thousands or tens of thousands of Chinese, which would have been about as difficult and dangerous for Japan as shooting fish in a barrel."

* * * *

An Asheville Revival is to be held in November and it is said that the intention of local ministers there is to conduct such a meeting as never has been known in the "City of the Sky." The campaign will extend over a period of four weeks or longer, and daily meetings will be held in the great tabernacle which is soon to be erected. It is referred to as the Chapman-Alexander meeting. The tabernacle will be a huge frame building with a seating capacity of 5,000 and a reserved space for a choir of 1,000 people. The choir will be composed of the best musical talent of the different churches of Asheville, and it is believed that at least 1,000 people can be secured to sing during the time the meetings are in progress. A competent orchestra will be organized among the worshippers of all denominations of Asheville, and it is the intention of the Ministers' Association to make the music of the revival of such a nature as to attract large congregations.

* * * *

The Religious Rambler reports that there are at present 1,400 Chinese students in the United States, of whom a large proportion are Christians; and they have a curious and by no means unimportant relation to the missionary enterprise in their native land. These students are feeling and expressing in an increasing degree their responsibility for China's future, religious as well as political.

They are organized in this country as the "Chinese Students' Alliance," and as the "Chinese Students' Christian Association." The former is engaged in various forms of service for the homeland, and the latter does really noteworthy work for Chinese along Christian lines both in this country and across the Pacific. The students maintain their own magazine in this country, the "Liu Mei Nien." Young and weak though the Chinese church may be, her activities are taking many modern forms. Thus, prison preaching is carried on in many Chinese cities. A social service club exists in Peking, which does work for the jinriksha men and for the poor children. Chinese students in this country make the laundrymen a special field of service, teaching them English and Christianity. Several Columbia University Chinese students teach Bible classes of their fellow countrymen. Street preaching in Chinatown, San Francisco, is also done by students.

At the summer student conferences of the Young Men's Christian Association and Young Women's Christian Association the Chinese delegations are notably active. All the girls who are studying in America on the Indemnity Fund were delegates to summer conferences this year at Lake Geneva.

* * * *

A Buyer of White Goods, recently back from Northern markets, remarks that the discovery of the industrial world that it can get along to a great extent without articles of German manufacture is one of the greatest tragedies of the war to Germany. French kid gloves which formerly were made in Germany are now being manufactured in England. The German and Austrian toys which were formerly regarded as indispensable have been superseded by toys of American manufacture. The bisque doll which was at the top of the social column in dolldom has given way to an American product that is unbreakable. Japan, too, is coming into the field of novelties which was formerly largely monopolized by Germany and Austria. New Yorkers say it will be exceedingly difficult for Germany to regain the trade which she has lost. And so it comes about that England is beginning already to reap some of the benefits for which she partly at least went into this war.

In speaking of the New York business man, this buyer says they are pleased with the outlook. Evidently the present activity betokens a resumption that is general and that is charged with a profound significance as an indication of better business throughout the country. "This confidence," continues the buyer, "indicates, too, that Wilson is on the right track and there is no likelihood of this country being drawn into the international imbroglio that is being fought out with shrapnel and submarines across the Atlantic Ocean. If it were believed that this country was on the verge of being drawn into a war in a degree that would injure business the wires wouldn't be able to carry the telegrams ordering the buyers home. Instead, they are preparing for a conservatively good season."

* * * *

Exports of the Products of American farms and factories in July—valued at $267,978,990—were the greatest ever recorded in that month the department of commerce has just announced. The nearest approach to the new record was made in July, 1913, when the American shipments abroad reached $160,990,778. The trade balance for the month, the excess of exports over imports, was $124,879,370, compared with a balance of $21,929,008 in July, 1913. In July, 1914, exports were less than imports by more than $5,000,000. Exports for the first seven months of the year, valued at $1,969,787,495, gave a balance of trade in favor of the United States only a little short of $1,000,000,000. The balance was $960,878,054, compared with $60,388,789 in the first seven months of 1914. July imports were valued at $143,099,620, compared with $159,677,291 last year; for the seven months the total value of imports was $1,008,909,441 this year against $1,140,593,373 last year.

A certain presiding elder reports a few churches in his district as already "overpaid" on pastor's salary for the year. This was accomplished before August 15th. Will the reader be surprised when we say that these were congregations that have adopted a system of finance? System works every day in the year and makes an even balance every week. The other old way works at no time and never makes a balance.

Just before closing a good revival meeting is the best time to secure a good list of subscribers to the church paper. The converted man is "clothed and in his right mind" and he wants to do anything that will prove a help to him in the fight against temptation and sin. Let the pastor tell of the helpful influence of the church paper and take the subscriptions right on the spot. This will do much to conserve the good results of the revival.

CONTRIBUTIONS

THE PUBLIC WORSHIP

E. L. Stamey

What do we mean by it? It is not a mere "preliminary" to what is to follow, but it is a very important part of the public service of the church. We would not under-rate the preaching of the Word. The pulpit is the preacher's throne, and the call to preach the greatest commission ever given to man. But no preacher can hope to do his best for God and the church if he neglects the public worship of the church.

The writer once told Judge Furguson he was glad to have seen him at church the Sunday before, and that eminent lawyer remarked that he always went to hear my pastor preach when he had an opportunity of doing so. He then spoke of how he enjoyed hearing my pastor read as well as preach. And who was it that did not enjoy hearing the Rev. A. T. Bell read his hymns and Scripture lessons? If he were living today it would help most of our young preachers to sit at his feet and learn how to read the Word of God and our grand hymns, as well as how to recite the Apostles' Creed or repeat the Lord's Prayer. We hear good preachers conduct the public worship in such a way that their congregations get but little good from it. They read the creed from the book, repeat the Lord's Prayer in a way no one can keep up with them, and read their hymns or Scripture lessons as if they were not intended to convey any meaning or give any inspiration to the soul.

Our order of public worship is equal to the best, and if properly observed carries with it spiritual blessings for the church, and is not to be regarded lightly or conducted carelessly. It is adapted to both city and country churches and should be appreciated by all. If any preacher does not know the Apostles' Creed, he should memorize it now and have his congregation do the same. If he does not know how to read he will never learn any younger, and he should begin at once to take lessons under some one who can read. I will nominate Brother Goode as instructor if he will promise to be just a little less deliberate.

MEETING OF CONFERENCE MISSIONARY SECRETARIES

Junaluska, N. C., July 19-20

By W. W. Pinson

The annual meeting of the Conference Missionary Secretaries, held at the time and place indicated above, was one of the keenest, most painstaking and most profitable meetings ever held in the history of the office. For a day, a night and a second half-day, these men considered all the many phases of the missionary enterprise from the point of view of Conference organization, and bringing their experience and expert judgment to bear in the discussions, talked themselves through to definite conclusions in well nigh all matters of Annual Conference promotion. Fully recognizing the extraordinary crisis of need and opportunity now confronting the church, the members of this Conference, burdened though they were with a profound sense of responsibility, closed their counsels and went to their various fields with the victorious feeling that the Church everywhere was wide open to their work, and there was never so good a chance to do big things for the Kingdom as now. An outline draft of these conclusions is furnished below in the hope that pastors and members may be stimulated to hearty co-operation in the plan here presented.

There were present Drs. W. W. Pinson, E. H. Rawlings and John M. Moore, of the General Board. The Conference Missionary Secretaries present were as follows: D. L. Blakemore, Baltimore Conference, Washington, D. C.; J. M. Cantrell, Sepulpa, Okla., East Oklahoma Conference; W. A. Russell, Memphis, Tenn., Memphis Conference; C. H. Summers, Gainesville, Fla., Florida Conference; S. J. Thompson, Louisville, Ky.; C. Henley, Cairo, Ill., Illinois Conference; J. W. Sims, Lawton, Okla., West Oklahoma Conference; Frank Siler, Lake Junaluska, N. C., Western N. C. Conference; R. E. Turnipseed, Columbia, S. C., Upper S. C. Conference; John S. Jenkins, Atlanta, Ga., North Georgia Conference; J. W. Perry, Morristown, Tenn., Holston Conference; S. B. Harper, Charleston, S. C., S. C. Conference. W. H. LaPrade, of Hazelhurst, Miss., Chairman Board of Missions, Mississippi Conference, was present to represent the Missionary Secretary of his conference. Drs .Rawling and Moore represented their home conferences, the Virginia and North Texas Conferencs, respectively.

After devotions there were appropriate remarks by Dr. Pinson, the President. The Secretaries were particularly pleased to learn that the Board has received $51,000 in June, 1915, probably the largest amount received for that month in the history of the Board. There was also much joy over the $182,000 bequest from a Baltimore lady, the largest single gift to the Board up to the present time, and over the announcement of $25,000 from the Major Toberman estate of Los Angeles, California.

A committee was appointed to bring in a report on the conclusions reached by the Conference regarding our policy for the ensuing year. The chair named John S. Jenkins, C. H. Summers and W. A. Russell as the committee.

Achievement and Outlook

Considerable time was spent in hearing reports from the secretaries present. There was a strong note of hope particularly regarding full collections, and increase in specials, the spiritual tone of the Church, and especially regarding evangelism. In not a few places the evangelistic committee is being worked and a sane, aggressive personal and pastoral evangelism is proving a blessing to the churches. Pastors and presiding elders generally are cooperating with the Conference Missionary Secretaries and the work of the latter is growing in interest and influence.

Annual Conference Session of Board

At the Annual Conference there should be a definite policy agreed on for the year. At the present time the report of the Board of Missions is usually brought in shortly before adjournment and receives very little attention. The Board should therefore make at least two reports. Report No. 1 should be read on Friday morning, setting forth a definite policy. Then the General Secretary can wisely use this policy in a letter to the preachers of the conference soon after adjournment thereof. This report No. 1 should be published in the Conference organ. In order to give plenty of time for the shaping of the conference policy, the appropriations had best be made by a committee. They can then be read shortly before adjournment. Only the salient features of the policy should be brought before the Annual Conference. Special emphasis should be laid on: (1) The raising of assessments in full. (2) Specials. These do not reduce the money on assessment. They are nearly always paid by the churches that pay the assessment in full. (3) Sunday school money as specials. It should not go on assessment; so also with missionary money raised by the League. (4) The Every Member Canvass for a voluntary contribution. (5) Evangelism given prominence. A goal for converts should be determined upon; say ten per cent. of the membership. For the last two (4 and 5) trained committees in every church should be used. The utmost emphasis is to be laid on proper organization, the enlistment of the rank and file of the membership, and a continuous all-the-year-round cultivation.

Mid-Year Meeting

This is a post-conference meeting, and the earlier after conference, the better. It should be held for at least an afternoon, evening and morning in some central city and at a hotel. Those attending should have their expenses paid by the Board of Missions. The presiding elders, district lay leaders, as well as every member of a Board of Missions, should be present. By all means have the chairman of the Conference Epworth League and Sunday School Boards present. The presence of a Secretary of the General Board is also very desirable. Here a definite task should be laid down to be carried out by every presiding elder through every pastor. Every presiding elder should go away with the full determination to accomplish certain definite things in his district for missions during the year. It is well for the policy adopted by the post-conference meeting to be sent to every pastor, signed by the Conference Missionary Secretary and the presiding elders. A letter signed by the Bishop in charge to the pastors has been found most helpful.

District Institutes

These should be composed of presiding elder, pastor, the district lay leader, and such other sympathetic brethren as the presiding elder may see fit to invite. The time for each institute should be fixed at the Annual Conference or at least the post-conference meeting. The policy adopted by the Annual Conference and the Mid-Year Meeting should be agreed upon for church and charge institutes, in order to carry the conference policy to the entire church. The importance of full collections should be emphasized. The presiding elder to this end may well publish a quarterly bulletin. Receipts from assessments and on specials should be published monthly in the conference organ. The district stewards should consider themselves not so much the representatives of local churches to keep assessments down, but presiding elders' assistants, to raise the assessments in full. We are able to send only one man to China during this year, and he, though begging to go, was provided for only because the man on the field had to come home. The article by Dr. Rawlings in the July number of The Missionary Voice should be carefully studied and used throughout the church.

The consideration of the regular specials should have full space in the district institute program. It is to be remembered they are within the budget. All causes for which we collect have their specials, superannuated preachers, education, church extension, and of course the pastors get perquisites. Our specials for education in the home field are numerous and large, and when we remember that the Foreign Mission fund goes for all these purposes, it is not a think unthinkable that we should callf or large and numerous specials. At present seven hundred churches are carrying specials amounting to approximately $175,000 a yar. In nearly every church there is about one man who could and should pay as much as the assessments. He, of course, does not. Then without specials, what appeal do you leave for such men?

We cannot over-emphasize the importance of missions in the Sunday schools, with the missionary comittee, the missionary program, and missionary offering. We most heartily endorse the Board's plan to have all the Sunday school specialize on China. Plans of the Board under the leadership of the educational secretary seem to us most wise, and we greatly hope that the special "Helps" offered for China will be wisely used. Proper education and organization of the Sunday school for this work will not only mean immediate results in money, but large contributions in the future of both money and missionaries. Emphasize study and helps. In due time the Church will be fully informed as to this special plan for China, and it is urged that every Sunday school will: (1) offer special prayer for China; (2) take the special quarter's lessons now being prepared on China, and (3) make a liberal special offering for China.

Careful consideration should be given at the district institute to the Every Member Canvass. The circuit where it is impracticable to make the canvass in one day for all the churches, can take day aftr day for a week, under the direction of the pastor, until the canvass is completed. Or, if necessary, each church may

be given a week beginning with Sunday and a month taken for it. The Holston Conference tried with good success a conference-wide canvass in one week. The time should be agreed on at the Annual Conference. The pastor should report progress to the presiding elder and he to the missionary secretary; the charge lay leader to the district lay leader, and he to the conference lay leader. The presiding elders' endorsement of this plan should be obtained before the Annual Conference. Then bring the changes on it through the conference organ. Have it adopted at the Annual Conference. Press this in the post-conference meeting and then in the district institute. The committee for canvass are to be trained by the Laymen's Method literature. For this committee we earnestly recommend as a study. "The Call of the World," by Doughty. No appropriation should be given to a charge that will not make the Every Member Canvass. As far as possible, every district should agree on a simultaneous canvass the same Sunday afternoon. Offerings should be taken on a weekly basis, and where they cannot possibly be made weekly, then certainly twice a month or monthly in the duplex envelopes. But we most earnestly urge the subscription on a weekly basis as by far the best method.

Conference evangelists must get endorsement of Conference Commitee on Evangelism. Missionary Secretaries should let it be known that the evangelist is a part of our ministry. Emphasis should be placed on lay evangelism in the district institute, and attention called to he reading course for evangelism. Evangelism should have worthy space in the district institute and such movements should be had in every district. So also it is well to have simuleaneous conference-wide evangelistic movements. You thus unify the district or conference. Under whatever name, personal evangelism, one-to-win-one, protracted meeting, or decision day, let all combine into one mighty soul-winning campaign.

A social service committee from the General Board has been appointed, and will later on issue an outline of social service work for the Annual Conference. In the meanwhile, much is to be done according to the directions given for the local church in the pamphlet, "Lay Activities." For instance, a local committee can arrange for lectures by a physician; they can send flowers to the sick and in some cases, have a labor bureau.

Miscellany

The Week of Prayer should be continued and much emphasis laid on it in the Advocates, at the Annual Conferences, Mid-year Meetings, etc., and the Conference Secretary should, by personal letters, and otherwise, encourage its results.

We are heartily agreed on the wisdom of raising a $50,000 Emergency Fund. The Conference Secretaries should send names of possible givers to Dr. Pinson. We should urge our people to memorialize their dead, not merely by tombstones, but by contributions to the spread of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Again we emphasize the fact that the pastor is the key to the situation in missionary propaganda and collections, and urge that everything possible be done for his efficiency as well as to intensify his interest in this great work of the Church. We should plan and work to secure a large attendance of pastors at Junaluska next summer.

All treasurers should be exhorted to prompt remittance. This applies to the local treasurer as well as the conference treasurer. Let the pastors look after the local treasurer. We call attention to the law requiring the bonding of conference treasurers. It is also most important that his accounts be audited. If the Annual Conference or Board of Missions is not incorporated, then the treasurer may be bonded to the General Board.

Every Conference should have a Secretary on full time when at all practicable and he should make monthly reports to the Recording Secretary and perhaps other officers of the Board.

THE CHURCH EXTENSION HAND BOOK

Rev. W. F. Dunkle

In spite of the fact that this is a day of "them aking of many books" not a few of which find their way to the desk of the Methodist preacher, some of them at a price far beyond their worth and some of them "free-gratis-for-nothing," it does not often fall out that one arrivesw hich is worthy a place and a careful study as the one recently published and distributed free to Methodists by the Board of Church Extension. I refer to the Church Extension Hand Book for the year 1915. If anything is lacking to make it a model report, that lack is not apparent to this writer.

Whether it be the work of the large gentleman of expansive smile and almond locks who sometimes visits the office between visits to many other places, or whether it is the product of the "bright young lady who does the work for the men of the office," or whether it be the result of the "prentice hand" of that "young Lochinvar" who has recently "come out of the West," I cannot tell. Such occult matters are usually disclosed in the "Foreword," but this Book has no foreword (and herein, amongst other matters, it shows the good sense of its makers—or makeress). But in any event, it is a fine job well done. In fact, it is a whole library in itself. It ranges over the whole Methodist pasture and puts forth provender by many streams.

For instance: Here is history at its fountain head; history in the making and in the raw—the work of the Federal Council of Methodism, the history of Methodism on the Pacific Coast, Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Florida, Washington, D. C., and all the way between. And it is not history with dust upon it, but history that pulses with action, suffering, herism, and hope.

How can one read the record here given of the heroic struggles and the fine sacrifices made by "our people" to build an house unto the Lord without being stirred to the depths in sympathy, in love, and in longing-hope?

Then, there are figures: rows and rows of them. But these figures differ from the usual in that they have a soul in them. They do not conceal what one deeply wishes to have revealed, they disclose glowing facts in light clear as crystal. "The way-faring man, though a fool, may read as he runs"; and, reading, he needs not "some man to guide" him. It is realy a symphony in statistics—the song of the hammer and trowel.

But there is more, much more, than rows of figures. There is a Directory of the Conferences, by Districts, with the names of the sub-bishops who reign over them. Lists of churches and parsonages built and a-building. Names of devoted men and women into whose life we get intimate glimpses from what they have placed on God's altar. Places where great things are being enterprised for God. Wide-open mission fields surveyed and their needs disclosed.

And, if one so wishes, here is a sort of manual on civil law—charters, mortgage, refunding bonds, title, transfers, etc. In this is much value to preachers and trustees.

It is also a sort of manual in parliamentary usage, as one can readily gather from the procedure in the Annual Meeting of the Board.

Builders may find here an architectural guide; very useful, especially, to those who are not near a competent architect.

And, as if the catalog were not already long enough, it is a book of devotions. The prayers offered at the opening sessions are models in brevity and directness.

But the abounding fulness of the author it is yet exhausted. He must needs quote poetry at us—despite the warning of his faithful friend of the Pacific Coast who once advised him that his sermons would be very good if he would not "gorme them up with poetry." But the author has goon taste—the poetry is well chosen. And so are the sermon outlines he gives us "younger brethren" whose "pump-priming" he seems to think could be bettered—and it could, generally.

The simple fact is, The Church Extension Hand Book is a great book. It out-Iveys the Hand Book of Ivey in some ways, and that is "going some." How in the world can we get our people to read this wonderful and indispensible book? Or how can we get the preachers and Sunday school superintendents and Epworth League presidents and presidents or Missionary societies to study it? Here is heroism as heroic as the Crusades, sacrifies as fine as ever was, faith like unto that which "never faileth," stories of progress that read like romance, calls of need that wring the heart and stir the soul; and through it all runs a quiet stream of patient toil that puts the idler to shame and makes the "do-nothing" blush as an Elberta peach.

If only this book could be gotten into the hands and heads of our people! Then would our "barns be full and our presses burst out with new wine." How shall it be done?

Blessingso n the Board; a double portion on its great Secretary!

St. Petersburg, Fla.

THE TERPSICHOREAN MILLENNIUM

T. F. Glenn

Get out of the way, ye ministers of the Lord Jesus Christ, and take your sermons, prayer books and Bibles with you, for the dancing master and the master of ceremonies are coming. The fiddlers will occupy the pulpit, the pews will be swept away, the floors duly waxed and polished, but the tablets of the dead will not be removed—they are the handwriting on the wall, the mene, mene, tekel, upharsin, most fitting for those who delight in the Dance of Death.

Get out of the way, ye judges and lawyers and jurors. The halls of justice are to be converted into Terpsichoreaen halls. An image of our new deity will occupy the awful seat of justice.

Get out of the way, ye school teachers. Your Jeffersonian academies, your colleges and universities are to be converted into halls of revelry and mirth, where the young Apollos and Daphnes will "chase pleasures with flying feet." Much study is a weariness of the flesh. Brains are at a discount. Intellectual accomplishments and moral culture are under par.

Let the Newtons, the Keplers and the Herschels peer philosophic ken into the heavens, calculate the distances, ascertain the periods, and unbraid the light of the stars; let the theologians give their days and nights to the study of the Inspired Volume; let lawyers pore over Blackstone, but we will seek the nobler and liftier pleasures of the Saturnalia, where "round the room the circling dow'gers sweep, and in loose waltz the thin clad daughters leap." A nimble foot is the acme of perfection—the crowning glory of the race.

Presbyterian Synods, Baptist Associations, Methodist Conferences, Lutheran Synods, Roman Catholic Councils—what right have they to pronounce the modern dance immoral? Didn't David dance? And Miriam, the sister of the immoral Lawgiver? And Herodias? Doesn't Solomon say "there is a time to dance?" See what a flood of light Bible history pours upon the subject—light from the scene of the calf-worship near the base of Mt. Sinai. True, it was a dance of death, for the light flashes on the ghastly features of three thousand dead men. Light from Herod's palace where the graceful form of the voluptuous Herodias whirls in "mazy dance." True the headman's knife gleams and flashes in the light, great shivers creep over your frame and horror shakes your soul as you see the head of John the Baptist fall from his shoulders. A veritable Dance of Death! A game in which much was lost. The girl lost her modesty, the lecherous king lost his senses and was ready to fling away half his kingdom, and God's great prophet lost his head. History repeats itself. Many a "fair ship of life" has been wrecked and lost forever since that day.

Some people cannot appreciate an argument, hence this ironical article. The fiery old Tishbite used this weapon with telling effect on Mt. Carmel.

Clyde, N. C.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—The address of Rev. J. W. Jones has been changed from Mooresville to Statesville.

—Rev. N. M. Modlin was in the midst of a great revival at McKendree, on the Lincoln circuit, last week. Rev. J. V. Williams, evangelist, assisted him in the meeting.

—Bishop James Atkins dedicated our new church at Hartford, Ky., Sunday, August 15. Rev. B. W. Napier is the pastor.—St. Louis Advocate.

—We note that the Lexington Herald has a new editor, Mr. J. French Foushee. We extend him our hearty greeting, and wish him much success.

—We note with regret that Col. Al Fairbrother, editor of Everything, recently suffered two hemorrhages in the city of Charlotte and is still somewhat indisposed.

—Miss Fannie E. Heck, President of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Southern Baptist Convention, and a very prominent and useful woman, died at her home in Raleigh last week.

—The tent meeting at Lincolnton is making a great impresion. The evangelist, Rev. Raymond Browning, is making a deep impression, and nearly all the denominations are taking good interest in the services.

—Dr. John R. Mott has been elected general secretary of the international committee of the Young Men's Christian Association, headquarters at New York. His term of office will commence January 1, 1916.

—We desire to call attention to the notice of Prof. Trowbridge in another column. The Annual Conference has designated next Sunday as the day upon which we are to take the collection for Brevard. Let every pastor take notice.

—We are informed by J. H. Robertson, pastor of South Fork circuit, in a private note, that he is in his fourth revival meeting, and he has had gracious revivals in all of his meetings. The camp-meeting at Wesley's Chapel will embrace the third Sunday in September.

—We regret to learn that Rev. R. C. Craven, pastor of our church at Rocky Mount, had the misfortune to get right seriously hurt in a collision with an automobile on the street a few days ago. He was riding a bicycle and was thrown to the ground and got a number of bruises, besides a fractured knee.

—Rev. J. J. Eads, pastor of Troutman Ct., writing to The Statesville Landmark, reports: "I have held four meetings this year, with more than 150 professions of faith and the reception of 84 members, four conversions in the homes, 476 visits and much other labor. I have four more meetings to hold."

—Rev. C. M. Campbell, who has long been engaged in ministerial work in the Western North Carolina Conference, was recently chosen bursar of Davenport College, and he arrived last week to enter upon his duties, he and Mrs. Campbell making their home at the College.—Lenoir Topic.

—We note that the Ball's Creek camp-meeting resulted in two hundred and forty-one conversions and eighty-two accessions to the various churches in the community. Rev. M. T. Smathers of Concord and Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick of Mooresville were in charge of the meeting and did much to make it a success.

—Rev. L. B. Bogle was the preacher last week at the famous Bethlehem camp-meeting in Guilford county. It was the greatest meeting in years. There were more than 75 conversions. Mr. Bogle is this week assisting in a meeting at Holt's Chapel, near Greensboro. Rev. F. L. Townsend is the pastor.—The Reidsville Review.

—Hon. E. S. Candler, brother of Bishop W. A. Candler, died recently at his home in Corinth, Miss., aged seventy-five years. He was born in Villa Rica, Ga., but had been for many years a citizen of Mississippi, where he was held in high esteem as a man of ability and of genuine worth. He was for some time a member of Congress and in that position, as in private life, made a worthy record.—Wesleyan Advocate.

We note that J. Quincy Boyer, son of Rev. H. K. Boyer, presiding elder of the Winston District, was one of the storm sufferers near Galveston, Texas. He has been farming for about five years at Arcola, about half way between Galveston and Houston. His corn and cotton were all destroyed with his farm machinery, wagons, out-houses, etc. His neighbor's house 200 yards away was blown to pieces, but his house withstood the storm, and neither he nor his family was hurt.

—Mr. Louis B. Hale, post master at Fayetteville, died at his home in that place on Tuesday, August 24. Mr. Hale was the son of Capt. E. J. Hale, former editor of the Fayetteville Observer, and now United States Minister to Costa Rica. Captain Hale being at his post could not be present at the funeral of his son. The editor of the Advocate feels a deep sense of personal bereavement in the death of Mr. Hale, having been his teacher in his boyhood days at Hickory. It is pleasant to recall Louis as the "perfect little gentleman" in his school days.

—Rev. Dr. J. C. Rowe, presiding elder of the Charlotte District, and his son, Rev. Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe, pastor of Wesley Memorial church in High Point, with Mrs. Rowe and their two small sons, Gilbert and Theodore, visited in the home of Dr. Rowe's son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Frye, who are prominent lawyers of Bryson City, for several days. Miss Eugenia Rowe, who recently completed a course in Fine Arts at Columbia University, is also visiting her sister, Mrs. Frye, until the opening of the Asheville city schools, in which she will resume teaching, a position which she has held there for several years.

—Rev. Walt Holcomb, one of our general evangelists, of Nashville, Tenn., has just closed a great union meeting at Red Springs, N. C., which was conducted in a big warehouse. There were two hundred and fifty reclamations and one hundred and seventy-five conversions. Mr. Holcomb is now spending his vacation speaking at the great Chautauqua in the Central West. He will be at Winona Lake, Ind., Aug. 25, and will begin his evangelistic work for the fall in September. Mr. Holcomb reports something like three thousand reclamations and conversions during his meetings this year. About fifteen hundred converts have joined the churches.—Midland Methodist.

Revivals in Lincoln Ct.—A mighty and unprecedented tidal wave of revival fire is sweeping over this section. The special tide-way seems to be here in Lincoln county, especially our Rock Springs, Louisville, Lincolnton Ct. and Iron Station charges. Three features are very noticeable: First, conviction is so deep and so all-pervading in every corner for about thirty miles. Second, it reaches and wins the best class of people as well as the others. Many (perhaps 200) parents have been saved through this section, about 40 of them above fifty years old. And the third feature is the fact that a comunity can be swept in at once. It is a very frequent scene to see from three to twenty professions the first service of a meeting. Meetings seldom continue longer than five days. Bros. Modlin, Williams and Jackson are storming the forts in their charges. What a glorious time!

About 1000 professions. Between 300 and 400 additions. Jim Green.

Troutman Circuit, Rocky Mount Methodist Church.—On last night I closed a series of meetings at Rocky Mount, at the end of ten days. There were fourteen public professions of faith. Part of this number are supposed to join other churches, some were members o the church, while others have not joined an church, and four were received into th church by me.

We had good congregations in the day an large congregations at night. During mos of the time the sky was so densely becloude that we had but little moonlight. And whe with this, we had to reckon with the poore roads, perhaps, in the county, I am highl gratified at the fine attendance, the good orde and the fine attention.

I had with me Rev. J. O Ervin, the pasto of Dilworth church of Charlotte, who is a proc uct of this church, and of whom the churc is justly very proud. He conducted the da services with great acceptability, and othe wise rendered me very efficient service. He a young man of fine spirit, and I am unde obligation to him for his presence and hel in this meeting.

I have now held four meetings this yea with more than 150 professions of faith an the reception of 84 members, four conversion in the homes, 470 visits and much other labo I havef our more meetings to hold. As yo read this I wil be very glad if you will li your heart in prayer for this future work.

Fraternally,
J. J. Eads, Pastor.
Troutman, N. C., August 25, 1915.

Lincoln Circuit.—As I have finished my re vivals on the Lincoln Circuit, I will now tr to report through the Advocate.

The first one began at Asbury the secon Sunday in July with Rev. Jim Green as m pulpit help, and Bro. Newsom came as ou leader in the singing. Bro. Green did som of his best preaching and work in the alta and the Lord greatly blessed his work. Br Newsom did his best at the organ, and th singing was simply grand. Here we built brush arbor and went at it in the old-fashione way. We had one of the best revivals I eve saw, and 215 or more were converted. Sin ners were converted under the arbor and a home in the fields, barns and homes. Crowd would go home at night singing the prais of God in every direction. Some went hom shouting the praise of God, and were hear half a mile or more. With the six converte at Iron Station and three at McKendree wh joined at Asbury, we have had to date 63 add tions at Asbury.

One young man was converted here wh realized a call to the ministry and is off no for Rutherford College. One other young ma who was converted two or three years ag was called to preach, and left for Rutherfor College today. The names of the young me are Orley Shronce and Blair Shuford. Yo will hear from them again.

My second meeting was Ivey Memoria Here we had a glorious time, 35 conversion and 13 accessions to the church. A Baptis preacher was with me a part of the time, an said he heard more shouting in this meetin than he had heard in twenty years before.

My third meeting was at Pisgah. Rev. F F. Fincher was with me here. He did fin work and the Lord blessed his labors. Th revival in the church was glorious indeed 35 conversions, 13 joined the church.

My fourth meeting was at Marvin. Rev N. C. Williams helped me here. The Lor blessed his work. He is a fine preacher an worker. Here we had 30 or more conversion and 7 additions to the church. The revival in the church was grand.

My fifth meeting was at McKendree. Rev J. V. Williams was my help here. He di fine preaching and the Lord greatly blesse his work. Here we had what the people sai was the greatest revival that had ever bee at this place. Here we had another brus arbor. We knew the house would be too smal while many said the house had always hel the crowd. I knew many would be there fro Asbury, Marvin, Lincolnton and the whol community. Notwithstanding the great Brown ing tent meeting was on in Lincolnton, sev eral came from town and helped in our meet ing. Brother Browning came out and preach

ed for us one night. Here we had about 70 conversions and 14 accessions to the church.

In these meetings we have had 390 conversions and 97 accessions to the Methodist church. Why did we not have more accessions to the Methodist church? It was because more than two-thirds were members of the church, and because many of them went to other churches. At Asbury and McKendree a large number went to the Baptist church, some to the Presbyterian, Lutheran, and Episcopal churches.

Only God knows what all has been done. I now have the most spiritual charge I ever had. Sometimes when they meet in Sunday school it turns into a revival, and we have penitents and conversions.

"The Lord has done great things for us, whereof we are glad." To God be all the glory. Brethren, pray for us that we may be able to lead them on to higher heights and to greater usefulness. Yours in His Name,

N. M. Modlin, P. C.

Busy Pastor

If you would have your charge included in the published financial report next week should it have escaped you) mail me your postal card report today (Thursday)—certainly not later than Friday. W. H. Willis.

To the Preachers of Shelby District

There are two lists of my appointments in The Advocate. The one in the second column should have been cut out. Make your announcements by the list in the third column. I am having the other cut out.

Yours truly,

August 27, 1915. J. R. Scroggs.

$1,000.00 Bequest to Children's Home, Winston-Salem, N. C.

Some time before he died Bro. H. B. Carter, of Ramseur, N. C., gave to the Children's Home by bequest $1,000.00. I received check for the same yesterday and am today sending it on to Brother Walter Thompson our superintendent. It was the desire of the donor that the money should be put into some permanent building at the Home. The check was signed by Bro. I. F .Craven, of Ramseur, N. C., the Executor of the H. B. Carter estate.

J. H. West.

From Conference Evangelist

We had a great meeting with Rev. T. J. Ogburn at Mount Zion. There were over a hundred professions, and a large number of accessions. The church was greatly revived. They gave a good collection for the Evangelistic Committee. Our home was with Bro. Ogburn, and we had a delightful stay with him and his excellent family. We visited and dined in many homes while there, and found a royal welcome in every home. We had large congregations, who were attentive to the preaching of the word. We expect to hear great things from Mount Zion. W. L. Dawson.

Annual Collection for Brevard Institute

At its meeting last fall the Western North Carolina Annual Conference appointed the first Sunday in November, 1915, as the day for taking the final collection in the settlement of the claim of the Woman's Home Mission Society against the Conference for equipment and furnishings supplied to Brevard Institute. It has seemed impossible to determine just how much the women had found it necessary to add after the building had been turned over to them, and the settlement, agreeable to all concerned, is that there will be no further claim against the Western North Carolina Conference after this coming collection has been turned over to the Treasurer, however large or small the collection may be . The claim has hung on for a number of years, and has been a source of some embarrassment to the conference and to the work of the Institute, and it is a general relief that the issue is now on the eve of final settlement.

As stated above, there seems no way to know just what amount is still due the women, and is hoped that the collection may be ample enough to make certain that they are not underpaid for whatever they did to make possible the transfer to them of the Brevard property. The Conference Board of Education has made every effort to act with scrupulous regard to the right in this matter, to be sure that there is no possibility that the conference is leaving any obligation unpaid, and if all the pastors in the conference will present the matter to their people, there is no doubt that a generous amount wil be sent in for the furnishing of the new building. The home missionary treasury has provided a very handsome and substantial building for the vocational training of Western North Carolina youth, but has been unable to secure funds for furnishing all of it.

It is hoped that the pastors may take hold of this oportunity to help our worthy and needy girls and boys, and may be generous to them. All collections may be sent to Mrs. James Atkins, Waynesville, N. C., after deducting cost of transmission.

Missionary Notes from Field Secretary

Hot Springs, Marshall.—Wm. Lester Rexford, P. C.—Marshall, $200.00 conference assessments in full for this point. Jno. E. Rector pledged $65.00, taking the whole of the Home and Conference Mission assessment on the charge—the first instance of the kind I have known in the conference. He told me that he wanted to consider the privilege of doing the same annually for four years. He is a princely farmer layman. The Marshall church contains men paying $100.00, $75.00, $52.00 and $26.00 annually to pastor's support.

Mars Hill Ct.—Rev. Wm. Hunter, supply.—Mars Hill, $11.00, Home and Conference Mission assessment; $80.00, Conference Mission special for year 1915-16. Laurel, $200.00 Conference Mission Special for year 1915-16. This church has four families each of whom pledged $50.00 for a preacher next year with assurance of their willingness to double if necessary, and that annually for four years. The heads of the families are W. M. English, I. L. English, O. H. English and Mrs. M. E. English. Splendid folks they are. Dr. J. W. Baird, of Mars Hill, pledged $50.00. This circuit with seven preaching points has but three houses of worship. W. O. Connor, postmaster at Mars Hill, the seat of the flourishing Baptist school, handed me in passing $10.00 for domestic missions, pledged $20.00 for a preacher next year, and renewed his offer some years since made to donate a lot for a Southern Methodist church.

Weaverville Station.—E. W. Fox, P. C.—$498.45 on assessments. There are many elect women in our conference who with their substance minister to their Lord. Some of them I found at Weaverville. Miss Mollie Baird and her sister, Miss Kitti, gave each in money $50.00 on the domestic mission assessment. A number of men and women gave each $25.00 on assessments. A cultured and generous people compose the Weaverville congregation.

Prof. Newell and his accomplished wife who presides at the organ in Sunday school and church services are active supporters of our cause. I heard encouraging accounts of the prospects for the opening of the college with an almost new faculty. I visited Prof. Yost to find him hopeful of resuming some of his work at the approaching session.

The Weaverville people had remembered August 27 as the 25th anniversary of his and Mrs. Yost's marriage and had sent many substantial reminders of their love. For thirty years he has taught Latin at Weaverville, and most of the time superintended the Sunday school. I found Brother R. W. Pickens in good health for one 91 years old. He joined the Holston conference in 1845.

Sister Lyda and Sister Hoover were present at church to aid in the work.

The district parsonage is a thing of beauty with its added modern improvements and a fresh coat of paint.

Weaverville is a place beautiful for situation. With its fast, five-minute hourly car line schedule to Asheville, it is destined to become an important residence place.

Our people, especially west of the Ridge, should everywhere send their boys and girls to Weaverville College. The new dormitory, Crutchfield Hall, with other buildings and boarding houses, furnish ample facilities for boarding students.

Scarritt Bible and Training School, Kansas City, Missouri

By Miss Maria Layng Gibson

Nearly a quarter of a century has passed since this Training School was added to the educational equipment of the M. E. Church South, in order to test and train its young womanhood for the service of Christ and the Church, and the results achieved through its trained workers in this country and in foreign mission fields prove the value and success of the investment.

The twenty-fourth session will begin on Thnrsday, September 9th, and the opening service will be held in the Memorial Chapel, which is now unusually attractive as it has been newly painted and its beauty appeals to the aesthetic sense. Bishop E. R. Hendrix, Senior Bishop of the Church and President of the Board of the Church and President of theETA Board of Managers, will give the opening message to the students, a most fitting introduction to the work of the year, as his messages are always inspiring and spiritual.

A new feature has been added this year. For several years a Six Weeks' Course has been held in January and February for the benefit of women, especially church workers who could not enter for the session or even for a term. This year another Six Weeks Course will be introduced beginning September 14 and closing November 1. This course will, if possible, be more interesting than the midwinter course, as it will deal largely with the beginnings in Bible history and the foundation principles of Sociology, Teacher Training and other subjects. During this course, a series of lectures in Sunday school methods will be given by Mr. E. E. French, Superintendent of Sunday School Supplies, Nashville, which will be highly instructive as well as inspiring to students. Autumn weather in Kansas City is beautiful, and some who may be deterred from enrolling in the January course for fear of wintry weather may take advantage of the Fall Course at the opening.

An attractive leaflet entitled, "Do You Know?" has lately been published giving much valuable information about the school. It aims also to make clear a point which has perplexed some applicants, as it shows the distinction between the entrance requirements of the Training School and the requirements of the Woman's Missionary Council, for students who are entered on scholarships to be trained for work under the Council at home or abroad. This leaflet will be sent free on application to the Principal. Women who enter at their own expense desiring self-improvement are not required to meet the Council requirements.

The Scarritt Bible and Training School combines the thorough instruction of a high grade school with the refining influences of a Christian home, and "her daughters rise up and call her blessed." Missionaries trained here are at work in the principal mission fields under our own Board and Boards of other denominations, while numbers of deaconesses, city missionaries, pastors' assistants and Travelers' Aids are consecrating their trained powers to the service of Christ in this country. Still others are "the noble mistress of the manse," aiding their husbands in pastoral work that adds greatly to their ministerial efficiency. The Church and the world needs the ministry of trained consecrated women. Knowledge of a need is a call to service, and this school devoted to the training of women for such service, affords the needed opportunity for prparation. Write to the Principal, Miss M. L. Gibson, for further information. Remember the date, September 9th, and act quickly.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

Gracious Spirit, dwell with me—
I myself would gracious be;
And with words that help and heal,
Would Thy life in mine reveal;
And with actions bold and meek,
Would for Christ my Savior speak.

Truthful Spirit, dwell with me—
I myself would truthful be;
And with wisdom kind and clear,
Let Thy life in mine appear;
And with actions brotherly,
Speak my Lord's sincerity.

Tender Spirit dwell with me—
I myself would tender be;
Shut my heart up like a bower,
In temptation's darkest hour;
Open it when shines the sun,
And His love by fragrance own.

Silent Spirit, dwell with me—
I myself would quiet be;
Quiet as the growing blade,
Which through earth its way hath made;
Silent, like morning light,
Putting mists and chill to flight.

Mighty Spirit, dwell with me—
I myself would mighty be;
Mighty so as to prevail
Where unaided man must fail;
Ever by a mighty hope
Pressing on and bearing up.

Holy Spirit, dwell with me—
I myself would holy be;
Separate from sin, I would
Choose and cherish all things good;
And whatever I can be,
Give to Him who gave me Thee.

T. T. Lynch.

MISS FANNIE HECK

We note with sincere regret the death of Miss Fannie Heck, of Raleigh, which occurred on Wednesday, August 25th, after an extended illness of two years. For thirty years Miss Heck has been president of the North Carolina Baptist Convention and for twenty years was president of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Southern Baptist Convention. Her passing will be mourned by hosts of friends who knew and loved her.

YOUNG CHRISTIAN WORKER

Did you recognize the Young Christian Worker, in its new attractive dress in which it came to you in the September issue? We feel that the publication committee deserves to be congratulated for this splendid magazine which means so much to the missionary societies not only in the Western North Carolina Conference, but to the whole of Southern Methodism. What a great thing it would be if every Methodist family should receive a visit from this little messenger each month of the year. Miss Estelle Haskins, our new editor, is going to give us her very best efforts through this paper and we should give her the support of every family in Southern Methodism.

We gladly give space to the little leaflet which came to us from the Publication Committee.

It was decided at the last meeting of the Woman's Missionary Council that there should be a special effort made to increase the circulation of the Young Christian Worker. In accordance with this, we are setting apart the months of September, October, November and December for a subscription campaign.

The September issue appears in a brand new dress, and it has changed its form to a sixteen-page magazine, with an illustrated front page. No Junior missionary society, no Sunday school and no family in the church can afford to be without this bright interesting missionary paper. The Young Christian Worwer is edited especially for boys and girls between the ages of nine and fifteen, but it is just as interesting to the older people in the family.

We are offering to any person who will secure twelve new subscribers our beautiful new peace pin free. This pin is enameled and is in the form of a shield. It is made up in our national colors—red, white and blue—and has across it the word, "Peace." We are asking you to help the missionary work by getting everybody to read, and to help the cause of peace by wearing this pin. Work for the Young Christian Worker and wear the Peace pin. The price of the paper is only twenty-five cents a year.

RUTH HARGROVE INSTITUTE

We are in receipt of the splendid catalogue of this school for 1915-1916, and for the benefit of those who are not so familiar with the school we quote from the bulletin.

The Ruth Hargrove Institute is the property of the Woman's Missionary Council of the M. E .Church, South. It is located at Key West, Florida, a beautiful and healthful city of 25,000 inhabitants. The school can accommodate 500 students, is distinctly Christian, and while denominational, is unsectarian. The school stands emphatically for Christian character and for Christian education, and it is its aim to so adjust the work of the student that intellectual and religious culture may go hand in hand. The vital truths of Christianity are taught and lived.

Arthur W. Mohn, B. L., is president of the Institute and is assisted in his work by a corps of twenty efficient instructors.

The terms of this school are reasonable. The departments of the schools are the Preparatory School, which includes the Kindergarten and Intermediate departments; English department, Ancient Languages, Modern Languages, Biblical department, art, music, physical culture, school of business and industrial department.

In connection with the school we find the Cuban Primary School which was opened to give the Cuban children who live at a distance from the institute an opportunity to secure a thorough course in English and allied subjects, under favorable conditions. An American Spanish-speaking teacher is in charge.

We are giving to our readers this week, through the kindness of Mrs. V. L. Stone, District Secretary of the Asheville District, a message from Miss Mabel Head, Coresponding Secretary of Foreign Department of our Woman's Missionary Council. We feel that this message will be read with interest by our workers coming as it does from one who is so familiar with conditions. Miss Head is anxious that each auxiliary hear this message:

My Dear Sisters:

As I sit here in the office and read the many items of interest that come from the foreign fields, I long to be able to pass the inspiration to the women in the auxiliaries. So many good things have been coming recently that I am today sending you this little news letter, with the hope that it may make our work more real to you. I wish that every one of our missionary women could have heard Bishop Bashford, of the M. E. Church in China, as he gave his ringing messages at the Missionary Conference at Lake Junaluska. The burden of his thought was that we in America must advance our missionary work that in some wise we may overcome the awful setback caused by the European war. He told many splendid instances of the sacrifice of our missionaries as they were trying to keep the representatives of English, German and French Protestant churches in the field. These instances would never come to us from the missionaries themselves, but they show a devotion to the cause that we ought to equal.

He drew a most forceful illustration showing how the women in the missionary societies here in America Might practice self-denial which would prove to the world that there was as much devotion in following the law of love as there is in following the law of patriotism, as the European women are doing at the present time. Our collections the two last years were less than the year before, but I some how feel that if the work can be made a little more real to all of us that we will go forward this year and make up for the deficit of these years. If we do not, every missionary and every institution will suffer.

Let me give you a few of the stirring messages that have been coming from Korea recently. Another great revival is on there that the workers think will be more significant than the great movement for a million souls a few years ago. Our missionaries write as follows:

"We are having wonderful services at the churches. In one week at North Ward Church, Songdo, Korea, two hundred and thirty-two became believers, and last week one hundred came out on the Lord's side at the three night meetings. The spirit of the living God is working wonderfully with our girls in the schools, and in fact, he is manifest all over our city. There is deep heart-searching and a waiting upon God with a contrition that will surely end in his peace. It is a great privilege to work in Korea at this time. What is being done in Songdo is also being done in all the other stations in Korea. Great crowds are seeking to know the truth, and many are standing firm for Jesus Christ. The native Christians are working with zeal and devotion, often at great sacrifice. Isn't it splendid? The test comes now and we are asking ourselves again and again, Will we be able to teach them, so that they hold out until they are established? We cannot do it unless reenforcements come and unless the women at home will help us by the increase of their missionary offerings and by prayer."

"We had our general Bible class for women this year in Wonsan, Korea, in February. One hundred and eighteen women were enrolled. They studied all the morning and had their meal of rice and kimchi at one o'clock. They studied again in the afternoon and for more than an hour received instructions about the evangelistic work they are planning to do. They made their sacrifices; but oh, how they love the Word! And what a mighty power it has to transform their lives! We organized a gospel society for preaching to unbelievers, and for visiting the sick, and looking after any who were becoming indifferent They were eager to have a campaign for new believers, and at the end of the week two hundred and fifty had decided to believe. They felt that the gospel society ought to be missionary and decided to increase their tithes by paying one-twentieth of the amount as dues and then making freewill offerings During the first six weeks this amounted to $46.00 and we asked for volunteers who would take trips into the country, visit the heathen villages and enroll those who wanted to study. Two women were selected after much prayer, and they will be gone two months; then two other women will go out in another direction. We plan to have these circuits visited at least three times a year. If you could only look in upon these women and could hear their earnest prayer, I think you would say that their devotion was like unto that of the early church."

Last year we found it necessary to cut the appropriations and the day schools through the country sections suffered. Except for sacrifice made by the missionaries to keep them going, some, I fear would have closed. The Japanese are getting more and more strict and are making new demands upon us, which looks sometimes as though we might have to go out of the educational business. They are demanding better teachers and better equipment. A few weeks ago, one of the teachers who supervises the schools in one of the districts wrote saying: "We have done all we can, but unless you can send us another hundred dollars we will have to close three of our day schools because of the demands of the Japanese. We are touching more than five hundred families in these day schools." My heart was much burdened, but I felt that we could not make additional appropriation; so a few of us asked God to touch the heart of some one and give us the money. In a few days this note came from a young woman whose name is to be unknown:

"As I have been reading of conditions in Korea, it has seemed to me that what we are to do for these people must be done quickly. Surely the Lord's business requires not only haste but sacrifice. I have only this hundred dollars to give, and I scarcely know how mother and I will go through the summer, but I just know that God wants me to send this check to you. Use it where it will count in extending His kingdom."

I might give you other beautiful instances of answers to prayer. Will you not join me in more definite prayer for strong, capable volunteers to go to the field, and more especially, that the hearts of men and women may be stirred to give in a way that will honor God? We ought to have many extra gifts, also legacies and annuities. Besides this, every missionary society ought to increase their offering this year. Let us plan for a little daily self-denial and see how God will bless it and us.

I am not at all ready to stop, but this letter is long enough. I send it to you, my co-laborers, in the hope that in every way we may work together for the advancement of His kingdom.

Yours in His service,
Mabel Head.

MISS RENA MURPHY

Miss Rena Murphy of Fort Worth, Texas, one of the Deaconesses recently ordained at the Woman's Missionary Council, has arrived at Asheville and has taken up the work assigned her there.

The women of the Mothers Club of Welfare Cottage, one of the organizations of her city mission work, gave a reception at the cottage on Thursday of last week which proved a very pleasant occasion, giving these mothers an opportunity to meet Miss Murphy at once, and also giving them an hour of social pleasure and enjoyment.

Miss Murphy comes as a successor to Miss Josephine Guffin who for the past two years has been carrying the work forward. Miss Ethel Ritchson of Maryland was an efficient assistant of Miss Guffin for the past year.

Miss Murphy has begun her work in a most earnest manner and we predict for her great success in this field of labor.

"Shall our missions languish?—missions upon which God is now pouring a Pentecost like unto that at Jerusalem? Shall we provide that our devoted missionaries suffer the anguish of retrenchment while in the midst of the greatest revival the Church has ever known? Have care? God is speaking. The hoary system of heathenism, now breaking in pieces, are the heritage of the Son. Shall they remain untaught to Whom the Master hath commissioned His disciples?

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

SPENCER, SEPTEMBER 23-25

As was announced in the Advocate last week in a letter from President Bain, Spencer has invited our Epworth League Conference to meet there in September. The 23-24-25 has been selected for the time.

Let every League send a delegate. Entertainment will be furnished by the people of Spencer, and you will miss something good if you are not there. Let us show the good people of Spencer that we appreciate their invitation and that we are in earnest about our League work.

Make your motto for the next month "At least one delegate at the Conference." We hope to have a good representation of our Leagues and we will, if every League will do their part. What is YOUR League going to do?

HIS FIRST AND LAST PRAYER

Not long ago in one of the beautiful tidewater towns of the state, a ghastly deed was done. A man was stabbed again and again and again—near a score of times—so that he fell where he was and died where he fell. The slayer was tried with the usual formalities. Witnesses testified, lawyers made speeches, the judge charged the jury and the prisoner was sentenced to prison for a term of years. There was nothing so very unusual about the trial. The people read about it all in the papers and soon forgot it. It is needless to rehearse it here. Society used the best means it has been able to devise to administer justice, so let it pass. But there was an incident connected with the last moments of the dead man which it may be worth while to relate.

When the stricken man sank to the ground, with his life blood gushing from his many wounds, he asked that someone pray for him, because he knew that his end was at hand. But those who had gathered around him stood dumb in their horror. When silence was the only answer to his request, heb egan to pray for himself. Whether, in the hurly-burly of a busy life, he had learned no other prayer, or whether, when his mind ran swiftly back over the years he had spent, as they say the mind does in extreme moments, he saw in the gathering gloom the vision of a good woman bending over the bowed head of a little boy as he knelt in evening prayer, it is needless now to inquire; but this is what he said as best he could in his dying agony:

Now I—lay me—down to—sleep—
I pr-ray—the Lord—my soul—to keep
If I—sh-should—die—be-fore—I wake
I pray—the—Lord—my soul—to—

The crimson stream of life had ceased to flow, and so it was that this strong man died with the prayer of childhood on his lips. The tide went out to the sea; the stars looked down from on high; and in thousands of homes little children were kneeling with bowed heads and saying their "Now I lay me's." And thus it happened that when Sandalphon, the Angel of Prayer, gathered up the "Now I lay me's" that night and bore them as a garland of pure white blossoms through the portals of the City Celestial, lo, a blood-red rose was found in their midst.—*Selected.*

WEST MARKET STREET, GREENSBORO, LEAGUE ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

The West Market St., Greensboro, Epworth League held its annual election of officers Monday night, August 23rd. The very impressive installation service was conducted by Mrs. R. M. Browning, in the presence of one of the largest crowds that ever attended an Epworth League meeting in our church.

The following officers were elected: Garland F. Robeson, president; Frank Scarborough, superintendent of first department; Miss Lou Curtis, superintendent of second department; Miss Janey Mitchell, superintendent of third department; Miss Maude Hester, superintendent of fourth department; Mrs. R. M. Browning, secretary; W. R. Shearer, treasurer; and Miss Annie Evans, Epworth Era agent.

Every member of the new League cabinet is an enthusiastic Leaguer and the ensuing administration promises to be one of great success for the League.

At the close of the installation service pledges amounting to about fifteen dollars were taken for the Africa Special. It is intended to raise $25 for this purpose by the time our Conference meets at Spencer.

LAKE JUNALUSKA AND THE EPWORTH LEAGUE CONFERENCE

An annual event that is looked forward to in eager anticipation by many of our Leaguers throughout the Southern Methodist Church is the Epworth League Conference at Lake Junaluska. Every one who has ever attended one of these conferences readily understands why this is so. As a denominational summer resort, the place is acknowledged to be without peer in the South. Inspiration, rest and recreation are the attractions which these conferences so freely and abundantly afford our young people and which have led many of them to arrange to spend their vacations here every year.

The conference which closed a ten-day session August 29th, wss in every way up to the high standard which has hitherto characterized these conferences. The program was replete with addresses and discussions by men and women of wide reputation and authority on League work. The Conference was in charge of Rev. J. M. Culbreth, Assistant Secretary of the Epworth League, who conducted a very helpful institute on League work every day. Dr. J. L. Cuninggim, presiding elder of the Durham District, in the North Carolina Conference, delivered a series of very interesting and able lecture on the Gospel of Saint Matthew. Prof. W. F. Quillian, president of Paine College, and Rev. J. M. Culbreth led very instructive mission study classes in home and foreign mission work. Miss Ada Trawick, of the central office was also present and took an important part in the Conference. In addition to these the Conference was favored with addresses by some of the ablest men in our Southern Methodist Church. Nothing on the program was short of the best obtainable, and all who attended the Conference for even few days were well repaid.

Only a few of the Leaguers in our Western North Carolina Conference have learned to appreciate the value of these great conferences and our beautiful assembly ground which is located right in their midst. When they do the attendance upon these conferences will become somthing like what it ought to be.

THE MEANING OF A UNIFORM

By Addie C. Webb

A wealthy Chicago girl was looking for composition material and stopped at a Saalvation Army meeting. She was an orthodox church member; but she had never thought of taking her religion over seriously, and going to the Salvation Army meeting had in it the nature of a frolic. But she went away from it very thoughtful. The composition was not written. A little later her father received a letter telling him that she had given up her idea of a debut party and a brilliant social career; that she was making her plans to enter the Salvation Army, "because," she said, "I want to help the ones who need my help the most." The father was disappointed, but the girl had her way. She said that it seemed no hardship to give up anything but the soft, beautiful colors that she had always worn. It was not easy to exchange delicate pastel shades and fine fabrics for the coarse red and blue serge that the Salvation Army requires. She did not want to wear a bonnet "with not a bow or a quill upon it," and she almost balked at the idea of going into a uniform. But the Salvation Army rules are rigid, and so she put it on.

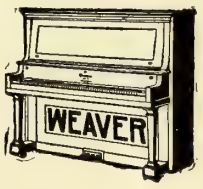
It was not long after the uniform was donned until her first great triumph came. She was going timidly down the street one day when a little boy ran and threw his arms about her knees, crying: "Mama wants you." "No," answered the new lieutenant, "your mother could not possibly want me, for she has never even heard of me." "But she does want you," insisted the child. "She is sick—awful sick—and she told me to run and find one of the red-and-blue ladies."

Then the college girl understood. The uniform stood for something more than allegiance to the army. It was not just a gentle hint to passers-by that any stray coins they happened to possess were welcome; it was an announcement to every one in trouble that here was a friend. It did not matter whether you happened to be cold or hungry or sick or jobless or just unbearably lonely. Here was one who had time to listen. Here was one to hunt you a job or find you a doctor or clothe your children or sit by the bedside of your dying wife. She didn't ask you to feel gratitude. She only asked: "What can I do for you? What service can I render that will make you a more efficient citizen, a happier man or a fitter candidate for heavenly places?"

This uniform, this homely red-and-blue serge, meant that she would have many opportunities to serve the King of kings and that he was a generous paymaster. It was no trouble to wear it now. The party gown and pastel shades did not matter any longer. She had made her debut into a new world, and it was better than the old.

Shreveport, La.

Weaver Piano Endorsed by Jacksonville, Fla., Church.



"It is with the greatest pleasure that I am to be the writer of commendation of the Weaver Piano purchased of you July 5, 1907, for use in our Sunday School room. It is by far the sweetest toned piano we know of. It excels in responsiveness to the slighest touch of the player. It has given the Members entire satisfaction, and the Official Board are pleased with it beyond expression.

By order of the Official Board, First Christian Church, Jacksonville, Fla.

L. P. VANDERMARK, Clerk."

The climate of Florida is especially hard on pianos, being very damp. But the Weaver Piano has been giving satisfaction all these years. It is durable and will last a lifetime under even trying conditions.

Why Do WEAVER Pianos Please?

Because we have been building pianos and organs for forty-five years and have never manufactured any instrument except a good one. Our whole ambition has been to conduct a business that would grow a little higher in the respect of the public each year. That kind of a business house pays and it is a pleasure to be connected with it. Our present position as manufacturers of the Weaver—the highest standard of piano quality so far attained—is due to that ambition.

You wouldn't be surprised that Weaver pianos last a lifetime if you knew the methods, men and materials on which their reputation is based. Weaver Pianos are used and endorsed by many of the world's leading musicians, including Alice Nielsen, Mme. Homer, Victor Herbert, Frank La Forge, Frank Croxton and many others.

We also make and sell the Charming Toned York Piano, the popular Livingston Piano and the Celebrated Weaver Organ.

They may be obtained on terms to suit your convenience.

These instruments are everywhere conceded to be

THE LEADING LINE

Send immediately for catalogue and prices.

Weaver Organ & Piano Co., Manufacturers, York, Pa.

SIGN YOUR NAME HERE

If you suffer with any chronic disease that does not seem to be benefited by drugs, such as dyspepsia, indigestion, sick headache, neuralgia, rheumatism, gallstones, liver or kidney diseases, or any other chronic ailment involving impure blood, you are cordially invited to accept the liberal offer made below. It is a grave mistake to assume that your case is incurable simply because remedies prepared by human skill have not seemed to benefit you. Put your faith in nature, accept this offer and you will never have cause to regret it.

I believe this is the most wonderful Mineral Spring that has ever been discovered, for its waters have either restored or benefited nearly everyone who has accepted my offer. Match your faith in this Spring against my pocketbook and if the water does not relieve your case I will make no charge for it. Clip this notice, sign your name, enclose [illegible] and let this wonderful water begin its healing work in you as it has in thousands of others.

Shivar Spring,
Box 5A, Shelton, S. C.

Gentlemen:

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)

Note:—The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate is personally acquainted with Mr. Shivar. You run no risk whatever in accepting his offer. I have personally witnessed the remarkable curative power of this Water in a very serious case.

Our Little Folks' Department

INTELLIGENT DOGS

That dogs understand words more often than we give them credit for, I am convinced. My own dog, Bobby, a Boston terrier, convinced me of it every day. One Sunday, Bobby was asleep in his basket in the library, and as I was putting on my coat down stairs I called up to my daughter, who was in the room with him, that I was going to the post office and would be back soon. If I had called to ask if any one had seen the morning paper, although in the same tone of voice, I am sure he would not have moved. But when he heard me say I was going out, he immediately sat up and began to take notice. My daughter said, "Don't you want to take Bobby with you?" At that he jumped out of his basket and was all attention and excitement. To him everything depende on my answer. If I had said "No," I am sure he would have gone back to his basket and would have dismissed the incident from his mind, but I din't say "No"; I said, in an ordinary tone, "Yes, he may go if he wants to." Upon that he tore down the stairs without any further invitation, wagging his tail and expressing as well as a dog can his delight at the prospect of going with me; then he ran to the front door and waited for me to open it.

My own dog was not the only one in the neighborhood that gave evidence of reasoning powers. My next-door neighbor owned a handsome Irish setter, Rex, and two doors away on the other side of me lived Laddie. Laddie was one part bulldog, and several parts other kinds. He was a demure old fellow, not very lively, and his face always wore a sad expression that gave him, on the whole, rather a patheic appearance. One of his peculiarities was that he was never known to bark or make a sound. Rex, on the other hand, was just the opposite. He was young and vigorous, was everybody's friend, and was a great roamer, frequently being gone all day. As it often happens that men with natures diametrically opposite will be attracted toward each other, so Rex and Laddie became close friends, and we seldom saw one without the other. Rex soon persuaded Laddie to accompany him on one of his long trips; no one ever knew where they went, but the experience was evidently satisfactory to the older dog, for after that they invariably made their all-day excursions together. It was very amusing to see these dogs when they returned from one of their long tramps. Laddie always appeared pretty well tired out and trotted along after Rex, who showed his solicitude for his old friend, and, realizing his infirmity, would go with him to his front door and bark until the door was opened. When he had seen Laddie safely inside his own house he would go home and bark at his own door until admitted. If this did not show reason, it was certainly very much like it.—Our Dumb Animals.

MURINE FOR YOUR EYES

Murine is prepared by our Physicians, as used for many years in their practice, now dedicated to the Public and sold by Your Druggist. Try Murine to Refresh, Cleanse, and Strengthen Eyes after exposure to Strong Sunlight, Wind and Dust and to restore healthful tone to Eyes Reddened and made Sore by Overwork and Eye Strain.

Some broadminded Physicians use and recommend Murine while others perhaps jealous of its Success, talk and rush into print in opposition; those whose Eyes need care can guess why, as there is no Prescription fee in Murine. Just hand your Druggist 50c and you have a Complete Pkg. Eye Book—Murine—Dropper—and Cork Screw—ready for use. Try it in your Eyes and in Baby's Eyes for Eye Troubles—No Smarting—Just Eye Comfort. Write for Book of the Eye Free.

Murine Eye Remedy Company, Chicago

PROOF LACKING

Jack, whose home was in the Far West, had never visited his paternal grandfather in New England until his eighth year. He manifested the greatest interest in the proposed journey. "Shall I see the house where you were born, Pop?"

"Certainly, my son," answered his father (a state senator of considerable local repute, and the political boss of his home county), "grandfather's house is where I was born."

At the end of the journey, Jack and his parents alighted in front of a comfortable, roomy, rather pretentious old mansion of Colonial type. The place had been well kept up and presented an appearance of wealth and distinction.

But Jack regarded it from the gate with evident disappointment. He seemed downcast and humiliated.

"Is that where you were born, Pop?"

"Yes, my son. Don't you think that is a fine place to be born in?"

"Yes, Pop, but I thought you were a great man. I've been telling lots of folks you were, and now—why, that's no sort of a log cabin!"—G. T. H.

AN EXCLUSIVE SOUTHERN INDUSTRY

The State of North Carolina can boast of at least one exclusive Southern industry—the production of blue marble; the Regal Marble Company's quarries at Regal, N. C., being one of the few producers in the western hemisphere of this valued stone. The Regal Company's product is known as Regal Blue and is characterized by a deep blue color and an extremely compact texture, which accounts for the remarkable weather resisting properties of this marble. Government tests show its water absorption to be only .0035, meaning that so little moisture penetrates that frost can do no damage. Frost is the natural enemy of exposed marble monuments and eventually destroys those of coarse grain. The Regal Company have a very complete finishing plant at the quarries where natural Regal Blue is sawed, turned, cut, sanded, polished, etc. Only American workmen are employed.

THE FACT

We thank God for every devoted Missionary of the Cross of Christ who, since the Divine commission was given, has gone forth at His call to preach the gospel, and for those who have laid down their lives in this glorious work. We thank God, too, for every missionary now on the field, and for those at home truly doing their utmost to fulfill the obligation resting upon them. But we must face the fact, that, after all, the work for the most part is left undone, and day by day thousands of precious immortal souls are passing away beyond our reach into eternity without knowing Christ the Savior of the world.

Who is responsible for this state of affairs? Scarcely, should we think, the unconverted men or women who know not Christ as Lord, nor heed His commands. Unable to understand the love of Christ themselves, how could they proclaim the story of the Cross? Angels are not responsible, for surely, had the privilege been entrusted to them, long years ago the Gospel Message would have been sounded forth in every part of the globe. Not we alone as members of the Church of Christ are responsible, and what are we each doing to fulfill the sacred obligation?—From "The Call of Christ to His Church."

ELKIN, THE WILKESBOROS, AND STATESVILLE—DODGING ABOUT

After ten days in Mt. Airy and two days and nights at home in Winston-Salem, I started on a six days' journey to Elkin and the Wilkesboros. This was in all respects a delightful as well as profitable visit.

It was about twenty-five years since I made a visit to Brevard in Transylvania county beyond the Blue Ridge and southwest of Asheville. There was no railroad to that point and I went by private conveyance from Hendersonville. There were no street electric railways in North Carolina at that time, but the street car had a small place, however, in the State. The one in the latter town in which I rode was moved by mule power, a descendant of the animal "speaking with man's voice," several thousand years since, "rebuked the madness of the prophet."

In riding along the meandering way over the hills and along the valleys of the sparkling French Broad River, all clad in green foliage and verdant with meadow grass and fields of growing corn over the rich bottom lands, with enough of beautiful flowers to make a most attractive and variegated scene, I look over and over the wide and rising scenes of beauty and grandeur in wonder and rapture. I thought if "the heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament showeth his handiwork," such scenes of undulating hills and towering mountains with crystal streams scintillating in the light of the evening sun, show no less of His glory. I thought that section of country was the most delightful, surpassing all others, I had ever seen.

A few years later, I made a similar visit from Winston-Salem up the Yadkin Valley to Wilkesboro. As I ran along this way and looked upon scenes of green clad hills and valleys with the great mountain ranges stretching away before me, I saw visions of beauty and grandeur, it seemed to me, as delightful and charming as any I had ever seen before. I thought what a delightful and beautiful world! No wonder Peter said on the Mount of Transfiguration, "It is good for us to be here." And this is just as good and desirable as any other part of it. I am glad I have had a place upon it so long; that I was born in North Carolina and have been permitted to spend so many years within the paradisaical piedmont hills of fruits and flowers on the sunny side of her encircling mountains.

A few weeks since, the State Agricultural Department reported that North Carolina had more than fed her population by the products of her own soil. If she does not much more than do this by the products of this year, it will be surprising. Unless some unforseen occurrence in the way of storms and floods should sweep to destruction the vast fields of growing corn, this promises to be one of the most bountiful years of food supplies the State has ever had. Whether we have been robbing God by withholding our offerings, which belong to Him, and refused to "honor him with our substance and the first fruits of all our increase," or not, He seems to have rebuked "the canker worm," "the grasshopper," and "the boll weevil," and opened "the windows of heaven," and poured His blessing upon us so lavishly "that there is not room enough to receive it." If we are not a grateful and thankful people we ought to be. "O that men would praise the Lord for his goodness and mercy to the children of men."

When I made my first visit up the Yadkin alley, Elkin was only a little town in name, and North Wilkesboro was not much more. What changes and developments have come to pass since then! In passing, I stopped off for a night and parts of two days at Elkin. Forty years ago on my way to Mt. Airy Station I forded the Yadkin river, now spanned by a steel bridge, there with horse and bugg Since then the population has almo entirely changed and quintupled. Th old people have passed on. Only o that I think of now remains, Bro. Chatham, one of the leading Met odists and business men of the tow Elkin has become rather famous its manufacture of woolen goods, e pecially blankets, and shoes. Thes with the mercantile interests are t chief industries of the town. I spe the night in the parsonage home Bro. Hipps, our Methodist past there. By the way, our old Methodi church in which I preached in passi many years ago, and in which Bish Key preached and held a District Conference soon after the formati of the Mt. Airy District, has long sin given place to a new and mode church building, which occupies prominent place and may be seen fro afar like a city that is set on a hil Bro. Hipps is an energetic worker, strong preacher and is in popular fa or with his congregation. By his tim ly help, I did pretty thorough and fective work for the Advocate a about completely righted up your ma ing list.

I spent three days and three nigh in the Wilkesboros. In the days wh we were hampered and blockad against the salt of the ocean, mo than a half century since, I pass through Wilkesboro, going and co ing, to haul salt to North Caroli from Southwestern Virginia. The to is much older than it was then, b not correspondingly larger. The o er people here, too, have passed and not so many more have come over-fill their places. The town h made haste slowly in growing for t past fifty years. The influx of po lation and the tide of developme and progress have been turned up North Wilkesboro, the terminus of t Southern Railway up the Yadkin v ley, on the opposite side of the riv as the name indicates. A long st bridge spans the Yadkin river betwe them, and, like Winston and Sale makes the two towns a "twin-cit althought unlike Winston and Sale they have never got married. Th is, I have never heard of the legis ture or anybody else celebrating t marriage ceremony. North Wilk boro has in large measure monopoliz the commercial interests that cent upon that terminus of the railroad. has a more progressive citizensh and its growth has been very rapid the last two decades. Its chief ind try is a large steam tannery—the la est perhaps in the South.

The churches are keeping pace wi the growth of the two towns. It w my pleasure to spend some time the parsonage home of Bro. O. Jones, our Methodist pastor at Wilk boro, and attend the Sunday morni service and preach for his congreg tion at the 11 o'clock hour. He a his family are much loved and teemed by the church and communi Their home in the instruction a training of their children is a mod one. The Advocate has not such large list of subscribers in his churc but by his timely help it was th oughly renewed.

It attended the Sunday night servi in the Methodist church of Nor Wilkesboro, of which Rev. Park Holmes is the pastor, and who is n closing the fourth year of his qua rennium. When he goes to the ne conference he will leave many regr ful friends behind. This is a splend newly built up-to-date church and h been completed during the administr tion of Bro. Holmes. This congreg tion is much larger and so is the A vocate subscription list. I spent se eral nights in the home of Br. J. Turner, one of the most promine and big-hearted Methodists in all th piedmont country, and by his time aid and personal effort I did some ve satisfactory work for the paper, as t

report and check sent in to the office will show.

This is an age of push and rush, of very rapid transit by land and sea and air. A hundred and two miles an hour in an automobile, car or airship is some swifter than I want to go, and more so than I intend if I can help it. I can hardly feel comfortable at a mile a minute, but I get about mighty fast nowadays. I left North Wilkesboro on an afternoon train, ran down home at Winston-Salem, spent a night there, and on the following afternoon, with friends from Louisburg, sped away across the country to Statesville in good time for the opening of the Sunday school and District Conference, spending, meantime, a night and other time with friends at Turnersburg and other places along the way. Now, since it is all over, it is needless for me to say more of Statesville and the conferences than has already been said by the Secretary, unless I should say that the Advocate was conspicuous by the absence of the Editor on account of illness, and that I remained over a few days and did the work for the paper in his absence. I spent the following Sabbath at home and heard the morning sermon by Bro. Bain in Centenary, and another by Bishop Rondthaler at night in the Moravian church on Southside. And now I am resting.

James Willson.

Children's Home

Amt. Received on General and Special Support, and the Ten Per Cent. Assessment

Rev. E. J. Poe, Walnut Cove Ct., $1.90; Rev. J. B. Tabor, Thomasville Ct., $9.00; Miss Maud Hardin, Rutherfordton, $9.00; Miss Julia Brookshire, Biltmore charge, $2.82; total, $22.72.

Building Fund—Rev. J. H. West, Agt.

Spence Bible Class, by Mrs. W. P. Strader, Greensboro, $30.00.

The H. B. Carter Bequest

The will of the late H. B. Carter, of Ramseur, who died about a year ago, contained an item of $1,000 payable to the Children's Home. Announcement of this bequest was made last September. The Home is in receipt of the cheque of I. F. Craven, Executor, for the above amount forwarded through Rev. J. H. West, making total receipts for the week for the Building Fund $1,030.00.

Acknowledgement

Our thanks are due Mrs. A. H. Eller, Winston-Salem, for a valuable addition of juvenile literature to our library. The gift embraced many volumes of special interest and information for boys, and is duly appreciated.

WHAT DID SHE MEAN?

A commercial traveler went home one day and said to his wife:

"I have done something today that I should have done when I first started on the road. I have taken out an accident insurance policy on my life. If I am killed, the company pays 1,000 pounds. If I am injured then I get a pound a week."

"For how long?" she asked.

"As long as I am laid up."

"But it might be only a week."

"Yes."

"And you would only get a sovereign?"

"That is all."

"And if you get killed you get 1,000 pounds?"

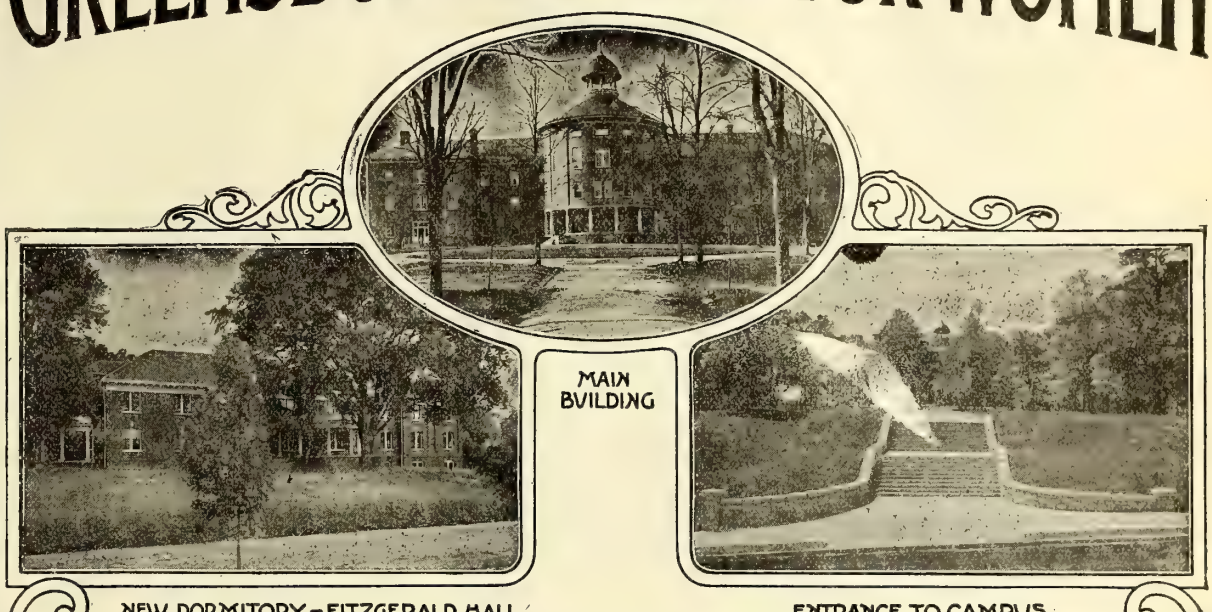
"You would," he answered patiently.

Well, the next morning when he started on his journey, she threw her arms around him and cried:

"Now, John, for heaven's sake, whatever you do, don't get injured.—Tit-Bits.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY—FITZGERALD HALL ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

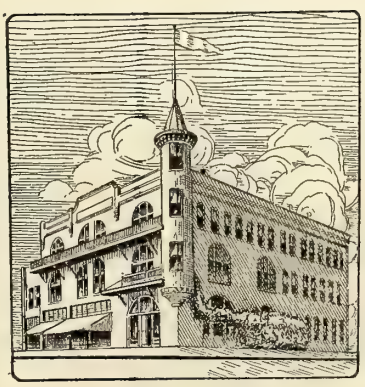
SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.....E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg...W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller.....C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg., M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.....J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg...J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.....G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.....A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel...J. W. Ligon

Byron W. Kings School of Oratory

ELOCUTION AND SPEECH ARTS
New Building and Dormitory

Courses for teachers, lecturers, lyceum and chautauqua work. Speech defects, stammering, loss of voice, sore throat positively cured. Largest school of speech arts in America. Limited correspondence work. Special text books. Send for prospectus. Mt. Oliver, Pittsburgh, Pa.



BLUE RIDGE INN

Mount Airy, N. C. W. M. Jordan, Prop. Mount Airy's Leading Hotel

Rates $2.00 and $2.50—All meals 50 cents—Electric Lights, Steam Heat, Electric Bell System, Hot and Cold Baths—American plan—A clean up-to-date home for the tourist or traveling man, in a beautiful mountain city.

We Will Pay You $120.00

to distribute religious literature and take orders in your community. 60 days work. Man or woman. Experience not required. Spare time may be used.

International Bible Press, Philadelphia
850 Winston Building

In Japan rice straw, strapped on to the horse's foot, is used for horseshoes. The ponies in Iceland wear shoes made of sheep's horn. In certain parts of Central Asia the horses have shoes made from the antlers of the mountain deer. They are fastened to their feet by means of horn pins. The queerest horseshoes, however, are those employed in the Sudan, in Africa; these are not really shoes, but stockings made of camel's skin.—Exchange.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

The Sunday School Lesson

THIRD QUARTER: LESSON X
SEPTEMBER 5, 1915

ELIJAH AND THE PROPHETS OF BAAL. 1 Kings 18:16-40

Golden Text—Jehovah is far from the wicked; but he heareth the prayer of the righteous. Proverbs 15:29.

SUMMARY OF THE LESSON

The spirits of the nations were talking about their gods. "What kind of a god have you?" was the question which came to the spirit of the Hebrew nation. "I have a God with a character," came the prompt reply. "And is He also a God of strength?" came the next penetrating question. Quick flashing as lightning came the answer, "He is as strong as He is good."

The contest between Elijah and the prophets of Baal was an appeal to the power of the Deity. It was an appeal against an impotent god. The revelation of divine prowess was to be the means by which the Deity secured His place on the throne of man's worship. The God who would flash forth in unmistakable power was to receive the homage of the nation. The prophets of Baal called in vain. The prophet of Jehovah received the answer of the descending fire.

THE PROPHETS OF WILD SHOUTING

"You have a dangerous gift," said a wise old man to a young man who had a compelling quality of personality and whose speech was amazingly persuasive. "You are the kind of man to whose words other men will listen. You are the kind of man whom other men will follow. You can ensnare men. You can guide them nobly. Which shall it be?"

The prophets of Baal were the dominant religious leaders of Israel. Favored at court and followed by the people, they were molding the life of the nation. In the time of their complete triumph, when they felt secure in their lordly sway, the voice of Elijah came in rude, stern, startling challenge. He did not appeal to the court of earth. He appealed to the court of heaven. He appealed to the King of kings. Let the worshipers of Baal put a prepared offering upon the altar. The representative of Jehovah would also prepare an offering, and the god who answered the prayer of sacrifice by fire should be the God of Israel.

The prophets of Baal accepted the challenge. They prepared the victim. They placed it upon the altar. They called to their god. They called all the morning; the called all the afternoon; they spent the day in calling. They cut themselves with sharp instruments in a frenzy of worship, and nothing happened. Elijah mocked them with a biting sarcasm which increased their frenzy. The air was rent by their shouts and wild cries, but still nothing happened. The victim lay upon the altar, but there had been no answer from the god. Was it because there was no god to answer?

The men who had debauched Israel in the name of an imported religion had come to the hour of testing and had failed. The only thing which came back to them was the echo of their own shouting. At eventide, in sharp reaction after their day of frenzy, they sank back into shamed and sulky silence. Their only hope was that Elijah might also fail.

THE TUMULT DIES

"I cannot think for the noise," cried a man one day in a scene of wild confusion. As a matter of fact a good many of life's fevered activities are a substitute for thought. Some men keep busy in order to avoid the necessity for thinking. Some men try to lose themselves among life's noises, so that they will not hear certain disturbing voices within, but the time comes when the tumult and the shouting dies, and a man is left with a vast sience all about him. Then it is that he must face his own soul. Then it is that he must look squarely at those realities which he has evaded or ignored. Then it is that in the infinite quiet he must meet the Lord of Destiny, whose claims he has so often tossed carelessly aside. There are some men who fear the hour of silence. There are some men who seek the hour of silence. You can tell a great deal about a man if you know to which type he belongs.

The hour of the evening sacrifice approached and Elijah quietly stepped to the center of the scene. The altar of Jehovah was repaired, and upon it was placed the victim, ready for the burning. Jar after jar of water was poured upon it, until the altar and the trench about it ran with water. No multitude of voices called, as in the mighty shout of the multitudes of the prophets of Baal. There was a tense silence through the crowd of watchers. The prophets of Baal looked on with furtive, anxious eyes. Conscience was speaking loudly in the heart of man a man of Israel. The evening hour of worship brought back memories of a simpler and nobler past, of a faith to which he had been disoyal, of a worship whose claims he had ignored, of a God to whom he had been false. Against the background of the day's wild tumult of shouting the quiet was uncanny. The people waited, a strange flutter at their hearts.

THE PROPHET OF A QUIET CONFIDENCE

Then Elijah spoke. His voice was lifted in prayer. It was a brief and simple petition, full of a sense of nearness to Jehovah and of His guiding hand upon the prophet's life. It was a call to the God of Israel's past —the God of Abraham, of Isaac and of Israel. It was a call to the one true God, upon whose might the prophet depended. It was a call for a token of forgiveness, as well as of power, that the people might know that this mighty God of theirs would accept their worship. There was no wild shouting; there was no flashing of sharp instruments; there was no sudden flowing of the prophet's blood; there was only the lifting of one strong, confident voice, sure of God, sure of God's power and sure of God's willingness to hear and answer.

"O God, if there be a God; save my soul, if I have a soul,, is the classic expression of the prayer of a certain type of skeptic. No doubt the most faltering and most strangely expressed outreach after the divine help reaches the Great Listener. No doubt

"Feeble hands and helpless,
Reaching blindly in the darkness,
Touch God's right hand in that darkness,
And are lifted up and strengthened."

But the prayer of Elijah was not one of those faltering and tentative outreaches of a man who scarcely knows for what he is reaching. It was the prayer of a man who knew God and was not afraid to put Him to a great test. There is absolutely no evidence of nervous strain about the prayer of Elijah. As far as his own faith is concerned it throbs with complete steadiness, even as the people listen in breathless and wondering attention.

Every sincere prayer has a place in the religious history of the race, but there is a great need that our perplexed modern world be wrapped about by a prayer of quiet, strong confidence like that of Elijah. When the note of a serene and assured faith is heard all over the world the rebirth of religion is at hand.

THE DESCENDING FIRE

In one of his dark and pessimistic moods Thomas Carlyle said of God: "He does nothing." That was exactly true of the god to whom the prophets of Baal cried. Was it also true of the Deity to whom Elijah called in such simple confidence? The prayer was ended. The people gazed in tense and solemn silence.

Suddenly there was a flash from the sky, and burnt offering and wood, and the stones and the dirt and the water in the trench were all consumed. The fire of God had done more than fall upon the altar. It had fallen upon the people's hearts. It consumed some things there and it glowed as a steady and shining light. They fell upon their faces and they cried:

"Jehovah, he is God. Jehovah, he is God."

That day God spoke to Israel by the eloquence of a deed they could not deny. They saw that He was not only a God of character, but a God of force. They saw that He was a God of present and dominant power.

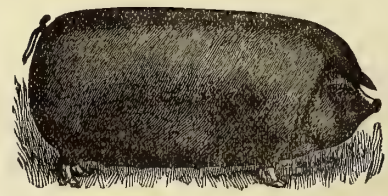
This episode represents the crisis when practical monotheism of an ethical character captured the imagination and heart and mind and concience of Israel. There was development enough to take place in the religion of Israel, but after all necessary admissions have been made, it remains true that it was the battle of ethical monotheism for which Elijah was fighting. Little as he himself probably understood many of the implications of the conflict, he stood at one of the places where the way parted in the history of religion. It is the strategy of the situation which gives moral authenticity to the story of the descending fire.

SUGGESTIONS TO TEACHERS

It is only the religion which can bring fire from heaven which can permanently hold the minds and hearts of men. Has our religion brought fire from heaven into our own hearts? Is it burning up some things in the life of the community? Is it providing heat in life's cold? Is it providing light in life's darkness? Along such lines the discussion may be made practical.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

Why is it important that we always remember that God is mightier than the system which He has made? What constitutes an ethical justification for a miracle? In what way does our belief in the orderliness of nature rest at last on the character of God? If the laws of nature are just the habits of God, what light does this throw on the matter of miracles?—New York Christian Advocate.



MAMMOTH BLACK

The greatest pork producers ever originated. We originated this hog. One we sold dressed 978 pounds. See statement from the man that raised this hog:

Wallburg, N. C., June 15, 1907.
John A. Young, Greensboro, N. C.
Dear Sir:
I have killed the Mammoth Black pig I bought of you and he dressed 978 lbs. net. Yours truly,
J. L. Guyer.

Until Oct. 1st we will sell at $10.00 each, $15.00 per pair, pigs 8 to 10 weeks old.

The Newest Styles of Jewelry
WATCHES, STERLING SILVER
PLATE WARE
Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.
SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS

This Hose Lasts Longer Than Others

Goodyear-Akron Lawn Hose lasts longer than others because it is made to do that. It is made by the makers of the famous Goodyear Automobile Tires. Composed of five layers of alternate new, live rubber and strongest braided cotton. Absolutely seamless. The thick corrugated outer coat, with its six extra large rubber ribs, does away with twisting and kinking. They add immensely to its life.

GOODYEAR AKRON
Lawn Hose

Buy Your Garden Tools Here
We Have Everything You Need

ODELL
Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL
FLORAL
DESIGNS
Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses
HOWARD GARDNER
Proprietor
GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345
DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF
STOMACH AND INTESTINES
121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland
108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

Our Dead

PEARSON.—William Hix Pearson, son of Charlie S. and Bettie Belle Pearson, was born October 8, 1913, and departed this life June 18, 1915, aged 1 year, 8 months and 10 days. He was only sick forty-eight hours.

He was a very bright and lovely child and has gone to Him who said, "Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven."

Our deepest sympathies go out to the bereaved parents in the loss of their lovely child. Yet we can say with the Shunummite woman, "It is well with the child."

W. S. Cherry.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE LADIES' AID SOCIETY OF THE KANNAPOLIS METHODIST CHURCH

Whereas, God in his allwise Providence has seen fit to remove from our midst our co-worker and faithful member, Mrs. W. C. Sides, on July 30, 1915, therefore be it resolved:

First—In the death of our Sister Sides we have lost one ofour charter members and one of the most faithful ones.

Second—That we bow in humble submission to our Father's will. We shall miss her, but our loss is her eternal gain.

Third—That we extend to the bereaved family our deep and heartfelt sympathy and bid them trust in the Heavenly Father.

Fourth—That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon our minutes, a copy sent to the bereaved family and one to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Mrs. P. W. Tucker,
Mrs. C. R. Davall,
Mrs. H. L. Lipe,
Committee.

LUCIUS B. WALKER

He was a son of the late Rev. Vincent Walker, a local minister of the M. E. Church, South, who lived and labored as a local preacher in Davie county four miles west of Mocksville until the ripe old age of ninety years. Lucius B. Walker, his son, was born June 2, 1852, and departed this life May 14, 1915, very nearly sixty-three years old.

He was married to Miss Eugenia E. Hendren by Rev. Lemon Shell, Mar. 9, 1874, and in departing leaves a wife and three children; two sons, Albert C. Walker of Cooleemee and John B. Walker; and one daughter, Miss Delphia A. Walker of Mocksville, R. F. D.

He was converted in early boyhood and joined the Methodist church under the probationary system at the early age of thirteen years, but was never formally received into full connection. But he proved a faithful, consistent member all the same until his departure.

He was superintendent of the Sunday school for fifteen years, was elected steward at the age of seventeen, and continued in that office for about thirty years. In all the dissensions and troubles in his church at Old Center in these later years, he kept his vows, stood firmly by and remained loyal to his church until his translation.

He died as he lived. His departure was sudden but peaceful. His faith was unshaken; his hope both sure and steadfast, entering into that which is within the veil. Blessings upon his memory, and the bereaved ones who mourn his departure.

James Willson.

OBITUARY OF MRS. W. C. WOLFE

Mrs. Phoebe Lee Wolfe was born June 9, 1837, and died August 4, 1915, at the age of 78 years, 1 month and 25 days.

She was married Sept. 25, 1855, to Mr. W. C. Wolfe. To them ten children were born, eight of whom are living. These are all active members of the M. E. Church, South. One son, Rev. W. I. Wolfe, is a sweet spirited and useful local preacher on the Cherryville Circuit.

Mrs. Wolfe joined the M. E. Church, South, in childhood and led a consistent Christian life. During her long illness she was never heard to utter a word of complaint. "I can bear it only with the help of the Lord," she said.

Besides her husband and eight children, she leaves a brother, thirty-five grandchildren and fifteen great-grandchildren. She will be greatly missed at Beulah where she has been so long a member so well and so favorably known, and where her body was buried, her pastor conducting the funeral services.

W. T. Usry.

LYLE.—James H. Lyle, son of Jas. P. and Margaret Ann Lyle, was born in Newton County, Georgia, December 22, 1849. He later moved with his parents to Springvale, South Georgia, where in young manhood he was converted and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. On his 25th birthday he was most happily married to Miss Savannah E. Boland, of Stewart county, Georgia. In 1902 he moved with his family to Jacksonville, Fla., where he resided till 1913, at which time he moved to West Asheville, where he lived until the day of his death, July 23, 1915.

Of ten children born to this excellent couple six are dead. Those living are Arthur, of Georgia, Roy, of Berkeley, California, H. C. and Mrs. D. L. Joyner of Asheville.

Brother Lyle was a thoroughly good man in the highest sense in which this term can be used. Quiet, dignified, courteous, well informed, well balanced, he was a fine type of the old Southern gentleman. His devotedness to his family and their love for him was something beautiful to behold. The patience with which he bore his personal affliction and the crushing bereavements of his last days was an inspiration to his friends. His love for the church was undying. He never moved from one locality to another without carrying his certificate. He died in triumph.

J. Frank Armstrong.

(Wesleyan Christian Advocate please copy.)

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT—EZEKIEL POOL

Whereas, we have been called upon to yield up one of our truest, best and most useful members. We bow in humble submission to the Divine Will of Him Who makes no mistakes, and in testimonial of our appreciation of the virtues of our brother, Ezekiel Pool, the Quarterly Conference and Board of Stewards of West Market Street M. E. Church, South, desire to give this testimonial of our devoted fellow worker and faithful friend.

In all the places he was caled upon to fill by his brethren, he was obedient to the call, and knew no such thing as shirking, or neglect of his duty; painstaking in his efforts, consecrated, with an unchanging devotion to the trust committed to his care, we feel deeply the loss of so valuable a man.

As our competent Treasurer, he served the church with great efficiency, and his loss will be hard to fill. We mourn his loss; we treasure his fidelity; we revere his memory.

Now therefore, be it resolved that this expression of our appreciation be placed upon our Minutes as a memorial of him, and that a copy be sent to his bereaved family and the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

C. H. Ireland,
L. M. Johnson,
F. C. Odell,
Committee.

Williams Private Sanatorium FOR DRUGS and WHISKEY
TERMS: Drugs $125 Flat. Whiskey $100 Flat. Women patients pay a small sum extra for nurse. B. B. WILLIAMS, M. D., Greensboro, N. C. Reference, Amr. Exchange Nat'l Bank, Greensboro, N. C.

Vanderbilt University
Opens Monday, Sept. 27th. High educational standards. Vigorous and healthy student life. Wholesome athletics. Revised curriculum. College of Arts and Science. Professional Schools of Law, Medicine, Pharmacy, Engineering, Religion. For catalogue write, naming department to
THE SECRETARY, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY
BOX 109 NASHVILLE, TENN.



BREVARD INSTITUTE

The school which offers thorough instruction in the most useful branches at less than actual cost and under strong Christian influences. Its courses of study include:

Primary School	Grammar School	High School
Pedagogy	Review Classes	Practice Teaching
Piano Playing	Voice Culture	Musical Pedagogy
Bookkeeping	Stenography	Commercial Law
Dressmaking	Millinery	Fancy Work
Cooking	Housework	Household Economics
Farming	Stockraising	Gardening
Bible	Missions	Christian Work

Its aim throughout is accurate efficiency.
Why not study just what you are fitted for?

C. H. TROWBRIDGE, Principal BREVARD, N. C.

Asbury College
CO-EDUCATIONAL WILMORE, KY.

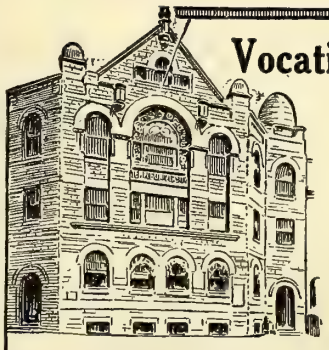
Located in the famous "Blue Grass" Region, near the Kentucky River, just three miles from the site of old Bethel Academy, one of the oldest Methodist institutions in America.

Asbury College, named in honor of Bishop Asbury, founder of Bethel Academy, emphasizes the doctrines taught by Asbury and the early Methodists.

Standard course of study based on Major system; four year Academy course; Theology, Music, Expression, Art and Commercial courses given.

Rates Reasonable. Write For Particulars.

HENRY C. MORRISON, D. D., - - - President.



Vocational Courses for Women

Physical Education, 2 years' course, preparing women as teachers. Kindergarten training course prepares thoroughly for work in the public schools and for state board examination. Domestic Art and Science and Household Economy thoroughly taught. Normal Commercial and Secretarial courses. School Gardening and Music. Household Arts and Sciences and Nurses' Training School in connection with two large hospitals and Medical School. Other Vocational courses. Regular college courses. A. B. and B. S. degrees. Write for circular.



Temple University, Dept. S. R.
RUSSELL H. CONWELL, Founder and President
Broad and Berks Sts., Philadelphia, Pa.

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.

Fourth Round

Henderson Ct., Edneyville 21-22
Hendersonville, night 22

August

Leicester, Teagues 28-29
Riverview Church, night 29

September

Mills River, Avery Creek 4-5
North Asheville, night 5
Mars Hill, Valley Union 11-12
Weaverville, night 12
Flat Rock, Upward 18-19
Central, night 19
West Asheville 26
Tryon and Saluda, night 26-27
Fairview, Fairview 2-3

October

Haywood St., night 3
Spring Creek, Antioch 9-10
Hot Springs, night 10
Weaverville Ct., Salem 16-17
Elk Mountain, night 17
Hot Springs & Marshall, Marshall .23-24
Walnut, Jewel Hill, night 24-25
Sulphur Springs, Snow Hill 30-31
Bethel, night 31

November

Swannanoa, Swannanoa 6-7
Black Mountain, night 7
Biltmore & Mt. Pleasant, Biltmore ...14

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C.

Fourth Round

August

Hickory Grove 22-23
Chadwick, night 22
Pineville, Harrison 29-30
Calvary, night 29

September

Thrift, Thrift 4-5
Seversville, night 5
Morven, Pleasant Hil 11-12
Matthews, Matthews 18-19
Belmont, night 19
Prospect, Bethlehem 25-26
Monroe, Central 26-27

October

Weddington, Hebron 2-3
Waxhaw, Mineral Springs, 3 p. m.....3-4
Lilesville, Lilesville 9-10
Trinity, night 10
Polkton, Hopewell 16-17
Unionville, Mill Grove 23-24
North Monroe, N. Monroe, night 24
Marshville, Marshville 30-31
Brevard, night 31

November

Ansonville, Concord 6-7
Wadesboro, night 7
Dilworth, 11 a. m. 14
Spencer Memorial, 3 p. m. 14
Tryon, night 14

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—James H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.

Fourth Round

September

Reidsville 5-6
Walnut Street 6-7
Ruffin Ct., Carmel 11-12
Wentworth, Wentworth 12-13
Greensboro, Bethel 18-19
Gibsonville 19-20
Pleasant Garden, Pleasant Garden, 25-26
Spring Garden 26-27

October

West Greensboro 2-3
Centenary 3-4
Coleridge Ct., Coleridge 9-10
Ramseur and Franklinville, Franklinville 16-17
Deep River, Central Falls 16-17
Uwharrie, Oak Grove 23-24
Denton, Denton 24-25
Randolph, Trinity 30-31
Wesley Memorial, High Point 30-31
Main Street, High Point 31-32
East End 31-32

November

Asheboro 6-7
Randleman 6-7
West Market 13-14

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.

Fourth Round

August

Marion Station 29

September

Old Fort, Greenlee 3
McDowell, Glenwood 4-5
Thermal City, Thermal 4-5
Table Rock, Oak Hill 11-12
Morganton Station 12-13
Green River, Bethlehem 18-19
Broad River, Tanner's Grove 25-26
Henrietta and Caroleen, Caroleen ..26-27

October

Forest City, Pleasant Grove 2-3
Cliffside, Oak Grove 2-3
Rutherfordton, Gilkey 9-10
Morganton Ct., Oak Forest 16-17
Connelly Springs 23-24
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Spruce Pine 30-31

November

Micaville, Martin's Chapel 5
Bald Creek 6-7
Burnsville 7-8
Marion Ct., Capernaum 13-14

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.

Fourth Round

August

Mount Airy, Central 15
Summerfield, Summerfield 21-22
Stokesdale, Stokesdale 28-29

September

Walnut Cove, Pine Hall 4-5
Pilot Mountain, Pilot Mountain 11-12
Debson, Stony Knoll 18-19
Yadkinville, Long Town 25-26

October

Rural Hall, Rural Hall 2-3
Mount Airy Ct., Salem 9-10
Danbury, Snow Hill 16-17
Madison and Stoneville, Madison ...24-25
Leaksville 26
Spray 27-31
Draper 28-31

November

Jonesville, Ebenezer 6-7
Elkin 6-7
Ararat, Hunters 13-14

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Fourth Round

August

North Wilkesboro 22-29

September

Wilkes, Lebanon 4-5
Elk Park, Banner Elk 7-8
Avery, Pine Grove 11-12
Boone, Boone 18-19
Watauga, Valle Crucis 23
Creston, Clifton 25-26

October

Sparta, Sparta 3-4
Laurel Springs, Laurel Springs 9-10
Helton, Greenwood 16-17
Jefferson, Orion 24
Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro 31

Revival Meetings

North Wilkesboro .....August 22-29
Boone, Boone ..... Sept. 14-21
Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro .. Oct. 31-Nov. 7

All churches not yet visited will be visited on the fourth round. These side dates have been arranged with the pastors. Let all the pastors make proper announcements. All official members are urged to be present at the fourth quarterly conference.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.

Fourth Round

August

Lenoir Ct., Collier's, 11 a. m. 14-15
S. Lenoir and Valmead, S. Lenoir, night 15-16
Catawba Ct., Camp Ground, 11 a. m. 21-22

September

N. Lenoir Ct., Mt. Zion, 11 a. m. 4-5
Lenoir Sta., Lenoir, night 5-6
Granite Falls and Hudson, Granite Falls, 11 a. m. 11-12
First Church, Hickory, night 12-13
Rhodhiss Sta., Rhodhiss, 11 a. m. ..18-19
West Hickory, West Hickory, night 19-20
Stony Point Ct., Stony Pt., 11 a. m., 25-26
Alexander Ct., Hiddenite, 3 p. m. ..26-27

October

Iredell Ct., Snow Creek, 11 a. m. 2-3
Broad St., Statesville, night 3-4
Cool Spring Ct., Clarksburg, 11 a. m. 9-10
Race St., Statesville, night 10-11
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 a. m., 16-17
Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, night 17-18
Troutman Ct., Shiloh, 11 a. m. 23-24
Davidson Sta., Davidson, night 24-25
Statesville Ct., N. Statesville, 11 a. m. 30-31
Mooresville Sta., Mooresville, night 31-Nov. 1

November

Hickory Ct., Fairgrove, 11 a. m. 6-7
Newton Sta., Newton, night 7-8
Maiden Ct., May's Chapel, 11 a. m., 13-14

Final Meetings

October

Lenoir Ct. (all churches), Lenoir, 11 a. m. 5
South Lenoir and Valmead, South Lenoir, night 5
South Lenoir and Valmead, Whitnel, night 6
Granite Falls and Hudson, Granite Falls, 3 p. m. 12
North Lenoir Ct., (all churches) Lenoir, 11 a. m. 13
West Hickory, (all churches) West Hickory, night 14
Alexander Ct., (all churches) Hiddenite, 3 p. m. 19
Stony Point Ct., (all churches) Stony Point, 11 a. m. 20
Statesville Ct., Marvin, 11 a. m. 21
Statesville Ct., Bethel, 3 p. m.....21
Mooresville Ct., (all churches) Mooresville, 11 a. m. 26
Troutman Ct., (all churches) Troutman, 11 a. m. 27
Cool Spring Ct., (all churches) New Salem, 11 a. m. 28
Iredell Ct., (all churches) Olin, 11 a. m. 29

November

Catawba Ct., (all churches) Catawba, 11 a. m. 2
Statesville Ct., Bethlehem, 11 a. m. ..3
Race St., Statesville, night 4
Davidson Sta., Davidson, night 9
Mt. Zion-Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 11 a. m. 10

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder

Fourth Round

August

Ozark-Dallas, High Shoals 21
Cherryville, Beulah 28
Gastonia, Main St. 29

September

Bessemer, Bessemer 11-12
Kings Mountain, Kings Mountain ..11-12
Lowell, Bethesda 18-19
McAdenville, McAdenville 19
Lincoln Ct., McKendree 25
Lincolnton, Lincolnton 26

October

South Fork, Ebenezer 1
Belwood, Fallston 2
Stanly, Stanly 3
Polkville, Casar 9-10
Lowesville, Salem 16-17
Mt. Holly, Mt. Holly 17-18
Rock Spring, W. Chapel 23-24
Crouse, Crouse 30-31

November

Shelby Ct., Sharon 6

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.

Fourth Round

August

Spencer, 11 a. m. 29
E. Spencer and N. Main St., N. Main St. night 29

September

Salisbury Ct., Mt. Tabor 4-5
Salisbury, South Main St., night 5
Norwood 11-12
Cottonville and Oakboro 11-12
Concord, Epworth and Center, Epworth, 11 a. m. 19
West Concord, Kerr St., night 19
Woodleaf, Ebenezer 25-26
China Grove and Landis, China Grove, night 26-27

October

Mt. Pleasant, Cold Springs 2-3
Concord, Central, 11 a. m. 3
Concord, Forest Hill, night 3
Albemarle, Central, 11 a. m. 10
Albemarle, First Street, night 10
Albemarle Ct., Pine Grove 16-17
Salem Ct., Salem 17-18
Concord Ct., Rocky Ridge 24-25
Westford, night 24
Bethel and Loves Chapel 30-31

November

Gold Hill Ct., Zion 6-7
New London Ct., Bethel 7-8
Kannapolis Ct., Shiloh 13-14
Kannapolis Sta., night 14

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C., R. F. D. 2

Fourth Round

August

Haywood Ct., Mt. Zion 28
Fines Creek, Teague 29

September

Jonathan, Shady Grove 4-5
Webster Ct., Webster 11-12
Sylva 12
Bryson and Whittier 18-19
Judson Ct., Judson 25-26
Robbinsville 30

October

Murphy Ct., Peachtree 2
Murphy Station 3
Haysville Ct. 9-10
Ranger Ct., Rodgers 13-14

WINSTON DISTRICT—Hugh K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C.

Fourth Round

August

West End, 11 a. m. 8
Grace, night 8
Burkhead, 11 a. m. 15
Southside, night 15
Centenary, 11 a. m. 22
Salem, night 22

September

Linwood, Ebenezer 4-5
Lexington, night 3-5
Davidson, Centenary 11-12
Thomasville Ct., Zion 18-19
Thomasville, Main St., night 17-19
Forsyth, Mount Tabor 25-26

October

Jackson Hill, Poplar Spring 2-3
Farmington, Smith Grove 9-10
Cooleemee, night 10
Walkertown, 11 a. m. 17
Advance, Advance 16-17
Lewisville, New Hope 23-24
Davie, Hardison 30-31
Mocksville, night 29-31

November

Kernersville, Kernersville 6-7



Standard
Memorial Windows
Made in High Point

Beautiful in design—strong in construction. Largest and oldest glass plant in the South. Capacity for any and all orders and prompt delivery. Satisfaction guaranteed. References—any of our old customers or any bank or banker in High Point. Write for catalog.

Standard Mirror Co.
High Point, N. C.

FRECKLES

Don't Hide Them With a Veil; Remove Them With The Othine Prescription

This prescription for the removal of freckles was written by a prominent physician and is usually so successful in removing freckles and giving a clear, beautiful complexion that it is sold by druggists under guarantee to refund the money if it fails.

Don't hide your freckles under a veil; get an ounce of othine and remove them. Even the first few applications should show a wonderful improvement, some of the lighter freckles vanishing entirely.

Be sure to ask the druggist for the double strength othine; it is this that is sold on the money-back guarantee.



YOU ARE BURNING MONEY

when you buy a coal that burns riotously like shavings, wasting its heat far up the chimney in long flame, dense smoke and troublesome soot, and is quickly reduced to ashes.

Clinchfield Domestic Coal burns like a hickory back-log, giving a short flame and a bed of *intensly hot* coals of wonderful *lasting* quality that radiate their heat into every nook and corner of the room. Hard, clean, lumpy, easily kindled. Holds fire overnight, saving labor and kindling bills. By far the most *economical* and satisfactory fuel for open grates, stoves and residence furnaces of all types. No trouble from clinkers and choked flues.

Clip this ad and save it or write today for literature, freight rate and low summer prices on cars of from 30 to 50 tons each direct from the mines.

Clinchfield Fuel Co.
Desk 12 Spartanburg, S. C.
"THE COAL OF HIGH HEAT VALUE"

After Cotton What?

Alfalfa, Clover, Vetch,

You can raise them by using

NITRA-GERM

It has raised Alfalfa, Clover and Vetch where they have failed before, and it always improves the previous crops. It only takes a single pound of Nitra-Germ, easily and cheaply applied, to put the biggest crops and the richest soil on an acre of land.

These are the South's Greatest Crops.

We want you to cover your fields this winter, and prove these statements. At least, be sure to write us today for full information. Address:

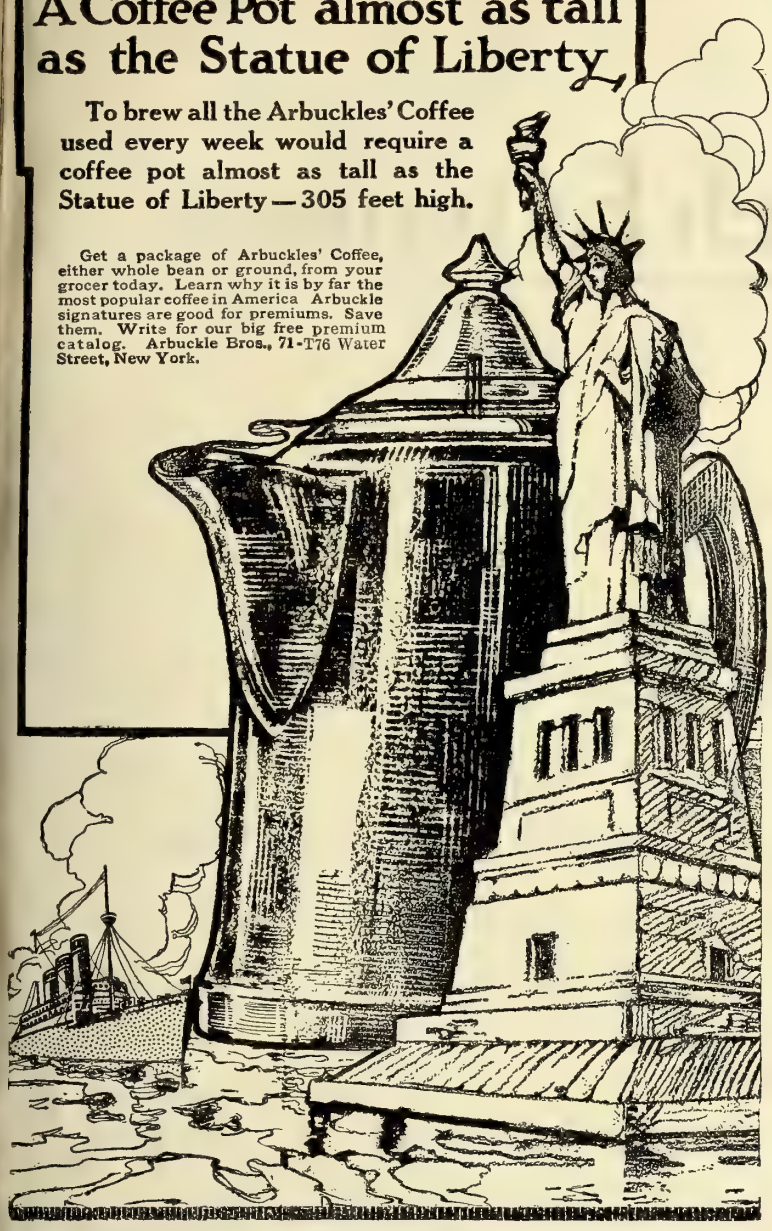
Nitra-Germ Company,
Dept. I, Savannah, Ga.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

A Coffee Pot almost as tall as the Statue of Liberty

To brew all the Arbuckles' Coffee used every week would require a coffee pot almost as tall as the Statue of Liberty—305 feet high.

Get a package of Arbuckles' Coffee, either whole bean or ground, from your grocer today. Learn why it is by far the most popular coffee in America Arbuckle signatures are good for premiums. Save them. Write for our big free premium catalog. Arbuckle Bros., 71-T76 Water Street, New York.



W. B. MERRIMON	INSURANCE	FRED. C. ODELL
Accident		Plate Glass
Health		Fly Wheel
Liability		Sprinkler Leakage
Automobile		Water Damage
Bonds		Fire
Burglary		Tornado
Elevator		Rent
ANY KIND		ANY TIME

INSURE TO-DAY

W. B. Merrimon & Company

Write, 'phone or call. 'Phones 277, 430 and 1389.

DIXIE BUILDING.

RUTHERFORD COLLEGE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fall term begins August 31st. The economic conditions and the good advantages offered make Rutherford College an unusually favorable place for those of limited means. More than fifty boys boarded in the dormitory last year for less than six dollars per month. Other expenses are cheap in proportion.

For catalogues and other information, address

M. T. HINSHAW, Rutherford College, N. C.

TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 CHARTERED 1859

A Christian college steadfast in its fidelity to its highest ideals and noblest traditions. Among the few well endowed Southern institutions of learning. A large faculty of thoroughly trained and wisely chosen teachers. Excellent new buildings, beautiful and large campus. Modern laboratories and fine library.

Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.

Special attention given in the Biblical Department to the wise training of young ministers.

For catalogue and illustrated booklet address

R. L. FLOWERS,

Secretary to the Corporation, Durham, North Carolina.



25 Real Bargains

In Used Upright Pianos

taken in exchange for the POPULAR STIEFF. They have been thoroughly rebuilt in our repair shop by experts.

Makes included among the lot: one Knabe, Mathushek, Lester, Vose & Sons, Kingsbury, Everett, Ivers & Pond, Arion, Kohler & Campbell, Wing & Sons, Lombard, Euterpe, Crown, Schiller, Schultz and others.

Prices Range From $145.00 to $205.00.

Now is the time to make your piano purchase. Every one of them must be sold.

Terms are so easy that you cannot afford to deprive yourself of the pleasure of having a piano in your home.

Write Today for Particulars Concerning the Above Pianos.

1121 S. Tryon St. **STIEFF** Charlotte, N. C.

1898 THE TRINITY PARK SCHOOL 1915

Located on the campus of Trinity College. Faculty of well trained men of successful experience as teachers. Special individual attention given by masters to students. For health location unexcelled. Well equipped study hall under a master. Excellent buildings and beautiful grounds. Every effort exerted to make the school an ideal home for boys. Expenses reasonable. For catalogue address

W. W. PEELE, Headmaster, Durham, N. C.

MEDICAL COLLEGE OF VIRGINIA

1838
1915

MEDICAL COLLEGE OF VIRGINIA
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF MEDICINE
(Consolidated)

DENTISTRY---MEDICINE---PHARMACY

STUART McGUIRE, M. D., Pres.

New college building, completely equipped and modern laboratories. Extensive Dispensary service. Hospital facilities furnish 400 clinical beds; individual instruction; experienced Faculty; practical curriculum. 78th session opens Sept. 21, 1915. For catalogue or information address

J. R. McCAULEY, Secretary,

1140 E. Clay Street - - - - - Richmond, Va.

Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

A mutual fire insurance company, organized, owned and operated by the Methodist Church in North Carolina, for the purpose of furnishing protection for church property and personal property of preachers at ACTUAL COST.

Write for information and rates.

W. E. WEBB, Secretary Statesville, N. C.

Board of Church Extension

1. Its Aim

1. An adequate church building for every congregation.
2. A comfortable parsonage for every itinerant preacher.

2. Its Achievements

1. Aided in housing 9,235 of our 19,735 congregations.
2. Aided in building parsonages for 2,458 itinerant preachers.

3. Its Present Task

1. A roof over 2,593 homeless congregations and modern buildings for thousands inadequately housed.
2. Parsonages for 1,155 homeless itinerant preachers and better homes for thousands of others.

4. Its Resources

1. Annual assessment on the Church of $300,000.00.
2. Loan Fund Capital of $671,436.19.

5. Its Appeal

1. That pastors and churches everywhere make special effort to secure the Conference Collections in *full*, and that in case of failure to secure full payment on total connectional claims, the Church Extension assessment and all others be given a "square deal" in the division of receipts.
2. That borrowers from the Loan Fund Capital of the Board pay installment of interest and principal promptly when due, that others may receive needed and promised aid.
3. That pastors, presiding elders, lay leaders and others be on the lookout for contributions of money, land, notes, or other securities to the Loan Fund Capital of the Board, either as absolute gifts or on the annuity plan, and to be used in creating Memorial or other Loan Funds.

6. "Finally, Brethren"

1. Appropriations already made cannot be paid in full if there is a decrease in receipts on assessments.
2. In almost every community may be found those willing to increase the efficiency of the Board and their own income by the purchase of the Annuity Bonds of the Board. The security is absolute. The office wants their names.
3. Send for six-page folder describing more than three score *free* publications, and pick out what you want for personal use, Sunday school, Epworth League and congregation.
4. Is your Sunday school using the Birthday Sunday School Loan Fund Jar? If not, why not? Write for booklet.

Board of Church Extension
of the
Methodist Episcopal Church, South
[Incoporated]

Address W. F. McMURRY
Corresponding Secretary
LOUISVILLE, KY.

VOLUME LX NUMBER 36

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

GREENSBORO, N. C., THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1915

Reading Room Trinity College

When We Pray

By THORNWELL HAYNES

God is everywhere present, but it is within man that conscious union is made with God. This inner place of union Jesus refers to as "thy closet," and the Psalmist calls it the "secret place of the Most High."

To "enter into thy closet" simply means to turn your attention from the without to the within. "And when thou hast shut thy door, pray." To close the door is to still the senses which connect us so directly with the outer world. Our attention will be distracted if these doors are allowed to stand ajar. Closing the eyes helps very much in closing the door to the outer world.

Then "pray to thy Father which is in secret." This inner closet of prayer is the secret meeting-place between God and man. It is here we feel after God, if haply we may find him, and great is the blessing when we get so still that we feel his presence filling and thrilling us with his life and love. We are apt then to care little for material things. They lose their seeming importance and we know what is meant by the command and promise: "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."

So, then, let us not forget what Jesus tried so earnestly to teach: "The Kingdom of God is within you."

HIGH POINT, N. C.

CONTRIBUTIONS

THE TRADERS AND BEGGARS OF THE EAST

By J. M. Rowland

One of the most interesting things about our travels in the East was the traders and the beggars that we met, for they seem to be the main crop these countries raise. Everywhere you go you see them. They block your way in almost every path and street; they follow your trail in hot and hungry hordes; they come steaming out of alleys, huts and holes; they seem to come up out of the sea like the army of locusts to devour every living thing; they clamor about your hotel windows and doors, like hungry wolves; they press their claims, they ply their trades, they thrust their wares upon you, each one crowding the others and all chattering loudly as they recommend their wares and scramble for your trade.

And beggars! beggars! beggars! Like vultures and eagles that darken the sky; like reptiles that crawl on the earth at your feet; like hungry hogs at the pen for their feed, they come, old and young, women and children, boys and girls and even babies. There are the halt, the lame, the maimed, the blind, the deaf, the dumb, the lepers—many genuine and many more recently afflicted for the benefit of your party, and many more not afflicted save with a craving for "backsheesh." Thus from the time you cross Turkey's borders until you leave it multitudes of dirty hands are held out to you and a ceaseless roar of voices is crying in your ears, "Backsheesh! Backsheesh!" Until long after you have gone from the country you hear that cry echoing in the chambers of your soul. With these things fresh in my mind when asked what these people live on I have not failed to answer, "Tourists." They scent a nice fat one from afar and follow him still farther.

As strange as it may sound to tell it, while these things cast a pallor over our spirits and somewhat unnerved us at first they soon became one of the most fascinating things about our travels. After casting what money we could spare to the most deserving looking outcasts we had to, in a large measure, cast them off our hearts to keep from spoiling the pleasure of the trip and convert them into assets of interest and education rather than liabilities of worry and support. If you carry all the burdens of the East on your heart you will wish you never saw the land.. Likewise the traders, while extremely annoying at first, to some of us at least they soon became a source of ever-increasing fascination and entertainment, and day by day to meet them in their bickerings was not the smallest pleasure to be found.

The first thing in trading in a foreign country of course is to have some knowledge of the money. So it is best when you come into a strange country and desire to do some buying to go to your hotel clerk, to some leading store or to the office of Thomas Cook & Co. where English is always spoken. Be sure not to fall in the hands of the professional money changers for they will fleece you and load you down with worthless money. When you receive money from checks or gold stay by until you have a fair knowledge of the coins they have given you. Fix in your mind as you look at these coins the American coin that comes the nearest to them in value. French and English gold is good anywhere, but your money will be more convenient and much safer to be carried in travellers' checks fixed before you leave home. For fifty cents on a hundred dollars your bank will issue these checks payable anywhere in the world. The cashier signs them in your presence and you sign them in his. When you want them cashed you countersign in the presence of the one who gives you the money. If you lose these checks or some one steals them they are worthless to the one who gets them and the bank will pay you the money.

When you want some change you cash a check taking what small change you desire and the rest in English, French or Austrian gold—the most convenient being that which corresponds to our five dollar gold piece. If it is English its value is $4.87, if French $4.00 and Austrian a little more. If you have one of these converted into small change in Turkey or Egypt (the moneys of these countries are similar but entirely different) you better take a basket or a satchel to get your change or see to it that your pockets are large and your pant buttons well sewed on, for you will get enough change to start a bank with that gold piece. I changed a four dollar French gold piece into Turkish coin in Constantinople, bought two towels and three cakes of soap, a big supply of post cards and stamps to mail them, an assortment of fruit, attended a concert and had my pockets full of money when I got to the hotel. I gave a man a piaster (five cents) and asked him to give me small change for it. He gave me a handful of change containing five distinct coins of different denomination and kept a commission for his trouble. The more we traveled the more money we had. Some of these coins look like tobacco tags and are worth one-tenth of a cent.

In Egypt, Palestine, Syria and Turkey they have their own money but English and French coins will pass. A trick of the traders is to learn what money you have and then quote prices in a money they think you do not understand. For example, if in Egypt you ask how many piasters he wants for his beads he will answer in francs or shillings, whichever he thinks will confuse you, and when he gives you change (which he will not do until forced to) he will give it in another money still to make it more confusing. You will soon learn never to give a man any money and expect any change back for he will surely lose all his knowledge and suddenly become so thick-headed he cannot understand what you mean and he will move on for more victims. You will learn to have in your hands the coins you think the article is worth and offer it to him. If he wants more he will say so—if you want to give more you can give it. He will surely mount his prices high—several times above what he thinks you will give and what he knows they are worth, and expect you to jew him down. Herein lies the joy of traffic in the East. To meet a strange man with a strange tongue, sometimes hardly a word which you can understand, and bicker with him over prices, the most of it in signs and exclamations, each one watching that he be not cheated—this is a pastime more exciting than golf.

In Cairo en route to our hotel one day a Sudanese bore down on me. He was black as the coat of the Bishop of Canterbury. He hailed from the Sudan and he looked as though his near ancestors had more than once made lunch on a fat Englishman. Indeed he looked as though he might enjoy for dinner some fresh tourist who did not chew tobacco and was roasted to his taste. His face was horny and from his eyes the dim ages gone seemed to look straight down on me. I learned his business was not to eat me but to sell me a cane. It was indeed a beautiful cane, made of African ebony highly polished and skilfully inlaid with one hundred and thirty pieces of ivory from the tusk of an African elephant. Not wanting to cheat the man I got the eye of the guide and asked what price I ought to pay. He informed me two shillings (fifty cents) would buy plenty of them. Making signs to him I learned he wanted twelve shillings (three dollars). Besides the sentimental value as a souvenir it would be worth much more than that here, but if two shillings was a fair price I had it in mind to buy it for that, so I held up two fingers. He made signs at me and sputtered as though some of his inside draw strings had broken loose, and lifting his head in disgust went down the street leaving me to wonder just what the "cuss" words were he had employed against me. Presently he came back and overtook me as I walked on pretending not to notice him. He caught me by the arm and put his black horny face so close to mine I thought he intended to bite a piece out of my ear to see what kind of a lunch I would make. He hissed something in my ear that went all through my blood like a hypodermic injection of undiluted contemptuousness, and held up ten fingers. I don't know what the awful thing was that he squirted into my ear, but by the ten fingers I knew I had him on the retreat and he had fallen back two shillings. So my American blood for venture rising, I turned on him, hissed at him like a goose and again held up two fingers. Again sputtered he, gathered up his wares and throwing his head high in the air hurried off as though in pure contempt he would go to the Sudan before he halted. For a moment I feared my cane was gone, but it was for only a moment. After suddenly stopping and gazing at the ground as if it had done something awful to him he snapped his fingers and muttered savage ejaculations. He quickly turned and overtook me as I walked leisurely along. This time he hissed louder and faster and held my arm tighter. Whether he was trying to intimidate me or not I do not know. The last two fingers on his left hand were down. I had brought him down to eight shillings. My courage rose and in the excitement of the game I shook my head, made many sounds and held high two fingers. He stamped his foot, rumbled deep down in his internals like the forebodings of a volcano and showing his utter disgust in every way he could, he went off as if by all counts I would see him no more in the flesh. My friends who had been looking on with keen interest and much amusement said he was certainly gone this time. Making his gyrations still more emphatic he soon returned with the extreme air of finality which seemed to say that though the heavens fell, the sea dried up, and Egypt again be visited by all of Pharaoh's plagues he would see me dead and eaten by the Sultan's dogs before he would recede another inch, and seeing the hotel was near he dropped all but four fingers. I also assumed a pose of finality, shook my head and began to beckon to other traders. He suddenly changed. The clouds left his face, he smiled until his teeth shone, handed me the cane, and taking his fifty cents went his way. As I write I see sitting in the corner yonder that cane. I am keeping it as a memento of my long drawn out trade with the black oriental, neither of us speaking a word the other could understand.

So pleased were several members of the party with my cane that they desired one like it. My good Baptist friend, Dr. W. R. Cullom of Wake Forest College, greatly desired one, but being unable to suddenly come from the dignity of the class room to such feats of street traffic, he offered me a very large commission if I would buy him one, and that night on one of Cairo's main streets I went the ground all over with another vender of canes and greatly pleased the heart of my good brother so pleasant and brotherly in all our travels by calling him from bed to deliver to him the trophy of that trade. His cane, however, cost him fifty-five cents—and in that extra nickel there lies another tale. Not that I was guilty of charging it for commission. That nickel taught me one of the most interesting lessons of Eastern trading. As I was going through the necessary preliminaries to the purchase of Dr. Cullom's cane a tall, sharp-eyed Egyptian came up and stepping at once between us he took the cane in his hand and asked me what I would give for it. I might have asked him what he meant by such rude interruption, but I did not. Rather I stood there to learn what it meant. I told him I would pay two shillings and no more. I did not care to cheat the man nor persuade him to sell if he did not care to, but that was all I would give. He then talked to the man in his own tongue. The man protested and shook his head vigorously. I was informed he wanted more. To this I shook my head and turned to go. He handed me the cane and taking the money from me thrust it into the man's hand and pushing him said "Yollah impshi," which was interpreted by our guide to mean something not quite as elegant as "Get on out of the way you black rascal."

The man then came to me and informed me what his actions meant. He was what we would call a "go-between." This third party is really necessary to make any trade legally binding. When there is a difference of agreement between traders the third party who is self-appointed comes in to consummate the bargain. Many times later on we saw this illustrated. If you buy something and it does not prove equal to the seller's claim you have no redress unless the third party was in the trade. Whatever he says settles it. It somewhat complicates matters however when you learn that this "go-between" dignitary will decide with the party who pays him the biggest tip. Of course he expects a fee for his services—usually from both the seller and the buyer. So I paid my man five cents. It is said to be a very lucrative business. I wondered how that system would work in this country. How would you like every time you tried to make a trade to have some man "butt in" and conclude it, then charge you a fee and tell you to "go to Guinea"?

We bought many articles of native products at trifling sums—beautiful beads, lace fancy-work, mats, rugs, brass, and other things—for almost nothing. Beautiful ostrich plumes in Cairo sold for about one-tenth their value here. We saw many tourists, however, pay many times that because they took them at their first price. A lady in our party paid a dollar and a half each for two Turkey fezs to take home to her brothers, while a number of us who went together to the bazaars got ours for a quarter. And in the buying of those little red caps lies another tale. We thought a fez was a fez and there was no difference in them. So we got them and adorning our heads like some pasha we went through the hotel lobby with the other gentlemen on our way to supper. We didn't think anything was the matter with our harness. As we gazed in the mirror we thought we were handsome and we were wondering why those red caps were not introduced in this country. But in the lobby we met murmurs and unkind looks. It was explained when we learned there were two kinds of fezs and while they were very much alike they were very much unlike. One was the customary headgear of the people. The other was not quite so high, darker in color and had a shorter tassel. It was the badge of the insurrectionists and meant, "Down with the Sultan." Some of us were wearing it. While we would not have spent much time mourning if the old fellow should have gone down, we had not come for the purpose of putting him down that time. So we concluded if this cap branded us as his enemy the other might class us as his friends, and we put the little red skull caps away for young Americans who would not be bothered over such scruples and we crowned our pates with American toggery.

Numbers of times we were surrounded and our way was blocked as the traders and beggars crowded us. Several times some of us used a borrowed plan that helped some. As they crowded us chattering away in words (if they could be called words) we could not understand and gesticulating with all their might, we looked them straight in the face, gesturing violently and speaking loudly and with great emphasis recited to them "Mary had a little lamb," "The boy stood on the burning deck," "Tom, Tom, the piper's son," and such other productions from childhood as we could recall and thought they would appreciate. It was always successful. They would look at us in a very peculiar way and move on. Whether they thought us crazy or whether they thought the proposition we submitted to them outweighed the one they proposed to us I was never able to learn. At other times we got ahead of those who came to us with outstretched hands begging for "backsheesh" by meeting them with open hands, crying loudly, "Backsheesh." Likewise we would meet traders and try to sell them things we had. These tricks usually nonplussed them, but not always.

One day our street was blocked and our carriages halted. A big crowd gathered about us pressing their wares and holding out their hands for gifts. It was about the worst looking crowd I ever saw. They were dirty and sick-looking, not to say mean and treacherous. Sharp-eyed Egyptians, cannibal-looking Africans, fortune tellers, men, women and children. They climbed into the carriage and put their hands on us. We protested, we ordered them away, but to no avail. Their number increased to an army and they became still more persistent. A lady in our carriage began to cry. Desiring to save the lady from hystria as well as get relief myself, I did something that while it may not be becoming in a minister it was nevertheless very successful. All the apology I have to offer is that since "necessity is the mother of invention," under the pressure I invented it to help a lady. Knowing how superstitious these orientals were and how much they dreaded anything that seemed supernatural or spirit-possessed, I thought I would try having a fit. So I got rigid and stiff, rolled my eyes, chewed my tongue, slobbered and muttered awful things. I have never seen a squad of American police relieve a blockade quicker. More than once after that I was called upon to aid the ladies and it never failed to work. If any who read of this remedy chance to need it in foreign lands let them remember it and apply it. It is free and guaranteed to cure.

These Eastern traders are ahead of those of our own land in zeal and scheme and plan. They don't wait for you to come to their stores—they bring their stores to you. To the boats, hotels, streets, public places everywhere they come with their goods. You have to watch them, but if you keep your eyes open you can make a dollar go further than you ever saw it go before and bring home things that make a lady happy for many moons to come.

AS SEEN FROM TEXAS

By H. L. Atkins

Of late several things have happened to stir precious memories of persons and things in North Carolina.

A few evenings ago Misses Lura Heath and Mary Crowe, of Monroe, made us a visit of an hour or so. They were returning from the Panama Exposition, and ran up from San Antonio to Bandera to spend a few days with friends here, and to visit the scenes of the last illness and death of Mr. Frank Heath, an uncle of theirs, who died here a few years ago.

They had enjoyed their visit to the great show, and were much pleased with the West, and even the mountainous part of Texas; but had been away from North Carolina just long enough to be feeling a little homesick, and hence to want to talk about people, places and things back there. And they found in us not only ready, but eager and inquisitive listeners. Before they could finish giving information about one thing they were being prodded with questions about something else.

Their visit gave us much information about many persons whom we know and love. They told us of Drs. Weaver, Rowe, Ware, Turrentine, Scroggs and others. These were the brethren discussed most because they have either been about Monroe or the young ladies had gotten to know them by visits to Shelby or by being in school at the Greensboro College for Women. Of many other preachers, especially Drs. Bays, Moss, McLarty and others at Charlotte they could give us very little information more than we had gathered through the Advocate. It was a pleasure to hear them speak of the splendid work of Bro. J. E. Abernethy, the present pastor at Monroe. It always gives me pleasure to find a preacher and his people in love with each other.

My heart was much stirred when Miss Crowe told of a recent visit to the family of the late R. L. Gwyn of Mt. Airy. I wanted to write a short appreciation for the Advocate and a letter to Mrs. Gwyn and family at the time of his going home. But I was almost unable to sit up at all at that time, and hence could do nothing except to thank God for the friendship of such a man, and ask his blessings upon the dear ones left behind. Only those who knew Bro. Gwyn intimately ever appreciated his real worth. He was one of nature's noblemen. During the years that I was his pastor, 1889 to 1893, I spent much time in his home. I was not a boarder. He and Mrs. Gwyn never allowed me to pay any board, nor reduced their quarterage because I boarded with them. But while there I got close enough to him to know what a splendid character he was. Naturally of superior intellect and quiet manners, he had enjoyed the best home training, been educated under Dr. Braxton Craven at Old Trinity, and was genuinely but quietly religious. His devotion to his family was beautiful and constant; his love of the church genuine, but never noisy.

What a splendid and happy home he and Mrs. Gwyn were making at that time! I do not mean that they were building an house. They lived in the fine old country mansion built by his father. The memories they cherished, the ideas they emphasized, and ideals to which they were working seemed to me to be the materials of which they were building their home. It was a sweet and happy home then, and as the children grew up to manhood and womanhood I guess it was happier still. What a blessing my stay there was to me! Now death's dark shadow has fallen across the threshold, the sunshine of the home will be mellowed to some extent, but it will not cease to shine: for it is a home built of those things which cannot be destroyed, but may be transported to the home above.

The passing of Bro. Cundiff, of Elkin, was to me a personal bereavement. It brought me back with softened heart and moist eyes to mentally revisit the people and places of my childhood and youth. From childhood I have loved and honored Prof. Cundiff. I was a small and delicate boy of ten or twelve years when he came back from college. I did not see him often. We lived four miles from the Cundiff home. Occasionally he was at our house on business, or stopped there in passing for a little visit to my father and mother, and once in a long while I saw him at church. How I was charmed with his intelligent and easy conversation! Very little of his conversation was addressed to me. I simply listened while he talked to others. He seemed to be to be just running over with the knowledge for which I was unspeakably hungry. About this time, when I was in bed, sick of pneumonia, he gave me a Bible. It was a great and joyous surprise to me. How I did appreciate it! It was more than a Bible with its heavenly message, in which I was just then becoming interested. It was an expression of this young college man's personal interest in me. Can any thing be so helpful to a boy as to know that some one whom he loves takes a personal interest in him? From then on, through all my boyhood and youth, he was an inspiration and an example to me. From then till now I have always thought of him as a friend. For a short while, in my young manhood, I was in his Sunday school, and part of the time in his class. He was the best Sunday school teacher I have ever seen. He was a member of the quartrly conference by which I was licensed to preach, and at his request I preached my first sermon at his church, and during my active work in the ministry it was understood that whenever I went to visit my father and mother, I was, if possible, to visit his home too. What a happy home it was! Surely no husband and wife were ever happier together than he and Mrs. Cundiff. They seemed to me to live each for the other, and both for God and humanity. I always thought of the old home community as being better and safer because they lived there. Nothing could be more appropriate than his bequest of $10,000 to the Orphans' Home. He had given much of his thought and labor for thirty-five years to the children and young people of his section. He is safe in the home beyond. May God graciously bless his labors and his loved ones, and carry on the work to which his life was devoted.

Do you wonder that my heart was touched and stirred by Bro. R. S. Satterfield's letter in a recent number of the Advocate? How it

brought back to my vision four happy years on the Mount Airy circuit. As I read it, I could hear again your sermons, Bro. Blair, preached at Old Salem church when you were helping me in the meeting. I remember more of yours and Bro. Hoyle's preaching than Bro. Satterfield seems to. This is natural. I was a young man, trying to make sermons, thinking much about the preparation and delivery of sermons. While I was feeding upon gospel truth, I was also studying its arrangement. Bro. Satterfield was a boy. He was simply being inspired and impressed by men and the gospel they preached.

What an appreciative people I had on the Mt. Airy circuit! I fear that I did not have so high a place in the affections of many boys as Bro. Satterfield gave me. I knew he loved me, and it seemed to me they all did; but I did not know till now that I held such a warm place in his youthful heart. Could any preacher want a better throne than the heart of the youth and young manhood of his charge? As a pastor, I always loved my people, and deliberately tried to win their love to me. I tried to do it by fair means, and for no other purpose than to do them good. If I could get a boy to love me, I could usually lead him to love my Master. I have heard preachers laugh at the idea of cultivating a spirit of love for your people, or trying to win their love to you. But I still believe it is a good idea. I have seldom found a preacher accomplishing much good, who did not have and fully appreciate the love of his people.

Bro. Satterfield does not exaggerate in his reverence for his old home. What a Bethany that home was for a tired or discouraged preacher! Your mother, Brother Satterfield, seemed to have a genius for religion, for bringing every one about her into a relation of peace with God and all men. Your father was always the preacher's friend, and made himself efficient on all parts of the ground, as a church member and Christian citizen; but as a prayerful and helpful listener he was almost without an equal. But there are so many, most of them now gone home, of whom I would like to write.

Be assured that it does me much good, in this life of exile, to be told that my work was appreciated, and that its influence is still going on and helping others.

Bandera, Texas.

How to Report Bible Classes

By Charles D. Bulla, Superintendent of the Wesley Bible Class Department

It is the duty of the preacher in charge to report to the Fourth Quarterly Conference the "Number of Wesley Bible Classes." A Wesley Bible Class is an adult, senior or intermediate class that has been enrolled in the Wesley Bible Class Department. It need not be named "Wesley," but having been organized according to the plan prescribed by the General Sunday School Board and having received the Certificate of Registration issued by the Wesley Bible Class Department it is a Wesley Class, it bears the sur-name of the Southern Methodist Bible Class Department. It may now be reported to the Quarterly and Annual Conferences as a Wesley Bible Class.

It is the aim of the Central Office to assist in properly relating all our Bible classes to their own Church and thus guard against the class independence that has embarrassed some denominations.

Our Church provides for reporting only those classes that are enrolled in the Wesley Bible Clas Department. (See Pastor's Report, Table II and note.) It is very important that pastors, superintendants and teachers report Bible classes to the Central Office and receive the beautiful Certificate or Registration that they may enter into fellowship with all Southern Methodist Classes.

Leaflets containing the constitution and the application blank will be sent free upon request Address the Superintendent of the Wesley Bible Class Department, 810 Broadway, Nashvile, Tenn.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—For some of the news from the field this week see page 15.

—The congregation of the First Methodist church, of Salisbury, were booked for a picnic at the Children's Home last Friday.

—Mr. Robert L. Gray, for some time on the editorial staff of the Columbia State, has returned to Raleigh to assume the editorship of The Raleigh Times.

—Davidson College, which opened on Wednesday of last week for the new school year reports the largest Freshman Class in the history of the institution.

—Rev. Dr. C. W. Byrd left on Monday for Gaffney, S. C., where he is engaged in revival services this week assisting Rev. Geo. C. Leonard, pastor of the First Methodist church.

—Rev. J. E. Womack will begin revival services at Coleridge next Sunday, September 12. He will be assisted by Rev. T. J. Rogers of Ramseur.

—Mr. G. W. Ashby, a prominent business man in Mount Airy and a steward in Central church, passed away at his home in that place on Saturday of last week. Mr. Ashby was a brother of Rev. J. M. Ashby, of the North Carolina Conference, and was one of the most prosperous and substantial citizens of Mount Airy. His wife who survives him was a daughter of one of the Siamese twins. As his pastor something more than twenty years ago we found him one of the most faithful members of the church.

—Rev. and Mrs. G. H. Brinkman returned to their work at Walkertown on Saturday afternoon after an exceedingly pleasant vacation of two weeks. The time was spent visiting old friends and former parishioners in Union, Anson and about Charlotte.

—Rev. Dr. J. H. Weaver, presiding elder of the Greensboro District, returned last Saturday from Emory, Va., where he had been visiting his son, Dr. Chas. C. Weaver, for two or three weeks. He is looking well.

—Mr. J. D. Brooks, brother of the late Rev. John R. Brooks, D. D., passed away at his home in Goldsboro on Tuesday, August 17. He is survived by four daughters and two sons, all of whom are taking prominent places in life.

—Rev. A. H. Robinson, pastor of the Richland charge, South Georgia Conference, has been on a visit to his father and sister in this city for several days and was a pleasant caller at the Advocate office on Tuesday. Brother Robinson was formerly a member of the Troy Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, but coming South some years ago, did the sensible thing to cast his lot with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

—The congregation at Gethsemane, on the Summerfield charge, has decided to erect a new house of worship and work on the new building is expected to begin soon. Rev. T. B. Johnson, the pastor, has just recently held revival services at this church, assisted by Rev. Starr Higgins and Brother Gordon, local preacher.

—Rev. E. L. Kirk, who has been assisting Rev. J. P. Morris on the Spruce Pine and Bakersville charge for several months, has gone to Emory and Henry College where he expects to finish his literary course. Brother Kirk spent three years in the Scarritt-Morrisville College at Morrisville, Mo., returning to North Carolina last spring.

—Rev. Victor L. Marsh, of the Virginia Conference, now serving a charge consisting of three churches on the Eastern Shore, was a welcome visitor at the Advocate office on Thursday of last week. He and Mrs. Marsh were returning to their home in Virginia after an extensive visit to relatives in Mount Airy and in Randolph county. They seem to be greatly pleased with life in the Old Dominion.

Cottonville Charge.—We just closed a meeting at Mt. Zion Tuesday night with great results. A large number of men and boys from fifteen to twenty years old, and a number of girls about the same age, were converted at the altar. Grown young men, some heads of families, were converted, and others were conviced of sin and asked to be prayed for. The Spirit of God was with us in every service. The church is greatly revived. The attendance was good all through the meeting. The people are interested in the salvation of others, often going out after the unsaved to bring them to the church and then lead them to Jesus. The pastor did all of the preaching. We had one service morning and night.

We are glad that a pastor can yet have a revival on his own work, if he does do the preaching himself. The Holy Spirit will convict men and women of sin and God will bless his Word.

We thank God for the power of the gospel of Christ. I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth. Pray for us as we begin at Cedar Grove next Sunday and will continue through the week from the fifth Sunday and the first Sunday in September. H. F. Starr, Pastor.

Pleasant Garden.—This has been a busy year with me and will be until conference. We have been talking, planning, and taking subscriptions for a new church at Pleasant Garden, which is badly needed. We have something over $2500, which is about half the amount we need, already subscribed; but the trouble is to collect enough just now to put up the walls and cover the building. We are all hoping to do something this year.

We have had some good meetings on the charge up to this time. We have had some fifty or sixty professions and have received into the church thirty-one persons. The camp meeting at Bethlehem, which closed last Friday, was a great meeting. There were between thirty-five and forty professions, and seven accessions to our church. The preaching was of a high order. Brothers J. E. Thompson, F. L. Townsend and L. P. Bogle preached the old-time gospel with much power. While there were vast crowds, good behavior prevailed throughout the entire meeting. On Sunday there was perhaps the largest crowd that ever attended a camp meeting at Bethlehem. The arbor was packed and many stood on the outside and listened with rapt attention to three excellent sermons delivered by Bro. Thompson. Sunday evening Bro. Townsend came to our assistance; then on Tuesday Brothers L. P. Bogle and W. L. Dawson.

Prof. Hamilton, of Greensboro, had charge of the singing. He knows how to handle a choir, and he had those who could sing to help him, and they did sing. Indeed, the song services were very helpful and soul-inspiring.

On Friday the rain kept away many people, but the interest was still good. I think the closing service, Friday night, was best of all. There were more professions, I think, at this service than at any other service during the meeting. After the congregation had been dismissed, the crowd still lingered under the arbor and several bore testimony of the blessing they had received. Two of the Mothers in Israel, Mrs. Coble and Mrs. Polly Field, deserve especial mention. It was said by some, who are capable of knowing, that they thought they never heard a more beautiful experience than that related by Aunt Polly Field. Thus ended a good camp meeting.

We hope to accomplish much between this and conference. We have many things to attend to before the year's work is done.

P. L. Terrell.

Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions for August, 1915

Received on Assessment

	Foreign	H. & C.
Rural Hall, C. P. Allison	$ 15.00	$ 27.00
Prospect, J. C. Pastell	12.00	8.00
Cooleemee, C. M. Short	25.00	
Micaville, R. F. Mock	8.50	8.50
Thermal City, J. C. Richardson	6.00	20.00
Ararat, J. W. Combs		11.00
Race Street, C. M. Campbell	10.00	14.70
Jefferson, E. P. Stabler	13.71	
Brevard Ct., F. Siler		32.00
Jonesville, D. A. Oakley	2.00	
Summerfield, T. B. Johnson	8.00	8.00
Walnut Cove, E. J. Poe		3.45
McDowell, M. W. Mann		16.50
Fairview, S. Siler		22.00
Marshall and Hot Springs, F. Siler	36.00	
Asheville, Bethel, J. C. Harmon	25.00	25.00
Mars Hill, F. Siler		11.00
Weaverville St., F. Siler		135.00
Totals on Assessment for Aug.	$161.21	$342.15

Received on Specials

	Foreign	H. & C.
Lowell, F. Siler	$	$ 1.00
Gastonia, Main St., F. Siler		108.00
Mt. Holly, F. Siler		5.00
Pineville, F. Siler		30.00
Monroe Central, F. Siler		50.50
Hendersonville, H. F. Stewart	50.00	
Marven, F. Siler		10.00
———, F. Siler		5.00
Lincolnton St., Mrs. Bessie Ramsaur	25.00	
Ashev'l., Haywood St., H. A. Dunham	5.18	
East Flat Rock, F. Siler	40.00	
Brevard St., F. Siler		30.00
Brevard St., F. Siler		45.00
Totals on specials	$120.18	$284.50
Total receipts for August		$ 908.04
Previously reported on—		
Foreign assessment		2,068.65
Home and Conference assessment		2,467.75
Foreign Specials		2,909.61
Home and Conference specials		3,125.31
Total receipts to September 1, 1915		$11,479.36
Total receipts to September 1, 1914		10,378.29
An increase of		$ 1,101.07

R. M. Courtney, Treasurer.

Winston-Salem, N. C.

Financial Exhibit (in part) of W. N. C. Conference to September 1, 1915

Prepared for the Board of Missions by W. H. Willis

(150 charges did not report.)

PAID ON SALARIES TO SEPT. 1

Class A

(Those paying 75 per cent or over)

Charge	Paid	Pct. of Asmt.
Robbinsville	$ 310	97
Burkhead	720	80
Elkin	1000	80
Mt. Airy Station	1142	76
Central, Asheville	1900	76
West End, Winston	1350	75
Spencer	900	75
Lenoir Station	1125	75
Wesley Memorial	1875	75

Class B

(Charges paying from 50 to 75 per cent)

Avery	$ 240	71
Rhodhiss	540	69
Leaksville	675	67
Marion	715	65
Franklin Station	775	64
Hendersonville Station	937	62
Walnut St., Greensboro	495	62
Sulphur Springs	490	61
Brevard Sta.	583	58
Bethel (Asheville)	587	58
Fairview	400	57
Spencer Memorial	225	56
Spring Creek	262	56
Newton	600	55
Dilworth	557	55
Ararat	175	55
Hot springs	348	55
Farmington	354	54
McDowell	316	54
Summerfield	490	54
Danbury	224	53
Ozark and Dallas	535	53
Murphy Station	525	52
Randolph	458	51
Lowesville	500	50
Mount Holly	500	50
Canton Station	750	50
Mocksville Station	427	50
Hickory Grove	300	50
Weaverville Sta.	500	50
Alexander	399	50

Class C

(Charges paying less than 50 per cent.)

Boone	248	49
Cooleemee	342	49
Bethel Ct.	296	49
Davidson Ct.	435	48
Brevard Ct.	155	48
Bald Creek	201	48
Draper	119	48
Pineville	472	47
Gibsonville	162	47
Rock Springs	425	47
Biltmore	407	44
Stokesdale	265	44
Woodleaf	295	43
West Hickory	240	43
Gold Hill	282	43
Walnut Cove	336	42
Spruce Pine	219	42
Epworth, Concord	380	41
Sparta	246	41
Wadesboro	725	40
Salem Ct.	250	40
Thermal City	225	38
Norwood	337	38
Green River	171	38
Ranger	80	37
Salisbury Ct.	275	35
Denton	115	35
Pleasant Garden	305	34
Dobson	217	34
Creston	200	33
Concord Ct.	296	33
Crouse	199	33
Advance	300	32
Statesville Ct.	225	29
Westford	140	28
Lowell	169	27
South Lenoir	150	25
Weddington	250	25
Mooresville Ct.	218	23

Honor Roll

Robbinsville, Burkhead, Elkin, Mt. Airy Station, Central (Asheville), West End (Winston), Spencer, Lenoir Station, and Wesley Memorial, having paid in full to date, are on the honor roll.

Salaries Increased

The following show increased assessment for pastor's salary over last year: Spring Creek increased $209, Fairview $60, Sulphur Springs $100, Biltmore $80, Dilworth $150, Randolph $55, Avery $66, Stokesdale $72, Danbury $10, Leaksville $100, Thermal City $75, Spruce Pine $93, McDowell $5, Lenoir Station $300, Rhodhiss $87, Statesville Ct. $88, Salisbury Ct., $50, Woodleaf $117, West End (Winston) $200, Bethel $340, Robbinsville $70, Wesley Memorial $500, Advance $100, Marion Station $100, South Lenoir $100, Salem Ct. $30, Elkin $250, Lowesville $200.

Salaries Decreased

The following assessments for pastor's salary show decrease as follows: Spencer Memorial $50, Gibsonville $300, Dobson $5, Mooresville Ct. $61, Rock Springs $100, Westford $85, Spencer $100, Murphy Station $350, Bald Creek $14, West Hickory $20.

In a few cases the increase or decrease is accounted for by changed boundaries.

EXHIBIT AS TO THE CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS

Those who have the whole secured in cash or pledges are: A. L. Latham, J. O. Ervin, John H. Green, A. L. Aycock, Z. E. Barnhardt, R. M. Courtney, C M. Pickens, W. L. Hutchins, W. E. Poovey, W. M. Biles, W. H. Willis, G. D. Herman, E. W. Fox, W. F. Womble, W. M. Robbins, A. A. Groce, J. P. Rodgers, J. C. Harman, J. H. Barnhardt, C. M. Short, J. P. Hipps, W. T. Albright, L. D. Thompson.

Those who have 75 per cent and over are: H. C. Otte, O. P. Routh, J. H. Brendall, James H. Green, O. C. Fortenbury, N. R. Richardson, C. M. Carpenter, W. L. Rexford, E. B. Troy, J. W. Campbell, J. A. Fry, E. Myers, J. M. Varner, R. E. Hunt, R. F. Wellons.

Those with from 50 to 75 per cent secured are: Ira Erwin, J. W. Combs, Jas. P. Morris, M. W. Mann, G. W. Fink, J. G. W. Holloway, J. T. Ratledge, J. M. Barber, T. J. Houck, S. T. Barber, Seymour Taylor, E O. Smithdeal.

Those with less than 50 per cent secured are. R. H. Dougherty, J. H. Hopkins, T. J. Folger, J. C. Richardson, C. L. McCain, J. W. Kennedy, W. B. West, W. S. Hales, R. L. Forbis, R. M. Hoyle, Jno. M. Price, A. S. Raper, J. T. Stover, T. B. Johnson, J. W. Hoyle, J. I. Hickman, D. P. Waters, P. L. Terrell, R. M. Taylor, E. J. Poe, B. F. Hargett, M. T. Steele, D. C. Ballard, A. L. Coburn.

Those who report nothing secured are: G. W. Williams, A. R. Bell, G. T. Rowe, B. M. Jackson.

Too Late for Classification

	Paid Salary	Pct. of Asmt.
Henrietta and Caroleen	$ 710	71
Macon Ct.	400	67
Asheboro Station	733	65
Helton	200	41
Glenville	175	40

On collections, W. G. Warren has secured his, J. E. Thompson will pay in full, M. B. Clegg has $360 secured of $547; E. E. Yates $75 of $240; C. C. Totherow $91 of $190.

Asheboro has paid Children's Home in full, Macon $22, Henrietta $25, Helton $10, Glenville $10.

NOTES

The first seven to get in their reports were: W. L. Hutchins, W. M. Robbins, R. M. Hoyle, C. M. Pickens, J. H. Brendall, A. L. Aycock, R. H. Dougherty.

Rev. W. L. Hutchins has paid his Conference collections in full. Those coming next are: H. C. Otte with 75 per cent, J. P. Hipps 61 per cent, and R. M. Courtney with 59 per cent.

T. A. Groce reports a surplus secured on Conference collections.

Robbinsville Ct. stands at the head in per cent paid to pastor. Out of an assessment of $320, $310.50 had been paid up to September 1.

The following have paid their assessments in full to the Children's Home: Burkhead, West End (Winston), Rock Springs, Danbury.

These have the Children's Home assessments secured: Sulphur Springs, Brevard Sta., Hendersonville Sta., Wadesboro, Mt. Airy Sta., Newton, Ozark and Dallas, Mocksville, Spencer, Statesville Ct., Lenoir Sta., Leaksville, Avery Ct., Central (Asheville), Bethel (Asheville), South Lenoir, Concord Circuit.

These report nothing done as yet for the support fund, Children's Home: Biltmore, Salisbury Ct., Ranger Ct., Wesley Memorial, Walnut St., Salem Circuit.

The following charges, having their Conference collections already fully pledged, bid fair to get their "black" off of the new Conference chart: Bethel Ct., Ozark and Dallas, Burkhead.

All things considered, Elkin probably has the best report. She has paid in cash 80 per cent of salary, 60 per cent of the collections, 35 per cent Children's Home, and has paid $200 on specials.

Robbinsville is a close competitor with Elkin. Her record is: 97 per cent of salaries, 75 per cent of collections, nothing for specials, nothing for Children's Home.

Charges paying to specials rank as follows: West End $700, Central (Asheville) $600, Wesley Memorial $400, Newton $300, Mt. Airy $290, Elkin $200, Pineville $150, Lenoir Station $150, Hendersonville $100, Advance $100, Leaksville $81, Franklin $80, Brevard Station $60, Brevard Ct. $45, Fairview $33, Davidson Ct. $25, Bethel and Love's $20, Crouse $20, Mount Holly $17, Creston $10, Danbury $10, Concord Ct. $2.

Certainly the report of West End (Winston) is entitled to honorable mention—Children's Home in full, 75 per cent of salaries, 69 per cent of collections, $700 for specials.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

O Love that wilt not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe,
That in thy ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.

O Light that followest all my way,
I yield my flickering torch to thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray,
That in thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain
That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be.

THE CHURCH-WIDE COMPAIGN

In keeping with the movement inaugurated by the Woman's Missionary Council at the meeting at Little Rock, a Campaign Committee composed of Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, President, Mrs. H. A. Dunham, Corresponding Secretary, and Mrs. W. R. Harris, Superintendent of Publicity, has been named to formulate plans and make suggestions whereby this movement may be carried forward in our own Conference. A circular letter and card have ben mailed to the district secretaries and through them will be sent to each auxiliary in the Conference, and once more we would urge each society to take up this matter and do not rest satisfied until there has been something done in the way of increasing the number of our members and organizations.

Do you realize, my sisters, that less than one-third of the churches in our own W. N. C. Conference are without a missionary organization? Is there not much for us to do during the three months that remain of this fiscal year? Our aim is an adult, young people and Junior society in each church in our Conference. Are we going to reach this aim? We can if we will. Let us set to work earnestly about this all-important matter.

PARAGRAPHS FROM W. E. DOUGHTY'S "THE CALL OF THE WORLD."

Missions is the greatest living issue. There is no question before the world today which involves such large forces, such multitudes of people and such tremendous issues. There is nothing greater to which a man may relate his life.

* * * *

In order to read the magazines and newspapers intelligently constant study of missions is necessary. Progress of the world is only another way of saying that Christ is increasingly possessing the world.

* * * *

God has made America a giant in size that America may do a giant's share in the world-wide propagation of the gospel.

* * * *

The Edinburgh Conference Report says that there are 119,000,000 people in Asia and Africa who are not even included in the plans of any missionary society on earth. There are many more millions—and no one knows accurately how many—who are included in plans which have not yet been carried out.

In our department of publicity there is no more important agency than the printed page. So splendidly written is the article by A. R. B. in the Missionary Voice of August, that we give it in full in the hope that it may be instrumental in stressing this department and impressing upon the minds of our publicity superintendents the value of the secular and religious papers.

THE PRINTED PAGE

In a period that is to stand out in history as remarkable for its business depression and social unrest the Church finds its opportunity. It has something to offer both conditions. In these times religion is about the only thing that deters us from hanging our harps on the willow trees. But religion has, in this year of grace, the best right it ever had to carry a cheerful countenance. And a face radiant with spiritual joy is a testimony to men that God is good.

But are we making the best use of our open door? Are we letting those who are ignorant know the heights already gained? Not as we should do, certainly.

There are many weapons ready to our hands by which we can more efficiently wage our spiritual warfare, and one of the keenest of all is the printed page.

It reaches all classes. It can be sent into every household in the Church militant. In many cases it is the only voice that comes in a modern wilderness. In every portion of the globe it is wholesomely respected in some strange, intangible sense not understood or deserved.

Therefore, women of the Church, let us use it. Use it as we never did before, for never has there come such an opportunity. Never again will it come, perhaps, in this generation.

The world is watching with sorrow the turmoil that has turned Europe into a vast military maelstrom. People find in the columns of the daily newspapers enough of sin and vice to discourage them utterly. They need to have their eyes opened to see the wonderful power of God that is at work in the world. Then let us do it. We can, if we only will give ourselves to the work laidu pon us by sending in to the publicity departments, to the editors of woman's pages, to the columns of the daily press open to us everywhere facts about the progress to the work laid upon us by sending ing march toward the goal of life, which is the glory of God. This is easy to do, and its results are so far-reaching and will be so valuable to the Church that one fails to see why this means of reaching the world is so often neglected.

Take a few suggestions: Send to your nearest medium of public circulation every item that represents progress in the Church. If you send it in proper form, be sure it will get out to the world, and somewhere—quickly, too—it will have its effect.

But what is the proper form? The proper form combines the requisites of accuracy, brevity and attractive style. Send in your news quickly. If a valuable result has been gained, tell it to the world. Do it today. Do not delay. Even the greatest news weakens if it has to leak out. Let it come with a sound of triumph through the printed page. Be sure that the printed page will welcome it. The secular press will make the most of it, and it is through the secular press that we reach the greatest number. More and more the daily papers of the world are giving space to religious news. They would still give more if they could get the news quickly while it is fresh, and in concise form. Newspaper editors live in a cruel rush. They do not have time to eliminate unnecessary details, but they always stop to give space to the one great fact. Nearly every woman's society, at one time or another, has its one great achievement, but how many of them tell the world about it—the world that one may never touch palms with, but may reach and save just the same? The world reads the newspapers; be sure of that.

In every society there is, or should be, a superintendent of publicity; and that woman should be the brightest, the most accurate, the broadest-minded woman in the society. The president's office may be one of greater honor, but the publicity superintendent has the greatest opportunity. Let her be a woman who can take time for the necessary work; and let her send prompt, accurate reports of every valuable idea and every achievement. She may never see the results; but the results will follow, and they will multiply, and the church will benefit as it can through no other secular agency.

Listen to the voice that comes sounding down to us from the Galilean hills: "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

The following letter from Mrs. MacDonell will be of interest to our readers, we feel sure:

My Dear Co-Worker:

Success in increase of membership and organization of new auxiliaries the past quarter brings greater responsibility to every missionary leader. We must make our meetings instructive that these new people may learn about the work, and we must go in the power of Him who has commissioned us, otherwise the end will be failure. We have been ready in the office to help you as you have needed.

In the three months since the Council the Home Work has had its successes and perplexities and your Secretary has in no sense been idle. You will be interested to know that the new building at Brevard was dedicated on May 26th. The building is fine, but unfurnished. Money for this is much needed, and there is no appropriation for the same.

The Executive Committee granted a year's leave of absence to Prof. and Mrs. Lewis, of the Sue Bennett School, and instructed the President and Secretary of the Council to secure a supply for the vacancy thus caused. We were fortunate to secure Rev. Mr. Savage, the pastor of our Church at London, as Registrar, and Dr. Katherine French as Dean of the faculty. Mrs. French is a kinswoman of our own Mrs. Spillman. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis will leave their five children at the school, while they either go to England or take a course of study at Columbia.

Mrs. W. L. Stone has been secured for the vacancy caused by Mrs. O. M. Abbott's resignation from the Virginia Johnson Home. Mrs. Stone will enter upon the work in August. Mrs. Abbott will spend the year in absolute rest, as she is much broken in health. Dr. Carrie Weaver Smith has been elected Superintendent of the Texas State Home for Delinquent Girls, and thus severs her connection with our work. I am just back from a recent visit to Dallas, and as usual I came away with a deep sense of pain over the fact that our girls in this home are so young. All are children of grade school age. A recent State investigation shows a painfully high degree of low mentality among them, which explains some of this delinquency.

Our dear Miss Adams leaves the Fla., as she desires to place a differ- Fla., as shed esires to place a different environment about her niece, who has become her ward. Miss Lillie Fox will follow her.

We have been most fortunate in securing a desirable matron for Paine Annex, Augusta, Ga. She had training for this work at Hampton Insti-

MURINE FOR YOUR EYES

Murine is pr pared by our Ph sicians, as used f many years in the practice, now dedica ed to the Public a sold by Your Druggi Try Murine to Refres Cleanse, and Strengthen Eyes after exposure Strong Sunlight, Wind and Dust and to resto healthful tone to Eyes Reddened and made So by Overwork and Eye Strain.

Some broadminded Physicians use and reco mend Murine while others perhaps jealous of i Success, talk and rush into print in oppositio those whose Eyes need care can guess why, there is no Prescription fee in Murine. Just ha your Druggist 50c and you have a Complete Pk Eye Book—Murine—Dropper—and Cork Screw ready for use. Try it in your Eyes and in Baby Eyes for Eye Troubles—No Smarting—Just E Comfort. Write for Book of the Eye Free.

Murine Eye Remedy Company, Chicag

tute, and comes to us with endors ment of the Dean of Women of th School, whose judgment is most wort while.

We have an opportunity to purcha a house and lot adjacent to Ruth Ha grove Institute, Key West, at reaso able price. You will recall that the has been a great need for a boys' do mitory there, and the purchase of th place will help meet this need. I proximity to our property makes imperative that we own it, as it possible for a tobacco factory or s loon to be built at this place, whic would be ruinous to us. We ow $4500.00 to this school from the mo eys collected the Week of Praye 1912, and this purchase would cove the purpose for which the collectio was made. The Executive Committe have instructed that investigation b made concerning the real value of th property.

It may be a matter of interest t you to know something of the detai of our administration, so I am sen ing three groups of papers which a employed in prosecuting some par of the Home Work.

Group I includes:

(a) The City Mission Manual.

(b) Rules and Regulations coverin Deaconesses and City Mission.

(c) Quarterly Report blank fro City Mission Board to my office.

(d) The voucher form upon whic the City Board Treasurer reports t the Conference Treasurer the money expended in the work.

Group II includes:

(a) Deaconess and City Missionar Quarterly Report blank for my offic

(b) Co-operative Home Report blan

(c) Report of Church Deaconess Pastor's Assistant.

Group III includes Scholarshi blanks:

(a) Applicant's blanks.

(b) Pastor's endorsement.

(c) Report of Medical Examiner.

Through the Voice and our othe printed matter I am trying to brin our Home Work and its needs befo our people. Any suggestions of ho I may more fully help you to intere our people will be greatly appreciate

Yours in the service of Him who ha given us our commission,

Mrs. R. W. MacDonell.

INFLUENCE OF MOTHER WITH THE ADOLESCENT BOY OR GIRL

By Mrs. Fred Felmet

There is no influence brought bear upon the lives of boys and gir that is greater than a mother's infl ence. So much depends upon t mother's relation with her child. T relation of mother and child when is as God intended it should be is t sweetest thing on earth. It requires vast amount of wisdom and patien to deal with a growing boy or gi We may sum up the method of dealin with a child in three words, patienc God, and love, for without these or a one of them the influence of a moth will be of none effect. The moth should allow no task to be so impor ant but that it can be dropped to li ten to the sweet confidences of h boys and girls. Let us invite the confidence and thus make our home home indeed, and not merely a hous in which to exist. I would not unde value a tidy house, but which do

your boy prefer, a house which must be so clean that he is deprived of his freedom or does he prefer his mother's open arms and ready sympathy when he comes to her with his little tales of love, joy and sorrow. When we speak of the adolescent boy we also mean the girl and it is hard to determine which needs the greater amount of sympathy and guidance. Mothers, do we realize that we can be and should be our boys' and girls' greatest friend? Not only this, but we can be the beacon light that will finally guide them into the harbor of rest and home. There are so many ways in which we can cut short our household duties and have time to be chummy with our children. Domestic economy is a great thing in helping us to be friends with our children. If we do not take time for a game with the anxious child but repulse them when they come to us they will go elsewhere for companionship. Two little girls were overheard talking about mother. One child said, "Mother is my chum and sweeheart." The other child said, "Mother is only mother to me: she does not have time to be a chum." We think we don't have time to be chums with our children, but we should open our eyes to the importance of being more than a mother. We must be a chum, a counselor and a mother all in one. Have we done our duty when our children are well fed and well clothed? How many mothers there are who make these of the greatest importance! As regards our children this is a place where we must not fail and cannot fail if we take God into our lives. The awfulness of trying to raise a family without God! It is like a blind man walking along the edge of a precipice. The end is inevitable. There is before us only a life of failure and disappointment.

The task seems stupendous, but God is the leader and we are merely the mouthpiece, and He has given us the privilege of doing this work with him that we may reap some of the joy at the end of the harvest. We must give our children the benefit of our maturer years or else they too must stumble along in the dark as they who have no guide. Why is this subject of so great importance to us? Because the immortal souls of our boys and girls are at stake, and not only theirs, but as one wave of the ocean makes another wave, so the lives of integrity of our boys and girls will win for Christ another and another and another life.

We must direct them as to their companions, their reading, etc. Their ideas are confused and uncertain. They need a strong hand to guide and to sympathize and protect them from the many things and persons who come to them in life as wolves in sheep's clothing. But to prayer we would attribute the greatest amount of importance. Samuel came forth by divine grace in answer to Hannah's prayer. Not only did Hannah promise God that she would give Samuel to his service, but she carried out this promise. If we as mothers would like Hannah do more praying before the birth of our children and like the mother of Moses more trusting after their birth the successful training of our children would be assured. Have any of us ever had a greater difficulty to fight against than did the mother of Moses? And yet what a contrast in our boy and hers. Let us emphasize the importance of consecration before birth, after birth and all through life. The great danger is that we do not realize the great responsibility that is upon us in moulding the hearts and lives of our children and in shaping their character. Someone has said that God could not be everywhere, so he gave us mothers. Let us teach the child to love the truth and hate a lie. Emerson: "Men are what their mothers make them"; and Mr. Ridgeway in the S. S. Times says, "If your children go wrong it is your fault as parents." Following are some rules which a mother gave her child:

Be a Christian and then you will be noble, good and true.

Be loving and obedient to father and mother always and to others whose duty it is to be in authority over you.

Be ambitious for the best things in life, such as a good name, good companions, etc.

Always choose the best people with whom to associate, remembering that good companions elevate and bad ones degrade.

Be kind and considerate of the feelings and rights of others, especially of the unfortunate and the old.

Never laugh at those who are afflicted or ignorant. Be good to the poor.

Never try to appear to be more than you really are, nor try to appear to possess more than you really have.

Never do anything of which you would be ashamed to tell mother or father, but always confide in them-remembering that they are your best earthly friends and that they will never punish you if you tell the truth.

We can never estimate the result of our earnestness and consecration, but our lives will be reflected not only in the lives of our children, but in the lives of our childrens' children.

YOU WILL WRITE A LETTER LIKE THIS

I wish that I knew which one of the thousands of letters I receive would have the most weight with you, my friend. I can't quote all of them here, but I am going to ask you to read these carefully and then give me a chance to renew your health and make you write me one very much like them:

701 Barnard Street,
Savannah, Ga., Dec. 28, 1910.

Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C. Dear Sir: As you are aware, in 1909 I was suffering with indigestion, stomach and liver disorders and all its train of horrifying phenomena for several months. I had lived on milk, soft eggs, shredded wheat, a very insufficient diet for an active working man, and, of course, from disease and starvation was in a very low state of nervous vitality and general debility. I ordered ten gallons of your Mineral Water, which I used continuously, reordering when necessary, and in four months gained twenty-nine pounds, was strong and perfectly well and have worked practically every day since. It acts as a general renovator of the system. I prescribe it in my practice, and it has in every instance had the desired effects. It is essential to use this water in as large quantities as possible, for its properties are so happily blended and in such proportion that they will not disturb the most delicate system. It is purely Nature's remedy.

A. L. R. AVANT, M. D.

Leeds, S. C., March 2, 1911.

I have tested your Spring Water in several cases of rheumatism, chronic indigestion, kidney and bladder troubles, and in nervous and sick headaches, and find that it has acted nicely in each case, and I believe that if used continuously for a reasonable time will produce a permanent cure. It will purify the blood, relieve debility, stimulate the action of the liver, kidneys and bladder, aiding them in throwing off all poisonous matter.

C. A. CROSBY, M. D.

These are not selected cases nor are the results unusual. I receive thousands like them from physicians, ministers, lawyers, merchants, farmers, manufacturers and every conceivable profession. I want the satisfaction of receiving such a letter from you. No matter what your complaint may be, dyspepsia, indigestion, nervous headache, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney or liver disease, or any chronic ailment that has not responded to drugs. I invite you to match your faith in the Spring against my pocketbook. If the water fails to benefit you simply say so, return the empty demijohns and I will promptly and willingly refund your money—every cent. Sign below:

Shivar Spring,
Box 5B, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen:

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns, which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)

EMORY UNIVERSITY

An institution founded, owned, and controlled by the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

The University offers at present courses leading to degrees in the following departments:

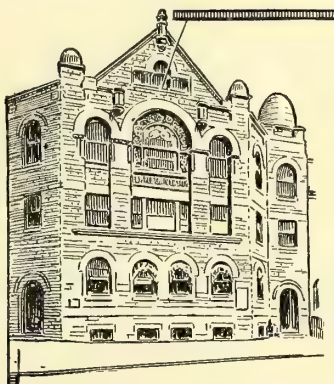
1. **The School of Liberal Arts**—Emory College—offers courses in English, Spanish, French, German, Greek, Latin, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Mental and Moral Science, History, Political Economy, and Biblical Literature, leading to the usual literary degrees. This department has a library of 40,000 bound volumes.

2. **The School of Theology**—The Candler School of Theology—offers full and varied courses leading to the degree of B. D. This is a school of theology, as definite in its teaching as it is definite in its aim to serve the church to which it belongs. The library of the School of Theology is rich and grows richer daily. To it belongs the famous "Thursfield-Smith Collection of Wesleyana," which includes hundreds of the autograph letters of the Wesleys and other Methodist celebrities.

3. **The School of Medicine**—The Atlanta Medical College—a medical school of the first grade which offers courses in medicine and surgery covering four years, and leading to the degree of M. D. By arrangement with the Grady Hospital, the Municipal Hospital of Atlanta, and the Wesley Memorial Hospital, which is a part of the University system, the School of Medicine is able to offer clinical advantages of great value to students.

For bulletins, giving full information concerning the University, and its several departments, write to

WALKER WHITE, Secretary-Bursar,
Emory University Atlanta, Georgia.

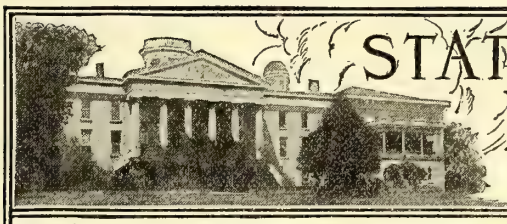


Professional and Vocational Courses for Men

Theology, Law, Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Industrial Chemistry, Civil Engineering, Plan Reading, Banking, Certified Accounting, Realty and Advertising taught in small groups insuring individual instruction, by thoroughly practical men who have made successes in their respective lines. Two large hospitals connected with the University insure bedside instruction in medical course. Regular college courses. A. B. and B. S. degrees. Write today for circular, stating course in which you are interested.



Temple University, Dept. S. R.
Russell H. Conwell, Founder and President
Broad & Berks Sts., Philadelphia, Pa.



STATESVILLE Female COLLEGE

A Christian College offering all the best advantages at low cost. For 58 years a leading factor in the education of Southern womanhood.

Particularly fitted by location and equipment to train young women for social and domestic stations requiring efficiency in knowledge and responsibility in character. Beautifully situated in a town of educational and religious activity.

Modern buildings, complete equipment. Lovely campus. Out-door sports.

Thoroughly capable instrutors. Standard college courses; A. B., B. L. and B. S. degrees. Splendidly equipped music department; schools of Domestic Science, Art, Expression, Physical Culture and Bible. Safe home life, and attractive surroundings. *Rates unusually low.*

For Catalogue and Full Information Write to

J. M. MOORE, A. M., President, - - STATESVILLE, N. C.

Business Preparation--

Thorough instruction in Bookkeeping, Banking, Accounting, Shorthand, Typewriting, etc.—rendered at minimum cost in shortest time. ***Either school or home courses.*** Good paying positions secured on completion of either.

Write for our illustrated catalogue and learn how this school is equipped to make something of you in the business world. Address

S. P. BROWN, President, LYNCHBURG, VA.

VIRGINIA COMMERCIAL AND SHORTHAND COLLEGE

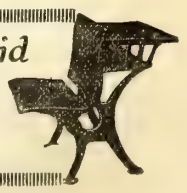
Vanderbilt University

Opens Monday, Sept. 27th. High educational standards. Vigorous and healthy student life. Wholesome athletics. Revised curriculum. College of Arts and Science. Professional Schools of Law, Medicine, Pharmacy, Engineering, Religion. For catalogue write, naming department to

THE SECRETARY, VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY
BOX 109 NASHVILLE, TENN.

HERE IS A DESK THAT *Stays Rigid*

because the frame is of extra heavy semi-steel and the wood work is solidly dove-tailed to it. The seats have noiseless hinges and cannot loosen, and are extra wide. The frame has no scroll work to catch dust and the high arch makes sweeping easy. The only desk made in the South. Send for our descriptive catalogue



SOUTHERN DESK COMPANY, Box 2300, HICKORY, N. C.



Children's Home

5th Sunday Collections

Robert Ward, Donnaha, Mt. Pleasant S. S., $3.62; Robert L. Hartsell, Bost's Mills, St. Paul's S. S., $3.00; J. M McMichael, Stokesdale, Goshen S. S., $2.00; J. C. Flinn, Pine Hall, Pine Hall S. S., $1.30; J. R. Raper, Linwood S. S., $7.59; W. H. Rees, Greensboro, West Market S. S., $50.00; D. C. Moir, Walkertown, Love's Chapel S. S., $7.12; C. F. Morrison, Wilkesboro S. S., $1.55; W. J Mode, Rutherfordton S S., $7.63; W. T. Greene, Charlotte, Brevard St. S. S., $5.20; H. L King, Asheville, R. 1, Mt. Pleasant S. S., $5.15; Samuel H. Kuckle, Statesville, Race Street S. S., $3.25; R. L. Snow, Taylorsville S. S., $12.88; P. R. Davis, Mocksville, Concord S. S., $1.00; W. S. Hodges, Spray S. S., $2.28; E. A. Caudle, Liberty S. S., $5.52; Jas. Slatterly, Draper S. S., $1.95; Jas. T. Smith, Wentworth S. S., $5.12; Rev. A. L. Aycock, Leaksville S. S., $10.00; W. E. Kreeger, Rural Hall, Antioch S. S., $2.28; Rev. J. W. Combs, Mt. Airy, Chestnut Grove S. S., $2.00; Eugene Simpson, Winston-Salem, West End S. S., $66.53; E. H. Mortimer, Elk Park S. S., $2.67; J. A. Scott, Kannapolis, Concord S. S., $8.00; W. G. Hunter, Nebo S. S., $:90; C. H. Dunn, Catawba S. S., $1.50; J. A. Bradshaw, Bakersville S. S., $1.80; Rev. W. B. West, North Charlotte, $1.20; John F. Puett, Dallas S. S., $7.00; W. M. Clarke, Greensboro, Route 1, Rehoboth S. S., $1.15; W. E. Huls, Winston-Salem, N. Liberty S. S., $2.90; J. P. Thompson, Spear, Fair View S. S., $2.50; J. P. Morris, Spruce Pine S. S., $5.25; J. P. Stacey, Morganton, Bethel S. S., $2.25; L. H. Poe, Hudson, Mt. Herman S. S., $1.10; W. E. McDougle, Black Mountain S. S., $2.35; E. E. Gustafson, Black Mountain, Tabernacle S. S., $2.00; B. F. Kendall, Norwood, Cottonville S. S., $2.39; M. W. Lee, Peachland S. S., $4.25; C. C. McHargue, Gold Hill S. S., $1.41; H. L. Horton, Albemarle, Central S. S., $7.70; Sanford Foster, Advance, Bethlehem S. S., $1.16; John McElrath, Almond, Maple Spring S. S., $1.00; A. D. Kelley, Charlotte, Pleasant Grove S. S., $2.03; Geo. W. Miller, Richfield S. S., $1.00; Rev. J. O. Ervin, Charlotte, $2.80; N. E. Propst, Newton, Friendship S. S., $1.10; Miss Lola B. McBrayer, Rutherfordton, Kestler's Chapel, $1.00; A. J. Houck, Baldwin, Bethany, S. S., $2.00; R. C. Lynch, Lincolnton, Pisgah S. S., $1.25; W. C. Scroggs, Moravian Falls, Beulah S. S., $4.26; R. H. Kennington, Monroe S. S., $1.55; J. A. Lackey, Morganton, Oak Hill S. S., $.90; Geo. P. Greene, Bostic, Salem S. S., $1.05; G. B. Howard, Mt. Holly S. S., $4.50; F. M. Markland, Advance S. S., $3.50; L. C. Kimball, Matthews, Wedington S. S., $1.00; C. D. Taylor, Valle Crucis S. S., $2.00; C. P. Rogers, East Flat Rock S. S., $5.40; S. M. Goff, King, Trinity S. S., $1.45; G. A. Goodson, Lincolnton S. S., $3.16; B. L. Robinson, Morven, Bethel Ch., $2.62; J. A. Wall & Son, Winston-Salem, Doubs Chapel, $2.60; G. G. Adams, Mooresville S. S., $7.50; J. W. Puckett, Paw Creek, Thrift Ch., $4.50; W. C. Beckham, Hiddenite S. S., $1.40; S. H. Vick, Norwood, Faith S. S., $2.15; Jas. A. Weisner, Olin S. S., $1.10; M. C. Forbes, Granite Falls S. S., $5.71; Samuel Turner, Monbo, Concord S. S., $3.18; N. L. Mast, Henson's Chapel S. S., Watauga Ct., $2.20; W. A. Hood, Morganton, Mt. Pleasant S. S., $3.55; J. B. Parks, Statesville, Clarksbury S. S., $2.00; J. M. Parker, Marion, Pleasant Hill S. S., $.60; J. W. Howell, Candler, Pisgah S. S., $1.34; Mrs. Judith Durer, Murphy, Peace Tree S. S., $1.00; J. F. Hardin, Boone S. S., $5.21; dith Durer, Murphy, Peach Tree S. S., $1.70; G. H. Haigler, Hayesville S. S., $2.25; F. R. Burgin, Old Fort, Bethel S. S., $.41; Miss Bessie L. Allen, Horse Shoe S. S., $1.50; Frank E. Hackett, North Wilkesboro S. S., $5.15; L. J. Stilwell, Charlotte, Route 6, Trinity S. S., $1.65; Miss Annie L. Bradley, Old Fort, Ebenezer S. S., $.60; R. J. Roberts, Biltmore, Route 1, $1.41; R. W. Shell, Lenoir, Whitnel S. S., $1.20; A. M. Suggs, Lowell, Bethesda S. S., $1.04; Rev. Dwight W. Brown, McAdensville, $2.04; Paul E. Kirk, Albemarle, Stony Hill S. S., $3.20; L. L. Moore, Monroe, Wesley Chapel S. S., $1.00; Miss Lizzie McKelvey, Mt. Holly, Mt. Island S. S., $1.00; R. M. Ferguson, Crabtree S. S., $3.00; R. L. McNeely, Mt. Ulla, Knox's Chapel S. S., $1.65; K. L. Craven, Concord, Central S. S., $7.00; D. F. Simpson, Troutman, Wesley's Chapel S. S., $.58; Miss Arra Langford, Saluda S. S., $1.75; J. D. Greene, Forest City, Pleasant Grove S. S., $1.02; J. M. K. Randall, Ellenboro, Oak Grove S. S., $1.40; W. G. Harris, Harris, Wesley's Chapel S. S., $1.70; Joseph Honeycutt, Monroe. Union S. S., $1.38; Leroy Smith, Salisbury, First Ch. S. S., $11.32; J. P. Martin, Siloam, Prospect S. S., $1.00; T. A. Hathcock, Norwod S. S., $12.09; J. W. Dayvault, China Grove S. S., $2.61; A. S. Cline, Lincolnton Circuit, Marion S. S., $.80; Mrs. D. T. Knight, Balsam, Moriah S. S., $.56; Rev. J. W. Kennedy, Woodleaf, Gay's Chapel S. S., $2.42; J. W. Clinard, High Point, $4.00; C. F. Cline, Gilkey S. S., $3.76; E. M. Wagner, Troutman S. S., $1.56; S. M. Peacock, Southmont, Macedonia S. S., $3.57; D. A. Chapman, Newton, Route 1, $1.05; F. B. Miller, Salisbury, Route 4, Bethel S. S., $.26; A. N. James, Mt. Pleasant S. S., $6.00; Miss Ophelia Rayle, Greensboro, Route 5, Center S. S., $1.50; V. A. J. Idol, High Point, Wesley Memorial S. S., $12.59; E. L. Lander, Norwood, Cedar Grove S. S., $.48; W. C. Massey, Trinity S. S., Trinity, $7.10; Jesse M. Scarboro, Asheboro S. S., $5.73; E. D. Grubb, Greensboro, Walnut St. S. S., $2.62; Eugene J. McDonald, Reidsville, Salem S. S., Wentworth Circuit, $1.00; Miss Sarah Oakley, Sandy Ridge, Delta S.S., $.50; J. Frank Morris, Winston-Salem, Centenary S. S., $15.46; H. A. Dunham, Asheville, Haywood St. S. S., $18.20; M. L. Wall, Pinnacle, $.60; J. E. Brewer, Clemmons, Centenary S. S., $.53; G. D. Wilkinson, Maiden S. S., $1.40; John L. Daniels, Greensboro, Spring Garden St. S. S., $10.00; Mrs. B. J. Alexander, Fairview S. S., $2.50; M. L. Ham, King, Chestnut Grove S. S., $1.00; Miss Bessie Havener, Rutherford College S. S., $3.15; J. F. Bishop, Brim, Hatcher's Chapel, $1.00; Franke Horne, Franklin, Bethel S. S., $1.00, A. C. Sharpe, Hiddenite, Rocky Spring S. S., $1.07; Chas A. Reece, Ramseur S. S., $10.39; Miss Alice Arney, Worry, Arney's Chapel S. S., $1.15; W. C. Thompson, Mooresville, Fair view S. S., $1.10; V. B. Mull, Uree S. S., $.75; W. P. Allen, Forest City, Mt. Hebron S. S., $1.19; Rev. J. P. Morris, Spruce Pine, Bakersville S. S., $3.26; W. H. Hunter, Alexander, Flint Hill S. S., $2.00; T. P .Snuggs, Norwood, Randall S. S., $2.25; T. S. Everhart, Jackson Hill, S. S., $1.50; Thos. C. Hoyle, Greensboro, Bethel Ch., Greensboro Ct., $1.90; W. M. Carter, Hayesville Sweet Water S. S., $.40; J. E. Webb, Statesville, New Salem S. S., $2.05; Leroy Miller, Linwood, Cotton Grove S. S., $2.03; M. S. Speas, Winston-Salem, Sharon S. S., $1.10; J. S. Bell, Elkin S. S., $3.52; Geo. P. Hackney, Lexington S. S., $47.01; Chas. Osborne, Jr., High Point, Main St. S. S., $9.38; H. L. Lewis, Treas., High Point East End S. S., $2.00; W. M .Zimmerman, Lexington, Route 4, Mt. Olive S. S., $4.50; Dred C. Ward, Greensboro, Holt's Chapel S. S., $4.04; C. F. Mickle, Jr., Pfafftown, Brookstown S. S., $2.00; John M. Dry, Misenheimer, Wesley Chapel S. S., $.65; Total, $640.29.

Amount Received on General and Special Support and the Ten Per Cent Assessment

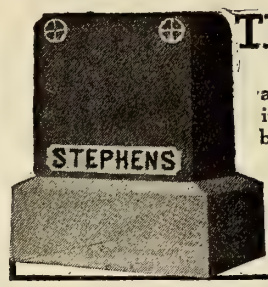
Chas. Binkley, Winston-Salem, $5.00; "A Friend," $5.00; Rev. T. B. Johnson Summerfield Ct., $10.00; Rev. W. D. West, North Charlotte, $2.40; F. B. Bunch, Statesville, Broad St. S. S., $30.53; Rev. F. B. Brittain, Olin, Snow Creek Ch., $10.00; Rev. J. M. Price, Gold Hill Ct., $10.00; Rev. R. L. Melton, New London, Bethany Ch., $2.60; Rev. J. O. Ervin, Charlotte, $5.30; Rev. A. S. Raper, Center Ch., Concord, $1.46; Rev. A. S .Raper, Epworth Ch., Concord, $3.38; Geo. H. Cox, Winston-Salem, for sweet potato slips, $9.00; J. F. Dillard, Treas., Franklin Station, $21.23; Rev. W. F. Womble, Hendersonville Station, $34.00; Rev. J. R. Warden, Hot Springs, Antioch Ch., $1.11; Sale of straw, $.30; Rev. Dwight W. Brown, McAdensville, $2.00; Rev. M. T. Steele, Charlotte, $5.00; A. G. Craig, Treas. Trinity S. S., Charlotte, $20.96; F. S. Ritch, Belmont S. S., Charlotte, $5.00; Chas. A. Reece, Ramseur S. S., $12.50; H. D. Secrist, Canton Station, $45.00; Chas. Osborne, Jr., High Point, Main St. Ch., $10.98; Mrs. M. E. Kelly, Salisbury, $5.00.

Building Fund—Rev. J. H. West, Agt.

J. S. Bell, Elkin S. S., $6.30; "Two Salisbury Friends," $2.00; John L. Daniels, Greensboro, Spring Garden St. S. S., $15.00; T. F. Seahorn, Lenoir, $2.00; Miss Bessie Aiken's Bible Class, Hendersonville, $14.50; J. R. Hill, Hendersonville, $12.00; Mr. Inis Whitlock, Mount Airy, $2.50; loose collection, Statesville, $11.09; A. R. Payne, Candler, $2.00; I. F. Craven, Ramseur, $5.00; Miss Bertha Allen's "Willing Workers" Bible Class, Gastonia, $5.00; V. A. J. Idol, High Point, $5.00; J. H. Harris, Biltmore, $5.00; Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Little, Morven, $20.00; L. L. Williams, Morven, $2.00; M. L. Ham, Morven, $5.00; J. E. Johnson, Morven, $5.00; Rev. and Mrs. E. G. Pusey, Morven, $2.00; C. W. Ratliff, Morven, $1.00; Mrs. S. T. V. Hardison, Morven, $5.00; loose collection, Morven, $.50; Thad C. Ford, Bellwood, $10.00; A. C. Sherrill, Newton, $2.50; total, $140.39.

Acknowledgement

The institution is under obligation to Mrs. John Hanes, of Winston-Salem, for the gift of a spring wagon and harness, a convenience of which we have long had need.



TIME TOUCHES IT LIGHTLY
for it is REGAL BLUE

a marble, that has proven its weather resisting qualities in many climates. Lowest moisture absorption, (.0035 by Government test,) makes it permanent and prevents damaging action by frost. Quarried and finished by Southern workmen at Regal, N. C., in a great variety of beautiful designs. The only blue marble produced in the South.

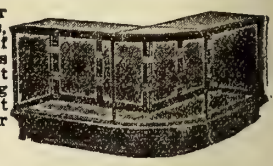
The Regal Marble Company, Regal, N. C.

Methodist Benevolent Association

A Mutual Benefit Brotherhood for Southern Methodists. Issues Whole Life, 20-Premium Life, Term to 60, and Disability Certificates. **Benefits** payable at **death, old age, or disability.** Over $152,000.00 paid to **widows, orphans,** and **disabled.** Over $40,000.00 reserve fund. Write for rates, blanks, etc. ***J. H. Shumaker, Secretary, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.***

Show Cases **Direct From Factory**

The Famous Gurley Show Cases cannot be had from any other manufacturer in America. Our goods received double award at the Jamestown Exposition. A jobber who has been selling Gurley Show Cases for nine years, says that only one customer has made any complaint of our goods, and only one small case was involved in his complaint. This is a wonderful record. We sell direct to the merchant. Drug store outfits a specialty. For drug store outfits ask for catalogue "V"; for wall or street cases ask for catalogue "W"; for general line ask for catalogue "Y."



HIGH POINT SHOW CASE WORKS High Point, North Carolina

MENTHOLATUM—
Cooling, Soothing, Antiseptic, Healing

Effective for external application in cases of inflammation of various kinds, such as insect stings, sunburn, burns, chapped skin, poison oak, sores, sprains, Mentholatum is cleanly and safe—an indispensable home remedy.

WILL YOU READ THIS PERSONAL MESSAGE?

It may mean the beginning of the happiest moment of your life—a complete restoration to health and strength—the thrill of once more feeling that you are well. We want you to read the simple, truthful statement of one of the most noted of Richmond's medical men, a plain, impassioned truth from a man who reached the very highest pinnacle of success as measured by his work and what he did for "The Cause" and for Christian-like humanity. Read this message from—Jud B. Wood, M. D., D. D. S., late President Society Prevention Cruelty to Animals: "For the past three years my office has been in the same building and so situated that I could see and hear what takes place in the office of the 'Fonticello Lithia Water,' and out of thousands of persons who have used this water for various diseases and especially for stomach, bladder, kidney and liver troubles, it is a rare exception that they do not declare that they have either been cured or benefited by its use and a large number of these cures have come under my observation. In some instances where they had no faith in the water until after they had commenced its use, they then became very enthusiastic. I am convinced that it is the peculiar combination of the alkalies in this water that causes it to act so very promptly on the kidneys, skin and lymphatics, thus relieving the system of accumulated poison. I have great faith in Fonticello Lithia Water, and unhesitatingly recommend it to any one who is suffering with dyspepsia, indigestion, urinary and kidney affections, gravel, stone in the bladder, uric acid, rheumatism, and gout."

Fonticello Mineral Water is sold on guarantee. Order two carboys—ten gallons—price $2.00. If it doesn't benefit you we will refund your money.

Fill out this coupon and mail today
Note our guarantee

I want to try Fonticello Mineral Water and promise to use it regularly, daily, drinking the number of glasses prescribed in the directions which you agree to send me. If this treatment does not prove beneficial, yoou agree to refund purchase price upon receipt by you of the two empty carboys which I promise to return promptly. Enclosed find $2.00 for which please send me two gallons of Fonticello Mineral Water referred to above.

Name .....
P. O. .....
Express Office .....

Note.—This coupon is our acceptance of above terms and guarantee.

FONTICELLO MINERAL SPRINGS CO.
Dept. C., Richmond, Va.

HOW TO MAKE $150.00

For your Church or Society. Our church plan is used by Ladies' Aids, Guilds, Young People's and Missionary Societies, Charity Workers, Y. M. C. A's, Individual Agents and any religious or other society needing money. Hundreds of societies have taken advantage of it with profitable results. A request by postal card will bring you full information by return mail. Address

H. DERIGHT, Room 710, Baltimore Building Chicago, Ill.

MISSIONARY NOTES FROM FIELD SECRETARY

Walnut Street, Carraway Memorial.—A. R. Bell, P. C.—Carraway Memorial, $176.65 on assessments. Walnut St. has the budget plan. Many of the members pledged publicly payment in full of assessments, which, if done, will put this charge much in advance of last year. Bro. Bell has just closed a successful meeting here assisted by Bro. T. C. Jordan.

Itinerary

September 7—Albemarle, 1st St., night.
September 8-9—Albemarle Circuit.
September 10—Salem Circuit.
September 11-13—Kannapolis Ct. and Kannapolis.
September 14—Concord Circuit.
September 15—China Grove.
September 18-19—Kernersville Ct.
September 20-21—Lewisville Ct.
September 22-23—Jackson Hill Ct.
September 24—Cooleemee.
September 25-26—Farmington Ct.
September 27-29—Forsyth Circuit.
September 30—Mocksville.
October 3-5—Franklin Circuit.
October 6-7—Murphy Station.
October 9-11—Hayesville Circuit
October 12-13—Murphy Ct.
October 15-17—Fines Creek.
October 18-30—Creston Ct.
October 31-November 1—Burnsville.
November 7—Wadesboro.
November 14—Brevard.

Pastors wishing leaflets and envelopes for "Full Collection Day" can get them for a postal card from Board of Missions at Nashville.

Polkton Circuit.—The Lord has been so good to his people this year on the Polkton Circuit that it seems that just a few words might be said that his name might be glorified by some who may read these lines, and I trust it is only for this purpose that I write.

I have held all of my meetings except the one at Peachland. Rev. T. A. Plyler, of the Unionville Circuit, was with us four days during the meeting at Fountain Hill and preached five splendid sermons. With this exception the preaching was done by the pastor. God was very gracious during the entire series of meetings. The Holy Ghost was upon us almost all the time. Some of the services are almost beyond description, so great were they in the presence and power of God. Sinners under deep and pungent conviction came to the altar and sought and found salvation in the good old way of forsaking all for Christ, taking up the Cross and following him by faith as the only Savior of man.

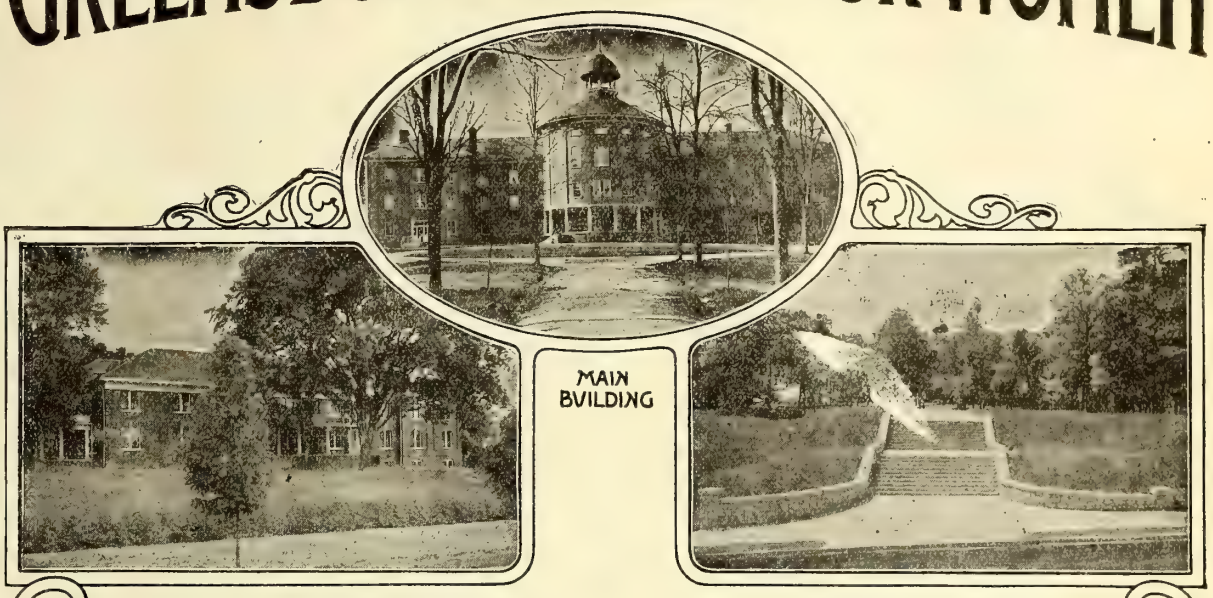
The membership of all the churches has been greatly revived. Ninety-eight have joined the Methodist church on profession of faith and others to join yet. Several have joined at other churches. At Hopewell, where the church was wonderfully revived and forty-two joined as a result of the meeting, the people under this great inspiration are laying plans to enlarge their church at the expense of several hundred dollars. To the Lord belongs all the glory and praise for His wonderful works among men.

W. B. Davis.

PERMANENT ENDOWMENT FUNDS

For several weeks past I have been collecting data to ascertain the total amount of permanent investments which are held, both as connectional and as conference funds, also preacher's aid societies and superannuate homes, for the benefit of Conference claimants. It has been difficult, in a few instances impossible, to get the exact figures, and so the table below will not be absolutely accurate; but it will be correct in nearly every instance and approximately so in the few remaining. This estimate includes our connectional endowment fund, the Colvin fund, the several conference endowment funds, preacher's aid societies and the superannuate homes.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY - FITZGERALD HALL

ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

It is perfectly fair to count all these sources of income for our claimants. This method is pursued in other churches. The M. E. Church is, in fact, raising the bulk of the great endowment funds they are now securing, as conference funds. If they succeed in securing the fifteen millions, as they hope to do, scarcely one million will be in the connectional fund.

Annual Conference Funds

Missouri Conference	$ 96,975.52
Tennessee Conference	17,216.00
North Georgia Conference	40,420.64
Louisiana Conference	18,861.67
S. W. Missouri Conference	26,032.80
Kentucky Conference	28,709.21
Western Virginia Conf.	2,650.00
St. Louis Conference	23,782.53
Memphis Conference	5,000.00
North Texas Conference	10,000.00
Virginia Conference	62,863.90
Louisville Conference	50,994.75
North Carolina Conference	10,038.00
Texas Conf. (estimated)	3,500.00
Illinois Conference	350.00
Central Texas Conference	5,789.53
Holston Conference	13,381.70
Montana Conf. (estimated)	12,000.00
North Miss. Conference	2,112.25
North West Texas Conf.	1,360.00
Baltimore Conference	31,450.00
South Carolina Conference	25,000.00
South Georgia (estimated)	8,000.00
Florida Conference	500.00
Total An. Conf. Funds	$496,988.55

Superannuate Homes

Missouri Conference	$ 3,500.00
North Georgia Conference	2,000.00
Memphis Conference	4,200.00
North West Texas Conf.	900.00
Pacific Conference	11,000.00
Alabama Conference	20,000.00
North Alabama Conference	72,000.00
Total Superan. Homes	$113,600.00
Colvin Fund	10,000.00
Super. Endowment Fund	345,000.00
Annual Conference Funds	496,988.55
Total from all sources	$965,588.55

Only the cash assets of the Superannuate funds are counted. There are other assets to this fund, not now available, but when realized on will bring the above aggregate sum up to more than one million dollars.

Co operation

The Board handling the general fund desires co-operation, not compe-

Continued on page 14, column 3

The Sunday School Lesson

THIRD QUARTER—LESSON XI
SEPTEMBER 12, 1915

ELIJAH'S FLIGHT AND RETURN—1 KINGS 19

Golden Text—Be still, and know that I am God. Psalms 46:10.

SUMMARY OF THE LESSON

The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde is not a story of two men. It is a story of one man. In it Robert Louis Stevenson pierces far into the tragedy of human life. In a fashion never to be forgotten the battle of the best and the worst in a human life is portrayed. Two personalities fight for the throne of a man's soul and he decides which one of them he will become. To see a man in different moods is often to seem to see two different men. The Elijah on Mt. Carmel and the Elijah in panic-stricken flight seem to have no kinship with each other. The one is a hero; the other isa weakling. The one fears nothing; the other runs away at the echo of a woman's voice. Our study has to do with the divine method of restoring the hero to the place of control in Elijah's life.

ELIJAH THE STRONG

"He is an earnest man but he cannot stand alone." These were the words in which a careful observer summed up his opinion of another man. In The Living Christ and the Four Gospels Dr. Dale has pointed out the fashion in which all our beliefs gain in strength by social reinforcement and the difficulty of holding to any belief which does not have this support.

The picture of Elijah on Mt. Carmel is the picture of a man standing alone. It is the picture of a man strong enough to do without social reinforcement. At his words a king trembles; at his words a people listens in strange and solemn fear. At his words a triumphant foreign worship feels the shudder which comes with a sense of approaching doom. With the world against him Elijah speaks out with the most complete assurance for Jehovah. He rises to a height of faith as he calls for the fire from heaven, which fairly staggers the imagination. Among the lonely, titanic figures of the world he has a place all his own. There are two kinds of leaders in the world. There are the leaders whose power consists in the shrewd expression of what the people want. Really they are the servants of the people and not their guides. Then there are the leaders who dare to cross the will of the people, who dare to criticize their inadequacies, who persuade them to follow duty and not desire. These are the real masters of men. They bring moral and spiritual propulsion to an age. They are not the expressers of public opinion so much as the creators of public opinion. In critical hours they are able to stand steady in spite of all the tug of a majority against them. An age without such leaders is in process of moral decay. An age with such leaders is never an age without hope.

ELIJAH THE WEAK

"It is the night after the victory which I fear," said a sturdy, brave soldier. He was ready to endure the long march; he was ready for the desperate charge; he was ready for the wild clash of battle, but he feared the period of let-down following the victory. He feared the time when the strain was over and all the pent-up energies were suddenly released.

Elijah stood firm until the victory was won. Every force of his life was under firm control during those terrible hours of strain. Then came the wonder of victory and all the inrush of triumphant joy. He seemed less a man than some celestial being with wings of fire.

After this came the reaction. If he had climbed to great heights he sank to corresponding depths. The fierce and defiant word of a strong woman precipitated the mood of shattering fear. The foundation seemed to drop out of his courage, and the prophet himself seemed to fall through and go down to some far depth. In a perfect panic he ran away. Fear pursued him as he ran. On to the end of the country, on to safe distances beyond, on into the wilderness still he pursued his fear-haunted way. At last, exhausted and despairing, he sank down and prayed that he might die.

Part of the experience was purely physical. The body of the prophet rebelled after the tremendous nervous strain to which it had been subjected and payment was extracted to the last farthing. Part of the experience was spiritual. The prophet of force was to learn the inadequacy of force. Some subtler power than the descending fire must come to move men's hearts and even to satisfy the heart of the prophet. The victory on Carmel was a wonderful event, but it was not enough to satisfy the soul. A part of Elijah's discouragement came from a hunger which he did not know how to satisfy. Jehovah's power had been revealed and after all it had left him with an empty heart. Just when he supposed the consummation reached he learned that what he thought the conclusion of a campaign was only one victorious battle. There was more fighting to be done and his ammunition was exhausted. He had thought no further than the victory on Carmel. Bewildered and hungry-hearted, he seemed surrounded by gloom.

THE VOICE OF GENTLE STILLNESS

The Cure of Souls was the arresting title which was given to a volume of lectures on the work of the minister. Elijah needed a skilled physician in the things of the spirit to prescribe for him in his hour of deep and terrible dejection. The narrative which we are studying tells the manner in which he was treated by God himself. In the first place attention was given to his physical needs. Food was provided and he was entrusted to all the healing ministry of sleep. There was no attempt to reason with a hungry man or to give illumination to the soul of a man in a state of extreme physical fatigue. The needs of the body were supplied as a step toward meeting the need of the soul.

Then came the experience of meeting alone the mighty power of God. A wild and furious tempest tore the rocks in the mountains. An earthquake sent a trembling through the solid ground. Lurid lightnings flashed their fire before the prophet's eyes. Through it all the stern and vigorous man stood with heart untouched. He was learning completely that a mere revelation of divine power will not capture the soul. Then came a sound of gentle stillness, all understanding sympathy. The prophet's heart was melted. He recognized God' voice and even as he listened the work of healing in his soul began. He poured out his story in feverish words like those of a hurt child, held fast in its mother's arms. He was sure of the divine care, even as he spoke his disconsolate words.

As the ministry of the divine gentleness did its work Elijah was given a task to perform, and to him were spoken words of stimulus and encouragement. He thought he was alone, but seven thousand in Israel had not bowed the knee to Baal. Jehovah was working out his purposes. It was no time for failure on the part of His servant. Elijah was sent back to his work with a new vision of God, a new confidence in men and a new sense of Jehovah at work in the life of His people.

THE HOUR OF REACTION

In "The Long Roll" Mary Johnson tells of a time when "Stonewall" Jackson's brilliant powers of military leadership seemed to fail him. He had been performing wonders, but he pressed matters too far and found himself in the clutches of the hour of reaction and incapacity. It was only an episode in the life of the great general, but it told the story of limits beyond which a man cannot go.

Elijah felt the full shock of such a time of reaction and in its heavy gloom he narrowly escaped losing a grip on the very meaning of his ministry.

A man does not have to be a religious leader in order to come to his own times of depletion and loss of confidence and enthusiasm. It is said of a certain distinguished American tha he must contantly be guarded from a devitalizing process which comes when he overtaxes his powers. Everywhere in our somewhat overwrought land men and women are meeting the hour of reaction with all its waning of enthusiasm and its dull lethargy and often its despair.

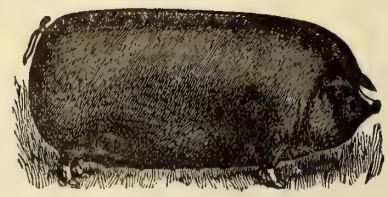
The study of Elijah's experience is full of significance for all who know such hours. The first step to a renewed grip on life comes through rest and wholesome food. The second step comes with a new vision of the tenderness which is at the heart of al the strength of God. The third step comes with a new sense of being trusted by God with important work. These steps lead into the place of confidence and enthusiasm and power. To the end of his life the echo of the sound of gentle stillness was heard in the voice of Elijah. He was a different man after his experience on the mountain side. There are men alive today who have known his battle and his victory. You can hear an echo of the still, small voice when they speak.

SUGGESTIONS TO TEACHERS

There may well be a discussion of the relation of temperament to the Christian life, of the fashion in which God uses individual qualities and even moods in working out His great plans. God's patient dealing with the prophet's dark and pessimistic mood is full of suggestions as to how sympathy may minister to those whose sky is darkened by troubled thoughts.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

In what way does the body influence the soul? In what way does the soul influence the body? What is the relation of faigue to discouragement? How may we secure a new vision of God?—*Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in N. Y. Christian Advocate.*



MAMMOTH BLACK

The greatest pork producers ever originated. We originated this hog. One we sold dressed 978 pounds. See statement from the man that raised this hog:

Wallburg, N. C., June 15, 1907.
John A. Young, Greensboro, N. C.
Dear Sir:
I have killed the Mammoth Black pig I bought of you and he dressed 978 lbs. net. Yours truly,
J. L. Guyer.

Until Oct. 1st we will sell at $10.00 each, $15.00 per pair, pigs 8 to 10 weeks old.

The Newest Styles of Jewelry
WATCHES, STERLING SILVER
PLATE WARE
Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.
SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS

This Hose Lasts Longer Than Others

Goodyear-Akron Lawn Hose lasts longer than others because it is made to do that. It is made by the makers of the famous Goodyear Automobile Tires. Composed of five layers of alternate new, live rubber and strongest braided cotton. Absolutely seamless. The thick corrugated outer coat, with its six extra large rubber ribs, does away with twisting and kinking. They add immensely to its life.

GOODYEAR AKRON
Lawn Hose

Buy Your Garden Tools Here
We Have Everything You Need

ODELL
Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL
FLORAL
DESIGNS
Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses
HOWARD GARDNER
Proprietor
GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345
DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF
STOMACH AND INTESTINES
121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland
108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

Our Little Folks' Department

FANNY'S FLOWERS

"I will and I won't! I will and I won't!" said Fanny over and over to herself so loud that she kept getting the words louder and a little louder.

Presently her auntie stuck her head in the door and said: "What in the world are you talking about, Fanny Folsom?"

"About my Easter flowers," answered Fanny, who never knew anything else but to be honest.

"What's the matter with your Easter flowers?" asked her auntie. "I am sure the roses your mother sent you from the city will be the handsomest flowers in the church."

"No, they won't auntie," said Fanny, so much in earnest that she even forgot to say, "Please excuse me," when she contradicted her auntie. "I know they won't, because I took them to Grandma Bell. She sits at home all the time in that old wheeled chair, and I was just sure she never in her whole life had any such flowers as the roses mother sent, so I took them to her. I first thought I'd divide them with her, but they looked so rich and so extrav-a-gant all together that I thought she'd 'joy 'em that way most; so I just took 'em all to her, and now I was meaning to say: 'I will be glad that I took 'em, and I won't be sorry to take these little wild flowers to church to put on the altar.'"

Auntie almost had to laugh. Her niece was such a vehement little creature, which means that she was so much in earnest that she said and did everything with all of her might. Auntie didn't laugh, though, but spoke very kindly about the sweet wild flowers and helped her hurried little niece to get ready and start to the church.

When Fanny got to Sunday school she found that the bishop had come from the city to the Easter service; and he had wanted to hear the Sunday school program as well, so there he stood at the door as Fanny came in. Fanny was dressed in a very simple, sweet little white dress, and the flowers she carried were little wild white violets.

Just as she came in the bishop looked down, and the glow of a pleasant smile spread over his face. He stooped and took Fanny by the hand and kindly asked: "What is your name, daughter?"

"Fanny Folsom," she answered.

"I thought so," said the bishop, still smiling at her. "You are the very little girl I saw slipping out of my grandmother's gate early this morning. I asked about it, and she told me all about the roses and how you brought them to her instead of bringing them here for the altar; so, if you please, Miss Fanny Folsom, I'd like to have these little wild flowers to take home to my little girl from you. She has a crippled knee and can't run about the fields like you can, and she'd rather have these than a whole greenhouse full of roses."

Of course Fanny gave them to him and was very happy indeed to do so. Then when she went home she said: "Isn't it strange, auntie, that when you do what you think is right with what you have, God shows you something else nice and pleasant to do?"

"I might have been happier if I had learned that earlier in life," said auntie, brushing some shiny tears from her eyelashes; "and I hope you will never forget it, dear."—Francis M'K. Morton.

WHEN ELLEN FORGOT

"Don't forget to come by the grocery and bring me two dozen lemons, Ellen dear," called Ellen's mother from the kitchen one hot July morning.

"Yes, mamma," absently answered Ellen, who was busy tilting her hat to just the right angle before starting to the village.

"I want you to be sure to get them," Mrs. Ladd continued, "because it is so warm the gelatine may not set, and if it doesn't then we can have lemonade with the cake."

"Yes, mamma," again rejoined Ellen, who went flitting out of the door, thinking of the little girls' party she was going to have in the afternoon and of the flowers that Mrs. Turner had just called up to say she had cut for her. She meant to hurry back and decorate the rooms and put up the hanging baskets on the porches.

It was just on the stroke of twelve, when Mrs. Ladd was giving the last touches to the prettily decorated house, that Ellen came running in with a great basket of lovely pink roses.

"O mamma," she cried, glancing at the clock, "I never thought about it being so late! I was having such a good time, and now you have had all the work to do," she finished remorsefully.

"I was afraid we wouldn't have time after lunch," returned Ellen's mother. She started to say something, when she noticed that Ellen had failed to bring the lemons, but checked herself and helped to arrange the roses, then went out to look again at the still watery gelatine. "I hate to do it," she said aloud, "but the girlie must have a lesson sometime before the habit fixes itself upon her for life."

At four o'clock that afternoon a happy crowd of little girls sat in groups on the broad, shady porch of Ellen's pretty home, eating sandwiches and apparently enjoying themselves greatly.

"Mother made the loveliest cake," whispered Ellen to one of her little friends, "and she is going to serve gelatine and whipped cream with it."

Just then Mrs. Ladd came out, bearing a waiter on which were plates piled with delicious-looking cake, and she began passing it to the guests.

"Shall I run bring the gelatine and cream, mamma?" Ellen called.

Mrs. Ladd did not answer, but went on passing the cake. When she came close, Ellen heard her speaking. "I intended having gelatine," she apologized, "but it failed to congeal, and then I sent for lemons, thinking lemonade would be nice, but the lemons were not brought. It was a disappointment to me"—

"O Mrs. Ladd, the cake is lovely without anything else!" cried some one, and all the others joined in.

Ellen's face flushed scarlet. For a moment she hesitated, then she sprang to her feet. "Girls," she called earnestly, "I want you all to know whose fault it is about the lemonade and gelatine both. Mamma told me to order extra ice to cool the gelatine on, and I forgot; then she sent by me for lemons, and I was so busy thinking about the party that I didn't bring them, and"— She looked up and caught her mother's smile. "I know you just didn't mention it when you saw I had been careless, because it was a good time to teach me a lesson about absent-mindedness."

"Yes, dear," answered Mrs. Ladd. "I could have telephoned for the lemons after I saw you had forgotten them, but I thought this might be helpful to you."

"It will, mamma," said Ellen hastily.

"I think nearly all of us need a lesson like this," joined in one of the guests, smiling at Ellen.—Beth Slater Whitson.

THE LOOKING-GLASS GIRL

"Why don't you look in the mirror to pin on your hat?" asked Aunt May, coming in just as Gertrude was thrusting a pin in her hat, scowling deeply.

"I know, auntie," cried Billie, who was just leaving the room; "she's afraid that frown of hers will break the glass."

Angry tears filled Gertrude's eyes, but she made no reply, for Billie had already gone; and Aunt May, putting a gentle arm about her, drew the little girl over to the mirror.

"Let auntie pin on the hat, dear," she said, adjusting it with quick fingers; then, tilting Gertrude's chin up, she looked into the blue eyes with smiling gray ones.

A little answering smile came from Gertrude, and Aunt May turned her toward the mirror. "Look at that dear little girl," she said.

Gertrude blushed rosily. "O auntie," she said, "I'm ashamed of my horrid temper. Why can't I look like that all the time?"

"You could look that pleasant all the time if you'd only try hard enough. Suppose you try looking in the mirror every time you feel yourself getting angry," suggested Aunt May.

"I don't see how that would help," returned Gertrude doubtfully; "but I'll try it for a week every time I am near a mirror, just because you want me to."

Then Aunt May kissed her and told her to run along to school.

The next morning it was raining, and Gertrude came into her mother's room with a pair of rubbers covered with dried mud. "I wonder who in the world wore my rubbers and got them soiled like this," she said.

"Poor little Gerty—her rubbers got dirty!" sang Billie.

"Did you do this, Billie?" questioned Gertrude sharply; then, dropping the rubbers, she went over and stood before the mirror until the frown had vanished.

"I think you wore them yourself to Genie's party," spoke up Gertrude's mother gently.

"Why, so I did, mamma," answered Gertrude readily. "Excuse me, please, Billie."

Billie gave a long whistle of surprise. "Certainly, Trudie," he said; and he waited for her instead of running off alone to school.

"Trudie is getting to be about the pleasantest girl I know," Billie remarked confidentially to Aunt May about a week later.

Gertrude entered the room just in time to hear Billie's remark. "Why, thank you, Billie," she smiled; "I don't think, though," she went on, "that I ought to have any credit for it. It was all Aunt May's plan; she told me to look in the mirror every time I felt myself getting cross. At first I thought it a very silly thing to do; but you knew I couldn't keep on frowning if I saw myself, didn't you, auntie?" asked Gertrude, turning suddenly and putting a pair of loving arms about Aunt May.

"I hoped you couldn't, dear," answered Aunt May softly.—Selected.

ECHO

I sometimes wonder where he lives,
This Echo that I never see.
I hear his voice, now in the hedge,
Then down behind the willow tree.
And when I call: "O please come out,"
"Come out," he always quick replies.
"Hello, hello," again I say.
"Hello, hello," he softly cries.
He must be jolly, Echo must,
"For when I laugh, "Ho, ho, ho, ho,"
Like any other friendly boy,
He answers me with "Ho, ho, ho."
I think perhaps he'd like to play.
I know some splendid things to do.
He must be lonely hiding there;
I wouldn't like it. Now, would you?
—Alix Thorn, in Jewels.

THAT CAMPING TRIP

Roderick looked very much out of sorts. "Fred Stone has gone deer hunting with his father, and Joe Gilmore and Duncan Reves have both gone camping out. I say it's a shame. I've wanted to go camping out all my life." He dug his pencil impatiently into the map he was drawing.

"So have I," said Gordon, who always wanted to do just what his brother did.

Sister Ruth looked up from her sewing. "What sort of place would you pick out to camp in?" she asked, thoughtfully.

"O, a nice woodsy place. I like lots of pines and hemlocks. There are more apt to be bears and deer, you know, stalking about."

"Yes, and water, too," said Gordon. "We would want fish. I've had my tackle all ready since spring, but haven't been fishing once."

"It seems to me you could have a pretty good time right here at home, boys," Ruth suggested. "There are woods on Uncle Ezra's place." Roderic turned his head disdainfully.

"And Goose Creek," went on his sister, calculatingly.

"Who ever heard of fish in Goose Creek?" scoffed Gordon.

"What do you say to going camping with me, boys?" Ruth proffered boldly. "I think I know of a delightful place. We'll start Monday and stay all the week if you say so. We can take father's tent and some of mother's dishes and a load of provisions. Shall we?"

"O yes, yes!" both boys shouted at once. "But where is the place, sister Ruth?"

"That you must leave entirely to me," she told them. "There are pines and spruces and water; are they enough?"

When they were ready to start she insisted that both of the boys should be blindfolded securely, which added to the general mystery.

They were to be driven to the camping ground by Seth, the hired man, and the light spring wagon was loaded with things for their comfort and enjoyment. The boys sat, one on either side of Ruth, and asked questions. Roderick felt sure that they were going a very great distance. "It must be miles and miles, isn't it, sister Ruth?" But sister Ruth only laughed at him.

"We must be up in the mountains, I am sure," said Gordon. "It is so very rough." They were crossing the pasture then. They took many roundabout turns and at last stoped on a beautiful wood road, close by a gurgling spring.

"I think we will camp here," Ruth said, and she untied the bandages from the boys' eyes. They soon had things unloaded and were pitching the tent. Two happier boys never lived, and they spent several joyous days there.

"O, Ruth, tell us the name of this lovely place. We will want to come here next year," Roderick cried. But Ruth only smiled.

On the way home she did not bandage the boys' eyes, and they were both surprised when, after a short trip through the woods and across a field or two, they turned into their own home lane.

"Have we really been in Uncle Ezra's woods, after all?" they cried. "I never guessed it was half as lovely as that."

"I wanted you boys to know how many really wonderful things there are right near home," Ruth said. "I wanted you to know what you were missing by being discontented and wanting to do something that was impossible. All this beauty has been right within your reach always."

"It's as nice as any, and the best of it is we can have it every year," said Roderick, thoughtfully.—Boys and Girls.

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.
Fourth Round

Henderson Ct., Edneyville 21-22
Hendersonville, night 22

August

Leicester, Teagues 28-29
Riverview Church, night 29

September

Mills River, Avery Creek 4-5
North Asheville, night 5
Mars Hill, Valley Union 11-12
Weaverville, night 12
Flat Rock, Upward 18-19
Central, night 19
West Asheville 26
Tryon and Saluda, night 26-27
Fairview, Fairview 2-3

October

Haywood St., night 3
Spring Creek, Antioch 9-10
Hot Springs, night 10
Weaverville Ct., Salem 16-17
Elk Mountain, night 17
Hot Springs & Marshall, Marshall .23-24
Walnut, Jewel Hill, night 24-25
Sulphur Springs, Snow Hill 30-31
Bethel, night 31

November

Swannanoa, Swannanoa 6-7
Black Mountain, night 7
Biltmore & Mt. Pleasant, Biltmore ...14

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C.
Fourth Round

August

Hickory Grove 22-23
Chadwick, night 22
Pineville, Harrison 29-30
Calvary, night 29

September

Thrift, Thrift 4-5
Seversville, night 5
Morven, Pleasant Hil 11-12
Matthews, Matthews 18-19
Belmont, night 19
Prospect, Bethlehem 25-26
Monroe, Central 26-27

October

Weddington, Hebron 2-3
Waxhaw, Mineral Springs, 3 p. m.....3-4
Lilesville, Lilesville 9-10
Trinity, night 10
Polkton, Hopewell 16-17
Unionville, Mill Grove 23-24
North Monroe, N. Monroe, night 24
Marshville, Marshville 30-31
Brevard, night 31

November

Ansonville, Concord 6-7
Wadesboro, night 7
Dilworth, 11 a. m. 14
Spencer Memorial, 3 p. m. 14
Tryon, night 14

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—James H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.
Fourth Round

September

Reidsville 5-6
Walnut Street 6-7
Ruffin Ct., Carmel 11-12
Wentworth, Wentworth 12-13
Greensboro, Zion 18-19
Gibsonville 19-20
Pleasant Garden, Pleasant Garden, 25-26
Spring Garden 26-27

October

West Greensboro, Jamestown 2-3
Centenary 3-4
Coleridge Ct., Coleridge 9-10
Ramseur and Franklinville, Franklinville 16-17
Deep River, Central Falls 16-17
Uwharrie, Oak Grove 23-24
Denton, Denton 24-25
Randolph, Trinity 30-31
Wesley Memorial, High Point 30-31
Main Street, High Point 31-32
East End 31-32

November

Asheboro 6-7
Randleman 6-7
West Market 13-14

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Fourth Round

August

Marion Station 29

September

Old Fort, Greenlee 3
McDowell, Glenwood 4-5
Thermal City, Thermal 4-5
Table Rock, Oak Hill 11-12
Morganton Station 12-13
Green River, Bethlehem 18-19
Broad River, Tanner's Grove 25-26
Henrietta and Caroleen, Caroleen ..26-27

October

Forest City, Pleasant Grove 2-3
Cliffside, Oak Grove 2-3
Rutherfordton, Gilkey 9-10
Morganton Ct., Oak Forest 16-17
Connelly Springs 23-24
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Spruce Pine 30-31

November

Micaville, Martin's Chapel 5
Bald Creek 6-7
Burnsville 7-8
Marion Ct., Capernaum 13-14

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Fourth Round

September

Walnut Cove, Pine Hall 4-5
Pilot Mountain, Pilot Mountain 11-12
Debson, Stony Knoll 18-19
Yadkinville, Long Town 25-26

October

Rural Hall, Rural Hall 2-3
Mount Airy Ct., Salem 9-10
Danbury, Snow Hill 16-17
Madison and Stoneville, Madison ...24-25
Leaksville 26
Spray 27-31
Draper 28-31

November

Jonesville, Ebenezer 6-7
Elkin 6-7
Ararat, Hunters 13-14

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Fourth Round

September

Wilkes, Lebanon 4-5
Elk Park, Banner Elk 7-8
Avery, Pine Grove 11-12
Boone, Boone 18-19
Watauga, Valle Crucis 23
Creston, Clifton 25-26

October

Sparta, Sparta 3-4
Laurel Springs, Laurel Springs 9-10
Helton, Greenwood 16-17
Jefferson, Orion 24
Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro 31

Revival Meetings

North Wilkesboro .....August 22-29
Boone, Boone ..... Sept. 14-21
Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro .. Oct. 31-Nov. 7

All churches not yet visited will be visited on the fourth round. These side dates have been arranged with the pastors. Let all the pastors make proper announcements. All official members are urged to be present at the fourth quarterly conference.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Fourth Round

September

Granite Falls and Hudson, Granite Falls, 11 a. m. 11-12
First Church, Hickory, night 12-13
Rhodhiss Sta., Rhodhiss, 11 a. m. ..18-19
West Hickory, West Hickory, night 19-20
Stony Point Ct., Stony Pt., 11 a. m., 25-26
Alexander Ct., Hiddenite, 3 p. m. ..26-27

October

Iredell Ct., Snow Creek, 11 a. m. 2-3
Broad St., Statesville, night 3-4
Cool Spring Ct., Clarksburg, 11 a. m. 9-10
Race St., Statesville, night 10-11
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 a. m., 16-17
Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, night 17-18
Troutman Ct., Shiloh, 11 a. m. 23-24
Davidson Sta., Davidson, night 24-25
Statesville Ct., N. Statesville, 11 a. m. 30-31
Mooresville Sta., Mooresville, night 31-Nov. 1

November

Hickory Ct., Fairgrove, 11 a. m. 6-7
Newton Sta., Newton, night 7-8
Maiden Ct., May's Chapel, 11 a. m., 13-14

Final Meetings

October

Lenoir Ct. (all churches), Lenoir, 11 a. m. 5
South Lenoir and Valmead, South Lenoir, night 5
South Lenoir and Valmead, Whitnel, night 6
Granite Falls and Hudson, Granite Falls, 3 p. m. 12
North Lenoir Ct., (all churches) Lenoir, 11 a. m. 13
West Hickory, (all churches) West Hickory, night 14
Alexander Ct., (all churches) Hiddenite, 3 p. m. 19
Stony Point Ct., (all churches) Stony Point, 11 a. m. 20
Statesville Ct., Marvin, 11 a. m. 21
Statesville Ct., Bethel, 3 p. m.....21
Mooresville Ct., (all churches) Mooresville, 11 a. m. 26
Troutman Ct., (all churches) Troutman, 11 a. m. 27
Cool Spring Ct., (all churches) New Salem, 11 a. m. 28
Iredell Ct., (all churches) Olin, 11 a. m. 29

November

Catawba Ct., (all churches) Catawba, 11 a. m. 2
Statesville Ct., Bethlehem, 11 a. m. ..3
Race St., Statesville, night 4
Davidson Sta., Davidson, night 9
Mt. Zion-Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 11 a. m. 10

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder
Fourth Round

September

Bessemer, Bessemer 11-12
Kings Mountain, Kings Mountain ..11-12
Lowell, Bethesda 18-19
McAdenville, McAdenville 19
Lincoln Ct., McKendree 25
Lincolnton, Lincolnton 26

October

South Fork, Ebenezer 1
Belwood, Fallston 2
Stanly, Stanly 3
Polkville, Casar 9-10
Lowesville, Salem 16-17
Mt. Holly, Mt. Holly 17-18
Rock Spring, W. Chapel 23-24
Crouse, Crouse 30-31

November

Shelby Ct., Sharon 6

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.
Fourth Round

September

Salisbury, South Main St., night 5
Norwood 11-12
Cottonville and Oakboro 11-12
Concord, Epworth and Center, Epworth, 11 a. m. 19
West Concord, Kerr St., night 19
Woodleaf, Ebenezer 25-26
China Grove and Landis, China Grove, night 26-27

October

Mt. Pleasant, Cold Springs 2-3
Concord, Central, 11 a. m. 3
Concord, Forest Hill, night 3
Albemarle, Central, 11 a. m. 10
Albemarle, First Street, night 10
Albemarle Ct., Pine Grove 16-17
Salem Ct., Salem 17-18
Concord Ct., Rocky Ridge 24-25
Westford, night 24
Bethel and Loves Chapel 30-31

November

Gold Hill Ct., Zion 6-7
New London Ct., Bethel 7-8
Kannapolis Ct., Shiloh 13-14
Kannapolis Sta., night 14

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C., R. F. D. 2
Fourth Round

September

Webster Ct., Webster 11-12
Sylva 12
Bryson and Whittier 18-19
Judson Ct., Judson 25-26
Robbinsville 30

October

Murphy Ct., Peachtree 2
Murphy Station 3
Haysville Ct. 9-10
Ranger Ct., Rodgers 13-14
Andrews Station 17
Franklin Ct., Bethel 23
Franklin Station 24
Macon Ct., Mt. Zion 24-25
Highlands Ct., Highlands 27
Glenville Ct., East Laporte 30-31

November

Clyde Ct., East Waynesville 6
Waynesville Station 7
Canton Station 7

WINSTON DISTRICT—Hugh K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C.
Fourth Round

September

Davidson, Centenary 11-12
Thomasville Ct., Zion 18-19
Thomasville, Main St., night 17-19
Forsyth, Mount Tabor 25-26

October

Jackson Hill, Poplar Spring 2-3
Farmington, Smith Grove 9-10
Cooleemee, night 10
Walkertown, 11 a. m. 17
Advance, Advance 16-17
Lewisville, New Hope 23-24
Davie, Hardison 30-31
Mocksville, night 29-31

November

Kernersville, Kernersville 6-7

PERMANENT ENDOWMENT FUNDS

Continued from page 11

tition, with these conference funds. We may often be in position to aid them in enlarging their funds and at times they will be able to help us increase the general fund. Although there has been no law enacted to coordinate our work we are ready, in advance of such legislation, as far as practicable, to give aid and encouragement to conference movements. Let us have free exchange of ideas and service. We all stand for the same final achievement—ample support for Conference claimants.

J. R. Stewart, Sec.-Treas.,
Superannuate Endowment Fund.

HERE'S PERMANENT WORK FOR YOU, in the State of North Carolina, with an old-established institution whose fame is nation-wide. The work requires sober, industrious men; the position is as good as you make it. Liberal commissions paid.
Box 789, Raleigh, N. C.

We Will Pay You $120.00
to distribute religious literature and take orders in your community. 60 days work. Man or woman. Experience not required. Spare time may be used.
International Bible Press, Philadelphia
850 Winston Building

BLYMYER CHURCH BELLS. UNLIKE OTHER BELLS SWEETER, MORE DURABLE, LOWER PRICE. OUR FREE CATALOGUE TELLS WHY.
Write to Cincinnati Bell Foundry Co., Cincinnati, O.

FRECKLES

Now Is the Time to Get Rid of These Ugly Spots

There's no longer the slightest need of feeling ashamed of your freckles, as the prescription othine—double strength—is guaranteed to remove these homely spots.

Simply get an ounce of othine—double strength—from any druggist and apply a little of it night and morning and you should soon see that even the worst freckles have begun to disappear, while the lighter ones have vanished entirely. It is seldom that more than an ounce is needed to completely clear the skin and gain a beautiful clear complexion.

Be sure to ask for the double strength othine as this is sold under guarantee of money back if it fails to remove freckles.

Good Money

is being made daily by Opticians who have been trained to

Fit Eyeglasses Right

If you are ambitious, intelligent and thrifty we can teach you how—You can do the rest.

Attendance and Correspondence Courses. Write for Catalogue.

NORTHERN ILLINOIS COLLEGE OF OPHTHALMOLOGY,
G. W. McFATRICH, M. D., *President*,
Masonic Temple, Chicago, Ill.

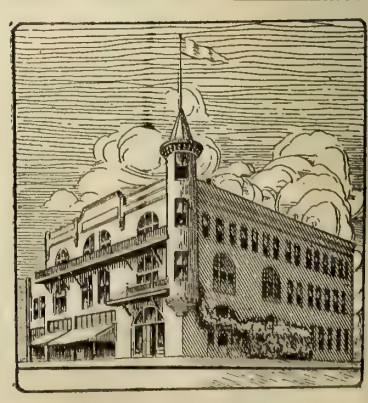
WHEN IT COMES, BE PREPARED.



The SAFE and SAVING WAY of Insuring Church and Pastor's property is with
The National Mutual Church Insurance Co., of Chicago, Ill.
THE METHODIST MUTUAL.
Now in successful operation for years. Business at highest point ever attained, and constantly increasing. Protects against FIRE, LIGHTNING and TORNADO. No assessments. For particulars address
HENRY P. MAGILL, Secretary and Manager,
Insurance Exchange, Chicago, Ill.
Mrs. Alice Hargrove Barclay, Agent M. E. Church South,
314 Norton Building, Fourth and Jefferson, Louisville, Ky.

This is the mark of **HIGH QUALITY** in ready-to-wear garments for women and children. Honest work, best materials, correct styles. Ask your dealer for GRIMBALL GARMENTS and verify the trade mark.
GRIMBALL GARMENTS
SPARTANBURG S.C.
GRIMBALL MFG. COMPANY,
Spartanburg, S. C.

LIQUIDINE A LIQUID FACE POWDER
A GREAT NOVELTY! Healing! Beautifying! Powder STAYS ON — no more shiny faces! Guaranteed Pure and Harmless. Colors White and Flesh. 50c per Bottle, Postpaid. Agents Wanted. Easy to sell and Customers ALWAYS BUY AGAIN. Write for Terms. LIQUIDINE CHEMICAL CO., Chattanooga, Tenn.



BLUE RIDGE INN
Mount Airy, N. C. W. M. Jordan, Prop.
Mount Airy's Leading Hotel
Rates $2.00 and $2.50—All meals 50 cents—Electric Lights, Steam Heat, Electric Bell System, Hot and Cold Baths—American plan—A clean up-to-date home for the tourist or traveling man, in a beautiful mountain city.

From the Field

Leicester Circuit.—I wish to say through the Advocate that we have been in revival work for six weeks. We are engaged in battle at Leicester. The fight has been on for ten days. The result has been a glorious victory for our King. We have fifty-four professions and twenty-five accessions, with the battle still raging, with eight converts yesterday and one last night. We are expecting more today. Success for all the brethren. The battle is severe but the results are glorious. More than 80 professions to date. To God be all the glory.

D. S. Richardson.

Avery Circuit.—We just closed a fine meeting at Pine Grove. The good Baptists joined in with us. The churches were greatly revived. The writer did most of the preaching, and Brother Allis preached a few times, and Brother Bush from Granite Falls preached twice. We had to fight the devil on every hand. One of his servants stood at the church door to fight the preacher as he came out, because he told them the truth in his preaching. We soon had the devil under control and the revival went on. There were 31 professions, making 125 professions we have had on the Avery Circuit this year. Sincerely,

John H. Green.

Forest City Ct.—We have held three protracted meeings on the charge during summer months with good revivals, a host of backsliders reclaimed, and about sixty souls converted to God. To date we have received into our church more than sixty members.

Brother Albert Sherrill helped me in one meeting and Bro. Mitchell in the two others. These brethren did faithful preaching and very much endeared themselves to us. Fraternally,

J. A. Rawles.

Micaville Circuit.—Just a few words about the Micaville Circuit. Many encouraging things come to our people this year, and we are having a good year.

In our Missionary Institute at Shoal Creek we had several of our faithful pastors and preachers, and all did some fine speaking and preaching while with us . Rev. J. P. Morris of the Spruce Pine and Bakersville work gave us an interesting lecture on the first night of our meeting on "Citizenship." On Friday night Dr. E. K. McLarty, of Charlotte, delivered a thrilling message on evangelism, and on Saturday night Rev. J. H. Barnhardt, of Asheville, preached an excellent sermon on missions. Brother Gay, our presiding elder, and Bros. Wellman and Fry with the laymen discussed various phases of our work in the mountains of the Morganton District, and all gave interesting talks.

We feel it a great thing to have all of these brethren with us, and we feel that such messages as we heard on missions and evangelism will elevate our people and prove a blessing to them. The meeting was a great help to the work up here.

In connection with this we had our third quarterly conference, and followed Sunday morning with a strong sermon on the "need of more men" by the presiding elder, Rev. J. E. Gay.

We have had the most of our meetings, and have had good meetings at all the churches during the year. Not a great number of conversions and additions, but in other ways. Brother Wellman was my help at Horton's Hill. He impressed the people and the people became very much attached to him.

Bro. Gay was my help at Deyton's Bend. We were bothered with rain, but had a good meeting. Brother Gay told the people of the old, old story, and it found its way into the hearts of the people, and I feel we shall see the fruits of it in the future.

We are ahead this year on our collections and hope to come out in full.

Robt. P. Mock, Pastor.

The Revival a Great Success.—The meetings conducted here by Dr. W. W. Orr of Charlotte in the Methodist church closed Wednesday night, Aug. 18. In effectiveness and results they far exceed any series of meetings ever held in China Grove. From the beginning to the end the congregations were large and attentive. At the night services the church would not accommodate those who wanted to hear. During the ten days 102 either professed Christ for the first time or rededicated their lives to Him.

The offering to Dr. Orr was generour and the local expenses were easily provided for.

Dr. Orr won the hearts of all the people of China Grove. His pleasing and earnest personality was irresistible. Seldom has China Grove seen a man whose one passion was come completely Jesus christ and his fellowman.

H. H. Robbins.

LITTLE MARGARET REYNOLDS DEAD

The community of Cullowhee has been made sad by the death of bright little Margaret Reynolds. School girls, into whose arms she rushed again and again in gleeful sport, will shed tears at the news. Numerous friends and loved ones mourn the early going away of this dear little one.

Margaret was the daughter of Prof. and Mrs. A. C. Reynolds, of the Cullowhee Normal and Industrial School. She was born November 3, 1911, and died August 30, 1915, being thus three years and nearly ten months old. We buried her body by the side of that of her little brother, who had gone on before, in the cemetery at West Asheville.

A thing especially noticeable about Margaret was her striking individuality. Even when little more than an infant, she displayed signs of unusual originality. She was independent, aggressive, and gave promise of becoming a strong and useful woman.

Those who were closely associated with her observed often that she had a keen sense of humor, which sparkled in her blue eyes and spread a smile on the faces of all around. She enjoyed a good joke and was a precious little sport-maker herself, greatly to the delight of her friends and associates.

To those who knew and loved her best, her most marked characteristic was her high sense of honor and her peculiar regard for the truth. In her last sickness, when there happened to occur some slight intimation that she was not willing to do just the right thing about taking her medicine, her little heart was hurt, because she felt that she was doubted. She was patient and cheerful, wide-awake and conscious to the last, exhibiting a sweetness of spirit that would put to shame many who are older.

Gleeful and glad, athrill within,
Sunlit and blest, athrob with song,
Rapturous soul, untouched by sin,
Shone with the lovelight all day long.
Beautiful child to heaven gone!
Radiant life by death made still!
Dear little feet, their journey done,
Resting in peace by Jesus' will!
Bright little eyes, asleep on earth,
Wide open gleam in heaven above.
Dear little lips, so silent here,
Send from the skies their message of love.
Gates of bright pearl, wide open swing,
Fades into darkness earth's cold sod,
Angels in white in chorus sing,
"Margaret in heaven, at home with God!"

O. S. Dean.

Cullowhee, N. C.

W. B. MERRIMON | INSURANCE | FRED. C. ODELL

Accident	Plate Glass
Health	Fly Wheel
Liability	Sprinkler Leakage
Automobile	Water Damage
Bonds	Fire
Burglary	Tornado
Elevator	Rent

ANY KIND ANY TIME

INSURE TO-DAY

W. B. Merrimon & Company

Write, 'phone or call. 'Phones 277, 430 and 1389.

DIXIE BUILDING.

RUTHERFORD COLLEGE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fall term begins August 31st. The economic conditions and the good advantages offered make Rutherford College an unusually favorable place for those of limited means. More than fifty boys boarded in the dormitory last year for less than six dollars per month. Other expenses are cheap in proportion.

For catalogues and other information, address

M. T. HINSHAW, Rutherford College, N. C.

TRINITY COLLEGE

FOUNDED 1838 CHARTERED 1859

A Christian college steadfast in its fidelity to its highest ideals and noblest traditions. Among the few well endowed Southern institutions of learning. A large faculty of thoroughly trained and wisely chosen teachers. Excellent new buildings, beautiful and large campus. Modern laboratories and fine library.

Classical and scientific courses leading to the bachelor's degree. Graduate courses in all departments. Schools of Engineering, Education and Law.

Special attention given in the Biblical Department to the wise training of young ministers.

For catalogue and illustrated booklet address

R. L. FLOWERS,

Secretary to the Corporation, Durham, North Carolina.



MEDICAL COLLEGE OF VIRGINIA

1838 1915

MEDICAL COLLEGE OF VIRGINIA
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF MEDICINE
(Consolidated)

DENTISTRY---MEDICINE---PHARMACY

STUART McGUIRE, M. D., Pres.

New college building, completely equipped and modern laboratories. Extensive Dispensary service. Hospital facilities furnish 400 clinical beds; individual instruction; experienced Faculty; practical curriculum. 78th session opens Sept. 21, 1915. For catalogue or information address

J. R. McCAULEY, Secretary,

1140 E. Clay Street - - - - - Richmond, Va.

Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

A mutual fire insurance company, organized, owned and operated by the Methodist Church in North Carolina, for the purpose of furnishing protection for church property and personal property of preachers at ACTUAL COST.

Write for information and rates.

W. E. WEBB, Secretary Statesville, N. C.

Board of Church Extension

1. Its Aim

1. An adequate church building for every congregation.
2. A comfortable parsonage for every itinerant preacher.

2. Its Achievements

1. Aided in housing 9,235 of our 19,735 congregations.
2. Aided in building parsonages for 2,458 itinerant preachers.

3. Its Present Task

1. A roof over 2,593 homeless congregations and modern buildings for thousands inadequately housed.
2. Parsonages for 1,155 homeless itinerant preachers and better homes for thousands of others.

4. Its Resources

1. Annual assessment on the Church of $300,000.00.
2. Loan Fund Capital of $671,436.19.

5. Its Appeal

1. That pastors and churches everywhere make special effort to secure the Conference Collections in *full*, and that in case of failure to secure full payment on total connectional claims, the Church Extension assessment and all others be given a "square deal" in the division of receipts.
2. That borrowers from the Loan Fund Capital of the Board pay installment of interest and principal promptly when due, that others may receive needed and promised aid.
3. That pastors, presiding elders, lay leaders and others be on the lookout for contributions of money, land, notes, or other securities to the Loan Fund Capital of the Board, either as absolute gifts or on the annuity plan, and to be used in creating Memorial or other Loan Funds.

6. "Finally, Brethren"

1. Appropriations already made cannot be paid in full if there is a decrease in receipts on assessments.
2. In almost every community may be found those willing to increase the efficiency of the Board and their own income by the purchase of the Annuity Bonds of the Board. The security is absolute. The office wants their names.
3. Send for six-page folder describing more than three score *free* publications, and pick out what you want for personal use, Sunday school, Epworth League and congregation.
4. Is your Sunday school using the Birthday Sunday School Loan Fund Jar? If not, why not? Write for booklet.

Board of Church Extension
of the
Methodist Episcopal Church, South
[Incoporated]

Address W. F. McMURRY
Corresponding Secretary
LOUISVILLE, KY.

VOLUME LX NUMBER 37

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

GREENSBORO, N. C., THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1915

Reading Room Trinity College

WHAT AMERICA NEEDS

What America needs more than railway extension, and western irrigation, and low tariff, and a bigger wheat crop, and a merchant marine, and a new navy, is a revival of piety---the kind mother and father used to have---piety that counted it good business to stop for daily family prayer before breakfast, right in the middle of harvest; that quit field work a half hour early Thursday night, so as to get the chores done and go to prayer-meeting; that borrowed money to pay the preacher's salary, and prayed fervently in secret for the salvation of the rich man who looked with scorn on such unbusinesslike behavior.

That's what we need now to clean this country of the filth of graft, and of greed, petty and big; of worship of fine houses and big lands and high office and grand social functions.

What is this thing we are worshiping but a vain repetition of what decayed nations fell down and worshiped just before their lights went out? Read the history of Rome in decay and you will find luxury there that could lay a big dollar over our little doughnut that looks so large to us.

Great wealth never made a nation substantial nor honorable. There is nothing on earth that looks good that is so dangerous for a man or a nation to handle as quick, easy, big money. If you do resist its deadly influence the chances are that it will get your son.—*Wall Street Journal.*

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

RECEIVING THE HOLY SPIRIT

Our readers have no doubt been interested in the pertinent questions of Rev. D. F. Carver, printed in a recent issue of the Advocate. These questions were elicited by the statement of Brother Newsom in our issue of August 19, that "about 215 were saved and reclaimed, and a goodly number received the Holy Spirit," referring to the results of the revival meeting at Asbury.

In another column this week Rev. James H. Green atempts to answer Brother Carver's questions. The answer is far from satisfactory and, in the judgment of the editor of the Advocate, is calculated to add to the confusion and perplexity of many an honest person who may be seeking light on a matter of very serious concern to all Christians.

We have no desire to project a controversy or enter into a disputation on this subject. It is an old question about which the best of people disagree, largely because they fail to understand each other. Nevertheless, we do not think it well to leave the matter in the shape that Brother Newsom and Brother Green would leave it. Evidently the 215 saved and reclaimed had received the Holy Spirit, else they were not saved or reclaimed. The "goodly number" who received the Holy Spirit must have been Christians who were permitted to experience a fuller, more abiding or deeper sense of the presence of the Holy Spirit than they had ever realized before. They may have, for the first time, so fully committed themselves to Christ by faith as to have been able to say:

"Lord, in the strength of grace,
With a glad heart and free,
Myself, my residue of days
I consecrate to thee."

This question being up suggests the importance of the thorough indoctrination of our people, and we can do it no more effectually than by placing certain books in their hands which set forth in a clear and scriptural way the doctrines of our church. For the benefit of Advocate readers who desire to know the Wesleyan teaching on this subject we suggest "Wesley's Plain Account of Christian Perfection," a small book which may be had from our Publishing House. Orders sent to the Board of Publication, Greensboro, will be filled promptly. This book in cloth binding will cost 50 cents; in paper 10 cents.

Those who care to make an exhaustive study of this subject will find "Scriptural Sanctification," by the late Rev. John R. Brooks, D. D., a very satisfactory work. This book can be had for $1.00. We can furnish this book also, and hope to receive many orders.

It is poor business for Methodists to ridicule or try to cast slurs upon those who contend for holiness, or the work of sanctification in believers. This is one of our cardinal doctrines, and the only question among us is as to the manner or process of attaining it, and we should be careful not to use language calculated to confuse our people. The fact is, any one who feels the need of the spiritual baptism should be encouraged to seek it; but he should not be taught that one can be a genuine believer without receiving the Holy Spirit, nor should he be encouraged to seek the baptism of the spirit except as an enduement for service. We do not believe that the Holy Spirit is given to any one to be enjoyed as a personal religious luxury.

A GOOD EXAMPLE

The late Mr. H. B. Carter, of Ramseur, set a good example to good men in moderate circumstances by providing in his will that $1,000. of his estate should go to the Children's Home. If such men, of whom there is a great company now living within the bounds of our Conference, would be thoughtful and attend to this at once, we would soon have a great institution at Winston-Salem, amply provided to take care of several hundred children.

Then there are other institutions of the church that should not be forgotten. Our colleges and schools need endowment, so that we can keep the higher education of our young people under the influence of vital Christianity. Our Board of Publication should be endowed, so as to enable us to put a paper in every Methodist home. Our Superannuate Endowment Fund should be increased, so as to lighten the burden of our worn-out preachers and their widows and orphans.

Let those whose grounds are bringing forth plentifully and who are prospering in their business emulate the example of our good Brother Carter and see that a portion of what God has allowed them to accumulate shall be used permanently for the enlargement of his kingdom.

WHAT ABOUT OUR MISSIONARIES IN MEXICO?

Many Advocate readers will be interested in the answer to this question. Of course the majority of our missionaries came out of Mexico some two years ago when President Wilson warned all Americans that it would not be safe to remain. The following authoritative statement was given out some time ago:

"The situation in Mexico as regards our missionary operations has been for months past a serious one. Those of our missionaries and mem-bers who have remained there during this period of revolutionary disturbances have endured real hardships. Rev. R. C. Elliott, one of our missionaries, has been in Mexico City during all the troubles of the past year. A letter written by him several months ago did not reach our missionary secretaries until a few days ago, there having been practically no mail service from the Mexican capital for months past. In that letter he says, in part: 'In my twenty-five years of missionary experiences in Mexico I have had none equal to this one. The situation in this city for several weeks has been very serious indeed. I have not seen a loaf of bread for more than a month. We have been without wheat, corn, fuel and water. Water has been turned on today for the first time in a month. A little charcoal and corn are also coming into the city. The poor, who have borne, with great patience, terrible hardships, have suffered severely. I went today to obtain some food for some of our poor members from the International Committee, but was informed that they were unable to get food into the city, not having trains. I found one family who had eaten nothing but a little rice in almost a week. The city is now entirely out of meat. Charcoal is selling at $12 per sack, flour at $1.40, and corn meal at $1.00 per pound when they are to be had. We have made out very well with oats, etc., and soda crackers.' A later communication from Brother Elliott to Bishop Candler gives a more distressing report. The people of Mexico City and in other sections of the republic are in sore need of food and other necessities of life. Bishop Candler has sent out an appeal for contributions from our people. The way is now open to get food supplies to the suffering people in Mexico. Send your contribution to Bishop W. A. Candler, Atlanta, Ga., or Mr. J. D. Hamilton, Treasurer of the Board of Missions, Nashville, Tenn."

REV. WILLIAM G. MALLONEE

The announcement of the death of Rev. W. G. Mallonee, which occurred at the home of his daughter in Asheville on Wednesday, September 8th, was no surprise to those who had been informed as to his physical condition for some months past. Brother Mallonee had been in failing health for some months and recently suffered a stroke of paralysis from which he had not recovered.

Rev. William G. Mallonee was born in Tennessee about 69 years ago. He joined the Holston Conference at Asheville in 1882, and served regularly and with great success in the pastorate for some twenty years or more. For a few years he was in the field as the representative of our Conference schools, but came back into the pastoral work and served regularly until the completion of his term at Black Mountain some three years ago, when he took a supernumerary relation, and gave attention as far as his health would allow to the development of the Methodist Colony, of which he was the secretary.

Brother Mallonee, in the days of his strength, was especially adapted to the work of the pastor-evangelist, and was sought for at many places because of his success in revival work. He served many heavy charges and reported large additions to the church, and was regarded as a fine church builder. His zealous and unselfish labors were crowned with success and the hundreds brought into the church through his ministry will shine as stars in his crown of rejoicing.

He is survived by a wife and four children. May God greatly comfort these loved ones left behind. The body was laid to rest in the cemetery at Waynesville.

We regret not having such data at hand as to enable us to speak more definitely of our departed brother; but we trust the presiding elder or some one in position to do so will favor our readers with a full memoir at an early day.

CAN IT BE TRUE?

From time to time we have been disturbed because we felt that the type of womanhood of the South was changing. We have put away the thought as often as it arose. Now the matter is again called to our attention by an editorial in the Presbyterian Standard. We copy not as an endorsement, but to challenge the thought. The article is as follows:

There are certain ideas handed down to us by our ancestors, ideas that are hoary with antiquity, and ideas that no one with safety can question. From our earliest infancy we have been taught that woman is better than man, and our observation during our early years fully confirmed this view.

Observation, however, insists upon testifying to certain changes in women, which seem to do away with our former views. Instead of the shrinking, timid woman we find her equal to man as a speaker, and she is invading every department of life, and is making good in them, too. She wants the right of suffrage, and in pursuit of that right she has taken the public forum.

In certain circles of higher life she puffs the cigarette and tosses off the toddy with all the grace of a veteran. Instead of the modest violet, blooming unseen, being an emblem of her, we turn to the sunflower, rearing his gaudy head where all can see.

Amid these changes which do violence to our cherished ideals, we have ever clung to the hope that down in the South, at least, she still retained her pre-eminence in religious life, and was leaving man far behind in the Christian life. This dream has ben disturbed, and we learn from our friend, Rev. Leonard Gill, that in his evangelistic meetings the men converts far outnumber those from the other sex. For example, during last year Mr. Gill had 700 professions in his meetings, yet of that number only 65 were women. He says that men are easier to reach, and they respond more readily to the Gospel invitations, while women secure in their moral life are more difficult to reach.

Like a wise man, he gives no reason for this condition, and the editor also is too old to rush in with his opinion.

We regret that the facts seem to prove the descent of woman, and trust that she will turn about, and become the attractive object that she once was. We have never been an admirer of the sunflower.

TO ADVOCATE SUBSCRIBERS

We are sending out many notices to subscribers who are past due for renewal. We expect those who receive these to at least give us a reply with as little delay as posssible. We do not want to cut off any, and will not if we can get assurance that the money will be sent in soon. We beg those who receive notices if possible to pin check or money order to the letter and return to us at once. The money is greatly needed. Those in arrears who have not received a notice will do us a great favor and save us trouble and expense by remitting at once.

Knowing the financial pressure all over the country early in the year we allowed many to go over without renewal. We did this to accommodate our subscribers. Now conditions are better and we must insist that our subscribers catch up and, if posssible, advance their labels into next year. All our statements are made out for even years.

We warn all our subscribers this year in particular that they must not settle other church claims and leave the Advocate to shift for itself. The North Carolina Christian Advocate, together with its printing plant, belongs to the Western North Carolina Conference, and any profit over and above the necessary expense of conducting the business, goes to our superannuated preachers, widows and orphans. Every subscriber, therefore, who fails to pay up all dues takes money away from these worthy claimants. We are sure none of our subscribers wish to do this. A word to the wise is sufficient.

NOTE AND COMMENT

As Long as the War Lasts there will be political intrigue in Washington. The Dumba incident happened to be discovered. There are other threads of intrigue in the under and upper currents of Washington life, and in other American cities, which if known would make the Dumba affair look like an innocent game of rook compared to a $500-limit poker game. The old reference to the Chinese that "the crime is not in the doing but in the being found out," seems to hold good in ambassadorial war-time life. If certain moving picture films are any indication of what really occurs in the stealing of secrets, the midnight plots, the secret passageways, the roguery of cipher codes and interception of messages is anywhere in the neighborhood of truth—if all this is true, why every American city and town is honeycombed with deceptive dynamite plots, and even you may be setting next to a thief right now!

* * * *

The North's Fling at the South in regard to the late unhappy affair was not well taken. Since then, recalls a contemporary, a mob besieged a jail in Illinois with intent to lynch a negro prisoner. The sheriff succeeded in smuggling him out of harm's way. Since then, in Rhode Island, a wealthy and fashionable physician has been assassinated on the high road by night. Since then, in New Jersey, a wealthy and prominent real estate owner has been secretly assassinated on the high road. Since then, in Rhode Island, a judge of the law courts, known as a "terror to evil doers," on account of his rigorous sentences, has been secretly assassinated.

This does not prove that the North is worse than the South, but when such things can happen and a Northern man writes down "the South" as part of this Republic not civilized, he writes himself down as an ignoramus.

The friends of law and order and civilization in Georgia, Illinois, New York, New Jersey, North Carolina, and Rhode Island are together not so innocent and numerous that they can afford to quarrel.

* * * *

The Most Important international happening during the past week has been our government's request of Austria to recall Dr. Constantin T. Dumba, the Twin-Empire's ambassador at Washington, because of his interference in our country's internal affairs at Washington. President Wilson's action in this matter was determined by a letter written by Dr. Dumba to Foreign Minister Burian at Vienna. The letter was intercepted in England on the person of James S. J. Archibald who carried an American passport, such use of an American passport by a foreign ambassador being considered by our Department of State a flagrant abuse. The most incriminating paragraph of the letter read:

"We can disorganize and hold up for months, if not entirely prevent, the manufacture of munitions in Bethlehem and the middle west, which in the opinion of the German military attache (Von Papen) is of great importance and amply outweighs the expenditure of the money involved."

A request was appended that if this plan should meet with the approval of Minister Burian he should apprise Dr. Dumba by wireless.

Dr. Dumba, who visited Secretary Lansing in an attempt to clear up the matter, declared that he took upon himself entire responsibility of the plan to cripple the factories by calling out their Austro-Hungarian employees. His government's instructions to him, it appeared, had been to make known its purpose of holding nationals accountable for any assistance, direct or indirect, they might render to the allies.

As yet no reply has been received from Austria, and speculation is rife as to what policy she will pursue.

* * * *

Monday's Press Despatches report that nothing has developed to lessen the tension caused by Germany's note to the United States concerning the Arabic, but Ambassador Bernstorff has returned to Washington to discuss the situation with Secretary Lansing.

Washington has not yet received Vienna's reply to its request that Dr. Dumba be recalled.

The German memorandum concerning the submarine attack on the British liner Orduna has reached Washington, but its contents have not been revealed.

Heavy battles are in progress along the Russian lines at various points from Courtland to Buckowina. Berlin and Vienna claim progress everywhere, but it is admitted by both that the Russians have not given way in the Niemen River district and in Galicia without hard fighting.

The Gallipoli campaign continues much the same as it did months ago when the great English general declared he would barter his reputation if the Allies did not take Constantinople by Easter. Perhaps, however, he meant Easter, 1919.

Along the Austro-Italian front the big guns are operating from both sides. In the Plezzo basin the Italians claim to have defeated an Austrian attack after a violent struggle. If Italy had the successes reported in despatches from Rome and Paris and London, the Italian army would by this time be somewhere in the neighborhood of Honolula on its way to San Francisco.

A despatch from Greece says German aeroplanes, heavily loaded with munitions for the Turks, are constantly flying over Serbian and Bulgarian territory from Orsova, Hungary, to Adrianople.

German Zeppelines are again striking terror to the hearts of the inhabitants of English coast towns as well as those living in the heart of London. So far the bombs dropped have killed only a few babies.

* * * *

Eight Representatives of foreign governments, previous to Dr. Dumba, have been recalled at the request of this government, so states an interesting article in The New York Sun. One Turkish ambassador, two Spanish ministers, two French ministers, and three British ministers have been requested to pack their belongings and recross the Atlantic during the less than 140 years of American national history. It began in 1793, when the over zealous French minister, Citizen Genet, came here and tried to procure aid from American citizens to fit out privateers for the purpose of fighting Great Britain with whom France at that time was at war.

The Spanish minister, the Marquis of Casa Yrujo, who attempted in 1805 to bribe a Quaker-City newspaper editor to advocate Spanish interests in controversies between this country and Spain, was next to go.

F. J. Jackson, the British minister at Washington in 1809, was the next to exceed his prerogatives by accusing the UnitedStates of bad faith in having accepted from his predecessor an agreement which this government knew the minister was not empowered to enter into.

One of the most interesting removals was that of Minister Pouissin, from France, who, in 1849, used impertinent language toward the Secretary of State. He was at once handed his passports and his government quickly disavowed the rashness of her representative.

Minister Crampton, from Great Britain, in 1855, with three British consuls, began to enlist recruits in this country for service in the British army against Russia. He immediately received his passports, and the exequators of the consuls revoked.

Lord Sackville-West in 1888 wrote a letter advising an American citizen to vote for Mr. Cleveland. When the minister was asked to leave, Lord Salisbury, of England, in replying to the request, while acquiescing, stated that Great Britain could not assent to the view that the government to which one of her ministers was accredited could, with or without reason being assigned, solely determine on the minister's acceptability or retention.

In 1898 the Spanish minister, Dupuy De Lome, wrote disrespectfully of President McKinley, and straightway was handed his passports.

Last fall A. Rustum Bey, the Turkish ambassador, departed very mysteriously. He gravely offended this government by giving out interviews suggesting that the United States government heed its own lynchings when undertaking to inquire into the Christian massacres in Armenia and other parts of the Turkish Empire. Although no announcement was made that Rustum Bey's recall had been demanded, he left Washington a short time afterward on an indefinite "leave of absence," and has never been seen in America since.

BOOK NOTICES

The Anson Guards, Company C., Fourteenth Regiment, North Carolina Volunteers, is the title of a new book just from the press, published by Stone Publishing Co., Charlotte, N. C., compiled by Major W. A. Smith, chiefly from a diary kept by Thomas J. Watkins. This book will be of thrilling interest to old comrades of the lost cause and to hundreds who have followed the ever decreasing multitude of these old veterans of the Civil War. The author says in his preface, "In essaying to depict the action of the company in its individuals, we were constrained to include the regiment, the brigade, the division, the corps, indeed the Army of Northern Virginia and its superb commander-in-chief."

Those who read this book will find not only the story of The Anson Guards, but another version of the great struggle of the Confederacy—another history of the war as fought under Lee by the Army of Northern Virginia.

* * * *

The Post Graduate Reading Course for 1915-1916, selected by our College of Bishops in accordance with the order of our last General Conference, is as follows:—The Doctrine of the Person of Jesus Christ, by McIntosh, $2.50; The Divinity of Our Lord, Liddon, $1.25; Christianity and the Nations, Speer, $2.00; John Huss—His Life, Teachings and Death, After 500 Years, David S. Schaff, $2.50.

All our younger preachers especially should secure these books and read them. Older ministers also who may not have had the opportunity to read them would do well to do so now.

The set may be had through the Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C., for the above prices, net. They may be ordered one at a time at the prices named, postpaid.

Make Haste

We cannot know what our church is doing unless we see our Handbook. Pastors and presiding elders should circulate it. Only three months till Conference! Make haste.

A. D. Betts.

CONTRIBUTIONS

A REPRESENTATIVE CHURCH

By Samuel L. Rogers, Director of the Census.

The project to establish a representative Southern Methodist church in the Nation's Capital is a most commendable one, which should receive hearty support from all members of this denomination.

Washington is, by its very nature, one of the most cosmopolitan of American cities. Nearly three-tenths of its white inhabitants are of foreign birth, and there are stationed here the diplomatic representatives of all the important foreign countries. It thus provides an especially fertile field for missionary endeavors—one from which the regenerative and evangelistic influence of the church will radiate throughout all Christendom. This is a world-wide opportunity.

But it is more particularly a Nation-wide opportunity. For Washington is in many respects more truly representative of America, more thoroughly national in its spirit, less tinged with provincialism, freer from commercialism, than any other large city in this country. Distinctively governmental in its activities, with no great industrial establishments, Washington's population includes very few of the foreign-born laboring classes which are found in such vast numbers in other large cities. Considerably more than one-half of Washington's American-born white inhabitants come from outside its borders—principally from Maryland, Virginia, Pennsylvania, and New York, but all of the States in the Union are represented. More than one-half of these American-born "outsiders" come from the South; and if the population native to Washington be also counted as belonging to the South, the Southern element is thus overwhelmingly in the lead.

Yet the seven Southern Methodist churches in Washington had at the beginning of this year a combined membership of only 2,638 in a total white population of about 245,000; in other words, only one person in every 93 of Washington's white population is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. The present membership of this denomination throughout this country is approximately 2,000,000, or about one in 45 of the total white population of the United States. This means that our denomination is about twice as strong throughout the entire country—North, East, South and West—as it is in Washington, although Washington is more of a Southern than a Northern city.

The latest figures for other denominations which are available to the writer are those for 1906, when the last United States census of religious bodies was taken. In that year the membership of the Roman Catholic church in Washington (exclusive of children under nine years of age) numbered 43,778, and its church property was valued at $1,259,550; the Protestant Episcopal Church was represented by 13,692 members and property worth $1,864,850; the Methodist Episcopal Church by 11,019 members and $1,178,705 worth of property; the Baptists (exclusive of colored churches) by 10,777 members and property valued at $888,500; the Presbyterians, by 8,636 members and property worth $1,238,500; the Lutherans, by 3,104 members and $581,700 worth of property; the Congregationalists, by 2,984 members and property worth $329,000; and the Disciples (Christians), by 2,170 members and property valued at $141,000.

How does our denomination compare with these? In 1906 the membership of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in Washington was 1,922 and its property was valued at $141,000. Eight denominations exceeded it in membership and seven in value of property. And even if the other churches had stood still since 1906, seven of the eight would still exceed our present membership of 2,638 and our present church-property value of $160,500.

These figures show in an emphatic manner how we are failing to live up to our opportunities in the Capital City of the Nation. We ought, in a year or two, **from among the nonaffiliated alone,** to draw one **new** member from every 93 of Washington's white population.

One regrettable feature of the religious life of Washington is the tendency of newcomers who have been active in religious work and regular in their church affiliations and attendance at their former homes, to drift from church to church, both in and outside their own denominations and often not to attend at all. This habit of drifting grows; then comes nonattendance and lessening of fidelity, not only to one's own denomination, but to Christianity itself. This is an evil which should be combatted with all the power and energy we can muster.

With the establishment of a "Cathedral Church" in Washington—one which every visitor to the city who was affiliated with this denomination would attend as a matter of course, to which many of the nonaffiliated would be attracted, and which would annually receive considerable accessions of membership from among those taking up their residence here—this drifting tendency would be strongly checked, the denomination's influence for good would be materially enhanced, and this enhancement would reflect credit upon it, not only throughout the Nation, but throughout the world.

The plan is not to do away with any of the existing churches in Washington or to establish an additional one, but rather to install the largest and strongest of the existing churches in a new and finer edifice, worthy to be known as the "Cathedral Church" of this denomination. The Southern Methodists of Washington—including not only resident members but also those not yet affiliated here—will furnish an excellent nucleus for the proposed organization and will contribute liberally to the project.

The growth of the Southern branch of the Methodist Church in Washington during the past nine years is an encouraging one. Between 1906 and 1915 its membership grew more than twice as fast as the total population of Washington in the same time. But we want to grow much faster; we want to take the place we rightly deserve in the Capital City, as one of the leading denominations here, wielding an influence for good that shall be felt and recognized as emanating from a virile and militant church, fired with zeal and enthusiasm.

The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has, in round numbers, 2,000,000 members in the United States. The churches in Washington will support this project in a liberal manner; and if every adherent of this denomination outside of Washington will give his equivalent of the "widow's mite"—if he who has one hundred thousand dollars will give one hundred, and he who has one thousand dollars will give one—the amount needed will readily and easily be raised.

This most worthy project not only is a practicable and feasible one but is necessary in order that our denomination may do its share in spreading the Gospel of Christianity. We are not doing what is demanded of us as a militant church; and every day's delay is another day spent sleeping on our arms. Let this Conference, imbued with the spirit of this virile denomination, be prompt in doing its part.

Washington, D. C.

OLD TIME REVIVALS

By Evangelist J. V. Williams

Have just closed a weeks meeting with Brother Modlin on the Lincoln Circuit. It was the best I have seen in forty years. Hallelujah! Old time conversions at the altar, singing and shouting in the spirit. Yesterday (Sunday) they kept coming to the altar and praying through, and the meeting ran on until two-thirty o'clock. "It was good to be there."

A preacher they call "Jim Green" had been helping on the circuit, and set the work on fire. The people, new converts and old revived members were shouting the praises of God. Pau said that he "preached in the demonstration o the Spirit," and so did "Jim Green." Let u imitate Paul, and get free.

Next Sunday, Sept. 5th, I begin a meeting a Crouse, N. C. with Brother Stover. You ma look for a great meeting there. The Lord i with us.

Evangelist Raymond Browning is in a bi tent meeting here. It looks now that he wil capture the town for Jesus. Browning i great. Dr. Sam A. Steele, one of the greates preachers of the times says "that Browning i a greater preacher than Campbell, Morgan or Torry. After hearing Browning many time I think Dr. Steele is right. God is using hin as He uses but few men.

I have some dates open for September an October. Do you want an old time revival and the old songs, and a happy church? Writ me.

OUR EDUCATIONAL WORK IS NOW MISSIONARY ALSO

Warren A. Candler

In a letter from a war correspondent in Eu rope, printed in one of the leading papers of th United States, appeared recently the following statements:

> "University men in England were among the first to enlist; in fact, some of the famous old institutions of learning are now almost without faculties or students. The same may be said of the great continental schools."

The statements are most significant, and show that the educational center of the world has shifted from Europe to America. It must continue for years to come, if not for all time No more important and far reaching consequence of the European War has come to pass

Years ago Judson made his famous declaration concerning the immeasurable importance of American Colleges as missionary plants What he said then is far more strikingly true now.

Students from Latin-America and the Orient, who have been accustomed to attending institutions of learning in Europe can not now find in European Universities that which they have sought in former years. Faculties have been depleted and resources consumed. Hence foreign students will look rather to the United States than Europe for instititions in which to acquire the learning they desire.

At this time thousands of students from Oriental lands are in American institutions. It is said that something like 15,000 Chinese students are now attending colleges and universities in the United States. It is impossible to say what may be the numbers from other lands; but we may be sure the proportion is equally as great.

Unfortunately most of these students are attending institutions, the atmosphere of which is distinctly unfriendly to evangelical Christianity. Liberalistic educational establishments in the United States have been more richly endowed and equipped than have the colleges and universities of the Churches. Hence these foreign students flock to the schools of liberalism.

When they have returned to their own lands they will be obstacles in the way of our missionaries. The power to our investments in missions will be greatly reduced, unless more of these foreign students are drawn into evangelical institutions; and if this cannot be done, if the institutions of the evangelical Churches are not made speedily as strong as the strongest of the secular institutions.

It is impossible to have colleges and universities that will serve the needs of evangelical Christianity, unless the Churches erect, endow, own and control such institutions. States cannot make the educational establishments required for this purpose, and irresponsible boards (miscalled independent) will not. Only the churches can and will.

In this matter Southern Churches have peculiarly weighty obligations. The South is preeminently the home of evangelical Christianity in the United States. The degenerate forms of rationalistic religion have not been able to take root in our section. Southern Churches,

therefore, can make evangelical institutions of learning more easily than can the Churches of other sections. The atmosphere of the South is exceedingly friendly to the growth of such educational enterprises.

And the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, ought to take the lead in this high matter. Our numbers, resources, and prestige enable us to do it. We can do a work in our colleges and universities now which will promote evangelical Christianity to the ends of the earth for centuries to come. On the other hand, if we neglect our educational enterprises we may lose an opportunity that will never return.

In Latin-America especially we may do a great work whereby Methodism may be powerfully propagated throughout all the countries south of us. Students from Mexico, Central America, the West Indies, and the Northern parts of South America would prefer to attend universities in the mild climate of the South rather than to enter universities in the colder regions of the North, provided they can find equal advantages in our section. Herein is a great missionary opportunity and obligation. What will we do with it?

All of these facts and considerations should receive the careful attention of our preacher and people, especially the former. Preachers in charge have been accustomed to emphasize the cause of missions, and in this they have done well. But they have been accustomed to give their educational collections a second place. Whatever reasons have existed in former years for such discrimination in favor of missions and against education do not now apply. The situation by which the Church is confronted in both our own and other lands makes our educational work most emphatically missionary work. The mission cause must suffer and suffer seriously, if our educational institutions are not improved very much, and very soon. This fact is too obvious for discussion or misunderstanding.

It is to be hoped, therefore, that our preachers will bring up their educational collections in full, if possible. At any rate, no discrimination should be made against the cause of education in distributing the money raised on the annual assessments.

Secularism in education, prevailing in the United States with dominating power during the next decade, means the hindering of missions in all the lands to which American missionaries are sent. The educational question, therefore, for the present at least, is the supreme issue before our Church.

REPLYING AS WE SEE IT

In reply to "Some Pertinent Questions" asked in the Advocate of Aug. 26, by Brother Carver, as to the work of the Holy Spirit, especially as expressed in Brother Newsom's article, "received the Holy Spirit," I am free to say:

First, The Holy Spirit has more than one office work among men. Some times He comes to inspire a prophet, 2 Peter 1-21. Again He comes to convict the heart, Jno. 16-8, (and may be able to do no more for lack of repentance there.) Again He may come to regenerate, cleanse etc. And we feel that this work is then finished and the individual becomes a real child of God. But we also see that He might be with us and not in us. Jno. 14-17. "He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you."

Some people may receive the filling of the Spirit when they profess conversion if they have been properly taught to ask for it and expect it. But that it is one part of conversion and one with conversion I do not believe for three reasons:

First, the Scriptures seem to teach differently. The disciples before Pentecost were children of God, Jno. 17-16, but they were filled with the Spirit afterwards. A similar fullness came to Cornelius, Acts 10-44; also see Acts 19-2: "Since ye believed."

Second, common sense in reasoning would prove that the Holy Spirit could not come into the heart to fill and abide until after the heart has been regenerated, cleansed and made a "fit temple for the indwelling of the Holy Ghost," for no good housewife would pour pure milk into an impure pitcher, but, rather, first cleanse the pitcher.

Again a man might sweep out and cleanse a dwelling house and prepare it before he ever moved into it to dwell, or his family, and for some reason might never be permitted to enter therein to dwell. So the Holy Spirit might cleanse a heart and for some reason He might never be permitted to dwell there as is mentioned in Jno. 15-4. We find a clear illustration of this in Matt. 12-43 to 45. That house was "swept and garnished" but it was "EMPTY" like many mere converts. What a pity he was not filled with the Holy Spirit before the unclean spirit returned.

Third, I believe that this Baptism of the Holy Spirit comes to more people after conversion because many good professing Christians do not appear nor claim to have the experience, while most of those who have it claim to have received it after conversion, and as for Jim Green, he was converted at good old Bethany Church, under the ministry of our faithful Brother Burrus, but after preaching for two years, while kneeling to lead a prayer in a certain Baptist church which did not approve the doctrine, and where there was nothing encouraging where and when I was not expecting or even thinking of such an experience, suddenly there came such a fullness of power and glory that I shall never get over it. O! Glory, what an hour!

Like John Fletcher, I have part of the time partially backslidden from it by failing to preach it fully, but by his grace I shall preach it till He calls me to gloryland above.

The more I preach it the more He honors my ministry. O! the wonders and glories I have seen this year.

I care not for a mere time when we receive it whether at conversion or later. Any time is O. K., but be sure to get the blessing. I feel very undeserving but I have the blessing in my soul and I feel happy all over as I write this. Praise be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Sincerely,

Jim Green.

PROHIBITION

Capt. J. E. Ray

If the vital question in America today is the overthrow of the Government licensed saloon and the most sure and speedy way to accomplish it is by the right casting of the political ballot, then our duty as free American citizens is plainly mapped out for us, whenever an opportunity is presented for its exercise. We stand on trial before God, and our fellowmen, in every election that comes up for our political action, and the note we cash may be fraught with consequences we cannot know, consequences for good or evil. We may never be able to be divine, hence the weight of obligation it involves is not to be lightly considered.

The deeds we do are stamped with immortality, and may seal our destiny for all time to come, hence if we would reap a harvest of good fruits in the harvest of the hereafter, we must sow the seeds in the field of today.

The home or the saloon is the issue before us. By our vote we shall place ourselves on the right or the wrong side of this vital question. It is a question of morals, hence it is a great and grave question touching every grade of society. It affects every man and hence must interest every man. It involves life and death, and as such we are called to deal with it. Whether life or death, our votes must decide. They have the power to save or to destroy through the saloons we license for the purpose. God's humanity, our neighbors and ourselves, our sons and our neighbors' sons with all that is dear to us, and for these, all of whom suffer by reason of a legalized liquor traffic in our midst, and all demand of us an honest expression of our sympathy for them in the character of the ballot we cast.

Our minds are reformed, our consciences enlightened on this ever perplexing issue. We know its purport, hence the path of duty is plainly mapped out for our action.

The time has come in our history when a bold declaratioon of principle is the supreme duty of the hour.

Every ensuing election marks an epoch in our history from which our sons may date their salvation from the dram shop, or their destruction through drunkeness.

This overshadowing question of the prohibition of the government licensed saloon, which is by the htousands making worthless vagabonds of the oncoming young manhood of our cuntry, son to be called out for peace and service whn they furnish the nation's only asset, is a question shamefuly inconsidered and should in fact, by the very new best to efficiently deal with it.

It is the supreme curse of the age, hence the supreme peril of our nation. It imperils every institution that is dear to our people.

An attempt to fully portray it's evils is not to be undertaken. The facts are too startling for belief, the figures too vast to be compre like, and it's withering blight on every good thing. It is the devils stronghold, his Gibraltar, in fact, from which comes his death dealing ordinance. It is the business infernal and and the demons infernal never devised an agent more destuctive of the well being of humanity in general.

How any man with a free ballot, in whose soul lingers a spark of love to God, and sympathy for his fellowmen, can get his coonsent to cast his vote for a government licensed saloon is one of the unsolved mysteries, knowing as he must that it deals destruction and death as a logical consequence.

It is today rearing a class of men and women as vile and utterly sunken in the scale of humanity as to be found in the darkest corners of the jungles of Africa and yet blessed with the lights of Christian civilizition, and themselves claiming to be Chrisstians lend it the power of their ballot, knowing what evils must necessarily result.

A business that would deal out disease and death to our colts and calves as the government licensed saloon does to our sons and our daughters would by government law be suppressed by unanimous vote.

How much more are our colts and calves worth than our sons and daughters? We pause for an answer.

We may view the government licensed saloon in every phase of its dealings with mankind, in every phase of his manifold business and we find it deadly and damaging and we can't make it anything better, hence the only alternative is to destroy it and this we should do wihtout hesitaion or delay since it is not only a crime but a crime producing crime.

On August 1, the Board of Missions had over seven hundred Regular Specials amounting to $186,480.50. These Specials are supported by churches, Sunday schools, Epworth Leagues, individuals, classes, clubs, associations, etc., the Sunday school having the largest number. The amount received on Specials Account from January 1 to August 1, was $58,042.06.

* * * *

We are not without interesting incidents to encourage us. Recently the young wife of a soldier was baptized in Nakatsu Methodist Church. Then she and her mother-in-law brought her two little children forward for baptism. While these three generations were before the altar the great-grandmother of the little children, who had been baptized a few Sundays before, was seated in the congregation. Four generations in the way of righteousness—what a happy contemplation!—J. W. Frank, Nakatsu, Japan.

* * * *

I am glad to be able to report that considering the critical political and financial condition of Mexico and the Border we have had a good year at Lydia Patterson Institute. The total enrollment in all departments during the year has been 130. We have maintained night classes for English, Spanish and Music on Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week, and there is a demand for other studies for young men and boys who are obliged to work during the day.—Lawrence Reynolds, El Paso, Texas.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. R. H. Kennington, of North Monroe, is abundant in labors. Last week he was holding revival services at West Monroe.

—Rev. R. L. Davis, Superintendent of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League, put in a full day on the Ruffin circuit last Sunday, speaking at three of the churches.

—Rev. J. W. Vestal will begin revival services at Crews' Chapel, on the Forsyth circuit, on next Sunday. He is to be assisted by Rev. Mr. Norman, of East Bend.

—Revival services began at Centenary church, this city, on Sunday. The pastor, Rev. R. D. Sherrill, is assisted by Rev. W. H. Willis, of Mount Airy.

—Mr. and Mrs. James D. Geddie, Stedman, N. C., announce the engagement of their daughter, Rena Lilly, to Vernon Andrew Moore, the wedding to take place September 30th, 1915.

—Rev. C. P. Goode, pastor of the Kernersville circuit, was in the city on Wednesday of last week and called at the Advocate office. He brought his daughter to enter her at Greensboro College for Women.

—Mrs. N. H. Hailey, a faithful member of our church in Lenoir, passed to her reward on the night of September 6th. The funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. Z. E. Barnhardt, on Thursday.

—Rev. D. C. Hutchinson, a member of the South Carolina Conference, died of typhoid fever in Charleston, South Carolina, on Monday, September 6th. Brother Hutchinson was a native of West Virginia and his body was carried to that state for burial.

—Mr. J. E. Stagg, a trustee of Trinity College and, for many years, a prominent citizen of Durham, passed to his reward in that city on Friday, September 10th. He is survived by his wife, who was a Miss Lyon, a granddaughter of the late Mr. Washington Duke.

—A special correspondent of the daily press writing from Kinston last week announced that Rev. F. S. Love, who went out from Monroe and was for awhile in the pastoral work at Kinston, is on his way home from Brazil, where, for two years, he has been engaged as a teacher in our mission schools.

—A note from a friend at Rutherford College informs us that the school opened this year with fine prospects. The number matriculated was just twice as large as it was the same date last year, and students are still coming in on almost every train. This note came just a little too late for last week's isssue.

—It is gratifying indeed to hear the good reports coming from school openings everywhere. News comes that Rutherford is running over, the dormitory being full and students having to seek lodging in other private dwellings, while they get their meals at the college club. The people believe in Prof. Hinshaw. The more he comes in contact with our people the better they like him. We are not surprised that this is so.

—Rev. A. R. Bell closed a fine meeting at Walnut Street church recently in which about forty persons were converted or reclaimed, and some seven or eight accessions to our church, while perhaps the same number joined other churches. He was ably assisted in the meeting by Rev. T. C. Jordan of the Wentworth circuit. Brother Jordan's preaching made a profound impression on the people. Not the least among the blessed results was the quickening of the whole church.

The Monroe Enquirer last week had the following note: Rev. J. E. Abernethy, who has been on a trip to the Panama Exposition, returned home last night and will preach in Central Methodist church next Sunday morning and evening. The membership of Central Methodist church, of which Mr. Abernethy is pastor, gave him a vacation and a purse sufficient to pay his way to the Panama Exposition. He returned in fine spirits and reports that he had a great trip.

—Many friends have been made sad by the news of the death of Mrs. Mary Blanche Hines, of Mount Airy, which occurred on Saturday, September 4th, after a long illness. The funeral was held on Sunday following. Mrs. Hines was the daughter of the late Judge Graves, of Mount Airy. She is survived by three children, Mrs. Mary Graves Carlton, Mrs. Margaret McAlister and Jesse Franklin Hines. Mrs. Hines was a sister of Solicitor Porter Graves. The Advocate joins in expressions of sympathy for the bereaved ones.

—The enrollment at Trinity in the college proper is 550 as against 512 last year. The numbers in the Park School and in the Department of Education will run the grand total beyond the 826 high water mark of last year. Who said only a few years ago that Trinity College would never have a student body? We are right now on the border of a success which will be embarrassing. The college has rightly never put the emphasis upon mere numbers. The motto has ever been thoroughness, and we hope it will continue so.

—Mr. Claude C. Faw, and Miss Edna McLean, of North Wilkesboro, were quietly married in the presence of a few friends in the office of the Baraca-Philathea Herald in the Advocate building, on Thursday of last week. These two young people have been teachers in the schools of Wilkes county and are an attractive young couple. Mr. Faw is the son of Mr. T. H. Faw, of Miller's Creek, and Miss McLean is the daughter of Mr. W. A. McLean, of North Wilkesboro. Their marriage at this time was a little surprise which they sprang upon their people at home. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. M. Blair.

—Another great bridge free to the public has been opened across the Catawba river between Charlotte and Mount Holly. The consummation of such a thing, for which the people of Mount Holly have wished for years, was celebrated by having a big free barbecue dinner. Citizens from Charlotte, Gastonia, Belmont, Cherryville, Huntersville and surrounding sections were present. Let the people along the Yadkin on both sides follow the example of those along the Catawba. There should be many bridges and they should be open and free to the public.

—A beautiful marriage ceremony was celebrated in Centenary church, this city, on Wednesday evening, September 8th, when Miss Emma Lockhart Renn, daughter of Mrs. Roberta Reavis Renn, became the bride of Mr. James Adderson Jones, of Charlotte. The church had been beautifully decorated for the occasion and all available space was packed with the friends, neighbors and invited guests and relatives of the bride. The ceremony was performed by the pastor, Rev. R. D. Sherrill. Miss Renn has, for several years, been one of the most popular teachers in the city Graded Schools, and has been closely identified with church and Sunday school work. The Advocate joins in expressions of congratulation to the happy couple. They left immediately for a trip to the Pacific coast including a visit to the Panama Exposition and will be at home in Charlotte October 15.

—Miss Gertrude Allen of Alexander county is to be educated at Davenport College, Lenoir, at the expense of the Men's Bible class of Broad Street Methodist church of Statesville. When the class decided to support a student at Davenport Miss Allen was chosen because of her unusual intellect and her interest in Sunday school and church work. She is probably the youngest Sunday school superintendent in the country. Although only 15 years old she organized a Sunday school in her home community some time ago which now has an enrollment of 45 members.—Statesville Landmark.

Davidson Circuit.—I am thankful that I ca say that the revival tide has swept over th Davidson Circuit. We have had more tha one hundred professions and reclamations, an seventy-one accessions to the church. Yeste day we closed a gracious revival at Arcadi with more than forty professions and twenty eight additions to the church. Rev. E. M Fishel, our local preacher, was with us he part of the time. Dr. H. K. Boyer was wit us at Mt. Olivet, and Rev. C. C. Williams wa with us in the other meetings. These are a good men and were great help to us. Th Lord has done great things for us, whereof w are glad. To Him be all the honor. Let u praise His name together.

T. J. Houck.

Haywood Street, Asheville.—The Ashevil Citizen of a recent date says:

About sixty-five members of the Haywoo Street Methodist church last night visited th parsonage and "pounded" the members of th family of Rev. E. M. Hoyle, the pastor of th church. Quantities of supplies were furnishe for the use of the pastor and the other mem bers of his family by the men, women an children of the church and Mr. Hoyle wa visibly affected by the unexpected visit of th large party. He thanked his visitors for the thoughtfulness and expressed his appreciatio of their kindness.

Those who called at the home of the paste carrying supplies spent the greater part of th evening at the parsonage and the time wa spent in a most enjoyable manner. Mr. Hoy delivered the invocation and a number songs were rendered by soloists of the congr gation, while a chorus was formed to sin hymns.

The collection of supplies showed that th visitors had gone over the list carefully an everything needed in the pantry of a pastor home was found among the packages carrie to the parsonage by the members of the Ha wood street congregation.

West Greensboro Circuit.—Rev. P. E. Pa ker, pastor of the West Greensboro charge, r ports a gracious meeting at Muir's Chape which closed August 23rd. Congregations wer large and there were twenty-six profession with a goodly number of accessions to th church. He also reports a good meeting i Montgomery county, on the Jackson Hill ci cuit, where he assisted the pastor, Rev. C. Williams, at Center church. There were twe ty professions. He reports Brother Williams i high favor with his people and doing a grea work among them.

Salem Circuit.—We have held all of our mee ings. I did all the preaching. Preached fort seven sermons; attended four funerals; tra eled over 200 miles; baptized four adults, se en children and received thirty-five into th church on profession (from Aug. 15th to Sep 8th). We had quite a number of profession and reclamations. Five joined at Oak Grove ten at New Mt. Tabor, and twenty at Old Sa lem, and the Salem church has sent out tw fine young men after the meeting to enter th ministry soon. They are now at Rutherfor College preparing for the same.

We have had a very pleasant year and ar hopeful that the collections will be paid. W think good has been done on Salem circuit th year. The preacher and wife love the Sale circuit folks and we have no reason to thin they do not love us. Pray for us.

A. L. Coburn.

Advance Circuit.—I am now in the old hom near Franklin visiting my mother who live with my brother Jas. E. Myers. I preached wit Brother Groce at Pleasant Hill on the Sulphu Springs circuit, beginning the fifth Sunday i August and continued through the first Sun day in this month. We thought the meetin ought to continue through at least a part o this week and so Brother Groce is continuin the meeting. We had had about twenty-fiv professions up to the time of my leaving.

We have had three good meetings on th Advance circuit, the first at Bailey's Chape

with about twenty-five professions; the second at Fulton, with about seventy-five professions, and the third at Cornatzer, with about thirty-five professisons. There were about fifty additions to the church in these meetings and I think at my next appointments there will be several more added to our membership.

I had Brother E. H. Vestal with me at Bailey's Chapel and Fulton, and we used his tent, and it was great help. It is very much cooler in hot weather and draws the crowds. People that won't go to church will go to a tent, and often get caught, as many were at these places. Brother Vestal is good help in a meeting. He has religion and common sense, which are two essential things. I have two more meetings to hold, Mocks and Advance.

Our work in other lines is moving on in a quiet way. We are hoping for full financial reports.

I meant to say a word in regard to Brother Groce and his work but forgot it in connection with what I had to say about the meeting. I find him very popular. His people with whom I met love him very much, and he deserves it. He is doing a fine work and will make a good report to the coming Conference.

Fraternally, E. Myers.

Notice, Leaguers

The date of the Epworth League Conference is September 24, 25 and 26.

The first service of the Conference will be held Friday evening, September 24th, at 7:45 o'clock. School teachers and pupils from most points can reach the Conference by leaving their home town Friday afternoon.

Saturday will be a full day. District secretaries will be requested to report informally the work done. Chapter delegates will also be requested to report briefly the work of their Leagues. There will be brief discussions of topics relative to chapter work. Election of Conference officers will occur.

Sunday morning at 11 'clock a service especially adapted to young people will be held and in the afternoon at 3 o'clock a Salisbury-Spencer Young People's Mass Meeting.

Let every League be represented at Spencer. Presidents of chapters are members and every chapter is entitled to one representative for every thirty members and fraction above the multiple.

Be sure to write definitely to Rev. C. M. Pickens the names of your delegates, prefixing the names with Mr., Mrs. or Miss.

If your League has not chosen its delegates, do so at once and insist on having representation. E. L. Bain, President.

The Epworth League Assembly

We are getting ready for the Epworthians on the 24th of this month. Please remember the date. It has been reported by some one that the date is Sept. 23-25, but that is a mistake. It is Sept. 24-26. We hope to be ready for you on the afternoon of Friday, the 24th. We do not want you to come on the 23rd, for we will not be ready for you. But we do want you to come on the 24th. When one goes to the trouble to get ready for company it is very desirable to have the company come. All persons from the south and west will do well to buy tickets to Salisbury, get off at that station, take street car line to Spencer, come to the end of the line and walk one block north to the Methodist church. Those coming from the north can do the same, or they can get off at Spencer station and walk over to the church. It is a longer walk than from the end of the car line. There are so many trains a day coming in here that we will not try to meet all of them. But if you will let us know on what train you are coming we will endeavor to have some one give you direction. If you are coming you will assist us by writing this fact to us and by stating also whether you are a Mr. or a Miss or a Mrs. We are expecting a fine time.

Spencer, N. C. C. M. Pickens.

The Kentucky Conference shows a membership gain of 1,220 for the year just closed, as compared with a gain of less than 500 last year. Financial reports showed an increase over last year's figures.

Plea Against an Injustice

I have been so impressed lately with the injustice done in the name of humanity. What a stigma on the name of our noted state and noble womanhood when the life of the criminal woman is held up to the public and the outside world advocating a reformatory for fallen women at the state's expense! Then where are the fallen men? Oh, that we might enforce all the commandments as well as a part of them! Why not demand perfect morals in either sex as was commanded and enforced in the days of old? Then, instead of a state's expense and a state's shame, vice would hide in the lowest recesses of the earth. Why not enforce the seventh commandment as well as the sixth? They are alike—one destroys the body, one the soul. The Lord judge between the judges and our fair state's honor and virtuous womanhood in danger of being besmirched by protecting the criminal. Mrs. Nannie M. Pleasant.

Greensboro College for Women

Greensboro College for Women began its seventy-eighth year Wednesday morning, Sept. 8th. Throughout the week students have been arriving from all parts of the state, and the majority of the students have been classified. Classes were held Friday and Saturday, and the college has practically settled down to the year's work.

The opening of the college indicates that last year's splendid showing will be excelled in many respects. The dormitory space has been completely occupied, and as usual there is a large number of students from Greensboro in attendance. The percentage of students offering full preparation for college entrance is larger than ever before, and the majority of the new students have been entered into regular college classes.

The first social activity of the students occurred Saturday evening when the Y. W. C. A. gave an informal reception to the new students.

The public and formal opening of the college year was held Tuesday morning, September 14th, when a number of representative citizens of Greensboro were present at chapel to welcome the students.

Sunday morning in West Market Street church, President S. B. Turrentine delivered the customary sermon of the opening of the college before a large assembly of students and friends of the institution. Preceding the sermon special music was rendered by the orchestra and choir of West Market church.

Dr. Turrentine's subject was, "Victory of Christian Heroism, the Glory of True Success." He chose for his text Joshua 1:7-9. He said in part:

"Desire for success is universal. The two fundamental principles essential to true success are correct ideals of life and the proper means to realize such ideals.

"The text is a solemn charge from Jehovah unto Joshua, wherein are revealed the essential principles that insure success in life's mission, or victory in life's conflicts. The unity of thought is expressed in a condensed paraphrase: 'Joshua, be strong and courageous through the word which I have spoken unto thee, that thou mayest prosper and have good success.

Two fundamentals are embodied: The inner worth, or strength of character, and the outer expression in obedient service.

Then there are given the source of strength and standard of conduct, the inspired word, and the divine author of the word.

The speaker then analyzed the essential elements of character worth. Statistics declare that the leading characters in the world have attained unto an average age of 65 years."

"The next higher order of character strength is that without which mere physical and intellectual strength may prove a curse. That youth in the palace of the Chaldean king has more than physical and intellectual strength that enrolls his name among the heroes of the Bible. Such strength is the moral courage of one's convictions.

"But moral courage must be empowered and guided by truth. Matthew Henry says that a misguided conscience is the most violent principle in the universe.

"The highest and crowning element in true character work is revealed in the admonition: This Book of the Law shall not depart out of thy mouth, but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous and then thou shalt have good success. In other words Joshua's life was to be a success in proportion as the truth became incarnated in the inner life and became the standard of the outer conduct.

"Throughout the plan of redemption God has so emphasized the inspired written word as to make it inseparable from the living word, Christ. We are born, we grow and are sanctified, or set apart for life's mission, by the twofold Word of God. It is then the religion of Jesus Christ, taught in His Word and experienced in the heart that is the first thing of importance and includes all else needful.

"Such a vigorous life of natural endowments vitalized and empowered by the Gospel of Christ, cannot remain passive or self-centered, but results in activity or service.

To thoroughly know the relation between the two principles—inner worth and outer expression of character—is absolutely essential to the highest success. Such principles are inseparably connected in the relation of cause and effect. Keep thy heart with all diligence, for out of it are the issues of life. One's outer conduct is no better than the inner source of such conduct.

"The Christian's motto is: For me to live is Christ. John declared the Christ mission in the words: 'For this purpose the Son of God was manifested that He might destroy the works of the devil.'

"The Bible heroe's highest conception of Jehovah is that of a conquering thought. Even the beloved John reaches his highest climax in the shout of a victor: And this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.

"The true life mission, then, is to overcome all that is ignoble, leading to defeat and death; and in triumphing in all that is true and beautiful and good, leading to victory and life."

Dr. Turrentine closed his earnest message in an appeal to take Joshua's safeguard as the guarantee of the only true and high success.

The closing scene of the great Sir Walter Scott was portrayed, when the literary genius said to Lockhart: "Give me the Book—there is only one Book." With this sword of the Spirit the dying Scott conquered life's last enemy and joined the ranks of the Church Triumphant.

"Having settled the Christ problem one has alone assurance of the true success.

"Trust in the Lord with all thine heart, and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths."

Great Revival at Gold Hill

A revival meeting that is out of the ordinary in the amount of interest manifested and the seemingly large amount of good being accomplished is being held at Gold Hill Methodist church. The pastor, Rev. J. M. Price, is assisted by Rev. S. L. Owens. The oldest citizens of the mining town have never seen anything like the meeting before. At some of the services sermons are dispensed with on account of the great interest aroused by the song service that precedes the sermon. Conversions are recorded at all hours of the night and early morning.—Concord Times.

Send the Names

Some of the boys and men that I have received into the church in the last fifty-nine years are now preachers. I want their names. Let each one write and tell me when and where he began to preach and when I took him into the church. Yours forever,

A. D. Betts.

Greensboro, N. C.

A great tent meeting began at Concord on Sunday. Bishop Kilgo is doing the preaching and great crowds are attending.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

PRAYER CYCLE FOR SEPTEMBER

Motto—"Ye also helping together by prayer for us" (2 Cor. 1.11).

Topic—"The Problem of the Adolescent at School."

Mother, as you send your boy or your girl to school, perhaps for the first time, never forget, as you lift your anxious heart to God in pleading for them that they are his, that his brooding love is greater than yours can be, and that it is not the will of your Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish.

September 1-7

Mothers, teachers, pray that to you may be given the child sympathy and understanding. Pray that you may cultivate that rare gift of seeing life from the child viewpoint and that you may enter into his joys and disappointments and hard places even as the Master himself did and as he now does. Pray that you may have such an understanding of your own child, of your next-door neighbor's child, and of the "bad" boy or girls down the street.

September 8-15

Pray for such discretion in the wonderful task of guiding the young life in the home and school that you will not sacrifice principle nor mistake indulgence for love. Pray that you may train the whole child—body, mind and spirit—for life. Pray that you may teach more by your life than by your words.

September 16-23

In School—Our Father, who hast given mind to man to feed his soul thereby, may our schools quicken in the young life of every race which flows into them a love of truth, a sense of justice, and a spirit of kinship to all men, everywhere. May our teachers so fill their high office that the learning of the past and the opportunities of the present be used alike to fit the children of the land for citizenship in the great democracy of the kingdom of God on earth.

September 24-30

In religious life.—Our Father, save us older people from selfishness and from all its deadening of life and joy. Keep us close to Christ, as close as the branch to the vine. May thy life flow through us into our children! Year by year may they grow up in thy knowledge and love! And finding all their springs in Thee, may they serve thee joyfully among their fellows in youth and old age alike!

THAT CHURCH-WIDE CAMPAIGN

The Campaign Committee of our Conference, has issued the following letter and card to the various auxiliaries and pastors of the churches, through the eleven District Secretaries. In beginning this campaign it is very necessary that each one of us realizes that she has a very vital part in carrying to a successful finish this great work which our Council has inaugurated. No one else can do your work. You have a share in this campaign. There is some one who has not yet become interested in missions whom you alone can influence. There is some unorganized church where you alone, possibly, can effect an organization. My dear sisters, will you not for one month give unstintingly of your time to this work? It is a revelation to a great many of us that of the 887 organized churches in the Western N. C. Conference less than 150 have a missionary organization. Did you realize this fact? Will you not be one to help in this campaign with your time, your prayers and your faithful work? During October especially we want to wage this campaign most vigorously and let us see if we can not get the best of results.

"Dear Sisters of the Woman's Missionary Societies of the Western N. C. Conference:—We, with the whole church, are facing a very serious crisis and one that calls for all the loyalty and sacrifice that we can put into our work if we would save the cause of Christ from loss and disaster.

In every mission field the call is urgent for means for enlargement, both in workers and equipment, if we would conserve what has already been gained. Any advancement will be impossible unless we rise to the call for larger gifts and more workers. A strong, earnest, working and praying Home Base is the only foundation upon which we can rely for the necessary means for supporting the work already projected, and for carrying it successfully forward we must have a larger number of organizations and a greater number of our women enlisted in this cause.

In the Western North Carolina Conference there are 887 organized churches and less than 150 of these have a missionary organization. Only 250 missionary societies, including the Adult, Young People and Juniors! Is it not very necesssary that we make a faithful effort to increase our number until we reach our aim?

In order to meet these great needs our Missionary Council has planned a simultaneous movement throughout our Southern Methodist Church, known as the Church-wide Campaign, for the purpose of increasing our membership as well as for rendering more efficient in every department the organizations already existing.

We most earnestly urge the hearty co-operation of all our auxiliaries in carrying out the plan as outlined by the card which accompanies this letter. My sisters, let us put aside everything that can hinder us in this all-important work and give ourselves unreservedly to carrying out the plan of the Committee. Let us thrust in our sickles and gather many sheaves for the Master during the short time remaining to us of this fiscal year.

"The King's business requires haste."

Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, Pres.,
Mrs. H. A. Dunham, Cor. Sec.,
Mrs. W. R. Harris, Supt. of Pub.

WANTED

A Greater Woman's Missionary Society in the W. N. C. Conference.

Our Aim:—An Adult, Young People's and Children's Missionary Society in every church.

WILL YOU HELP IN THIS CAMPAIGN?

1. Double the membership.
2. Plan and attend an "All-Day Meeting."
3. Assist in the organization of auxiliaries in adjacent territory.
4. Project Y. P. and Children's work in your own church.
5. Join a Mission Study Class.
6. Place the Missionary Voice and Young Christian Worker in every Methodist home.
7. Observe the "Week of Prayer."
8. Pray daily and definitely for this campaign.

The district making the best report on these items by January 1st, 1916, will be known as the "Banner District."

Mrs. L. H. Robertson, Pres.,
Mrs. H. A. Dunham, Cor. Sec.,
Mrs. W. R. Harris, Supt. Pub.

What?—Mission Study Campaign.

When?—October.

Let every superintendent of mission study and publicity endeavor to make this the greatest, most enthusiastic campaign we have ever had.

Let all work to attain our goal: "A Mission Study Class in Every Auxiliary and Every Woman and Child a Member."

From the Missionary Voice of September we take the following:

I Am the Mission Study Class

(Apologies to the author of I Am the Immigrant)

I am the Mission Study Class; join me.

Since the time of my birth I have helped others.

I was born of the craving for wider knowledge, more efficient work and deeper spirituality.

My footprints are found in many churches.

I even enter the colleges—yea, and may even be found in some homes.

I am glad when I mingle with the young people in missionary societies and Epworth Leagues, for I help them reach the efficiency standard.

I serve at men's clubs and help men to know world affairs.

I pass wonderful hours in conversation with the noble women of the missionary societies.

I am found in some Sunday schools, always in those doing the best work.

I consist of a few congenial people, preferably from four to ten.

I meet once a week for one hour at each session for a course lasting from eight to ten weeks.

I dispel ignorance, remove prejudice, overcome indifference and arouse interest.

I encourage benevolence, I increase and vitalize prayer.

I develop strong Christian character and provide missionaries.

I present for study a literature which "excels in truth, in pathos, in dignity, in simplicity, in its contribution to scientific research, in its direct bearing on great world problems."

And yet there are some who say they have no time for me.

When I tell you of how your fathers and mothers, your brothers and sisters have placed their lives upon the altar of service, you should not waste your time over frivolous fiction; and even though you are busy in church work, you should be careful to do the most important things.

I am one of the worth-while things, and you should learn "to put first things first."

I shall be made a blessing and in my work all the nations of the earth shall be blessed and my work will cement the foundations of the world.

If I can be fused into the church work I will do thee good.—Missionary Leaflet.

TO THE MISSION STUDY SUPERINTENDENTS

My dear sisters:—I am sending out with the September Bulletin, to the various auxiliaries in the Conference, the Mission Study leaflets for the Third Quarter, and I want to urge each of you to read carefully these leaflets and get from them all that they contain that will aid you in your work. "Mission Study Text Books for 1915-16" is a complete list of the books the Council has planned for our study and besides familiarizing you with the name of these books gives to you a brief outline of each book. The Enrollment Card should be filled out and sent to Mrs. Steele, Educational Secretary, when a new book is taken up.

"How to Make a Mission Study Class Interesting," by Miss Mary De Bardeleben, is the very thing that so many of us have wanted to know. I feel sure this leaflet will be very helpful to you.

With these leaflets I am also sending the Blank for Third Quarter reports, that you may fill them out properly and return them to me by October 5th. I wish I were able to impress upon you as never before, the importance of prompt, accurate reports. Just think with me for an instant about this matter. October is the Mission Study Campaign Month—the month in which we are going to make a faithful effort to increase our number of organizations and enlist more of our women. Now, I do not know how many Study Classes we have in the W. N. C. Conference for the reason that I have not been able to get reports from the auxiliaries, which books are being studied—and all because of the failure of some one to report these things to me.

Of the 100 blanks sent out the first quarter only twenty-five were returned; the second quarter there were twenty-six—only about one-fourth of the number issued. My sisters, where are the other three-fourths?

Will not each one of you see that the blank for this quarter is filled out and returned to me by the fifth of October? Let me stress this matter, please. We must put forth our very best efforts during the coming month. There is no department of our woman's work that is more essential to a successful missionary society than the department of Mission Study and Publicity. Mission Study has aroused thousands of persons to study more intelligently, to pray more earnestly, to give more liberally and to volunteer for service. Will you not co-operate with me in this great and important work?

Yours in the work,
Mrs. W. R. Harris,
Conf. Supt. Mission Study and Publicity.

POPULAR EXCURSION TO ATLANTA, GA., WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 22 VIA SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Special Train from Charlotte

Special train consisting of Standard Pullman sleeping cars and first class day coaches will leave Charlotte at 11:00 p. m. Wednesday, September 22, arriving Atlanta 7:35 a. m. Thursday, September 23.

Passengers from all points North and West of Charlotte will use regular trains into Charlotte Wednesday, September 22, and special train from Charlotte.

Following low round trip fares will apply from stations named:

Charlotte	$4.00
Hickory	5.00
Newton	4.90
Thomasville	4.75
Winston-Salem	5.00
Statesville	4.70
Mooresville	4.35
Asheboro	5.25
Reidsville	5.00
Rutherfordton	5.00
Gastonia	3.70
Salisbury	4.50
High Point	4.85
Albemarle	4.95
Lexington	4.60
Greensboro	5.00
Mocksville	4.70
Barber	4.55
Norwood	5.00
Shelby	4.00
Blacksburg	3.50
Concord	4.35

Fares from all other points on same basis.

Returning, tickets will be good on all regular trains except train 38, leaving Atlanta up to and including Saturday, September 25.

Great opportunity to visit the Gate City at small cost, see the many attractions for which Atlanta is noted, many Parks, Theaters, Base Ball, Federal Prison, Fort McPherson, etc.

Pullman reservations must be made in advance.

For reservations or other information see any Agent Southern Railway, or write, R. H. Debutts, D. P. A., Charlotte, N. C.

Byron W. Kings School of Oratory

ELOCUTION AND SPEECH ARTS
New Building and Dormitory
Courses for teachers, lecturers, lyceum and chautauqua work. Speech defects, stammering, loss of voice, sore throat positively cured. Largest school of speech arts in America. Limited correspondence work. Special text books. Send for prospectus. Mt. Oliver, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

ON TO SPENCER!—SEPT 24, 25, 26

A Delegate from Every League

Show the people of Spencer that you appreciate their invitation. Let them know that the Leaguers of Western North Carolina mean business. There will be lots of good things for you in Spencer and you don't want to miss them. Stand by your League and your League Conference. If your League will do its part we will have a record breaking conference.

Meet us at Spencer Sept. 24!

AFRICAN SPECIAL

If you haven't paid your African Special or your Conference dues, be sure to do so at the Conference if not before. Are we going to let our Conference fall down on our African pledge? Not if you will do your part.

Write Rev. C. M. Pickens how many delegates your League is going to send and also give him their names, so that homes may be assigned them. Do it now. Don't wait. Do it NOW.

WHY SHOULD I ATTEND OUR LEAGUE CONFERENCE?

This is a question many of our Leaguers are asking at this time. There are many reasons why the young people of our church should belong to the League and there are many reasons why our Leaguers should attend the League Conference. It shows to the world that the young people of the church are interested in the work of Christ and that they are willing to take a stand for Christ. It gives them a better insight into the work of the League and gives them added enthusiasm, such as can be gained only through contact with other workers. It gives an opportunity to gain new ideas and new plans for the local chapter work. It leads to a deeper spiritual consecration. It will help promote the work of the League and will encourage the organization of new Leagues.

Now, fellow Leaguers, if you really love your Master and His work and if you are willing to live up to your motto. "All for Christ," make a supreme effort to go to our Conference or to have your League send its full quota of delegates.

A RALLY DAY SOCIAL

By Miss Phala Hawkins

By September nearly every one has returned from his summer vacation, and the Epworth Leaguers are ready to start to work again with renewed vigor and earnestness. It will be a good plan to have a Rally Day social.

Let the League artists get out large posters modeled after the League emblem, the Maltese cross. Hang these in conspicuous places. Get out smaller attractive invitations to this social on the same order as the posters and mail them to all the young people who ought to attend this social. Follow up with personal invitations. Through this Rally Day social many young people can be interested in the League work for the whole year.

As soon as all the guests have arrived have a grand march. Let the League officers stand in line. Then let some one play a march on the piano and all present form in line, march to the music, and shake hands with the League officers.

Vocal number.

Progressive story: "How I Spent My Vacation." Let some one start the story, and at any point let another take it up, then another, and another.

Piano number.

If possible, let several tell about "The Funniest Thing That Happened to Me This Summer."

Distribute papers with the initials "E. L." (for Epworth League) at the top. On these papers should be questions, which should be answered with two words beginning with these initials, respectively. Here are some sample questions:

To whom does this paper belong? Ella Long.)

How tall is the person?
Whom does he (or she) favor?
What is his (or her) character?
What color is his (or her) hair?
What color are his (or her) eyes?
Who is his (or her) best friend?
What is his (or her) favorite occupation?
What is his (or her) favorite pasttime?
What is his (or her) highest ideal?

For the best answers an "E. L." pennant might be presented.

The president might then be called on for a brief outline of some of the plans to be used for the advancement of the League during the coming year.

To make fun, have a comic orchestra. An imaginary instrument is chosen by each one present, such as a violin, a flute, a harp, etc. As soon as the leader begins, the others must follow and make a noise and go through the motions which represent the instrument he plays. The leader may be playing a flute. He suddenly stops and begins playing the violin, then the one playing the violin must take up the flute. The leader may change as often as he likes. Any one failing to make the change at the proper time may be made to pay a forfeit. (Adapted from Baker's "Indoor Games.")

To "match up" for refreshments: Cut in two pieces slips of paper upon which are written some facts relating to the Epworth League, the girls drawing one, the boys the other half. Some sentences to be written may be:

The Epworth League is a training school for young people.

There are five elective officers in the Epworth League.

There are five appointive officers in the Epworth League.

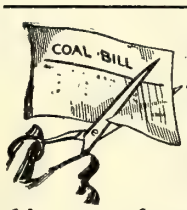
Anniversary Day is the second Sunday in May.

Yellow and white are the League colors.

The League flower is the violet.

There are four departments of League work.

Have the refreshments simple. After eating refreshments, all join hands in a large circle and sing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds." This never grows old.—Epworth Era.



Cut Down Your Coal Bill

this season by placing your order now for Clinchfield Domestic Coal. Burns steadily with intense heat like a hickory back-log instead of wasting your money in a long flame up the chimney and in dense smoke and troublesome soot. By far the most economical and satisfactory fuel for open grates, stoves and residence furnaces of all types. Averages over 14,000 heat units to the pound and costs no more than the kind that burns like paper.

Leading railway systems, big cotton mills and factories use Clinchfield because it delivers more heat for less money. Follow their lead. Write for literature, freight rate and low summer prices on cars of from 35 to 50 tons each direct from the mines.

Clinchfield Fuel Co.
Desk 12 Spartanburg, S. C.
"THE COAL OF HIGH HEAT VALUE"

Williams Private Sanatorium FOR DRUGS and WHISKEY
TERMS: Drugs $125 Flat. Whiskey $100 Flat. B. B. WILLIAMS, M. D., Greensboro, N. C.
Women patients pay a small sum extra for nurse. Reference, Amr. Exchange Nat'l Bank, Greensboro, N. C.

Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

A mutual fire insurance company, organized, owned and operated by the Methodist Church in North Carolina, for the purpose of furnishing protection for church property and personal property of preachers at ACTUAL COST.

Write for information and rates.

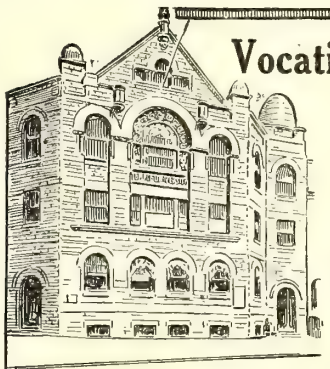
W. E. WEBB, Secretary Statesville, N. C.

RUTHERFORD COLLEGE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fall term begins August 31st. The economic conditions and the good advantages offered make Rutherford College an unusually favorable place for those of limited means. More than fifty boys boarded in the dormitory last year for less than six dollars per month. Other expenses are cheap in proportion.

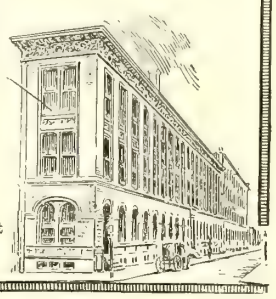
For catalogues and other information, address

M. T. HINSHAW, Rutherford College, N. C.



Vocational Courses for Women

Physical Education, 2 years' course, preparing women as teachers. Kindergarten training course prepares thoroughly for work in the public schools and for state board examination. Domestic Art and Science and Household Economy thoroughly taught. Normal Commercial and Secretarial courses. School Gardening and Music. Household Arts and Sciences and Nurses' Training School in connection with two large hospitals and Medical School. Other Vocational courses. Regular college courses. A. B. and B. S. degrees. Write for circular.



Temple University, Dept. S. R.
RUSSELL H. CONWELL, Founder and President
Broad and Berks Sts., Philadelphia, Pa.

NEW YORK ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE

The Anti-Saloon League of New York has consummated its spectacular victory in this "off-year" Congressional vacancy campaign by securing explicit pledges in favor of the submission of a national prohibition amendment from all three of the candidates for the Republican nomination in the Thirty-sixth District of New York, to succeed the late Sereno E. Payne. As the District is overwhelmingly Republican, the nomination is regarded as equivalent to an election.

The Anti-Saloon League pointed out that it was not asking any candidate to declare in favor of prohibition, but simply to agree that he would not try to prevent the people of the nation from having a chance to settle it in the manner provided by the Constitution for the determination of such questions. The enforced retirement of Mr. Charles H. Betts, who, but for his attack upon the Anti-Saloon League and prohibition generally, would probably have been the nominee without question as it was conceded to his county and he was the boss of his community, evidently impressed all the candidates.

Particular interest is added to this victory by the fact that this is the Congressional District of the late Senator John Raines, author of the infamous Raines Liquor Law which bears his name, who for almost a generation, through his control of the necessary machinery of the Senate organization, blocked advance temperance legislation in New York. It indicates how the League is lifting the Raines blight from the Empire State. Mr. Betts, who was compelled to withdraw ostensibly because of his doctors' advice, but really because of opposition within the party of the Raines machine, and is a follower and staunch supporter of William Barnes, Jr., being one of the minority of reactionaries who went down in support of the Barnes anti-social proposition recently kicked out of the Constitutional Convention. It is another illustration of Mr. Barnes' waning power to protect his friends.

Mr. Betts' retirement was necessary to avoid a split in the Republican party, whose leader, notably in the old Raines county of Ontario, realized that his bad temperance record made him too heavy a load to carry. This case offers a graphic illustration of what can be accomplished by a hard fight in any district in the county where there is a strong temperance sentiment. Yours very truly,

Wm. H. Anderson,
State Supt. Anti-Saloon League of New York.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

Children's Home

Fifth Sunday Collections

R. M. Seamore, Woodleaf S. S., $1.50; Frank Woosley, Winston-Salem, Pine Grove S. S., 51c; D. R. Scott, Raven, Mill Creek S. S., $2.20; D. E. Ader, Advance, Good Hope S. S., $1.05; Cliff Ratliff, Sec., Morven S. S., $9.33; Jno. R. Swaim, Marshall S. S., $2.00; H. S. McLendon, Wadesboro, Ansonville Ch., $2.57; Edney Miller, Henry, St. Peter's S. S., $1.25; D. W. Alexander, Connelly Springs S. S., $2.25; D. C. Flowers, Lenoir, Route 1, Cedar Valley S. S., $2.00; J. M. Zink, Greensboro, Route 3, Zion S. S., $1.55; A. M. Gabriel, Mooresville, Vanderburg S. S., 54c; W. M. Meacham, Linwood, Wesley's Chapel S. S., $1.00; W. B. Hinson, Monroe, Route 3, Center S. S., $1.81; A. L. Sherrill, Old Fort S. S., $3.00; S. T. Hodgin, Stoneville S. S., $1.90; H. L. Walser, Lexington, Route 5, Bethel S. S., 63c; A. S. Long, Guilford College, Morehead S. S., 26c; H. M. Whitfield, Hendersonville S. S., $9.42; R. S. Keener, Maiden, May's Chapel S. S., $1.65; R. L. Bugg, Swannanoa S. S., $1.00; C. A. Eplee, Candler, Laurel Hill S. S., $1.01; John L. Ferguson, Whittier, Shoal Creek S. S., $11.55; J. F. Roberts, Treas., Shelby, Central S. S., $10.00; J. W. Bumgarner, Sylva, Love's Chapel S. S., $1.25; Murray Clark, Waxhaw Ch., $2.13; R. E. Biggerstaff, Forest City S. S., $2.44; T. D. Shuford, Statesville, Route 4, Rose Chapel S. S., $3.45; J. B. Hazell, Reidsville S. S., $20.00; A. D. Morgan, Gold Hill, Liberty S. S., $1.25; R. H. Lassiter, Pipe, New Hope S. S., $3.20; R. M. Foster, Advance, Smith Grove S. S., $1.30; P. E. Clapp, Greensboro, Route 2, Mount Pleasant S. S., $1.00; M. A. Walker, Rural Hall, Oak Summit S. S., 50c; R. H. Stone, Winston-Salem, Route 5, Shady Grove S. S., 62c; T. R. Gray, Cullasaja, Salem S. S., $2.25; J. C. Loftin, Sol, Oak Grove S. S., $1.15; Earl Armstrong, Belmont, South Point S. S., 50c; Edward Jordan, Jamestown, Oak Dale S. S., $2.46; Marvin Kearns, Farmer, Concord S. S., $4.06; J. B. Greene, Walnut Cove, Palmyra S. S., $1.00; Oliver Swaringen, Concord, Cold Springs S. S., $2.26; P. D. Hinkle, Welcome, Center S. S., $1.07; A. B. Hauser, Winston-Salem, Grace Ch., $8.65; Alva Martin, Catawba, Hopewell S. S., $2.25; L. J. Horne, Farmington S. S., $1.85; B. F. Leonhardt, Lowell S. S., $3.00; James C. Weaver, Waynesville, Mt. Zion S. S., $2.00; Miss Bettie Oakley, Booneville S. S., $1.08; Geo. B. Shinn, Mooresville, Unity S. S., $2.00; M. E. V. Hines, Mt. Airy, Epworth S. S., $1.45; E. J. Ezzell, Waxhaw, Marvin S. S., $1.00; R. C. Goode, Lincolnton S. S., $5.12; L. L. McElrath, Crabtree, Panther Creek S. S., 25c; J. C. Powell, Mill Springs, Lebanon S. S., $1.00; W. M. Wall, Mt. Airy, Oak Grove S. S., $2.80; R. O. Gamble, Summerfield S. S., $3.00; J. A. Norris, Boone, Fairview S. S., $1.60; F. H. Washburne, Treas., Charlotte, Tryon St. S. S., $21.42; W. S. Robinson, Sandy Mush, Chestnut Grove S. S., $1.35; W. S. Phelps, Advance, Mock's S. S., $1.08; F. M. Kincaid, Table Rock, Mt. Grove S. S., $2.00; A. H. Starnes, Candler, Oak Hill S. S., $1.00; J. M. Hawkins, Acton S. S., $4.00; G. F. Ivey, Hickory S. S., $17.77. Total, $207.54.

Received on General and Special Support and Ten Per Cent. Assessment

Rev. W. T. Usry, Cherryville, $4.70; M. A. Shaver, Winston Salem, $2.50; Rev. C. L. McCain, Statesville, $13.00; Rev. W. T. Albright, Concord, Mt. Olivet, $7.25; Bogers, $3.00; C. F. Lambeth, Thomasville, Main St. S. S., $25.00; J. D. Buice, Charlotte, Chadwick S. S., $7.85; Rev. T. J. Rogers, Ramseu., Franklinville Ch., $4.31; M. L. Kizer, Treas., Spencer Ch., $23.15; Miss Ellois J. Harrison, Fletcher, Fairview charge, $5.00; A. J. Torrence, Cornelius, Mt. Zion Ch., $8.50; J. C. Keever, Lenoir, N. Lenoir Ct., $8.75; A. M. Nail, Treas., Winston-Salem, Burkhead S. S., $70.00; Rev. R. C. Kirk, Crabtree, Haywood Ct., $33.00. Total, $216.01.

Building Fund—Rev. J. H. West, Agt.

Miss Bess Carter, Albemarle, $5.00

TRINITY COLLEGE NOTES

The fifty-eighth annual session of Trinity College opened last Wednesday morning at nine o'clock. A large number of alumni and friends of the institution were present for the opening, as well as an unusually large number of old and new students. The enrollment is somewhat in excess of last year. The opening devotional exercises were conducted by Dr. James Cannon, Jr., of Richmond,Va., after which President Few called on the numerous pastors of Durham who extended cordial invitations to the student body and other members of the community to worship at the various churches of the city. Later the usual official announcements of the day were made by President Few, and the new college year was formally opened.

The first week of the new college year has been saddened, however, by the death of the mother of Registrar D. W. Newsom, at Littleton, the news of which came to him early Wednesday morning. The entire community was grieved. Mr. Newsom has been the popular and faithful officer of the college in the capacity of treasurer and registrar for many years, and the news of the death of his good mother caused sadness throughout the campus.

* * * *

The flag of the college was placed at half mast Friday morning of the first week of the new year by the death of one of the trustees of the college and a loyal and faithful friend to all of Trinity's interests. Mr. J. Ed. Stagg died Friday morning at an early hour after a short illness. His death is a distinct loss to the college and to the city of Durham where he had lived for a number of years.

* * * *

The first regular meeting of the Young Men' Christian Association was held Wednesday evening at eight o'clock in the hall of the association in East Duke Building, and was addressed by Dean W. I. Cranford.

* * * *

Prof. W. E. Hall, son of Rev. J. H. Hall, comes to the college this year and joins the faculty in the department of engineering. Professor Hall is an alumnus of the college, having received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in the class of 1909 and the degree of Master of Arts in 1914. During the past year he has done further graduate work at the University of Michigan.

The only other addition to the faculty this year is that of Professor Walter W Peele, who succeeds for the current year Dr. Franklin N. Parker, who left Trinity this year to become professor of systematic theology in Emory University. In announcing the election of Professor Peele, President Few said:

"Reverend Walter W. Peele, of the class of 1903, and for four years headmaster of the Trinity Park School, was today elected by the executive committee as Professor of Biblical Literature in Trinity College for the current year. He will reman as headmaster and have charge of the classes in Bible, but will this year do no other teaching in the Park School. The teaching there will be taken care of by other competent men.

"Professor Peele will have special care of the young preachers and genral pastoral care of the whole campus community. No better man than Walter W. Peele could be found in Southern Methodism to take up the work laid down by Franklin N. Parker; for as a preacher and moral force Professor Peele is, like Dr. Parker, a tower of strength; and in addition he is a born leader of men. I give out the information carried by this announcement with the utmost satisfaction."

* * * *

At the exercises last Wednesday morning the president read a telegram of greetings and best wishes from Dr. Parker, who has endeared himself in such a marked fashion to the college and the city of Durham, and to the entire state where he labored so effectively for four years.

STATESVILLE, SNOW CREEK, TURNERSBURG AND MT. BETHEL—IN THE WOODS STILL DODGING ABOUT

After a few days' rest, following my visit up the Yadkin valley to Elkin and enteen years and it has been the erary indicated in the above heading. Having lived in Statesville so long and become so thoroughly identified with the town and community, and being there so frequently of late, many people conclude I am still living there, and many are surprised to know that I have not lived there for twelve years. But it has come to seem more like home to me than any other place. And no wonder, for I lived there for sevdown and destroy. So I will not be town from which and around which I have been circulating for nearly sixty years. I began to visit that place and go to church there before the coming of the railroad and when there was not much there except the cross-roads and the court house and jail, a tannery, a few stores, two hotels and two small churches, and I am not so sure whether the college was there or not.

After the coming of the railroad it became the center of commmerce for all the surrounding country, especially back toward the mountains, which may have "flowed with milk and honey," but with whiskey and brandy more freely, the town grew more rapidly. But its industrial interests and pursuits were not such as will build up and produce a great and prosperous city. It became the center of the rum trade, and was noted for its wholesale liquor houses and grog shops, which never create wealth and build up the morals of any town, but always tear down and destroy. So Iwill not be unjustly reflecting upon the town I call my own when I say it grew to be one of the worst towns in North Carolina during and especially following the Civil War. This was in "reconstruction" times, and under what has been styled "the scallowag, the carpetbag and liquor administration" in the state.

But Statesville has all along had a substantial citizenship of sturdy men and noble women, a mixture of better and worse elements, the influence of the latter rather dominating the town and exerted the wrong way. But at the same time there have been a few men and more women, known as the salt of the earth, who lived and worked for something better, and whose anticeptic influence and power, like leaven hid in the meal, have been so exerted that the whole lump has been leavened and transformed. What marvelous changes have come to pass since then! What has become of the rum traffic, the wholesale liquor houses and the grog shops? Where are the back yards and alleys where men used to congregate to drink liquor and swap horses, to curse and fight each other—scenes of dissipation, rowdyism and bloodshed? These have all disappeared forever, no longer to disgrace the town and corrupt and destroy the young people.

A better commerce now fills these once vacant shops. Better and more profitable industries and manufacturing interests have sprung up. Electricity now lights the city, and the current ramifies and illumines these dark places and chases away their evil doings. The broad and well paved streets are equal to most and superior to those of many other towns of the state. The railroad facilities are about equal to the best. The schools and churches reservation, that Statesville is one of numbers and buildings that they a surpassed by few if any others an where. All this is marvelous in n eyes when I look upon Statesville it was fifty or sixty years ago, a then turn away and loook upon it it now is. Then I would go mu afoot, on horse back, or in a mule ox cart; now I go and come in automobile or steam and electric ca And now I can write without ment church in the chinquapin grove, a litt the most beautiful, the cleanest a attractive cities anywhere, and no wo der any one who has ever lived the and gone away should desire to co back even if he never returns to li

When I first came to the town, think there were only two churches a Presbyterian and a Methodist. T Presbyterians rather preempted a occupied this immediate country. Th had a rather small brick church e fice, though large enough and quite advance of most churches of th time. The Rev. W. A. Wood was t pastor of that church and continued that relation during nearly all the tervening years from then until, Rev. Dr. W. A. Wood, he was trans ted and removed from his pastoral lations here to the church triumpha

The Methodists were here, but th had a small place in the communi They had a small wooden fram church in the chinquapin grove, a lit back from where the first new bri Methodist church stood for many yea Thomas C. and James C. Anders were among, if not the leading me bers of that little band of Methodis Rev. M. V. Sherrill was the pastor the church and it was in that ho that I began to learn very nearly first lessons in the school of Chr "For the Son of Man has come seek and to save that which was lo was the text of the first sermon I hea there, and "Children of the Heave King, as we journey let us sing," one of the hymns sung. I went ho and memorized both. I have preach from that text many times and never cease to sing that song unti shall join the company gone before a

(Continued on Page 15)

TRY THIS FOR YOUR HEALTH

For diseases which do not read yield to drug treatment, such as chr ic dyspepsia, indigestion, rheumatis Bright's disease, gall stones, uric a poisoning and diseases of the kid and liver, the best physicians s their wealthy patients to the fam mineral springs. Some even sp months at the Spas of Europe and w almost invariably cured or greatly b efited.

I believe that the Shivar Spring the greatest mineral spring ever covered and I believe it so firmly t I offer to send you enough water fo three weeks' treatment (two five-g lon demijohns) on my guarantee t if it fails to benefit your case I refund the price. You would har believe men if I told you that o about two out of a hundred, on the erage say that they have received benefit. The water is restoring tho ands. It restored my health when friends and physicians thought my c was incurable and I am willing anxious for you to match your faith the spring against my pocketbook. I win you become a life-friend of spring. If I lose I will be sorry for but I will appreciate your courtesy giving the water a trial and will gla refund your money on request. S the following letter:

Shivar Spring,
Box 5C, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen:

I accept your guarantee offer and close herewith two dollars for ten lons of Shivar Mineral Spring Water agree to give it a fair trial, in acco ance with instructions contained booklet you will send, and if it fails benefit my case you agree to refu the price in full upon receipt of the t empty demijohns, which I agree to turn promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)

MISSIONARY NOTES FROM FIELD SECRETARY

Albemarle Ct., J. W. Strider, P. C. Stony Hill, $115.00 on assessments; Pine Grove, $42.00 on assessments; Zoar, $21.50 on assessments; Bethesda, $20.00 on assessments.

Salem Ct., A. L. Coburn, P. C. Salem, $76.00 on assessments.

Kannapolis Ct., S. L. Owen, P. C. Unity, $80.00 on assessments; Shiloh, $28.00 on assessments; Bethpage, $50 on assessments; Oak Grove, $15.00 on assessments.

Kannapolis Station, Paul W. Tucker, P. C. $100.00 Conference mission special.

Concord Ct., Wm. T. Albright, P. C. H. A. Scott, $5.00, Conference mission special.

Full Collections

Visitation of charge after charge, noting the response of the people to the Conference collections furnishes convincing proof that the assessments may and will be raised in almost every charge where the preacher sticks to his job, trusts the people and pushes to a speedy completion the every member canvass.

Things to Avoid

1. Don't use girls in getting pledges. This is a man's job. Girls may be used in making collections.

2. Don't leave canvas to the committee. The preacher must participate in and have personal oversight of the canvass.

3. Don't ask for a pledge to missions. Ask for a definite amount, previously fixed upon in your own mind for the Conference collections.

Be sure to have on piece of paper full amount of each assessment, to gether with the total and the aggregate each church is supposed to pay, and a list of the members to be seen in each day's canvass and the amount opposite their names they are expected to pay.

Yesterday a man who had been seen by a committee with no program to a pledge to missions readily increased his pledge from $2.00 to $10.00 when the assessments for Conference collections, item by item, were presented to him.

4. Don't say to subscriber when asked when pledge is to be paid, "any time before Conference." State a definite date and put subscriber on his metal and honor. You will help him to pay it and aid the stewards by getting Conference collections out of their way.

5. Don't believe for a moment that members will pay any less on preacher's salary by being faithfully dealt with on subject of Conference collections. They will pay more.

6. Don't express sympathy with the man who says the assessments are too high. Remember they are laid on the basis of the numerical strength as taken from the minutes and financial ability as expressed in amount paid for support of the ministry, and in consideration of vow of church membership.

7. Don' fail to allow a member to direct his contribution to some one or more of the eight assessments if he takes exception to some of them.

8. Don't neglect to take along copy of Conference Minutes for reference in soliciting. I have worn out two copies this year. Reference to the reports of the boards is a daily help to my work.

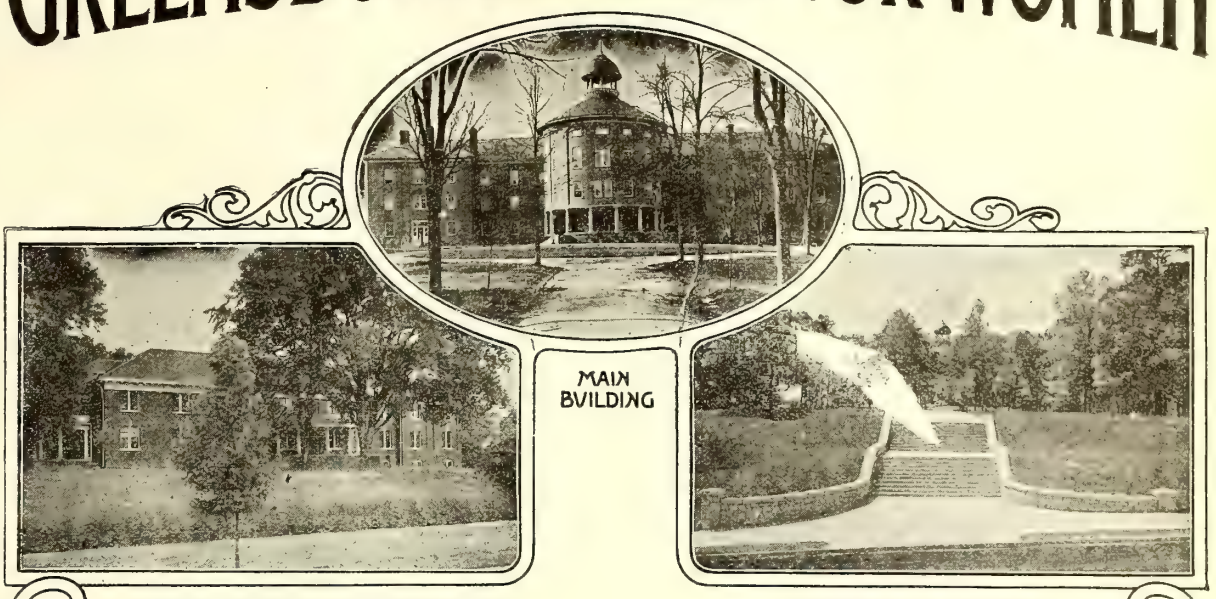
MURINE FOR YOUR EYES

Murine is prepared by our Physicians, as used for many years in their practice, now dedicated to the Public and sold by Your Druggist. Try Murine to Refresh, Cleanse, and Strengthen Eyes after exposure to Strong Sunlight, Wind and Dust and to restore healthful tone to Eyes Reddened and made Sore by Overwork and Eye Strain.

Some broadminded Physicians use and recommend Murine while others perhaps jealous of its Success, talk and rush into print in opposition; those whose Eyes need care can guess why, as there is no Prescription fee in Murine. Just hand your Druggist 50c and you have a Complete Pkg. Eye Book—Murine—Dropper—and Cork Screw—ready for use. Try it in your Eyes and in Baby's Eyes for Eye Troubles—No Smarting—Just Eye Comfort. Write for Book of the Eye Free.

Murine Eye Remedy Company, Chicago

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY – FITZGERALD HALL

ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

.....

.....

9. Don't fear to give the people all the facts. A man last week not considered by pastor among those we should see in an automobile campaign of his circuit handed us ten dollars gladly to help the Conference Board pay its appropriation to his charge and further stated he would pay what the stewards assessed him for support of pastor. He was strongly opposed to his circuit being on the Mission Board.

10. Don't undertake a public collection without a previous private canvas of the strongest members and the securing in pledges of at least half the amount to be raised. I can raise ten men privately to one publicly. I can raise five dollars privately to one publicly.

11. Don't neglect to pray. Said a pastor to me: "We will go, but don't be disappointed if we get nothing. Entering the yard gate there came to me a strongr sense of need of divine help. I said, "Let us go in praying. We came out with one hundred dollars in money.

AN ANNOUNCEMENT

Reverend Walter W. Peele, of the Class of 1903 and for four years Headmaster of the Trinity Park School, was today elected by the Executive Committee as Professor of Biblical Literature in Trinity College for the current year. He will remain as Headmaster and have charge of the classes in Bible, but will this year do no other teaching in the Park School. The teaching there will be taken care of by other competent men.

Professor Peele will have special care of the young preachers and general pastoral care of the whole campus community. No better man than Walter W. Peele could be found in Southern Methodism to take up the work laid down by Franklin N. Parker; for as a preacher and moral force Professor Peele is, like Dr. Parker, a tower of strength; and in addition he is a born leader of men. I give out the information carried by this announcement with the utmost satisfaction.

W. P. Few.

September 3, 1915.

Rev. W. A. Davis, of our Japan Mission, who came to the United States in July to visit his family, who are living in Berkeley, Cal., on account of the health and education of his sons, sailed from San Francisco on his return trip September 4. Brother Davis is one of our most efficient missionaries.

The Sunday School Lesson

LESSON XII—SEPTEMBER 19

Defeat Through Drunkenness
1 Kings 20.1-21

GOLDEN TEXT.—Wine and new wine take away the understanding.—Hosea 4:11.

NOTES BY DR. AND MRS. CAMDEN M. COBERN—THE LESSON SETTING

Damascus, the capital of Syria and Samaria, the capital of Israel, were about one hundred miles apart. To us in America—this country of wide domain—the close proximity of different nations is always a surprise. It was about nine hundred B. C., during the later half of Ahab's reign and while Elijah was yet living, who played such a spectacular part in bringing Israel back to Jehovah, that the lesson events took place. The text gives an adequate picture of the barbarity of the times. Syria was a semi-civilized nation, at this period very powerful. Benhadad, the king, was not much higher ethically than a clothed savage. He and his soldiers passed over a land leaving behind them trails of pillage and rapine and death, just as the liquor traffic does. The capital of Israel was very wealthy and luxurious. Benhadad desired excitement and booty for his soldiers, so he sent word to Ahab: "Thy silver and thy gold is mine, thy wives also and thy children, even the goodliest, are mine, and he prepared an army to substantiate his boast. The boast was too sweeping, the demand was too great, and Ahab decided to give unequal battle to the thirty allied kings. His army was small but vigorous, and their spirit was reenforced by the promise of a prophet that the victory should be for the homes and children of the nation. It was a young man's fight.

THE BOASTER

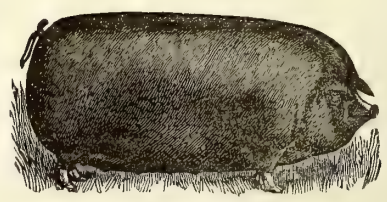
There is a difference of only one letter between the words boaster and booster. The same qualities are dominant in each act. But a boaster is one whose ability is put to selfish and therefore ineffective use. A booster by the same method and means used unselfishly becomes effective and we call him "the good fellow." It is just the difference of standing on his own hat and looking around upon the world and getting his view from the tower of the town hall. Benhadad boasted with genuine Oriental vainglory. He hadn't grown up. A four year old boasts: "I can lick everybody in my school," and he feels as if he could, but a little later he will have been trained into more cautious speech by a few grimy fists which are giving him his first lessons in real life. Life takes the conceit out of most of us. The pretty dreams of easy victory fade in the busy day of "tough" experiences, and the talkative boaster becomes a booster. The battle ends with the strong and with the helped of God. "Red Cloud" was an able Indian chief. On one occasion a number of men came from Washington to make a treaty with him. One of them was a great braggart, and he made a long speech in which he used big words, teling what he and the government would do for the Indians if they agreed to the terms of the treaty. Red Cloud listened in silence, and at the conclusion of the speech he arose and uttered one contemptous sentence: "Heap big wind; much dust, no rain" (Martha Tarbell). Benhadad was overpowered in the dust of his own bestiality.

"THY SILVER AND THY GOLD IS MINE"

The savage, inhuman king, the liquor traffic, gathers his army "of tributaries and allies, such as the 240,000 saloons, the distilleries, the breweries, hotels, clubs, personal invitations to drink, gifts of drinks to boys, advertisements in magazines and papers, cocaine and opium habits, for his own personal gain at the expense of the community" (Peloubet). Mr. Hobson in his speech before Congress says: "We collect $230,000,000 revenue from the liquor traffic, but what does that revenue mean? It is the people's money. What does the money entail upon the people? Crime, pauperism, and insanity, which the liquor trust ought to be compelled to support, but does a burden of direct taxation of nearly $2,000,000,000, collect over two billions of actual cash from our people. They lower terrifically the average standard of productiveness, entailing $8,000,000,000 loss annually. Why, gentlemen, it amounts up in the region of sixteen billions a year, the loss entailed in the collection of a revenue of $230,000,000. Gladstone said to the brewers that claimed special consideration at the hands of the government because of the revenue they paid: "Do not speak to me about the revenue form strong drink. Give me a people who do not squander their substance in strong drink, and I will find a ready and easy means of raising the necessary revenue for carrying on the government." Kansas proves the truth of Gladstones words. The cost of bestializing our country each year is nearly $1,400,000,000. Kansas has driven out the invader. The North American, of Philadelphia, says: "It is this defiance of what other states have legalized as a necesary evil that has helped to make her citizens the richest per capita in the country, and the richest of all agricultural people in the world; that has given her a permanent school fund of $10,000,000, and has reduced her iliteracy to almost nothing." When the terrible drought struck Kansas the Governor issued a statement to the country at large, saying: "With more than $200,000,000 deposit in our national and state banks, we could weather a worse storm than this without hardship. This money equally divided among the men, women and children and babies of Kansas would give each of them $118 in cash, not to mention the tidy sum of $1,684 with each is credited as his or her share of the state's assessed wealth. The pauper population of the state falls a little short of 600. That is one pauper for each 3,000, making a living and a good one—the kind that now own $253,000,000 worth of live stock, and in the last twelve months have added more than $45,000,000 to their taxable personal property. Her own people this year hold more than $67,000,000 in this form of wealth, an increase of over 500 per cent. in five years. How about paupers in liquor-raided, alcoholized Pennsylvania? No slums? Every village almost has the beginning of such a moral cespool!

"THY CHILDREN ARE MINE"

True, true! most horribly true! Every one who has brought up a son knows the struggle—often a losing one, which parents are waging with this accursed Benhadad, the liquor traffic. Who can warn silly boys who are longing "to be men." The one thing that they see which seems to differentiate men from women is the vices of men. Who can save them from the gift of a drink or a cigarette, which often repeated, makes alcoholic and cigarette fiends of them? Boys are much more open to ridicule than girls, and the gibe, "You are a sissy!" is worse than a scorpion sting. The papers told not long ago of a boy who was smoking and handling powder which exploded and burned him so severely that he was expected to die. It was incidentaly mentioned that the cigarettes were a gift from an agent. That is what your boy and mine is meeting when he is silly enough to think a cigar or cigarette is the real evidence of manhood. Dr. S. G. Goldwat, the Commissioner of health in New York City, has been issuing educational leaflets on the subject of intemperance from his department. The department now proposes to outline a scheme for an extensive educational campaign against the use of alcohol—so the Outlook states. In the weekly bulletin of this department the following statements justifying the course of the Commisioner has been made: "A diminution in the consumption of alcohol by the community, according to those who are in a position to know, would mean less tuberculosis, less poverty, less dependency, and less pressure on the hospitals and asylum and jails. Intemperate drinking cuts the support of the family. The drinking of parents weakens the vitality of the children. Drinking mothers lose twice as many children as do sober mothers. More alcoholism is found in parents of feeble-minded children than in parents of normal children. The children of drinkers develop more slowly and do poorer school-work than do the children of abstainers. Alcohol impairs the tone of the muscles, lessens the product of laborers, depreciates the skill and endurance of artisans, impairs memory, multiplies accidents, causes chronic disease of heart, liver, kidneys, stomach and increases the death-rate form pneumonia and lessens the natural immunity to infectious diseases. "Thy children are mine to doom, destroy and enslave," says the Benhadad liquor traffic. Here is a word from Jess Willard, the prize-fighter. Every boy admires a strong man: "Look over the lists of men kiled in the ring and you'll find every man jack of them was either a drinker or some untrained boy who should never have been allowed to put on the gloves. Look how many men drop dead at ball-games! Look into the case and you will find that it was some red-faced, thick-necked man who drank too much, smoked too much and ate too much. They got excited and the tired heart just stopped working. You can't be strong and well unless you live right. You go against nature and you get the worst of it every time. Nature doesn't stand for whiskey and lust." Slavery was almost as primeval a custom as drinking. it has gone—whiskey is going. War is doomed because men are outgrowing the mere animal instincts and are becoming thinking human beings. Education does this. To educate is to humanize. Religion and education together, these are the saviors of mankind against the invading Benhadads of evil.—Pittsburgh Christian Advocate.



MAMMOTH BLACK

The greatest pork producers ever originated. We originated this hog. One we sold dressed 978 pounds. See statement from the man that raised this hog:

Wallburg, N. C., June 15, 1907.
John A. Young, Greensboro, N. C.
Dear Sir:
I have killed the Mammoth Black pig I bought of you and he dressed 978 lbs. net. Yours truly,
J. L. Guyer.

Until Oct. 1st we will sell at $10.00 each, $15.00 per pair, pigs 8 to 10 weeks old.

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS

This Hose Lasts Longer Than Others

Goodyear-Akron Lawn Hose lasts longer than others because it is made to do that. It is made by the makers of the famous Goodyear Automobile Tires. Composed of five layers of alternate new, live rubber and strongest braided cotton. Absolutely seamless. The thick corrugated outer coat, with its six extra large rubber ribs, does away with twisting and kinking. They add immensely to its life.

GOODYEAR AKRON Lawn Hose

Buy Your Garden Tools Here

We Have Everything You Need

ODELL Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER

Proprietor

GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY

DISEASES OF STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL

General Insurance

General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland

108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

Our Little Folks' Department

TEDDY'S QUERY

One brother was tall and slim,
The other chubby and short.
Teddy sat looking at them one night,
Apparently lost in thought.

"Mamma," he asked at length,
"Which would you like the best,
For me to grow north and south, like Tom,
Or, like Willie, from east to west?"
—Youth's Companion.

THE CROW THAT WASN'T AFRAID

A story of some crows that bothered Farmer Grandpa by digging up his corn is told in Primary Education.

"I believe they laugh at my scarecrow," grandpa said.

"Yes, they do,—I heard 'em!" Perley cried. "They go together in a regular conflagration (Perley meant congregation), and laughed out loud,—oh, very loud! 'Caw! caw! caw!'—if that isn't their way of saying 'haw! haw! haw!' then I'm mistaken."

Grandpa smiled.

But it got to be no smiling matter at all. Things began to look serious indeed out in the corn-patch. At last grandpa hit upon a device. He came in to breakfast one morning looking quite satisfied and happy.

"I've got 'em now," he said complacently.

"Got who, David?" dear old grandma asked.

"The crows,—every mother's son of 'em! Let 'em dig up my corn rows now if they want to! I've spread that enormous blue umbrella that the whole family used to go to meeting under when I was a boy. I've got it out there in the middle of my cornpatch, looking like a giant mushroom."

"Or a circus tent," put in Perley, gleefully. He had been walking all around the corn-patch in a triumphant procession of his own.

"I guess they'll laugh o' the inside of their mouths now!" he exulted.

But that noon, a dinner-time, Perley came in out of the blazing sunlight with his little red, moist face drawn down lengthily. He waited till after grandpa asked the blessing and filled all the plates. It was hard work to "break it" to grandpa; but when you had a thing to do, you had better do it before you began on your mashed potatoes and chicken. It was good reasoning, and Perley straightened in his chair.

"Grandpa," he said solemnly, "there's a crow sitting under that umbrella down in the corn-patch. I saw him. He looked real cool and comfortable, out o' the sun."—Selected.

DOROTHY'S MISTAKE

Dorothy had a long talk with Mother as to what she should wear. Mother suggested a pretty new gingham as being dainty and suitable, if they should want to play games—

"But, Mother," said Dorothy, "Marian's friend is from Boston, and her father is a m-m"—

"Millionaire?" suggested Mother.

"Yes, Mother; and they live in a grand house, and have a cottage at the seashore, and—and—Do you think she would play rough games, as we do? O, Mother, I would like to wear my pink silk!"

Mother smiled. She knew that Boston little girls were very much like other little girls; but it was hard to resist her daughter's pleading eyes, and it was better for her to learn some things for herself. So Mother helped her on with the pink silk. It was a pretty dress, of the soft pinky tint one sees in the inside of a seashell, and it was kept for very, very grand occasions.

Dorothy felt very fine, indeed, as she ascended the steps of Marian's house with Marjorie Marie in her arms. Marjorie was a wonderful doll who was also kept for state occasions.

Smiling, Marion opened the door. For an instant there was a blank look in her eyes; but it melted into a smile as she helped Dorothy take off her hat, and led her into the parlor to meet the little guest. Dorothy fancied that little Miss Boston also looked troubled for an instant, but she smiled very pleasantly.

Dorothy noticed at once that both little girls were plainly clad, and it made her feel quite over-dressed; but Marian ran upstairs for her dolls, and the little girls were soon seated on the sofa, admiring Marjorie and chatting merrily.

Suddenly Marian's brother Rob burst into the room in such a startling costume! It was not a baseball rig, and yet it was something like one—bright red and yellow and curiously puffed and slashed.

"Come on, girls!" he cried impatiently. "It's after two, and we're all ready. Harry Lee's brought his trick monkey," he added with a delighted grin.

Marian gasped, and Miss Boston's upper lip trembled a little; but they were brave little girls, and very polite. They exchanged looks. It would never do to take that silk dress to the barn.

"Not this time, Rob," said Marian, quietly, giving him a warning glance; for she saw a troubled look on Dorothy's face. But Rob was so stupid!

"Aw! why?" he cried. "When you've been talkin' about it all day? What's got the matter with you?"

"We're not going, Rob," said Marian, firmly, with a little spark in her eyes.

Rob turned and stamped down the hall and slammed the door. The pleasure was gone from his afternoon; for he, too, had counted on dazzling Miss Boston with his trapeze performance.

While Marian was trying desperately to think of something to say, the troubled look on little Dor's face deepened. Suddenly all the visiting dignity disappeared, and she buried her head in Marjorie Marie's ruffled skirt with wild sobs.

"Oh, I wish I had my gingham dress on!" she wailed.

Then the other girls burst into tears. They crept as close to Dorothy as they could, but did not dare to put their arms around her on account of the pink silk. How Dorothy hated it!

All at once Marian sprang to her feet.

"Come upstairs and put on one of mine!" she cried excitedly.

Up the broad stairs the three little girls tore wildly, leaving that elegant French lady doll with her waxen smile buried in the fur rug in front of the sofa.

"Hurry, hurry!" cried Marian, as they struggled with the fastenings of the gingham, which was a trifle small for plumpt Dor. "We'll be in time, after all."

A moment later Marian was pounding on the barn door. Rob thrust his head out. He grinned broadly before he thought, then he took in the smile and put on an injured look.

"I dunno whether I'm going to let you in or not," he growled.

But he did at last, although he continued to look glum until Marian took him aside and whispered something in his ear. After that he beamed again. He fairly outdid himself in his trapeze performance, and felt fully repaid when he heard Miss Boston say with a pid! chirp of delight, 'Why, he's like a real show-man!"

Then there was a trick dog, then other boys performed, and last of all the trick monkey brought down the house with his funny antics. Then followed a glorious romp in the barn, and a delicious lunch of apple turn-overs and gingersnaps. "I never had such a good time in all my life before," said Dorothy, as she smoothed her tangled locks and donned the pink dress again.

"I never did, either," said Miss Boston. "That is the beautifullest dress I ever saw," she added. "I mean to ask my mother to buy me one just like it."

Dorothy smiled blissfully. Wise little Miss Boston! She knew how to draw the one wee thorn from Dor's happy afternoon.——Mary Marshall Parks, in Sunday School Times.

THE DOLL THAT TALKED

"Dorothy Ann, are you sleepy?" asked Dollikins. Dorothy Ann did not answer, but went on smiling with her red wax lips. Dollikins gave her a little shake. "Dear me!" she said, "I do wish you could talk! I am so tired of having a doll that never answers, no matter how much I say to her. It is very stupid of you, Dorothy Ann. There, go to sleep!"

Dollikins turned her back on Dorothy Ann, and went to sleep herself. Then she began to dream. She thought Dorothy Ann sat up straight in her crib, and opened her blue eyes wide.

"Mamma!" she said.

"Oh, you can talk!" cried Dollikins, joyfully.

"Mamma, my pillow is not at all soft," said Dorothy Ann, in a complaining voice. "And you forgot to take off my shoes."

"I am sorry," said Dollikins.

"And I didn't have anything but mashed potato for my dinner!" cried Dorothy Ann. "I don't like mashed potato. Why don't I have things that I like, mamma?"

Dollikins' cheeks grew quite red. She remembered saying something very like this at luncheon the day before.

"I'm not a bit sleepy!" wailed Dorothy Ann. "Why do I have to go to bed at seven o'clock, mamma? Other little girls don't have to. I wish"—

"Dorothy Ann," said Dollikins, "will you please not talk any more. It makes my head ache!"

Then it was very still.

In the morning Dollikins went over and took up Dorothy Ann, and looked at her. The red lips were smiling as ever, but tight shut.

"Good morning, Dorothy Ann," said Dollikins. "I am very glad you do not know how to talk, my dear; for then you might be a sore trial to your mother!"—Margaret Johnson, in Babyland.

SEWING LESSONS

My mother's teaching me to sew—
She says it's what all girls should know—
And I am trying hard to be
Pro-fi-cient; but I can't, you see.

First place, it's dif-fi-cult to hit
The needle's eye in threading it;
And then sometimes the needle pricks
My fingers, and it often sticks.

And sometimes just to pull it through
The cloth is very hard to do.
But mother says: "Keep trying, dear;
And you'll succeed—have not a fear."

So when I miss the needle's eye,
I say: "Now once again I'll try."
And when—first time—it don't—come through
The cloth, why the next think I do

Is pull again and twice as hard,
Until with pricks I am so scarred
You'd think I'd been grappling with a foe
Instead of learning how to sew.

Helen M. Richardson.

OLD SPECK'S BAD BABIES

Old Speck was a big fluffy-feathered "dominecker" hen, and she belonged to a little girl named Lucy.

Lucy was very fond of old Speck. She had a nest of fresh, clean grass out under the woodshed, and every day Lucy would find a nice white egg in the nest. One day Lucy went to get he egg and found old Speck on the nest; and when she started to slip her hand in the nest old Speck gave a quick little peck at Lucy's hand, and the lit le girl understood that old Speck had made up her mind to raise some baby chicks.

That night Lucy's father came home from a little trip to grandmother's and handed his little daughter a box. "That's a box of goose eggs, Lucy," he remarked as he unwrapped them carefully; "grandmother sent them to you."

"O papa," cried Lucy, "I am going to put them under old Speck and let her hatch the little goslings."

Old Speck felt awfuly proud of the ten big eggs in her nest, and every day she would turn them over; and then, after hopping off for a few bites to eat, she would shake her fluffy feathers and back she would go.

One morning Lucy went to the nest and, behold! there were eight beautiful little downy yellow goslings.

Mama took old Speck and her babies out in the yard and placed them in the sunshine.

Old Speck looked a little disappointed at the yellow chickens; she expected her babies to look more like her. The gosling babies were happy as could be, and when they began to toddle over the fresh green grass, nibbling a sprig here an there, old Speck was a litle disapproving; but they grew, and the old hen loved them dearly. It nearly broke her heart when she would lay before them a big fat worm or bug and away they would scoot, jabbering their goose language. Finally old Speck would grow tired of waiting for their return, would leave her bug offering for another chicken to find, and would go in search of her frightened children.

"Mama," said Lucy one day while they watched old Speck follow up her babies time after time and offer them something they would refuse, "isn't it funny how old Speck follows her bad babies? It looks like after while she would get tired following and digging for them."

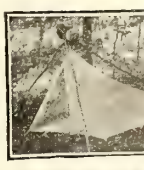
"Yes, dear, it does seem that way," answered mama, "but old Speck is like human mothers, after all. No matter how tired they get, they still are willing to follow and dig for their babies. —By Alice L. Whitson



Standard
Memorial Windows
Made in High Point

Beautiful in design—strong in construction. Largest and oldest glass plant in the South. Capacity for any and all orders and prompt delivery. Satisfaction guaranteed. References—any of our old customers or any bank or banker in High Point. Write for catalog.

Standard Mirror Co.
High Point, N. C.



An Ideal Vacation

The blue sky overhead, your gun or your rod, a congenial companion and the

Sportsman's COMPAC TENT

"Go Light But Right."

It weighs only 3 3-4 lbs. and when rolled measures 4x16 inches. Nevertheless when open you have a comfortable tent, 6 ft. wide, 8 ft. long and 4 ft. to peak. It is equipped with four adjustable ventilators and floor cloth sewn in as part of tent. Water-proof, snake-proof and bug-proof. Easily erected and guaranteed durable.
Write for samples of material and catalogue.

COMPAC TENT COMPANY,
203 W. 10th ST., INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Flat Rock, Upward 18-19
Central, night 19
West Asheville 26
Tryon and Saluda, night 26-27
Fairview, Fairview 2-
October
Haywood St., night 3
Spring Creek, Antioch 9-10
Hot Springs, night 10
Weaverville Ct., Salem 16-17
Elk Mountain, night 17
Hot Springs & Marshall, Marshall ..23-24
Walnut, Jewel Hill, night 24-25
Sulphur Springs, Snow Hill 30-31
Bethel, night 31
November
Swannanoa, Swannanoa 6-7
Black Mountain, night 7
Biltmore & Mt. Pleasant, Biltmore ...14

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Matthews, Matthews 18-19
Belmont, night 19
Prospect, Bethlehem 25-26
Monroe, Central 26-27
October
Weddington, Hebron 2-3
Waxhaw, Mineral Springs, 3 p. m....3-4
Lilesville, Lilesville 9-10
Trinity, night 10
Polkton, Hopewell 16-17
Unionville, Mill Grove 23-24
North Monroe, N. Monroe, night 24
Marshville, Marshville 30-31
Brevard, night 31
November
Ansonville, Concord 6-7
Wadesboro, night 7
Dilworth, 11 a. m. 14
Spencer Memorial, 3 p. m. 14
Tryon, night 14

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—James H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Greensboro, Zion 18-19
Gibsonville 19-20
Pleasant Garden, Pleasant Garden, 25-26
Spring Garden 26-27
October
West Greensboro, Jamestown 2-3
Centenary 3-4
Coleridge Ct., Coleridge 9-10
Ramseur and Franklinville, Franklinville 16-17
Deep River, Central Falls 16-17
Uwharrie, Oak Grove 23-24
Denton, Denton 24-25
Randolph, Trinity 30-31
Wesley Memorial, High Point 30-31
Main Street, High Point 31-32
East End 31-32
November
Asheboro 6-7
Randleman 6-7
West Market 13-14

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Green River, Bethlehem 18-19
Broad River, Tanner's Grove 25-26
Henrietta and Caroleen, Caroleen ..26-27
October
Forest City, Pleasant Grove 2-3
Cliffside, Oak Grove 2-3
Rutherfordton, Gilkey 9-10
Morganton Ct., Oak Forest 16-17
Connelly Springs 23-24
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Spruce Pine 30-31
November
Micaville, Martin's Chapel 5
Bald Creek 6-7
Burnsville 7-8
Marion Ct., Capernaum 13-14

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Debson, Stony Knoll 18-19
Yadkinville, Long Town 25-26
October
Rural Hall, Rural Hall 2-3
Mount Airy Ct., Salem 9-10
Danbury, Snow Hill 16-17
Madison and Stoneville, Madison ...24-25
Leaksville 26
Spray 27-31
Draper 28-31
November
Jonesville, Ebenezer 6-7
Elkin 6-7
Ararat, Hunters 13-14

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Wilkes, Lebanon 4-5
Elk Park, Banner Elk 7-8
Avery, Pine Grove 11-12
Boone, Boone 18-19
Watauga, Valle Crucis 23
Creston, Clifton 25-26
October
Sparta, Sparta 3-4
Laurel Springs, Laurel Springs 9-10
Helton, Greenwood 16-17
Jefferson, Orion 24
Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro 31

Revival Meetings
North Wilkesboro ....August 22-29
Boone, Boone .... Sept. 14-21
Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro .. Oct. 31-Nov. 7

All churches not yet visited will be visited on the fourth round. These side dates have been arranged with the pastors. Let all the pastors make proper announcements. All official members are urged to be present at the fourth quarterly conference.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Rhodhiss Sta., Rhodhiss, 11 a. m. ..18-19
West Hickory, West Hickory, night 19-20
Stony Point Ct., Stony Pt., 11 a. m., 25-26
Alexander Ct., Hiddenite, 3 p. m. ..26-27
October
Iredell Ct., Snow Creek, 11 a. m. 2-3
Broad St., Statesville, night 3-4
Cool Spring Ct., Clarksburg, 11 a. m. 9-10
Race St., Statesville, night 10-11
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 a. m., 16-17
Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, night 17-18
Troutman Ct., Shiloh, 11 a. m. 23-24
Davidson Sta., Davidson, night 24-25
Statesville Ct., N. Statesville, 11 a. m. 30-31
Mooresville Sta., Mooresville, night 31-Nov. 1
November
Hickory Ct., Fairgrove, 11 a. m. 6-7
Newton Sta., Newton, night 7-8
Maiden Ct., May's Chapel, 11 a. m., 13-14

Final Meetings
October
Lenoir Ct. (all churches), Lenoir, 11 a. m. 5
South Lenoir and Valmead, South Lenoir, night 5
South Lenoir and Valmead, Whitnel, night 6
Granite Falls and Hudson, Granite Falls, 3 p. m. 12
North Lenoir Ct., (all churches) Lenoir, 11 a. m. 13
West Hickory, (all churches) West Hickory, night 14
Alexander Ct., (all churches) Hiddenite, 3 p. m. 19
Stony Point Ct., (all churches) Stony Point, 11 a. m. 20
Statesville Ct., Marvin, 11 a. m. 21
Statesville Ct., Bethel, 3 p. m.....21
Mooresville Ct., (all churches) Mooresville, 11 a. m. 26
Troutman Ct., (all churches) Troutman, 11 a. m. 27
Cool Spring Ct., (all churches) New Salem, 11 a. m. 28
Iredell Ct., (all churches) Olin, 11 a. m. 29
November
Catawba Ct., (all churches) Catawba, 11 a. m. 2
Statesville Ct., Bethlehem, 11 a. m. ..3
Race St., Statesville, night 4
Davidson Sta., Davidson, night 9
Mt. Zion-Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 11 a. m. 10

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder
Fourth Round

September
Lowell, Bethesda 18-19
McAdenville, McAdenville 19
Lincoln Ct., McKendree 25
Lincolnton, Lincolnton 26
October
South Fork, Ebenezer 1
Belwood, Fallston 2
Stanly, Stanly 3
Polkville, Casar 9-10
Lowesville, Salem 16-17
Mt. Holly, Mt. Holly 17-18
Rock Spring, W. Chapel 23-24
Crouse, Crouse 30-31
November
Shelby Ct., Sharon 6

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Concord, Epworth and Center, Epworth, 11 a. m. 19
West Concord, Kerr St., night 19
Woodleaf, Ebenezer 25-26
China Grove and Landis, China Grove, night 26-27
October
Mt. Pleasant, Cold Springs 2-3
Concord, Central, 11 a. m. 3
Concord, Forest Hill, night 3
Albemarle, Central, 11 a. m. 10
Albemarle, First Street, night 10
Albemarle Ct., Pine Grove 16-17
Salem Ct., Salem 17-18
Concord Ct., Rocky Ridge 24-25
Westford, night 24
Bethel and Loves Chapel 30-31
November
Gold Hill Ct., Zion 6-7
New London Ct., Bethel 7-8
Kannapolis Ct., Shiloh 13-14
Kannapolis Sta., night 14

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Bryson and Whittier 18-19
Judson Ct., Judson 25-26
Robbinsville 30
October
Murphy Ct., Peachtree 2
Murphy Station 3
Haysville Ct. 9-10
Ranger Ct., Rodgers 13-14
Andrews Station 17
Franklin Ct., Bethel 23
Franklin Station 24
Macon Ct., Mt. Zion 24-25
Highlands Ct., Highlands 27
Glenville Ct., East Laporte 30-31
November
Clyde Ct., East Waynesville 6
Waynesville Station 7
Canton Station 7

WINSTON DISTRICT—Hugh K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Thomasville Ct., Zion 18-19
Thomasville, Main St., night 17-19
Forsyth, Mount Tabor 25-26
October
Jackson Hill, Poplar Spring 2-3
Farmington, Smith Grove 9-10
Cooleemee, night 10
Walkertown, 11 a. m. 17
Advance, Advance 16-17
Lewisville, New Hope 23-24
Davie, Hardison 30-31
Mocksville, night 29-31
November
Kernersville, Kernersville 6-7

DRINKING THAT HAS PROVEN BENEFICIAL

This is not a statement to cause consternation among our readers, because the beverage is Fonticello Mineral Water. The waters from this Mineral Spring have made restorations to health in cases of sickness of such long standing that the sufferers had given themselves up to believe that recovery was impossible. The proposition in a nutshell is this: Pure Water—water that is free from organic matter is known by the medical profession to be the safest and best of all agents to cleanse the system—and flush the blood and vital organs before the refuse can contaminate them and interfere with their functions. It is through intemperate eating and drinking of beverages, or the failure to drink plenty of water, and the exercise of common sense in living that we incur sickness, which finally becomes chronic.

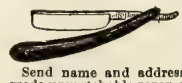
But to prove the truth of the statement that Fonticello Mineral Water has made these wonderful restorations to health we make this **Guarantee:**

We will send you statements from physicians of acknowledged high reputation, of ministers and others who will show positively that Fonticello Water has cured them of many chronic diseases, including dyspepsia, indigestion, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney and liver diseases, uric acid, etc.

We will ship you two five gallon carboys of Fonticello Water with the understanding that if it does not benefit you, **we will return full purchase price.**

Fill out this coupon and mail today
Note our guarantee

I want to try Fonticello Mineral Water and promise to use it regularly, daily, drinking the number of glasses prescribed in the directions which you agree to send me. If this treatment does not prove beneficial, yoou agree to refund purchase price upon receipt by you of the two empty carboys which I promise to return promptly. Enclosed find $2.00 for which please send me two gallons of Fonticello Mineral Water referred to above.
Name .....
P. O. .....
Express Office .....
Note.—This coupon is our acceptance of above terms and guarantee.
FONTICELLO MINERAL SPRINGS CO.
Dept. C., Richmond, Va.



GREATEST RAZOR Offer Ever Made!

Send name and address (no money) and get this high-grade unmatchable razor, round or square point, on 20 days free trial. If satisfied it is the best razor you ever used and wish to keep it send $1.40, if not return it. This razor is made by a secret process that insures a velvet shave.
D. A. BATEMAN, 230 E. MARKET ST., LOUISVILLE, KY.

We Will Pay You $120.00
to distribute religious literature and take orders in your community. 60 days work. Man or woman. Experience not required. Spare time may be used.
International Bible Press, Philadelphia
850 Winston Building

FITTING GLASSES RIGHT
IS EASY, CLEAN AND PROFITABLE WORK.
As a Profession it is known as
OPTOMETRY.
We Teach Optometry in All its Branches.
Wake up and learn to Fit Glasses better than the other fellow. Business today demands Trained Men.
Write for Catalogue.
Correspondence and Attendance Courses.
Northern Illinois College of Ophthalmology,
G. W. McFATRICH, M. D., Pres.,
Masonic Temple, CHICAGO, ILL.

STATESVILLE, SNOW CREEK, TURNERSBURG AND MOUNT BETHEL—IN THE WOODS STILL DODGING ABOUT

(Continued from Page 10)

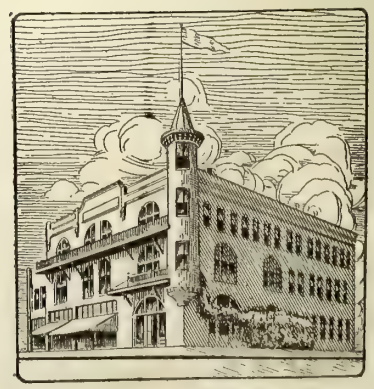
sing "a nobler, sweeter song" in heaven.

That little church was one appointment on the Iredell circuit and those named in the heading of this article were some others on it, and the circuit embraced all of Iredell county. The circuit was in the Salisbury district, which seemed to have covered about all of Western North Carolina not included in the Holston and South Carolina Conferences, and how far east of Salisbury I cannot now say. Both the district and circuit parsonages were located at Olin. Both the district and circuit have been divided and sub divided, until now there is at least five districts, if not six, in the old Salisbury district, and at least threee stations and five circuits in the original Iredell circuit. That little church has come out of the woods and now occupies a place on the front line. Step by step it has gone forward until the climax is reached in Broad Street church, a splendid up-to-date church edifice, surpassing all others in the city and well nigh all others in the Western North Carolina Conference, and which was built at a cost of nearly $50,000. I made this visit to fill our engagement with Rev. John F. Kirk, the pastor, to preach for his congregation at the 11 o'clock hour on the following Sabbath, he being absent conducting a revival meeting in the country.

(Concluded next week)

THE BLUE MARBLE QUARRY OF NORTH CAROLINA

The quarrying and manufacture of marble has been one of the world's great industries since the dawn of civilization; it is a particular important industry in North Carolina; for this state stands alone in the Southern production of blue marble, a highly prized marble quarry product. The Regal Marble Company of Regal, N. C., are the owners and operators of the quarries and their Regal Blue is famed for its beautiful permanent color and extreme durability; due to its very slight absorption of moisture. A finely equipped finishing plant, employing only native Southern workmen in all departments is an important adjunct to these well known quarries.



BLUE RIDGE INN
Mount Airy, N. C. W. M. Jordan, Prop.
Mount Airy's Leading Hotel
Rates $2.00 and $2.50—All meals 50 cents—Electric Lights, Steam Heat, Electric Bell System, Hot and Cold Baths—American plan—A clean up-to-date home for the tourist or traveling man, in a beautiful mountain city.

Our Dead

IN MEMORIAM

On July 18, 1915, Walter Marvin Hauss, in his twenty-seventh year, was called from this life to be with God.

Marvin, the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Hauss, was a most noble young man, possessing a studious disposition anda religious turn of mind. He was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, at the age of 13. He was ever afterwards a most enthusiastic church worker, and thought not of his own pleasure but of the happiness and blessings of others. No one knew him but to love him, and he always possessed the happy disposition toward him.

About four years ago, while working hard to complete his course at Rutherford College, he was attacked with a severe case of stomach trouble and later he took tuberculosis. He spent two years at Asheville under the care of the most skilled doctors, but returned home last November very little improved.

During all his years of suffering he never complained, but was always cheerful and patient. His last days were his brightest. He preached but one sermon and that was his pure life. Let us strive to meet him where parting will be over and all will be happy and bright. His friends,

H. R. Deal.

McCOURRY.—Zella McCourry was born August 5, 1895. She professed faith in Christ and joined the Methodist church in 1911, and remained a consistent member until death May 1, 1915.

Zella was a noble girl, devoted to her home, church and friends. When able she was always present at Sunday school and church, and was interested in every good cause. She delighted in making her loved ones and friends happy. The writer and family shall never forget the many acts of kindness shown by Zella. She always came with a smile and kind word which was an inspiration to all. To know her was to love her.

We can't understand why God took her away so early in life; but He knows best and doeth all things well. Our loss is her eternal gain.

She suffered several months, but bore her affliction patiently, never murmuring nor complaining, but relying on God who helps us bear our pains, sorrows and cares. She passed down the valley and shadow of death realizing her loving Savior was with her. May He in whom she trusted ever strengthen, sustain and comfort the bereaved ones, and in the resurrection may the family cords that death has broken be again united in heaven never to be broken.

Robert F. Mock.

BAILEY.—Pauline Bailey, the infant of Brother and Sister M. L. Bailey, passed away some months ago, age nineteen months. She was a bright little girl and had become one of the brightest stars in the home. Its little life was a light and a source of comfort to the family. It was the center of the affections of the family, but while this was true God had another home for the little angel, and on the evening of the second day of May, 1915, God called it from its earthly father and mother to its eternal rest and joy.

We can't understand why God in His infinite love does call such little ones away in death, but His will be done and not ours. He doeth all things for our good, yet His doings may be a mystery to us now, but some day we shall understand why our heavenly Father called little Pauline away in such an hour, and when she was such a joy in the home.

The funeral of this infant was conducted at the church of the parents, Horton's Hill, by their pastor, with a large crowd of relatives and friends.

Pauline's body is lying beneath the sod, in the silent tomb, waiting the morning of resurrection, and the God of all comfort and all power shall call it from this silent tomb into a spiritual life, and into a world of joy and peace and where death shall have no more power, but one continual flow of life eternal and joy unspeakable.

May God comfort the parents and the host of friends of Pauline and in the morning of the resurrection may the family cords that death has broken be again united in heaven in eternal love never to be severed again.

Robert F. Mock.

MUIR'S CHAPEL MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Resolutions of Respect

Whereas, It has pleased our heavenly Father to remove from our society our oldest and most highly esteemed member, Sister Mary J. Boren, who fell asleep in Jesus July 30, 1915;

Whereas, We feel that our loss is her eternal gain, yet we miss her sweet, gentle influence and holy, consecrated life among us; therefore be it resolved:

First—That we bow in humble submission to the divine will of him who doeth all things well.

Second—That we extend our sincerest sympathy to the bereaved ones and pray God's richest blessings upon them.

Third—That the mantle of her godly life may not only fall upon her children and loved ones, but upon each member of our society.

Fourth—That a copy of these resolutions be presented to the family of the deceased, a copy spread upon our minutes, and a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Mrs. W. L. Dawson,
Mrs. R. W. Edwards
Mrs. Lee S. Smith.

SPAUGH.—Sarah Fannie Moser, wife of Lewis T. Spaugh, was born June 2, 1869, and died August 15, 1915, age 46 years, 2 months and 13 days. She joined the M. E. Church South at the age of eight years and lived a consistent Christian life, always attending church and Sunday school when her health would permit.

Mrs. Spaugh was always cheerful and won the hearts of the children and young people as well as older ones by her loving disposition. The needy and suffering were always helped by her hands.

The 27 years of her married life were blessed with three children; viz., Charles Ernest, Mrs. Eugene Conrad, Jr., and Ethel Lee. Mrs. Conrad and Charles Ernest preceded their mother to the place of rest a few months.

Mrs. Spaugh was in declining health for several months, but was confined her her bed only a few days. Although the end came rather unexpectedly, we feel sure she was ready to mee her God. She remarked from time to time that she didn't fear death but that all suffering would be ended when she joined her loved ones gone before. Her only regret seemed to be leaving her husband, one lonely daughter, and three brothers. But what we have lost by her death has been her eternal gain.

Death brings with it so many mysteries, and there are many things we cannot understand. "But now we see through a glass darkly, but then face to face: now we know in part; but then shall we know even as also we are known."

The interment was made in the Lewisville cemetery, Monday, August 17. The funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. J. E. McSwain, assisted by Rev. A. G. Loftin of Catawba. The church was filled to overflowing with friends and relatives who met to show their love and respect and to shower her grave with flowers. Although Mrs. Spaugh's body has returned to the dust, and her spirit to God who gave it, her Christian graces live on in the minds and hearts of all who knew her.

Margaret Combs McSwain.

JOHNSON.—Hugh F. Johnson was born near Horse Shoe, Henderson Co., March 4, 1858, and died April 7, 1915.

He was converted in early life, at the Shaw's Creek Camp Ground, united with the Methodist church, where he remained a most loyal member as long as he lived.

On the 13th of June, 1880, he was married to Miss Carrie Allen, who was to him a true, devoted wife and faithful companion. There were born to this couple eight children, three girls and five boys: Samuel Johnson, of Hendersonville, N. C.; J. B. and Frank Johnson, Asheville, N. C.; Roy Johnson and Mrs. Maud Pinner, of Pomaria, S. C., and Mrs. Nina Barnette and Gus and Annie Laura Johnson, of Horse Shoe.

Bro. Johnson was a sufferer from asthma for more than 25 years, but endured all this with unusual patience, ever retaining a cheerful disposition. Just before he died he assured us that he regretted to leave his loved ones, but that he was ready to go; that there was not a cloud in his spiritual sky.

He was a good citizen and will be greatly missed both in the church and community. He loved his family and they showed him every mark of attention, seeking every opportunity to make life to him just as pleasant as possible. We are glad we ever knew Bro. Johnson and will ever cherish his memory.

May the dear Father comfort the hearts of the loved ones, and be very near Sister Johnson, who feels her loss more keenly, perhaps, than any other, and may each of the children be shielded from sin, and kept in the "straight and narrow way," and be as true to God and all the interests of the church, as was their sainted father.

His pastor, R. F. Honeycutt.

SELF.—Mrs. Catherine Self was born April 21, 1835, died August 9, 1915, aged 80 years, 3 months and 18 days. She was a native of Cleveland county, and perhaps for sixty-five or more years was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. At her death she held her membership in Fallston church on the Belwood charge.

Sister Sely was a widow for more than sixty years, her husband having died when she was twenty years old. To this union there was but one child, a daughter. Sister Self was living with her daughter, Mrs. George Royster, of Cleveland county, when death came.

She loved the Christian Advocate and always looked forward with pleasure to the mail which brought the paper. During the short period of her sickness she talked to her visiting neighbors about the good news which her church paper contained, and hoped they would read it. She lived a noble life and died a triumphant death. God bless the sorrowing ones.

J. F. Moser.

RESOLUTIONS

The Woman's Missionary Society of Central Methodist Episcopal Church of Shelby, N. C., wishes to express its appreciation of the character and life of the late Mrs. Mary Taylor Hudson, a charter member of the society, who also assisted in the organization of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Western North Carolina Conference. She was faithful to every phase of the missionary cause. Her Christian activity was equal to her opportunity. To the society she gave of her means, her prayers, and her labors, and carried it upon her heart, when, because of the infirmities of age, she could no longer attend its meetings. Be it therefore resolved:

First—That while the society feels her loss it will cherish her memory and endeavor to follow the example of her consecrated life.

Second—That the sincere sympathy of the society is extended to her sister, Mrs. Amanda Lee, and the famiyl of her sister, Mrs. W. H. Miller, in whose home her last years were so comfortably and happily spent.

Third—That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, also to the Cleveland Star (Shelby, N. C.) and the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

Mrs. Lou L. Sloop,
Mrs. L. L. Miller,
Committee.

GEORGE WHITFIELD ASHBY

Again Mt. Airy Methodism is in sorrow over thel oss of a good man. Whitt Ashby, the name by which his friends knew him, passed away at his home in this city on September 4.

He was in his sixtieth year, having been born in Patrick county, Va., Nov. 26, 1855. He was one of a family of nine children, the survivors being Rev. James M. Ashby, Dr. Thomas B. Ashby, Mrs. W. L. Gwynn and Mrs. J. W. Schaub.

He was converted in his 14th year under the ministry of Marcus L. Wood. Sixteen boys of about the same age, one of whom was Rev. R. M. Taylor, were converted at the same service. For thirty-five years he led the Christian life. His place at preaching and prayer meeting for all that time was rarely vacant. He read his Bible and the Advocate, and was therefore an intelligent, liberal, loyal Methodist. For some years he has served as steward. He leaves a wife (nee Miss Rosella Brinker), five children, and a large circle of devoted friends to mourn his loss.

W. H. Willis.





Board of Church Extension

1. Its Aim

1. An adequate church building for every congregation.
2. A comfortable parsonage for every itinerant preacher.

2. Its Achievements

1. Aided in housing 9,235 of our 19,735 congregations.
2. Aided in building parsonages for 2,458 itinerant preachers.

3. Its Present Task

1. A roof over 2,593 homeless congregations and modern buildings for thousands inadequately housed.
2. Parsonages for 1,155 homeless itinerant preachers and better homes for thousands of others.

4. Its Resources

1. Annual assessment on the Church of $300,000.00.
2. Loan Fund Capital of $671,436.19.

5. Its Appeal

1. That pastors and churches everywhere make special effort to secure the Conference Collections in *full*, and that in case of failure to secure full payment on total connectional claims, the Church Extension assessment and all others be given a "square deal" in the division of receipts.
2. That borrowers from the Loan Fund Capital of the Board pay installment of interest and principal promptly when due, that others may receive needed and promised aid.
3. That pastors, presiding elders, lay leaders and others be on the lookout for contributions of money, land, notes, or other securities to the Loan Fund Capital of the Board, either as absolute gifts or on the annuity plan, and to be used in creating Memorial or other Loan Funds.

6. "Finally, Brethren"

1. Appropriations already made cannot be paid in full if there is a decrease in receipts on assessments.
2. In almost every community may be found those willing to increase the efficiency of the Board and their own income by the purchase of the Annuity Bonds of the Board. The security is absolute. The office wants their names.
3. Send for six-page folder describing more than three score *free* publications, and pick out what you want for personal use, Sunday school, Epworth League and congregation.
4. Is your Sunday school using the Birthday Sunday School Loan Fund Jar? If not, why not? Write for booklet.

Board of Church Extension
of the
Methodist Episcopal Church, South
[Incoporated]

Address W. F. McMURRY
Corresponding Secretary
LOUISVILLE, KY.

VOLUME LX NUMBER 38

Reading Room Trinity College

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

GREENSBORO, N. C., THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1915

My Duty

By Ernest Lee Thompson

Just to be faithful in things that are small,
Just to walk steady where others may fall,
Just to be willing if Jesus should call;
This is my duty to Him.

Just to be friendly to those I dislike,
Just to act kindly when others would strike,
Just to keep busy with things that are right;
This is my duty to Him.

Just to drive somebody's darkness away,
Just to make brighter the world of today,
Just to strew flowers along life's pathway;
This is my duty to Him.

Just to let Jesus have perfect control,
Just to know daily His grace makes me whole,
Just to have heavenly peace in my soul;
This is my duty to Him.—*Northwestern Christian Advocate.*

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

TO SUBSCRIBERS

We are sending out reminders to our subscribers who are past date for renewal. We do this because we must have money to meet bills so as to keep on sending out the paper. No offense should be taken, but each one is expected to reply with either a remittance or a promise to remit. We are very thankful to those who are responding so nicely.

THE EPWORTH LEAGUE

This is specifically the Young People's organization of the Methodist church. The growth of the League has not been rapid, it is true, but it has been quite as rapid as that of the Sunday school. It is usually conceded that the Sunday school now has almost two centuries of history behind it, yet it is a fact that the older men and women of today can recall the period when the Sunday school was scarcely a pronounced force in the religious world.

In all organic life there is a period of slow development. Plants and animals must be carried through a period of slow, if not uncertain, growth, and must be, for the time being, objects of constant care and solicitude. We all understand how the hard fibre is put into the muscle of the boy and how the strength that can resist the storm is put into the oak, by the slow process of resistance and struggle.

It is a matter of regret that an organization so well adapted to develop the young life of the church and make of it a great working force, should be discounted or under-estimated by our pastors. Yet there is hardly a doubt that the Epworth League has been a dead letter in most places because pastors have failed to see the value of it or appreciate the place which it occupies in our system of evangelization and training.

We trust the meeting at Spencer may serve to inspire our young men and women, and that they may carry back to the local churches such a glow of enthusiasm as will fire the whole Conference.

A STATUTORY INJUSTICE

The reader may be somewhat startled to read in the Advocate on the editorial page the statement that the Methodist church has provided by law to do an injustice to her pastors. We say the Methodist church, and we speak advisedly so far as the two great bodies of Methodism in America are concerned.

The reader may find what we refer to by reference to page 148, paragraphs 376-379 in our Book of Discipline. Reading this carefully, it will be seen that the law of the M. E. Church, South, makes no provision for a pastor in case the members should, for any reason, fail to pay the assessment. In fact, it was long ago decided that in moving from a charge no pastor "shall have any claim as of debt" against the charge, no matter how far short they may have come of fulfilling their agreement to support him.

We are glad to note the evident quickening of the conscience of the church in the matter of ministerial support. The estimates for support are far more liberal now than they were only a few years ago. Besides, there is a growing interest in the establishment of an Emergency Fund, by which it is proposed to guarantee a minimum salary in all our charges. Nevertheless, it is still possible in some instances for a faithful pastor to find himself short at the end of the year with no recourse save the old one of moving on and leaving the charge to repeat the tragedy with some other faithful man and family, and may be to have it repeated upon himself in another field.

The question is a delicate one, and we would not for a moment be understood as favoring the reduction of our system to a commercial standard of hard-and-fast bargaining between pastor and flock; but we do feel that we are far enough advanced in our appreciation of what is honest to justify the organization of some plan which would trouble the conscience of delinquents at least once a year, and make it a little more difficult for them to settle their obligations by coolly telling the preacher to pass on to another field. It is time for all to agree that, if the pastor is to be dumb before his shearers, there ought to be some one with authority to speak for him in a way to arouse the conscience of those who are capable of such injustice.

Referring to the same condition which still abides with our brethren of the Methodist Episcopal Church, a writer in the Northwestern Christian Advocate says:

"The law of our church makes it impossible for the preacher to get any remuneration for the service he renders the local church should it be unwilling to pay him. In regard to final deficiences in pastoral support Paragraph 316 of the Discipline says: "In no case, however, shall the church or the Conference be held accountable for a final deficiency." Now why should the church be granted the right of refusing to pay its chief employees? And why should the right of these employees to make collections, when refused their wages, be denied them?

To argue that it is just because the preacher is not promised a salary but only a "comfortable support" is to evade the entire question and take refuge in a technicality. The fact is he is not given the indefinite promise of "a comfortable support," but is promised a definite sum of money as is shown by our practice, and provided for in our Discipline (Paragraph 10), and is proven by the records of the quarterly conference. As far as the legality and morality of the question are concerned there should be no quibbing over the name that may have been technically assigned; the central fact remains the same whether we call it a "salary" or a "comfortable support."

Shall we look the matter squarely in the face? Is not Methodism's declaration to the local churches about like this: "You must promise your pastor a "comfortable support" but you need not pay him a penny of it unless you want to?" The Discipline has something to say about receiving things under a promise of payment when there is no "probability of paying for them." Why then should it openly sanction receiving things under a promise of paying when there is no recognition of an obligation to pay? Our discipline seems to be sadly inconsistent in its doctrines of honesty and honor, and this laxity of conscience in financial matters which the church fosters has repeatedly proven a serious handicap. To say the preacher will receive his salary if he earns it is to imply a degree of spirituality on the part of the membership which results will not bear out. A system of this kind would paralyze the industrial world in a week's time. May it not have had a somewhat similar effect upon many Methodist ministers. There is no adequate reason in religion, or morals, or anything else why a preacher's support ought not to be a legal claim.

DEATH OF REV. S. S. GASQUE

Again the ranks of our Conference have been invaded. This time the summons comes to one of the old guard—to one who, for many years, has been upon the roll of honor.

Rev. S. S. Gasque joined the Florida Conference at Madison, Fla., in 1882, and was transferred to the Western North Carolina Conference in 1891. He came to this Conference because of failing health, and, for a number of years, did faithful work and became apparently stronger for awhile. His health failing however, in the year 1893 he took a superannuate relation and removed to Lake City, South Carolina, where he has resided since with relatives.

We regret the absence of such data as would enable us to give a full account of the life work of our departed brother. A note from Rev. W. H. Hodges, pastor at Lake City, telling of the death of Brother Gasque on Thursday, September 17th, and of his burial at that place on the following day, is all the information we have. We have written Brother Hodges requesting a full memoir which we hope to furnish our readers at an early day.

The Advocate joins the many friends of Brother Gasque throughout the Conference in the prayer that divine comfort may be given the bereaved family.

BEAUTIFYING THE PREMISES

We have observed with growing interest the movement for civic improvement which has been on for some years. It is remarkable how little thought the average citizen gives to order and system in arranging things about the home. Most men and some women seem to think that any labor spent to beautify the premises is a work of supererogation; and, to spend money for mere ornamentation, would be a sacrilege. Only the comparative few seem to have an awakening sense of the value of the clean and beautiful.

God has been good to us in making a world so beautiful, adorned with rivers and mountains and landscapes, all bedecked with flowers which not only beautify the world but load the atmosphere with a fragrance which makes every land an Eden. What could demonstrate more completely that man is fallen indeed than his capacity to shut his eyes to these things and utterly fail to appreciate them?

We are glad to see the tendency, through civic organization and the agitation of the importance of cultivating a taste for the beautiful, to bring the blessing of cleanliness and beauty to our homes. It is a sign of the coming of a better day when our people begin to study the art of making the home more beautiful and the surroundings more attractive. We have very grave doubts whether religion in the best sense can be cultivated and the highest type of religious character can be developed amid surroundings of squalor and filth. All people can make their homes clean if they will, no matter how humble they may be. And, having made them clean they can make them attractive by the planting and cultivation of vines, flowering plants, evergreens and such other ornamental plants as are indigenous to our soil. Laziness and low tastes are all that there is to hinder any of our people from having homes so attractive as to make it a delight to visit them.

The following which was reproduced recently by one of our exchanges will be read with interest and profit, because it tells how one person becomes the beneficiary of the industry and good taste, if we might not say, religion, of one who has long since passed away. The writer says:

"I am living at an old homestead that has belonged to several generations of the same family. It has now passed into the hands of strangers; the members of the old family are dispersed and gone far away. But this place is a memorial to them, and especially to the first lady who came here as a bride and lived here as wife and mother through a long and useful life. Her impress is still upon everything, her spirit lives anew in the recurrent blooming of her rose garden. I, a stranger, feel a kinship with her as I breathe their dewy fragrance. Early in the spring myriads of daffodils, jonquils and narcissus came up in great haste. Some bore trumpets and were the trumpeters of the good tidings of spring, the eternal yellows of all the sunsets within the hearts of them, their fragrance and freshness almost divine. At Easter time the white flags unfurled in all their purity, an emblem of the sweet spirit of her whose pure thought and innate love of the beautiful gave them, a perpetual gift of loveliness, to those that came after her. Today there is a flaming of crimson lilies and amaryllis against the green shrubbery. Nor can we who are the inheritors of this loveliness forget that the sweetness of one woman made it all possible. Though she is mingled with the dust, the work of her hands lives on in the beauteous life of the lilies; she is immortalized in the blooming of her flowers."

EDITORIAL MEDITATIONS

Normal Religious Experience is always looking for better things. There may be, and doubtless is, positive assurance of pardon and sonship, but there is never full satisfaction with attainments. St. Paul states the case exactly when he says, "Brethren I count not myself to have apprehended; but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, * * * I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." (Phil. 3:13.) This is one reason why, if all the people of the community were professing Christians there would still be room and need for revival services.

* * * *

To Speak a Word of Appreciation to the minister whose sermon has taken hold and helped you will do him no harm if he is a true man. Referring to the effect of praise an unknown writer has this to say which we endorse fully: "Praise may puff up a shallow nature, but it always brings something of humility to a deep one. Love and commendation are sweet, but just because they are worth so much the true and earnest spirit is touched with a sense of its own unworthiness as it receives them, a longing to be better fitted for the trust reposed in it. It is not the flash of scorn but the light of love that reveals us to ourselves and stirs us to our best effort."

* * * *

Do Life's Common Tasks, is a motto well worth the consideration of every one who may be troubled with the question of a call to service. So many people have the vision upon faraway fields and thus fail to see those that are near at hand. Lord Haughton gives us this beautiful sentiment in this connection: "The best things are nearest—breath in your nostrils, light in your eyes, flowers at your feet, duties at your hand, the path of God just before you. Then do not grasp at the stars, but do life's plain common work as it comes, certain that daily duties and daily bread are the sweetest things of life."

* * * *

St. Peter's Addition Table is worthy of our constant study. Here we find a rational process leading up to the ultimate goal of that perfection of character, as well as experience, toward which all Christians must ever strive. Faith is of course, the foundation stone upon which the whole superstructure must stand. The next is often misunderstood, because our translation uses a word which does not carry well the full meaning. "Add to your faith courage"—not virtue. Speaking of this essential element of the Christian character, Phillips Brooks says: "More and more we come to see that courage is a positive thing. It is not simply the absence of fear. To be brave is not merely not to be afraid. Courage is that compactness and clear coherance of all a man's faculties and powers which make his manhood a single operative unit in the world."

* * * *

A Great Truth Strongly Stated by Bishop Kilgo is this: "Where there is crookedness in a life there is going to be a liberal theology." Preaching in the great tent meeting now going on in Concord, the Bishop paid his respects to Unitarians and Russellites who teach that there is no hell. It is a remarkable fact, well authenticated in human experience, that a conspicuous case of apostacy is always preceded by the decay of a man's faith in the great fundamental teachings of God's word. The men who are teaching the doctrine of annihilation are not, as a rule, men ofexemplary moral conduct.

NOTE AND COMMENT

The Mexican Situation seems to give promise of clearing up somewhat. The South American diplomats, whose services were enlisted in the cause of peace in Mexico, have recommended as the beginning of the final stages in the "watchful waiting" policy, that as soon as there is developed a presidential possibility, one with the necessary material and moral capacity to maintain civil authority and the laws, this country should extend recognition. It is plainly intimated that in the opinion of the diplomats such a leader can be found at this time and this gives encouragement to the hope that the United States will soon be well along on the way out of its enforced oversight of affairs in Mexico. This country will yet come to a full appreciation of the good sense of President Wilson in keeping us out of a war that could have been nothing more than a wanton waste of human life and treasure.

* * * *

The Panama Canal has been finished and in commission for several months, but it will not stay finished. A serious slide occurred a few days ago north of Gold Hill on the east bank. There had been a previous slide at this point, but the new movement is much greater. The mass almost entirely fills the channel, so that the earth shows above the water where ships ordinarily pass. Uncle Sam will no doubt have to keep on spending money dredging and clearing away the debris until time settles this as it does all things.

* * * *

Answering the Question "When is a boy old enough to go to college?" Dr. Henry Louis Smith, president of Washington and Lee University, says this among other sensible things:—"First, a boy is 'old enough' to go to college when he is mature enough to control his own actions and spend wisely his own money. Ordinarily this age is reached about 18, sometimes at 17, not often earlier than the latter age and frequently not till the young man is 20 or 21. A boy who must be 'made' to go to bed and to get up in time for breakfast, 'made' to go to school each morning and to prepare his lessons each evening, and who cannot be trusted to spend his own pocket money, is not 'old enough' to go to college, whatever may be his age, height, weight and company manners."

* * * *

A Portrait of Josiah Turner is to be placed in the Hall of History in Raleigh. Mr. Turner was not a good example of all the virtues and graces of the ideal citizen, but he rendered his state a service in a critical time in its history which justifies the placing of his portrait there that the generations to come may not forget this service. He was, no doubt, a man 'for the occasion' and the state will not forget the service he rendered.

* * * *

An Unusual Honor has come to President Wilson and one by the way that is well deserved. At a dinner held at Windsor Castle recently King George proposed the health of President Wilson, the first time, it is believed, that a sovereign of Great Britain has ever proposed the health of the President of the United States at the royal table. In the course of a short speech the king said: "It will, I think, be an everlasting testimony to the wisdom and good sense of the American people that in most trying and difficult circumstances, well nigh impossible to conceive, they stood loyally united behind President Wilson. Mr. Wilson's action throughout the period of difficulty has justified the faith and confidence of the American people."

* * * *

Our English Cousins are surely coming round to a just appreciation of American ideals and citizenship, and the leaven of a world democracy is permeating English society even up into the circle of the royal household. It is said that the king's tribute to America is only in accordance with the pro-Americanism which has prevailed at court for six months. Queen Mary has been signally polite to American women and there have been several entertainments at Buckingham Palace in the past few months in which the only women present were Americans. On all the committees of war charities at which the queen is patroness American women have been asked to serve at the Queen's request. At both public and private functions the king and queen are constantly at pains to pay tribute to America and Americans.

* * * *

A Big Credit Loan for the Allies has been practically agreed upon by American financiers. This loan may not quite reach the billion dollar proportion, but will perhaps reach the $800,000,000. mark. The interest rate is to be 5 per cent. with a first mortgage on the British Empire and the Republic of France. Does it not seem that men and nations would mortgage their souls in order to carry out their ambitious schemes? How relentless the hand of war, that these nations should be willing to lay tribute upon the blood and sweat of generations yet unborn in order that they may continue the work of killing and desolation. Our nation may grow rich but guilty bloodstains will be upon our hands and the curse of the Almighty will yet be visited upon us. But they say that none of this loan is to be expended for war munitions. How many will be deceived by this specious claim?

* * * *

The European Situation is very much of a chaos just now. The Germans and their allies seem to be having very much their own way on the Eastern front. Artillery battles proceed without any decisive results in the West, and little is heard from Italy's operations or the operations of the allied fleets in the Dardanelles. Bulgaria's attitude is giving much concern, and in fact, the whole Balkan situation seems to be one of uncertainty. There is now reason to believe that Germany is pressing hard to get an understanding with the Balkans that will make it possible for them to project a successful campaign in the direction of Constantinople. Meantime there come discouraging accounts of the atrocities of the Turks upon the Armenians. While the Germans are pressing the Russians sore and driving them slowly, it yet seems impossible that any decisive result could be expected soon.

* * * *

The Zeppelin Raids over London last week seem to have been such as to justify the fear that much harm may yet come to the great city on account of this method of warfare. Quite a large amount of damage was done in the very heart of the city, and a number of women and children lost their lives. O, the cruelty of modern civilization that can thus wantonly invade the homes and take the lives of innocent noncombatants while they sleep in the night!

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Dr. Plato Durham, Dean of the faculty of the Candler Theological School, will deliver the address at the Anniversary of the Board of Education of the South Georgia Conference at the coming session of that Conference.—Wesleyan Advocate.

—Miss Martha Dozier, who is well known to many of our readers through her former connection with Greensboro College for Women, has been elected director of religious education for Guilford county, a position created recently by a number of leading Sunday school workers. Miss Dozier has made a special study of organized Sunday school work and for some time has been connected with the office of the State Sunday School Association, located in this city. Her relation to the Sunday schools of the county will be similar to that of a superintendent of public instruction to the public schools.

—A press special from Marion, dated Sept. 14th, says: The revival meeting which has been in progress in the Marion Methodist church for the past two weeks, came to a close Sunday morning when 22 applicants presented themselves for membership. Some joined other churches. The pastor, Rev. Loy D. Thompson, was assisted by Rev. A. L. Stanford, pastor of the First Methodist church of Hickory. Mr. Stanford preached to unprecedentedly large audiences. In all there were 50 or 60 professions.

—The Methodist church in Monroe recently lost one of its oldest and most useful members in the death of Mr. E. A. Armfield. He was seventy years old and leaves to his family, all of whom are prominently known, the legacy of a fine name, a clean life and the memory of a noble, true gentleman. His children, all of whom are prominently connected, are Messrs. Frank, Rufus, Harris and Emsley Armfield; the daughters, Mrs. W. C. Heath, Mrs .W. S. Lee, Mrs. Laney and Mrs. Samuel Hudson, all of Monroe.

EPWORTH LEAGUE CONFERENCE AT SPENCER, SEPTEMBER 24-26.

CONTRIBUTIONS

SONG OF PEACE

JAMES MONROE DOWNUM

Dedicated to President Wilson and King George
Commemorating the One Hundred Years of Peace between the United States and England

Sweet peace a hundred years
Moves our land from fears,
And seals us one;
No more with tearful eyes
We see the war clouds rise,
Dark'ning the friendly skies,
And sad bemoan.

A noble mother there,
A worthy daughter here—
A royal race;
We stand for peace and right,
Against war's wrong and night,
For love opposed to might,
With firmest face.

We laud our rulers true,
And render honors due,
In hearty way;
Here loyal hearts we bring,
Our President we sing,
And pray, "God save the King"
From evil day.

Both love a Washington,
And both a Wellington—
Of noble strain;
So we in peace abide,
In mutual love confide,
Each side the stormy tide,
And one remain.

One song of peace we sing,
With President and King,
With fullest heart;
We hail the tranquil day,
When peace, with highest sway,
Shall lead the happy way,
In every mart.

Our mighty God, we pray,
Keep us in peaceful way,
To final time;
Raise thou to truer spheres
A people freed from fears,
Exalt in coming years
To heights sublime.

Boone, N. C.

THE DISCIPLINE OF SUFFERING

From Baccalaureate Address of President Few

"On occasions like this it is customary to deal with educational themes, with schools and colleges, their problems and their possibilities. I am going to give education a wider application tonight; I am going to bring to your attention the searching and redeeming education of work and service, of self-sacrifice and suffering. For it is in this vast and universal school of struggle and suffering that we must all be either docile or rebellious learners. And this is not a curse but a blessing, for it is only by this disciplining of the spirit either in quiet submission or after futile resistance that most of us come at last to acquire the virtues of simplicity and self-denial. The discipline of suffering weans us from selfishness and makes the channels of humanity freer within us. It requires a deep distress to humanize the soul. We all know how common a thing it is to see human love redeemed from passion by pain, and gold coming from the furnace purified by fire, and sin washed away by blood.

"The moral value of suffering was set forth with tremendous power by Jesus himself when he said: If thy hand offend thee cut it off; it is better for thee to enter into life maimed than having two hands to go into the eternal fire. For every one shall be salted with fire and every sacrifice shall be salted with salt. Just as every offering was offered with salt, so every human being must be seasoned by the flames of self-sacrifice and sanctified suffering. "Every one shall be salted with fire;" the sharp salt of inner self-sacrifice can alone preserve us from moral putrefaction.

"But in this queen of virtues, as Chrysostom calls endurance, there always appears in the New Testament a background of manliness; it is not merely endurance, but the brave patience with which the Christian contends against the hindrances, the temptations, and the persecutions that come to him in his conflict with the inward and outward world.

"Spiritual achievement comes to most men through doubt and spiritual suffering. The Scribes and Pharisees asked for a sign. They wanted direct testimony from God Himself respecting Jesus and His mission, such as a voice from heaven or a pillar of fire. His miracles and his teachings left them still able to doubt, and they asked to be miraculously convinced. This He refused to do. There shall no sign be given you but the sign of Jona the prophet. Through honest struggle they must win their way to the light.

"This doctrine of the disciple of suffering is as applicable to nations as to individuals. In the history of all peoples there is a forty-years-of-wandering before the promised land. You will all recall the division of the Hebrew Empire under the weak and wicked son of Solomon. The division ultimately meant for the Hebrews political ruin and exile; but to each of the divided kingdoms it in turn brought tragic yet profoundly significant experience, which opened the eyes of the race to new visions of Jehovah's character and demands, and impressed indelibly upon their consciousness the great ethical and spiritual principles which made them a prophet nation. Disappointed in their national hopes, they found the Eternal God of love and those spiritual joys which far transcend all material glories.

"In a like division we in our own country had to learn the sweet uses of adversity by drinking the cup of bitterness to the dregs. More blessed than the Hebrews we were brought back to reunion through the baptism of fire. But we could not be welded into a great united nation until first there had been war and death and mourning in the land.

"So again and again countries have required great national disaster to awaken them from smug self-complacency and recall them from false and artificial courses to nature and truth. The splendid achievement of one imperial modern nation had come dangerously near convincing the world that complete scientific and technical training of the whole people was the be-all and the end-all of individual and national endeavor and aspiration. To bring again to this generation a lively realization that even the super-human, if you please, sanatic efficiency of the German nation can never be a substitute for patient intuitive wisdom, if it could be got in no other way, to reinforce the lesson that the world needs not primarily the force and organization of Roman Caesarism, but the ultimate truths of the Sermon on the Mount—it will be worth all it costs even though the price should be such as to stagger humanity for a thousand years. By some means or other we shall have to learn that it is through its faith that the world can attain salvation, not through its knowledge which is knowledge of evil and death; or through its power which in a few brief years must give place to the weakness of a little child.

May our own great country be wise enough to learn its lesson before it is too late. A molder of educational thought in the United States has recently defined our national educational ideal in a startling way. "Since the aim of education, as limited in the work of the American school today, must eliminate the religious element, it can find no higher purpose than that of determining for each individual the things in this life that that are best worth living for." I am not an enemy of American public education and I am anxious to avoid extreme statements; but none the less, if the picked youth of this or any other country are thus to be educated merely for time and place, and not to be citizens of two worlds, then the salt of life has lost its savor, the light of the world has gone out. Then we live a blind alley existence, blank and hopeless. We look upward to the stars that give no man light and downward to the roots of things that no god waters, and out upon a world full of sin and sorrow and death, and without resting place or guidance. However, scientifically trained and however rich and powerful individuals or nations through this sin of education may become, it kills all the glory of our earthly existence and robs our humanity of its inspiring heritage of an immortal destiny; and so makes of every man's life, as a supreme pessimist has called it, but a walking shadow, just a poor player who, according to fortunate or unfortunate circumstances, either struts or frets his hour upon the stage and then is heard no more. If we are to survive as a great nation of adequate national ideals, this theory of education we in America must use every possible weapon to combat. And at last even in North Carolina we are directly confronted with it and in its most dangerous because most insidious forms."

TEACHER TRAINING ANNOUNCEMENT

By John W. Shackford, Superintendent of the Department of Teacher Training

New Course of Study

The General Sunday School Board at its Annual Meeting at Lake Junaluska, July 22-24, ordered the selection of a new course of study for the Teacher Training Circles. For months prior to this action the whole question of a new Teacher Training Course and of textbooks for the new course had been under consideration by a special committee of the Board. The report of this committee to the Board recommending a new course of study was adopted and the recommendations of the committee regarding the textbooks of the new course were referred to another special committee composed of the Sunday School Editor, the Superintendent of the Wesley Bible Class Department, and the Superintendent of the Department of Teacher Training.

The new Superintendent of the Teacher Training Department did not enter upon the duties of his office until September. The consequent lateness of the hour, together with the absence of other members of the committee at the Annual Conferences, makes an early announcement of the complete course impossible. But in order that no circles may be delayed in beginning their work we are announcing at this time the first book of the First Year Course. Circles planning to begin Teacher Training Studies should order this at once and begin work. The full course with all particulars will be announced as soon as possible, and before circles beginning now will have need of the second book.

"The Pupil, the Teacher, and the School" Barclay

The above is the title of the first book of the First Year Course. The other book in our First Year Course will be on the Bible, but the Committee is not yet ready to announce the text on the Bible.

The price of "The Pupil, the Teacher, and the School" is thirty-five cents, or forty-two cents, postpaid. The book should be ordered from our agents, Smith and Lamar, Nashville, Tennessee; Dallas, Texas, or Richmond, Virginia.

Point of View

It will be noted that the new course of study begins with the pupil, and not with the Bible, as have former courses. The new course begins with the pupil and will center about the pupil. The teacher and the Sunday school exist for the pupil. Even the Bible in the school is not an end in itself. It, too, is a means to an end, and that end is the religious development of the pupils until they all "attain unto the unity of faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a full grown man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ."

The teacher who has gained this point of view and who has arrived at some understanding of the developing mind and of the needs of the pupil will have a new vision of Sunday school responsibility and of the vast opportunities afforded to the Sunday school of fashion-

ing the character of the pupil after the stature of Christ.

The study of the pupil, therefore, constitutes the proper introduction to that course of training that later is to deal with the teacher in relation to the pupil and then of the school in relation to both and, finally, of the Bible as a source of moral and spiritual truth. This truth is to be used by the teacher as a means of inspiration and nourishment to the pupil and as the material for the building up within each of a character after the Divine Ideal. And this Ideal is increasingly unfolded in the Bible, and, at last, is set forth in its perfect beauty and fullness in Christ Jesus. The Bible, therefore, we believe, will be studied with a new interest by the student who has caught a vision of the high calling of the Sunday school teacher.

Serious Work

The entire course of the first year will contain about fifty lessons. These lessons will be longer and will call for more work than did those in previous courses. But this is as it should be. Sunday school work is becoming more serious and the ideals for the Sunday school leader and for the Sunday school teacher are far in advance of what they were a very few years ago. Likewise, the vocation of the Sunday school teacher is a more honored and a more important one than ever before.

It follows then that those who are offering themselves for service in the Sunday school ought to covet the opportunity of taking a course of study that will afford them the best possible equipment for their great task.

The lessons are longer, but for that reason we believe this course will be more interesting, more thorough-going, and more vital than the mere outline courses could possibly be. This method of more mature and fuller treatment of the subject matter is approved by the foremost leaders in religious education and teacher training work. In announcing this new course we are confident that those who master it will receive a new vision of their vocation in the Sunday school and will desire to continue the course of study in further preparation for their greater efficiency and a larger service within the Sunday school and for the Kingdom.

$250.00 IN GOLD

Attention, Orators and Scribes!

The Executive and Finance Committee of the Board of Church Extension of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has authorized me to offer in prizes for Church Extension messages, in the form of sermons, addresses, experiences, stories, poems, etc., $250.00 in gold as follows: 1st prize, $75.00; 2nd prize, $50.00; 3rd prize, $25.00; 4th prize, $17.50; 5th prize, $12.50; 6th prize, $10.00; 7th prize, $10.00; 8th prize, $10.00; 9th prize, $10.00; 10th prize, $5.00; 11th prize, $5.00; 12th prize, $5.00; 13th prize, $5.00; 14th prize, $5.00; 15th prize, $5.00.

The principal ends sought by the committee are three, namely: (1) a more general study of the subject of Church Extension on the part of our preachers and people; (2) a more universal presentation of the subject to our congregations; (3) the creation of a literature especially adapted to the needs of preachers and laymen whose duty it is to speak on Church Extension, and for which call is made upon the office almost every day in the year.

Conditions

1. The messages may be upon any phase of the work of church or parsonage building, including such as are suitable for use at the dedication of churches, or calculated to arouse interest in a congregation to build a needed house, or to pay a debt on one already built, or in the interest of full collections on the Church Extension assessment, or on the increase and work of the Loan Fund Capital, or the place of Church Extension in the evangelization of the world, or the message of the church house, or the relation of the church house to the community, etc., and may be in the form of a sermon, address, lecture, story, poem or experience.

2. Every message submitted must first have been delivered to one or more of the 19,735 congregations of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

3. The manuscript must not contain more than 3,000 words, and may contain as few as 250—the fewer the better—provided the message is clearly stated.

4. Discretion is left to the author as to whether the message shall be in full, or in the form of outline, analysis, syllabus or resume.

5. All itinerant ministers, local preachers, laymen and lay-women are eligible to enter this contest.

6. The manuscripts must be sent to the office of the Board of Church Extension at Louisville, Kentuckey, not later than January 31st, 1916.

7. The Executive and Finance Committee of the Board reserves the right to use all manuscripts as it may think best, including those to which no prizes are awarded, in the interest of the work of Church Extension.

Notes

1. It will be a great accommodation to the office if the manuscripts are submitted in typewriting, and on one side of the paper, leaving no room for doubt as to spelling, punctuation, arrangement, etc., in multiplying the manuscripts for use of the judges.

2. Rev. A. F. Watkins, D. D., Jackson, Miss., Secretary of the last General Conference, and Rev. T. N. Ivey, D. D., Nashville, Tenn., Editor of The Christian Advocate, have agreed to name three or five judges, as they may think best.

3. Copies of all manuscripts will be submitted without information as to the author, and the judges will be requested to render their decision before the Annual Meeting of 1916.

4. The judges will be requested to give special consideration to the effectiveness of the message.

5. The award of prizes will be announced at the Annual M eting in 1916 in connection with the dedication of the new office building. Prizes will be sent to the successful competitors immediately following the announcement of the decision of the judges.

6. The office has been instructed to furnish upon request without charge copies of the Board's publications and any other data in its possession that may be desired.

7. Copies of publications containing the manuscripts submitted will be sent free of charge to all competitors.

8. Do not forget that "A bold attempt is half success."

W. F. McMurry, Cor. Sec.

Louisville, Ky.

A PLAN FOR BETTER SUPPORT FOR OUR SUPPERANNUATES AND OTHER CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS

R. M. Taylor

1. We recommend that the Joint Board of Finance first place all the Conference claimants on an average basis, which may be a home, rent free, without income. Any income of any claimant may be considered at the discretion of the Board. Also that the Board provide for all cases of special necessity, before making any general distribution of the Conference fund.

2. In the distribution of the Conference fund to the claimants we recommend that a superannuate member of the Western North Carolina Conference shall be a unit, his wife a unit, the widow of a deceased member of the Conference a unit, each child of a superannuate or deceased preacher of the Conference a half unit, up to the age of fourteen years.

3. We recommend that a unit be allowed a sum equal to one per cent. of an average salary of all the preachers and presiding elders of the Conference for the current year, for each year of effective service rendered the church by the preacher representing the unit, up to the limit mentioned in the next paragraph. PROVIDED—the claim of a preacher's widow might be computed on the number of years she was the wife of the said preacher. And PROVIDED—If the fund be not sufficient to meet such a distribution the fund be raised by assessment upon the Conference, at the rate of two thousand dollars a year until a sufficient amount be raised, and that such rate be continued in the future. Meanwhile the Conference fund to be distributed on the basis of this paragraph.

4. We recommend that the limit of the application of the above paragraph be an average of all the years of effective service rendered the church by all the whole units (half units not being counted). Provided—No family shall receive more than the maximum claim of two units.

5. We recommend that the Conference claimant fund be placed with the budget for the support of the ministry, and not, as heretofore, with the benevolent collections.

* * * *

The Plan Demonstrated

1. The first paragraph is intended to equalize, as far as possible, the condition of the claimants, before making the distribution of the fund for their living expenses.

2. The second paragraph seeks a basis for the distribution of the fund among the claimants. It is, in fact, a continuance of the idea of the first paragraph.

3. The third paragraph seeks to establish a rule for the distribution of the fund, based on the principle of the length of service, which principle is recognized and provided for in the Discipline. (Paragraph 388, Discipline 1914.)

4. The next paragraph introduces the limit, because, unlimited, there would be a great inequality in the condition of the claimants by applying the principle of length of service without limitation.

5. The fifth paragraph would take the handling of the collection for claimants out of the benevolent collections, and put it where it evidently belongs, with the fund for the support of the ministry. The fund would be prorated, as is the other fund raised by the stewards and the pastor and presiding elder would share the shortage with the claimants.

* * * *

Mathematical Demonstration

1. There are now even one hundred Conference claimants on our list—22 men, 50 women, and 28 children. Not counting the children in the list in casting up the average length of service, the average is 25 years. This, then, would be the limit, and every unit credited with 25 years, or more, would be entitled to the maximum claim.

2. The average salary of the preacher, including the presiding elders, is $870.00. One per cent. of this is $8.70. This is the amount to be allowed for each year's effective service rendered the church. To find the proper allowance multiply $8.70 by the number of years of service, up to 25. The years above 25 not being counted. There are two provisos in this paragraph. The first is an effort to prevent the possibility of an old man marrying a young woman, and leaving her as a maximum claimant, possibly for many years. The other would provide for the gradual increase of the fund up to a sufficient amount to meet the demand according to this plan. It cannot be told just what amount would be necessary. Possibly as much as ten per cent. of the amount of the preachers' salary from each charge. We do this for the orphans, and our obligation to support the superannuates is far more binding than this can be.

3. Suppose a preacher has ten years to his credit. This would give him $87.00, his wife the same, each child half the amount. If he has two children under fourteen his claim would be three times $87.00, $261. Suppose a preacher has twenty years to his credit. This would double the ten year claim, and would give him and his wife $348. If he has children, the count would go on up, but not beyond the sum of $435.00, which, according to this plan is the maximum for any claimant's family. A man with 25 years, or more to his credit would get $217.50. His wife the same, together, $435. By a providential co-incidence this is just exactly half the average salary of the preachers of the Conference. So the superannuate of 25 years or more is "retired on half pay."

Now, brethren, this is the plan I have worked out from a mass of reading which embraced the

(Continued on page 7)

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. E. W. Fox began revival services at Weaverville last Sunday, with Rev. J. Frank Armstrong, of West Asheville, as his helper.

—Col. Al Fairbrother, editor of Everything, who was reported quite ill some two weeks ago, is rapidly recovering, we are glad to learn.

—In a meeting recently held at Fork Academy, Rev. R. M. Taylor, the pastor, was assisted by Rev. H. F. Starr. There were nine professions and five joined the church.

—Miss Mary Pescud, one of our missionaries to Brazil, is now at home in Raleigh with relatives on her vacation. Miss Pescud has been in Brazil for five years.

—Rev. Dr. C. W. Byrd returned on Thursday of last week from Gaffney, S. C., where, for ten days he assisted the pastor of our First church in revival services.

—A press correspondent writing from Norwood, says: Work will begin at once on the new annex of the Methodist church. The material is being placed on the ground and all is being put in shape for the work to begin.

—Rev. J. W. Ingle, pastor of the Linwood circuit, serves one of the largest charges in the Conference. There are eight churches and over 1000 members. This week he is engaged in revival services at Bethel.

—The Midland Methodist says: Bishop W. B. Murrah, of Memphis, will assist Bishop Waterhouse in holding the Holston Conference at Knoxville next month. A recent report from Los Angeles is not very encouraging regarding Bishop Waterhouse's condition.

—A great tent meeting was recently closed in Lexington. Evangelist E. C. Glenn led the meeting which continued three weeks. We have had no report as to definite results at this writing.

—Rev. J. B. Tabor held revival services at Unity Chapel, in the suburbs of Thomasville, last week. There were many conversions and the meeting was still in progress at the last report.

—Rev. J. E. Abernethy is expecting to continue in revival services at Central church, Monroe, from next Sunday. Rev. Dr. J. C. Rowe, the presiding elder, will preach on Sunday. Mr. D. Ward Milam, of Atlanta, has been engaged to lead the singing.

—Many friends sympathize with Prof. D. M. Weatherly, of Franklinville, on account of the death of his mother, who passed away at her home in North Guilford some days ago. Mrs. Weatherly was 93 years old. She had not only lived long but had lived to noble purpose. The body was laid to rest in the cemetery at old Center church, near Summerfield.

—Reidsville is preparing to observe October 10th as Go-to-Church-Sunday. Special sermons will be preached in all the churches and an effort will be made to bring all the people out to church.

—Mr. A. R. Safford, a faithful member of the Methodist church, passed away at his home in Gastonia on Saturday, September 11th. Mr. Safford was a native of Pennsylvania, but came to this state several years ago to engage in the lumber business. He was a brother-in-law of Mr. J. B. Atkinson, of Lenoir. His body was carried to Marion where he formerly lived for burial. Mr. Safford was a good man, and greatly loved by all who knew him.

—The Lincoln County News says that Sunday, September 12th, was a red letter day for the Methodists of that place. "Dr. Paris preached one of his finest sermons Sunday morning to an overflowing congregation. After the sermon, he received 27 candidates on profession of faith. At night Rev. D. H. Coman preached a fine sermon to a crowded house, after which one candidate was received."

—Rev. A. L. Coburn, pastor of Salem circuit, calls attention to an error in his note of last week. It should have read from August 1st instead of August 8th. He also reports a young men's prayer meeting numbering twenty, led by Brother Charley Robbins. Brother Coburn says this prayer meeting is doing great good among the young men.

—The Camp meeting at old Wesley Chapel, on the South Fork circuit, Catawba county, began last week and continued through Sunday. Rev. A. L. Stanford, of Hickory, had charge of the meeting. At this writing we have no report of results. This is one of the old camp meetings and the crowds are usually large.

—Rev. H. K. Boyer, presiding elder of the Winston District was in the city on Monday. He was here to attend the meeting of the Conference Program Committee. He makes quite a hopeful report of the outlook for Winston District. Reports at Conference promise to be full.

—Rev. W. H. Willis, of Mount Airy, is still with Rev. R. D. Sherrill, at Centenary, this city, in revival services. Great interest is developing and Brother Willis is holding a strong grip upon the congregation. Quite a number have professed conversion and a deep seriousness pervades the congregation. Brother Willis is strong and orthodox in his preaching and the people are deeply impressed.

—Weaver College, we understand, has opened well with a student body and teaching force that promises a fine year's work. We regret that we have had no report from Davenport, from our High School at Jefferson, nor from Brevard. All schools seem to be overflowing and we have no doubt these all have their share.

—A press special from Salisbury dated Sept. 19th, says: The building committee of Holmes Memorial Methodist church has decided to begin at once the erection of a new house of worship which has been contemplated for some time. They hope to get the building enclosed before cold weather. A. R. Lazenby, a local contractor, will superintend the building.

—Great sympathy is felt for Captain T. L. Rawley, of Centenary church, Winston-Salem, in the death of his daughter, Miss Josie, which occurred recently in St. Leo's Hospital, this city. May God greatly comfort His faithful servant and the stricken family.

—The Cool Springs correspondent of the Statesville Landmark says: There was a very interesting meeting held at the Cool Spring Methodist church last week. Mr. Albert Loftin of Catawba did the preaching. His sermons were good and full of God's truths. Eight were added to the church Friday evening and several others will be added at a later date. Miss Gertrude Edwards, who has been ill for some time, is improving. Mrs. J. J. Edwards, who has been ill for several weeks, is improving very slowly.

North Wilkesboro—On Sunday, August 22, our series of meetings began. Brother Bennett, our presiding elder, held the meeting, preaching twice a day for eleven days and the meeting resulted in great good to the church and also to the unsaved. We have received fifteen on professsion of faith.

Brother Bennett is in great favor with his entire district. And he preached for us here a series of most excellent sermons. We had a great meeting Parker Holmes.

Marion.—The revival meeting which has been in progress at the Methodist church during the past two weeks came to an end Sunday. Rev. A. L. Stanford, pastor of First Methodist church at Hickory, assisted the local pastor. Rev. L. D. Thompson. Rev. Mr. Stanford preached with great acceptability to the whole town, irrespective of denomination. His messages were fraught with great power, attuned at all times to the spiritual, delivered in the most pleasing manner, and were eagerly listened to by the vast audiences that gathered together both day and night. Mr. Stanford has endeared himself to the whole community by the simplicity and spirituality of his gospel sermons.

Much good has been accomplished. The churches were edified. A greater blessing has come to the community than the number of accessions to the various churches would indicate. There were 50 or 60 reclamations and professions combined. There were 20 additions to the membership of the Methodist church on profession of faith Sunday morning and 3 by certificate. A number joined other churches. —Marion Progress.

Haywood Circuit.—July the 16th we began our revival campaign on Haywood circuit at Mt. Zion church. We held a two weeks' meeting here which resulted in eight professions and two accessions to the Methodist church to date. Thence to Fincher's Chapel, where we held a nine days' meeting, which resulted in a quickening of the spiritual life of the church, and twenty-four professions and reclamations, with eight accessions to our church. This was the best meeting we have ever had in this church during my pastorate. Rev. E. L. Kirk, my brother, assisted in these two meetings.

August the 25th we began at Crabtree, with Rev. G. A. Garner, of the Holston Conference, as preacher. (He assisted Rev. Tom P. Jimison in the great meeting at Canton in June). Here at Crabtree we had the greatest meeting we have ever had on the charge. The spiritual life of the church was wonderfully quickened and sixty-eight souls were saved.

Last Sunday we received twenty-four into the Methodist church, and a number have given their names for membership in the Baptist church. All told, we have had 100 professions and reclamations on the charge this year, with 36 accessions to date. Others are expected to join later. R. C. Kirk.

Wentworth Quarterly Meeting

One of the most successful and interesting quarterly meetings ever held on the Wentworth circuit was held at Wentworth, Monday afternoon, Sept. 13th, at 2 o'clock in the Methodist Episcopal church at that place. There were many officials present.

Dr. J. H. Weaver arrived Sunday afternoon and preached that night and Monday morning and presided over the conference. Brother W. Sam Somers, of Salem church, was secretary.

The reports rendered by the preacher in charge, Rev. Thomas C. Jordan, were exceedingly pleasing and inspiring to all. This is Brother Jordan's first year here and the work accomplished has been of such a high order it has attracted favorable comment all over the circuit. The work on the parsonage was early taken in hand. Lowe's church has placed a nice cabinet in the kitchen and in every other way nicely furnished the cook room. Bethlehem church will purchase some handsome parlor furniture and all other necessary things to make that room delightful. Salem has charge of the dining room and in no way has that room been neglected. A beautiful sideboard, pretty dining table and chairs are there. Wentworth has refitted and fully furnished what is called the presiding elder's room and no detail there has been overlooked.

What is the best part of the report is that Mr. Jordan has conducted, unaided, a highly successful revival at each of the four churches with zeal and forceful preaching, and he has experienced the joy of receiving over one hundred members into the four churches of the circuit. Surely the worthy laborer sees the workings of his Master and is refreshed and revived and made glad.

In answer to the question what has been raised during the quarter for the support of the ministry, the following was reported:—Bethlehem, $27.75; Lowes, $91.86; Salem, $35.20; Wentworth, $50.20. Total, $205.01. In addition to the financial report, Bethlehem raised, $135.00, and purchased a church organ.

The following officials were elected: Recording Steward, W. S. Somers; District Steward, J. J. Ratliffe; Circuit Lay Leader, T. A. Moore. Sunday school superintendents were elected as follows: Bethlehem, T. A. Moore; Lowes, R. L.

Pearson; Salem, W. S. Somers; Wentworth, Jas. T. Smith.

After a delightful conference, adjournment was had until some time close to Conference, at which time the adjourned session will re-assemble to complete the year's work. Salem church will have the first quarterly conference in 1916. It is earnestly desired that Wentworth circuit will be successful in retaining both her presiding elder and preacher in charge another year.

Secretary.

Greensboro College for Women

The opening of Greensboro College for Women took place with the chapel exercises at 10:30 Tuesday, Sept. 14. The auditorium was well filled with students and friends of the College and trustees. The meeting was presided over by Dr. S. B. Turrentine. Dr. J. H. Weaver read the Scripture lesson and Dr. Gilbert Rowe of High Point delivered the invocation. President Turrentine then called upon Mayor T. J. Murphy of Greensboro, who, on behalf of the city, gave an eloquent welcome to the new and returning students, declaring that there should be no homesickness until June and the time for their leaving Greensboro arrived.

President J. I. Foust commented on the friendly relations between the State Normal and Greensboro College for Women, declaring that there had never been any rivalry between the two institutions except that arising in their common end to drive ignorance out of North Carolina. He also emphasized the personal terest and initiative on the part of the student, declaring that no institution has the magic power of making people educate simply by keeping them within it's walls for a certain period of time.

President C. W. Gold of the Greensboro Chamber of Commerce spoke especially of the value of the girls attending colleges in the community.

C. H. Ireland, secretary and member of the executive committee of the board of trustees, addressed the assembly with words of welcome, emphasized patience in study and work; bespoke the sympathy and cooperation of the trustees with the students and spoke of the culture of Greensboro as a community, declaring that this culture was largely due to the long presence of a female college in its midst including the old Caldwell Institute, Greensboro Female College and the Normal College.

J. L. Mann, superintendent of the Greensboro Public Schools, began by saying that he had personally known the first woman who had received a college diploma and spoke of the wonderful development in education for women which had taken place within his experience. He commented on the college educated woman and her place and service, declaring that she has not yet found her place entirely and is not fully appreciated.

T. R. Foust, superintendent of public instruction of Guilford County, declared that Greensboro College for Women or G. F. C. had been of greater influence upon his life than any other educational institution not excepting his alma mater, that he was a grandson of the college, his mother having received her education here. He declared that the only legitimate reason for attending college was to gain preparation and equipment for greater work. He told the students that when they received their diplomas they were invited to come to the courthouse and get certificates for the purpose of enlightening Guilford County.

Dr. J. H. Weaver pronounced the benediction.

To the Charge and Church Leaders of the Charlotte District

Dear Brethren:—As much as I would like to do so, it will be impossible for me to make a round of the district, especially at this time, in the interest of the laymen's work, but I want the district to begin now a systematic campaign of education on the importance of regular, systematic giving and the need of every member contributing to enable the church to meet its obligations.

As a rule the people who attend church, pay, and if we could get the membership interested in the various departments of church work, with a regular attendance upon all services we would not be constantly face to face with financial difficulties.

However, if the people will not attend the church services the church must go to them and I know of no better way than through the leaflet campaign and the every-member canvass. I feel that when the people put something into the church they most likely will be there to get something out. The membership must be kept informed of the church's needs and their obligation to meet that need; failing to do this the officials miss an opportunity and the church suffers.

I hope that in all the churches the Missionary Committees and the Evangelistic Committees will be appointed and well organized for the work they are to do; the duties of which are explained in pamphlet "The Missionary Committee," a supply of which may be had free by writing to C. F. Reid, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

I have sent to all the Charge Leaders of the Charlotte District a pamphlet explaining their duties, together with sample leaflets on various subjects, and I want the brethren to pick an article for each month's sistribution in all the churches, a sufficient quantity of the article being free for the writing of a card as stated above.

If the Charge Leaders will send me the names and addresses of all the Church Leaders of their charge, I will send them a pamphlet explaining their duties and those of the committees. I don't want anyone to say "I don't know what my duties are."

Brethren, let's get our financial plans on a more sane, systematic base.

Just so long as the indifferent are left to themselves with no effort made to reach or interest them in doing their part, the burden will be borne by a few and the work suffer.

Plan for laymen's meetings in the churches occasionally, ask your pastor to give a Sunday service over to such meetings, having laymen to speak briefly and pointedly on various phases of church life and activities—Sunday Schools, Children's Home, Epworth League, Missions, Education, Literature, Finances, etc.

We cannot afford to stand still. Let's go forward. To stand still is death, to go forward is life. So it was to Moses and the children of Israel and so will it be to any church.

I trust all the brethren will cooperate with the Charge Leaders, Church Leaders and pastors in closing up the year's work, and if it is seen that the salaries and collections are going to fall behind, let all make a strong pull; see those who have not been paying and get them to promise a definite amount by Conference.

Brethren, let's do our best for this year and begin the new year right. See that the committees are eorganized and understand their work, start the leaflet educational plan, adopt the envelope system and make the every-member canvass for the collections, early in the year, and we will not have the "anual tug" to deal with at the close.

Organize, educate, cooperate, plan the work and then work the plan. If we are to accomplish anything in this work we must cooperate.

Only two out of 25 Charge Leaders have filled out the blank sent them and returned to me. Please attend to this before conference and as early as possible.

Write me brethren for information about the envelope system and prices, about plans for the every-member canvass, about literature and anything else to advance the work.

Let us get in earnest—get the work on our hearts and our joy will be full in seeing the cause prosper.

Pray for the work, for revivals, for the pastor, for the presiding elder and your humble district leader.

Yours in the cause of Christ,

C. W. Ramsey,
Lay Leader Charlotte Dist.

EPWORTH LEAGUE CONFERENCE AT SPENCER, SEPTEMBER 24-26.

A Godless Lever

Many wrongs are universally accepted; some few, however, seem to have friends and are "winked at." The writer has special reference to what seems to him to be an ungodly ambition. It is currently reported that there have been compacts entered into between pastors and congregations that if the pastor will agree to assume so much of the salary that the salary will be made so and so. In other words, a pastor will say: "If you will make the salary $1200 I will pay, or assume, $300 of that amount." (This amount is fictitious, but not out of proportion to the "real," according to reports.) An ambition to raise salaries after the above fashion —whether brought about by pastor or people—is wrong and, I believe, wicked. The writer has heard more than one presiding elder say that they have nominated certain men for certain appointments with the understanding that the salary was so and so, when afterwards it was found that the amount had not been paid at all. Can anything justify a transaction like the above mentioned? Brethren, let's be square, honest and truthful in all our dealings one with another.

One more: "If you (the board of stewards) will make the salary $300 more than last year I will guarantee to add that much financial strength to the church during the year." Now if that does not smack of the "bargain counter," pray tell me what does? It may be that some pastors and some boards of stewards are not very ambitious, but may the good Lord deliver us from this kind. Only a very few are guilty of the above wrongs, I am led to believe, but one is one too many.

A Pastor.

A Plan for Better Support For Our Superannuates and other Conference Claimants

(Continued from page 5)

pension plans of all the churches, and many of the big corporations of industry where many men and women are employed. It does not claim perfection. But it does claim to be worthy of close thought on the part of all our people. It may be improved, no doubt, but I believe it is a workable plan, if we really wish to wipe out the shame of Methodism. There is no excuse for us to carry this disgrace any longer without at least an effort to remedy the evil.

I call attention to the fact that each Annual Conference must take care of its own claimants. I recognize the value of a great connectional fund like we are trying to raise, with The General Conference of 1902 set that movement on foot with the purpose of raising five million. After twelve years we have less than half a million. Less than one-tenth in twelve years. One hundred and twenty years at that speed. Last year we sent the fund the sum of $1154, and received from it the sum of $274.50. It will take us a long time to support our claimants at that rate. Of course that fund is all right, I suppose, but is too slow for present needs.

This paper is not prepared because of any discount on the work of our faithful Joint Board of Finance. Perhaps no Conference has had a more faithful and efficient Board than we. And the two splendid laymen who have given so ungrudgingly their services to this work deserve the everlasting gratitude of the Conference. But this paper is prepared because the time has come for us to take a forward step to wipe out our shame and disgrace.

Notice is hereby given that this paper will be presented for adoption at the coming session of our Conference. Read and study it, brethren, and make up your minds, at least post yourselves as to what it contains, and proposes to do.

This plan takes no account of the splendid and princely donation of Mr. Duke to the Conference Claimant Fund. If we had that amount, added to what we have been raising it would almost meet the demands of the plan. But we do not know how the Trustees of Trinity College will see fit to apply it. And we are not free to count it in this calculation.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave, Asheville, N. C.

OTHERS

Lord, help me live from day to day
In such a self-forgetful way
That even when I kneel to pray
My prayer shall be for—OTHERS.

Lord, take all selfishness from me;
Open Thou mine eyes and help me see
That even all I do for Thee
Must needs be done for—OTHERS.

Let self be crucified and slain,
And buried deep: and all in vain
May efforts be to rise again,
Unless to live for—OTHERS.

And when my work on earth is done,
And my new work in heaven begun,
May I forget the crown I've won,
While thinking still of—OTHERS.

Others, Lord, yes others,
Let this my motto be;
Help me to live for others,
That I may live like Thee.

—C. D. Meigs.

STOKESBURG MISSIONARY SOCIETY

A most interesting account of a recent meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of Stokesburg Methodist church, Mount Airy district, has come to us from Miss Lillie B. Wheeler, the efficient Superintendent of Mission Study and Publicity. This society was organized in May by Mrs. J. L. Woltz and from the present prospects is going to become one of the best societies on the district.

A mission study class has been organized and plans for larger and greater things have been laid and we feel sure will be matured.

This meeting was held with Mrs. A. G. Jones, and after a devotional service a letter from Miss Mabel Head was read and a beautiful vocal solo was rendered by Miss Nannie Lasley, entitled "A Little Bit of Love."

Mrs. Woltz was present and "delivered to the society an awakening address, urging the members to study our missionary literature."

The meeting closed with a social hour, which was greatly enjoyed.

CAMPAIGN MONTH—OCTOBER

What a great month we hope this is going to be! How we hope new life will be infused into our missionary work and that progress will be promoted into every department of it!

Few of our societies have failed to discover the peculiar "elixir" yielded by a well arranged campaign. October brings the first fresh crispness of the autumn air after the long, warm days of summer. Nature aids in inviting people to renewed activity. It is a great time to work. It is a splendid month to enlist new members; to improve the efficiency of those already enlisted; to re-enkindle enthusiasm and rejoice in God given opportunity.

Yes, October is going to be the great Red Letter Month of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Western North Carolina Conference.

ANNUAL REPORTS

It is time for the record of the third quarter's work to be compiled and sent in to our district secretaries and various Conference officers. Of course all our officers are going to close their books early in October and begin a new quarter—the last of the year.

My dear sisters, will you not be prompt in returning your report blank to the person to whom it should go? And will you not see that it is properly filled out and signed, not omitting one question? If all the auxiliaries will do this we will see just where we stand at the close of this quarter and just how much remains to be done during the three remaining months of this year.

Let us have prompt and accurate reports from every officer in our ranks.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The mid-year executive meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society will be held in Morganton, Thursday, Sept. 28th, beginning at 2:30 p. m.

It is urgently requested that the executive officers and district secretaries attend this meeting, as important matters pertaining to the advancement of the work will be considered.

Let names of all who will attend be sent **at once** to Mrs. M. B. Goodwin, Morganton, N. C.

Lucy H. Robertson,
Pres. W. M. Society W. N. C. Conf.

SOME THINGS MISSIONS HAVE DONE

They have made the name of Christ the best known name in the world.

They are proclaiming the gospel in over ten thousand different places.

They have planted in the leading foreign lands the Church of Christ, with a Protestant membership of over 2,664,170.

They have created a great system of Christian schools and colleges, having a present enrollment of over a million and a half pupils.

They have stimulated the governments of the leading nations of the East to establish educational systems of their own.

They hav introduced modern medicine, surgery, and sanitation into the darkest quarters of the globe, by means of 675 hospitals and 963 dispensaries.

They have been the principal agents of relief in famines, and have made scientific investigation of the causes which lie at their root.

They have taught people habits of cleanliness and the laws of health, thus lessening the spread of plague and pestilence.

They have upheld the idea of the dignity of labor among those who regard toil as menial.

They have established a multitude of trade schools in which development of Christian character keeps pace with growth in manual skill.

They have helped to abolish human slavery and shown the Christian way of caring for the aged, orphans, blind, deaf mutes, insane and lepers.

They have lifted women from a condition of unspeakable degradation, and trained a new generation of Christian mothers, wives, and daughters who are making homes and introducing new ideas of social life.

They have translated the entire Bible, or portions of the Scriptures, into 500 languages and dialects, distributing last year, alone, 9,272,221 copies.

They have reduced many strange tongues to writing and have created a literature for whole races, producing annually a vast amount of good reading in the shape of books, hymnals and papers of all ages.

They have transformed the people of the Fiji Islands, Melanesia, and other island groups from cannibals to civilized beings.

They have been the main agent in the extraordinary awakening of the people of China by which, turning their backs on the history of 4,000 years they have adopted Western ideas in government, education and commerce, and are showing an amazing readiness to receive the gospel of Christ.

They have started a movement in Korea which is going forward with such unparalleled rapidity that the nation bids fair to become Christianized within a generation.

The victories of the past and the opportunities of the present constitute a sublime challenge to the church for the conquest of the remaining strongholds of Islam and Paganism. Such considerations as these should convince the people of our churches that we are indeed living in a new era of missionary work and that the hour of Christianity has struck for the non-Christian world.—Missionary Review of the World.

FROM A CHINESE SERMON

The following is the outline of an address by Mr. Bu, a native evangelist of the China Inland Mission. The subject was "China's Search for Truth During 3,000 Years."

"Through many years many emperors and rulers had searched and searched for the thing which would give heart peace. During one dynasty they would decide that it was riches, but would find that that was not the thing. The next they would decide that it was great learning, only to find that a failure. Another would think it might be found in the beautiful, only to fail once more. And the great Confucius himself said that if he only once could hear the great truth he would be ready to die happy.

Now the truth is here, the Saviour of men brought it into the world. If your shoe is worn out, the man who made it fixes it for you. If your watch ceases to run, the man who made it can fix it better than anyone else. Then, when your heart goes wrong and is tired, what better can you do than take it to Him who made it, and ask Him to make it right and give it peace? —Record of Christian Work.

THE PROBLEMS OF TODAY

"Addison" in Missionary Survey

Unquestionably great dangers and problems confront the Christians of the United States today. There are dangers to our religious life. There is the Sabbath problem. People do not observe the Sabbath as carefully as they did fifty years ago. There is the Mormon problem. The black coated emissaries of the Utah abomination are travelling all parts of our country and Europe, and drawing away disciples after them.

There is the Catholic problem. Hordes of immigrants from the Latin nations of Europe have been for the last thirty years pouring into the United States, and by their aid the Romish hierarchy is becoming a danger to our national life.

There is the Christian Science problem. Under the leadership of the now defunct Mrs. Mary Baker Glover Eddy, this cult has risen to wide activity and has overturned the faith of some.

There is the heathen problem. Not only the ungodly but the heathen are within our doors. In various cities of our land there are actually built or being built, temples to the heathen gods of China, India and Japan. Under the name of theosophy, these cults are appealing to foolish and unstable people. Shall our Christian lands be polluted with such abominations?

There are the social problems. What to do with the saloon? What with the white slave traffic? What to do with submerged and vicious elements of our city population? What to do with the relation of capital and labor? What to do with municipal corruption? What to do with Socialism?

There are the political problems. Whether government of the people, for the people, by the people, can be maintained in our midst? Whether our people have enough vigilance, patriotism and courage to protect, as the heritage of our race, freedom of speech, freedom of press and religious liberty, in the face of foes that assail our institutions?

There are the domestic problems. There is the problem of training the child. It is said that the family altar is much neglected in the busy rush of modern life. There is the danger to home that comes from the idle and luxurious life of people, who, having leisure and money, act to please themselves rather than God. These and many other problems, bold and insistent, confront the Christians of this country today. After so many ages of agony and conflict, behold the same problems still arise in threatening array and confront Christian life.

What does it mean? It means that the devil is not dead, but alive and militant. It means that every life presents the same problems and questionings, generations after generations, and that the conflict against evil must go on in one form or another unti the end. Our concern only is to be faithful. "Fight the good fight of faith. Lay hold on eternal life."

Every generation has had its problems. They who have in their day faithfully stood for God are now victory crowned. Our generation, our own land has its problems—momentous problems. The end is not yet. What is needed is personal, persistent, heroic Christian service.—Presbyterian of the South.

RED AND WHITE ROSES

(A True Story)

Shall I tell you where I found them—these red and white roses? I am sure that you think at once of a beautiful June morning and a rose garden. But it was not in such a garden that I found my red and white roses.

One icy winter day our washerwoman failed to appear as usual at our homes. She is a faithful dependable woman, and fearing she might be ill or in trouble, when evening came I set out to find her. I knew the ramshackle old tenement in which she had a room, but lost myself in the pitch dark halls of the house, and so knocked on the wrong door. A voice inside said, "Come," so I opened the door—and I shall never forget what I saw. Sitting on the cold bare flooor in front of the boxes were four little girls: the eldest about eight, the youngest certainly not more than three. The mother of the children was there too, and would you believe it, it was in this dark, cold, dismal room that I found the red and white roses.

For on the boxes were piles of cotton rose petals, and wire and green paper. With these the pale, thin, half-frozen and half-starved little children were making artificial red and white roses.

The mother was there too, working as fast as her stiff fingers could. The tiny three-year-old was almost asleep, yet making valiant efforts to keep awake, her blue fingers still winding the stems.

It did not take many seconds to find all the money I had with me, and to place it on the box before the mother saying: "Get coal and wood and bread and milk," while I gathered in my arms the sleeping babe and the child who was crying. Poor, poor little "foreigners."

It would be a dreadfully sad story for you if you could do nothing to help make the sadness less. But you can help to make brighter other little children and you do whenever you bring to your band meeing money for our missionary work among foreigners in America.

As I went home (but not until there was a brightly burning fire in that freezing room and the tired children had been comforted with warm milk) I thought of a family of well-cared for, happy children, who, with their father and mother, delighted to follow the "cheering up business." Well, I told them the story and suggested that they might, if they chose, make a happy New Year for those little foreigners. They did choose, and I wish you could have seen those transformed little flower makers on New Year's day—and indeed through the whole year—when in the mission kindergarten they became the happiest, most useful little Americans you can imagine.—Sel.

Byron W. Kings School of Oratory

ELOCUTION AND SPEECH ARTS
New Building and Dormitory
Courses for teachers, lecturers, lyceum and chautauqua work. Speech defects, stammering, loss of voice, sore throat positively cured. Largest school of speech arts in America. Limited correspondence work. Special text books. Send for prospectus. Mt. Oliver, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

SPENCER, SEPTEMBER 24

Who will be there? The Epworth Leaguers of the Western North Carolina Conference. If you are one of them don't fail to answer to the roll call at 7:45 Friday evening, September 24th. Remember the day and the hour and be in your place.

"ALL FOR CHRIST"

Let us every one keep our motto in mind and let us resolve to enlist ALL the young people in our Conference for Christ. Where are they to get the training necessary to be able to do this work as it needs to be done? The Epworth League, of course.

Suppose we go to Spencer with the determination to enter into the work more earnestly this coming year and to work to the goal of "A League in Every Church." We can do it if every pastor and every Leaguer in our Conference will go into the work with their whole heart and a willingness to work.

We are giving below two letters which were published in last week's Advocate under "Interesting News From the Field" instead of on our League page and which I am afraid some of our Leaguers may not have read.

NOTICE, LEAGUERS

The date of the Epworth League Conference is September 24, 25 and 26.

The first service of the Conference will be held Friday evening, September 24th, at 7:45 o'clock. School teachers and pupils from most points can reach the Conference by leaving their home town Friday afternoon.

Saturday will be a full day. District secretaries will be requested to report informally the work done. Chapter delegates will also be requested to report briefly the work of their Leagues. There will be brief discussions of topics relative to chapter work. Election of Conference officers will occur.

Sunday morning at 11 o'clock a service especially adapted to young people will be held and in the afternoon at 3 o'clock a Salisbury-Spencer Young People's Mass Meeting.

Let every League be represented at Spencer. Presidents of chapters are members and every chapter is entitled to one representative for every thirty members and fraction above the multiple.

Be sure to write definitely to Rev. C. M. Pickens the names of your delegates, prefixing the names with Mr., Mrs. or Miss.

If your League has not chosen its delegates, do so at once and insist on having representation.

E. L. Bain, President.

THE EPWORTH LEAGUE ASSEMBLY

We are getting ready for the Epworthians on the 24th of this month. Please remember the date. It has been reported by some one that the date is Sept. 23-25, but that is a mistake. It is Sept. 24-26. We hope to be ready for you on the afternoon of Friday, the 24th. We do not want you to come on the 23rd, for we will not be ready for you. But we do want you to come on the 24th. When one goes to the trouble to get ready for company it is very desirable to have the company come. All persons from the south and west will do well to buy tickets to Salisbury, get off at that station, take street car line to Spencer, come to the end of the line and walk one block north to the Methodist church. Those coming from the north can do the same, or they can get off at Spencer station and walk over to the church. It is a longer walk than from the end of the car line. There are so many trains a day coming in here that we will not try to meet all of them. But if you will let us know on what train you are coming we will endeavor to have some one give you direction. If you are coming you will assist us by writing this fact to us and by stating also whether you are a Mr. or a Miss or a Mrs. We are expecting a fine time. C. M. Pickens.

Spencer, N. C.

We are glad to report a new League at Snow Hill church on the Iredell circuit. We wish them much success with their League work and hope that the League may prove a blessing both to every individual Leaguer and to the church at large. Below we give a report of the organization.

FROM SNOW CREEK

An Epworth League has been organized at Snow Creek on the Iredell circuit with 22 members. The following officers were elected: President, Miss Lucy King; first vice-president, Mr. John Rickert; second vice-president, Miss Mary Lawrence; third vice-president, Mr. Sam Dobson; secretary and treasurer, Mr. Robert Lawrence; president of Junior League, Mrs. Thos. Rickert.

The next meeting will be held the fourth Sunday afternoon with Mr. T. M. Rickert in charge of the program.

R. E. Lawrence, Sec.

OUR CHILDREN

No higher task can be given to a human soul than to train a young life for the service of Christ. It is a duty, a privilege, a joy. Throughout our church an increasing number of Christian women are finding their most fruitful service in leading bands of children into consecrated and intelligent service for Him, who said, "Except ye come as a little child, ye shall not enter into the Kingdom."

The Woman's Missionary Society should feel the same responsibility for the education and instruction of the children of the church that each mother feels for training her own children. When our members really realize this and set about to discharge this duty conscientiously, there will be new life in our auxiliary and the entire church.

"I do not ask that I should ever stand
Among the wise, the worthy or the great;
I only ask, that softly, hand in hand,
A child and I may enter at Thy gate.

Give me a little child to point the way
Over the strange, sweet path that leads to Thee;
Give me a little voice to teach to pray;
Give me two shining eyes Thy face to see.

I do not need to ask for more than this.
My opportunity. 'Tis standing at my door;
What sorrow is this blessing I should miss,
A little child, why should I ask for more.

DISCOVERY BY THE SENSE OF SMELL

Washington Irving in his life of Columbus tells us that when Christopher Columbus discovered America he thought Santo Domingo a part of Cibao or Cipango (Japan). The spicy breezes reaching his vessels from landward were his principal evidences of arrival at Cibao—the world-famed source of aromatic oils and spices From Japan still come the aromatics which have made Mentholatum famous for chapped hands and sunburn, for headaches and head colds, for inflammations of the skin and membranes of the head. Mentholatum is used everywhere.

Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

A mutual fire insurance company, organized, owned and operated by the Methodist Church in North Carolina, for the purpose of furnishing protection for church property and personal property of preachers at ACTUAL COST.

Write for information and rates.

W. E. WEBB, Secretary Statesville, N. C.



Before and After the Fire

Nobody knows when fire or lightning or wind will rage and destroy.

Some church building is being harmed by one of these destroyers somewhere every day. Absolute protection against loss is furnished, and money saved the assured, and Methodism perpetuated, by

The National Mutual Church Insurance Co., of Chicago—The Methodist Mutual

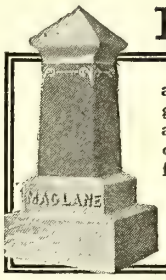
No assessments. All that you have guessed about mutual insurance may be wrong. If you want to KNOW, write for information to

HENRY P. MAGILL, Secretary and Manager, Insurance Exchange, Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. Alice Hargrove Barclay, Agent M. E. Church South, 314 Norton Building, Fourth and Jefferson, Louisville, Ky.

Methodist Benevolent Association

A Mutual Benefit Brotherhood for Southern Methodists. Issues Whole Life, 20-Premium Life, Term to 60, and Disability Certificates. **Benefits** payable at **death, old age, or disability.** Over $152,000.00 paid to **widows, orphans,** and **disabled.** Over $40,000.00 reserve fund. Write for rates, blanks, etc. *J. H. Shumaker, Secretary, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.*



REGAL BLUE MONUMENTS

Withstand the elements

and are permanent in color because of their dense texture and great resistance to moisture absorption. Awarded the gold medal at St. Louis in 1914. Our quarries produce the only blue marble of the South—Regal Blue—and we have a splendidly equipped finishing plant for its manufacture. Special designs executed. We also finish Confederate Gray, Fantasie and Georgia marble.

THE REGAL MARBLE COMPANY,
REGAL, NORTH CAROLINA.

Time Table Watauga & Yadkin River Railroad Co. and Connections

WESTBOUND					STATIONS—So. Ry.	EASTBOUND		
A. M. 8 15 9 30		A. M. 8 15 9 30			Eastern Time Lv Greensboro Ar Winston-Salem	P. M. 9 15 6 35	P. M. 9 15 6 35	
5 Sun. Only	3 Sun. Only	1 Daily Ex. Sa. Su.	7 Sat. Only	Miles	STATIONS W. & Y. R. R. R.	2 Daily Ex. Sun.	4 Sun. Only	6 Sun. only
P. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.		Eastern Time	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
4 30	10 15	2 00 s	2 00		Lv N. Wilkesboro Ar	10 20	10 00 s	5 15
4 35f	10 20f	2 01f	2 05f	1	Gordon	9 59f	9 57f	5 12f
4 41f	10 31f	2 19f	2 15f	5	Brown's Ford	6 44f	9 46f	5 00f
4 46f	10 38f	2 28f	2 23f	7	Minton	9 34f	9 37f	4 52f
4 54f	10 45f	2 38f	2 35f	9	Goshen	9 24f	9 29f	4 44f
5 06f	10 55f	2 51f	2 51f	11	Marley Ford	9 07f	9 18f	4 33f
5 16f	11 05f	3 00f	3 00f	13	Goulds	8 55f	9 03f	4 18f
5 26s	11 13s	3 12s	3 20s	16	Ferguson	8 43s	8 53s	4 08s
5 35s	11 20s	3 25s	3 40s	19	Elkville	8 33s	8 45s	4 00s
5 36	11 22	3 30	3 45		Elkville Junction	8 30	8 43 s	3 58
	11 33f		4 00f	20	McNeils	8 15f	8 23f	3 48f
	11 42		4 15	23	Denny	8 10	8 25	3 40
				27	Darby			
	11 43		4 16	23	Denny	8 00	8 24	3 39
	11 48f		4 25f	20	McNeils	7 20f	8 16f	3 31f
	11 54		4 30		Elkville Junction	7 10	8 10	3 25
5 45	12 01	4 09	4 40	21	Grandin	7 00	8 00	3 15

f Stop on Signal s Regular Stop

NOTE—Trains will commence running to Darby about Sept. 15.

LIST OF OFFICERS

W. J. GRANDIN, President - - - - - - - - - Grandin, N. C.
M. K. McMULLEN, Vice-President - - - - - - - - Pittsburg, Pa.
R. T. ROSSELL, Secretary - - - - - - - - - - Pittsburg, Pa.
W. W. BEATY, Treasurer - - - - - - - - - - Warren, Pa.
H. C. LANDON, General Manager - - - North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Business Preparation--

Thorough instruction in Bookkeeping, Banking, Accounting, Shorthand, Typewriting, etc.—rendered at minimum cost in shortest time. ***Either school or home courses.*** Good paying positions secured on completion of either.

Write for our illustrated catalogue and learn how this school is equipped to make something of you in the business world. Address

S. P. BROWN, President, LYNCHBURG, VA.

VIRGINIA COMMERCIAL AND SHORTHAND COLLEGE

REPORTING MONEY RAISED IN THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Joint Committee appointed by the Sunday School Board and the Board of Missions for the purpose o: securing correct reporting of missionary money raised in the Sunday school, met in Nashville, August 20th, and after a full discussion, decided to issue a statement for the pastors of the church about the method of reporting, and, in order that this statement might reach the pastors immediately and in time to guide them in making up their reports for the ensuing Annual Conferences, it was decided to publish the statement in all our church papers and, further, to send it to the presiding elders, asking that they emphasize the matters set forth in the last round of appointments.

It was felt that the most important factor in carrying out our splendid plan for missions in the Sunday school was careful and accurate reporting of missionary money raised in the Sunday school, of which the Sunday School Board is to receive the tenth.

1. Attention is called to the explicit terms of the Discipline in paragraph 264, which, defining the method of reporting, says: "and let the entire missionary offering of this day, together with all other missionary offerings, regular and special, made in the Sunday school, be a separate fund, and, designated 'Missionary Offering in the Sunday school,' let it be sent handled through the Conference Treasurer, handled and forwarded by him as a separate fund, to the Board of Missions for use in its general work; and let the amount raised for missions in the Sunday school be reported by the pastor in cash or voucher to the Annual Conference, appearing as a distinct item in the Conference Journal."

Manifestly two kinds of reports are here provided for, viz., (1) the report that accompanies the remittance to the Conference Treasurer, and (2) the report in the statistical blank that must appear in the Conference Journal.

(1) In the pastor's report to the Conference Treasurer, he must keep separate Sunday school missionary money that goes to the General Board of Missions at Nashville. This fund, clearly designated "Missionary Offering in the Sunday School," and sent separately to the Conference treasurer. must not include such funds as offerings for local missionary enterprises. All the money of this separate fund must go through the Conference Treasurer to the General Board at Nashville and for use in its general work.

(2) In the pastor's statistical report intended for the Conference Journal, he will find in the Sunday school section only two missionary items. They are "Amount raised for Missions (Assessment)" and "Amount raised for Missions (Special)." As the Conference statistical blank provides only these two items, in these items must be reported only what is actually "Missions." Monies raised for local benevolent objects, even if called "Missionary," must under the law be reported "For Other Objects."

In a correct reporting of missionary money raised in the Sunday school is involved the proper distribution of thousands of dollars, and we, therefore, urge every pastor to read over this statement carefully and by following it to the letter, to do for the Sunday School Board and the Board of Missions a great service.

(Signed)
E. B. Chappell, Chm.,
J. J. Stowe, Sec.

FROM VICE-PRESIDENT SOUTHERN RAILWAY CO.

The results of operation of Southern Railway Company for the months of July, 1915 and 1914, exclusive of interest, rentals and other income charges, were announced by Comptroller A. H. Plant today as follows:

Gross Revenue, July, 1915, $5,211,635; July, 1914, $5,705,119; decrease, $493,484 or 8.65 per cent.

Operating Expenses, Taxes and Uncollectible Railway Revenue, July, 1915, $3,893,988; July, 1914, $4,535,647; decrease, $641,659, or 14.15 per cent.

Operating Income, July, 1915, $1,317,647; July, 1914, $1,169,472; increase, $148,175, or 12.67 per cent.

In addition to the foregoing operating expenses, the Company spent during the month, for improvements to its roadway and structures, $470,501.97, as against $291,692.62 for July, 1914, an increase of $178,809.35.

Operating income as shown above represents the amount remaining after the payment of only those expenses incurred in the actual operation of the railway and of taxes, and takes no account of the charges for hire of equipment, rental of leased lines, terminals, and other facilities, and interest on funded debt (bonds), all of which costs are charged against operating income.

A CALL TO PRAYER

Believing in the power of old-fashioned prayer, the leaders of the Laymen's Missionary Movement are asking thousands of men and women to pray for the National Missionary Campaign, which opens the first of its seventy-five great conventions for men, in Chicago on October 14th. Individuals in private, families at their family altars, pastors in their pulpits, attendants at church prayer meetings, and groups specially organized are requested to offer persistent prayer for the campaign and all who participate in it.

The call to prayer which has been issued says the opportunities as well as the difficulties of so great an undertaking as the projected campaign of missionary inspiration and education, including the organization of seventy-five conventions in the leading cities of the United Statees, constitute an unusual challenge to the faith of Christian men. Therefore, prayer is regarded as the most important means of preparation for the hard work of the campaign.

Seven subjects for prayer are suggested and they include the campaign as a whole, the mission boards participating, cities in which conventions are to be held and the committees appointed to organize the conventions, the convention speakers and the delegates to the convention.

An effort is to be made to get written pledges from large numbers of men in each of the seventy five convention cities, as well as men in other parts of the country, to pray daily for the success of the campaign. A promise to pray, which is to be signed in duplicate, is part of the call to prayer which has been issued, the duplicate to be returned to the mission board with which the signer is affiliated or to the Laymen's Missionary Movement.

An American lady called upon Ambassador Herrick in Paris last August and gave him a piece of her mind. She said, "Now look here: this war must stop before the first of September, because Mary Ann has simply got to go to school."

MURINE FOR YOUR EYES

Murine is prepared by our Physicians, as used for many years in their practice, now dedicated to the Public and sold by Your Druggist. Try Murine to Refresh, Cleanse, and Strengthen Eyes after exposure to Strong Sunlight, Wind and Dust and to restore healthful tone to Eyes Reddened and made Sore by Overwork and Eye Strain.

Some broadminded Physicians use and recommend Murine while others perhaps jealous of its Success, talk and rush into print in opposition; those whose Eyes need care can guess why, as there is no Prescription fee in Murine. Just hand your Druggist 50c and you have a Complete Pkg. Eye Book—Murine—Dropper—and Cork Screw—ready for use. Try it in your Eyes and in Baby's Eyes for Eye Troubles—No Smarting—Just Eye Comfort. Write for Book of the Eye Free.

Murine Eye Remedy Company, Chicago

Children's Home

Fifth Sunday Collections

W. Allen Kunkle, Asheville, Central S. S., $16.46; G. W. Martin, Madison S. S., $2.50; R. L. Pearson, Reidsville, Route 1, Lowe's S. S., $1.50; Mrs. A. G. Jones, Walnut Cove, Stokesburg S. S., $1.44; Rev. W. T. Albright, Concord, Rocky Ridge S. S., $1.28; A. L. Payne, Rural Hall S. S., $2.00; W. I. Hatley, Albemarle, Salem S. S., $2.75; W. H. Hobson, Mocksville, Liberty S. S., $2.25; E. Clinton Black, Cabarrus, Bethel S. S., $1.00; Miss Carrie Felker, Cleveland S. S., $2.16; J. C. Curtis, Candler, Pleasant Hill S. S., $2.00; R. F. Fentress, Pleasant Garden, $3.30; Russell Dallas, Reidsville, Route 4, Bethlehem S. S., $3.10; Clide Edwards, Gilkey, Gilboa S. S., $1.00; J. M. Goforth, Dysartsville, Trinity S. S., $1.40; W. H. Speas, Winston-Salem, Route 7, New Hope S. S., $1.21; J. Harry Kistler, Charlotte, Seversville S. S., $4.00; S. E. Varner, Whittier S. S., $5.37; A. M. Howard, Davidson, Williamson's Chapel S. S., $1.33; E. E. Hauck, Todd, Blackburn Chapel S. S., $1.00; J. R. Johnson, Jefferson, Fairview S. S., $1.85; H. A. Beckerdite, Midway S. S., $4.00. Total, $62.90.

Amount Received on General and Special Support, and the Ten Per Cent. Assessment

M. A. Shaver, Winston-Salem, $5.00; Miss Flora P. Lentz' Bible class, Kannapolis, $5.00; "A Friend," $5.00; Farm Products, $44.34; W. A. Mickle, Winston-Salem, farm products, $5.40; Rev. W. T. Albright, Rocky Ridge Ct., $10.07; W. T. Penry, Capt. Rawley's Bible class, Winston-Salem, $83.34; Rev. Dwight W. Brown, McAdensville Sta., $15.73; farm products, $2.00; Rev. W. M. Boring, Yadkinville Ct., $5.37; C. M. Edwards, High Point, $6.00; Rev. D. R. Proffitt, Sylva, $90.00; Rev. R. C. Kirk, Crabtree Ct., $10.00; A. E. Hendley, Ansonville, Cedar Hill S. S., $2.00; F. V. Hunter, Hendersonville, $50.00. Total, $339.25.

Building Fund—Rev. J. H. West, Agent

W. A. Bost, Concord, $100.00; G. A. Warlick, Newton, $8.00; Mr. and Mrs. Zeb Wright, Candler, $6.00; Rev. J. P. Rogers, M. E. church, Canton, $9.00; Miss Ethel Pressley, Biltmore, $1.00; Rev. T. J. Rogers, Franklinville S. S., $4.75; Rev. W. F. Womble, Hendersonville S. S., $5.00; Dred Peacock, High Point, $15.00; Miss Laura E. Merchant, Biltmore, $2.00; W. A. Warlick, Gilkey, $5.00; C. F. Cline, Gilkey, $5.00; H. M. Geer, Gilkey, $1.00; I. D. Fincannon, Gilkey, $1.00; H. M. Geer, Gilkey, $1.00; C. D. Geer, Rutherfordton, $5.00; J. D. Hull, Rutherfordton, $2.00; K. J. Carpenter, Rutherfordton, $2.50; Carlo Monfrado, Rutherfordton, $1.50; W. C. McRorie, Rutherfordton, $1.00; Mrs. M. H. Justice, Rutherfordton, $5.00; K. R. Seals, Fletcher, $2.00; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Pratt, Morven, $10.00; Miss Moselle Trollinger, Newton, $5.00; J. C. Orr, Asheville, $5.00. Total, $202.75.

Acknowledgement

Rev. C. M. Campbell, Lenoir, has our thanks for a box of useful miscellaneous articles recently sent us, from Statesville.

Special Note

Our fiscal year ends September 30, and the preachers, church treasurers and Sunday school superintendents, or others, who have any funds for us in hand, will greatly oblige us by forwarding the same to us on or before that date.

This is the mark of HIGH QUALITY in ready-to-wear garments for women and children. Honest work, best materials, correct styles. Ask your dealer for GRIMBALL GARMENTS and verify the trade mark.

GRIMBALL GARMENTS
SPARTANBURG S.C.
GRIMBALL MFG. COMPANY,
Spartanburg, S. C.

PARENTS

Prepare your sons and daughters to earn large incomes.

Optometry

gives light, but profitable employment. Thousands of good openings for our graduates.

Write for catalogue. Correspondence and attendance courses.

Northern Illinois College of Ophthalmology
G. W. McFATRICH, M. D., Pres.
Masonic Temple, - Chicago, Ill.

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF BOARD OF MISSIONS

The Executive Committee of the Board of Missions met informally in Greensboro last week. The fourth Sunday in October was fixed as the goal for full collections throughout the Conference. Brother Courtney, the treasurer, will credit all charges as having paid their missionary assessments in full, who report to him before his last monthly report through Advocate November 4th. Let them be certain to indicate what part of the money sent in is for Home and Conference missions, and what part is for foreign missions.

All pastors are earnestly urged to consult their Conference minutes for name of treasurer of Board, and send proper money to proper parties.

The Executive Committee was most earnestly of the opinion that at no time in the history of the Conference has there been such a need for payment of assessments in full as this year. It was also their unanimous conviction that with crop and business conditions as they are in our Conference, there exists every reason for the expectation of full collections everywhere

I was instructed to send out a letter to the pastors, calling attention to the October date, the 4th Sunday, and urge preachers everywhere to make an effort to get all collections in hand by that time. It is an awakening reminder that of the $48,700. assessed our Conference for domestic and foreign missions, but $4,639.76 had been paid September 1st. It is an undeniable fact that the postponement until the very end of the year of the collection of money needed for current expense of missionaries, teachers, and so on throughout the church, is inexcusable But complaint now will do no good All that can be done is to sound the alarm and pull for the shore. Last year many of the elders divided their districts by county lines and sent into the charges where there was great est danger of a deficit, helpers to the pastors, with splendid results. A number of laymen also gave fine assistance. District, charge and church leader are everywhere now reminded that but a few weeks remain until Conference, and it is certainly an opportune time for them to show their strength.

THE DARDANELLES

Of all portions of the long European battle line, which extends, practically from the Netherlands in the North, all the way around and through several states and provinces to Northwestern Russia, a distance of not less than two thousand miles, the most interesting and important is that particular scene of military activity known as the Dardanelles. Compared with the struggle here, all others, however bloody and spectacular, are of minor importance and so certainly is this felt by the Entente, or the Allied forces of England France and Italy, especially, that doubtless, within a short time the offensive operations will be enlarged and intensified to the utmost so as to open the way into the Black Sea, thus giving outlet to Russia and at the same time, by the possession of Constantinople, and subsequent operations, drive the Turks altogether out of Europe

The attack begun by the fleets of England and France in April has continued with no intermission to the present, with scant prospect of an end in the near future. The Turks are, for the most part, under command of German officers and the military strategy of Germany is easily apparent in the skill and stubborness of the defense. The fall or successful defense of the Dardanelles and the great city which it protects, may not determine the issuse of the war, but must certainly have a tremendous influence.

A Classic History

The connecting link between the Mediterranean and the Black Sea, consists of three distinct parts. The Dardanelles proper, extending from that part of the Mediterranean known as the Egean Sea or Archipelago, is about forty miles in length and varies in width from some four miles to less than half a mile, and its depth sufficient for the largest ships at low tide.

This connects with the sea of Marmora, which is in its greatest extent, one hundred and seventy-two miles in length and about forty in breadth, with a depth of over two thousand feet in some portions. It gets its name from the Island of Marmora, near the center of the sea, which is about twelve miles in length by six in breadth. It is mountainous and rocky, and its chief, if not only importance is in its marble quarries, which are extensive and valuable and have been known and celebrated from remote ages. Thus the Latin word, Marmor, meaning marble, gives name to the island, and island to the sea.

Constantinople is situated at the extreme north end of the sea of Marmora, lying partly on the Bosporus, or Bosphorus, as the third part of the connecting link is generally called. It is some seventeen miles long and about two miles in extreme width. At the narrowest part it is perhaps less than half a mile wide; it has an upper and under current flowing in opposite directions, and at the narrow point, both are very swift. Its depth is sufficient for the largest vessels. The name is derived from two Greek words, which mean "heifer ford," or Oxford. It probably comes from Heathen Mythology, which states that Io, transformed into a cow swam across, or more likely from the fact that it is so narrow at one point that a cow might easily swim across.

As already intimated this waterway between the Mediterranean and Black Seas, is renowned in history as well as classic legend. The Dardanelles was the general name once applied to four forts built in ancient times to protect the Channel. Doubtless the name came from King Dardanus, who built the city of his kingdom nearby, and called it Dardania. Alexander, with his army crossed the Dardanelles about 480 B. C. to enter Europe and Xerxes also led his army across near the same place, that is near Abydos on the Asiatic side, which is opposite Ancient Sestos. This was in, or about 334 B. C. Xerxes used two bridges of boats to transport his great army. Near this point Leander swam across nightly, to visit his sweetheart, and Byron repeated the exploit in later years. A feat not so difficult after all, as many have swum across our Missouri River, and we, ourself, have accomplished the feat, more fatiguing and dangerous perhaps, owing to the great width and the rapid and treacherous current with its occasional whirling suctions, besides which the fresh water having so much less specific gravity than salt, or sea water, is more laborious for the swimmer.

The Dardanelles is much more strongly fortified than the Bosphorus, having forts and batteries of the most modern and unassailable type from end to end. And on the European side. when, after having unsuccessfully bombarded the Turkish defenses for a month or more, the Allies finally landed an army, they found the enemy so strongly intrenched that every foot of advance is made at the expense of much time, treasure and blood. The struggle here has been titanic, and no doubt even in these few months, and in this effort to open the Dardanelles, more has been expended in the destruction and injury to human life and property, in battleships and other vessels and munitions of war, than in our war of the Revolution! That the Allies will be ultimately successful is generally believed, but the addition of a great German force to the defenders may overwhelm the Allied forces and compel them to abandon the effort.

The Gallipoli Peninsula

This is a district, lying between the Dardanelles and the Gulf of Saros, which extends from the Mediterranean some forty or fifty miles north, into European Turkey, and is so called from a town of that name near the upper end of the Dardanelles. This is now the scene of the land operations of the Allies and here from day to day the slaughter is sometimes dreadful. As to the district generally, we copy from an exchange.

"There are few houses on the Gallipoli Peninsula that have not been wrecked by the severe bombardment incident to the landing of the allied troops last April and there are no houses that are now inhabited.

There are wheat fields waiting for the reaper and vineyards and olive groves where work might be done. In the villages, the few remaining shops stand idle. From the harbors along the Dardanelles and Gulf of Saros the boats have vanished, and the nets of the fishermen have dried in the hot sun a long time.

Out on the fields the crude plows and harrows lack oxen. The windmills are ruins or have had their canvass sails stripped by shot and shell.

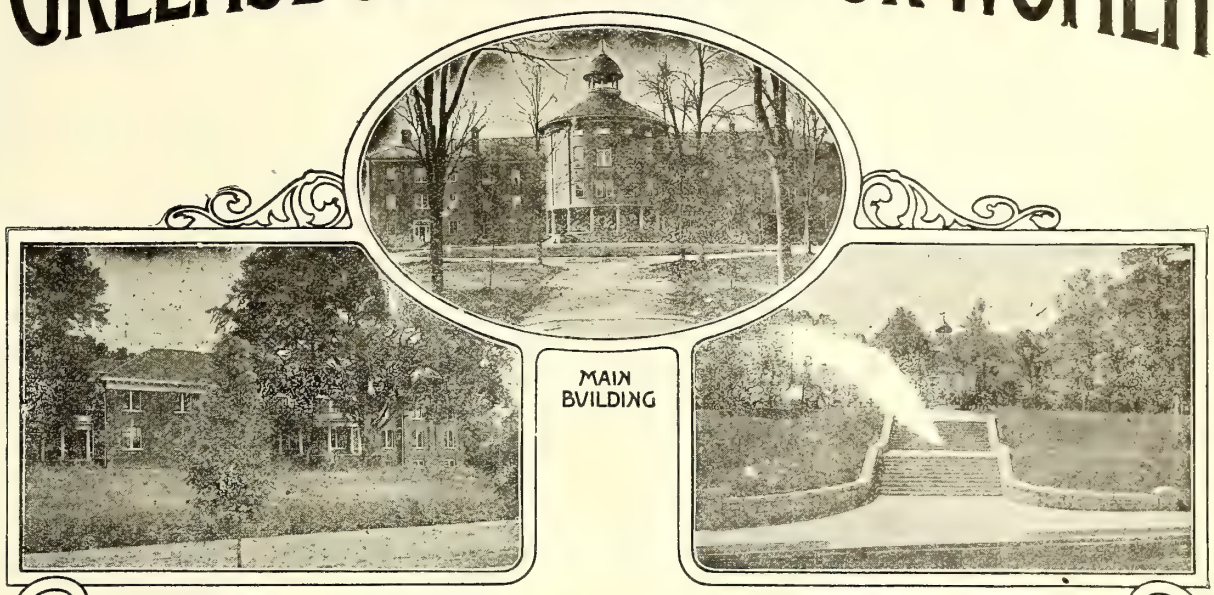
Town, village and countryside have been deserted by their populations. The picturesque civilian garb of Turk and Greek has disappeared and instead everywhere the dull olive drab and hardly brighter khaki uniform of the Turkish soldier.

This is the Gallipoli Peninsula today.

Shells by Tens of Thousands

The British and French ships have thrown tens of thousands of heavy shells on the narrow strip of land, Maidos and Noulain have been razed, Kirthia is a heap of ruins and Gallipoli stands as a monument to what modern artillery may do. To any of these must be added every other town, village and hamlet on the peninsula, and they are by no means few in number."—St. Louis Christian Advocate.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

The Sunday School Lesson

THIRD QUARTER—LESSON XIII—SEPTEMBER 26, 1915

Obedience and Kingship (Review)

Golden Text—The King shall joy in thy strength, O Jehovah; and in thy salvation how greatly shall he rejoice! Psa. 21:1.

Summary of the Lesson

In one of the poems of "The Gardener" Rabindranath Tagore allows himself to become the mouthpiece of a spirit of lawless indulgence:

"Let all crooked scruples vanish, let me hopelessly lose my way,
Let a gust of wild giddiness come and sweep me from my anchors,
The world is peopled with worthies, and workers, useful and clever.
There are men who are easily first, and men who come decently after.
Let them be happy and prosper, and let me be foolishly futile.
For I know 'tis the end of all works to be drunken and go to the dogs."

Such words do not express a worthy mood. They do not express a feeling which roots deeply in the life, but they do express a mood which has been all too powerful in human life. "Take the cash and let the credit go," sang Omar Khayyam, and multitudes have chosen the cash of immediate gratified sensation and have allowed the credit of character nobly self-controlled to go. The tragedy of this sort of thing is convincingly brought home in the story of the Syrian king who tried to combine a successful battle and a drinking bout.

The Arrogance of Ben-hadad

"If scornful words could win battles that man would be a Napoleon," was the comment which came forth like the flash of a sword when a group was discussing a would-be leader who had a way of substituting high-sounding words for effective deeds.

Ben-hadad dropped all the gracious aud euphonious phrases of the East in his communications to Ahab. He spoke in blunt, ugly, offensive phrases. He attempted to humiliate Ahab completely by a lordly audacity which knew no limits in its scornful assumptions. At first Ahab attempted to make a diplomatic response, but it only served to whet Ben-hadad's appetite for insolent speech. It was evident that if Ahab and his people were to preserve any shred of self-respect a hostile answer must be returned. Even this answer was phrased with studied courtesy, and when a contemptuous threat was sent back Ahab contented himself with one telling phrase: "Let not him that girdeth on his armor boast himself as he that putteth it off!"

The tendency to arrogance seems structural in some natures. A little authority and a little power are enough to cause a complete loss of poise. In that very significant book My Life Out of Prison Donald Lowrie tells of a parole officer whose brutal words to a man who unintentionally had been guilty of a small technical violation of his parole remind the reader that such men represent one of the gravest elements in the problem of dealing with prisoners. For all sorts of people, in all varieties of position in the world, life is made unnecessarily difficult by the modern Ben-hadads, who put a bitter sting in their speech out of sheer arrogant delight in giving pain.

The Drunkenness of Ben-hadad

Among the leaders of the Syrian warriors there seems to have been no sense of the seriousness of the situation. Ben-hadad was drinking when he gave the order to set the forces in battle array. He was "drinking himself drunk" when he gave the final orders regarding the battle. The only general to be found among the Syrians was general drunkenness.

The thought of brave and loyal soldiers being sent forth to give their lives for a monarch who could do nothing better than get drunk in the hour when all his power of mind and personal leadership was needed by his people fills the reader with a sort of fierce wrath.

Ben-hadad stands for a certain type of man and a certain type of civilization. The man thinks life in the terms of personal gratification and personal indulgence. The civilization is built up on the basis of a brilliant and fascinating appeal of the senses. It exists in the name and for the sake of the body. It has no understanding of the rights of the soul.

A popular American writer has given us a scene in a widely read story, where at a dinner party a celebrated poet appears sadly the worse for his indulgence in drink. The sense of the prostitution of brilliant powers comes to the reader with a shock. As you watch Ben-hadad carelessly giving himself to his cups as the battle approaches—a king making a beast of himself—you have the same sense of a fatal misuse of God-given powers. When the king loses his kingliness dark clouds come upon the land.

The Maudlin Sentiment of Ben-hadad

There is a good deal of counterfeit sentiment in the world. There are feelings which have no root in real experience and right apprehension of the relations of things. There is a world of make-believe emotion in whose mazes many people wander.

Certain stages of intoxication make their own contribution to the unreal emotion which is such a travesty on all true feeling. Benhadad had reached the place where his heart was full of a maudlin tenderness. When he heard of the vigorous young men who were marching out from his foes his muddled mind vaguely pictured these fine and strapping youths. He felt a glow of affection for them. It would really be too bad to kill them, so he gave his orders, whether they came for peace or war, "Take them alive." He said, in effect, "Don't kill these fine young men, whatever happens." He probably felt that he would like to have them come and drink with him.

The soldiers of Ben-hadad must have been amazed at his orders. They were to do everything except kill the men whom they went forth to fight. Of course that sort of thing was not war. It was madness, or, to put it literally, it was drunkenness.

The day would come when the world would draw back with loathing from the horrors of war, but the experience would have a deeper basis than the maudlin sentiment of an intoxicated king.

The Defeat of Ben-hadad

The virile and sturdy narrative goes on to tell of the behavior of these young men who were to be treated so tenderly. They were not on an expedition where reasons of sentiment caused them to forget the stern facts of war. "And they slew every one his man."

They had not sought the war. They had been goaded into it. They were fighting for that which was dearer than life, and they knew that a brief, stern, victorious war was the very best way to secure a definite and reliable peace. With such fearless, deadly courage did they fight that the Syrians fled. They completely routed their foes. Some sense of the dire tragedy being brought to the drunken Benhadad, he was sufficiently sobered by calamity to be able to mount a horse and ignominiously to escape. The men of Israel moved after the fleeing Syrians and the flight became more wild and fear-haunted. It was a day of overwhelming victory for Israel. The proud and scornful words of Ben-hadad were like a mocking memory to follow him in his panic-stricken flight.

In the presence of the hardest and most terrible facts of life there is surely a place for noble feeling, but there is no place for that thoughtless sentimentality which ignores the real meaning of events and trusts to tender feelings when it ought to be preparing for powerful deeds. A nation, as well as a king, may come to a place of something very like maudlin sentiment. If it surrenders to such a mood it is preparing for disaster and defeat.

Loud boasting, futile sentimentality, complete defeat—these phrases tell the story of this episode in Ben-hadad's rule. It is possible for a nation today to fall into the folly of empty boasting, of weak and unworthy sentimentality and to run the danger of the calamity which these invite.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in New York Christian Advocate.

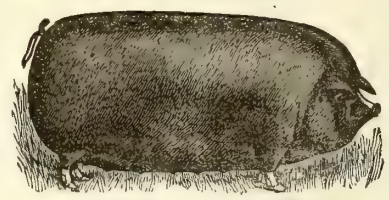
BACK TO HEALTH BY NATURE'S ROUTE

This is the title of a most interesting booklet issued by the Celebrated Shivar Mineral Spring. The booklet contains the strongest letters of testimonial from men eminent in the professions of medicine, law and theology, from bankers, merchants, manufacturers and others, telling how this remarkable water has relieved them of dyspepsia and indigestion, nervous headache, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney and liver diseases, uric acid poisoning and other ailments due to impure blood. Sign and mail the following letter and you will have no cause to regret it.

Shivar Spring,
Box 5D, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen:

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns, which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)



MAMMOTH BLACK

The greatest pork producers ever originated. We originated this hog. One we sold dressed 978 pounds. See statement from the man that raised this hog:

Wallburg, N. C., June 15, 1907.
John A. Young, Greensboro, N. C.
Dear Sir:

I have killed the Mammoth Black pig I bought of you and he dressed 978 lbs. net. Yours truly,
J. L. Guyer.

Until Oct. 1st we will sell at $10.00 each, $15.00 per pair, pigs 8 to 10 weeks old.

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.....E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg...W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller.....C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg., M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.....J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg...J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.....G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.....A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel...J. W. Ligon

This Hose Lasts Longer Than Others

Goodyear-Akron Lawn Hose lasts longer than others because it is made to do that. It is made by the makers of the famous Goodyear Automobile Tires. Composed of five layers of alternate new, live rubber and strongest braided cotton. Absolutely seamless. The thick corrugated outer coat, with its six extra large rubber ribs, does away with twisting and kinking. They add immensely to its life.

GOODYEAR AKRON Lawn Hose

Buy Your Garden Tools Here

We Have Everything You Need

ODELL Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER

Proprietor

GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY

DISEASES OF STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL

General Insurance

General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland

108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

Our Little Folks' Department

THE LITTLE TUNE

I made a little tune one day,
And, oh, 'twas very dear;
I tried to sing it in the woods;
The birds came out to hear.

A saucy squirrel coughed and laughed
Upon the chestnut bough;
I think he liked the little tune—
I wish I had it now.

'Twas all about the dancing brook,
The silver summer rain;
I sang it high, I sang it low,
I hummed it o'er again.

Then in the parlor down I sat
And tried so hard to play;
That darling little tune of mine
Jumped up and ran away.

My fingers fumbled, stiff and queer,
And bumped each other so;
And when I tried the dancing brook,
The big keys grumbled low.

I've never found my little tune,
I think of it each day;
I wonder why the darling thing
Got scared and ran away?
—Kate Louise Brown, in Everyland.

"IT IS TOO HARD"

"You must learn to fly," said a white dove to her two young ones as they sat in the nest.

"I'll try," said Pluff, who was a good dove.

"O, I can't! It is too hard," said Duff.

"Now do as I do," said the old dove. "I will take care of you. Hop on this bough. Spread your wings like me, and fly to this branch quite near."

Pluff tried. His heart beat fast and his head was dizzy when he found himself first in the air; but he tried to do just as he was told, and he lit safely on the branch.

But Duff was not there. He still sat in the nest.

"Come, Duff," cried the old dove. "You must come. If you do not learn to fly, it will be bad for you. You may starve; for I shall not feed you when you get big. And if a storm should come and blow down the nest, you would be killed if you could not fly."

"O, I cannot, I dare not! It is too hard," said Duff.

"Why, Pluff has done it; and what Pluff has done, you can do. Come, hop on this bough. I will have it done."

So Duff hopped on the bough; but he would not spread his wings. He slunk back to the nest, and there he stayed. Day by day it was the same. And when Pluff could fly quite well, Duff could not fly at all. He had not tried.

One night a storm came. The tree in which the nest was, rocked to and fro. The nest was old, and at last it gave way. The old dove and Pluff flew out as it fell and were not hurt; but Duff—what became of him?

They cried to him to spread his wings; but he had not learned to fly. "It is too hard!" he moaned as he fell to the hard ground. And so it was. He was so much hurt by his fall that he did not get well for some weeks.

At the end of that time he asked Pluff to teach him to fly. "You can do it if you will try," said Pluff. "Try, try again—that's the way." So Duff tried, and tried so well that he soon found he could fly.—The Nursery.

WHAT A CHILD DID

One day a little girl looking out of the window of her home saw a number of prisoners from the near-by jail working in the hot sun on a summer day; they looked thirsty. She remembered Christ's words, "I was thirsty and ye gave Me drink; I was in prison and ye came unto Me," and the thought came to her, "I can do both."

With her mother's permission she took a little bucket of cold water, with a dipper, and gave a drink to each prisoner in turn, refilling the bucket several times. As she went from one to another in her white frock, her sweet smile gave even better cheer than the water. The thanks of the prisoners were very hearty. One of them asked her, "Little lady, what made you do this?"

After a moment's pause she replied: "That is what Christ said to do—I was sorry myself."

He lowered his head and said, "God bless you, little Christ child."

There were tears in the eyes of the prisoners as she walked away. Their hearts had been touched and softened by the kindness of a child.—Apples of Gold.

NOW IS THE BEST TIME

"Grandma, tell me, when was the happiest time in your life?"

"Right now, dear child, right now."

"But you have no home!"

"True, but my children make me welcome at their home."

"But you can't have things the way you want them!"

"When that is true, I try to want them the way I can have them."

"But you are not well; you have to suffer much."

"We all have to suffer, my dear, and one learns to bear it better as the years go by. Just think of the blessings I have. You know how we love the bare trees in winter. We could not see their real beauty when covered with leaves in the summer. So, my children, appreciate and love me more than they did in the summer of life. Then, too, I have more time to think than I did during the strenuous years of active life.

"Oh, yes, I have sorrows, but they are mostly the sorrows of others. I do not grieve for those who have passed on before me. I am glad for their love and for what their lives have meant to me. I know God will take care of the living ones, too. I never doubt Him any more, as I used to. Some day, and all too soon, God will call me to Himself, so that 'right now' shall still be the happiest time of my life."—Mrs. V. G. Robertson.

FOR THE MASTER'S USE—A PARABLE

The writing desk lay open. Its owner had been called away in the act of beginning an important letter. On it were a sheet of note paper and an envelope; beside it stood the ink bottle, and close by lay the pen, the blotting paper, and the penwiper.

The silence of the room was broken by the notepaper speaking to his companions.

"You needn't look so consequential," it said scornfully. It is on me that the letter will be written."

"Yes," said the pen, "but you forget that it is I who writes it."

"And you forget," said the ink, "that you couldn't write without me."

"You needn't boast," said the ink bottle, "for where would you be but for me?"

"It is ridiculous of you all to be so conceited," interposed the blotting paper. Only for me, what a mess you'd be in."

"And may I ask," said the envelope, "what use would any of you be if I did not take the letter where it is to go?"

"But it is I who writes the directions on you," snapped the pen.

"Dear sirs, please stop quarrelling," gently said the little pen wiper, who had not spoken yet.

"What have you to say?" asked the pen contemptuously. "You are nothing but a doormat." And he laughed at his own wit.

"Even if I am a doormat" said the penwiper humbly, "only for me you would be so rough with dried ink that you could not be used. And that is all any of us are good for—just to be used. We might stay here for the rest of our lives, and not all of us put together could write that letter. Only the hand of our Master can do that."

"I believe he's right," said the envelope and the notepaper together.

"Yes," said the ink, it's foolish of us to forget that we can do nothing unless we are used."

"True enough," murmured the ink bottle. "What use would I be if you were not in me?"

"Yes, to be sure," said the blotting paper; "we ought to have thought of that."

"Indeed, yes; and I'm sure I beg your pardon, Mr. Penwiper, for calling you a doormat," said the pen in an humble voice.

'Please don't mention it," said the penwiper; "but I do think we would be happier if we would just do the best we can without being jealous."

As he spoke the owner re-entered the room, and silence fell. The pen was taken up, dipped in the ink, passed to and fro on the paper; the blotting paper was pressed on it, and the letter placed in the envelope, the address written, and the pen wiped on the penwiper.

"Each has done his part," murmured the ink.

"Yes," said the pen; "and without our master we could have done nothing at all."—The British Messenger.

STRENUOUS DAYS

September, and then school, and then
The house will be all still again,
And dolls will all be put away,
And where the children used to pay
Will be but silence, and no one
Will break from the front door and run
Along the street to meet her dad,
At noontide and to make him glad;
August is gone, September comes;
With school by day, and evening sums.

Schooldays! The thought 'most makes
us sick!
Can we do the arithmetic
The kids will bring to us this term?
Last winter's problems made us squirm,
And there were evenings when we
knew
That we'd just managed to get
through;
And we are looking back with pain
To nighttimes when we would explain,
Or quote to them some involved rule;
And now, another year of school!
Another school term! We shall need
No magazine from now to read,
No limousine to scoot afar
To where suburban pleasures are;
We need a pencil and a tab,
And memory to come and jab
Us with the things we used to know
In life's forgotten long ago;
For it will make us rather sad
If our loved ones lose faith in dad.—
—James Mortimer Lewis, in Houston Post.

WORTH KEEPING

"I can never never, keep anything!" cried Edith, stamping her foot with vexation because she could not find her scissors. "Somebody always takes my things away and loses them. I wish they could be let alone."

Edith showed no little fretfulness and irritation of temper.

"There is one thing," said her mamma, "that I think you might keep if you would try."

"I should like to keep even one thing," answered Edith.

"Well, then, my dear, keep your temper. If you will only do that, you will find it easier to keep other things. If you had used your time in looking for the lost scissors you might have found them before this. You have only got into a passsion, and you have accused somebody, perhaps unjustly, of taking away your scissors and losing them. Keep your temper, Edith, even if you lose all the little property you have. Getting into a passion never brings anything to light except an unhappy face; and besides getting yourself into a passion, you accuse somebody else of doing wrong."

Edith began to think; she got over her ill humor, searched for her scissors and found them in her own work-bag."

"Why, mamma!" she exclaimed, "here they are; I might have been sewing all this time if I had kept my temper."—Exchange.

BENT NAILS

"Draw the nail out carefully, my boy. Be careful not to bend it."

"I could straighten it, if I did bend it, couldn't I?"

The carpenter smiled into the earnest face of the young man who was learning the trade under his teachings.

"You might get it quite straight, but it never would be as strong as if it had not been bent. It would bend easier next time, and you could not drive it just as true to the spot as you did at first."

It was a lesson the young carpenter never forgot—the nail which has been bent once will bend easier next time. It never is as strong to resist a blow as it was in the beginning.

The power in us to resist the inclination to do wrong is like a bright nail. Once bent it will bend easier next time. Yield to temptation today and tomorrow you will have less strength to hold fast.

Just as long as you stand up bravely and say: "I do not think this is right; I can not do it!" just so long the metal is strong and pure in your heart. It is easier the next time to say the same thing. But as surely as you say: "I'll do it for this one time!" the steel is weakened and your life-work endangered.—Our Juniors.

WILL YOU READ THIS PERSONAL MESSAGE?

It may mean the beginning of the happiest moment of your life—a complete restoration to health and strength—the thrill of once more feeling that you are well. We want you to read the simple, truthful statement of one of the most noted of Richmond's medical men, a plain, impassioned truth from a man who reached the very highest pinnacle of success as measured by his work and what he did for "The Cause" and for Christian-like humanity. Read this message from—Jud B. Wood, M. D., D. D. S., late President Society Prevention Cruelty to Animals: "For the past three years my office has been in the same building and so situated that I could see and hear what takes place in the office of the 'Fonticello Lithia Water,' and out of thousands of persons who have used this water for various diseases and especially for stomach, bladder, kidney and liver troubles, it is a rare exception that they do not declare that they have either been cured or benefited by its use and a large number of these cures have come under my observation. In some instances where they had no faith in the water until after they had commenced its use, they then became very enthusiastic. I am convinced that it is the peculiar combination of the alkalies in this water that causes it to act so very promptly on the kidneys, skin and lymphatics, thus relieving the system of accumulated poison. I have great faith in Fonticello Lithia Water, and unhesitatingly recommend it to any one who is suffering with dyspepsia, indigestion, urinary and kidney affections, gravel, stone in the bladder, uric acid, rheumatism, and gout."

Fonticello Mineral Water is sold on guarantee. Order two carboys—ten gallons—price $2.00. If it doesn't benefit you we will refund your money.

Fill out this coupon and mail today
Note our guarantee

I want to try Fonticello Mineral Water and promise to use it regularly, daily, drinking the number of glasses prescribed in the directions which you agree to send me. If this treatment does not prove beneficial, yoou agree to refund purchase price upon receipt by you of the two empty carboys which I promise to return promptly. Enclosed find $2.00 for which please send me two gallons of Fonticello Mineral Water referred to above.

Name .....
P. O. .....
Express Office .....

Note.—This coupon is our acceptance of above terms and guarantee.

FONTICELLO MINERAL SPRINGS CO.
Dept. C., Richmond, Va.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Flat Rock, Upward 18-19
Central, night 19
West Asheville 26
Tryon and Saluda, night 26-27
Fairview, Fairview 2-
October
Haywood St., night .....
Spring Creek, Antioch 9-10
Hot Springs, night 10
Weaverville Ct., Salem 16-17
Elk Mountain, night 17
Hot Springs & Marshall, Marshall .23-24
Walnut, Jewel Hill, night 24-25
Sulphur Springs, Snow Hill 30-31
Bethel, night 31
November
Swannanoa, Swannanoa 6-7
Black Mountain, night 7
Biltmore & Mt. Pleasant, Biltmore ...14

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Matthews, Matthews 18-19
Belmont, night 19
Prospect, Bethlehem 25-26
Monroe, Central 26-27
October
Weddington, Hebron 2-3
Waxhaw, Mineral Springs, 3 p. m.....3-4
Lilesville, Lilesville 9-10
Trinity, night 10
Polkton, Hopewell 16-17
Unionville, Mill Grove 23-24
North Monroe, N. Monroe, night 24
Marshville, Marshville 30-31
Brevard, night 31
November
Ansonville, Concord 6-7
Wadesboro, night 7
Dilworth, 11 a. m. 14
Spencer Memorial, 3 p. m. 14
Tryon, night 14

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—James H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Greensboro, Zion 18-19
Gibsonville 19-20
Pleasant Garden, Pleasant Garden, 25-26
Spring Garden 26-27
October
West Greensboro, Jamestown 2-3
Centenary 3-4
Coleridge Ct., Coleridge 9-10
Ramseur and Franklinville, Franklinville 16-17
Deep River, Central Falls 16-17
Uwharrie, Oak Grove 23-24
Denton, Denton 24-25
Randolph, Trinity 30-31
Wesley Memorial, High Point 30-31
Main Street, High Point 31-32
East End 31-32
November
Asheboro 6-7
Randleman 6-7
West Market 13-14

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Green River, Bethlehem 18-19
Broad River, Tanner's Grove 25-26
Henrietta and Caroleen, Caroleen ..26-27
October
Forest City, Pleasant Grove 2-3
Cliffside, Oak Grove 2-3
Rutherfordton, Gilkey 9-10
Morganton Ct., Oak Forest 16-17
Connelly Springs 23-24
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Spruce Pine 30-31
November
Micaville, Martin's Chapel 5
Bald Creek 6-7
Burnsville 7-8
Marion Ct., Capernaum 13-14

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Debson, Stony Knoll 18-19
Yadkinville, Long Town 25-26
October
Rural Hall, Rural Hall 2-3
Mount Airy Ct., Salem 9-10
Danbury, Snow Hill 16-17
Madison and Stoneville, Madison ...24-25
Leaksville 26
Spray 27-31
Draper 28-31
November
Jonesville, Ebenezer 6-7
Elkin 6-7
Ararat, Hunters 13-14

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Wilkes, Lebanon 4-5
Elk Park, Banner Elk 7-8
Avery, Pine Grove 11-12
Boone, Boone 18-19
Watauga, Valle Crucis 23
Creston, Clifton 25-26
October
Sparta, Sparta 3-4
Laurel Springs, Laurel Springs 9-10
Helton, Greenwood 16-17
Jefferson, Orion 24
Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro 31
Revival Meetings
North Wilkesboro .....August 22-29
Boone, Boone ..... Sept. 14-21
Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro .. Oct. 31-Nov. 7
All churches not yet visited will be visited on the fourth round. These side dates have been arranged with the pastors. Let all the pastors make proper announcements. All official members are urged to be present at the fourth quarterly conference.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Rhodhiss Sta., Rhodhiss, 11 a. m. ..18-19
West Hickory, West Hickory, night 19-20
Stony Point Ct., Stony Pt., 11 a. m., 25-26
Alexander Ct., Hiddenite, 3 p. m. ..26-27
October
Iredell Ct., Snow Creek, 11 a. m. 2-3
Broad St., Statesville, night 3-4
Cool Spring Ct., Clarksburg, 11 a. m. 9-10
Race St., Statesville, night 10-11
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 a. m., 16-17
Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, night 17-18
Troutman Ct., Shiloh, 11 a. m. 23-24
Davidson Sta., Davidson, night 24-25
Statesville Ct., N. Statesville, 11 a. m. 30-31
Mooresville Sta., Mooresville, night 31-Nov. 1
November
Hickory Ct., Fairgrove, 11 a. m. 6-7
Newton Sta., Newton, night 7-8
Maiden Ct., May's Chapel, 11 a. m., 13-14
Final Meetings
October
Lenoir Ct. (all churches), Lenoir, 11 a. m. 5
South Lenoir and Valmead, South Lenoir, night 5
South Lenoir and Valmead, Whitnel, night 6
Granite Falls and Hudson, Granite Falls, 3 p. m. 12
North Lenoir Ct., (all churches) Lenoir, 11 a. m. 13
West Hickory, (all churches) West Hickory, night 14
Alexander Ct., (all churches) Hiddenite, 3 p. m. 19
Stony Point Ct., (all churches) Stony Point, 11 a. m. 20
Statesville Ct., Marvin, 11 a. m. 21
Statesville Ct., Bethel, 3 p. m.....21
Mooresville Ct., (all churches) Mooresville, 11 a. m. 26
Troutman Ct., (all churches) Troutman, 11 a. m. 27
Cool Spring Ct., (all churches) New Salem, 11 a. m. 28
Iredell Ct., (all churches) Olin, 11 a. m. 29
November
Catawba Ct., (all churches) Catawba, 11 a. m. 2
Statesville Ct., Bethlehem, 11 a. m. ..3
Race St., Statesville, night 4
Davidson Sta., Davidson, night 9
Mt. Zion-Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 11 a. m. 10

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder
Fourth Round

September
Lowell, Bethesda 18-19
McAdenville, McAdenville 19
Lincoln Ct., McKendree 25
Lincolnton, Lincolnton 26
October
South Fork, Ebenezer 1
Belwood, Fallston 2
Stanly, Stanly 3
Polkville, Casar 9-10
Lowesville, Salem 16-17
Mt. Holly, Mt. Holly 17-18
Rock Spring, W. Chapel 23-24
Crouse, Crouse 30-31
November
Shelby Ct., Sharon 6

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.
Fourth Round

.. September
Concord, Epworth and Center, Epworth, 11 a. m. 19
West Concord, Kerr St., night 19
Woodleaf, Ebenezer 25-26
China Grove and Landis, China Grove, night 26-27
October
Mt. Pleasant, Cold Springs 2-3
Concord, Central, 11 a. m. 3
Concord, Forest Hill, night 3
Albemarle, Central, 11 a. m. 10
Albemarle, First Street, night 10
Albemarle Ct., Pine Grove 16-17
Salem Ct., Salem 17-18
Concord Ct., Rocky Ridge 24-25
Westford, night 24
Bethel and Loves Chapel 30-31
November
Gold Hill Ct., Zion 6-7
New London Ct., Bethel 7-8
Kannapolis Ct., Shiloh 13-14
Kannapolis Sta., night 14

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Bryson and Whittier 18-19
Judson Ct., Judson 25-26
Robbinsville 30
October
Murphy Ct., Peachtree 2
Murphy Station 3
Haysville Ct. 9-10
Ranger Ct., Rodgers 13-14
Andrews Station 17
Franklin Ct., Bethel 23
Franklin Station 24
Macon Ct., Mt. Zion 24-25
Highlands Ct., Highlands 27
Glenville Ct., East Laporte 30-31
November
Clyde Ct., East Waynesville 6
Waynesville Station 7
Canton Station 7

WINSTON DISTRICT—Hugh K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Thomasville Ct., Zion 18-19
Thomasville, Main St., night 17-19
Forsyth, Mount Tabor 25-26
October
Jackson Hill, Poplar Spring 2-3
Farmington, Smith Grove 9-10
Cooleemee, night 10
Walkertown, 11 a. m. 17
Advance, Advance 16-17
Lewisville, New Hope 23-24
Davie, Hardison 30-31
Mocksville, night 29-31
November
Kernersville, Kernersville 6-7

STATESVILLE, SNOW CREEK, TURNERSBURG AND MOUNT BETHEL—IN THE WOODS STILL DODGING ABOUT

(Continued from last week)

On Monday afternoon I started on the itinerary in the country, indicated at the head of this article. The rst point I wanted to reach was

Snow Creek

This church is located twelve miles north of Stateeville beyond the South Yadkin River, between the two newly made sand-clay roads leading out toward Wilkesboro. In an automobile with friends who were taking me out, I sped away through the country, and by the old home place, the school house and church where I had lived over fifty-five years ago, had gone to school and church, and where, as a penitent boy, I first knelt at a Methodist "mourners' bench," passing all of these places without recognizing any trace of any of them until I had gotten by. When we had left the highway and had gone as far as our car could safely go, within a mile and a half of the church, I was dropped in the woods and got down to the original mode of travel—on foot. That was right much of a come down, for my way led into the valley low, through the swamps and across Snow Creek. I got to the place from which there was no dodging either to the right or left. So I took a running shoot and split the mud, and when I landed on the other side, my new shoes looked like those of a ditcher. I thought, well, that is no means of grace even to a superannuated preacher. If the honorable Board of County Commissioners had been with me on that little pedestrian tramp, something would surely be doing before they or I would ever pass along that way again. I smiled to myself and went on. Soon I found comfortable lodging in an humble cottage home on the hill where I had found shelter and pleasant entertainment in other years. But Dr. "Bob" Campbell and the good mother, his wife, were not there. It was a pleasure to the passing itinerant to spend a night in the old home with their sons and daughters. Blessings on all of them.

On that Monday night, I attended the service of the meeting, which began on the Sabbath before, conducted by Rev. John F. Kirk, who was assisting the pastor, Rev. P. H. Brittain. This meeting was interesting from start to finish, and wonderfully successful. It lasted two weeks or more, including two, if not three, Sabbaths. There were between fifty and seventy-five professions and reclamations, with many accessions to the church. One remarkable incident which I witnessed was the conversion of a mother at the altar with her little child in her arms. Brother Kirk did the preaching and he did it well. Strange that I have seen no notice of the meeting. No one seemed moved to write it and he was too modest to do it. That would be two much like blowing his own trumpet upon the house tops.

Snow Creek church and campground is one of the oldest meeting places in Iredell county. I have known it for over sixty years, and have attended many camp meetings there. Here was about my first experience in a Methodist altar of straw. It was not helpful to me. I did not need the excitement, the noise and confusion by which I was overwhelmed. I needed simple and persuasive instruction which I got afterward and elsewhere. But that was the method of conducting meetings at that time, and which succeeded as well or better than any other. But the times and methods have changed and we have right much changed with them. The older generation of over fifty years ago have all passed away, and the old church and arbor displaced by a new church higher up in the grove. I stood in the open field, where cotton is now growing, and made an ocular survey of the hill slope, but could not locate the spot where the old church and arbor used to be, nor where more than a half century since, I first knelt in the straw as "a mourner." The number and spiritual life of the church seemed to have run low, but there is a growing congregation of promising young people here, most of whom were converted and taken into the church at this meeting, and Snow Creek seems to have put on her "beautiful garments" and taken on new life, and is now working and hoping for something better. During my stay in that community, I ran down and spent one night in

Olin

This is an old and once flourishing village. Here was located Olin College. The name was given for Rev. Dr. Olin, president of Randolph Macon College, Virginia, and Wesleyan University of Connecticut. The Rev. Baxter Clegg was the first president and he was succeeded by Rev. S. Milton Frost, Profs. A. H. Merritt and James H. Southgate, and others. The palmier days of the school were just before the breaking out of the Civil War. I used to go to church in the college chapel, and I remember to have heard Bishop G. F. Pierce, of the Southern Methodist Church, preach in that chapel. The text he used is "And he exhorted them all that with purpose of heart they should cleave unto the Lord." I remember only one word in that sermon and that is "zigzag." He who does not cleave to God with fixed purpose is unstable and goes in a zigzag way, and he pointed the meaning of the word with his finger as he pronounced it. That is how I got that word and its meaning. During and since the war the school began to decline and Ichabod has long since been written all along its single street, for its glory has departed. The old building has long since been torn away and no trace of one stone left upon another to indicate the place where the college was. The old store and other houses have pretty much all disappeared and the old citizens all departed. I think of only one who still lives. R. B. Joyner is now spending serenely his octagenarian years in Statesville. The Methodist church and parsonage for the Iredell circuit are located in the village, and the pastor Rev. P. H. Brittain, occupies it. It is a pretty thickly settled community, and clever people live there.

Returning for the two services at Snow Creek in the evening, the same automobile that dropped me in the wild woods picked me up by the roadside and in less than an hour of delightful spinning, I am back in Statesville. And

by another machine on the Saturday evening following, I was landed at

Turnersburg

where I preached for the pastor, who was engaged in the protracted meeting at Snow Creek, on the morning of the 4th Sabbath. This is an old factory village of small population, but well to do and one of the most prominent communities in Iredell county. The first Methodist church was built here during the Civil War. The church has never prospered in large measure. The membership and congregation have never been large, and both perhaps are not so large now as at the beginning. The older people and leaders have all been transferred to the upper kingdom, and many others have left and not enough have been gathered in to fill their places. Still there are enough left, if they would all take hold with willing hands and hearts, to bring better things to pass. It was in a meeting here, conducted by the late Rev. W. M. Robey, that I received the instruction I needed and obtained the religious experience for which I was seeking, and began to work in the vineyard of my Lord. That was before the church was built, but later before I was licensed to exhort or preach, I held a week's meeting of nights, which proved to be quite a revival, for there was something near twenty-five professions. And now there is a church in Surry county, known as Dockery's Chapel, built by some of the converts of that meeting. And here, too, I found a partner and entered into a copartnership which is lasting still. We have been journeying together ever since and are still going on. On the afternoon of this Sabbath, with horse and buggy, I drove to

Mt. Bethel

where I preached again for the absent pastor, at the 4 o'clock hour. This is one of the oldest churches of which I have any knowledge. Here, too, is one of the oldest cemeteries. The old log school house in which I went to school during the war, is still there, much weatherbeaten. The old church in which I went to Sunday school and preaching at the same time, has long since been torn away. The older people here and most of my school and play mates have passed on. It was in that old church my first attempts at public prayer were made, and in the cemetery I read on the tomb-stones the epitaph of Rev. Franklin Moss, an old Methodist Protestant minister, who pressed me into that service. Before preaching I spent a half hour in that "city of the dead" in reading epitaphs and meditation. What "a cloud of witnesses" and host of God's people will come up from that old graveyard in that morning when the final trumpet shall sound! Now there is a new church and a young growing congregation.

Turning away from these scenes and memories of my early associations, on Monday morning I spin away in another automobile, and in forty minutes I am back in Statesville, my starting point. In all my dodging about and preaching to complete this circle, I have not been forgetful nor neglectful of the Advocate. The reports and checks sent in to the office will show that good work has been done. By the help of the steam engine, I spend the following Sabbath at home and hear a splendid sermon by Rev. R. M. Courtney in West End on "Christ the only hope of the world." And now I rest again.

James Willson.

Statesville, N. C.

"Uncle Jake" was one of the characters of Bunbury. He was as deaf as a post—when he wanted to be—and as contrary as a bundle of sticks. One of his neighbors came into his yard one day and said, "Uncle Jake, I'd like to borrow your wagon this morning; mine is having a spring mended." "You'll have to speak louder," rejoined Uncle Jake. "I don't like to lend my wagon anyhow!"

Our Dead

WEAVER.—Joshua Lee Weaver was born in Ashe county, N. C., August 1, 1856, and departed this life at his home near Jefferson, N. C., August 14, 1915.

He was married to Mary E. Campbell, of Alexander county, December 28, 1878.

Reared in a Christian home, he professed faith in Christ in childhood and joined the M. E. Church, South, of which he remained a consistent member till death.

A devoted husband, a most loving brother, an unselfish neighbor, a soldier of the Cross, has been taken from our midst. We think of him now as resting from his labors.

E. E. Yates.

ELLIOTT.—Flynn Elliott, who lived near Charlotte, N. C., and who was a member of Trinity church on the Seversville charge, has laid down the cross just in the prime of life and has gone to enjoy his eternal reward. That dread disease typhoid fever soon did its awful work and his spirit went back to God just past midnight, August 1, 1915. That afternoon at five o'clock we laid his body to rest in the cemetery at Trinity church, services being conducted by this writer and Rev. J. H. Bradley, a former pastor. The floral tributes were beautiful and the large crowd that wept at his grave was far more than the church would hold.

Flynn was only twenty-five years old, which makes his death only the sadder. But this brief life was spent in the Master's service. At the age of thirteen he joined the church which he loved until he went to join the church triumpant.

He leaves a young widow and one son two years old besides his father and mother and four brothers. He was the youngest of five sons and the favorite of his mother whom he loved devotedly. May God comfort these sorrowing relatives with others who mourn for him.

"Blessed are the pure in heart; for they shall see God."

W. F. Elliott, Pastor.

WINGATE.—God in his wisdom has removed from the Ladies' Aid Society of the Chadwick Methodist Church, our beloved sister, Mrs. Wingate. She was one of our most loyal and useful members. Mrs. Wingate leaves no memory that is not sweet and pure. She was a woman of exceptional beauty of character strong for the right, yet charitable to the erring, loving all. The life she lived was not only a credit to herself, but a grand benediction to all who knew her. May our lives be such to others. While we grieve at the loss of a loving, valuable member, we submit to the will of God, knowing that he doeth all things well, feeling assured that our loss is her gain.

Be it resolved, That we dedicate to her memory one page on our minutes, also that we shall send a copy to the bereaved family.

Ladies' Aid Society,
Chadwick Methodist Church.

MISSIONARY NOTES FROM FIELD SECRETARY

China Grove, H. H. Robbins, P. C. China Grove, $125.00 on assessments; Harris Chapel, $22.70 on assessments; Landis, $14.00 on assessments.

Kernersville Ct., Chas. P. Goode, P. C. Kernersville, budget plan, $74.60, additional to assessments on assessments; Oak Ridge, $31.00 on assessments; Mt. Vernon, budget plan, $21.45 additional to assessments on assessments; Shady Grove, $33.00 on assessments; Sedge Garden, $9.75 on assessments.

ANNUAL EXCURSION TO JACKSONVILLE AND TAMPA, FLA., VIA SOUTHERN RAILWAY PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH, TUESDAY, SEPT. 28, 1915

Special train consisting of first class day coaches and standard Pullman sleeping cars will be operated from Greensboro, Salisbury, Charlotte and intermediate points through to Jacksonville on Tuesday, Sept. 28th.

Low round trip fares as follows.

From	To J'ville	Tampa
Greensboro	$7.50	$ 9.50
Winston-Salem	8.00	10.00
Sanford	7.50	9.50
North Wilkesboro	8.50	10.50
Lexington	7.50	9.50
Albemarle	7.50	9.50
Mount Airy	8.50	10.50
Newton	8.00	10.00
Morganton	8.00	10.00
Gastonia	8.25	10.25
Reidsville	8.70	10.70
Siler City	7.50	9.50
Salisbury	7.50	9.50
High Point	7.50	9.50
Asheboro	8.00	10.00
Elkin	8.50	10.50
Statesville	8.00	10.00
Hickory	8.00	10.00
Mooresville	8.00	10.00
Concord	7.50	9.50

Fares on same basis from intermediate points.

Passengers from all points not covered by special train will use regular trains to Greensboro, Salisbury, Charlotte and other junction points connecting with the special train.

Returning these tickets will be good to leave Jacksonville any time after arrival so as to reach original starting point by midnight of Tuesday, Oct. 5th, 1915.

Tickets good going only on special train, but returning will be honored via Atlanta and can also be used via Savannah, leaving Jacksonville on Seaboard Air Line train No. 2 at 8:00 a. m. to Savannah, thence Southern Railway.

This excursion affords great opportunity for homeseekers and others to visit Florida at small cost. Last of September and first of October is best time of year to visit Florida. Fine fishing, surf bathing and boating.

Pullman reservations must be made in advance. For reservations or any other information apply to any agent Southern Railway, or

R. H. DeButts, D. P. A.,
Charlotte, N. C.

HERE'S PERMANENT WORK FOR YOU, in the State of North Carolina, with an old-established institution whose fame is nation-wide. The work requires sober, industrious men; the position is as good as you make it. Liberal commissions paid.

Box 789, Raleigh, N. C.

We Will Pay You $120.00 to distribute religious literature and take orders in your community. 60 days work. Man or woman. Experience not required. Spare time may be used.
International Bible Press, Philadelphia
850 Winston Building

BLYMYER CHURCH BELLS. UNLIKE OTHER BELLS SWEETER, MORE DURABLE, LOWER PRICE. OUR FREE CATALOGUE TELLS WHY
Write to Cincinnati Bell Foundry Co., Cincinnati, O.

The Desk With a 25 Year GUARANTY



The desk that stands hard usage without becoming shaky. It is of extra strong construction throughout and has these exclusive points of excellence: **Heavy Semi-Steel Frame, Patent Noiseless Hinges** and **Extra Wide Seats.** The design, construction and finish is perfect in every detail. Our proven claim is—the best desk regardless of price. The only desk made in the South.

SOUTHERN DESK COMPANY,
Box 2300, HICKORY, N. C.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Trains leave Greensboro as follows:

N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information and are not guaranteed.

12:55 a. m.—No. 112, daily. Local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh which may be boarded at 9:30 p. m. and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m

1:47 a. m.—No. 30, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars Birmingham and Augusta to New York, and Birmingham and Jacksonville to Washington. Observation sleeping car Atlanta to Richmond. Tourist sleeper for Washington from San Francisco. Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars New York to Birmingham an Augusta, and Washington to Jacksonville and Birmingham. Observation sleeping car Richmond to Atlanta. Tourist sleeping car Washington to San Francisco via Sunset Route. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:45 a. m.—No. 11, daily. Local for Atlanta and points south. Pullman sleeping cars Richmond to Charlotte and Norfolk to Asheville. Coaches.

7:15 a. m.—No 37, daily. NEW YORK, ATLANTA AND NEW ORLEANS LIMITED. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section drawing room sleeping cars New York to New Orleans, Asheville and Macon. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service. No coaches.

7:30 a. m.—No 108, daily. Local for Raleigh and intermediate points.

7:30 a. m.—No. 154, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

8:10 a. m.—No. 44, daily. For Washington and points north.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily. For Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Handles Pullman sleeping car for Winston-Salem from Raleigh.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily. For Mt. Airy.

9:40 a. m.—No. 144 daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Free reclining chair car Charlotte to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily. For Salisbury, Statesville and Asheville. Connecting at Asheville with Carolina Special which handles through sleepers for Cincinnati and Chicago.

12:45 p. m.—No. 130, daily. For Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

12:50 p. m.—No. 45, daily. For Charlotte, connecting with trains for Columbia and Seneca.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Washington, New York and points north. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

2:00 p. m.—No. 207, daily. For Winston-Salem, connecting daily, except Sunday, with trains for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daily except Sunday. For Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily. For Mt. Airy.

6:30 p. m.—No. 35, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham. Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham, and Charlotte to Atlanta. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily. For Winston-Salem.

6:40 p. m.—No. 46, daily. For Danville.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily. For Sanford.

7:24 p. m.—No. 43, daily. For Charlotte, connecting with No. 35 for the South.

10:15 p. m.—No. 12, daily. For Richmond and Norfolk. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Asheville to Norfolk.

10:20 p. m.—No. 233, daily. For Winston-Salem.

11:20 p. m.—No. 38, daily. THE NEW YORK, ATLANTA AND NEW ORLEANS LIMITED. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section, drawing room and compartment sleeping cars New Orleans, Macon and Asheville to New York. Dining car service. No coaches.

E. H. COAPMAN, Vice-President and General Manager, Washington, D. C.

W. H. TAYLOE, Passenger Traffic Manager, Washington, D. C.

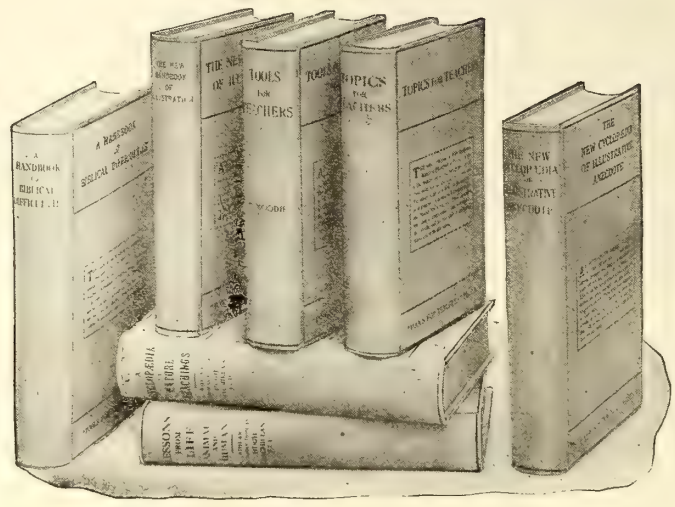
H. F. CARY, General Passenger Agent, Washington, D. C.

C. G. PICKARD, Passenger and Ticket Agent, Greensboro, N. C.

R. H. DeBUTTS, Division Passenger Agent, Charlotte, N. C.

Sunday School Helps and Supplies

SEVEN LARGE VOLS.
OVER
3800 PAGES



ONLY
$6.00
NET

Tools for Preachers and Teachers

Formerly $14.00----Now Less Than Half Price

Any Single Volume, $1.00 net (formerly $2.00)

A practical, working library, drawn from nature, life and the Scriptures. A Storehouse of Information useful for workers in every branch of Christian effort.

1. The Cyclopaedia of Nature Teachings
Introduction by Hugh Macmillan

A selection of facts, illustrations, examples and suggestions taken from all departments of inanimate nature, and employed to illuminate the great facts of the religious life.

2. Lessons from Life (Animal and Human)
Introduction by Hugh Macmillan

A compendium of illustration abounding in curious and interesting facts concerning the habits, instincts and peculiarities of living creatures, both animal and human. The moral and religious lessons imparted arise naturally and without effort from the incidents described.

3. Tools for Teachers
By Wm. Moodie

A collection of anecdotes, illustrations and legends for the use of Teachers of Sunday-Schools, Bible Classes and Boys' Clubs. A practical manual and storehouse of anecdotes and illustration for all who have to do with the moral and religious training of the young.

4. New Cyclopaedia of Illustrative Anecdote
(Moral and Religious)

A comprehensive collection of authentic anecdotes, old and new, on a wide range of subjects, arranged and classified alphabetically for ready reference, and with a detailed index.

5. New Handbook of Illustration

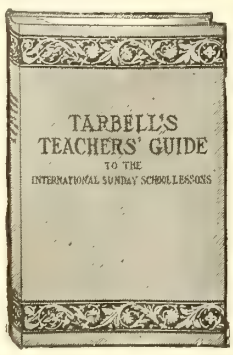
A classified exposition of Scripture Truth and Christian Life, digested and arranged for ready reference. This Handbook of Illustration will afford valuable aid, as a book of suggestion and reference, to public speakers in every branch of their profession.

6. Handbook of Biblical Difficulties
(On Moral and Religious Subjects)
By the Rev. Robert Tuck, B. A.

The editor of this Handbook has collected the passages in the Bible which seem to present special difficulties, and deals carefully with each, suggesting a reasonable explanation of every perplexity, or at least of every class of perplexity.

7. Topics for Teachers *By the Rev. J. C. Gray*

This work constitutes a Bible Dictionary, Manual and Textbook, a Commentary and a Concordance, all in one, saving the cost of these books and the time occupied in their use. The volume is almost a library in itself. It is an invaluable work for preachers and Sunday-School teachers.

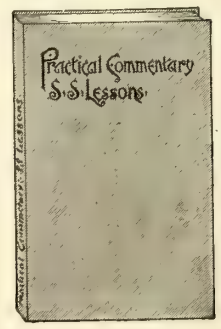


Tarbell's Teachers' Guide

By Martha Tarbell, Ph. D.

Large octavo, cloth binding, $1.00 net (postpaid $1.10).

Time was when "anyone" taught Sunday-school, and results were a matter of conjecture. The TARBELL method has ushered in a new era in Sunday-school teaching, with every teacher a competent instructor. From all parts of the globe testimonials come regularly to the success of this modern Sunday-school teachers' *vade mecum* in all grades.



Peloubet's Notes

Conceded to be the best help for teachers in the Sunday School.

Large octavo, cloth binding $1.00 net (postpaid $1.10).

The Gist of the Lesson

By R. A. Torrey, D. D.

Leatherette, net 25c. postpaid.

Increasing by leaps and bounds, each year the history of "GIST" is the record of continued success. Not merely a book of "notes," but a *vade mecum* packed with seed thoughts for study and meditation.



Sunday School Register arranged with blanks for each Sunday's minutes and complete class report, with a summary for each quarter, also for annual report. Arranged for two years. This is generally conceded to be the best and most complete Sunday school Register now published. Price postpaid $1.50.

Sunday School Quarterly Class Records, full size, 25 cts. per dozen. Every Sunday school should keep a good supply of these records.

Complete Baraca Class Record. One Hundred loose leaf sheets for $1.00. Binder $1.00. Complete outfit $2.00. Each leaf is so arranged as to keep a complete individual record for twelve months. No class should be without this record. Sample sheets furnished on application. One binder will last a life time. Any book published will be furnished at the publisher's price.

Job Printing of all sorts executed with neatness and dispatch. Be sure to see us before giving out your fall work. Anything entrusted to us by mail order will be attended to promptly. Send orders to

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

VOLUME LX NUMBER 39

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Reading Room Trinity College

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

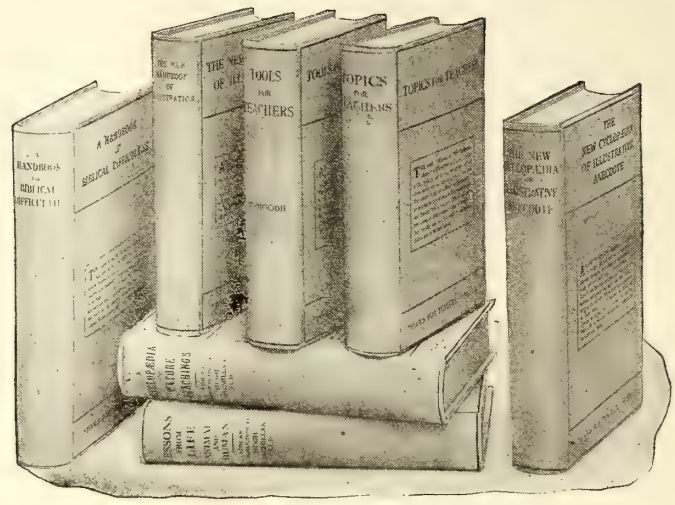
GREENSBORO, N. C., THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1915

IN THE DARK DAY

IF we could, righteously and effectively, lift the dark cloud of war off the fair face of the world how quickly and eagerly we would do it. But we cannot, try as we will, and, in fact, all our trying is likely to have very little effect upon it. But there are some things that we can do that will help a little. For instance, we can keep the dark cloud of distrust and fear of the future from settling down upon our own heart and life. We can cherish in our souls from day to day the sure faith that the cloud is going to be lifted, we can, through the dark watches of the night, sing our song of hope and make ready to greet the morning. And in doing that we will help a little, and perhaps a great deal, to hearten and strengthen the faith and expectation of a troubled world. If we were to live a thousand years there would never come to us a better opportunity of making our smile of hopefulness, and faith, and courage worth something to the world.
—*Christian Guardian.*

Sunday School Helps and Supplies

SEVEN LARGE VOLS.
OVER
3800 PAGES



ONLY
$6.00
NET

Tools for Preachers and Teachers

Formerly $14.00----Now Less Than Half Price

Any Single Volume, $1.00 net (formerly $2.00)

A practical, working library, drawn from nature, life and the Scriptures. A Storehouse of Information useful for workers in every branch of Christian effort.

1. The Cyclopaedia of Nature Teachings
Introduction by Hugh Macmillan

A selection of facts, illustrations, examples and suggestions taken from all departments of inanimate nature, and employed to illuminate the great facts of the religious life.

2. Lessons from Life (Animal and Human)
Introduction by Hugh Macmillan

A compendium of illustration abounding in curious and interesting facts concerning the habits, instincts and peculiarities of living creatures, both animal and human. The moral and religious lessons imparted arise naturally and without effort from the incidents described.

3. Tools for Teachers
By Wm. Moodie

A collection of anecdotes, illustrations and legends for the use of Teachers of Sunday-Schools, Bible Classes and Boys' Clubs. A practical manual and storehouse of anecdotes and illustration for all who have to do with the moral and religious training of the young.

4. New Cyclopaedia of Illustrative Anecdote
(Moral and Religious)

A comprehensive collection of authentic anecdotes, old and new, on a wide range of subjects, arranged and classified alphabetically for ready reference, and with a detailed index.

5. New Handbook of Illustration

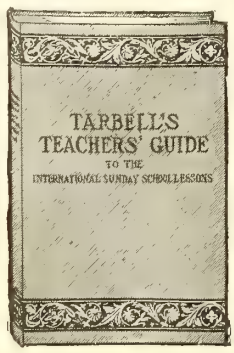
A classified exposition of Scripture Truth and Christian Life, digested and arranged for ready reference. This Handbook of Illustration will afford valuable aid, as a book of suggestion and reference, to public speakers in every branch of their profession.

6. Handbook of Biblical Difficulties
(On Moral and Religious Subjects)
By the Rev. Robert Tuck, B. A.

The editor of this Handbook has collected the passages in the Bible which seem to present special difficulties, and deals carefully with each, suggesting a reasonable explanation of every perplexity, or at least of every class of perplexity.

7. Topics for Teachers *By the Rev. J. C. Gray*

This work constitutes a Bible Dictionary, Manual and Textbook, a Commentary and a Concordance, all in one, saving the cost of these books and the time occupied in their use. The volume is almost a library in itself. It is an invaluable work for preachers and Sunday-School teachers.

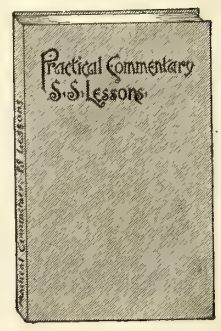


Tarbell's Teachers' Guide

By Martha Tarbell, Ph. D.

Large octavo, cloth binding, $1.00 net (postpaid $1.10).

Time was when "anyone" taught Sunday-school, and results were a matter of conjecture. The TARBELL method has ushered in a new era in Sunday-school teaching, with every teacher a competent instructor. From all parts of the globe testimonials come regularly to the success of this modern Sunday-school teachers' *vade mecum* in all grades.



Peloubet's Notes

Conceded to be the best help for teachers in the Sunday School.

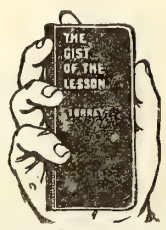
Large octavo, cloth binding $1.00 net (postpaid $1.10).

The Gist of the Lesson

By R. A. Torrey, D. D.

Leatherette, net 25c. postpaid.

Increasing by leaps and bounds, each year the history of "GIST" is the record of continued success. Not merely a book of "notes," but a *vade mecum* packed with seed thoughts for study and meditation.



Sunday School Register arranged with blanks for each Sunday's minutes and complete class report, with a summary for each quarter, also for annual report. Arranged for two years. This is generally conceded to be the best and most complete Sunday school Register now published. Price postpaid $1.50.

Sunday School Quarterly Class Records, full size, 25 cts. per dozen. Every Sunday school should keep a good supply of these records.

Complete Baraca Class Record. One Hundred loose leaf sheets for $1.00. Binder $1.00. Complete outfit $2.00. Each leaf is so arranged as to keep a complete individual record for twelve months. No class should be without this record. Sample sheets furnished on application. One binder will last a life time. Any book published will be furnished at the publisher's price.

Job Printing of all sorts executed with neatness and dispatch. Be sure to see us before giving out your fall work. Anything entrusted to us by mail order will be attended to promptly. Send orders to

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

VOLUME LX NUMBER 39

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Reading Room Trinity College

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

GREENSBORO, N. C., THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1915

IN THE DARK DAY

IF we could, righteously and effectively, lift the dark cloud of war off the fair face of the world how quickly and eagerly we would do it. But we cannot, try as we will, and, in fact, all our trying is likely to have very little effect upon it. But there are some things that we can do that will help a little. For instance, we can keep the dark cloud of distrust and fear of the future from settling down upon our own heart and life. We can cherish in our souls from day to day the sure faith that the cloud is going to be lifted, we can, through the dark watches of the night, sing our song of hope and make ready to greet the morning. And in doing that we will help a little, and perhaps a great deal, to hearten and strengthen the faith and expectation of a troubled world. If we were to live a thousand years there would never come to us a better opportunity of making our smile of hopefulness, and faith, and courage worth something to the world.
—*Christian Guardian.*

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

EDITORIAL

The Iredell County Board of Education has set a good example for the whole state in adopting a rule which will exclude cigarette smoking teachers from work in the schools of that county. At least they must not smoke during school hours or on the school grounds. The fact is all school teachers should desist from smoking at all and especially in the presence of the children.

* * * *

Bishop Kilgo has been making full proof of his ministry in a great tent meeting at Concord. It calls to mind the days of Bishop Pierce, under whose preaching Methodism in Concord received its first great impulse to go forward. Bishop Kilgo, like Bishop Pierce, loves to give emphasis to the evangelistic mission of Methodism, and we have no doubt that all the churches in Concord have felt the thrill of his great preaching. In a sermon on the work of the Holy Spirit Bishop Kilgo said: "Was there ever a preacher who was known as a Holy Ghost preacher who didn't have audiences ." Referring to John Wesley's ministry, a preacher, he declared, who did not have friends and influence, yet thousands came to hear him. Frances Asbury, he presented, as a preacher like Wesley—a man to whom the multitude flocked by virtue of the Holy Spirit in his preaching. The Spirit of God, the speaker said, will rush the multitude together when there is a spiritual voice manifested in the ministry."

* * * *

Some Good People are lacking in that broadness of vision which can only come through a knowledge of world-wide conditions. Such people fail to do because they do not know. The editor of the New York Christian Advocate says: "Bishop Hughes, who sees as far into present-day conditions and the causes of them as any of our leaders, has said a word about the church papers that ought to be read by every pastor who covets for his laymen a part in the larger undertakings of the connection: 'You may train a feeble local Methodist without a church paper; but you cannot get a city Methodist or a Conference Methodist or a State Methodist or a nation Methodist or a world Methodist until you have fed a man for years on the nourishing food of our church paper. The parochial Methodist is always a non-subscriber. This is the human and resistless argument for the church paper."

* * * *

The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is only asking for a sum for foreign missions which is equal to an average of twenty-five cents per member, and yet some are saying that we are over-assessed. This is the way to look at the matter in order that we may come to some slight appreciation of our littleness and narrowness. The solution of all our trouble about raising this paltry sum in full lies in an early and persistent campaign to secure a contribution from every member. We will never have full collections while pastors are too timid to begin with the beginning of the year and insist upon each member co-operating. After all, the every-member canvass is the key that is to unlock the storehouse and supply the needs of the kingdom. And that every-member canvass must begin immediately after the adjournment of Conference.

* * * *

How Can We Hold Them? This is the anxious question now upon the lips of hundreds of devoted pastors who have recently received scores of new members into the church. Will these go away as so many others have and be lost sight of? Will they be swept back into the tide of worldly pleasure and sinful self-indulgence, or will they stand in the attitude of firm and fixed resistance to the powers of evil? It will not do to leave them alone and let them grapple with the evil forces without sympathy or assistance. Pastors and sympathetic church members ought to busy themselves now to conserve what has been gathered in. Helpful books and papers should be put into their hands, so that their thoughts and impulses may be directed along lines that will help to develop character and strengthen religious experience. Here is the place to work for the circulation of the church paper in a way that will not only help the paper but place it where it will be most helpful to others. New converts will not stay with us in any useful sense without learning what the church stands for and cultivating a sympathy for all its enterprises.

MRS. BEULAH HOOVER

A press special from Asheville on the 22nd, also a note from Rev. E. W. Fox, pastor of our church at Weaverville, brought the sad intelligence of the tragic death of Mrs. Beulah Hoover, widow of the late Rev. H. T. Hoover, which occurred from injuries received in an automobile accident that day.

Mrs. Hoover was on her way to Asheville in company with her daughter, Virginia, who was to take a train for Spartanburg, where she expected to enter Converse College. The Asheville correspondent says: "The machine was driven by Kenneth Gill, of Weaverville, and belonged to his father, Dr. J. N. Gill. The driver was rounding a curve when an approaching wagon made it necessary that he strike it or drive from the roadway. He chose to do the latter with fatal results. Miss Hoover and Mr. Gill were not hurt."

The deceased was a lovely character, and one of the most devoted and useful members of our church at Weaverville. She was a sister of Mrs. Yost, wife of Prof. Yost, of the faculty of Weaver College. She was a member of one of the most prominent families in Southwest Virginia.

There are many sad hearts on account of her sudden and tragic death, and the Advocate joins in expressions of sympathy, especially for the daughter thus suddenly left alone in the world. The husband and father who went away years ago, was one of our dearest and most intimate friends. May God fulfill his promise and give to all the bereaved the oil of joy for mourning.

We hope soon to have a full memoir of our departed sister.

A HELPFUL PERSPECTIVE

Now that the calendar brings us to the season when men and congregations are anxious about how the appointments are to be fixed, it is well enough for us to see things as viewed from the standpoint of those who claim to have a "settled pastorate." The following is from the Presbyterian Standard:

It is hard to settle and unsettle pastors in the Presbyterian Church. There is not much trouble in the stronger churches where there is sufficint financial strength to command good pulpit talent. Even among these there is sometimes unseemly competition or rivalry. Let it become generally known that any particular preacher is in demand, then every vacant church wants him. All they know about him is that other churches are calling him. This makes him very desirable, and the bidding is liable to become fast and furious. The chief trouble, however, in the settling and the unsettling of pastors is with the weaker churches. They are seldom content for long at a time with such things as they have. Their ideal is above their preaching power. Spurgeon tells of receiving a letter from a vacant church, asking him to help in securing a pastor. The letter went into detail as to the manner of man wanted, and concluded by mentioning $600 as the salary which the church could pay. Spurgeon replied, saying: "I see the situation clearly. You want a whale, and you haven't water enough to float a minnow."

Methodists with an itinerant system have a decided advantage in many respects, but all have not fully submitted to the apostolic injunction to be content with such things as they have. Some charges are very much like the church referred to by Mr. Spurgeon, and the figure might be reversed and made to apply to some pastors who know very little about the depth of water into which they may venture with safety. While many charges may suffer for lack of efficient service, it is evident that many pastors suffer for having been allowed to venture beyond their depth.

Taking everything into consideration, however, our itinerant system comes nearer complying with the divine command to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature than any system that has yet been tried. It meets the demand of an aggressive system far more satisfactorialy than any so-called settled pastorate can do.

In a very sensible comment on this the editor of the Midland Methodist says:

If our system had all ideal pastoral charges, and all ideal pastors, the difficulties would vanish. But we have struggling charges, and mediocre pastors, so that it is most difficult to please all parties concerned. However, our Presbyterian and other friends have the same. They "call," when often there is no response. We send, and somebody always goes. There is the difference—and it is vital. Our men who go may not always go in exuberant humor, but they go. Once in a while a man refuses to go, but it is so seldom as to create a sensation, and to bring about ecclesiastical investigation. Not to go is insubordination.

The Methodist plan has its flaws, but it is about the best that we know. Imperfect men make imperfect plans. To do nothing while waiting for an ideal outline of procedure is folly. The itinerant system has a preacher in every place, and a place for every preacher. This is a very old statement of the case, but it is true, and most important. Pulpitless preachers, and preacherless pulpits, are most unhappy predicaments. If there is a misfit, we can change immediately, without breaking a cog in our machinery.

Let our Methodist people rally to our Methodist polity. Let them support the outgoing administration, and prepare to welcome the incoming. Let them dismiss the grumbles, and cultivate cheerful gratitude that we are the heirs of so wonderful a mechanism.

THE EPWORTH LEAGUE CONFERENCE

The Epworth League Conference which met at Spencer last week was a source of gratification and inspiration to all who attended. Intense interest and enthusiasm marked every session from the opening Friday evening to the close Sunday afternoon. Although distance prevented a very representative attendance, this conference was thought by many to be the most successful held in several years.

The Conference opened Friday evening at 8 o'clock, with President E. L. Bain, of Winston-Salem, in the chair. Rev. W. R. Ware, presiding elder of the Salisbury district, conducted a short devotional service, after which Mr. B. F. Stevenson, secretary of the Spencer Y. M. C. A., gave a very pleasing address of welcome. This was followed by a very interesting address on "The Relation of the Epworth League to the Church," by Rev. J. S. Hiatt, of Winston-Salem. His address abounded in wholesome wit and humor and made a very favorable impression upon the Conference.

Saturday was a busy day for the Leaguers. At 6:30 in the morning Rev. John W. Moore, of Salisbury, conducted a very helpful prayer service. Both morning and afternoon sessions were given over to the transaction of routine business. President Bain gave an encouraging review of the work of the past year. District secretaries and chapter representatives made gratifying reports and spoke in optimistic vein of the outlook for the coming year. Pledges were taken amounting to $320 for the Africa mission. The election of officers resulted as

follows: President, Rev. E. L. Bain, Winston-Salem; vice-president, H. E. Walter, Asheville; secretary, Mrs. Katharine Browning, Greensboro; treasurer, Rev. C. M. Pickens, Spencer; superintendent Junior Leagues, Miss Bertha Barnett, Cornelius; Epworth Era agent, A. W. Cline, Thomasville; superintendent Knights of Ezelah, F. T. Scarborough, Greensboro; superintendent Girls of Epworth, Mrs. C. C. Ausbane. After a spirited contest between Gastonia, Asheville and Greensboro for the conference next year, the latter won by a narrow margin.

Saturday evening Rev. John W. Moore preached a powerful sermon on "Serving God and Its Results."

Sunday morning at 11 o'clock Rev. E. L. Bain occupied the pulpit and delivered a strong sermon on the subject, "The True Joy and the False." In the afternoon Rev. Dr. G. T. Rowe, of High Point, addressed a young people's mass meeting. His address on "An Epworth League in Every Church a Necessity" was an able endorsement of the work of the Epworth League. The singing of the male quartet, from Centenary church, Winston-Salem, was greatly enjoyed at both these services.

The hospitality of the good people of Spencer deserves special mention. During the entire time their prime object seemed to be the entertainment of their guests, and nothing that might contribute to the pleasure of the delegates was left undone. It was with great reluctance that we bade them farewell at the close of the conference. R. R. M.

THOSE GOOD BOOKS

The reader is hereby requested to turn to page 16 and see what a nice lay-out of helpful books we have provided for Sunday school workers and all Bible students. Please note how marvelously cheap these books are.

We call attention to the special Sunday school supplies offered there. All Sunday school superintendents should provide their schools with these class records, also the secretary should have the Sunday School Register. We make this register here in the Advocate shop and there is none like it anywhere else. Order one, and if you do not like it you can return it.

Then why not have all your printing done in the Advocate shop. We can do it as well as others, and your patronage helps us to make the Advocate and build up our own Conference publishing house. It looks like we ought not to have to exhort our people to patronize themselves.

THOUGHTS FROM BISHOP KILGO'S TENT SERMONS

The church people are the people. Go to your tax books, and I will guarantee you will find that 80 per cent. of your property is returned by church people.

* * * *

No higher type of man ever lived than the old-time Methodist steward. What community can produce a greater man than the old type of Presbyterian elder? The Sabbath that was observed at his house was like the Sabbath of eternal rest. And the good Baptist deacon, fixed in his faith, set in his purpose, a terror to wrong and a friend to righteousness. These men had the greatest respect of everybody. They were God's salt in the earth, the light of the world.

* * * *

I wouldn't give one little church in the mountain cove for all the theatres in the world. In that little church is going on a bigger and broader activity than is going on in the United States Senate. * * * * In the mountain church you will find a preacher with home-made clothes on that fit him nowhere, singing "A Charge to Keep I Have." You say this is a small performance. Down the uncarpeted aisle comes a child with a penny for the missionary cause. But behind that penny there is the thought to batter down the walls of paganism in China and on the ruins construct the kingdom of Christ.

No revival of religion ever came about through the "progressives." They have introduced gambling, card-playing and frivolities in the church. It is the conservatives who have kindled the fires afresh. But for the conservatism of God's church the world would have been wrecked with revolutions long ago.

* * * *

God's church is the bulwark in which truth has found a refuge and in which righteousness has been preserved. Skepticism has run loose, but God's church has steadily moved ahead amid the jeers and conflict, amid the decay of systems of philosophy and literature, the protector of righteousness. Where would the Bible have been today if it had been left to the colleges? Not one word of it would have been left. Where would purity have been if it had been left to society? Where would the glory of Christ have been if it had been left to philosophy? Governments have taken the Bible and consigned it to the flames, but God's church has gone into the fire and rescued it from the flames, and the world has a Bible because the church had in it the great spirit of conservatism.

NOTE AND COMMENT

The Mexican Troubles seem to be gradually developing a border warfare which may finally, by degrees, draw this country into a state of war with the whole country. A special from Brownsville on Friday said, "Several hundred Mexicans under shelter of a half mile of trenches covered the retreat of 70 or 80 Mexicans who today attacked the village of Progreso, Tex., 35 miles above here on the Rio Grande River, according to the official report tonight of Maj. Edward Anderson of the Twelfth Cavalry. Reports late tonight said that at least four, and probably more Mexican bandits were killed. Two of the Mexicans were killed on the American side, two while crossing the river in boats and four others are believed to have lost their lives while scrambling up the banks of the Rio Grande on the Mexican side."

Private Stubblefield of troop C, twelfth cavalry, was instantly killed, and later reports say that Richard J. Johnson, a private of troop B, is also missing. General Carranza declares that none of the men engaged in these raids are of his soldiers, yet the trenches are said to have been occupied by men wearing the Caranza uniform. Washington has been much puzzled over the situation.

* * * *

The Victory for Prohibition in South Carolina makes a continuous white way from the Potomac to the Mississippi. It will not be long before there will be a "Solid South" under a new alignment. In fact, the bow of promise seems to span the heavens in our Southland in more ways than one, and there are indications that this section is destined soon to be the most prosperous and progressive in the Union. If we can put liquor out and keep it out the race problem will be more than half solved. We are already seeing some of the good effects of the school house versus the still house, and we shall see it more and more as the years go by.

* * * *

"I Am Sorry He Had to Die," was the remark of one lady when informed of the death of Anthony Comstock which occurred last week in New York. This man, more than any other man of his generation, stood as a bulwark of strength against the tide of uncleanness which sought to express itself in art, and he organized a crusade against the circulation of vicious literature which has proved an effectual moral antiseptic in the body social and politic in this country. How often we have occasion to regret that any of our great reformers should have to die!

* * * *

The Balkans Are Ready to be touched off like a bunch of tinder in the blaze of the match. It seems a cruel thing that these war-torn states should be plunged into the awful maelstrom of European fury. But they are said to be mobilizing and no one can see how they can be expected to keep out of the conflict much longer. The only hope of an end of strife is the prospect that soon some of the great powers are going to find themselves exhausted. War loans such as are required can not be floated indefinitely.

* * * *

The Slaughter of the Armenians by the Turks goes on with increased fury. A special investigation has been made by a committee composed of many prominent men, including John R. Mott, Stephen Wise, Frank Mason North and other well known and reliable men.

"Written testimonies of eye witnesses have been examined with utmost care. The witnesses examined included Armenians, Greeks, Bulgarians, Italians, Germans, Turks, Englishmen, Americans, business men, travelers and officials of great variety and rank. Not a single statement can be questioned as to the facts reported. These all agree in the declarations tthat from Smyrna on the west to Persia and from the Black sea to Arabia, a propaganda of extermination of non-Moslems is being carried on by the Turkish government far surpassing in ferocity and exceeding in destruction anything done by Abdul Hamid during his long career of massacre and extermination. * * * * The plan of procedure, which is identical in all parts of the country, seems to aim at the complete elimination of all non-Moslem races from Asiatic Turkey and already that aim is in fair way to accomplishment so far as the Armenians are concerned. In several places American property has been seized, Americans searched, imprisoned and expelled from the country, their letters and telegrams, even from United States consular officers, intercepted and their lives put in jeopardy. Evidence seems to prove that possibly 500,000 Armenians have already been murdered or forced to the desert where only death awaits them unless relief is secured at once."

* * * *

That the World Will Tolerate such an unholy alliance as Germany and Austria have formed with the "unspeakable Turk," is not to be believed for a moment, and we can not believe that a nation capable of such atrocities can survive long amid the blazing light of intelligence which the world enjoys today. It is said that included among these refugees and victims are pupils and graduates from the American schools and colleges, teachers and professional men who have taken degrees in American and European universities, men and women who have represented the brains and enterprise of the country for a generation or more. The world scarcely knows the first chapter of the horrible things going on in this terrible war.

* * * *

A Great Battle Has Developed on the western front in Belgium and North France in which the Entente Allies have succeeded in driving the Germans from some twenty miles of their trenches, and taking 20,000 prisoners. On the eastern battle line also the Russian resistance is much stronger and there are indications that Germany and Austria have about exhausted their driving powers. It now looks as if the tide of fortune may have changed at least for the time being, but these struggles are costing thousands of lives. The Germans are said to have 2,000,000 soldiers on the western battle line.

FROM CONFERENCE EVANGELIST

Since our last report we have held a meeting with Rev. T. S. Coble at Gamewell, where we had a good meeting, resulting in about thirty-five professions and much good to the church. The people esteem Brother Coble very highly. We found many good people there. We then went over to Lenoir and held a few days' meeting with Rev. R. F. Wellons at South Lenoir, which resulted in twenty-one professions and much other good, we trust. The people love Brother Wellons. We next held a meeting with Rev. J. M. Barber at Mill Springs, resulting in fifty-seven professions, several accessions, and a general revival in the church. Brother Barber is in fine favor with his people. We are now in a meeting with Rev. W. Francke Sanford at Waxhaw. W. L. Dawson.

CONTRIBUTIONS

A MODERN PARABLE

H. C. Sprinkle

Behold the Master hath said, "Whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple." (Luke 14:33). But a certain people called "Methodists" went forth, in the Master's name, shouting anon as they went, some to their fields, some to their factories, and others to their places of merchandise. The Lord smiled on them as they went and His goodness did outrun even His promises. He rebuked the devourer for their sakes, though they had not fulfilled the condition thereunto (Mal. 3:10, 11), that He did not destroy the fruits of their ground; neither did the vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, but their crops did yield an abundant harvest, "some thirty, some sixty and some an hundred fold." Great markets, also, did He open up, so that the manufacturers did ship their products far and wide, and were enriched by the profits therefrom. The merchants, also, did exchange their goods, and did receive back their own with usury; and the Lord did prosper this people.

But, behold, when the Master's heart did yearn to see them come after Him in the enlargement of His kingdom, He looked toward them and saw that they did spend their riches to buy larger farms, and to build greater factories, and to increase their stocks of merchandise, that they might add yet more wealth to their riches. Yea, also, they did buy costly automobiles and Fords, and those who could not buy these did buy horses and rubber-tired buggies, for the people dared not to walk any more, lest they be counted poor, or out of style. The people, also, did go on long journeys, by rail, for pleasure, and did spend much; and they held great feasts and invited many, and set costly tables; and some did have barbecues and did roast pigs and fatted lambs, and did eat the same; and the people fared sumptuously every day. Their sons, also did spend their money for gasoline, which they burned in the automobiles, and for tobacco, done up in little rolls, or crushed into small bits, which they burned at their mouths, breathing the poisonous smoak into their lungs, and sending it back through their nostrils, or through their mouths in artistic curls and ringlets. Some did buy it in plugs and twists and chew it up in their mouths and spit it out upon the floor and upon the clean hearth and upon the mantel and all the regions round about, and upon the sidewalk and upon the ground, and did give much offense to many, leaving their mark wherever they did go. Some also did grind the weed into powder, and they put it into little boxes and small packets. The women likewise did spend their money for these precious packets, and they hid them in closets and under their aprons, and carried them about in their pockets, and they made them brushes to dip withal, and they did dip the snuff into their mouths and also spit it out again, and the stain thereof they got upon their faces, and their faces were not good to look upon. Their daughters also, fair maidens, did spend much money for fine dresses and costly bonnets to wear, that they might be seen of men. Also the people, many, did drink soft drinks—"Coca-Cola," "Soda Pop," "Hot Tom," and what not—and some did drink "wine and strong drink," spending large money therefor. And they did chew gum by day and by night, till the muscles of their jaws did stand out with stoutness. Their little children also did run to and fro about the streets many evenings in the week, with their nickles and dimes taking in the "movies," while they were carefully provided with a single penny, if indeed they did not this forget, as they started to Sunday school, once in the week, or less often. Likewise, the grown-up folks did visit "movies," shows, circuses, high priced theaters and operas without counting the cost.

Thus the people did spend their money, and when the missionary collection was taken they did talk "hard times" and prophesy a "panic." Therefore, when the time of reckoning came, at the end of the Conference year, the funds with which to buy bread for the missionaries at home and on the foreign field were short; the pittance intended to make a little more comfortable the worn-out preachers, and to drive the wolf from the door of their widows and orphans had been collected, only in part; and the money with which the Board of Church Extension was expected to help to build an humble chapel in a needy place, along with the other benevolent funds, was not in hand. The preachers also did go up to Conference with sad hearts and flabby purses.

Now, what think ye? Doth that people come after the Master, and can He count them His disciples?

RANDOM THOUGHTS

Ida Clifton Hinshaw

Vainly we strive to analyze a person's charm. Charm is elusive. We say it is "personal magnetism," or "individuality" which counts, or, perhaps we call it "tact." The tactful person who brings out the best there is in us, who makes one feel "at home" when painfully shy, or ill at ease, or clad in ill fitting garments, who never forgets one's name nor face, no matter how long ago or casual the meeting, who is kind of heart and of manner.

A sermon printed in the New York Herald, of which I quote some parts, will no doubt interest the Advocate readers as it did me:—

Tact

"For whereas I was free as to all, I made myself servant of all, that I might gain the more." —1 Corinthians 9:19.

Wonderful are the innumerable things accomplished by tact. To do or say the right thing at the proper time and place illustrates what tact is or ought to be. Through a peculiar faculty of its own to facilitate and adapt words and actions to time, place and the circumstances of them, the tactician usually produces excellent and pleasing results. The achievements of St. Paul compare in his line with Caesar, Napoleon and other military lights famous in history for expert tactical work. Paul strove in all things to please all men, not seeking profitable things to himself but to the many, that all might be saved. His discernment in sizing up situations and acting on them with little apparent notice ended as intended by him. Nothing more should remain for the warrior and statesman to be desired in the artful and evolutionary manipulations of tact than to carry out all that was planned from the beginning.

Degrees of tact differ as grades differ in every department of life. Tacticians to the manner born rate higher than those who acquire the knowledge of it by study and labor. The former are better fitted, more opportune and quick by nature to perceive and act promptly in the adjustment of matters submitted to them. A word or gesture with men in joy or sorrow effectively given and accepted signifies tact.

Again, kindliness of feeling is unpretentious tact pure and simple. Gifted in some, tact, of course, will improve with study. Study as you may, labored tact is apt to be inaccurate, wanting in fitness and less courteous in its bearings.

Traits characteristic of tact are chiefly based on patience and forbearance. Without them we are liable to err. Children and foolish people exhibit a want of tact. Not wishing to attribute tact too much to genius or natural talent, we may add a seemly aid to this commendable and high class culture by caution and the care we use in the practice of it in all we say and do, and do quickly. Diplomacy is a special order of tact that ranks above other comparisons simply by the quality of its own endurance and that of persons exercising it. The observant of the phases of life admire tact as seen in our households, the kitchen and drawing room. Victory in war, success in politics or the professions, apart from intellectual acumen of the man, is greatly due to tact, which must be circumspect in all it assumes. * * * * * *

Our homes, shops, persons and the carriage and care of them should never be without tact. Tact is the economy of life. What the compass is to the ship tact should be to the man who sees danger ahead rising from the unexpected. Circumstances and the occasion oftentimes give evidence of opportune tact. Tact is speedy in repressing self and addresses itself at the same time to the wants of others as well as his own. There are convenience and conventionality about tact finally that reduce turbulency to quietude. It turns war into peace. It makes us happy because it touches the right spot in the heart of every man and woman who falls under its influence or comes in contact with it.

* * * *

Flowers shoould be placed if possible in all the churches every Sunday. Not for display, but as a part of the worship. It is but right that they should be used, just as glorious song is, as a part in "glorifying God." They were not intended merely as a selfish pleasure to beautify our homes—and there is nothing more refining than a love of flowers—but to bless the poor and sick, and comfortless, the tired and old and discouraged, and as a mark of respect to those of our dear ones who "lie asleep"—a small tribute of our love.

Their legends are many and full of interest. "Flowers preach to us if we will hear," says Chris. G. Rosetti in "Consider the Lilies of the Field." Longfellow called them—the flowers —"stars that in earth's firmament do shine." And to Wordsworth, "The meanest flower that blows can give thoughts that do often lie too deep for tears." In Eastern lands "they talk in flowers." Each flower had its own vivid message.

So many have an abundance of flowers that they do not heed the call of the starved for the beautiful. Plant and give. Lavishly divide. Even one rose means much to the beauty denied.

Children and "grown-ups" bring their minds, voices and pennies to church. Let them bring their flowers—wild ones if there are no cultivated ones—they too are beautiful, to help gladden "the house of the Lord." And then let them be sent to some one who is ill, or old, or "shut in," as does our minister and his wife, to gladden their hearts, after the service is completed.

* * * *

In the present stupendous war which appalls us with its magnitude and its cruelty, and the future, which many contend will engulf men's hearts and faiths with despair, it is well to remember Lowell's lines:

"Truth forever on the scaffold,
Wrong forever on the throne,
But that scaffold sways the future,
And behind the dim unknown
Standeth God within the shadow,
Keeping watch above his own."

* * * *

"Very few people interest me," said a brilliant woman recently. "Mediocrity bores me." Isn't that a wee bit selfish?

An old lady remarked that "there is something good to be found in everyone."

"Auntie would try to find something good about the devil himself," answered her niece.

"Yes, if you were as zealous in doing good as he is bad, you would not be bored!" was the unexpected reply.

If we would interest ourselves in those who "bore us," because we do not feel that they please us mentally, we will find that we are becoming interested and they will prove helpful to us also.

KEEP THE LINE IN MOTION

W. W. Pinson

The Emergency Fund for the Board of Missions is growing. Almost every mail brings responses. Hundreds of letters breathing love and loyalty to the cause of missions have come to the office in the last few weeks. Often those who could offer nothing but prayer and good will so heartened us as to make us glad there was something better than gold and silver. Others have given with a heartiness and a spirit of self-denial that kindle fresh hopes for the triumph of the Kingdom. The quotation below from a letter received this morning from a pastor is a sample of many:

"The small offering . . . . was from a hard-working, heavily indebted father, with children

in Christian colleges, but with a heart warm with gratitude to God for His blessings."

Rich and poor have given with the same cheerful and thankful spirit. "I am glad to give" is a familiar expression, and the only note of sorrow or regret is at not being able to respond.

The contributions have ranged as follows: One of $2,000, five of $1,000, one of $500, one of $300, one of $200, one of $150, eleven of $100, one of $60, eleven of $50, eighty of $25, thirty-two of $10, fifty of $5, and many others of various amounts. All told there have been about 250 contributions, mostly in cash. The total amount to date is $12984.25. During the last thirty days we have received in addition to this amount $3,750 on annuities account. The income from this source is increasing. and the inquiries are multiplying. We have recently had more than a score of inquiries concerning our annuity plan. A few days since a pastor, by a word in season, was instrumental in putting $3,000 into our hands for an annuity bond. There are many opportunities where a similar thoughtfulness by a letter to the Board or a word to a prospective donor will do a blessed service.

The pace has been set by these generous friends. There are thousands who can and ought to follow their example. Surely those among us to whom God has entrusted means will not close their ears to the call in such an hour as this. There are no conscripts. This is a call for volunteers.

Let those who read take heed. Keep the line in motion. We are set to marking time. We are called to a steady and unwavering advance. God is smiling on our Southland. We abound in all things. We should abound "in this grace also."

THE NEW CONVERT

A. C. Sherrill

Our whole church is now rejoicing over the thousands of new-born souls that have been reached and saved this year. Many of these have been converted at the campmeetings and protracted meetings, and have had little or no training in the Sunday schools. Never before has there been such a great responsibility upon the church to care for and develop these recent converts.

Some people seem to think, when a person confesses Christ and has the joy of forgiveness it is all done. But the work is only begun. Our church teaches that there is a possibility and a danger of falling away, and of being lost, after having the blessed experience of sins forgiven. By observing a few simple directions there will be few genuine converts who will go back to the world.

The first thing is to get the new convert into the church. Church membership alone will not save him, but this is God's plan of helping him work out his salvation. He should be brought into the church soon after conversion. Many a person has delayed and then gone back into sin.

When a person connects himself with our church, the pastor and the whole church stand pledged to do all in their power to keep him in the right. Do we as laymen recognize our part of the obligation? Do we not rather criticise the faults and failures of a fallen brother, than "reprove, rebuke, and exhort with all patience and long-suffering?" We believe that nine-tenths of those who are excluded from membership could have been saved if taken in time and the case handled skillfully.

What are some rules that will help the young convert and make him of service to the church? The new-born Christian must begin to grow and develop or he will dwindle away and perish. Here are some things that will promote growth. They are not new, but old, tried and true.

The first of these is prayer—silent, regular, daily prayer. An old class leader impressed this on the writer's mind when he was a boy of eleven: "You can not live the Christian life without daliy prayer." Let the child of God have a time for secret prayer, at least twice a day. Next is the daily reading of the Bible. We talk to God in prayer. He talks to us through His word. Not one person in a hundred who made a habit of reading a chapter or two a day from the Bible has ever gone astray.

Regular attendance upon church services is an important means of growth. We can't grow unless we are fed. We need not only the Bible as we read it, but we need the Word interpreted and applied to present-day living. This is a part of the work of the minister and the Sunday school. We also need to worship God in the public service. A man was converted and joined our church early this year. Nearly every Sunday that man is in his place at the preaching service. The new convert should be shown the duty and privilege of partaking of the Lord's Supper at every opportunity.

The young Christian should be shown his duty of contributing cheerfully and regularly to the support and extension of God's Kingdom. If properly instructed he will only be glad to give something to the cause of Him who died to redeem the sinner from guilt and eternal punishment.

Activity is another condition of growth. Let pastor and Sunday school worker help every new church member find something to do. There is a crying demand for workers in the Lord's vineyard. Not during the meeting alone and on Sunday, but willing hands can always find some service they may render to help others. Some think they must begin preaching at once. Let them hold prayer meetings, get new people into the Sunday school, visit and read the Bible to the aged and afflicted. After doing these humble things well, they will be prepared for higher service.

Our church papers and good books will be a great help to Christian growth. The pastor ought to try to get the Advocate into the home of every converted man. Our interest and zeal in any cause increases with our knowledge of that cause. Through the church paper we learn what the church is doing at home and abroad.

The testimony meeting will help the new convert, if he will bear witness again. And not only with the mouth, but let his whole life be "a living epistle, known and read of all men."

A BRAND SNATCHED FROM THE BURNING

Dr. J. W. Long

The appended letter shows the power of salvation which not only redeems the lost and perishing but keeps them in the right way. The author of the letter, which I am publishing by permission, was born in wedlock. The father died leaving a widow and little girl. The mother soon strayed from the paths of virtue and when the child was twelve years old the mother deliberately prostituted her for the sake of gain. For eignt or ten years mother and daughter openly ran a house of prostitution on a prominent street in one of the larger cities of this state. In the course of time the mother, who had contracted a venereal disease, died. The girl continued her nefarious trade. One night, a number of drunken men and women had a big row and fight at her house. The girl was arrested and put in jail for keeping a disorderly house. The Judge of the Superior Court sentenced her to the county roads for two years.

About this time an evangelist, by the name of General Light, came to the town where the girl lived. Mrs. Light who worked with her husband made a specialty of slum work. She heard of the sad plight of this unfortunate girl and going to the judge asked him to let her have her. The judge after careful deliberation changed the sentence from two years on the county road to two years with Mrs. Light. The girl went with this godly woman and stayed with her for eight years. She was soon happily converted and has not only lead a consistent life but entered with great zeal into the Christian work. Friends who were interested in her sent her to a Bible School where she studied with diligence.

And stranger still, she eventually returned to the town which was the home of her childhood and career as a prostitute, going back among the people who knew her entire history. Instead of returning to her old life she continued her Christian activities as evidenced by her letter as well as the testimony of those who know her best. I have received many letters from her during the last thirteen years and in every one she expresses joy because of her salvation, the determination to press forward, and implicit trust in the Lord Jesus. Surely the redeeming power of Christ who met the harlot at Jacob's well, has lost none of its efficacy after all these centuries.

———————N; C., Aug. 11th, 1915.

Dr. J. W. Long:—Only a line to say I hope the Lord is still blessing and using you to cheer, comfort, and encourage weary souls on in the straight and narrow way. I wish to say that your many acts and deeds of kindness shown to me are not forgotten nor ever will be, and I hope you do not forget me at the throne of grace.

I feel sure when I say that I am still pressing on in the upward way, gaining new heights every day, and feel that the dear Lord condescends to use me that you will pray the Heavenly Father to strengthen this frail body, (if it be His will) with the strength that will enable me to help others as I see they need the help.

I am teacher of the Philathea Class, North Main Street M. E. Church, President of the Aid Society, and on the relief committee.

I put in much of my time looking after the sick until for the past two months, I have been sick myself, unable to do anything, until this week, I am feeling some better. I hope to be able to take up my work again by the first of the week, for I do like to work, and, too, my doctor bill and medicine and board has run up and it will take me some little time to get straight with the world again, since I have no one to look to or depend on but myself.

Were it not for my sweet Jesus, and his precious word, the Bible, the book of all books, which is my constant companion, my life would be a very lonely one. But O! I praise God for a Savior that sticketh closer than a brother. Heaven and earth may pass away and all promising friends forsake me, but I know whom I am believing, and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto him, and all I ask in this life is a close, obedient walk with Jesus, and enough of this world's good to keep soul and body together, and in the end a rich and abundant entrance into the kingdom above. I close by saying may God's richest blessing rest upon you and your work. Above all do not fail to pray for me.

TRINITY PARK SCHOOL ITEMS

The second week of the school term finds the work moving along smoothly and there is every indication of a most successful year's work. There has been a full enrollment and each day brings in new students.

Owing to the fact that Headmaster W. W. Peele has taken up work in the Biblical Department of Trinity College, there has been a slight change in the work of the teachers. Mr. Guy Hamilton, of the graduating class at Trinity College last June, will have charge of the Greek Department.

At the last meetings of the Grady and the Calhoun literary societies quite a number of new members have been added. The societies are starting off in a flourishing condition and much interest is manifested in this branch of literary activity.

Recently the students had the opportunity to hear short chapel talks from Rev. L. S. Massey, of the Raleigh Christian Advocate, and Rev. H. S. Barnes, superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage at Raleigh.

On last Thursday morning Rev. H. M. North, pastor of Memorial church, delivered a profitable and inspiring address in the chapel. He made a strong plea for each student to make a personal decision to stand against any odds for truth and righteousness.

Mrs. M. W. Brabham and little son, Robert, spent the week end visiting friends in Raleigh.

The Trinity Park School students and other students who have recently come to Durham, will be given a reception at Memorial church next Thursday evening. A special musical program has been arranged and the students are looking forward to a most pleasant evening.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. M. B. Clegg has been holding revival services at Henrietta during the past week.

—Rev. J. C. Ervin, pastor of Dilworth church, Charlotte, was engaged in revival services with his congregation last week with good interest.

—Mr. A. W. McAlister and Rev. J. W. Long, of this city, have been appointed members of the committee on community service for the state of North Carolina, the headquarters of which are in Raleigh.

—Rev. and Mrs. C. R. Canipe, of the North Carolina Conference, have been on a visit to relatives in Lincoln county recently. They returned last week to Kittrell, where Brother Canipe is now stationed.

—Rev. J. F. Kirk has been engaged in revival services at Rose Chapel in Iredell county. The Statesville Landmark reports ten professions in Wednesday's services. Brother Kirk has been diligent in helping the bretnren on neighboring charges.

—Rev. O. I. Hinson, who transferred from the Western North Carolina Conference to the Southwest Missouri Conference some years ago, has been transferred to the North Carolina Conference.

—The Lincoln County News announces that Rev. A. S. Abernethy, a young local preacher, is supplying for Rev. J. H. Green on the Rock Springs circuit till Conference, and that Brother Green is giving his time to evangelistic work. Last week Brother Green was engaged in a meeting at Maiden.

—The sermon of Rev. Dr. C. W. Byrd, pastor of West Market Street church, last Sunday morning was one of unusual force and power and produced a profound effect upon the great congregation present. It was an appeal to the one who stands just on the borderland of the Kingdom, and was based upon Mark 12:34.

—Rev. R. D. Sherrill, pastor of Centenary church, this city, received twenty members on profession of faith last Sunday morning as a partial result of the meeting in which he was assisted by Rev. W. H. Willis, of Mount Airy. The meeting closed on Thursday night and Brother Willis returned to Mount Airy on Friday. The meeting was one of gracious results, not only in the number added to the church, but in its effect upon the church membership. The preaching of Brother Willis is spoken of as of unusual strength and power, and he has added many friends by his work among them.

—Cleveland boys have been taking special honors in the student body at Trinity College. Mr. Horace Grigg has been elected president of the junior class and Mr. J. H. Burrus president of the Sophomore. Of Mr. Grigg the Star says: Grigg has perhaps won more honors than any other man that has been here in a decade, having taken honors every year since he has been here. He won the freshman debaters medal, was elected sophomore debater, junior debater, inter-society debater, inter-collegiate debater, was elected to the 9019 honor organization, The Fortnightly Literary Club, is associate editor of The Archive, member of the Debate-Council, president of the Columbia Literary Society, chairman of the Bible Study Course, and withall one of the most popular men in college. Cleveland county can well feel proud of her men everywhere.

Catawba.—The Catawba circuit is being swept by a great revival which began on the fourth Sunday in June. This revival has touched and manifestly affected every congregation in the charge. As a result, to date (Sept. 25) we have added to our membership one hundred and thirty-three, and have the names of others who have not yet been received.

We are in a great revival at Concord church now. The interest is growing daily and many are being saved. In fact it is an old fashioned Methodist revival. The penitents come to the altar and pray through as in the days of the real revival. They have done this at all of our meetings. Our people are talking religion upon the highways, in the shops, stores and other places of business. Our young men, some of them, will get in their buggies or automobiles and go out between services and have prayers with unsaved people, for which we thank God.

The good ladies of the charge presented their pastor a purse of $44.50 last Tuesday night, to expend in dressing himself. He hopes to be able to minister to them in spiritual things. Pray for us. A. G. Loftin, P. C.

Troutman Circuit.—Since writing you I have held two more meetings, the one at Knox' Chapel and the other at Shiloh. Almost during the entire meeting at Knox' Chapel we had forbidding weather, with rain during the most of the time. The very remarkable feature was that the meeting held together at all. I have never known a meeting to hang together so well under such conditions. The people came just as the weather would permit. Upon the testimony of the people great good was accomplished. There were twenty-eight professions of faith in Christ, with six accessions.

At Shiloh we had fine weather and large crowds. Forty-five professed faith in Christ and twenty-seven were received into the church. An official member of the church, with others, told me it was the best meeting in the history of the church.

Something has been said of the discrepancy between the number of professions and the number of accessions in many meetings. I will say, that my people speak of work being of a deep type, with but little demonstration. There was very little shouting, and absolutely no gushing hurrahism, and not the least appeal to superficial emotion. When a revival is necessary in the church, it is of paramount importance, and the salvation of a member of the church is as important as that of others, and when they are saved I do not know whether they are then regenerated or merely reclaimed. Thus I feel free to note all that claim to be saved, as well as the number of accessions. To be sure many of these are already in some church. A number go to other communions, while a number do not come into the church. Two hundred and thirty-one have professed faith in Christ on the charge since our Annual Conference, and 123 have been added to the church, with two more meetings to be held.

Fraternally, J. J. Eads, Pastor.

Forsyth.—We feel that our work on Forsyth charge is going on nicely in some respects. So far we have had excellent meetings in every church. About fifty have professed conversion and the spiritual interest of the church greatly helped. In our meetings we have had with us as helping ministers Brothers J. W. Combs, D. C. Norman, J. A. Snow and L. F. Brothers. All of these men did excellent preaching. One of the best meetings that we have had during the year was at Marvin, four miles out from Winston, where Brother McChristian, the Moravian circuit rider, joined in with us for a union meeting. We had the union spirit. We have two more meetings to hold yet, with a good prospect. So far this year we have added forty-five to church membership on profession of faith. We have some loyal people who are working hard with the pastor for a good report, even before the end of the year.

j. W. Vestal, P. C.

Mooresville Circuit.—We have just closed, on the Mooresville circuit, the fourth meeting of the revival season. There is one more, or possibly two, to be held yet. The Lord has been with us in these meetings, I am happy to say. He has manifested his power unmistakably and we have been made to feel something of our own littleness and weakness under his mighty hand. Numbers of souls have been blessedly saved and reclaimed in these meetings (a hundred or more, I would be safe in saying) and many of the Lord's dear children have experienced, we believe, his precious acceptance at the altar of consecration, and the fitness for his Spirit to abide within.

The one disheartening thing we discover in all these meetings is the vast number of church members who are not in the experience of salvation. Oh, for something that will establish them in God! Ye servants of God that rank high in the church and in the favor of the Almighty, tell us what to say to our people or what to do for them that they may abide in God. This condition of things brings constant distress to the earnest soul. It ought not to be like this. Fathers in Israel, don't put us off with a wave of the hand and say, "It is naught." It is a distress to man and a dishonor unto God and his holy and mighty gospel. Paul could say, "I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth." In the all-knowing mind and the triumphant heart of God there must be a plan and purpose for his church better than this perpetual backsliding of multitudes. Brethren, if the condition is as serious in other charges as in this, it is time we were taking our bearings to see where we are, what our preaching and pastoral work really amount to. But not all backslide, thank God. Some are in the triumphs of the Spirit whenever and wherever seen. In sickness and suffering and trial it is so. There seems to be a vast difference among church members who are supposed to be trusting the same God. Is there not a deeper trust and better victory than the multitude has reached?

A few years ago a minister remarked on the floor of a district conference that there are no saints outside of heaven and the Roman Catholic Church, but as that preacher never served the Mooresville circuit, I excuse his ignorance. You may be assured this preacher is neither J. W. Jones nor Ebenezer Myers. Let me say here it is good to walk in the tracks of such men and to enter into their labors.

We had help in two of our meetings. Rev. D. C. Thompson, a local preacher of this charge, gave valuable assistance in one of the meetings, which we hereby gratefully acknowledge. In the meeting just closed at Triplett, Rev. W. J. S. Walker, a local preacher and singer from Davie county, was a tower of strength. He carries in his words and conduct the signs of the abiding Spirit of God. There were fifty or more professions of faith in this meeting, I am glad to record to the honor of God, to whom it is clearly due. J. T. Ratledge.

North Monroe Charge.—This is our third year here and hope it will be the best all round of the three. The people are so kind to us here. We feel that we are too weak to express our appreciation by words to them. We are trying to give them the very best of our service. This is a light charge—only two churches. We have a large Sunday school at each church and a fine congregation at both preaching and prayer services. We hold services every Sunday at each church and once during the week. In June we held one of our meetings. Brother J. W. Williams, of Marshville, was with us and did the preaching. He preached the old-time gospel with power, and it reached the heart of the people. Brother Rudd Newsom, of Guilford College, had charge of the singing, which was fine. These men are men of God, and did a great work here. The churches were greatly blessed by their work. The number of professions and reclamations unknown. There were ten accessions to the Methodist church and some to the Baptist.

Two weeks ago we held our other meeting. The pastor did the preaching. Brother J. P. Richardson, from B. Street Church, Charlotte, was with us as a personal worker, and did fine work. We had a great revival—about forty professions and reclamations, fifteen accessions to the Methodist church and several to the Baptist. We have had about thirty-five accessions to our church this year.

The good people have given us a liberal

pounding twice this year which always comes in a good time. The writer has preached six weeks this summer away from home and missed only three sermons in his own charge. The Lord has wonderfully blessed us in our work this year. To Him we ascribe all the praise. I am hoping to raise our collections in full. I realize it is only seven weeks until Conference, but we can do much in that time. May God bless the Conference and its labors and bless Reidsville where we expect to meet soon. I hope to be there this year and hear fine reports from all over the Conference.

R. H. Kennington.

Mount Pleasant Ct.—We are just through with our revival meetings. We began at St. Pauls church the fourth Sunday in July with Brother P. W. Tucker doing the preaching, and he did it well. The church was greatly revived and a goodly number professed faith in Jesus Christ. Brother Coburn was with me four days at Cold Springs, leaving on Thursday at noon. Brother Coburn's preaching was in demonstration of the spirit and of power. After Bro. Coburn left us we had no more help in three other churches, only what we received from the good Lord and the faithful people of the church; but, thank God, we have had a great time. I think this is the best year of my life. We have had one hundred and fifty professions of conversion and reclamation, with twenty-five accessions on profession of faith and one by certificate. If we could just get our people to read the Advocate we would feel that by the help of God we had accomplished a great work.

Perhaps some brother may ask why so many professions and so few accessions. My answer to them that do examine me is this: There were many people in the church who said they had never been converted and then many had grown cold and had lost their first love and neededd to be saved. But thank God for the man who wants to get right with God and his fellowman.

We are now trying to get ready for Conference and we ask an interest in the prayers of all the readers of the Advocate that we may be able to wind up the year's work in good shape. G. A. Stamper, Pastor.

Moved to Town

For some years it has been quite difficult for me to tell exactly where I live, operating in three counties at the time. Sometimes in two or more towns or cities. Last November I moved—or rather I aimed to move to Winston-Salem, but when I made the move I got about a mile past the Twin City and stopped at 304 Hollyroad, Southside, where I have been living and operating for nearly a year. For more than a half century I have been accustomed to moving, but as the special time for moving draweth nigh, I have gone a little in advance. At last I have moved to town and am living in Winston-Salem, 906 North Cherry St. My friends will address me there.

James Willson.

Missionary Notes from Field Secretary

Lewisville Ct., J. E. McSwain P. C.; L. A. Reynolds, charge leader. New Hope, $42.00, assessments in full; Doub's, $79.00, assessments in full; Lewisville, $51.00 on assessments; Union, $5.00 on assessments; Concord, $2.50 on assessments. Brother McSwain has his committees well organized and at work. He and his efficient charge leader, Brother L. A. Reynolds, carried me in an automobile canvass of several of his churches. Brother Reynolds' church, Sharon, has its assessments in full. The Doub church deserves mention for its faithful men and women. The brick church and school house show the thrift and culture of the community.

Jackson Hill Ct., C. C. Williams, P. C. Jackson Hill, assessments provided, $17.85 Conference mission special; New Hope, $55.00, assessments in full. L. M. Branford and J. M. Shaw are leaders here—joined church last year. Center, $8.00 on assessments. Newsom, $139.00 pledged for pews for new church. Newsom is a new point on te Winston Soutbound Ry. The people, under the leadership of Brother Williams, have built a neat church. The building committee are: J. F. Stokes, H. V. Badget, A. L. Newsom, E. L. Reeves and F. R. Stafford. The new church was organized at the first service in the new building the night of September 23rd, with twenty-two members. The Woman's Home Mission Society of the M. E. Church (North) is about to open a school here in a new brick building. This church and the Methodist Protestant are both strong in bounds of Jackson Hill circuit. That is relatively so. There are but two Baptist churches in bounds of this circuit, including parts of three counties. The people are Methodist as a rule, but sadly divided. How much union is needed!

Cooleemee, Chas. M. Short, P. C. Brother Short has his assessments secured. His people gave and pledged $40.00 for the emergency fund for this year. Brother Short is ending a quadrennium of faithful and efficient service to this large industrial community.

Farmington Ct., D. C. Ballard, P. C. Wesley Chapel, $84.00, assessments in full. Farmington, $138.00, assessments in full; $25.00, Conference mission special for this year. Bethlehem, the sixty per cent, rule for Conference collections. Many members have pledged. The pastor and committee will work this week for remainder. Smith's Grove, $32.50 on assessments.

Brother Willis' September financial exhibit in Advocate was an eye-opener. Don't forget Robbinsville and Elkin.

Work Desired

Expecting to apply for admission as a transfer into one of the Carolina Conferences I am desirous of engaging meanwhile in any work expected of a Methodist preacher, whether in the pastorate, connectional office, or in the educational service of Church or State.

If I can fill a vacancy of any sort in the Conference beforehand, I shall then most likely be in line for receiving an appointment at the approaching session. My presiding elder now has available a successor for me here; and, as our older children are in college and my wife with the younger can vlsit her people, I can go at any time. Testimonials furnished, if desired. Fraternally,

Hastings, Fla. W. A. Betts.

Tidings from the Mission Field

WHAT WILL YOU DO?

If there ever was an hour that should call for heroic self-sacrifice on the part of those who love our Lord, surely that hour has now struck. The Board must face it without flinching. The cause demands it; the church expects it; our missionaries and the native church deserve it; and by every token of Providence our Lord is looking to us amid the gloom of this modern Gethsemane for proof that we are not hopelessly insensible to his agony, the sore need of his kingdom, and the call of a sorrowing and bleeding world.—*General Secretary, in Annual Report.*

* * * *

Among the many needs in the Korean church today some Christian literature is one of the most urgent. The Christians, especially the workers in the church, ought to have some instructive and inspiring books to read, and they are crying for them, but we cannot feed them. —*J. S. Ryang, Seoul.*

* * * *

THE OPENMINDEDNESS OF JAPANESE STUDENTS

Our fourth Freshman class entered in April —the first reaching the Senior class and giving us, for the first time, the full four years' college course. It was large and composed of fairly good men. They have settled down to quiet and studious work more easily and with fewer withdrawals than usual. The four new Japanese professors have made good beginnings and the college as a whole has done a good term's work. While the most of these students come in non-Christian, they are not opposed to Christian teaching. Their minds are quite ready to receive moral and religious instruction. But they are very slow to become out and out Christians. I find in talking to them that many are kept back against their will by their parents. We are sowing seed patiently and waiting for a great ingathering that will surely come. In any case they are getting their minds filled and characters moulded by Christian ideals. It is refreshing to see the honesty, the manliness, the independence and the genuine worth of the upper classmen. I am more than ever convinced that we can and will build here a great school. But the magnitude of the task and our utter dependence on God to bring results are ever before me.—*W. K. Matthews, Kobe.*

* * * *

CHURCHES IN OUR CHINA MISSION TOO SMALL

While the world is distracted with war and rumors of war—China herself not being entirely free therefrom—the Gospel is eagerly listened to and more gladly received than ever before. I have been in China during past years when if six or a dozen should attend our chapel services we would feel that it was well. Now I do not know any place in our mission where our chapels are not more than filled, and in many places our churches are already too small. The responsibility is on us—on you—and while the opportunity is ripe let us stand behind our Chinese brethren with strong prayers of faith, not withholding from them the financial support needed too complete and carry on the work so well advanced by their own lives of endeavor and self-denial.—*J. A. G. Shipley, Soochow.*

Encouragement in Time of War

On June 24, the Board of Missions received requests for twenty-one Specials, nineteen of which were from Dr. T. N. Potts, Missionary Secretary, Virginia Conference. In addition to the new Specials there were renewals amounting to $1600.00, making a total of $3,370.00 in one day.

* * * *

I have never given up the idea of dropping the Special that I have had for years, but I was so hard hit by the low price of cotton I felt I could not send the amount; however, on account of the urgent need of the cause, I am borrowing the money to send you, trusting in the good Lord that I may be able to do more for the cause another year.—*A Mississippi layman.*

* * * *

The Sunday school of Central church, Clifton Forge, Va., has undertaken the support of a foreign missionary at $600 a year, and in writing about it the pastor said: "We just had to take him, for scarcely a prayer is offered in the church that specific appeal for him is not made."

* * * *

I enclose Money Order for $25.00. We, too, have felt the pressure of hard times. Our quarterly income was $22 less than usual last pay day. We cannot increase our offering, but I will increase my prayers for the cause.—*A St. Louis friend of missions.*

* * * *

On June 23rd, the Treasurer of the South Carolina Epworth League Conference wrote as follows: "I enclose herewith check for $450.58, the amount collected on mission pledge for our Conference year just ended; also check for $406.42, in payment of the balance collected for missions for the year 1913-1914."

* * * *

I appreciate the bulletin of missionary news sent us, and would be glad to have a report of this nature to read to the League at its regular missionary meetings. Send us as often as possible reports from the African work, too.—*Georgia pastor.*

* * * *

"You will find enclosed check for $100 for the support of my missionaries in Brazil. This is for July. Hope to be able to send balance of this year's salary by August 1. My prayer is that God will enable me to continue to provide for my missionaries, and soon support another. If I were able I would gladly furnish money for all the missionaries." (This big-hearted South Carolina layman is giving $1200 a year for a missionary and his wife.)

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave, Asheville, N. C.

A PRAYER

Lord, not for light in darkness do we pray,
Not that the veil be lifted from our eyes,
Not that the slow ascension of our day
Be otherwise.

Not for a clearer vision of the things
Whereof the fashioning shall make us great,
Nor for the remission of the peril and stings
Of time and fate.

Not for a fuller knowledge of the end
Whereto we travel, bruised, yet unafraid,
Nor that the little healing that we lend
Shall be repaid.

Not these O Lord. We would not break the bars
Thy wisdom set about us; we shall climb
Unfettered to the secrets of the stars
In thy good time.

We do not crave the high perception swift
When to refrain were well, and when fulfil
Nor yet the understanding strong to sift
The good from ill.

Not these, O Lord. For these thou hast revealed;
We know the golden season when to reap
The heavy fruited treasure of the field,
The hour to sleep.

Not these. We know the hemlock from the rose,
The pure from stained, the noble from the base,
The tranquil holy light of truth that glows
On Pity's face.

We know the paths wherein our feet should press,
Across our hearts are written thy decrees,
Yet now, O Lord, be merciful to bless,
With more than these.

Grant us the will to fashion as we feel,
Grant us the strength to labor as we know,
Grant us the purpose, ribbed and edged with steel,
To strike the blow.

Knowledge we ask not—knowledge thou hast lent,
But Lord, the will—there lies our bitter need,
Give us to build above the deep intent
The deed, the deed. —Spectator.

MRS. BEULAH H. HOOVER

The Woman's Missionary Society at Weaverville has sustained a great loss in the death of one of their most faithful members, Mrs Beulah Hoover, who passed to her reward on the afternoon of September 22nd, at the Meriwether Hospital in Asheville. The circumstances surrounding her death are peculiarly pathetic. She was on the way to Asheville where her daughter, Miss Virginia, was to leave for Converse College and the automobile in which they were traveling, in trying to escape collision with a loaded wagon, was overturned and the occupants were thrown out. Mrs. Hoover was caught under the machine and sustaiined injuries which resulted in her death a few hours later. All that could be done for her was done but to no avail. "God touched her and she slept."

Mrs. Hoover was a lovely Christian character, a woman whose life shone out for her Saviour whom she loved and trusted. At the time of her death she was the superintendent of social service of the Weaverville auxiliary. She will be missed, not only in the church where she was so valuable, but in her home town where she was known and loved. Our tenderest sympathies to her loved ones.

CAMPAIGN MONTH—OCTOBER

If you are ever going to work for your woman's missionary society, this is your opportunity. It is so much easier to do a thing when all the auxiliaries are interested and the spirit of the enterprise is abroad. How we shall look forward to the announcement of this month's results, when all the women of Southern Methodism, including yourself, have made a simultaneous pull for new members and new organizations! This campaign is open to everybody. Even our "shut-ins" can have a part in the work—an invalid—can write a note or send a message to some one whom she wishes to become interested in this matter.

The children are not exempt from this campaign, on the contrary we shall expect the children's societies to grow mightily during these days through the uniting and faithful work of our Juniors. We expect at least a doubling of their membership.

Throughout our whole Conference our auxiliaries are beginning to work, committees are formed, plans laid and everything in readiness for a successful carrying forward of this campaign. God will give us results we feel sure for He has never failed us when we go about His work in earnest. Let us work with a determination for victory!

MISSION STUDY CAMPAIGN—OCTOBER

While we are busy about the church-wide campaign for new members and new organizations let us remember that there is another department of our work that has set apart October for a rallying in its behalf. The mission study department wants to reach its goal during this month—A Mission Study Class in Every Auxiliary, Adult, Young People and Junior. How shall we do it? As our district secretaries and other missionary workers organize new societies will they not make a plea for a study class and organize one the very first thing so that the society may start aright for we all realize that in order to become a most successful society we must carry on all the departments of our work.

No taking into consideration the uplift that comes to your society from a systematic study of missions. A mission study class is one of the requirements for Adult, Young People and Junior societies to reach the standard of excellence suggested and become members of the Honor Roll. Will you not make an effort to attain our goal?

During the past few days mission study literature has been mailed to each of the mission study superintendents in the W. N. C. Conference by the Conference Superintendent in the hope that good may result from a distribution of this matter. We must treble, or at least double, our number of mission study classes. Which will be the first auxiliary to organize?

My dear sisters, will you not get busy in this work? It is so important, we must do it and do it quickly, as the business of our King requires haste.

WHAT OF THE YEAR

The last quarter of our missionary year dawns tomorrow—October 1st. In many ways it seems the most important of all the quarters. It is the quarter when the final reckoning for the year is made. The time in which our treasurers have their last opportunity to bring up their arrearages in their missionary obligations. The income decides whether our Council shall begin the new year free and unhampered or incumbered with a discouraging debt.

Because of unusual conditions prevailing at home and abroad at this time, conditions which have seriously affected all mission work, this quarter becomes of even greater importance than usual.

What is your society doing to bring to a successful close the work of the church during the critical war-racked year? Never have we had a greater cause for thankfulness than during the months just passed as we have contrasted our lot with that of our sister nations. Are we much in prayer that our church may rise to the emergencies of the hour? Are we praying that not only may our own work be adequately cared for, but that we may be able to help in the work of others?

WEEK OF PRAYER—NOV. 7-13

The week beginning with the first Sunday in November (7-13) has been set apart as a time of prayer and self-denial in the missionary societies. Thorough preparations for the occasion should be made and the co-operation of each member is necessary that it may yield rich results in offerings and bring a blessing upon the whole work.

Programs with an abunadance of helpful literature setting forth the objects toward which the gifts of the week are to be distributed have been prepared and will be sent out to the Conference officers. These objects are our new field of work, Japan, and the missions for Orientals on the Pacific coast.

HOUSECLEANING AND THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY

(A Monologue)

Just at this season of the year when the housewife is busy about her fall housecleaning, getting the home in readiness for the winter, we feel that the following article will be most appropriate. We are indebted to the Missionary Survey for it.

"Things do look fresh and clean, don't they? Somehow I always enjoy housecleaning. No matter how tired I am I always think about how clean the house will be, with that nice fresh smell and everything in order.

"Do you know, Mrs. Brown, I have been thinking a good deal about our Missionary Society while I have been working so hard for the past few days." Yes, perhaps it is because I am the president, but I have thought about it so much that I have almost imagined that I have been cleaning the society as well as the house. No, hard work has not affected my head. Iam just so interested in missions that everything I do to the house I imagine I am also doing to the missionary society.

"Now, before I begin the real work of cleaning, I always look through all the drawers and closets and collect all the good garments that I think we will never need again, to give to some one who can use them."

"Why not do the same thing with the belongings of our missionary society? Just think of all the good things we have had on our programs this year? Doesn't it seem a pity that only one society should enjoy them?

"Why can't we arrange a traveling program to be given by four or five of our ladies and visit some nearby country churches, which have no society, or a weak one, taking our program with us? I do not see why an automobile could not make this possible, and we might take along copies of our missionary papers (Missionary Voice, we should suggest.—Editor) and any missionary books we do not need, as well as our own well-filled lunch baskets, if the trip is long.

"As I was taking the clothes out of the trunk and hanging them on the line to let them air, I found that my knitted shoulder cape was almost ruined by the moths. As I looked at it I remembered that the last time I wore it was at the Summer School of Missions. I remember also the promises that I made myself then and hadn't thought of since! I guess some other members did pretty much the same way.

"Let's bring out of storage our Good Resolutions, Patience, Forbearance and Sisterly Love. Let's hang them on the line of persistence, and let the sun of God's love shine on them so that the moths of Careless and Neglect will not destroy them.

"Now, you know, Mrs. Brown, there are dusty cobwebs in the corners of our society—Selfishness, Ignorance, Indifference and Laziness, too. Yes, just down-right laziness! We ought to get the big broom called Determination and sweep every one of them clear out of sight. Not an easy task. No, indeed, but just think what a help it would be to the society.

"Then, let's polish the missionary window glass until every member, old and young, can see not only into our village street, but also to the hillside rising beyond and the mountain top in the distance, and to the blue heavens stretching over the whole wide earth.

"Suppose we re-arrange the society furniture. Let's carry out all the tedious discussions, too lengthy papers and uninteresting talks and throw them on the junk pile. All hurried Bible readings and hasty formal prayers may be folded carefully and laid away. We hope we will not have to bring them out this year. On the floor let us spread a rug woven of Faithfulness and Consecration. In the middle of the room we will put the broad, solid table of Mission Study, and on it the blooming fragrant and carefully tended plant of Prepared Devotionals. Carefully wipe all execuses from the chairs of Individual Responsibility, and on the mantel place the bric-a-brac of the Social Hour.

"When all is ready throw open the windows, that the pure air of God's promises may sweeten the room.

"Perhaps all this seems fooling to you, Mrs. Brown, but so many of us missionary women are busy housekeepers and mothers, that I pray every day: Lord, let us learn from the humble and lowly things of everyday life, a lesson of better service to Thee." H. P. W.

GOD'S ACCOUNT WITH CHRISTIAN AMERICA

Credit	Debit
Peace	
Happy homes	
Prosperity	
Christian Sabbaths	
Churches	? ? ?
Schools	
Godly rulers	
Abundant crops	
Growing commerce	
Food and raiment	

Jean longed for a kitten. When illness made it necessary for Jean to go to the hospital, her mother said, "I will make a bargain with you, Jean. If you will be a brave little girl about your operation, you shall have the nicest kitten I can find." Jean took the ether, but later, as she came out from under the anaesthetic, she realized how very wretched she felt. The nurse leaned over to catch her first spoken word. "What a bum way to get a cat!" moaned the child.—Harper's Monthly.

MURINE FOR YOUR EYES

Murine is prepared by our Physicians, as used for many years in their practice, now dedicated to the Public and sold by Your Druggist. Try Murine to Refresh, Cleanse, and Strengthen Eyes after exposure to Strong Sunlight, Wind and Dust and to restore healthful tone to Eyes Reddened and made Sore by Overwork and Eye Strain.

Some broadminded Physicians use and recommend Murine while others perhaps jealous of its Success, talk and rush into print in opposition; those whose Eyes need care can guess why, as there is no Prescription fee in Murine. Just hand your Druggist 50c and you have a Complete Pkg. Eye Book—Murine—Dropper—and Cork Screw—ready for use. Try it in your Eyes and in Baby's Eyes for Eye Troubles—No Smarting—Just Eye Comfort. Write for Book of the Eye Free.

Murine Eye Remedy Company, Chicago

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

SPENCER CONFERENCE

When this issue of the Advocate comes out our League Conference at Spencer will be over. The first session of the Conference was held Friday night. The church was full of delegates and the good people of Spencer.

The church was beautifully decorated in white and gold (our League colors). The rostrum was decorated with festoons of white and gold crepe paper and white and yellow flowers were in abundance.

President Bain was there to greet the delegates with his jovial smile. Some familiar faces greeted us when we entered the church. We were all sorry to find that our Junior Superintendent, Mrs. C. M. Pickens, was in the hospital, having had an operation Friday morning, which prevented her from being with us, and we feared our conference host and treasurer, Rev. C. M. Pickens, would not be able to be with us on Friday night, but he came in before the service was over.

It is impossible to tell at this writing just how many of our Leaguers were present. We will give a full report of the Conference next week.

The first session opened with the hymn "Onward Christian Soldiers," followed by the Scripture lesson and prayer.

The address of welcome was delivered by Mr. Stevenson, of Spencer, who gave us a cordial welcome to Spencer and to their church. He also set forth the benefits of a League training and the good that the League is doing in our church.

Mrs. Earnhardt gave us a beautiful vocal solo, which was greatly enjoyed by all.

The response to address of welcome was given by Rev. Mr. Hiatt, of Winston-Salem. It was spicy and interesting and gave us some suggestions as "How to make a League go."

President Bain then told us of some of the new Leagues which have been organized during the past year.

The announcements of the following day were made and the service closed with a few minutes of social talk. The next service to be the sunrise prayer-meeting at 6:30 Saturday morning.

WHAT WILL KILL AN EPWORTH LEAGUE

Isn't it terrible that a church must have a League in order to be a respectable Methodist church? This horrible inconvenience may be overcome, however, if you secure half a dozen congenial, overworked church members and put it entirely into their hands. Of course they will accomplish no work; but every self-respecting church member should be grateful to them for being enabled to say when questioned by outsiders about their League: "Yes, we have a band of very consecrated Leaguers."

Of course the church has certain duties even to a League of this kind. First, when asked to join it have a good excuse on tap; excuses are plentiful and may be used very tactfully by a little forethought. Second, never open your homes to these young people. They might neglect business and attend for just what you give them to eat.

Then there are certain iron-clad rules which the Leaguers themselves must observe, else others might rush into their fold and disturb the serenity of their peaceful existence. First, arrive at least fifteen minutes behind the appointed time. This gives strangers time to leave before you arrive. Second, the leader should always be the last to arrive. He should rush in very excitedly, as though he had just escaped from great peril, frantically grab a songbook, and try to select some songs. "Jesus, Saviour, Pilot Me" just suits his needs; so by the time they have sung that to very slow time he is quite calm, and the rest of the program proceeds sleepily. He must first apologize for not having made any preparation. He hasn't read what the Era has to say on the subject, but it is always good reading; so he reads that. Or, if he fails to have an Era, he can just tell about conditions elsewhere—never at home; that provokes thought. Third, never attend business meetings. That is where work is planned, and work would necessarily involve others. Fourth, never read your church periodicals. Information tends to activity, and it is far too hot to work. Fifth, let the Bible be conspicuous by its absence.

Finally, should all these rules fail, and you find your League growing in spite of you, you might resort to "cold shoulder" or snobbishness. We would advise this only as a last resort, as it affects the Christian character of the original six.—The Weekly Epworth News.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER

As an apology for an unusual length of silence your correspondent (together with his little family) has been enjoying a season of rest and recreation in the "Land of the Sky." The vacation was distributed between Asheville, at our Southern Methodist Conferences at Lake Junaluska, and camping in the wilds of Craggy Mountain, whose lofty dome extends skyward some 6,000 or 7,000 feet above sea level, and nearby the celebrated Mount Mitchell, altitude 6711 feet—the tallest peak east of the Rockies, and which is surrounded by hundreds of other similar peaks, all covered with virgin flora—chiefly hemlock, balsam, laurel, and rhododendron, and inhabited by mountain trout, wild honey bee, pheasant, rattlesnake, bear and wild cat, to the delight of the sportsmen; affording great scenery and salubrious climate unsurpassed.

Our Washington District has just closed a most interesting session at Emory church in the northern suburbs of the city. Although this being his first year as presiding elder, Dr. Harry M. Cantor proved an able and efficient presiding officer. The conference was well attended and the reports show an increased interest and growth both materially and spiritually in Southern Methodism. The Conference was favored with the presence of Dr. Sam Small and Evangelist Gipsy Smith, Jr., the latter preaching a most forcible sermon yesterday.

Dr. W. F. McMurry preached to our new Mt. Pleasant congregation last Sunday, his chief mission in the city being to investigate conditions and turn over the $20,000 lot on Sixteenth street, recently secured by the General Mission Board on which our congregation will begin at once the erection of a $20,000 section of our much needed church.

Our administration is still wisely pursuing the waiting and watching policy in handling the international situation with but little hope for immediate peaceful adjustment thereof. With peace at home, abundance of all kinds of crops, factories operating on full time, and the balance of trade in our favor to the amount of a billion dollars, there is no reason why we should not be a happy and contented people.

W. F. Tomlinson.

3433—14th St., N. W., Sept. 17.

"Troubles will come which look as if they would never pass away. The night and the storm look as if they would last forever, but the calm and the morning cannot be stayed; the storm, in its very nature, is transient. The effort of nature, as that of the human heart, ever is to return to its repose, for God is peace."

Standard Form Collection Envelopes

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

HOLT'S CHAPEL

FOR PASTOR'S SALARY

AMOUNT

Name _____ | Dollars | Cents |

Date _____ 191____

MISSIONS AND CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

MOUNT ZION CHURCH

Name _____ | Dollars | Cents |

Date _____

$1.90 for 1000, delivered

$1.40 for additional 1000, delivered

FOR EITHER FORM

This price is based on using the above forms, changing name of church only. The large envelope is manila, and of the quality regularly used for Pastor's Salary collections. The small envelope can be furnished in white, green or cherry. Its difference in color and size from the Pastor's Salary form makes it ideal for Missions and Conference Collections.

If special form is desired the price will average $2.40 for the first 1000, and $1.40 for additional 1000's, delivered.

Special rates on large quantities.

The Advocate Press, Greensboro, N. C.

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective April 18th, 1915

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester Lv.	7 43 a m	12 05 p m			
Yorkville "	8 29	1 55			
Gastonia "	9 24!	4 00			
Gastonia "					
Lincolnton "	10 15	5 30			
Newton "	10 55	6 15			
Hickory "	12 05 p m	7 05	1 00 p m	6 45 a m	
Lenoir "	1 08	8 20	2 04	8 30	
Lenoir "	2 00x				
Mortimer "	3 17				
Edgemont Ar.	3 27				
Southbound	**NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only**	**NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.**
Edgemont Lv.	10 00 a m				
Mortimer "	10 08				
Lenoir "	11 20!				
Lenoir "	1 35 p m	6 00 a m	8 15 a m		
Hickory "	2 35	7 15	9 12		
Newton "	3 05	8 00			
Lincolnton "	3 43	8 55			
Gastonia "	4 30	10 23			
Gastonia "	5 00x	11 00			
Yorkville "	5 47	12 28 p m			
Chester Ar.	6 35	2 15			

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. **CHESTER, S. C.**

Our Dead

YARBROUGH—John P. Yarbrough was born in Casewell county May 7th, 1863, and died August 9th, 1915. He professed faith in Christ early in childhood and joined New Hope church in Casewell county. After coming to Forsyth county in the year 1879, he joined New Hope Methodist church. About one year ago he joined Mt. Tabor M. E. Church, South, with his family. He leaves a wife, six children, two sisters, Mrs. T. J. Thacker, of Bethania, N. C., and Mrs. C. O. Beck, of Winston-Salem, N. C.; three brothers, Wade, Laum and Walter Yarbrough, of Winston-Salem, N. C. With these and other relatives, a host of friends join in sympathy, and rejoice in the hopes and prospects of a greater life for this one who is gone from us.

Until recent years Brother Yarbrough was a man of strong mind and resolution, but ill health so impaired his life during the last two years, that he was no more himself.

"Touch us gently, Time!
Let us glide adown thy stream
Gently—as we ometimes glide
Through a quiet dream!"

J. W. Vestal, P. C.

JACKS—Ramon Wiley Jacks, son of J. L. and Sarah E. Jacks, was born in Iredell county, N. C., February 1, 1894. He professed faith in Christ in September, 1913, and joined the M. E. Church, South, at Macedonia and lived an exemplary life till his death, July 23, 1915. Brother Jacks in sickness expressed a desire to recover and then devote his life to the leading of others to Christ. He suffered much in his last days, yet patiently awaiting the end of all sorrow and pain here. The funeral was conducted at Tabor church near Olin and his body placed in the cemetery, in the presence of many friends. A son in Israel has fallen. May God comfort and lead the bereaved ones. P. H. Brittain.

MRS. BLANCHE GRAVES HINES

An Appreciation by a Friend

In most communities there arises one family, one name, which, by some innate and indefinable fineness stands to that community preeminent.

Mrs. Blanche Graves Hines, eldest daughter of the late Judge Frank Graves and wife, of Mount Airy, N. C., whose death occurred Sept. 4th, 1915, was a daughter whose life and character were beautiful exponents of ancestral excellence.

To her native ability were added those graces of heart and mind, attained through the study of the best literature, music, a high appreciation of art and of nature. She loved the beautiful whether in the realm of the fine arts or in the face of a little child; but music was her master passion, and large numbers of young women learned to love and esteem her while studying under her skilful instruction.

While yet in young womanhood Mrs. Hines was left a widow, with three small children. Thus situated, truly "Love took up the harp of life,

And smote on the chords with might,"

and the fine character inwrought into her children, Mrs. Margaret Hines McAlister, Mrs. Mary Hines Carlton, and Jessie Franklin Hines, attest how well she wrought. By strong family affiliation she was cheered and comforted along the way of life, and her devotion to her family, particularly to her only brother, Hon. S. Porter Graves, was marked.

Indeed, she loved well, and was much loved. Her health, never the best, finally gave way and she suffered a nervous collapse, which brought to its earthly close this wonderfully sweet life.

Through a life saddened and bearing heavy responsibilities and physical weakness, no murmer ever fell from her lips. Her faith in God was supreme, but simple; upon Him she relied, in Him found her comfort and strength.

Her funeral was conducted from the residence of her brother at Mt. Airy, in the presence of many sorrowing, lifelong friends, and amid a profusion of flowers, beside her loved ones, she sleeps well.

Winston-Salem, N. C.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Morganton Methodist church wishes to express its deep appreciation of the life of the late Sarah Grant Claywell, who was one of the first members of this society.

In every phase of the missionary work she was ever faithful. To this society she gave of her means, her prayers and her labors, and carried it upon her heart when, because of the infirmities of age, she could no longer attend its meetings.

Be it therefore resolved.

1. That while the society feels her loss, it will cherish her memory and endeavor to follow the example of her consecrated life.

2. That we extend to the grief-stricken husband and family our heart-felt sympathy, assuring them that Mrs. Claywell held a prominent place in our esteem, and that her memory will be tenderly cherished by us.

3. That a copy of these resolutions be placed on our minutes, a copy sent to the bereaved family, and copies sent to the local papers and to the Christian Advocate.

Mrs. E. E. Williamson,
Mrs. M. B. Kibler,
Committee.

RAWLEY—Miss Josie Belle Rawley, daughter of Captain T. L. and Mrs. Sarah P. Rawley, was born Nov. 27, 1873, in Ruffin, N. C., and entered into rest Sept. 8, 1915.

In early youth she gave her heart to Christ and joined the church. Her Christian life was consistent and beautiful. She loved her church devotedly. As a Christian and church member she was faithful. And is not faithfulness one of the very best qualities a Christian can possess? It is to the faithful ones that the Master says "Well done" and "Enter into the joy of thy Lord."

The funeral services were held in the home of Captain Rawley in Winston-Salem by Dr. E. L. Bain, Rev. W. A. Lambeth, Dr. H. A. Brown and the pastor of West End church, of which Miss Rawley was a member. The music was under the direction of Mrs. E. L. Starr, director of the West End choir, to which the deceased belonged. The floral tributes were many and beautiful, testifying to esteem in which Miss Rawley was held. In the beautiful Winston-Salem cemetery her body was laid to await the resurrection morn. R. M. Courtney.

ROBINSON—Mrs. Della Coleman Robinson was born in Edgefield, now Saluda, county, S. C., and departed this life at Asheville, N. C., July 14th, 1915, was buried beside her husband, Mr. John Robinson, at Wadesboro, N. C., July 16th, 1915.

She was converted at an early age and joined the Methodist churchh at Bethany, the church of the Abneys.

At the death of her grandfather she went to live with her grandmother Roney, on the Saluda river. Her life there was a happy one, a continual round of pleasures. Her presence brought sunshine to any circle.

From choice she did not marry until late in life. As wife and mother it was her happiness to minister to the wants of her family, whom she loved devotedly.

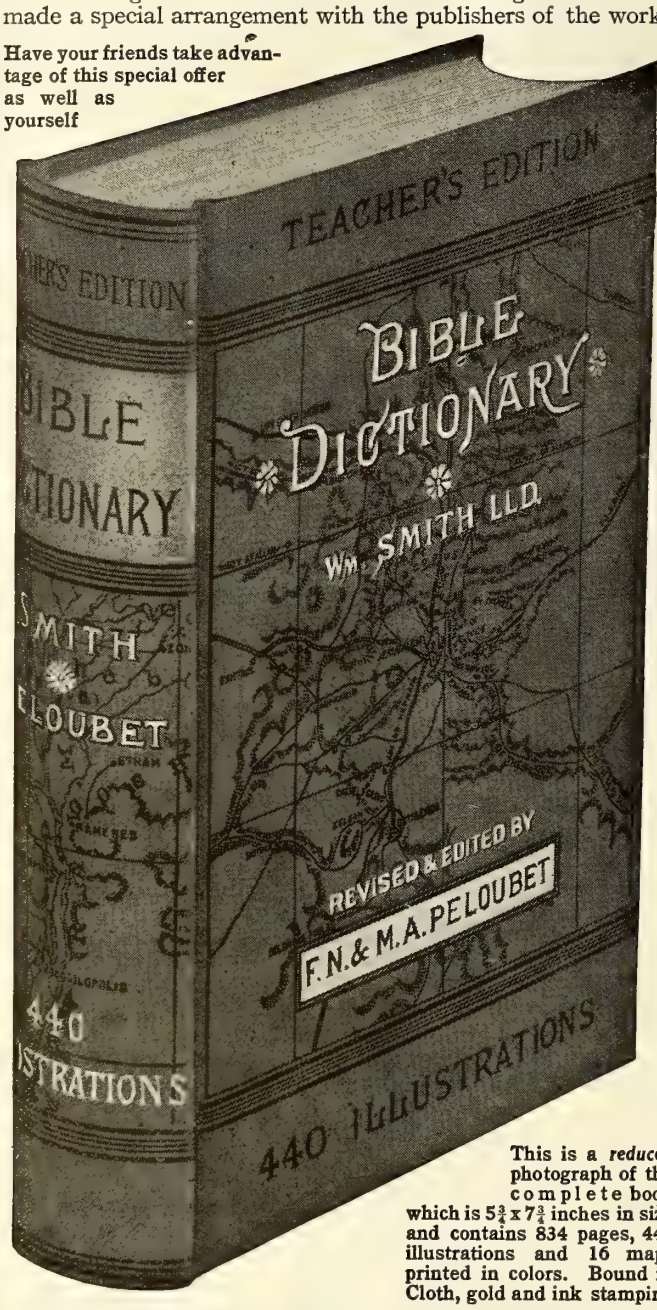
On one occasion, on a visit to her

The Christian Advocate Offers You This Well Known Bible Dictionary

SEE SPECIAL OFFER BELOW

Realizing the wide demand that exists among our constituents for this Bible Dictionary, we have made a special arrangement with the publishers of the work by which they agreed to supply it to us on exceptional terms, provided we would widely advertise it, and this enables us to offer this **well-known Bible Dictionary in its original form** and with all its important features, including over 400 illustrations and maps in colors, at **less than half the regular price.**

Have your friends take advantage of this special offer as well as yourself



This is a *reduced* photograph of the complete book which is 5¾ x 7¾ inches in size and contains 834 pages, 440 illustrations and 16 maps printed in colors. Bound in Cloth, gold and ink stamping

THE FATHER OF ALL BIBLE DICTIONARIES

Everyone acknowledges the superior value of Dr. William Smith's Bible Dictionary, as containing the fruit of the ripest Biblical scholarship. It is practically the foundation, or father, of all other Bible Dictionaries. This late edition is brought down to the twentieth century and thoroughly revised to incorporate modern research and discoveries in Bible lands. It has been adapted in its present form to the convenience of teachers and scholars.

MAKES BIBLE STUDY EASY. MAKES THE BIBLE PLAIN TO EVERY READER

This Bible Dictionary is a veritable treasure to Christian Workers. It contains in the simplest language a full explanation of all topics mentioned in the Bible—every place, nation, tribe, person, and historical event; every custom and rite; every instrument and implement; every animal, plant, flower, mineral, metal, etc. It is a systematic collation of all the facts recorded in the Bible, supplemented and explained by materials supplied from authentic records of Biblical times. It gives in compact and lucid form the substance of the result of profound Biblical scholarship and research. IT OPENS A NEW UNDERSTANDING AND APPRECIATION OF THE BIBLE IN A WAY THAT NO OTHER BOOK DOES.

Our Special Offer

From this till January first we offer the Advocate one year and this dictionary for

$2.50

This applies to new subscribers and renewals.

***Address*.CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, GREENSBORO, N. C.**

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.——E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg.—W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller——C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg., M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.——J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg.—J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C—421 S. Main St.——G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.——A. O'Daniel
Richmond. Va.—Murphy Hotel—J. W. Ligon

home, her pastor said to me, "Sister Robinson's industry, happy nature, and fine cooking is an inspiration to her friends.

She loved her home, but said to me, "I will give up everything I have to bring health to my child." She truly gave her life for her afflicted daughter whom she loved better than life.

May the dear Lord comfort her and may we be one united family in that beautiful home of the soul, is the prayer of a loving sister.

Mrs. W. B. McLendon.

Ansonville, N. C.

DOUB—Sallie Graciette Doub, daughter of Olin W. F. and Isabelle Doub, was born Dec. 22, 1886. She joined the M. E. Church, South, under the pastorate of Rev. M. C. Fields at the age of fourteen at Doub's church. Her life so beautifully portrayed that most important truth as recorded, "I love them that love me and those that seek me early shall find me, and whosoever findeth me findeth life and that more abundantly, saith thy God."

She was an efficient teacher in the S. S. for eleven years, and could be seen every Sunday when not providentially hindered, seated at her accustomed place in the S. S. room, earnestly teaching the little tots gathered around her the way of truth, and explaining to them the beautiful life of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, but "the Lord gave and the Lord hath taken away, blessed be the name of the Lord." Like the patience of Job for nine weeks of her illness she steadfastly clung to the excellent training of her parents, of trusting in Jesus without a murmer.

With the most persistent efforts of the family physician and other physicians and constant attention of the family and friends she still kept sinking until Sunday morning about 2:30 o'clock, Sept. 12, 1915, she calmly passed safe into the arms of Jesus. Before she died she said she was going home and that she wanted all the members of the Sunday school to meet her in heaven.

"Not now but in the coming years,
It will be in a better land,
We'll read the meaning of our tears,
And there, sometime we'll understand."

The funeral services were conducted at Doub's Chapel by the pastor, Rev. J. E. McSwain, assisted by the Moravian pastor, Rev. Mr. Grabbs, Sept. 13, 1915.

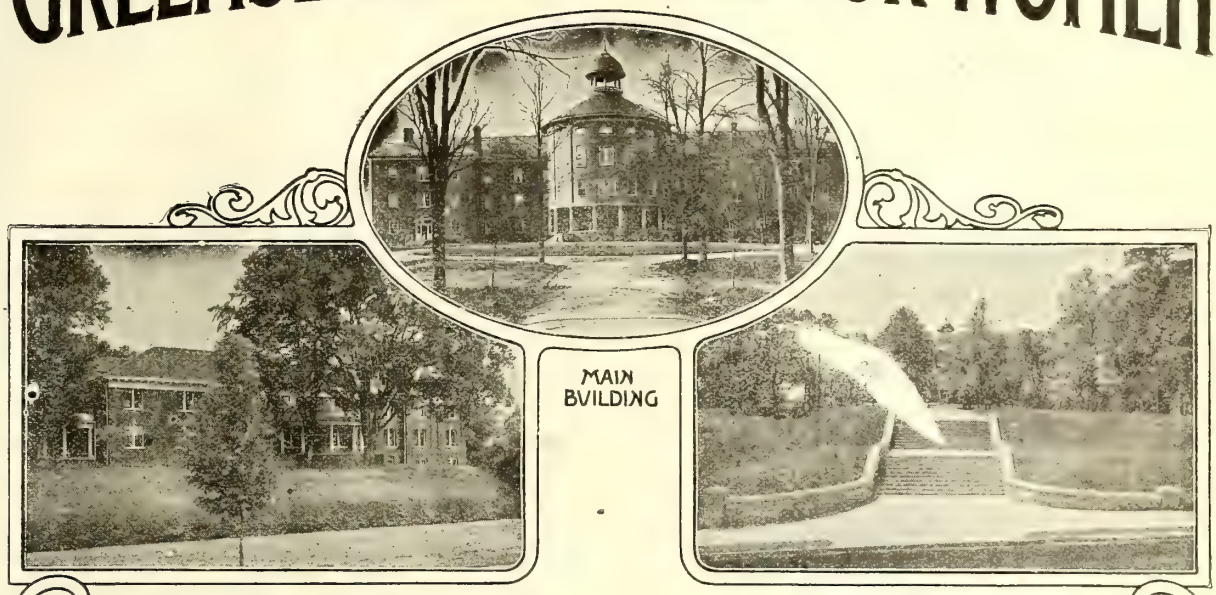
Miss Graciette was the first to be laid to rest in the new grave yard at Doub's new church. Her many friends sympathize with the bereaved family in these dark hours. A. friend.

STIMSON—Mary Yokley Stimson, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Yokeley, was born August 24, 1826, and died Sept. 14, 1915, aged 89 years and 21 days. She was married to Dr. Fletcher W. Stimson May 3rd, 1842. To this union there were born two children, a son, A. Dorcy, who survives her, and a daughter, Isabella, who died at the age of three years. She has been a widow about 60 years and a member of the Methodist Church, South, at Brookstown about 73 years. She leaves one son and five grandchildren and six great grand-children.

Sister Steinson's body was laid to rest in the family graveyard beside her husband near the home of her son Darcy Steimson. Funeral services conducted by Rev. J. E. McSwain, her pastor, assisted by Mr. J. H. Mock.

J. H. Mock.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D..D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

"When you turns over a new leaf," said Uncle Eben, "you's got to make up yoh mind not to notice de people dat insist on huntin' up de back numbers an' makin' remarks."—Washington Star.

One of the young ensigns who was acting as teacher on the battleship Texas asked the question, "What are the two principal parts of a sentence," expecting to get the answer, "Subject and predicate." An old salt scratched his head in perplexity, and at last replied, "solitary confinement, and bread and water."—The Sailor's Magazine.

Little Mary, who often appears in Lippincott's Magazine, had been sent to the store to get some fly-paper. She was a long time in returning, and her mother began to feel anxious. Going to the door, she spied the little girl coming up the street, and called, "Mary, have you got the fly-paper?" "No, mother," replied Mary, "it's got me, but we are coming together."

"Let us rise as the sun rose and help to make the world glad. If we could but cultivate the habit of a cheerful welcome to each new day, and rise with a determined purpose to look for good and pursue it with all the vigor of our renewed strength, it would make not only our own but our neighbors' lives far better worth living."

We may carry God with us wherever we go if only we remember that where we cannot carry him with us we ought not go. We may always bear our own sunshine with us.—Alexander Maclaren.

Wouldst thou have thy life the brighter?
Make another's burden lighter.
Wouldst thou know the joy of living?
Fnd it by the grace of giving.
Wouldst thou precious seeds be sowing?
Blossoms bloom, thou still unknowing.
Wouldst thou golden grain be reaping?
Trust the harvest to God's keeping
Wouldst thou lose all fear of dying?
Each day live—on Him relying.

—Helen Elizabeth Coolidge.

"It is not so much where you are as what you are that makes your heaven. The bright, cheery soul who lives the life of trust sees only the sunny side of everything, and has learned to endure cheerfully and with a bright face where everything looks dark."

The Sunday School Lesson

FOURTH QUARTER—LESSON 1
OCTOBER 3, 1915

Elijah in Naboth's Vineyard
1 Kings 21

Golden Text—Be sure your sin will find you out. Num. 32:23.

Summary of the Lesson

Some members of the faculty of a certain college were discussing a certain freshman, near the close of the school year. "He's a fine fellow," said one, "but I wish he could discover that there are other people in the world." The consciousness of other people and of their rights is a fundamental matter in a well-ordered life. Ahab was conscious of his own desires, but did not have a very deep sense of the rights of others. Elijah appeared at Naboth's vineyard as the representative of the rights of man. Our study meets sharply and clearly the question of the social implications of religion.

The Rights of the Individual

Plato was not a prophet of the individual. In his thought the particular man is lost in the state. You judge the individual by what he contributes to the state. You do not judge the state by what it contributes to the individual. The ancient world had many men of towering personality, but it usually thought in the terms of the city, the tribe, the race or the country, rather than in the terms of the individual man.

All the more interesting is such a story as that Naboth, where we are thinking of one man, and of his rights and his wrongs. The sense that there may be something sacred in the rights of an individual man clearly emerges here. We know almost nothing about Naboth. He is simply the representative of those rights which belong to a man as an owner of property. He insisted on standing by his right not to sell. He was on clear legal ground. Not being able to move him in any other way, the queen arranged to have him killed under false accusation, and so the man who would not dispose of a vineyard became the man whose life was disposed of. It was seen to be a dangerous thing to oppose the wishes of the king.

Of course there is such a thing as an assertive insistence on individual preferences over against the good of the larger number of men, which cannot be tolerated. The "right of eminent domain" deals with this kind of a situation, but it is also true that the largest, and fullest, and freshest possible life for each man must be the aim of the state. The national organization has as its aim the giving to each citizen of the completest individual freedom consistent with the welfare of the other citizens. When legislators lose sight of the individual they have turned their faces backward. Naboth stands at the door of every legislative assembly, saying, "You must not forget me."

The Tyranny of Privilege

A king was once alone with his conscience. The king said, "I will take council with my desires." His conscience said, "You must take council with your responsibilities." There was a great discussion between the two, until at last the king learned that to be a ruler is to be a servant.

Ahab thought more of the privileges of royalty than he did of the duties of royalty. The picture of the king, lying on his bed, with his face to the wall, and refusing to eat, all because he cannot have a piece of land which has taken his fancy, is unedifying enough. A spoiled child of a man is sulking because he cannot have his way. The haughty and masterful queen has a quick and easy solution of the problem. If a man stands in the way of the gratification of the king's desires, let that man be killed. There are no rights which stand in the face of the privileges of the king. You do not have to live in a monarchy in order to be confronted by the tyranny of privilege. In every type of civilization those who use power as a means of personal gratification, forgetting the good of the people; those who bend laws and victimize people for the sake of selfish enjoyment re-enact the tragedy of Jezebel and Naboth. When a man uses wealth to escape responsibility and to defraud others of their rights you have the tyranny of privilege. When a man uses knowledge in order to avoid his own duties and place undue burdens on others you have the tyranny of privilege When a man uses gifts of personal leadership for the spoiling of the public and not for the advancement of the public good you have the tyranny of privilege. It is only as we learn that the position of privilege involves the opportunity and the responsibility of noble service that life moves on with wholesomeness and health. Ahab becomes a public servant instead of a spoiled child.

The Prophet of Human Rights

Elijah has appeared as the prophet of the rights of God. Now he appears as the prophet of the rights of man. He has condemned the wrong done to Jehovah. Now he condemns the wrong done to Naboth. In the name of Israel's God he cries out against the deed of murderous tyranny which ended the life of an innocent man.

Here we meet sharply the fact that religion is more than a kind of worship. It is also a kind of life. It is more than a certain way of treating God. It is also a certain way of treating men. The whole might of the power of religion is put on the side of the rights of Naboth. The whole condemnation of religion falls upon the tyranny of Ahab and Jezebel.

"There are no politics in heaven," wrote a devout soul to that great Christian in public life, Dr. Robert William Dale. "Sad, sad, that your thoughts are not there." The man who did so much to make Birmingham the best governed city in the world was not without ample justification. There are no wrongs to right in heaven; there are no evils to uproot in heaven. The new Jerusalem is to be brought down out of heaven and the man of nobly heavenly mind is the very man who ought to be working to make the city where he dwells conform in all its life to the will of God.

In the very moment when he was about to take possession of the vineyard for which he had lusted the king found his guilty gratification interrupted by the stern prophet. Ahab cowered before the invincible man whose words cut like the lash of a whip. "Hast thou found me, O mine enemy?" he cried. The reply came ringing back, "I have found thee, because thou hast sold thyself to do that which is evil in the sight of Jehovah." Ahab had left God out of account in his living and he was finding that the man who will not accept God as a guide must meet Him as a foe.

The Social Aspects of Religion

The old Wesleyan watchword, "Full salvation, now," may have a social as well as an individual content. It may mean a passionate endeavor to realize the will of God in all the social relations of this present world, as well as a complete possession of the individual heart by the love and power of God.

Religion is imperial. It would master our relationships as well as our wills. It would rule over our actions as well as our hearts. In truth the goal of religion is not merely a transformed man. It is a transformed society. It is more than a sound individual. It is a sound brotherhood, rejoicing in fellowship and love.

The religion which can ignore a social wrong has entered a process of decay. Religion must be the conscience of the community as well as its burning heart. It must stand where men buy and sell; it must meet them wherever they touch each other, and over all this contact and activity it must lift its mighty words, "Thou shalt" and "Thou shalt not." When the man of religion ceases to be feared by wrongdoers he has ceased to be a faithful representative of the righteous God. In every age the wrongdoer should be made to look fearfully upon the church, ready to cry, "Hast thou found me, O mine enemy?"

A great New England preacher said in one of his sermons, "After all the heart of religion is One dear figure with outstretched arms." It is true that outreaching arms of love are seeking the discouraged, the hopeless, the failing, all those who will turn from sin, however dark and evil. It is also true that religion is a knight in armor, ready to fight the wrongdoer who will not turn from his evil ways. Religion will not sign a treaty of peace with injustice and a man must repudiate injustice before he can enter the gateway of peace.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in New York Christian Advocate.

WHERE DRUGS FAIL

Many chronic diseases fail to respond to drug treatment, even in the hands of the best physicians, whereas acute diseases usually respond readily. When a disease has become chronic, drugs often seem to do as much harm as they do good, for the system rebels against them. It is just this class of cases which derive the greatest benefit from Shivar Mineral Water. If you suffer with chronic dyspepsia, indigestion, sick headache, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney or liver disease, uric acid poisoning or other conditions due to impure blood, do not hesitate to accept Mr. Shivar's liberal offer as printed below. His records show that only two in a hundred on the average have reported "no beneficial results." This is a wonderful spring. Simply sign the following letter:

Shivar Spring,
Box 5F, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen:

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)



MAMMOTH BLACK

The greatest pork producers ever originated. We originated this hog. One we sold dressed 978 pounds. See statement from the man that raised this hog:

Wallburg, N. C., June 15, 1907.
John A. Young, Greensboro, N. C.
Dear Sir:

I have killed the Mammoth Black pig I bought of you and he dressed 978 lbs. net. Yours truly,
J. L. Guyer.

Until Oct. 1st we will sell at $10.00 each, $15.00 per pair, pigs 8 to 10 weeks old.

The Newest Styles of Jewelry
WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE
Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.
SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS

This Hose Lasts Longer Than Others

Goodyear-Akron Lawn Hose lasts longer than others because it is made to do that. It is made by the makers of the famous Goodyear Automobile Tires. Composed of five layers of alternate new, live rubber and strongest braided cotton. Absolutely seamless. The thick corrugated outer coat, with its six extra large rubber ribs, does away with twisting and kinking. They add immensely to its life.

GOODYEAR AKRON
Lawn Hose

Buy Your Garden Tools Here
We Have Everything You Need

ODELL
Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL
FLORAL
DESIGNS
Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses
HOWARD GARDNER
Proprietor
GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1845
DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF
STOMACH AND INTESTINES
121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland
103 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

Our Little Folks' Department

AN APPLE-GATHERER

The wind is picking apples fast, and
tossing them all round;
He does not pile them up in heaps, but
spreads them on the ground.

He does not harvest them with care;
his handling is quite rough,
And often he will throw them down
before they're ripe enough.

But then—he has no hands to use;
all he does is to blow;
And just the time when they are ripe
how can he hope to know?

The wind is picking apples now—your
pails and baskets bring.
They're only windfalls—but for us
they're just the very thing!

—A. W. McCullough.

WHY THE EVERGREEN TREES KEEP THEIR LEAVES IN WINTER

One day, a long, long time ago, it was very cold; winter was coming. And all the birds flew away to the warm South to wait for the spring. But one little bird had a broken wing and could not fly. He did not know what to do. He looked all around to see if there were any place where he could keep warm. And he saw the trees of the great forest.

"Perhaps the trees will keep me warm through the winter," he said.

So he went to the edge of the forest, hopping and fluttering with his broken wing. The first tree he came to was a slim silver birch.

"Beautiful birch tree," he said, "will you let me live in your warm branches until the springtime comes?"

"Dear me!" said the birch tree, "what a thing to ask! I have to take care of my own leaves through the winter; that is enough for me. Go away."

The little bird hopped and fluttered with his broken wing until he came to the next tree. It was a great big oak tree.

"O, big oak tree," said the little bird, "will you let me live in your warm branches until the springtime comes?"

"Dear me," said the oak tree, "what a thing to ask! If you stay in my branches all the winter you will be eating my acorns. Go away."

So the little bird hopped and fluttered with his broken wing till he came to the willow tree by the edge of the brook.

"O, beautiful willow tree," said the little bird, "will you let me live in your warm branches until the springtime comes?"

"No, indeed," said the willow tree; "I never speak to strangers. Go away."

The poor little bird did not know where to go, but he hopped and fluttered along with his broken wing. Pretty soon the spruce tree saw him and said, "Where are you going, little bird?"

"I do not know," said the bird, "the trees will not let me live with them, and my wing is broken so that I cannot fly."

"You may live in one of my branches," said the spruce, "I shall like to have you."

The pine tree stood beside the spruce, and when he saw the little bird hopping and fluttering with his broken wing, he said "My branches are not very warm, but I can keep the wind off because I am big and strong."

So the little bird fluttered up into the branches of the spruce, and the pine tree kept the wind off his house; then the juniper tree saw what was going on, and said that she would give the little bird his dinner all winter from her juniper berries. Juniper berries are very good for little birds.

The little bird was very comfortable in his warm nest, sheltered from the wind, with juniper berries to eat.

The trees at the edge of the forest saw it all.

"I wouldn't take care of a strange bird," said the birch.

"I wouldn't risk my acorns," said the oak.

"I would not speak to strangers," said the willow. And the three trees stood up very tall and proud.

That night the North Wind came to the woods to play. He puffed at the leaves with his icy breath, and every leaf he touched fell to the ground. He wanted to touch every leaf in the forest and see all the trees bare.

"May I touch every leaf?" he asked his father, the Frost King.

"No," said the Frost King," "the trees which were kind to the bird with the broken wing may keep their leaves."

So North Wind had to leave them alone, and the spruce, the pine and the juniper tree kept their leaves all winter. And they have done it ever since. —Selected.

AN AUTUMN DAY

Come stand with me on the hilltop this soft autumn morning. Close your eyes for a moment. Sniff the scents borne up on the warm breeze; listen to the snatches of bird song. Hark! there is Hyla adding his shrill treble to the other voices. We can almost believe it is summer. Now open your eyes again. Look far away and see the blue haze half hiding the distant hills. See the little flock of thistle balloons sailing by. Jays and squirrels, field mice and chipmunks are gathering the last of their winter stores of nuts, grains, and seeds. Nature spreads a bounteous feast for all the wood folk and for the visiting birds—quantities of spicy berries, combs of wild honey, nuts of many kinds, moss for the deer, and sweet bark for the beavers.

Now that the wood folk have dined so well, they are all thinking of their winter quarters. Mr. Groundhog has already sought his grassy couch, for he is the sleepiest fellow in the forest. A good many of the birds have taken their southward way, and the feathered visitors from the far North are beginning to arrive. Our climate seems to them quite as desirable for a winter home as does the Southland to the orioles and robins, the bluebirds, swallows, and quantities of other migrant birds. The northern shrikes, longspurs, redpolls, and snowbirds do not mind intense cold and driving storms, so long as they can pick up sufficient food to keep them from starving.

Now Mother Nature says to her handmaiden, Autumn: "We are going to have a cold winter and a long one. Spread your leaf coverlets thick over field and woodland. Stiffen the stems of wayside weeds, that their seeds may be held above the snow-drifts. Then the little flocks of wandering birds will not go hungry to bed. Strengthen the stems of woodland berries—rowan, alder, rose hip, and bittersweet—that waxwings and finches may feast when they will. Leave here and there in the orchards a few apples clinging to the trees for squirrels to chip for their seeds. I would that my children had enough of the food they like best to help them withstand the cold that will soon be upon them."—Margaret W. Leighton.

JACK FROST

When little Jack Frost comes to town,
He wears a suit of red and brown;
He visits all the fields and hills,
And all the little dancing rills,
He breathes upon the flowers and
trees
And every pretty plant he sees;
Then, all at once, the rills are still;
The flowers fade on field and hill;
The grass is withered, and we see
No leaf that's green on bush or tree;
Nature is dressed in red and brown
After Jack Frost has been in town.

—Helen M. Richardson.

HER TALISMAN

Red-haired Midget was solemnly plodding her way to school when two rosy children sprang out at her from behind a hedge.

"We've got the loveliest secret," they chanted, "and you couldn't guess it if you guessed a thousand years."

Midget surveyed them with an engaging smile and they relented.

"Will you promise never to tell any one, live or die, black or blue?" demanded the older child.

Midget looked at her with tranquil blue eyes.

"I'll just tell my mother," she said.

"No! No!" shouted the other two with scorn. "You can't tell anybody."

Midget stiffened her small back and gave her red curls a proud toss.

"I don't have secrets from my mother," she said firmly, and marched on ahead with an air of funny dignity.

The girls whispered together for a minute, and then rushed after her, and it was plain from Midget's radiant face that her mother was to share "the loveliest secret."

Superstitious people sometimes carry a talisman or charm which they believe keeps away harm. Midget is carrying through school the best talisman against evil—"telling mother."—Sel.

THE YOUNGEST KNIGHT

There was great excitement throughout the great court in front of the knight's castle. The tanta-raa, tantaraa tanta-raa of the herald's trumpet echoed through the hills and the knights came hurrying up from all directions. They had worked and waited for this hour for a whole year, and now it had come! Near the king's throne hung the prize sword and the diamond in the hilt was so bright that it rivaled the sun.

What a strange-looking band of knights they were! Some carried several swords strung to their horses and armor; some carried flags that were torn and ragged; some had lost an arm or leg. But all hurried eagerly forward at the call of their king. This was the day when the sword with the diamond in its hilt was to be put into the hands of the most worthy knight, the one who had lived and worked most nobly, the one whose actions were most approved by the king.

First Sir Terrible stepped before his king; he showed the swords he had won. "Yes," said the king, "but you took these in the night time. The lord of the castle you attacked was ill and troubled; you took the swords in unfair battle. Such swords are no trophies." And Sir Terrible hung his head and stood aside.

Next came Sir Bold. He held his head high as he showed the wounds he had received.

"Yes," said the king, "but the fight you fought was against the knight who had gone to help fight the dragon Intemperance. That was no battle for a knight of mine to fight," and he moved Sir Bold aside.

Next came Sir Merry, and he showed the flags he had won.

"Yes," said the king, "but one was the flag that floated from the good ship Mercy; you were cruel when you took that flag," and his eyes were filled with tears as he waved Sir Merry away.

Next came Sir Proud, with a cloak slung over his shoulder.

"Yes," said the king, "but you took the cloak from one who needed it. It was the poor man's only treasure," and the king motioned his unworthy knight away. And so he went through the lists; some had done brave deeds, but they were not done in the noble way the king desired. The deeds of others were not good and brave at all, but only shams.

By and by the king came to the youngest knight of all, Sir Faithful. "And what trophy have you to show?" he asked.

"Nothing, O king, I have nothing to bring," and he hung his head.

"Nothing!" echoed the king.

"No, I did not get out of sight of the castle wall when I heard the herald's call. I knew not that the time was passing so fast."

"Ah, but I understand, my faithful one. Today the little child whom you watched through the fever is playing in the meadow. Today the old man whom you rescued in the highway is happy in his home. Today the mother to whom you gave your purse is well and caring for her children. And the windows of the little chapel on the hill, which you were to polish, are as bright as the diamond in the sword's hilt. You went there every week."

"But those things were only my duty, O king!"

"Ah, Sir Faithful, rightly you were named! Only your duty, little one! Did you think I asked for more?" and he placed the sword with the diamond hilt in the hands that had won it.—The King's Builders.

Uncle Ephraim's sympathies were all with the allies, says the Post Saturday Magazine. "Man," he announced, "has you heard 'bout them allies? They's got a gun what kin hit you if it's twenty-three miles off."

"Lawsie, that ain't nothin'!" sneered a partisan of the opposite camp. "De Germans, dey kin hit you if dey jess has yo' ad-dress."

DRINKING THAT HAS PROVEN BENEFICIAL

This is not a statement to cause consternation among our readers, because the beverage is Fonticello Mineral Water. The waters from this Mineral Spring have made restorations to health in cases of sickness of such long standing that the sufferers had given themselves up to believe that recovery was impossible. The proposition in a nutshell is this: Pure Water—water that is free from organic matter is known by the medical profession to be the safest and best of all agents to cleanse the system—and flush the blood and vital organs before the refuse can contaminate them and interfere with their functions. It is through intemperate eating and drinking of beverages, or the failure to drink plenty of water, and the exercise of common sense in living that we incur sickness, which finally becomes chronic.

But to prove the truth of the statement that Fonticello Mineral Water has made these wonderful restorations to health we make this Guarantee:

We will send you statements from physicians of acknowledged high reputation, of ministers and others who will show positively that Fonticello Water has cured them of many chronic diseases, including dyspepsia, indigestion, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney and liver diseases, uric acid, etc.

We will ship you two five gallon carboys of Fonticello Water with the understanding that if it does not benefit you, **we will return full purchase price.**

Fill out this coupon and mail today
Note our guarantee

I want to try Fonticello Mineral Water and promise to use it regularly, daily, drinking the number of glasses prescribed in the directions which you agree to send me. If this treatment does not prove beneficial, yoou agree to refund purchase price upon receipt by you of the two empty carboys which I promise to return promptly. Enclosed find $2.00 for which please send me two gallons of Fonticello Mineral Water referred to above.

Name .....
P. O. .....
Express Office .....

Note.—This coupon is our acceptance of above terms and guarantee.

FONTICELLO MINERAL SPRINGS CO.
Dept. C., Richmond, Va.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Flat Rock, Upward 18-19
Central, night 19
West Asheville 26
Tryon and Saluda, night 26-27
Fairview, Fairview 2-
October
Haywood St., night .....
Spring Creek, Antioch 9-10
Hot Springs, night 1
Weaverville Ct., Salem 16-17
Elk Mountain, night 17
Hot Springs & Marshall, Marshall .23-24
Walnut, Jewel Hill, night 24-25
Sulphur Springs, Snow Hill 30-31
Bethel, night 31
November
Swannanoa, Swannanoa 6-7
Black Mountain, night 7
Biltmore & Mt. Pleasant, Biltmore ...14

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Matthews, Matthews 18-19
Belmont, night 19
Prospect, Bethlehem 25-26
Monroe, Central 26-27
October
Weddington, Hebron 2-3
Waxhaw, Mineral Springs, 3 p. m.....3-4
Lilesville, Lilesville 9-10
Trinity, night 10
Polkton, Hopewell 16-17
Unionville, Mill Grove 23-24
North Monroe, N. Monroe, night 24
Marshville, Marshville 30-31
Brevard, night 31
November
Ansonville, Concord 6-7
Wadesboro, night 7
Dilworth, 11 a. m. 14
Spencer Memorial, 3 p. m. 14
Tryon, night 14

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—James H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Greensboro, Zion 18-19
Gibsonville 19-20
Pleasant Garden, Pleasant Garden, 25-26
Spring Garden 26-27
October
West Greensboro, Jamestown 2-3
Centenary 3-4
Coleridge Ct., Coleridge 9-10
Ramseur and Franklinville, Franklinville 16-17
Deep River, Central Falls 16-17
Uwharrie, Oak Grove 23-24
Denton, Denton 24-25
Randolph, Trinity 30-31
Wesley Memorial, High Point 30-31
Main Street, High Point 31-32
East End 31-32
November
Asheboro 6-7
Randleman 6-7
West Market 13-14

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Green River, Bethlehem 18-19
Broad River, Tanner's Grove 25-26
Henrietta and Caroleen, Caroleen ..26-27
October
Forest City, Pleasant Grove 2-3
Cliffside, Oak Grove 2-3
Rutherfordton, Gilkey 9-10
Morganton Ct., Oak Forest 16-17
Connelly Springs 23-24
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Spruce Pine 30-31
November
Micaville, Martin's Chapel 5
Bald Creek 6-7
Burnsville 7-8
Marion Ct., Capernaum 13-14

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Debson, Stony Knoll 18-19
Yadkinville, Long Town 25-26
October
Rural Hall, Rural Hall 2-3
Mount Airy Ct., Salem 9-10
Danbury, Snow Hill 16-17
Madison and Stoneville, Madison ...24-25
Leaksville 26
Spray 27-31
Draper 28-31
November
Jonesville, Ebenezer 6-7
Elkin 6-7
Ararat, Hunters 13-14

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Wilkes, Lebanon 4-5
Elk Park, Banner Elk 7-8
Avery, Pine Grove 11-12
Boone, Boone 18-19
Watauga, Valle Crucis 23
Creston, Clifton 25-26
October
Sparta, Sparta 3-4
Laurel Springs, Laurel Springs 9-10
Helton, Greenwood 16-17
Jefferson, Orion 24
Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro 31

Revival Meetings
North Wilkesboro .....August 22-29
Boone, Boone ..... Sept. 14-21
Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro .. Oct. 31-Nov. 7

All churches not yet visited will be visited on the fourth round. These side dates have been arranged with the pastors. Let all the pastors make proper announcements. All official members are urged to be present at the fourth quarterly conference.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Fourth Round

September
Rhodhiss Sta., Rhodhiss, 11 a. m. ..18-19
West Hickory, West Hickory, night 19-20
Stony Point Ct., Stony Pt., 11 a. m., 25-26
Alexander Ct., Hiddenite, 3 p. m. ..26-27
October
Iredell Ct., Snow Creek, 11 a. m. 2-3
Broad St., Statesville, night 3-4
Cool Spring Ct., Clarksburg, 11 a. m. 9-10
Race St., Statesville, night 10-11
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 a. m., 16-17
Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, night 17-18
Troutman Ct., Shiloh, 11 a. m. 23-24
Davidson Sta., Davidson, night 24-25
Statesville Ct., N. Statesville, 11 a. m. 30-31
Mooresville Sta., Mooresville, night 31-Nov. 1
November
Hickory Ct., Fairgrove, 11 a. m. 6-7
Newton Sta., Newton, night 7-8
Malden Ct., May's Chapel, 11 a. m., 13-14

Final Meetings
October
Lenoir Ct. (all churches), Lenoir, 11 a. m. 5
South Lenoir and Valmead, South Lenoir, night 5
South Lenoir and Valmead, Whitnel, night 6
Granite Falls and Hudson, Granite Falls, 3 p. m. 12
North Lenoir Ct., (all churches) Lenoir, 11 a. m. 13
West Hickory, (all churches) West Hickory, night 14
Alexander Ct., (all churches) Hiddenite, 3 p. m. 19
Stony Point Ct., (all churches) Stony Point, 11 a. m. 20
Statesville Ct., Marvin, 11 a. m. 21
Statesville Ct., Bethel, 3 p. m.....21
Mooresville Ct., (all churches) Mooresville, 11 a. m. 26
Troutman Ct., (all churches) Troutman, 11 a. m. 27
Cool Spring Ct., (all churches) New Salem, 11 a. m. 28
Iredell Ct., (all churches) Olin, 11 a. m. 29
November
Catawba Ct., (all churches) Catawba, 11 a. m. 2
Statesville Ct., Bethlehem, 11 a. m. ..3
Race St., Statesville, night 4
Davidson Sta., Davidson, night 9
Mt. Zion-Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 11 a. m. 10

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder
Fourth Round

October
South Fork, Ebenezer 1
Belwood, Fallston 2
Stanly, Stanly 3
Polkville, Casar 9-10
Lowesville, Salem 16-17
Mt. Holly, Mt. Holly 17-18
Rock Spring, W. Chapel 23-24
Crouse, Crouse 30-31
November
Shelby Ct., Sharon 6

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.
Fourth Round

October
Mt. Pleasant, Cold Springs 2-3
Concord, Central, 11 a. m. 3
Concord, Forest Hill, night 3
Albemarle, Central, 11 a. m. 10
Albemarle, First Street, night 10
Albemarle Ct., Pine Grove 16-17
Salem Ct., Salem 17-18
Concord Ct., Rocky Ridge 24-25
Westford, night 24
Bethel and Loves Chapel 30-31
November
Gold Hill Ct., Zion 6-7
New London Ct., Bethel 7-8
Kannapolis Ct., Shiloh 13-14
Kannapolis Sta., night 14

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C.
Fourth Round

October
Murphy Ct., Peachtree 2
Murphy Station 3
Haysville Ct. 9-10
Ranger Ct., Rodgers 13-14
Andrews Station 17
Franklin Ct., Bethel 23
Franklin Station 24
Macon Ct., Mt. Zion 24-25
Highlands Ct., Highlands 27
Glenville Ct., East Laporte 30-31
November
Clyde Ct., East Waynesville 6
Waynesville Station 7
Canton Station 7

WINSTON DISTRICT—Hugh K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C.
Fourth Round

October
Jackson Hill, Poplar Spring 2-3
Farmington, Smith Grove 9-10
Cooleemee, night 10
Walkertown, 11 a. m. 17
Advance, Advance 16-17
Lewisville, New Hope 23-24
Davie, Hardison 30-31
Mocksville, night 29-31
November
Kernersville, Kernersville 6-7

NOW!

Never was there such a demand for Capable Opticians as now.

Not alone to fill positions but to occupy fields which are yearning for Optometrists who have been trained to *Fit Glasses Right.*

Our Methods, our Course and our Faculty are the *Best.*

We teach everything pertaining to a *Practical Optical Education.*

Write for Particulars. Correspondence and Attendance Courses.

Northern Illinois College of Ophthalmology,
G. W. McFATRICH, M. D., Pres.,
Masonic Temple, CHICAGO, ILL.

PLAN OF EPISCOPAL VISITATION, METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH, 1915-1916

Bishop E. R. Hendrix

Denver, Colorado Springs, Colo., Aug. 26.
Missouri, Chillicothe, Missouri, Sept. 1.
Southwest Missouri, Slater, Mo., Sept. 15.
St. Louis, Sikeston, Mo., Sept. 29.

Bishop W. A. Candler

Virginia, Petersburg, Va., Nov. 10.
Texas, Mexican Mission, Corpus Christi, Texas.
Central Mexico, Mission, Guadalajara, Mexico.
Pacific Mexican Mission, Caliacan Sinaloa, Mexico.
Mexican Border Mission Conference, Torren, Mexico.

Bishop H. C. Morrison

German Mission, Fredericksburg, Texas, Oct. 20.
Little Rock, Monticello, Ark., Nov. 17.
North Arkansas, Conway, Ark., Nov. 24.
Florida, Tampa, Florida, Dec. 15.

Bishop E. E. Hoss

Fraternal Messenger to Australia.
China Mission, Soochow, China, Sept. 22.
Korea Mission, Songdo, Korea, Oct. 13.
Japan Mission, plae not designated, Nov. 17.
Cuba Mission, place not designated, Feb. 2, 1916.

Bishop James Atkins

Kentucky, Millersburg, Ky., Sept. 1.
Louisville, Hartford, Ky., Sept. 22.
North Mississippi, New Albany, Miss., Nov. 10.
Louisiana, Mansfield, La., Nov. 17.
Mississippi, Laural, Miss., Nov. 24.

Bishop Collins Denny

North Alabama, Athens, Ala., Nov. 3.
North Georgia, Rome, Ga., Nov. 10.
South Carolina, Charleston, S. C., Nov. 24.
Upper South Carolina, Spartanburg, S. C., Dec. 1.

Bishop John C. Kilgo

Illinois, Patoka, Illinois, Aug. 26.
North Carolina, Wilmington, N. C., Nov. 17.
South Georgia, Cordele, Ga., Nov. 24.
Alabama, Brewton, Ala., Dec. 8.

Bishop W. B. Murrah

Tennessee, Murfreesboro, Tenn., Oct. 13.
West Oklahoma, Altus, Okla., Nov. 3.
Memphis, Trenton, Tenn., Nov. 11.
East Oklahoma, Muskogee, Okla., Nov. 18.

Bishop W. R. Lambuth

Montana, Willow Creek, Mont., Aug. 12.
East Columbia, Oakesdale, Wash., Aug. 19.
Columbia, Roseburg, Ore., Aug. 25.
Pacific, San Francisco., Cal., Oct. 13.
Los Angeles, Pomona, Cal., Oct. 20.
New Mexico, Marfa, Tex., Oct. 27.
Congo Mission, Wembo Nlama.

Bishop R. G. Waterhouse

Western Virginia, place not designated, Sept. 8.
Holston, Knoxville, Tenn., Oct. 6.
Western North Carolina, Reidsville, N. C., Nov. 17.
Brazil, Juiz de Flora, July 8.
South Brazil, Alegrete, Brazil, July 22, 1916.

Bishop James H. McCoy

West Texas, San Angelo, Texas, Oct. 20.
Northwest Texas, Clarendon, Tex., Nov. 3.
Texas, Longview, Texas, Nov. 10.

Fall meeting College of Bishops, Dallas, Texas, Oct. 28-31.

IN MEMORIAM

Elizabeth Jane Weatherly

Noiselessly and silently as the night folds its tents, the life of my dear mother has passed away.

Not many years ago I stood with uncovered head in the presence of a magnificent statue erected to the memory of the South's greatest hero. Around it had gathered thousands of his snow-crowned comrades, who, with loving hearts, tender memories and tear-dimmed eyes, rejoiced at the manly beauty of his charming character—his lovely face.

In a spirit not less pure, and with a love not less sincere, did the community (in which she lived so long) the young and the old, on Wednesday last, gather about her tomb, who, like the great Lee, had fallen in the strife. The battle in which she fought and fell was not marked by the scars of blood and cruel war. Hers was not of that quality of courage and of bravery which marks the soldier hero in the mad rush of battle, when touched and moved by the bugle peal. Hers was a battle that required and demanded a loftier bravery—the living of a pure, honest, lovely, Christian life. Her motto was truth, honesty and duty. Her character was as white as the newly fallen snow, as sweet and as fragrant as the flowers of May.

In the adoration of her Creator and in the love of her neighbors, she lived and wrought. Her country, her neighbors, and her home alike shared the profit of her labor. Her years were more than ninety, yet there was sunshine almost in every hour. She abided ever in the light. She loved the beautiful and the good—the tints of flowers, the glory of an autumn sunset, the glee and merry prattle of children.

The needs of the poor and of the distressed touched her great heart. The world is better for her having passed through it. In her own quiet way she gave words of cheer and hope to the struggling, the broken-hearted, the wayward.

Thus my mother lived, and when the clouds of evening were arching low to the horizon, and as she looked out upon the changing wonders of the after-life, no doubt, her closing eyes read a mystic meaning, which only the parting soul may know, and then, in the reverential hush of her own calm light, hears "the rustle of a wing," and is called from earth to the bosom of her God.

Mother is gone! And we bow submissively to the will of Him who doeth all things well. But life is a mystery—full of sorrow, of suffering, of bereavements. Always, somewhere there is an eye that is weeping, a heart that is bleeding, a home whose light is extinguished, whose altars are draped in testimonial sorrows.

How short, how fleeting is life! The lives of one hundred mothers of the same age, linked together, would extend back more than three thousand years, beyond the time that God created man (according to Moses).

Our present state is a veil between two great inscrutable eternities—the past and the future—and we may strive but in vain to scale the heights and look into the great beyond. We may go to the cemeteries of all the nations of the earth, and cry to the dead of all the past. We may stand at the tomb of our loved ones and weep aloud, and the only answer we receive is the echo of our own sad wailings. But we think of heaven and the thought is sweet. We shall meet each other there, when the parted ships in the haven meet, and the answer comes to our heart's sad prayer.

J. M. W.

Byron W. Kings School of Oratory

ELOCUTION AND SPEECH ARTS
New Building and Dormitory

Courses for teachers, lecturers, lyceum and chautauqua work. Speech defects stammering, loss of voice, sore throa positively cured. Largest school of speec arts in America. Limited correspondenc work. Special text books. Send for pros pectus. Mt. Oliver, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Williams Private Sanatorium FOR DRUGS and WHISKEY

TERMS: Drugs $125 Flat. Whiskey $100 Flat. Women patients pay a small sum extra for nurse. B. B. WILLIAMS, M. D., Greensboro, N. C. Reference, Amr. Exchange Nat'l Bank, Greensboro, N. C.

Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

A mutual fire insurance company, organized, owned and operated by the Methodist Church in North Carolina, for the purpose of furnishing protection for church property and personal property of preachers at ACTUAL COST.

Write for information and rates.

W. E. WEBB, Secretary **Statesville, N. C.**

Time Table Watauga & Yadkin River Railroad Co. and Connections

WESTBOUND					STATIONS—So. Ry.	EASTBOUND		
A. M. 8 15 9 30		A. M. 8 15 9 30			Eastern Time Lv Greensboro Ar Winston-Salem	P. M. 9 15 6 35	P. M. 9 15 6 35	
5 Sun. Only	3 Sun. Only	1 Daily Ex. Sa. Su.	7 Sat. Only	Miles	STATIONS W. & Y. R. R. R.	2 Daily Ex. Sun.	4 Sun. Only	6 Sun. only
P. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.		Eastern Time	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
4 30	10 15	2 00	2 00		Lv N. Wilkesboro Ar	10 20	10 00	5 15
4 35f	10 20f	2 04f	2 05f	1	Gordon	9 59f	9 57f	5 12f
4 41f	10 31f	2 19f	2 15f	5	Brown's Ford	6 44f	9 45f	5 00f
4 46f	10 38f	2 28f	2 26f	7	Minton	9 34f	9 37f	4 52f
4 54f	10 45f	2 38f	2 35f	9	Goshen	9 24f	9 29f	4 44f
5 06f	10 55f	2 51f	2 51f	11	Marley Ford	9 07f	9 18f	4 33f
5 16f	11 05f	3 00f	3 00f	13	Goulds	8 55f	9 03f	4 18f
5 26s	11 13s	3 12s	3 20s	16	Ferguson	8 43s	8 53s	4 08s
5 35s	11 20s	3 25s	3 40s	19	Elkville	8 33s	8 45s	4 00s
5 36	11 22	3 30	3 45		Elkville Junction	8 30	8 43	3 58
	11 33f		4 00f	20	McNeils	8 15f	8 33f	3 48f
	11 42		4 15	23	Denny	8 10	8 25	3 40
				27	Darby			
	11 43		4 16	23	Denny	8 00	8 24	3 39
	11 48f		4 25f	20	McNeils	7 20f	8 16f	3 31f
	11 54		4 30		Elkville Junction	7 10	8 10	3 25
5 45	12 04	4 00	4 40	21	Grandin	7 00	8 00	3 15

f Stop on Signal s Regular Stop

NOTE—Trains will commence running to Darby about Sept. 15.

LIST OF OFFICERS

W. J. GRANDIN, President - - - - - - - - - - Grandin, N. C.
M. K. McMULLEN, Vice-President - - - - - - - - Pittsburg, Pa.
R. T. ROSSELL, Secretary - - - - - - - - - - Pittsburg, Pa.
W. W. BEATY, Treasurer - - - - - - - - - - - Warren, Pa.
H. C. LANDON, General Manager - - - - - - North Wilkesboro, N. C.



MILLIONS of Dollars WASTED

every year on coal that heats the *chimney* instead of the *room*. Many soft coals burn riotously like shavings, wasting their heat in a long flame up the chimney and in dense smoke and troublesome soot and are quickly reduced to ashes and clinkers. Save big money on your next winter's coal bill by burning Clinchfield—the coal that burns like a hickory back-log—with a short flame and a big bed of intensely hot coals of wonderful *lasting* quality, that radiate their heat into every nook and corner of the room. Clinchfield holds fire over night, saving labor and kindling bills. Hard, clean, lumpy, readily kindled. By far the most *economical* and satisfactory fuel for open grates, stoves and residence furnaces of all types. No trouble with clinkers or choked flues.

Write for literature, freight rate and low summer prices on cars of from 30 to 50 tons each direct from the mines.

Clinchfield Fuel Co.
Desk 12 Spartanburg, S. C.
"THE COAL OF HIGH HEAT VALUE"



GREATEST RAZOR Offer Ever Made!

Send name and address (no money) and get this high-grade unmatchable razor, round or square point, on 20 days free trial. If satisfied it is the best razor you ever used and wish to keep it send $1.40, if not return it. This razor is made by a secret process that insures a velvet shave.
D. A. BATEMAN, 230 E. MARKET ST., LOUISVILLE, KY.

Let us commit ourselves to that unsleeping love and wisdom and power. He will go with us all the way through—not alone to the end of life, but to the end that lies beyond the end. There will be our final going out, our exodus and our final coming in, our homecoming. And there is nothing that lies between you and the threshold of that heavenly home that need ever fill you with dismay if God be with you—John McNeil.

Our business is not to see what lies dimly at a distance, but to do what lies clearly at hand.—Carlyle.

We Will Pay You $120.00

to distribute religious literature and take orders in your community. 60 days work. Man or woman. Experience not required. Spare time may be used.
International Bible Press, Philadelphia
850 Winston Building



Standard
Memorial Windows
Made in High Point

Beautiful in design—strong in construction. Largest and oldest glass plant in the South. Capacity for any and all orders and prompt delivery. Satisfaction guaranteed. References—any of our old customers or any bank or banker in High Point. Write for catalog.

Standard Mirror Co.
High Point, N. C.

Children's Home

Fifth Sunday Collections

Rev. J. T. Stover, Lander's Chapel, 24c; Crouse, 76c; Miss Alice Folger, Dobson, 50c; J. D. Love, Hendersonville, Moore's Grove S. S., 70c; Dr. J. E. Kerr, Lilesville S. S., $1.11; Oscar Edney, East Flat Rock, Upward S. S., $2.00; W. C. Wilson, Lexington, Ebenezer S. S., $1.67; M. G. Maner, Thomasville, Prospect S. S., $2.20; T. A. Davis, Albemarle, Pine Grove S. S., $7.03; E. B. Claywell, Morganton S. S., $14.43; Mrs. Earl Feimster, Statesville, Trinity S. S., $1.33; J. R. Hauser, Lewisville, Union S. S., $1.23; E. C. Foy, Mt. Airy, Central S. S., $14.62; Ray Dryman, Scaly, Flatts S. S., $1.37. Total,—

Received on General and Special Support and the Ten Per Cent. Assessment

Rev. J. E. Woosley, Morven Ct., $50.00; S. M. Asbury, Morganton, Zion S. S., $2.25; Rev. George D. Herman, Wadesboro, $10.00; Rev. A. L. Latham, Canton, Bethel church, $30.00; Rev. R. K. Brady, Concord, West Concord church, $3.00; Rev. A. C. Swafford, Morganton, Oak Forest, $2.67, Salem, $1.51; R. T. Joyce, Kernersville, $1.00; M. A. Shaver, Winston-Salem, $5.00. Total —.

Acknowledgement

Mrs. J. W. Morgan, Horse Shoe, N. C., has our thanks for the gift of a handsome and serviceable quilt.

IF WE KNEW

There are gems of wondrous brightness
Ofttimes lying at our feet,
And we pass them, walking thoughtless
Down the busy, crowded street.
If we knew our pace would slacken,
We would step more oft with care,
Lest our careless feet be treading
To the earth some jewel rare.

If we knew what hearts are aching
For the comfort we might bring;
If we knew what souls are yearning
For the sunshine we might fling;
If we knew what feet are weary,
Walking pathways roughly laid,
We would quickly hasten forward,
Stretching forth our hands to aid.

If we knew what friends around us
Feel a want they never tell,
That some word that we have spoken
Pained or wounded where it fell,
We would speak in accents tender
To each friend we chanced to meet;
We would give to each one freely
Smiles of sympathy so sweet.

—Genesee Richardson.

SOME FACTS ABOUT BLUE MARBLE

It is commonly known that Southern marble quarries hold an important place in the production of the world's marble, but it is a question if the people of the South know that to one of their own home industries, strictly Southern in ownership and management, belongs the distinction of producing some of the finest blue marble in the world.

Blue marble is not a common product and the Regal Marble Company of Regal, N. C., own the only quarries in the South. One of their best products, known to the trade as Regal Blue, was recently made the subject of interesting tests by the U. S. Department of Agriculture. The government report showed the marble to be of such fine and compact texture that it withstood the highest tests for crushing strength and water absorption. These are the properties that make for the recognized permanence of color and durability of this marble. The Regal Company employs native Southern workmen exclusively, both in the quarriers and in their finishing plant.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Trains leave Greensboro as follows:

N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information and are not guaranteed.

12:55 a. m.—No. 112, daily. Local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh which may be boarded at 9:30 p. m. and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m

1:47 a. m.—No. 30, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleepin cars Birmingham and Augusta to New York, and Birmingham and Jacksonvill to Washington. Observation sleeping car Atlanta to Richmond. Tourist sleeper for Washington from San Francisco. Din ing car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars New York to Birmingham an Augusta, and Washington to Jacksonville and Birmingham. Observation sleeping car Richmond to Atlanta. Tourist sleeping car Washington to San Francisco via Sunset Route. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:45 a. m.—No. 11, daily. Local for Atlanta and points south. Pullman sleepnig cars Richmond to Charlotte and Norfolk to Asheville. Coaches.

7:15 a. m.—No 37, daily. NEW YORK, ATLANTA AND NEW ORLEANS LIMITED. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section drawing room sleeping cars New York to New Orleans, Asheville and Macon. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service. No coaches.

7:30 a. m.—No 108, daily. Local for Raleigh and intermediate points.

7:30 a. m.—No. 154, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

8:10 a. m.—No. 44, daily. For Washington and points north.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily. For Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Handles Pullman sleeping car for Winston-Salem from Raleigh.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily. For Mt. Airy.

9:40 a. m.—No. 144 daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Free reclining chair car Charlotte to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily. For Salisbury, Statesville and Asheville. Connecting at Asheville with Carolina Special which handles through sleepers for Cincinnati and Chicago.

12:45 p. m.—No. 130, daily. For Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

12:50 p. m.—No. 45, daily. For Charlotte, connecting with trains for Columbia and Seneca.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Washington, New York and points north. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

2:00 p. m.—No. 207, daily. For Winston-Salem, connecting daily, except Sunday, with trains for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daiy except Sunday. For Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily. For Mt. Airy.

6:30 p. m.—No. 35, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham. Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham, and Charlotte to Atlanta. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily. For Winston-Salem.

6:40 p. m.—No. 46, daily. For Danville.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily. For Sanford.

7:24 p. m.—No. 43, daily. For Charlotte, connecting with No. 35 for the South.

10:15 p. m.—No. 12, daily. For Richmond and Norfolk. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Asheville to Norfolk.

10:20 p. m.—No. 233, daily. For Winston-Salem.

11:20 p. m.—No. 38, daily. THE NEW YORK, ATLANTA AND NEW ORLEANS LIMITED. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section, drawing room and compartment sleeping cars New Orleans, Macon and Asheville to New York. Dining car service. No coaches.

E. H. COAPMAN, Vice-President and General Manager, Washington, D. C.

W. H. TAYLOE, Passenger Traffic Manager, Washington, D. C.

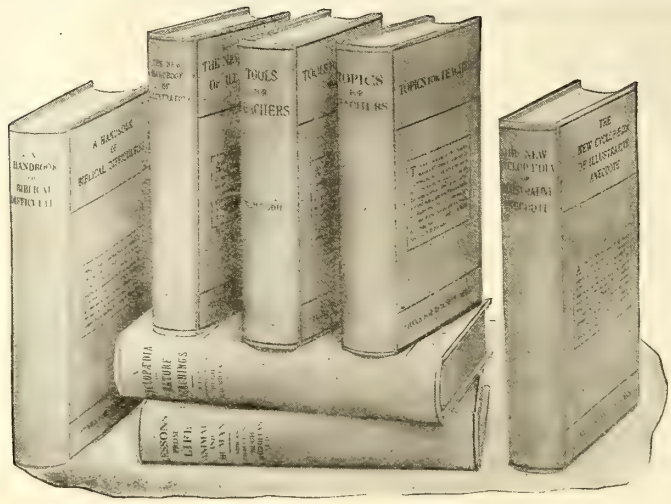
H. F. CARY, General Passenger Agent, Washington, D. C.

C. G. PICKARD, Passenger and Ticket Agent, Greensboro, N. C.

R. H. DeBUTTS, Division Passenger Agent, Charlotte, N. C.

Sunday School Helps and Supplies

SEVEN LARGE VOLS.
OVER
3800 PAGES



ONLY
$6.00
NET

Tools for Preachers and Teachers

Formerly $14.00----Now Less Than Half Price

Any Single Volume, $1.00 net (formerly $2.00)

A practical, working library, drawn from nature, life and the Scriptures. A Storehouse of Information useful for workers in every branch of Christian effort.

1. The Cyclopaedia of Nature Teachings
Introduction by Hugh Macmillan

A selection of facts, illustrations, examples and suggestions taken from all departments of inanimate nature, and employed to illuminate the great facts of the religious life.

2. Lessons from Life (Animal and Human)
Introduction by Hugh Macmillan

A compendium of illustration abounding in curious and interesting facts concerning the habits, instincts and peculiarities of living creatures, both animal and human. The moral and religious lessons imparted arise naturally and without effort from the incidents described.

3. Tools for Teachers
By Wm. Moodie

A collection of anecdotes, illustrations and legends for the use of Teachers of Sunday-Schools, Bible Classes and Boys' Clubs. A practical manual and storehouse of anecdotes and illustration for all who have to do with the moral and religious training of the young.

4. New Cyclopaedia of Illustrative Anecdote
(Moral and Religious)

A comprehensive collection of authentic anecdotes, old and new, on a wide range of subjects, arranged and classified alphabetically for ready reference, and with a detailed index.

5. New Handbook of Illustration

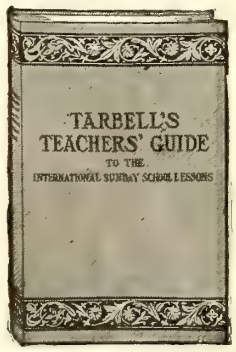
A classified exposition of Scripture Truth and Christian Life, digested and arranged for ready reference. This Handbook of Illustration will afford valuable aid, as a book of suggestion and reference, to public speakers in every branch of their profession.

6. Handbook of Biblical Difficulties
(On Moral and Religious Subjects)
By the Rev. Robert Tuck, B. A.

The editor of this Handbook has collected the passages in the Bible which seem to present special difficulties, and deals carefully with each, suggesting a reasonable explanation of every perplexity, or at least of every class of perplexity.

7. Topics for Teachers *By the Rev. J. C. Gray*

This work constitutes a Bible Dictionary, Manual and Textbook, a Commentary and a Concordance, all in one, saving the cost of these books and the time occupied in their use. The volume is almost a library in itself. It is an invaluable work for preachers and Sunday-School teachers.

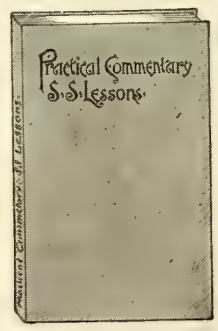


Tarbell's Teachers' Guide

By Martha Tarbell, Ph. D.

Large octavo, cloth binding, $1.00 net (postpaid $1.10).

Time was when "anyone" taught Sunday-school, and results were a matter of conjecture. The TARBELL method has ushered in a new era in Sunday-school teaching, with every teacher a competent instructor. From all parts of the globe testimonials come regularly to the success of this modern Sunday-school teachers' *vade mecum* in all grades.



Peloubet's Notes

Conceded to be the best help for teachers in the Sunday School.

Large octavo, cloth binding $1.00 net (postpaid $1.10).

The Gist of the Lesson

By R. A. Torrey, D. D.

Leatherette, net 25c. postpaid.

Increasing by leaps and bounds, each year the history of "GIST" is the record of continued success. Not merely a book of "notes," but a *vade mecum* packed with seed thoughts for study and meditation.



as to keep a complete individual record for twelve months. No class should be without this record. Sample sheets furnished on application. One binder will last a life time. Any book published will be furnished at the publisher's price.

Sunday School Register arranged with blanks for each Sunday's minutes and complete class report, with a summary for each quarter, also for annual report. Arranged for two years. This is generally conceded to be the best and most complete Sunday school Register now published. Price postpaid $1.50.

Sunday School Quarterly Class Records, full size, 25 cts. per dozen. Every Sunday school should keep a good supply of these records.

Complete Baraca Class Record. One Hundred loose leaf sheets for $1.00. Binder $1.00. Complete outfit $2.00. Each leaf is so arranged

Job Printing of all sorts executed with neatness and dispatch. Be sure to see us before giving out your fall work. Anything entrusted to us by mail order will be attended to promptly. Send orders to

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

VOLUME LX NUMBER 40

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

GREENSBORO, N. C., THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1915

Reading Room Trinity College



MOUNT OLIVET METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH,
Concord Circuit, Rev. W. T. Albright, Pastor.

This church is located three miles from Concord in a prosperous farming community. Total cost when completed, and furnished ready for dedication will be $8,000.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

EDITORIAL

A SPLENDID ACHIEVEMENT

We refer to the completion of the beautiful and commodious new church at Mount Olivet, Concord circuit. Rev. W. T. Albright, the pastor of this church, is to be congratulated, as well as the good people of the congregation who have co-operated with him.

Brother Albright is closing his four years on the charge, and though a man of unassuming and quiet demeanor, he has done a remarkable work in the whole charge and especially so in the congregation of Mount Olivet.

The church has ample provision in class rooms for the Sunday school, is modern and up-to-date in every respect, and is expected to be ready for use before the meeting of our Annual Conference. It seems a pity that Brother Albright can not have his term lengthened so as to remain with a people who esteem him so highly, but it will not be hard to find a place for a man of his parts.

A SONG OF THE HEART

The many cheerful and brotherly letters coming from our subscribers in response to the statements we are sending out, has set the heart of the editor to singing. Last year was a hard year chiefly because the shock of war was felt and all business became timid. The result was that many of our subscribers allowed their paper to go over without sending in renewal, and we continued the paper because we had faith in them and firmly believed that this year would witness a reaction in the business situation.

We regret that we have not time to reply personally to the scores and scores of kind and appreciative letters which have come to us in reply to our notices. We do not recall a half dozen replies that have been otherwise than kind and courteous. This heartens us for our work, and, best of all, assures us that the time has come in the Western North Carolina Conference when the Advocate has a secure place because of an ever-increasing and reliable constituency. Let all these good friends be assured that we appreciate their kind messages as well as their loyal support.

We are still sending out these reminders and shall hope to have a hearing from every one before the meeting of our Annual Conference, November 17th. The reader will no doubt be surprised to know that, early in the summer, more than half our list was delinquent. Our pastors, early in the year, found conditions such that little or nothing could be done. We are trusting now, under the improved conditions, that they will finish up their allotments, and bring the full report to Conference. By so doing we shall be able to start the new year with an increased, rather than an impaired, circulation. Let every one see to it that a list of new subscribers is secured before Conference.

REV. JOSEPH FOWLER ENGLAND

One by one we are passing over the river; and now it is "Jo England" that has silently slipped away from us and gone to be with God and with the spirits of just men made perfect.

Rev. Joseph Fowler England was born in Pickens county, South Carolina, November 11, 1840, and passed away at his home in Lenoir, on Wednesday morning, September 29th. We might truly say that he was released from suffering, for it had been many months that he was waiting in patient suffering for the call of the Master.

While he was but a youth, his parents, William and Matilda England, removed to McDowell county, North Carolina, where, in 1861, he volunteered for service at the call of the Confederacy and spent four years thus in the service of his country. Like many other young men of that period, his best educational opportunities were thus cut off; but, returning to his home after the war he managed, in spite of difficulties, to obtain a liberal education, and in December, 1869, he mounted his horse and rode from his home in McDowell county to Cheraw, S. C., where he was admitted on trial in the South Carolina Conference and began a faithful and efficient ministry which continued without a break till the year 1906, when he was granted a superannuate relation.

Brother England, was married to Miss Emily Healan, of Lenoir, July 26, 1876, who, with two children, a son and daughter, survives him. In her he had a sympathetic companion and helper in all his work. He served some difficult and trying fields, and, in the days of his strength, he was a preacher of far more than ordinary ability. Quiet and unassuming in manner, he belonged to that worthy class of ministers who are so often not appreciated for their real worth. Accustomed to profound thought on great themes and to prayerful study and preparation, those who sat under his ministry could but feel the thrill of that mysterious power which comes from fellowship with God. Among the sermons recalled by the writer, worthy to be classed as great, was one preached by Brother England from the text, "For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly."—Romans 5:6. That sermon was a complete Theodicy in itself and climaxed in a most beautiful unfolding of the gracious plan of divine love as expressed in the sacrificial death of the Son of God. It was the gospel—the very marrow and fat of the gospel.

In conversation with Brother England on one occasion when he was passing through perhaps one of the most trying experiences of his life, he took us into his confidence and told of some of his heart struggles. I shall never forget the glow of satisfaction which seemed to overspread his countenance as he declared that, in the midst of these things, there had come to him a satisfaction—a serenity of spirit—such as he had never experienced before. It was no doubt the experience of that ordeal through which all of God's children must pass, sooner or later, being tried as silver is tried, until the image of the blessed Lord is fixed upon them.

The Advocate joins in expressions of sympathy, and in prayer for the comfort of the Spirit upon the bereaved family.

A full memoir, giving detailed account of the life work of this worthy minister, now gone to join the innumerable company above, will no doubt be furnished our readers at an early date.

DEATH OF MR. J. S. MARTIN

This issue of the Advocate carries sad news to many hearts. A minister, the wife of a minister and one of the most prominent and best loved laymen, have passed away since the last issue of the Advocate went to press.

Mr. J. S. Martin, of Shelby, who, for twenty-five years has been chairman of our Joint Board of Finance, passed away at his home in Shelby on Monday morning at 2 o'clock. He had been quite ill for many weeks and intimate friends and loved ones were not surprised to hear of his death.

Brother Martin was a native of Sussex, England, and he and Mrs. Martin came to this country in 1870, soon after their marriage. They spent four years in Michigan, but, desiring a warmer climate, they came to Lincolnton, where Brother Martin engaged in the manufacture of leather and harness. After twelve years in Lincolnton, where they became thoroughly identified with the Methodist church, they removed to Shelby, where he engaged in the wholesale grocery business and where they continued active and even enthusiastic in church work.

Brother Martin belonged to the best type of the Wesleyan Methodist, and those who have served as pastor in Shelby during the past twenty years or more, will testify as to the genuine worth of his character and his loyal devotion to his church and to every enterprise for the advancement of the Kingdom of God. He had religion and loved to testify to the fact of a religious experience. He never tired of telling of that night, when, a boy in London, he responded to the invitation of the preacher to go into the inquiry room and there continued in prayer till assured of pardon. Living ever afterward in sight of this experience, he never flagged in interest nor suffered any abatement of zeal in the promotion of the Kingdom of God.

The writer, during his last pastorate of two years in Shelby, came to know Brother Martin intimately and to appreciate him as a tower of strength in his church and community.

He is survived by his wife, one son, who is a traveling salesman with headquarters in St. Louis, and one daughter, Mrs. Goode, wife of Rev. W. O. Goode, pastor of Spring Garden Street church, Greensboro. His wife who survives him is herself critically ill, and we bespeak the prayers of Advocate readers in behalf of the stricken family.

The funeral was conducted from Central church yesterday, (Wednesday) morning at 11 o'clock, Rev. W. E. Abernethy, the pastor, officiating, assisted by Revs. J. R. Scroggs and E. E. Williamson.

DEATH OF MRS. T. F. MARR

The whole Conference was shocked on Saturday by the announcement that Mrs. Marr, wife of Rev. T. F. Marr, D. D., had passed away suddenly at their home in Charlotte on Saturday morning at 1:30 o'clock.

Mrs. Marr had but recently returned from her summer home near Brevard apparently in good health. While for a few days she had complained somewhat, yet no one anticipated the near approach of her translation. We say translation because every one who knew Sister Marr intimately will feel that it was indeed a translation. A true type of the devoted Methodist preacher's wife, she was always thoroughly interested in her husband's work and had, many years ago, developed into one of the most efficient leaders of our woman's work. Great sympathy is felt for Dr. Marr, who is universally loved as a pastor, and for the children who are thus suddenly bereaved.

The following is from a note about the funeral taken from the Charlotte Observer of October 3rd:

The death of Mrs. Marr, which was chronicled in yesterday's Observer, was a painful shock to her hundreds of friends in this city. Apparently she had been in her usual health, although intimate friends knew that she had been indisposed for a few days before the acute attack at 11:30 Friday night, which resulted in her death at 1:30 o'clock yesterday morning. Agina pectoris was the cause.

Mrs. Marr was a native of the Brevard section, having been born about eight miles from that town. During her residence here of about three years as the loyal help-meet of her devoted husband, who is the pastor of Trinity church, she had won the respect and devotion of all who knew her. She was a woman of fine practical judgment and her conduct of those church affairs which came within her sphere was superb. She was an officer in the Woman's Missionary Society of the Western North Carolina Conference and she brought to her duties not only a groundwork of actual knowledge of the situation in home missions especially and sound ideas as to what should be accomplished, but also an enthusiasm for religious work which was an inspiration. Calmly, yet perseveringly, with never the slightest wavering of faith in the final outcome, and never a trace of weariness in well-doing, she gave herself unreservedly to the cause of the church and all its allied interests. She was a leader to be desired, and one who will be sadly missed.

The body was carried to Brevard, where, on Sunday afternoon, it was laid to rest. A memorial service was conducted in Trinity church on Saturday at 11 o'clock, by Bishop Kilgo.

NOTE AND COMMENT

One of the Greatest Achievements of modern science is the successful transmission of the human voice by radio, or wireless telephone communication. This was successfully accomplished for the first time on Wednesday, September 29th, when a message was sent from the great naval plant at Arlington, Va., across the continent to the station at Mare Island, Cal., a distance of 2500 miles.

* * * *

Referring to This Achievement, our neighbor, of the Greensboro Daily News, who writes editorials with a good religious flavor, and who by the way, makes one of the best editorial pages in any daily coming to this office, says:

"Yet dull must he be of soul who is not stirred by this latest marvel. The wierdness of this whisper that passes with the speed of light over mountain and plain and river; over populous cities and lonely prairie; over harbor and shipping and the wild waste of the Pacific; searching the wild world over until in the midst of the waters, in the remote island it finds the listening ear—what necromancy of the wizards of folklore and fable can equal it?

It is uncanny to think how the development of this new method of communication must fill the air about us with whisperings too fine for our dull ears to catch. Beings thousands of miles distant on either hand will be talking over our heads without other connection than the air we all breathe. Time and space are dealt another shattering blow at the hands of man's all-powerful reason.

Yet withal we are no nearer a real conception of the invisible world than we were before. We have harnessed its forces to our earthly tasks, it is true; we use its imponderable ether for the transaction of our business; we call upon its intangible powers confident that they will not fail us. But notwithstanding all that, we know not what we do. We have discovered how certain forces will act under given conditions, and govern ourselves accordingly; but of the Power that made the forces and established their laws we know no more now than those did who forty centuries ago saw one descend from the Presence on Sinai with his face shining with an unbearable light.

It is something, it is much, to have discovered something more of the laws that govern the universe. The men whose names this triumph will bear are worthy of all honor. But even so, they have but put to work certain machines whose nature they understand no more than the rest of us. They have not made the wireless telephone; they have only showed us how to use it. The first message to go over it should have been a repetition of the one that first crossed the electric wire two generations ago; for now, as then, the comment of thinking men must be, 'What hath God wrought?'

The experiments were conducted under direction of Captain Bullard, chief of the Navy's radio service, in co-operation with the American Telephone and Telegraph Company and the Western Electric Company. Secretary Daniels, announcing the result predicted that further development of wireless telephony would make great changes in long distance communication both for military and naval service and commercial usage."

* * * *

The Tropical Storm which swept the Gulf coast last week was particularly severe in the vicinity of New Orleans. The weather service reports the severest wind ever recorded at that place, reaching, it is claimed, a velocity of 130 miles per hour at one time. The property loss is estimated at several millions, with many lives lost and many people injured. Hundreds of buildings were unroofed and many were demolished. Much damage was done in many places by the flooding of the business sections of towns and cities. The damage to crops must also have been very great, as the cotton is now open in the boll. These tropical storms are to be dreaded at this esason and there seems to be little or no possible protection against them.

* * * *

The Presbyterian Movement for organic union of the churches, North and South, scored a point in the recent meeting of the efficiency convention of the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A., at Hot Springs last week. The report of the committee on resolutions referring to this subject and recommending organic union was adopted unanimously as follows:

"We believe that a divided Presbyterianism is not attractive to the world nor pleasing to our Heavenly Father nor commendable to us, and therefore we declare our readiness not only for closer relations but also for the organic union of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America and the Presbyterian Church in the United States or other Presbyterian churches on terms which may be mutually agreed upon by the proper constituted authorities."

* * * *

That Was a Heart Cry in our issue of last week in the letter of Rev. J. T. Ratledge, pastor of Mooresville circuit. Every conscientious pastor has felt the same pang of disappointment and regret on finding so large a proportion of those nominally Christian without any well-defined or satisfactory religious experience. We have no idea that this condition prevails more in the Mooresville than in other charges. It is possible that the most vital defect, causing no little of the shallow religious life of our people, is the lack of well-regulated home life. The home is the fundamental factor in the conservation of those religious forces that are essential to stability and growth in religious life. Where there is the absence of godly parental authority, besides little or nothing to attract or to contribute to the spirit of contentment—no books or papers, music or anything to entertain, it is not surprising that young people at least seek companionships that pull them down instead of elevating them. Moreover, the means of grace—prayer, the reading of God's word and other good books must be insisted upon, or we may expect to see many go back again to their old habits. Our preachers and religious leaders must be teachers as well as evangelists.

* * * *

Some People Unduly Exalt mere feeling. Their only conception of religion is a certain degree of emotion impelling one to be religious. Such a person has a sort of agreement with himself to do right and be religious when he feels like it. It has never occurred to him that every one can easily be religious and do the right thing when he feels like it, but that it takes a moral hero to be religious when the tide of feeling runs the other way. Yet here is where the real test of our faith comes in, and here is where our religion of mere emotion fails. It is all right to "enjoy religion," but those who seek only to enjoy it are not likely to prove very steady or fixed in their religious life. It might help much if pastors would indoctrinate a good deal on this subject. It is not the sputter of escaping steam that makes the engine go, but the steam confined in the cylinder.

* * * *

It is Now Conceded that Bulgaria has finally decided to cast in her lot with the Central Powers and that the next move on the part of Germany and Austria is to open the way through Serbia and Bulgaria to Constantinople. Greece will enter the war and the Entente Allies will join hands with her to give aid to Serbia and forestall, if possible, the movement toward Constantinople. On the other great battle lines little change has taken place during the week.

* * * *

Earthquake Shocks of considerable severity are reported as occurring on Saturday night and Sunday morning, with repeated aftershocks Sunday night, in many parts of the Rocky Mountain section. The severest distubances seem to have been in the states of Utah and Nevada. Describing it, Prof. Pack, of the University of Utah, at Salt Lake City on Sunday said, "A slip of the Wasatch Fault extending about 150 miles north and south along the Wasatch Mountains of Utah, caused the third and most violent shock yesterday. This shock threw the stylus of the Seismograph against the flange of the drum, putting the instrument out of service." Along the Southern Pacific in Nevada, water tanks were toppled over. There has been no report of any loss of life.

THE JEFFERSON SCHOOL

We direct attention to the call of Rev. J. H. Bennett, presiding elder, in behalf of our High School at Jefferson. We can not believe that our people are going to allow this enterprise, which has been projected with so much promise, to go by default. Let the friends, especially in that prosperous mountain section, rise up and wipe out the debt.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF BOARD OF MISSIONS FOR SEPTEMBER, 1915

Received on Assessment

	Foreign	H. & C.
Franklin, J. F. Dillard	$ 32.84	$ 40.00
Centenary, Winston, Taylor Bynum, Treasurer	116.66	
Walkertown, D. C. Moir	25.00	
Haywood Ct., R. C. Kirk	25.00	25.00
Davidson Ct., R. J. Houck	25.00	25.00
Bethel Ct., A. L. Latham	10.00	30.00
China Grove, Frank Siler		5.00
Summerfield, T. B. Johnson	11.00	11.00
Canton, H. D. Secrest	35.00	35.00
Advance, E. Myers		5.25
Kernersville, Frank Siler	109.00	
Morven, J. E. Woosley		50.00
Jonesville, D. A. Oakley	5.50	
Jackson Hill, Frank Siler		11.75
Concord, Central, D. B. Coltrane	4.10	
Cooleemee, C. M. Short	15.00	8.72
Mooresville Ct., J. T. Ratledge	35.35	
Table Rock Ct., Miss Donnie McGimsey	3.00	
Jefferson Ct., E. P. Stabler		30.00
Total on assessment	$452.45	$ 276.72

Received on Specials

	Foreign	H. & C.
Marion, D. E. Hudgins		$ 10.00
Shelby, W. D. Lackey		5.00
J. H. Bennett		5.00
Bakersville & Spruce Pine, W. J. Slagle		5.00
Hickory, First, E. L. Flowers		2.50
Marion, W. J. Pless		5.00
Centenary, Winston, Taylor Bynum, Treasurer		53.34
Hendersonville, H. F. Stewart	50.00	
Randolph, E. N. Crowder	60.00	
Asheville, Haywood St., H. A. Dunham	13.13	
Marion, Mrs. M. L. Justice		2.00
West End, N. V. Stockton, Tr.		16.66
Reidsville, Cosmo Benson		2.00
Marion, J. Robert Davis		5.00
West Market, Geo. L. Hopkins		12.50
Hickory, First, W. I. Caldwell	50.00	
Franklin, Miss Margarett Bryson		1.00
Concord Ct., Frank Siler		5.00
Ramseur, Chas. A. Reece		15.00
Ramseur, I. F. Craven		3.00
West Market, I. F. Peebles		5.00
Alexander, R. L. Snow		5.00
Tryon St., J. L. Snyder		50.00
West Market, Mrs. E. C. Watlington		250.00
Jackson Hill, Frank Siler		10.75
Randolph Ct., Mrs. F. H. Wood		1.00
Marion, Mrs. Guy S. Kirby		2.00
Morganton, W. A. Harbison		5.00
Cooleemee, Frank Siler		20.00
Farmington, Frank Siler		25.00
Mocksville, Frank Siler		60.00
Gastonia, R. B. Babington		10.00
Wesley Memorial, W. A. J. Idol		5.00
Wesley Memorial, W C. Jones		5.00
Total on specials	$173.13	$ 590.75
Total receipts for Sept.		$1493.05
Previously reported on—		
Foreign assessment		2229.86
Home and Conf. assessment		2809.90
Foreign specials		3029.79
Home and Conf. specials		3409.81
Total receipts to Oct. 1, 1915		$12972,41
Total receipts to Oct. 1, 1914		11388.21
		$ 1584.20

R. M. Courtney, Treasurer.
Winston-Salem, N. C.

CONTRIBUTIONS

WILLIAM GEORGE MALLONEE

D. Atkins

William George Mallonee was born in Sullivan county, Tennessee, March 17th, 1846, and died in Asheville, N. C., at the home of his daughter, Mrs. McDowell, Sept. 7, 1915. He was reared on a farm. His early educational opportunities were very poor. He could scarcely read and write at the age of seventeen, when he enlisted as a soldier in the Confederate army. He served as a brave and gallant soldier two years, until the close of the war, when he returned home and, availing himself of whatever school advantages he had and largely by his own efforts, with an indomitable will, he acquired a good English education and fitted himself for teaching school, which vocation he followed until he entered upon the work of the ministry. He began the active Christian life at Carter's camp-ground in Tennessee at the age of ten years, and kept the faith until the end came.

He was married to Miss Emlee B. Hendrix, of Tennessee, Sept. 2, 1875. This union was blessed with five children, one of whom died in infancy. The others grew to maturity, all became Christians, were well educated and became useful citizens and, except one son who died a few years ago, they are filling responsible places and reflect honor upon their father. His wife died April 7, 1889. A few years after, he was married again to Miss Lou Ledford, of Macon, county, N. C., by whom there was one son, to whom the care of his mother is left. He was blessed and happy in his family relations, was a kind husband, a good father, tender and thoughtful, unselfish and sacrificing for those he loved. He was hospitable and kind to his friends and his home life abounded in good fellowship and cheer.

He was impressed with a call to the ministry some time before he took up the work, and when his precious child was taken he accepted it as a fresh call, to a deeper consecration and a wider service, and he laid himself wholly on the altar.

He was admitted on trial into the Holston Conference at Knoxville, Tenn., in 1882, and served the following charges: Elizabethton Ct., 1882, 1883, 1884, 1885; Greenville Ct., 1886; Elizabethton, 1887, 1888; Macon Ct., 1889, 1890, 1891, 1892; McAdenville Ct., 1893; Murphy Station, 1894; Canton Ct., 1895, 1896, 1897; Sulphur Springs Ct., 1898, 1899, 1900. He was financial agent for Rutherford and Weaverville Colleges in 1901, and for these two schools and Brevard school in 1902. Morganton Ct., 1903, 1904; Clyde Ct., 1905; Old Fort Ct., 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909; Black Mountain Station, 1910, 1911. He was placed as second man on Black Mountain Station in 1912, and took the supernumerary relation 1913-1914. These three last years were given mainly as financial agent of the Methodist Colony at Black Mountain.

These dates indicate thirty years of heroic service. His first charge was mainly new territory along the new railway to the Cranberry Iron Works. This was pioneer work. He pursued it with such zeal and wisdom that he attracted the attention and won the confidence of the company, and received much assistance from them. It was here that he began his remarkable career as church builder and organizer. Few men have ever surpassed him in this line of work. There is not a charge he ever served but has some monument to his memory in the way of churches and parsonages, either new or improved. He planned wisely, built with utmost economy, and left no harassing debts. It was for this reason that in 1902 he was placed on the Board of Church Extension where he served continuously until last year, when on account of failing health he resigned. From 1906 he was secretary of the Board and filled this responsible office with great acceptability to the Conference.

Brother Mallonee was an evangelist pastor. He loved revival work and in this was very successful both on his own charges and helping the brethren of other charges. He was painstaking and systematic and looked well after all the interests committed to him. His mind was incisive and alert. He acquired readily and had a good memory, was a student of the Bible and good books, and especially of men and conditions. He kept well abreast of the times, had pronounced convictions, and no lack of courage to defend and maintain them. He had a pleasing and genial personality. He loved his friends and made friends and held them wherever he went. He was sympathetic with the suffering and sorrowing and found great joy in helping the needy and soothing the sorrows of others. He was eminently faithful and trustworthy. He had strong faith and a rich experience of grace, was a man of prayer and walked in fellowship with God. His last illness being of the nature of hemorrhage of the brain, did not cause excruciating pain, but was very distressing and lingering. When unconscious he spent much time in prayer. While still conscious and aware of the gravity of his disease, he looked forward to the possible end with the utmost composure, gave direction about many things and said while he felt that his work was not yet done, it was all right either way. No one who knew him could have a shadow of doubt as to his triumphant entrance into rest. He was tenderly and lovingly cared for through his long illness and unconsciousness, and growing weaker day by day, the end came peacefully as a little child falling asleep without a struggle or a groan and the strong man, the heroic soldier of the cross passed from labor to reward, from the battle strife to the triumphant entrance of the victor through the everlasting gates into the city of God.

It is not death to die,
To leave this weary road,
And midst the brotherhood on high,
To be at home with God.

He is not dead but sleepeth. As a Conference we shall miss him, but we shall cherish the memory of his clean life, his heroic service, his brotherly spirit, his devotion to the church and Conference, and we expect to meet him again.

BACK TO THE HILLS

By Charles L. White, D. D.

One day a great desire came to an honored minister to return to the home of his childhood. He arrived unheralded, a stranger to all, longing to drink again from the old bucket that hung in the well near the elm tree.

After a quiet night at the village inn he strolled out to the old farm where he was born and walked again the paths he had trod with children whose names even he could not recall. Other boys were driving the cows to pasture, fishing in the streams and gathering nuts for winter. Strangers were working in the fields, hallowed forever by tender associations, and, indeed, he found an Italian family with eight children dwelling under the dear old roof.

Diligent inquiry revealed the fact that only a few were living in the community who were there when he was a boy. With these he talked over again the years that had passed.

It was Friday when he arrived in the village, and the next day, after roaming over the pasture and hillsides, which he had not seen for forty years, he called upon the pastor, a young man who had just entered the ministry. At the parsonage he found an aged woman who had been his teacher when he was a little fellow in the Sunday school. She had come in from a farm several miles away to pass the week end with the new minister and his young wife. Late into the evening they talked and lived over the years again of long ago. The Sunday that followed will never be forgotten by the little congregation on the hillside. About sixty persons were present, and the visitor preached the sermon.

Among many other things he said: "The mountains around us look smaller, and the river seems narrower than when I was a boy, but the mountain peaks of Scripture truth seem higher and the river of life broader than in the early days. Here I was led to Christ. At this altar I came forward and surrendered my life to God. While sitting in one of these pews I heard his call to preach the gospel. Very often when I have been pursuing my ministry in distant parts of the world I have thought of you all, and at such times a great peace and fresh power has come into my life. It has seemed all these years as if in some spiritual way I had been blessed by the ministry of this church, and in a manner which you did not know you were supplying me with strength."

As he said this the white-haired friend with whom he had passed the previous evening at the pastor's house dropped her head on the pew in front and wept. A few minutes later she raised it, and her face shone with a new light as she drank in the message of the preacher. She felt that she had not lived in vain, although she had been hidden away in the hills, toiling at tasks far different from those which she had earlier selected. Indeed, she had been keeping the divine appointment during all these years, though saddened by a disappointment that had left her alone and heavy-hearted.

For more than forty years she had prayed for this man, and had followed his ministry in special intercession at the throne of God. His life had been fruitful, but little did he know how large a share she had had in it all. When she bade him good-bye she told him all about it, and he went away from the scenes confident that among the greatest of the unrecognized gifts that God had bestowed upon his life were the unselfish prayers of this lonely saint, hidden among the mountains.

The mission of the church is to produce leaders, and one leader, trained in a little rural community, in the wide world may chase a thousand, and two such leaders may put ten thousand to flight. The little boy in the Sunday school of the church where the sky line runs high may some day be an eminent leader in the kingdom of God and stand in front of the battle for righteousness.

It was all natural. What happened in this boy's early life has been repeated a thousand times in our country. He was a little barefoot lad and climbed the hills until at length he met Christ, and his feet became shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace. A little later he went away to an academy and never returned because his family moved from the community during his period of study.

When he entered the ministry he was called to a work far from his birthplace, and for four decades he toiled manfully. Again and again the breadth of his vision widened and he became a spiritual leader. Indeed, for many years he had a large share in training young men for Christian service. Heavy burdens were borne and he continually did his work with increasing ease and joy.

Meanwhile the little church far among the hills ministered to groups of young people who also went away into the wider world. The rural church has, to a wonderful extent, trained leaders for city congregations, and has given a very large proportion of her sons and daughters to guide the spiritual and educational forces of the world.

The privilege of every church is twofold. Not only may it introduce the boys and girls in its congregation to Christ, and train them for noble service, but if it does its best work for them it will always remember that its most important ministry is one of intercession for these young people after the providence of God has thrust them into the larger world. The ministry of intercession of the rural church for those who were born under its roof and are battling for righteousness beyond its vision is a service that the quiet of the hills, the strength of the surrounding mountains, the delicacy of the drifting clouds, the blue of the heavens, and all the voices of Nature together encourage her to perform.—Exchange.

The pain that affects ourselves only, and not the comforts or the interests of the many, let us learn to keep in subjection.—Leigh Hunt.

So fair, so sweet, withal so sensitive,
Would that the little flowers were born to live,
Conscious of half the pleasure which they give.
—Wordsworth.

THANKS TO MR. DUKE

H. L. Atkins

As a superannuated member of the Western North Carolina Conference, I wish to express my sincere thanks to Mr. Buckingham Duke for his recent generous gift to North Carolina Methodism. Surely he could not have given with more Christian discrimination, nor to more deserving and needy causes. Many a time my heart has ached over the urgent and unmet financial demands of the Home Mission and Church Extension work of our Conference. I am glad that Mr. Duke has heard and responded to the cry of these worthy departments of church work. I have heard this cry from my boyhood, and while I was in the active work of the ministry, I always found the greatest pleasure in doing all the mission and Church Extension work possible. Since I have been a superannuated preacher, and, here in Texas, in exile, fighting for life and a living, I have tried to give all my spare time, when I have been able to work at all, to the work of missions. And I have often wished that my financial situation was such that I could give every moment, when able, even to drive around a little and distribute literature to this work which is quite as urgent here as anywhere I have been. It does my heart good to know that this work has been laid upon the heart of Mr. Duke.

Again, I wish to thank Mr. Duke and assure him that while a beneficiary of one branch of his generosity, I will continue to contribute to the full extent of strength and time, in work, to the other causes which God has laid upon his heart.

THE GREAT PHYSICIAN AND HIS HEALING MINISTRY

By Rev. Charles S. Macfarland, Ph. D., General Secretary of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America

The Old Testament has whole books on the conservation of health. The first four books constitute the story of the war on disease—a war commanded by Jehovah and his chosen captains; and to the effectiveness of this warfare is due the permanency of the Jewish race. Not only is the conservation of health a large part of the Hebrew code of ethics, not only are rewards and punishments meted in accordance with this code of health laws, but they were embodied in the ritual and the worship of Israel.

Jesus divested the Jewish religion of much of its formalism, but we do not find him finding fault with the Hebrew war upon disease. While the Gospels give us no story as to the bodily appearance of the Master of mankind, the impression which we have is surely that Jesus had a healthy physical life. We read many stories of his weariness, but none of enfeebling sickness. The utterances of the Master breathe the spirit of a wholesome physical life.

But more significant still than this is the health ministry of Jesus. Cut out from the Gospels the physical ministrations of the Master and quantitatively there is not much left. He seems to be stopping every moment to bring back some sick body to the glow of health. And He makes no artificial distinction between the health of the soul and the health of the body. There even seems to be a certain identification between physical health and spiritual life. And it is interesting to remember that the one Gospel which records this human ministry of Jesus with the finest emphasis was written by Luke, "the beloved physician." No wonder then that the early church caught this spirit, and that its monastaries became upon every hillside and mountain top a symbol not only of spiritual retreat, but also of physical regeneration.

But now the Christian church finds a new task. She has gone back to the physical ministry of Israel, but she must not go back to Israel's therapeutics. Her new crusade is that of the engineer as well as the physician and the nurse. She has always dealt in self-sacrifice with the effects of disease, but now she is called to the larger task of a warfare against its causes. In one pastorate I discovered over thirty cases of most terrible disease, all of them traced back directly to one occupation. The physicians of that city had been so busy dealing with effects that they had failed to note the causes. Under our present industrial system and our present methods of population no ministry of healing can prevail. It has got to be a militant warfare which reaches into every nook and corner of our common social life. Our great captains of industry can no longer go on making their contributions to our hospitals and our asylums while industry maims and mangles and stifles our human brothers. Those who control our lands and estates can no longer satisfy themselves with even the most lavish gifts for cure while their tenements kill off our babies beyond the count of Herod.

John the Baptist doubted Jesus. He sent his disciples to ask of him, "Art thou He that should come, or do we look for another?" The answer of Jesus was brief and without a moment of hesitation: "Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see: The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them. And blessed is he, whosoever shall not be offended in me." Jesus made his healing ministry of men's bodies a sovereign test of his own Messiahship and his spiritual Lordship.

But again, upon only one occasion did Jesus declare the moral determinance of human destiny. He pictured the final judgment only once, but he never spoke with less qualification:

"I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me."

"I was a stranger, and ye took me not in: naked, and ye clothed me not: sick and in prison, and ye visited me not."

"Verily I say unto you, inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me."

Jesus made the healing of men's bodies a determining test of the eternal judgment of mankind. But still further, perhaps the most sacred scene in history is that of the transfiguration of the Master. He had been upon the mountain. His face did shine as the sun. His raiment was white as the light. The Divine Voice proclaimed his Lordship. It was the revelation of his spiritual sovereignty. It was his highest moment of spiritual exaltation. The next scene follows in the very next moment. It is the picture of the transfigured Master at the foot of that same mountain with a lunatic kneeling at his feet to receive the touch of physical healing.

Jesus made the healing of men's bodies the natural expression of his own personality at the moment of his highest spiritual exaltation.

Is the war on disease a worthy objective for the Christian church? The answer of Jesus is that it was the test of his own Lordship; that it was the measure and the expression of his own spiritual life; and that it is the final determining factor in the moral judgment of mankind.

Let us take one example. The most beautiful thing in all the world is motherhood. And yet nothing in our modern civilization has been more degraded by physical neglect than motherhood. Modern industry and our modern and inhuman methods of the distribution of population are the violators of its sanctity. What does God think of motherhood?

In the fulness of his goodness and his glory God was to come among men. It was by a very simple way. He found, first, a good and pure and holy woman. One by one he was to take every relation of human life and invest it with a divine meaning, and he began with motherhood.

"And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee."

Page upon page of learned disquisition have been written to interpret this, and most of them have never touched its deeper meaning. Is the story true? To ask the question is to show that we have missed its deepest meaning.

"And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Spirit shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee; Therefore also that holy being which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God."

The first mark of the incarnation was the stamping of motherhood with its divineness. For over every mother, if she will but look and listen, is the angel. Upon her is the shadow of the Holy Spirit, and

"Heaven lies about us in our infancy!"

Take another great question which absorbs so much of our serious thought—the question known as sex hygiene. Shall the Christian Church make war in this realm? Men are trying other methods. They are proceeding upon the assumption that the motive of fear can work the transformation. But statistics certainly do not warrant their conclusions. Others tell us that if we give men enough knowledge they will behave themselves. And yet, so far as we can learn, neither students of medicine nor their companions, the nurses, who have more knowledge than anybody else, behave themselves any better than other classes of people. You cannot make warfare in this realm with any but spiritual weapons—by what Dr. Cabot has so beautifully called

"The consecration of the human affections."

The disciples, then, must go to the Mountain of Transfiguration with Jesus. The next hour of the day they must go down with Him upon the plain of human life to heal men of their diseases. But they cannot do His work upon the plain, unless they have been upon the mountain top with the Master, so that they may come down radiant with the light that shines from His face.

Witness another of the most sacred scenes in our Master's life. It is the story told by the physician disciple, Luke, and this is the way it reads: "He went out into a mountain to pray and continued all night in prayer to God. And when it was day he came down and stood in the plain; there went virtue out of him and healed them of all their diseases."

GREAT BECAUSE FIRST GOOD

One day Gerhardt, a German shepherd boy, was watching his flock near a forest, when a hunter came out of the woods, and asked: "How far is to the nearest village?"

"Six miles, sir," answered the boy. "But the road is only a sheep track and very easily missed."

The hunter looked at the crooked track, and said: "My lad, I am very hungry and thirsty. I have lost my companion and missed my way. Show me the road and I will pay you well."

"I cannot leave my sheep, sir," rejoined Gerhardt. "They will stray into the woods and may be eaten by the wolves."

"Well, what of that?" queried the hunter. "They are not your sheep. The loss of one or two wouldn't be much to your master, and I'll give you more than you can earn in a whole year."

"I cannot go, sir," rejoined Gerhardt, very firmly. "My master pays me for my time and trusts me with his sheep."

"Well," said the hunter, "will you trust your sheep with me while you go to the village and get me some food, drink, and a guide? I will take care of them for you."

The boy shook his head. "The sheep," he said, "do not know your voice, and—"

"What? Can't trust me?" asked the hunter, angrily.

"Sir," said the boy, "you tried to make me false to my trust. How do I know that you would keep your word?"

The hunter laughed, for he felt that the lad had fairly cornered him. He said: "I see, my lad, that you are a faithful boy. I will not forget you. I will try to make out the road myself."

Gerhardt then offered the contents of his scrip to the hungry man, who ate it gladly. Presently his attendant came up; and then Gerhardt, to his surprise, found that the hunter was the Grand Duke, who owned all the country around.

The Duke was so pleased with the boy's honesty that he sent for him shortly after that and had him educated. In after years Gerhardt became a great and powerful man, but he remained honest and true to his dying day.—Presbyterian Advocate.

From the Field

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. F. L. Townsend is holding revival services this week at Bethel, in the northern suburbs of Greensboro.

—It is expected that the new granite wall around the Trinity campus will be completed by the holidays. This wall is to be 36 inches high and will add greatly to the pleasing appearance of the campus.

—Mr. John R. English, a prominent citizen of Monroe and member of Central church, passed away at his home in that place September 30th. He was a native of Randolph county.

—Rev. W. A. Lambeth and his congregation at Main Street church, Reidsville, are looking forward to special revival services beginning next Sunday, in which the pastor is to be assisted by Rev. Dr. C. W. Byrd.

—Rev. J. A. Peeler, pastor of our church in Maiden, reports to the Newton paper that he closed a good meeting there on Tuesday, September 28th, resulting in seventy professions and nineteen accessions to the church. He was assisted in the meeting by Rev. J. H. Green.

—Mr. H. B. Ellis, one of the printers in the Shelby Star office, a good man and member of the Methodist church, passed away at his home in Shelby on Wednesday, Sept. 29th. He was a faithful, conscientious worker and was held in high esteem.

—Rev. J. Ed. Thompson, pastor of our church at Asheboro, called last week, returning from Gibsonville where he had been assisting Rev. W. S. Hales in revival services. He reported a fine meeting.

—Rev. T. C. Jordan, pastor of Wentworth circuit, called at the Advocate office on Saturday afternoon. He was returning from the Uwharrie circuit, where he had been assisting Rev. C. E. Stedman in revival services. He reported a good meeting still in progress when he left.

—The Monroe Enquirer says: Rev. S. A. Stewart writes his relatives that he and his family had a pleasant trip across the Pacific and landed safely in Japan. Mr. Stewart, who is a missionary to Japan, spent the past year in the home land. He has many relatives in this, his native county.

—At a social function given at the residence of Mrs. A. L. Petree in this city last week the engagement and approaching marriage of Miss Blanche Dawson, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. W. L. Dawson, to Mr. Arthur K. Moore was announced. Mr. Moore is a prominent young business man of Greensboro, being actively interested in the real estate business.

—The Lincolnton News announces that Rev. Raymond Browning, the evangelist, will make his home in Lincolnton, having purchased the home of Rev. D. H. Comann. He expects to move to Lincolnton during October.

—A press correspondent writing from Mount Holly under date of September 22, announced that revival services would begin there October 3rd, with Rev. J. H. Green assisting the pastor.

—Rev. R. D. Sherrill, pastor of Centenary church, has received 28 members as a result of the recent revival services and there are others who are expected to join. The year has been one of encouraging growth and Centenary church should henceforth be thought of as one of the first appointments in the Conference. Brother Sherrill has done a great work for this congregation during the four years now closing, and the recent revival services were a fitting climax to his pastorate which must end in a few weeks.

—The editor had the pleasure of preaching to the congregation at Mount Pleasant, on the Greensboro circuit last Sunday morning. This is one of the churches served by Rev. F. L. Townsend, and is one of the most interesting country churches in this section of the state. There are many loyal and true men and women besides a large number of promising young men and women. In a few minutes after the sermon they very cheerfully made up their part of the pledge on the Advocate building, amounting to $15.00. There is great hope for the country church where the young people take hold as they do at Mount Pleasant.

—The death of Maj. H. F. Shenck, which occurred in the hospital at Rutherfordton, on Saturday, September 25, removes from Cleveland county and from our state one of our most useful citizens. Maj. Schenck was about eighty years old, but was well preserved, and, until quite recently, was actively engaged in business. He was brought up in the Methodist church, educated at Cokesbury School, S. C., and was, for many years, a prominent member of our church; but after the death of his father he went to the Baptist church of which his wife was a member. His mother was Sarah Ramsaur, daughter of David Ramsaur, of Lincoln county. He took great interest in education and in all public affairs in his county and will be greatly missed. He was president of the Cleveland Cotton Mill and Power Company, Lawndale Railroad, board of directors of Piedmont High School, vice-president of the First National Bank of Shelby, member of the board of trustees of the Thomasville Orphanage, and vice-president of Lilly Mill and Power Company.

—Dr. J. H. Weaver, presiding elder of the Greensboro district, has been here since last Monday visiting friends. During the four years Dr. Weaver was pastor of Central Methodist church he made everybody who met him his friend. His friends are not in his own church alone for he has, by his splendid type of Christian manhood, won all. During the three days he has been in Monroe Dr. Weaver has been kept busy shaking hands and hearing invitations to go to the homes of the people. He could live here as a guest the rest of his life and not wear out his welcome. The distressing news came a few months ago that Dr. Weaver's health had failed. He says that the doctors have told him recently that they cannot find a thing the matter with him. The half dozen or more fatal diseases they said he had have gone, been cured or he never had them. Dr. Weaver could very well pose for an "after taking" picture so well does he look.—Monroe Enquirer.

—Our church in Hickory is greatly bereaved in the death of Mrs. Florence Stevenson Campbell, who passed peacefully to her reward at her home in that place on the night of September 29th. Mrs. Campbell was born in Duncannon, Pa., August 3, 1863, and was married to Mr. J. M. Campbell in 1892. They came to North Carolina some year ago, residing for some time in Greensboro, where they were members of Spring Garden Street church. They removed to Hickory some three years ago and connected themselves with the First Church, where Mrs. Campbell was a teacher in the Sunday school and an officer in the Woman's Missionary Society. She is survived by her husband and five children, Ruth and Howard, of Hickory; Mrs. Henry Hunt and Mrs. Herbert Field, of Greensboro, and Charles Campbell, of Denver, Col. The body was taken to Duncannon, Pa., for burial.

DR. WM. T. ELLIS COMING

This is to announce that Dr. Wm. T. Ellis, "Religious Rambler," World Traveler, Missionary Leader, has been secured to address the Annual Conference on the occasion of the Missionary Anniversary, Friday evening, November 19th, subject, "The World Call of the World Crisis. W. H. Willis.

CONFERENCE BROTHERHOOD

On the 29th of September one of our members, Rev. J. F. England, died. Therefore, on the 30th of September I sent Mrs. England a check for four hundred and eight dollars in part payment of her claim. On October 1st I issued a call for assessment No 14, which will be kept on hand for the purpose of paying the next claim. Mrs. England says: "Many, many thanks for the check." It is a great pleasure to be able to place these amounts in the hands of the claimants at once.

The following members have paid assessment No 14: W. A. Wilson, E. L. Bain, W. L. Sherrill, W. E. Poovey, H. M. Blair, G. D. Herman, J. W. Long, T. J. Ratledge, W. F. Womble, J. B. Carpenter and R. M. Hoyle.

C. M. Pickens, Sec.Treas.
Spencer, N. C.

GIBSONVILLE

We closed on Wednesday, the 22nd, a fine meeting of eleven days at Gibsonville, resulting in nine additions to the church, and a decided quickening of the church. Rev. J. E. Thompson of Asheboro was with me from Monday, 13th, to Tuesday, 21st, doing some excellent preaching—real food for the sheep. The numerical results were not so great but the spiritual strength coming to the church is beyond estimate.

The year now nearing its close has been a good one on my charge, notwithstanding much sickness. We hope to have a good report at Reidsville along all lines. W. S. Hales.

A NOTE OF THANKS

Please allow us space to express our gratitude to Rev. L. T. Cordell, the editor, and many friends known and unknown, for the appeal spoken or written in the Advocate early in August in our behalf. We are profoundly thankful for everything done or said in helping us in our sore distress. We have received from friends in Macon county more than $50.00; also from individuals, missionary societies, Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian and Episcopalian, amounting in all to $135.00 or more. The kindnesses, words of sincere sympathy and prayer offered are all appreciated more than we can ever express.

The operation made in Wesley Memorial Hospital seems to have been successful, I am thankful to say. My wife is in her usual condition, suffers all the time. May the blessings of God rest on all.

Sincerely your brother in Christ,
A. W. Jacobs.

FROM LINCOLNTON

We are having a great year in Lincoln county. The county has been swept by revival fires the entire year. Every charge has been thoroughly worked. There have not been so many accessions to the church because most of the people belonged to the church; but I suppose 1500 people in the county have experienced a change of heart for the first time.

The Browning tent meeting was a county meeting for most denominations. Frequently, there were 4,000 people present from all over the county. About 800 people, as near as we could count, professed faith in Christ. Numbers joined the different churches here and others joined in the country. We cannot give the exact number, because we have not received them all yet. But the greatest work was the quickening of the church.

Browning is a great revivalist. It is very doubtful whether we have many of his sort. His power lies in his great preaching, and his consecration to the work. I have known him for ten years and can heartily commend him to the brethren.

We have been preaching all the year to a crowded house, and are now laying plans for a new church in the central part of town. These are loyal and lovable people, and I have enjoyed the year. Sincerely,

Z. Paris.

MISSIONARY NOTES FROM FIELD SECRETARY

Mocksville, Rev. R. M. Hoyle, P. C. $80.00, Conference Mission Emergency Fund. Brother Hoyle seems unusually well and has just closed a two weeks' meeting during which his people report he did much fine preaching.

* * * *

Forsyth Ct., J. W. Vestal, P. C. Mt. Tabor, $100.00, assessments in full. Brother R. L. Alspaugh gave the last $20.00 to put this church out. Bethel, $38.25 on assessments; Piney Grove, $46.00 on assessments; Marvin, $5.00 on assessments; Mineral Springs, $25.00, assessments in full.

This was my first view of the famous Forsyth circuit. It is a charge with excellent church buildings—a new one with new parsonage at Mineral Springs, a suburb of Winston. There are many faithful members who showed their readiness to improve by greatly increasing their pledges to the Conference collections. If the pastor and his committees succeed in securing a corresponding raise from those not present or visited the circuit will appear on the white list. Our two and a half days' campaign was in an automobile. The Methodist constituency and membership on this charge represent great wealth.

* * * *

Brother Willis, president of our Conference Board of Missions, has secured Mr. Wm. T. Ellis, of Philadelphia, as speaker at our anniversary at Conference, Friday night, Nov. 19th. Dr. Ed. F. Cook, our Foreign Mission Secretar, will probably speak Tuesday night, Nov. 16th, as did Dr. Jno. M. Moore last year. Surely big things are in store for those attending our annual session. Mr. Ellis is one of the best posted laymen of the world on foreign missions. His recent first hand study of Christian missions to the backward nations as the representative of a newspaper syndicate, and the favorable impressions he bore back with his popularity as a speaker and writer have made him a world figure. Dr. Cook will also be heard for the first time since his study of our work in Latin America and Asia. He has expressed his purpose of attending on Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 16th, at 2:30 o'clock, the first meeting of the Board and presiding elders. Mr. Ellis is expected to be on the program of the laymen's meeting in open conference Friday afternoon, Nov. 11th. Every layman of the Conference who can possibly do so, whether delegate or not, should arrange to spend Friday, Nov. 19th, in Reidsville.

* * * *

Unless all signs fail the reports to be made at our approaching Conference of the number of conversions and accessions to the church and amounts of money raised, are going to exceed anything in the history of the Conference. The land's great yield and the splendid prices for grain and cotton are heartening the preachers throughout the Conference to lead the people this year to meet the present world's urgent need with full and overflowing collections.

* * * *

That "peculiar situation" so often made on Conference floor the excuse for shortage on assessments will have to be relegated this year to the museum of antiquities.

* * * *

A pastor replying to the call from the Conference Board of Missions to observe October as full collection month with all assessments paid in full by the fourth Sunday, writes:

"I paid all mission assessments in March. I have been in the pastorate for twelve years, and have never failed to pay all missionary assessments in March, and have never failed to pay everything in full. Do not be scared. We will come."

MILLS RIVER

After four years' stay at Swannanoa, and regretting very much to leave the friends we made while there, we came to Mills River on the 25th of last November and were warmly received by this very kind and hospitable people.

Here we have five churches, located in this beautiful valley, with the parsonage about two miles from the junction of Mills and French Broad rivers, and three miles from Horse Shoe, our post office and nearest railway station.

This is a great farming section—one of the best in the state—with a good, substantial citizenship.

We have had, so far, a very pleasant, and I believe, profitable year's work on this charge. We have held four meetings—at Horseshoe, Mills River, Avery's Creek, and Sardis. Brothers Burgess, Dawson, Underwood and Hilliard assisted me in these meetings in the order above named. All these brethren rendered acceptable service. God has graciously poured out His Spirit upon us, and wonderfully blessed the preaching of these brethren and the humble pastor in the salvation of souls. I have received forty-eight into the church on profession of faith, and others have given their names for membership.

The outlook for this charge is very hopeful, and I am expecting to go to Conference with a good report.

Our fourth quarterly conference was held September 4th and 5th at Avery's Creek church. These services are always largely attended, and the people never go away disappointed, for our presiding elder always preaches strong and helpful sermons, inspiring pastor and people to do their best. Brother Wood is a great favorite with the people of the entire charge, and I believe the whole district is hoping and expecting him returned to complete his four years' term on the Asheville district.

I hope this will prove to be the best year of our Conference up to the present time. Best wishes for all the brethren. R. F. Huneycutt.

JEFFERSON CIRCUIT

The Jefferson circuit is still looking up. The work is moving along quietly. We have had a revival meeting at each of the nine preaching places. At first we had six organized classes and two school-house appointments. Now we have seven organized classes and two school-house appointments. We have added sixty-four to the church roll this year. Sixty-two have joined by vows and two by certificate. Many church members have returned unto th Lord and promised to live better Christian lives. We are glad that the Lord has blessed so many in this charge this year. May He continue to smile upon us in mercy.

During the year we have reported the death of some members. Now we have to tell of the death of Brother Alexander Roten. He died in the faith. He is the father of Rev. Walter Roten, of the Virginia Conference, and of Rev. Thomas S. Roten, a local preacher of this charge.

The Jefferson school has been running since the seventh of September. The Jefferson school has done a fine work in the two years of its existence. Several of its pupils are teachers in this county, and they are doing fine work. Several of its graduates of last spring entered college this fall without conditions. The school is much needed. But unless help comes from somewhere, and that real soon, it cannot run as a Methodist school. The Baptists of this county, seeing the condition of the school financially, have begun now to agitate a real Baptist school. Shall the great Methodist church now, for the lack of $3,000 or $4,000, lose what she has already put into the school and let her work go down in this section of the mountains? Surely some one who has money to invest in the education of the youth will realize that we have as fine boys and girls here as can be found anywhere, and when educated they make such men as Drs. Weaver, Boyer, Siler, Marr, and others. Who will help to put the school on a solid basis?

E. P. Stabler, P. C.

CONFERENCE BOOK EXCHANGE

The time is drawing near for those who wish to patronize the Conference Book Exchange to be getting their books together. I have decided to continue the Exchange, and would but hope that all the brethren will take advantage of the opportunity to exchange the books they laid aside for others they need most. The Exchange is considerable trouble and a lot of hard work, but I am willing to do the work if the brethren appreciate it enough to use me. I can serve every member of the Conference almost as easily as one-half. A few dozen books will keep me in the book-room just as closely as several hundred. Of course my work has not pleased every brother. I did not even hope that it would, but I have done the best I could under the circumstances, and am thankful for the many kind expressions from the ones who seemed to think that the work had been a success. If any brother thinks he can run the business better I would be delighted to have him take the work and try his hand. I will promise to co-operate with and help all I can. I am expecting several choice libraries this year. Remember, brethren, if you want your books sold you must put the price so low as to be attractive. A book on the second-hand book table is always expected to be purchased at a low price. If you can sell two books that you do not need and buy one you do need, you have gotten a bargain. Put your name and price you are willing to take for your book; make two lists, hand one to me and retain one, thus I think our relationship ni this business will be satisfactory every way.

Lee A. Falls.

AN APPEAL FOR OUR JEFFERSON SCHOOL

The Jefferson School must have $5,000.00 between now and the Annual Conference, or after Conference be sold for debt. The property is worth $10,000.00. $5,000.00 will pay all debts, finish the buildings, and meet the conditions imposed by the Board of Education and the Board of Missions. We have secured $2,000.00 from the people of Ashe county and this district. This has been paid in checks that are to be cashed when the full $5,000.00 is secured. If we do not secure the $5,000.00 these checks are to be returned to those who gave them and the school sold for debt.

Now it is plain that we must get $3,000.00 somewhere before Conference or lose the school. I am writing this appeal in the hope that some Christian men in our North Carolina Methodism may feel impressed to come to our relief at this crucial time. $3,000.00 would not mean much to several men who could be mentioned, and yet without it we must lose the Jefferson School.

More than one hundred pupils are now in this school. To close means a serious blow to education and to Methodism in the mountain section of our Conference. But close we must unless we get $3,000.00 within about six weeks. Who will help? Let me hear from you. J. H. Bennett.

North Wilkesboro, N. C.

MURPHY CIRCUIT

On the fifth Sunday in August we began our revival meeting at Brasstown. This was a great meeting, resulting in twenty-six professions. The church was much revived. Three joined our church, eleven the Baptist and two the M .E. There are nine others that have not yet joined any church. Brother L. H. Griffith did the preaching for us for five days, then, having to go back home to his quarterly conference, we ran the meeting on for one week longer. Brother J. S. Price, one of our local preachers, came with Brother Griffith and did some of the preaching. I can say that Brother Griffith will be great help for any brother. This is the first revival known in the history of this church.

We began at Peachtree the second Sunday in September, where Brother T. A. Groce, of Sulphur Springs, did the preaching. This was a good meeting. The church was considerably revived. Our people say it was the best meeting ever held at Peachtree. Five professions and ten reclamations. Two of those who professed faith in Christ joined our church.

We have had good meetings on this work this year. Brother Erwin, of Murphy, helped me at Ogden. This church was helped very much, but the unfavorable weather interfered very much and our people could not attend.

T. L. Noble.

TRINITY PARK SCHOOL

I have had in mind for some time to give to the Methodists of North Carolina, through the columns of the Advocate, a series of brief statements concerning the work that is being done at the Trinity Park School and the various organizations and influences that are telling for the good of the student body. In this article I call attention to the Christian advantages offered the students.

The one thing that separates the church preparatory school from the state school is the fact that the church school stands positively for Christian education. Upon this principle the Trinity Park School was founded and upon it she still rests securely. Every student in school studies the Bible on class in a systematic way. Thirty of the boys are now taking the course of study in the teacher training department of the Sunday school. The great need of the church today is better trained teachers in the Sunday school, and I believe it to be the work of the church school to give to the church these trained teachers. The entire student body assembles for worship in the chapel every morning. Here the Word of God is read, prayers are offered, and addresses made by invited speakers.

Possibly the most active organization is the Young Men's Christian Association. The boys meet every Thursday evening for devotional services. A large number of the stndeuts take an active part in the meetings. Fully ninety per cent. of the boarding boys belong to the Association, while not less than ninety-five per cent. attend the services regularly. A series of protracted services is held annually under the auspices of this organization of Christian young men. These meetings were lead last year by Dr. Franklin N. Parker.

Another sudent organization that is doing the school good is the Ministerial Band, which has a membership of twelve. These young men are preparing for the ministry. Meetings are held every week and discussions are made to them by more experienced persons along the line of their life work. The mmbers of this band conduct on every Friday night a prayer meeting in one of the dormitories. The average attendance is thirty-five. This prayer meeting has done no little good for the students.

The work of these student organizations together with the positive Christian influence of the members of the faculty makes the Trinity Park School a Christian institution and hence one that stands squarely for the making of true manhood. W. W. Peele.

TRINITY COLLEGE NOTES

The Trinity College Historical Society held its first meeting of this academic year last Monday evening and the following officers were elected: Dr. W. K. Boyd, president; B. B. Jones, of Elizabeth City, vice-president; T. W. Sprinkle, of Mt. Airy, secretary-treasurer, and J. K. Turner, of Tarboro, curator of the museum. The president announced a number of contributions to the collection of the society which has been constantly growing since its beginning in 1892. Among the gifts recently received by the society were the pistol, shot moulds and canten used during the Civil War by W. H. Avera, for whom the Avera Lectureship in Biblical Literature in Trinity College was made. Announcement was made that series XI of the Publications of the Society will be from the press shortly.

One of the most interesting announcements made by the president, Dr. Boyd, for the society, was that a friend of the college, who wishes his name withheld, offers this year a prize of $25.00 in cash for the undergraduate member of the society who submits the best essay in Southern History during the year. A committee was named to formulate rules and regulations controlling the award of this prize, and to express to the donor of the prize the appreciation of the society.

Next Monday, October 4, will be observed here as a holiday, which is Benefactors' Day. This holiday is usually observed on October 3, but since that date this year falls on Sunday, the following day will be observed. All college exercises will be suspended, and in the evening in Craven Memorial Hall, Colonel John F. Bruton, of Wilson, a trustee and friend of the college, will deliver the annual address. The occasion promises to be one of much interest to the college and city.

At a meeting of the Athena Literary Society, an organization of the women students of the college, which was held last Friday, the following officers were elected: Miss Carrie B. Craig, of Durham, president; Miss Mary Wilson, of Okayama, Japan, secretary, and Miss Etoile Young, of East Durham, treasurer.

Mr. P. H. Hamer, A. M., '15, has been on the campus during the past few days, enroute to Philadelphia, where he holds this year a fellowship in the department of History in the University of Pennsylvania.

At a meeting of the freshman class a few days ago the following officers were elected for this year: I. L. Shaver, Richlands, president; J. R. Armstrong, Greensboro, vice-president; Miss Myrtle Humble, Kinston, secretary; C. C. Alexander, Martin, Tenn., treasurer, and D. W. Lambe, Siler City, representative of the class on the Athletic Council.

The first meeting of the year of the Fortnightly Club, a literary organization of the college, was held last Friday evening. The meeting consisted of a short business session, in which the various prizes of the organization were considered and reviewed, and plans made for the work of the club this year.

The third regular meeting of the literary societies for the year was held last Saturday evening when several new members were enrolled and regular programs of the organizations given. The work of these organizations claims a large attention of most of the college students, and much interest is this year shown in their work.

In a practice game of baseball between the college and the Durham Traction Company, Saturday afternoon, the college team lost by a close score of 4 to 5. Considerable practice in baseball has been had this fall, and if the weather permits the management intends to get in a great deal of fall practices. Interest in other forms of athletics is also on the increase. Tennis, track, basketball, and regular work in the gymnasium attract the attention of the majority of the students.

Plans for the organization and fall work of the Glee Club have been made and preparations for practice are completed. Dr. M. T. Adkins will direct hte work of the organization. Mr. J. R. Rone, of Durham, is manager.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

IF I COULD KNOW

If I could know that word or deed
Of mine had helped a soul in need,
Had given comfort, eased the smart
Of some poor, tortured, aching heart,
With what rare joy my heart would glow,
If I could know! If I could know!

If one should whisper in my ear,
"Your words have made me stronger, dear,
To fight the evil thing within
That leads me often into sin,"
Life's darkened ways would lighter grow,
If I could know! If I could know!

Each day I ask the Lord to bless
Some act of mine to fruitfulness;
And though I know not how or where
He sends the answer to my prayer,
When I into his presence go,
Then I shall know. Then I shall know.
—Selected.

NEW ORGANIZATION

News of another new organization on the Morganton District comes to us from the District Secretary, Mrs. M. B. Goodwin. At Salem church an Adult Society was recently organized with the following officers: President and Agent for Voice, Mrs. E. C. Roper; First Vice-President and Superintendent of Mission Study, Mrs. Julia Bailey; Second Vice-President and Superintendent of Social Service, Mrs. Dorse Bailey; Recording and Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. Earl Roper; Superintendent of Supplies, Mr. A. A. Boyles. P. O. address of the officers, Morganton, N. C., R. F. D.

MID-YEAR MEETING

A mid-year meeting of the officers and district secretaries of the Woman's Missionary Society of the W. N. C. Conference was held at the home of Mrs. M. B. Goodwin at Morganton, on Tuesday, Sept. 28th, 1915, at two-thirty o'clock.

There were present at this meeting Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, President; Mrs. H. K. Boyer, First Vice-President; Mrs. Mattie H. Stewart, Second Vice-President; Mrs. H. A. Dunham, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. P. N. Peacock, Treasurer, and Mrs. W. R. Harris, Superintendent Mission Study and Publicity, representing the Conference officers, and Mrs. V. L. Stone, District Secretary of the Asheville District; Mrs. M. B. Goodwin, Morganton District; Mrs. J. L. Woltz, Mount Airy District; Mrs. B. T. Morris, Shelby District, and Mrs. M. D. Cowan, Waynesville District.

The meeting was held for formulating plans for the carrying forward the great work in which the women of our Conference are engaged, and especially the church-wide campaign which is to be waged during October. It was a gatifying fact that each District Secretary present had begun the campaign on her district and a number of new organizations have been reported as a result.

A Program Committee, to arrange program for the coming annual meeting which will be held in Greensboro early in the year, was appointed and other plans for the success of the meeting were made.

It was regretted that all our officers and district secretaries could not be in attendance.

THE CHURCH-WIDE CAMPAIGN

My dear sister, October is here, and we must get to work in earnest or else the month will have gone by and our work remain unfinished. From many of our conferences, comes the cheering news of new organizations and an increase of membership. Our own W. N. C. Conference cannot afford to fall behind in this most important movement. From the October Bulletin we find that already two hundred and sixty-two new auxiliaries have been reported and six thousand, two hundred and thirteen new members. It not that an encouraging report? Should we not take courage from these figures and press forward?

TO THE YOUNG PEOPLE OF THE W. N. C. CONFERENCE

Dear Young People:—

October is here and to your First Vice-President it is a time of great solicitude, a time when the coming of the postman causes her to rejoice or to wear a "long face," in proportion to the reports she receives or fails to receive. All the reports received for the quarter are recorded in a big new Record Book—those received late are recorded in red ink—thus making a scarlet thread to run across the big white page, and so goes down in history—LATE.

Mission Study

Another reason October is a time of solicitude is that this month is set apart for organizing mission study classes in your societies. In view of the fact that our pledge for the year goes to Songdo and Seoul, Korea, I suggest "Korea in Transition" as the next study you take. It is one of the most interesting and least difficult of mission study books. Order from Mrs. H. R. Steele, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn., price 35 cents.

Write Mrs. Steele or Mrs. W. R. Harris, Conference Mission Study Superintendent, Asheville, N. C., for the enrollment cards and as soon as your class is organized fill out the card and send to Mrs. Steele.

We are in the beginning of the last quarter for the year 1915. I trust you will work this quarter as never before and let us come down to our annual meeting with our work well done—a work which need make none of us ashamed. Expecting great things from you, Yours cordially,

Mrs. H. K. Boyer.

DAVID LIVINGSTONE ON SELF-SACRIFICE

Can that be called sacrifice which is simply paid back as a small part of a great debt owing to our God, which we can never repay? Is that a sacrifice which brings its own blessed reward in healthful activity, the consciousness of doing good, peace of mind, and a bright hope of a glorious hereafter! Away with such a thought! Anxiety, suffering, sickness, danger, now and then, with a foregoing of the common conveniences and charities of this life, may make us pause and cause the spirit to waver and the soul to sink, but let this be only for a moment. All these are nothing when compared with the glory which shall hereafter be revealed in and for us. I never made a sacrifice. Of this we ought not to talk when we remember the great sacrifice which He made Who left His Father's throne on high to give Himself for us; who, being the brightness of that Father's glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, set down on the right hand of the Majesty on high.

A BANKING SUGGESTION

God's money methods are the exact opposite of man's. Man's plan is to invest money so it will bring tangible returns—profits that can be counted, entered in the books and appear on the financial statements. Men often try to make even their investments for the kingdom by the same plan. A Secretary of a Foreign Mission Board spoke of the requests that come from donors that their gifts should be put into buildings and "permanent equipment"—something that they could see when they visited the mission field. Then the secretary said earnestly: "I never want a penny of my money put into anything that can be seen." He had caught God's conception of money, of life: "The things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal. "The buildings and equipment of course, are essential to getting the unseen missionary results, but they are important only in relation to those invisible Kingdom results. Is the bulk of our money going into the things that have a market value in life or into the things that cannot be shaken? God's stewards are wise, not when they follow the wisdom of the world, but when they follow God's money methods and bank their investments in the unseen world.

THE CHURCH AND THE WAR

Robert E. Speer

We hope that this war situation will recall the church to the sacrificial principle of missions. The church as a whole has never done anything sacrificial. Individual Christians have followed Christ, but the church, as Duff said, has played with missions. An average of a few dimes a year from each member has represented the measure of missionary giving, and now there are some who doubt whether the church can continue to do even this.

What warrant have we, in a time of distress, for making Christ and His cause suffer first? The war which now shadows the world, and the sacrifices which are willingly made in it, should shame our timidity and our trifling with duty, and call us to deal with life as a reality, and with the work of Christ in the world as worth more devotion than national honor or commercial advantage or racial pride.

Every soldier dying for his country on a European battlefield, every home giving up its blood and tears, is a summons and a reproach to us men and women who have accepted the Christ of the Cross but not the Cross of the Christ. If they have counted their cause above their lives and their every possession, why not we? What they freely yield to their lords of war and death, shall not Christians give with joy to their Lord of Life and Peace?

DEMOCRACY IN THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Mrs. Helen Barrett Montgomery

A truly democratic conception of the Woman's Missionary Society will see that it should include nothing less than all the women who are members of the church; 'tis not as a languid theory, but as a working program of intense and sustained propaganda. Have we not taken it too much for granted that the missionary society should be composed of a small and select group of the most spiritual among the church members? Have we realized that Jesus makes but one call and that missionary; recognizes but one type of follower, one sent even as He was sent? Have we passionately believed that it was the business of the whole church to give the whole gospel to the whole world?

For fifty years now the women's missionary societies of the Protestant churches of the United States have been carrying on a beneficent and far-reaching work for the women and children of non-Christian lands. They have built schools, colleges, hospitals, have collected millions of dollars; have won great trophies for Christ in many lands; but at the end of ffity years they have succeeded in securing the co-operation of only one-sixth of the women of the churches.

Why Is It?

Is not the trouble one of viewpoint, one of conviction? We have been too content to rest down on a "large auxiliary," a "flourishing branch," with no urgency for the nine-tenths, the three-fifths or the one-third yet unreached. Just supposing for a moment that the 2,000,000 women in Canada and the United States already enlisted in the campaign were thoroughly convinced that their task was the common task of all Christian women, how long would it take to double the whole number? There is many a woman grieving because she cannot give more for the Christianizing of women and children in heathen lands who would add immensely to her effectiveness if she could see that her part of the task was to recruit on the home field, with all the persistence, prayer, ingenuity and devotion with which the missionary seeks to plant the empire of Christ in the foreign field.

How One Girl Led 300 Into Service

A heartening instance recently came to light of the work of one girl in a single church. When she began there were about fifty women in the missionary society and 350 in the church. After a year of calling, prayer, explanation and invitation, during which she made over a thousand calls, the proportions were reversed. All but fifty of these women were enrolled in the society as contributing members and the contributions had increased from $200 to $1200.

When asked the secret of her amazing achievement she said: "I prayed that God would give me tact to say the right word; I studied that I might know the facts; I distributed literature; I did not scold. I always spoke of the love of Jesus."

One of the pressing needs of the hour is that thousands of women should be inspired by like convictions of the reasonableness, the righteousness and the practability of enlisting all the women of the church in the Christian woman's noblest work. There are churches, many in the aggregate though small in proportion to the whole number, in which this great democratic ideal—every church member enrolled in the socicty—is already realized. What has been done in one church is not impossible in any other. Here is the opportunity by personal calls, by annual every-member canvass, by intercessory prayer, by dissemination of literature, by loving kindness and unfailing, cheerful persistence in well-doing to increase membership and offerings with surprising rapidity.

The second implication of democracy is in our fellowship. No society that allows the caste of wealth or social position or culture to dominate can be warmly missionary. All unconsciously many a missionary circle has become little not only in numbers but in spirit. The new-comer feels like an outsider; the best places on programs and official lists seem to belong by right to a certain inner group. The meetings are always held at a time and place which suits the convenience of this group, but is prohibitive to the attendance of other groups. The program is always such as ministers to the taste of this group, though it may be Greek to others. Half-sad, half-resentfully the woman who has gone once or twice to meetings where she was plainly a spectator and not a participator has said: "They don't want me, they don't need me, they don't consider me, but only my contribution. I cannot help and I cannot share, I guess I will drop out! We all like to be in things, not at things. We all love a sisterhood, a sharing a co-operating. The missionary society can be all three. When it is no one can stop its growth.

MURINE FOR YOUR EYES

Murine is prepared by our Physicians, as used for many years in their practice, now dedicated to the Public and sold by Your Druggist. Try Murine to Refresh, Cleanse, and Strengthen Eyes after exposure to Strong Sunlight, Wind and Dust and to restore healthful tone to Eyes Reddened and made Sore by Overwork and Eye Strain.

Some broadminded Physicians use and recommend Murine while others perhaps jealous of its Success, talk and rush into print in opposition; those whose Eyes need care can guess why, as there is no Prescription fee in Murine. Just hand your Druggist 50c and you have a Complete Pkg. Eye Book—Murine—Dropper—and Cork Screw—ready for use. Try it in your Eyes and in Baby's Eyes for Eye Troubles—No Smarting—Just Eye Comfort. Write for Book of the Eye Free.

Murine Eye Remedy Company, Chicago

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

READY FOR WORK

A very important business meeting of the West End Epworth League took place last evening at the church. The following officers for the coming year were elected: President, Miss Blanche Pepper; vice-president, Miss Winnie McWhorter; secretary, Mr. Alan Wright; treasurer, Mr. A. G.Penry; organist, Miss Willie Griffith; superintendent of spiritual department, Miss Willie Griffith; superintendent of social service, Mr. S. W. Apperson; superintendent of recreation and social service, Miss Lillian Hitchcock; superintendent of mission work, Miss Winnie McWhorter.

The league this year promises to be most successful and to accomplish much work.—Twin-City Sentinel, Sept. 24.

The Epworth League of Tryon Street Methodist church met last night for the purpose of re-organizing. The attendance was large and all seemed to be enthusiastic. The following officers were elected: President, Mr. Grover C. Stowe; vice-president, Mr. Hertford Thomas; secretary, Miss Elsie Davenport; treasurer, Mr. William Bobbit; corresponding secretary, Miss Vivian Seriard. They expect to begin work at once and make the League one of the best.—Charlotte Observer, Oct. 2.

FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Dear Epworthians:

The Epworth League Conference held in the First Methodist church of Spencer, N. C., last week was a great Conference in the following particulars: It showed our work to be deeply rooted in the hearts of our young people and in the life of our churches! it was an enthusiastic and optimistic gathering; the depression of former occasions of the kind was nowhere felt in our proceedings; reports from the chapters showed faithful work done throughout the year; a large number of new chapters have been organized; the response to the call for pledges on the African Special was excellent; splendid addresses were made; the complete work of the League in its various branches and its several departments was emphasized. Many who have attended the Conferences for years said that this was decidedly the best. We thank God and take courage.

We can best achieve the ends of our existence by adhering to our program. Our first department stands for the training of our members in spiritual things. Here is where we are taught by actual practice to expound the Scriptures to the edification of ourselves and others; we are taught to lead in prayer; we learn to speak the word of testimony. This is a practice school which builds us up. Adhere to it as the instrument of development for our young men and women. Hold the meetings weekly by all means.

The work of the second department can be done by any chapter anywhere. There is nothing abstruse about it. Forget the term "social service," and do good. The sick, the dependent, the imprisoned, the unfortunate await our loving ministry. We can best co-operate with the sensible reform movements of our communities by continuing as Methodists to heed the General Rules of the church.

Culture and recreation are easily and profitably combined. Wholesome recreation for yourselves and perhaps occasionally for the whole congregation would bring a deal of brightness and joy into many hearts hungry for the more intimate social contact with good people.

How many chapters will now plan for Mission Study classes this fall and winter? Our delightful and inspiring text book is entitled, "Rising Churches in Non-Christian Lands." The Juniors have an entertaining and informing text book in a travel story, "Around the World with Jack and Janet." Every chapter should have a study class and should contribute to the support of the African Mission. Miss Ida Wilson, of Asheville, will promote this department's activities.

As quickly as possible let every chapter send Rev. C. M. Pickens, Spencer, N. C., the chapter dues to the work in Western North Carolina. These are ten cents a member annually. A chapter with twenty members should send him $2.00; one with twenty-one members, $2.10. The dues to the Central Office, Nashville, Tenn., are $2.50, whatever the membership of the chapter may be. Send these to 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

Let every chapter supply its officers with handbooks and each member with a copy of the constitution. Push subscriptions to the Epworth Era.

Discuss all these points in your next council meeting, get these matters clearly and persistently before your chapters.

If we heed the vision and the call which are ours today, we shall render a notable service to the Kingdom of Christ in the coming year.

Commending to officers and members our watchword, "All for Christ,"

I am, Yours in His service,

E. L. Bain.

OUR CONFERENCE

Spencer, Sept. 24-26

We told you last week about the opening service of our Conference, so we will now start with the first service on Saturday—the sunrise prayer-meeting.

Though 6:30 is a rather early hour to go to church, there were over fifty persons there Saturday morning. Rev. J. W. Moore, of Salisbury, came over in his Ford to conduct the service, but (as he said he was "always tired" and was so tired that morning he was asleep at 6:15) he was late, and Rev. Mr. Ware, presiding elder of the Salisbury district, read the Scripture lesson, the third Psalm. Old familiar hymns were sung. After Mr. Moore came all engaged in silent prayer, which was followed by sentence prayers in which a large number took part. Mr. Moore made a good heart-to-heart talk on the transfiguration, emphasizing the need of getting in touch with God on the mount, but also the necessity of coming down into the valley where the blessings and our help are needed by those who have not had the privilege of ascending the mount. He also urged every one to study the first verse of the Bible and to give God a chance, through the reading of His Book and communion with Him through prayer, to enter into our lives anew each morning. It was a deeply spiritual talk and one that sent us home thinking.

A cabinet meeting was announced for 8:30 and the regular business session for 9:15. The cabinet met at 8:30 and planned the business of the Conference.

The devotion service of the morning was conducted by Miss Vergie Jenkins, of the League at the First church, Salisbury. She read from the 18th chapter of Luke, beginning with the 31st verse. After singing "More Love to Thee," the meeting was turned over to Dr. Bain, the president.

Mr. A. M. West, the secretary, not being present, Miss Stanly Hall was elected secretary for the Conference The Conference then settled down to business.

Mr. Scarborough made a motion that the president appoint the committees, putting in one from each district, which was carried and the following committees were appointed:

Nomination Committee, the district secretaries or a substitute from that district.

Asheville .....H. E. Walter Dist. Sec.
Charlotte .....L. A. Falls, Sub.
Greensboro, Mrs. Katherine Browning, Sub.
Morganton .....Joe Kjellander, Sub.
Salisbury, Miss Virginia Jenkins, Sub.
Shelby .....Miss Della Nolen, D. S.
Statesville ....Miss Stanley Hall, Sub.
Winston ....F. T. Scarborough, D. S.

The other districts had no representative present.

Resolution Committee—Rev. W. E. Poovey, of Dallas; Mr. A. W. Cline, of Thomasville, and Rev. J. W. Moore, of Salisbury.

Committee on Thanks for Courtesies Shown—Miss Ida Wilson, of Asheville; Miss Madge Sills, of Winston, and Mr. R. R. Mitchell, of Greensboro.

The registration of delegates was then taken by districts, as per list given later.

Report blanks and cards were then given out and the reports of officers and delegates were heard.

The president gave a report of the Conference at Lake Junaluska last year and reported much progress being made in the League work in our Conference during the last fiscal year. There are new Leagues in most of the larger and influential churches—that is at Mt. Airy, Elkin, Centenary and West End, Winston-Salem; West Market, Greensboro; First Church, Salisbury; Gastonia; Central Church, Asheville; Knights of Ezelah at Spencer, and several Leagues in Charlotte.

Rev. E. K. McLarty, at Tryon St. Charlotte, and Rev. G. T. Rowe, at High Point, are both trying to revive the League in their churches. He also reported a good deal of work done, but not what should have been done. But we know he is a busy man and has many duties to divide his time.

The editor had no report except what has appeared in the Advocate each week.

The treasurer's report deferred until afternoon.

The other officers not being present the reports of the district secretaries were heard next, followed by the reports from the local chapters. All reports will be given in a later issue of the Advocate. H. E. Walter, secretary of the Asheville district, had the best report, having organized nine new Leagues during the year. The Asheville district is the banner district of the Conference. The reports were given in a concise and business-like manner, but under the leadership of our jovial president, many remarks of wit and humor were heard and no one got the least bit tired. A great deal of amusement was afforded by rivalry between the Ford and the motorcycle as a means of carrying on League work, Mr. Walter, of Asheville, saying he had a motorcycle, and Mr. Moore, of Salisbury, insisting on the usefulness of the Ford.

The reports were encouraging, and some caused a good deal of discussion as to the best methods of carrying on the work, some upholding one method and some another, which was both interesting and helpful.

The Conference adjourned at 12:15 to meet again at two o'clock, with committee meetings at 1:30.

Afternoon Session

The devotional services were conducted by Mr. F. T. Scarborough, of West Market church, Greensboro. After several songs and the Scripture lessons, followed by sentence prayers, Mr. Scarborough read a well prepared paper on "The Relationship of God and Man," which brought out several good houghts.

The reports from local chapters were finished and the committees made their reports, which were accepted by the Conference.

The question of the next Conference was brought up and three invitations were received—Asheville, Gastonia and Greensboro, asking us to visit them next year. It was decided to decide on the place of meeting by rising vote, the one getting the smallest number of votes to drop out another vote being taken on the other two. First ballot—Asheville, 17; Gastonia, 7; Greensboro, 16. Second ballot—Asheville, 17; Greensboro, 19.

Mr. Walter then made the motion that the invitation from Greensboro be unanimously accepted, which was carried and the entire Conference voted to go to Greensboro. Mr. Scarborough, who extended the invitation to Greensboro, expressed his pleasure that the invitation was accepted and promised us the best entertainment in their power to provide even if they could not offer as many attractions as Asheville. Mr. Garland Robeson, president of West Market League, endorsed Mr. Scarborough's promises and assured us of a welcome by the West Market League.

The treasurer's report was then heard, as our treasurer, Rev. C. M. Pickens, had to be absent from the remainder of the session. He reported the $416.10 collected by the League for the Children's Home, Winston, spent for furnishing the Cornelius Building. It was moved and carried that a brass tablet be placed in that building telling that the furnishings were given by the Epworth League.

Efficiency and the use of the Epworth Era were then discussed, after which the African Special was put before the Conference and pledges from the individual chapters were taken. Over $300 was pledged.

Mrs. Stewart, representative of the Junior work of the Woman's Missionary Society, urged the correlation of the Junior League and the Juvenile Missionary Society.

The question of finances was brought up and discussed and it was moved and carried that the assessment be raised from 5 cents per member to 10 cents, which would double the revenue of the Conference and better promote the work.

Miss Ida Wilson made a motion that the Conference send Mrs. Pickens, who was in the hospital, some flowers, and Miss Della Nolen that a note of sympathy be sent Mr. Pickens, both of which were carried. A committee was appointed to get the flowers and the secretary was instructed to write the note. There being no further business the Conference adjourned with the announcement that Rev. J. W. Moore would preach that night, and that there would be two services the next day.

Those present of the newly elected cabinet met to assist the president select the district secretaries and the department superintendents.

Mr. Moore preached a strong sermon that night and at the Sunday morning hour Rev. E. L. Bain preached a powerful sermon on the "Joys of a Christian Life." It was one of the best sermons that it has ever been our privilege to hear.

A quartet from Centenary church, Winston-Salem, composed of Messrs. C. T. Cromer, Reid Munn, R. C. Taylor and A. B. Bynum, gave us two splendid selections at the morning service and several at the afternoon service.

At three-thirty that afternoon a mass meeting of the young people of Salisbury and Spencer was conducted by Rev. Gilbert T. Rowe, of High Point. He made a good talk on "The Necessity of League Work in Every Church."

Before the address Mr. Bain thanked the Conference in behalf of Mr. and Mrs. Pickens, for the flowers and the note, and Miss Wilson read the report of the Committee on Courtesies.

A good many of the delegates had gone at an earlier hour; some left immediately after the [illegible] and some that night [illegible] remained over until [illegible]

We can never thank the people of Spencer enough for their kind hospitality and their interest in decorating the church so artistically. [illegible] Knights of Ezelah for the assistance

JOIN THE NORTH CAROLINA CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE PIANO CLUB See Announcement on Page 16

they rendered the delegates in getting from the trains to their "homes."

The people of Spencer will always have a warm place in the heart of the Epworth League of Western North Carolina.

Officers for 1915-'16

President
Rev. E. L. Bain .....Winston-Salem

Vice-President
Mr. H. E. Walter .....Asheville

Secretary
Mrs. Katherine Browning ..Greensboro

Treasurer
Rev. C. M. Pickens .....Spencer

Epworth Era Agent
Mr. A. W. Cline .....Thomasville

Supt. Juvenile Dept.
Mrs. C. C. Ausbane ....Winston-Salem

Supt. Knights of Ezelah
Mr. F. T. Scarborough ....Greensboro

Supt. Girls of Epworth
Miss Bertha Barnett .....Cornelius

Supt. Fourth Dept.
Miss Ida Wilson .....Asheville

District Secretaries

Asheville District
Rev. W. W. Edwards .....Asheville

Morganton District
Mr. Joe Kjellander .....Morganton

Statesville District
Miss Stanly Hall .....Hickory

Salisbury District
Miss Vergie Jenkins .....Salisbury

Mt. Airy District
Rev. J. M. Downum .....Boone

Waynesville District
Mrs. J. T. Smathers .....Murphy

Shelby District
Miss Della Nolen .....Gastonia

The secretaries for the other districts will be appointed by the president later, as will also the superintendents of the first, second and third departments. The reports and list of delegates will appear later, as will also outlines of the addresses.

REV. R. L. GAY BECOMES FIELD SECRETARY FOR THE N. C. ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE

Rev. R. L. Gay, who has been for the past two years, pastor of the First Baptist church at Washington, N. C., has accepted a position as Field Secretary of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League and will enter upon the duties of that office the fifteenth day of October.

Mr. Gay was born in Albemarle county, Va., about fifty years ago and educated at the high schools of that and the adjoining county and at Richmond College, Richmond, Va. Soon after graduation, he entered the ministerial work of his church and for fifteen years filled appointments in the eastern part of Virginia. In 1905 he accepted a call to the Baptist church at Windsor, Bertie county, N. C., and since that date has filled pastorates at Windsor, Aulander and Washington. As a pastor and evangelist, he has been a splendid success and everywhere he has been a terror to evil-doers.

His able and aggressive stand against the liquor traffic in all his pastorates led his people to line up solidly against the evil. While pastor at Lewistown, before state-wide prohibition, he led the fight that drove the liquor business from the town, and at the prohibition election in May, 1908, during his pastorate at Aulander, every vote from that place was a dry vote. For the past two years, he has been waging unceasing warfare against the blind tigers in Washington and was one of the two delegates from that city to the National Anti-Saloon Convention in Atlantic City last July.

It is the opinion of all those who know Mr. Gay that he is well qualified for his new field and that the Anti-Saloon League is very fortunate in securing his services. R. L. Davis.



By far the most popular Coffee in America

Everywhere the popularity of Arbuckles' Coffee is growing. From one of our branches alone sales in 1914 were *six times* what they were the year before. In one state, *four pounds* of Arbuckles' Coffee were sold *for every* man, woman and child in the state.

Think how good a coffee must taste to be the most popular coffee in America!

American women are famous for their coffee. Americans drink *more* coffee than any other nation and are known to buy *better* coffee than other countries. This fact is so well established that coffee-growing countries ship much of their finest coffees to America.

This will give you some idea of how good a coffee must be when for half a century it has been America's favorite coffee.

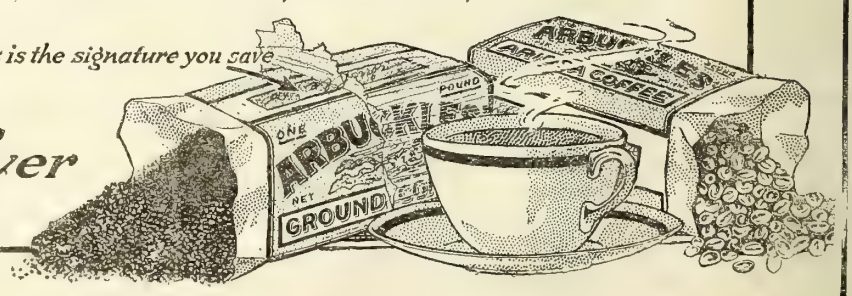
To know how much Arbuckles' Coffee adds to over a million breakfasts every day—try it.

When you see the satisfaction it gives, you'll know why over a million other women use it, why they have made Arbuckles' by far the most popular coffee in America.

FREE Write today for free catalog of 150 premiums. Arbuckles' premiums are almost as famous as Arbuckles' Coffee. As indicating their popularity, in one year Arbuckles' Coffee drinkers sent for *more than a million* of one premium alone. Address Arbuckle Bros., 71-T57 Water St., New York.

This is the signature you save

Better than Ever



Yes, the spirit and heart of anxiety is the denial for the time being, or the forgetting, of God. Therefore its cure, our deliverance, comes with calling him to our remembrance, that is, with prayer. What does one wish, when one is harassed and anxious, but to feel that he and all that is really of value to him are in good hands, for they are in God's hands? And how can that feeling come to me and stay with me when things seem contrary in the world and in my lot, except by drawing near to God in Jesus Christ, and bethinking myself that he who spared not his own Son, but freely gave him up for us all, will not fail us in our day of need, or, if he seem to fail us, it is that he is preparing for us some greater good, and preparing us to receive it? —John A. Hutton.

All the real radiance of our times comes from the cross. It is the cross which saves our civilization from corruption. The cross is the gathering point, the focus, the source of all that elevates the thought and preserves the hopes of this present time.—J. G. Greenhough.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

A Daily Prayer: O Lord, so by Thy Holy Spirit guide us through the day that, at its close, if it please Thee, we can look back over its course and see that where Thou didst lead we followed in all life's affairs.—C. O'N. Martindale.

"O, blessed fellowship divine!
Oh, joy supremely sweet!
Companionship with Jesus here
Makes life with bliss replete.
In union with the purest one
I find my heaven on earth begun."

MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF BOARD OF MISSIONS

The Executive Committee of the Board of Missions met informally in Greensboro last week. The fourth Sunday in October was fixed as the goal for full collections throughout the Conference. Brother Courtney, the treasurer, will credit all charges as having paid their missionary assessments in full, who report to him before his last monthly report through Advocate November 4th. Let them be certain to indicate what part of the money sent in is for Home and Conference missions, and what part is for foreign missions.

All pastors are earnestly urged to consult their Conference minutes for name of treasurer of Board, and send proper money to proper parties.

The Executive Committee was most earnestly of the opinion that at no time in the history of the Conference has there been such a need for payment of assessments in full as this year. It was also their unanimous conviction that with crop and business conditions as they are in our Conference, there exists every reason for the expectation of full collections everywhere

I was instructed to send out a letter to the pastors, calling attention to the October date, the 4th Sunday, and urge preachers everywhere to make an effort to get all collections in hand by that time. It is an awakening reminder that of the $48,700. assessed our Conference for domestic and foreign missions, but $4,639.76 had been paid September 1st. It is an undeniable fact that the postponement until the very end of the year of the collection of money needed for current expense of missionaries, teachers, and so on, throughout the church, is inexcusable. But complaint now will do no good. All that can be done is to sound the alarm and pull for the shore. Last year many of the elders divided their districts by county lines and sent into the charges where there was greatest danger of a deficit, helpers to the pastors, with splendid results. A number of laymen also gave fine assistance. District, charge and church leader are everywhere now reminded that but a few weeks remain until Conference, and it is certainly an opportune time for them to show their strength.

HERE'S PERMANENT WORK FOR YOU, in the State of North Carolina, with an old-established institution whose fame is nation-wide. The work requires sober, industrious men; the position is as good as you make it. Liberal commissions paid.

Precious Promise Bible

Something Entirely New—Just Off the Press

ALL THE PROMISES IN RED

Most Comforting Bible Published

The famous, international clear type, self-pronouncing edition, with all the teachers' helps. Beautifully illustrated in colors. **Leather, only $3.75. Descriptive Circular Free.**

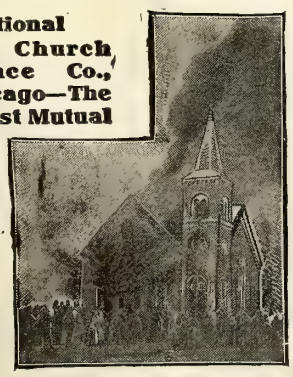
SEND FOR OUR FREE CATALOGS of Song Books, Bibles, Bible Mottoes, Christian Workers' Helps, Missionary Books, Temperance Books, Purity Books, Christian Evidence and Anti-Infidel Books, Peace Literature, etc. Agents Wanted.

We Have the Most Complete Catalogs Published

GLAD TIDINGS PUBLISHING CO. Lakeside Building CHICAGO, ILL.

It Is a Burning Shame

that so many Churches are without sufficient insurance, and not properly safe-guarded against fire.



The National Mutual Church Insurance Co., of Chicago—The Methodist Mutual

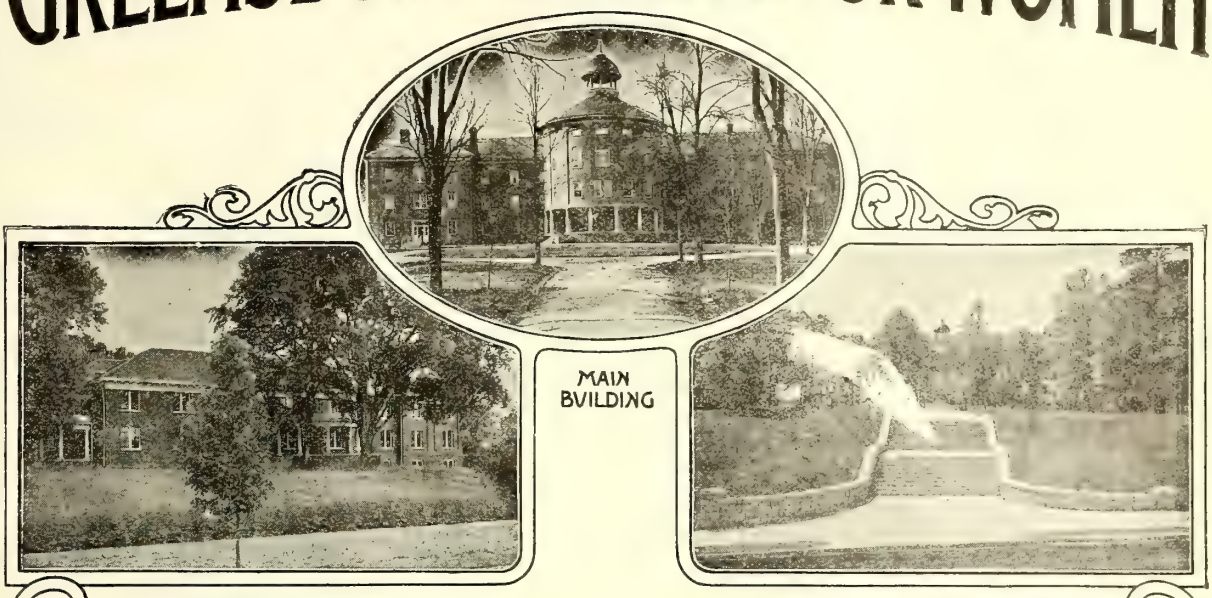
furnishes protection and assists in prevention. Also writes tornado insurance. Take part and you can save money.

Advantageous rates; easy payments; profits to policy holders. And your Church is entitled to share in these benefits. IT IS UP TO YOU. For applications and particulars address

HENRY P. MAGILL, Sec. and Manager
Insurance Exchange, Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. Alice Hargrove Barclay, Agent M. E. Church South
314 Norton Building, Fourth and Jefferson, Louisville, Ky.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



MAIN BUILDING

NEW DORMITORY—FITZGERALD HALL

ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department, open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D. D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

STOPS TOBACCO HABIT

Elders' Sanitarium, located at 513 Main St., St. Joseph, Mo., has published a book showing the deadly effect of the tobacco habit, and how it can be stopped in three to five days.

As they are distributing this book free, anyone wanting a copy should send their name and address at once.

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.....E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg...W. B Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller.....C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg., M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave N.....J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg...J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.....G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St..... S. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel...J. W. Ligon

PRESIDENT McKINLEY'S SPIRIT.

The Chautauquan tells a story of one of William McKinley's campaigns. A reporter followed him incessantly and improved every occasion to misrepresent and defeat him. On one occasion, Mr. McKinley was on his way to make a speech in a nearby town. The night was fearful and he was riding in a closed hack. The reporter was on his track, albeit the reporter had been sick for some time. Mr. McKinley had not gone far when he heard that cough, and knew that the reporter was riding with the driver in the exposed seat. The major called to the driver to stop, and alighted. "Get down off that seat, young man," he said. The reporter obeyed, thinking the time for the major's vengeance had come. "Here," said Mr. McKinley, taking off his overcoat, "you put on this overcoat, and get into the carriage." "But, Major McKinley," said the reporter. "I guess you don't know who I am. I have been with you the whole campaign, giving it to you every time you spoke, and I am going over tonight to rip you to pieces if I can." "I know," said Mr. McKinley, "but you put on this coat, and get inside and get warm, so that you can do a good job."

GOD'S EXCEEDING LOVE

O Father, I have naught to plead
In earth beneath or Heaven above;
But just my own exceeding need,
And Thy exceeding love.
The need will soon be past and gone,
Exceeding great but quickly o'er;
Thy love unbought is all Thine own
And lasts forever more.

—Jane Crewdson.

The Sunday School Lesson

LESSON II—OCTOBER 10

ELIJAH TAKEN UP INTO HEAVEN

2 Kings 2:1-12; (Memorize verses 11, 12)

Golden Text.—In thy presence is fullness of joy; in thy right hand are pleasures forevermore. Psa. 16:11.

Notes by Dr. and Mrs. Camden M. Cobern

An Old Testament John the Baptist

John was the messenger and witness who "prepared the way of the Lord and made his paths straight." That is what Elijah did. He "turned the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to the fathers"—that is, he worked such a revolution in the hearts of men that the ideals of the past were knit to the ideals of the present, so that the young men of the new generation came to see the nobility and glory of the past history of the nation and went to work to fulfill the prophetic hopes of ancient seers, while those ancient heroes and saints rejoiced in their most worthy successors. Israel had indeed fallen to very low ideals. In Elijah's day both the kings and people of the Ten Tribes had given up the imageless worship of Jehovah and the orderly centralized worship of the Temple and the old hereditary priesthood. It looked as if the nation was about to give up the worship of Jehovah entirely, or let it drop into a mere annex of the splendid and almost universal Baal worship. As we have previously seen this cult was native to Palestine and was much older than the Jehovah worship, and had behind it all the royal houses of surrounding countries and also at least the wives of the reigning house in Israel—and then came Elijah! His reformation was so powerful that within 100 years of his death every Baal sanctuary was rooted out of the Holy Land and not an image of Astarte, his female companion, could be found left in the land, as is proved by the recent diggings there. He magnified the might of Jehovah and his eternal difference to Baal. Jehovah was the only Living God, and he not only had lordship over all other gods, but had a totally different relation to morality, being moral himself and requiring righteousness in all his followers.

A Worthy and Dramatic End to a Majestic Career

We do not live in a dishonest universe. To live right means to die right. The universe is on the side of the good man. There is a "somewhat" in the world that "makes for righteousness" and death is a part of the world scheme, and therefore makes for righteousness. If there were no account of Elijah's death we would all say that such a man ought to have died just so. If there were a living God this was a good time for him to act. When God is thought of as being really alive anything can be expected of him, in his care for human souls. The life of God and the life of the soul rest upon the same evidence (verses 2, 4, 6). God is a soul and therefore has far more interest in souls than he has in bodies or in stars. To live forever is not nearly so mysterious and strange as that one should live at all. The Hebrews believed in a living God, therefore they were forced to beuieve in a future life. God was the living God and therefore he was God of the living. Elijah was not the first man that the Hebrews believed had been translated. "Enoch walked with God—and he was not for God took him" (Gen. 5:24). He walked with God. That meant friendship, communion, comradeship. And the ever-living God would not let the man with whom he loved to walk be long separated from him. God wanted him and God took him. Where he went the Hebrews did not know. It was not necessary to lay out the topography of the unseen and hard path leading to the life beyond the grave. The Egyptians had tried to do that and had filled the road with frightful demons who tried to trap the soul on its way from this world to the next. And every dead Egyptian and probably every dead heathen in Palestine had buried with him charms and amulets and sacred texts to protect his eyes and ears and every organ of his body from attack and enable him to fight successfully the desperate battle which was necessary if he should finally gain existence and a little degree of happiness on the "other shore." But the Hebrews did not do this. God "took" the soul and therefore could take care of it on the long journey, for he was strong and could not find it hard to protect those he loved to talk with while alive. There was no need of killing any slaves to accompany him nor dogs nor horses, for "God took him" and the journey could not be lonely any more than it could be dangerous. The ever-living God could not let a man come to harm with whom he loved to walk. Of course the Old Testament writers never received a vision of the future life. It was Jesus who "brought life and immortality to light." But they had faith in God who was really alive and who could take care of his friends, both here and hereafter. As I have said in my "Bible Etchings of Immortality:" "The Hebrew prophets well knew that celestial splendors were about every child of God; he was here as well as yonder. They knew that God was near and his voice so kind that when a little innocent child heard it he thought it to be the voice of his best earthly friend (1 Sam. 3). They knew that every serving-man, who honored the Lord, had a body-guard of protecting angels about him—"horses of fire and chariots of fire" (2 Kings 6). They knew that the inhabitants of the heavenly world were not far away, and that they were interested in every living friend of heaven's King. Now we are prepared to appreciate the deeper teachings of Elijah's departure. Do you see that mountaineer yonder? He has lived all his life where the wind blows keen from eternal snows, and he wears a mountain cloak upon his shoulders as he walks beside the river with his young friend. But as they pause a moment there is a flash above them and a chariot stops at their side—a chariot so radiant that it seems made of sunbeams—and Elijah, the poor mountaineer, is caught up into the mystic splendor of heaven—a heaven so near the earth that he can be here one moment and the next yonder; a heaven the journey to which is so comfortable that he does not need even to take his cloak with him as he goes!"

Teaching Arrows

1. Elijah seemed so worn out and decrepit that all who looked at him said, "He can't last any longer; he will die before night." He may have feared the collapse and weakness that naturally comes with death and like many another self-restrained and strong man longed to die alone. This may have been why he told Elisha not to follow him further. But the man who lives right needs not to fear the manner of his death. If he had died alone in the wilderness under the juniper tree, years before, as he wished to do, that would have been an inglorious death, and to die alone even in the mountains of Moab, where Moses disappeared—as he seems to have wished—would not have been as great an end as this. It is God who must select the "when" and the time and place (verse 11) of his servant's departure. Perhaps, however, Elijah's attempt to keep Elisha away was to test him. Only the man who counts the inner "call" more authoritative than any outer word, even the word of one's most honored friend, is worthy of being called a prophet.

2. He was taken up in a whirlwind; but the natural agency could not blind a true prophet, like Elisha, to the supernatural accompaniment. Natural forces are as divine as supernatural. To see the supernatural in the natural and besides the natural, this is one of the rare gifts of prophetic souls. The chariots of Jehovah were about him as he left Elijah's side, and surely it was not long before the departing saint was resting comfortably in one of them. It may have been that the whirlwind was merely the rush of these swift-moving vehicles of God. So Jehovah visited Ezekiel and Job (Ezek. 1.4; Job 38:1).

3. While the Hebrew grammar favors the critical modern view that Elisha calls Elijah the chariot or defense of Israel, the general conditions, when pictured as an Oriental would picture them, rather favor the idea that Elisha by his exclamation had reference to this astonishing vision of heaven's power and nearness—and this is also favored by Elisha's vision at Dothan later.

4. He who sees the vision gets the mantle, and the special endowment of power. Even yet in the Orient when an ascetic saint dies his old cloak is left to his best beloved disciple. Some of these holy mantles are said to have come down for many centuries from teacher to disciple, and are regarded with the greatest veneration. If Elijah's goatskin mantle should be found in the excavations soon to be attempted in the towns where the "Schools of the Prophets" were held, who now would be worthy to wear it?

At the circumcision of every Jewish child a seat is always, even to this day, left for Elijah. They expect him—and he will come! Ah he came spiritually in the person of John the Baptist so, in this great world-crisis, we may expect another messenger in the very power of this old prophet. He may now be in training in the Sunday school class of the teacher who reads these words.—Pittsburgh Christian Advocate.

EXCHANGE YOUR OLD BODY FOR A NEW ONE

You can do it in three weeks and thereby renew your health. This article is written by a physician who has seen it demonstrated in numerous cases and explains how it is done.

Listen: If your weight is one hundred and thirty-three pounds your body contains eighty pounds of water, for, according to standard medical books, the human body contains sixty-seven and one-half per cent. of water. Now disease is invariably caused by impurities which we call poison, and these are readily dissolved by the right kind of natural mineral water. Drink ten gallons (eighty pounds) of Shivar Mineral Water (use no other water for twenty-one days), and you will have exchanged your old body for a new one, so far as the soluble part of it is concerned. The impurities will be dissolved and pass away. If you suffer with dyspepsia, indigestion, sick headache, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney or liver disease, uric acid poisoning, or other conditions due to impure blood, accept Mr. Shivar's liberal offer which appears below. Read the following letter carefully; then sign and mail it:

Shivar Spring,
Box 5G, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen:

I accept you guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)

This Hose Lasts Longer Than Others

Goodyear-Akron Lawn Hose lasts longer than others because it is made to do that. It is made by the makers of the famous Goodyear Automobile Tires. Composed of five layers of alternate new, live rubber and strongest braided cotton. Absolutely seamless. The thick corrugated outer coat, with its six extra large rubber ribs, does away with twisting and kinking. They add immensely to its life.

GOODYEAR AKRON Lawn Hose

Buy Your Garden Tools Here

We Have Everything You Need

ODELL Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER

Proprietor

GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY

DISEASES OF STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL

General Insurance

General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland

108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

Our Little Folks' Department

WHEN LITTLE BEAR WAS SICK

One time Father Bear went away on a journey. He had been gone two days when Mother Bear noticed that the wood-box was nearly empty, and she asked Little Bear to fill it.

Instead of doing as his mother had asked Little Bear sat on the back doorstep, with his chin in his front paws, and he looked at that wood-pile.

"What is the trouble?" asked Mother Bear. "Don't you feel well?"

"Not very," answered Little Bear; but a twinkle shone in his eye.

"You poor little fellow, you must be sick!" Mother Bear went on.

"How do you feel?"

"Kind of tired," confessed Little Bear, with a glance at the wood-pile.

"Come and lie down," advised Mother Bear.

It was warm, and Little Bear fell asleep the minute his head touched the pillow.

Mother Bear stepped to the door when she saw Father Deer passing. "What do you do for your children when they are sick?" called Mother Bear.

"We give them salt," advised Father Deer. "Is Little Bear sick?"

"I fear that he is," was the reply.

"Well give him a lump of salt," repeated Father Deer, and as he went on he told everyone that Little Bear was sick.

Bad news travels fast. Before Little Bear awoke from his nap the house was full of neighbors, and the table was full of medicine: Peter Rabbit's mother had sent camomile tea; Mother Deer brought salt; Sally Beaver was there with willow twigs.

"My mother says that he must nibble at the willow bark," Sally Beaver advised.

"Father says that you must roll him in deep mud," put in severe Mrs. Reynard.

"And here is fresh catnip," added Mrs. Wildcat. "There is no medicine like it."

It happened that Goldilocks' mother had learned in some way that Little Bear was ill, and she had sent castor oil. Goldilocks, however, put a flew flowers in the basket.

"How shall we give him all these medicines?" inquired Mother Bear anxiously.

"Oh, Mother Bear, Mother Bear," wailed Little Bear, "don't make me take any medicine!"

By this time Little Bear was so scared that he felt positively ill.

"I'll give him the catnip tea," promised Miss Wildcat. "If he makes any fuss I will hold his nose."

"And I will hold his nose and compel him to take the salt!" declared Mother Deer. "It is the best medicine there is!"

"Perhaps I might coax him to take a taste of camomile tea," began Mother Bear. "You'll take the camomile tea for dear mother, won't you?"

"No, no, no; I don't want any medicine!" protested Little Bear.

"You'll have to hold his legs and arms, and I'll hold his legs said Mrs. Wildcat, "and of course we shall begin with catnip tea."

At that moment Father Bear came home, having returned from his journey. "Let me see Little Bear," he said.

The neighbors straightway edged toward the door, in order to make room for Father Bear.

"How did this sudden illness begin?" questioned Father Bear.

Then Father Bear looked at Little Bear's tongue, and felt his pulse; then he heard about the empty wood-box, and he said, "I know what will cure him right away. Little Bear, what you need to do is to get up and fill the wood-box."

"Oh, I'd like to fill the wood box," answered Little Bear. And with a leap and a bound he sent the medicines flying as he ran toward the wood-pile, and took off his little outside coat.

Soon the neighbors heard the sound of wood falling, bumpety, bang, bumpety, bang, bang! into the wood-box.

When the wood-box was filled Mother Bear wiped her eyes. She had been crying for joy.

"If your baby ever should be sick, give him catnip tea," advised Mrs. Wildcat, as she walked out.

"Salt—salt is the thing," corrected Mother Deer, gently, as she bowed and left the house.

"I'm glad that he is well again," remarked Sally Beaver, as she nibbled at her own willow twigs. And Mother Bear kissed Sally Beaver.

As for Little Bear, he filled the wood-box the next day without being reminded.—F. M. Fox, in St. Louis Christian Advocate."

HOW FAR A SMILE GOES

The girl who brought the eggs sat down on the porch, silent and sulky-looking. Mother took the basket to carry the eggs in.

"Smile at the little girl, and talk to her," she whispered to Elsie, in passing.

Elsie had an interesting book, and she wasn't anxious to leave it just then. But she obeyed, putting the book down, and smiling at the strange child.

"Do you love to read?" she said. "I've got a lovely book here. It's 'Under the Lilacs.' It used to belong to mother, but she has given me all her Alcott books now, because I'm old enough to read them myself."

"I've read 'Under the Lilacs,' too," said the girl, with her face lightening. "They were my aunt's, and she sent them to me last Christmas—hte Alcott books I mean. It's sort of lonesome on the farm in the winter, and it was such fun to read those books."

"Oh, do you live on a farm?" cried Elsie, and the books were forgotten while she asked eager questions about the farm.

When mother came back with the basket and money, Elsie could hardly let the girl go. "Be sure and stop here next time you come in with things to sell," she called after her.

"Why did you want me to talk with her?" asked Elsie. "Oh, I'm glad I did; she is ever so nice, but I wondered why you wanted me to when I might not see her again."

"Because smiles and pleasant words reach such a long way," said mother. "It's a pity to lose the chance of sending one out on its travels. I want you to learn to look for these opportunities. I think right here I will tell you a little story about a smile and a few pleasant words that took a wonderful journey.

"Years ago, a woman used to go into a book-store in Columbus, Ohio. There was a poor young clerk there, who was shy, not popular, but Mrs. Swayne always took time to speak to him pleasantly. She never forgot him when she came in, and the boy, with few intimates, counted her a friend.

"Afterwards, Mrs. Swayne's son, General Wager Swayne, became commissioner of the Freedman's Bureau after the Civil War. It was a hard place to fill, for he had to plan for the welfare of all the colored people who were just out of slavery. But General Swayne had one good friend in Washington. Mr. Stanton, the Secretary of War, would go out of his way to help him. Other people called the Secretary of War stern, unapproachable, unkind; but to General Swayne he was all that was kind.

"Once General Swayne stopped at Mr. Stanton's office when on his way to the White House for a conference with the President.

"'I haven't time to see any one,' Secretary Stanton said to his clerk, when informed that someone wanted to see him.

"'But it is General Swayne—'

"'Oh, I will see General Swayne.'

"When General Swayne came in, he couldn't help asking the question in his mind. 'Mr. Stanton,' he said, 'I don't understand your favors to me."

"The Secretary of War smiled. 'When I was a poor, lonely, struggling clerk, in Columbus, your mother sought me out, and, with kind smiles and encouraging words, put new hope and ambition in me. Do you understand now? I remember your mother's smile.'

"And so you see, Elsie, when we set a smile or a kind word adrift, we never know how far it is going to travel, nor whom it will bless. We can only be sure that it will travel, and bless in some degree."

"Thank you for the story mother, and I'll try to be on the lookout for opportunities to send some out."—Christian Standard.

THE TRUTH-TELLING HABIT

A well known publisher told me the other day about an interesting boy. The peculiarity about this boy was that it seemed that he could not tell a lie. He grew up to young manhood without anyone's ever knowing him guilty of an untruth.

My friend, the publisher, whom we will call Thurman, watched this boy carefully and appreciatively from the time he was born until he was grown up, and when he left school he volunteered to help him secure a place. Accordingly he went to the president of a large paper concern and asked if he wanted to make an investment.

"Now, Thurman," declared the manufacturer, "you aren't trying to get me into one of those get-rich-quick schemes, where I am to double my money in three years?"

"No, Regan," said Mr. Thurman, "this is not a get-rich-quick scheme, but you will be sure to double your investment in about ten years."

"Well, that is better. What is the investment?"

"I want you to invest in a boy," said Mr. Thurman, and he gave an account of his young friend and spoke especially of his one peculiarity.

"If you will give him a good trial, you will want to come to me in a few years and thank me for doing you the greatest favor I ever did to your business," he said in conclusion.

The boy went to work. In a few days the vice-president of the company came to Mr. Regan and said, "I want that boy fired."

"Why?" asked the president.

"He won't obey orders."

"What did you order him to do?"

"I told him to substitute a 50-pound Sunburst paper for sixty."

"What did the boy say?"

"He said he couldn't do it because that would not be telling the truth. I told him nobody would ever know the difference."

"What did he reply?"

"He said HE would."

"We can't fire him," said Mr. Regan. "We are too much indebted to Mr. Thurman. Besides, I promised to invest in that boy, and I don't know that it would be fair to take out my investment so soon. Let's try him a while longer."

"Well, if he stays here," growled the vice-president, "we shall have to alter our way of doing business."

The boy stayed and as he grew that big firm did gradually alter its way of doing business. When one young man in charge of a department always insisted on telling the truth, either the company has to get rid of that individual, or else run other departments on the same plan. Strange to say the company found that truth-telling pays.

"How about the boy now?" I asked my friend.

"He has been there ten years," replied Mr. Thurman, "and the other day I went down to their warehouse and inquired about him. The vice-president told me he couldn't get along without him. And when I asked the president, Mr. Regan answered quietly, 'He is going to be the president of this company some day.'"—Youth's World.

WILL YOU READ THIS PERSONAL MESSAGE?

It may mean the beginning of the happiest moment of your life—a complete restoration to health and strength—the thrill of once more feeling that you are well. We want you to read the simple, truthful statement of one of the most noted of Richmond's medical men, a plain, impassioned truth from a man who reached the very highest pinnacle of success as measured by his work and what he did for "The Cause" and for Christian-like humanity. Read this message from—Jud B. Wood, M. D., D. D. S., late President Society Prevention Cruelty to Animals: "For the past three years my office has been in the same building and so situated that I could see and hear what takes place in the office of the 'Fonticello Lithia Water,' and out of thousands of persons who have used this water for various diseases and especially for stomach, bladder, kidney and liver troubles, it is a rare exception that they do not declare that they have either been cured or benefited by its use and a large number of these cures have come under my observation. In some instances where they had no faith in the water until after they had commenced its use, they then became very enthusiastic. I am convinced that it is the peculiar combination of the alkalies in this water that causes it to act so very promptly on the kidneys, skin and lymphatics, thus relieving the system of accumulated poison. I have great faith in Fonticello Lithia Water, and unhesitatingly recommend it to any one who is suffering with dyspepsia, indigestion, urinary and kidney affections, gravel, stone in the bladder, uric acid, rheumatism, and gout."

Fonticello Mineral Water is sold on guarantee. Order two carboys—ten gallons—price $2.00. If it doesn't benefit you we will refund your money.

Fill out this coupon and mail today
Note our guarantee

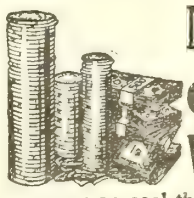
I want to try Fonticello Mineral Water and promise to use it regularly, daily, drinking the number of glasses prescribed in the directions which you agree to send me. If this treatment does not prove beneficial, yoou agree to refund purohase price upon receipt by you of the two empty carboys which I promise to return promptly. Enclosed find $2.00 for which please send me two gallons of Fonticello Mineral Water referred to above.

Name .....
P. O. .....
Express Office .....

Note.—This coupon is our acceptance of above terms and guarantee.

FONTICELLO MINERAL SPRINGS CO.
Dept. C., Richmond, Va.

BLYMYER CHURCH BELLS. UNLIKE OTHER BELLS SWEETER, MORE DURABLE, LOWER PRICE. OUR FREE CATALOGUE TELLS WHY. Write to Cincinnati Bell Foundry Co., Cincinnati, O.



MILLIONS of Dollars WASTED

every year on coal that heats the *chimney* instead of the *room*. Many soft coals burn riotously like shavings, wasting their heat in a long flame up the chimney and in dense smoke and troublesome soot and are quickly reduced to ashes and clinkers. Save big money on your next winter's coal bill by burning Clinchfield—the coal that burns like a hickory back-log—with a short flame and a big bed of intensely hot coals of wonderful *lasting* quality, that radiate their heat into every nook and corner of the room. Clinchfield holds fire over night, saving labor and kindling bills. Hard, clean, lumpy, readily kindled. By far the most *economical* and satisfactory fuel for open grates, stoves and residence furnaces of all types. No trouble with clinkers or choked flues.

Write for literature, freight rate and low summer prices on cars of from 30 to 50 tons each direct from the mines.

Clinchfield Fuel Co.
Desk 12 Spartanburg, S. C.
"THE COAL OF HIGH HEAT VALUE"

JOIN THE NORTH CAROLINA CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE PIANO CLUB See Announcement on Page 1


BIEDERWOLF

JUST OFF THE PRESS!
"The King of Song Books"
"MAKE CHRIST KING, COMBINED"
Combines "Make Christ King" and the "New Make Christ King" with many new songs. (Orchestrated.) Edited by Prof. E. O. EXCELL, DR. W. E. BIEDERWOLF and over 70 leading Evangelists. The "Make Christ King" Song Books have been the best sellers in the United States, having exceeded all sales of any other book by a wide margin. Regardless of expense the editors tried to make this the greatest song book ever published.


EXCELL

Send 15c for Sample Copy. THE GLAD TIDINGS PUBLISHING CO., LAKESIDE BUILDING, CHICAGO, ILL.



A MONUMENT OF REGAL BLUE
is a monument of beauty and permanence

It is a marble that withstands the rigors of every climate; its color is a beautiful deep, unchanging blue. Government tests show the highest resistance to absorption of moisture and the greatest crushing strength. Finished at our own plant in a great variety of designs. Special work to order. Awarded the Gold Medal at the St. Louis Exposition. Regal Blue is the only blue marble produced in the South.

THE REGAL MARBLE CO., - - Regal, N. C.

HERE IS A DESK THAT *Stays Rigid*



because the frame is of extra heavy semi-steel and the wood work is solidly dove-tailed to it. The seats have noiseless hinges and cannot loosen, and are extra wide. The frame has no scroll work to catch dust and the high arch makes sweeping easy. The only desk made in the South. Send for our descriptive catalogue

SOUTHERN DESK COMPANY, Box 2300, HICKORY, N. C.

Methodist Benevolent Association

A Mutual Benefit Brotherhood for Southern Methodists. Issues Whole Life, 20-Premium Life, Term to 60, and Disability Certificates. **Benefits** payable at **death, old age, or disability.** Over $152,000.00 paid to **widows, orphans,** and **disabled.** Over $40,000.00 reserve fund. Write for rates, blanks, etc. ***J. H. Shumaker, Secretary, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.***

Business Preparation--Thorough instruction in Bookkeeping, Banking, Accounting, Shorthand, Typewriting, etc.—rendered at minimum cost in shortest time. ***Either school or home courses.*** Good paying positions secured on completion of either.

Write for our illustrated catalogue and learn how this school is equipped to make something of you in the business world. Address

S. P. BROWN, President, LYNCHBURG, VA.

VIRGINIA COMMERCIAL AND SHORTHAND COLLEGE

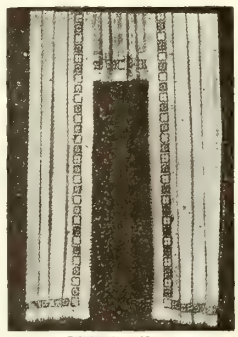
This Beautiful, Ready - to - Hang,
DUTCH VALANCE Scrim Curtain $1.00 Pair Postpaid

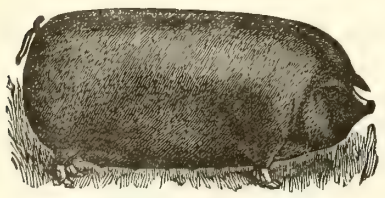
2½ yards x 33 inches Torchon Trimming and Filet insertion. Unusual Value. White or Ecru; wears long and launders.

Colored book showing superb line of Rugs, Upholstery, Covers, Dresses, Bath Robes, etc. Sent FREE. Money back if no tsatisfied.

AGENTS: *Several open Territories for agents. Write for special proposition.*

The Adason Co. 1037 Chestnut St., Dept. B., Philadelphia, Pa.


Picturing K-91
Scrim—$1.00 Pr. Postpaid.



MAMMOTH BLACK

The greatest pork producers ever originated. We originated this hog. One we sold dressed 978 pounds. See statement from the man that raised this hog:

Wallburg, N. C., June 15, 1907.
John A. Young, Greensboro, N. C.
Dear Sir:

I have killed the Mammoth Black pig I bought of you and he dressed 978 lbs. net. Yours truly,
J. L. Guyer.

Until Oct. 1st we will sell at $10.00 each, $15.00 per pair, pigs 8 to 10 weeks old.

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.

THE TWO LOOKS

The servant of Elisha at Dothan saw only the Syrians, but his master saw both the Syrians and the seraphs. Every earthly scene has a setting that is as wide as the whole plan and purpose of God. The Dothan vision was a vision of more than just Dothan, and every man whose eyes the Lord hath opened gains the power to take two looks—one at his immediate surroundings, and the other up into heaven. Unless at every turn of life we visualize our worldly circumstances in the perspective of a celestial vista, we are no better than moral blind men, who at the most can but grope and stumble along the tortuous pathways of life.—Zion's Herald.

THE CARPENTER'S SON

By Annie Johnson Flint

The little shop at Nazareth,
The peaceful life for which it stood,
The clear, strong, ringing hammer-strokes,
The droning saw, the riven wood,
The murmur of the smoothing plane,
The scent of shavings, freshly curled,
When Thou hadst left them all behind
And gone Thy way into the world,
Where men would hate Thee and revile,
And one betray Thee with a kiss,
And one deny, and all forsake—
Was there one added pang in this—

That tools of Thy familiar craft
Should be the things that wounded thee—
The hammer and the driven nails,
The wood of that accursed tree?
Ah, no! Thou Crowned and Crucified,
Thou Power of God that seemed to fail;
'Twas not of wood Thy cross was made,
'Twas not the hammer and the nail
That drove the blows and fixed Thee there,
And pierced Thy hands and feet at last;
Man's hatred and man's sins the cross,
And love—Thy love—that held Thee fast.
—Exc.

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.
Fourth Round

	October
Spring Creek, Antioch	9-10
Hot Springs, night	1
Weaverville Ct., Salem	16-17
Elk Mountain, night	1
Hot Springs & Marshall, Marshall	23-24
Walnut, Jewel Hill, night	24-25
Sulphur Springs, Snow Hill	30-31
Bethel, night	31
	November
Swannanoa, Swannanoa	6-7
Black Mountain, night	7
Biltmore & Mt. Pleasant, Biltmore	14

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C.
Fourth Round

	October
Lilesville, Lilesville	9-10
Trinity, night	10
Polkton, Hopewell	16-17
Unionville, Mill Grove	23-24
North Monroe, N. Monroe, night	24
Marshville, Marshville	30-31
Brevard, night	31
	November
Ansonville, Concord	6-7
Wadesboro, night	7
Dilworth, 11 a. m.	14
Spencer Memorial, 3 p. m.	14
Tryon, night	14

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—James H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.
Fourth Round

	October
Coleridge Ct., Coleridge	9-10
Ramseur and Franklinville, Franklinville	16-17
Deep River, Central Falls	16-17
Uwharrie, Oak Grove	23-24
Denton, Denton	24-25
Randolph, Trinity	30-31
Wesley Memorial, High Point	30-31
Main Street, High Point	31-32
East End	31-32
	November
Asheboro	6-7
Randleman	6-7
West Market	13-14

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Fourth Round

	October
Rutherfordton, Gilkey	9-10
Morganton Ct., Oak Forest	16-17
Connelly Springs	23-24
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Spruce Pine	30-31
	November
Micaville, Martin's Chapel	5
Bald Creek	6-7
Burnsville	7-8
Marion Ct., Capernaum	13-14

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Fourth Round

	October
Mount Airy Ct., Salem	9-10
Danbury, Snow Hill	16-17
Madison and Stoneville, Madison	24-25
Leaksville	26
Spray	27-31
Draper	28-31
	November
Jonesville, Ebenezer	6-7
Elkin	6-7
Ararat, Hunters	13-14

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Fourth Round

	October
Laurel Springs, Laurel Springs	9-10
Helton, Greenwood	16-17
Jefferson, Orion	24
Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro	31

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Fourth Round

	October
Cool Spring Ct., Clarksburg, 11 a. m.	9-10
Race St., Statesville, night	10-11
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 a. m.	16-17
Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, night	17-18
Troutman Ct., Shiloh, 11 a. m.	23-24
Davidson Sta., Davidson, night	24-25
Statesville Ct., N. Statesville, 11 a. m.	30-31
Mooresville Sta., Mooresville, night	31-Nov. 1
	November
Hickory Ct., Fairgrove, 11 a. m.	6-7
Newton Sta., Newton, night	7-8
Maiden Ct., May's Chapel, 11 a. m.,	13-14

Final Meetings

	Octob
Granite Falls and Hudson, Granite Falls, 3 p. m.	
North Lenoir Ct., (all churches)	
Lenoir, 11 a. m.	
West Hickory, (all churches) West Hickory, night	
Alexander Ct., (all churches) Hiddenite, 3 p. m.	
Stony Point Ct., (all churches) Stony Point, 11 a. m.	
Statesville Ct., Marvin, 11 a. m.	
Statesville Ct., Bethel, 3 p. m.	
Mooresville Ct., (all churches) Mooresville, 11 a. m.	
Troutman Ct., (all churches) Troutman, 11 a. m.	
Cool Spring Ct., (all churches) New Salem, 11 a. m.	
Iredell Ct., (all churches) Olin, 11 a. m.	
	Novemb
Catawba Ct., (all churches) Catawba, 11 a. m.	
Statesville Ct., Bethlehem, 11 a. m.	
Race St., Statesville, night	
Davidson Sta., Davidson, night	
Mt. Zion-Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 11 a. m.	

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder
Fourth Round

	Octob
Polkville, Casar	9-
Lowesville, Salem	16-
Mt. Holly, Mt. Holly	17-
Rock Spring, W. Chapel	23-
Crouse, Crouse	30-
	Novemb
Shelby Ct., Sharon	

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. War Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.
Fourth Round

	Octob
Albemarle, Central, 11 a. m.	
Albemarle, First Street, night	
Albemarle Ct., Pine Grove	16-
Salem Ct., Salem	17-
Concord Ct., Rocky Ridge	24-
Westford, night	
Bethel and Loves Chapel	30-
	Novemb
Gold Hill Ct., Zion	6
New London Ct., Bethel	7
Kannapolis Ct., Shiloh	13-
Kannapolis Sta., night	

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Co dell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C.
Fourth Round

	Octob
Haysville Ct.	9-
Ranger Ct., Rodgers	13-
Andrews Station	
Franklin Ct., Bethel	
Franklin Station	
Macon Ct., Mt. Zion	24-
Highlands Ct., Highlands	
Glenville Ct., East Laporte	30-
	Novemb
Clyde Ct., East Waynesville	
Waynesville Station	
Canton Station	

WINSTON DISTRICT—Hugh K. Boy Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C.
Fourth Round

	Octo
Farmington, Smith Grove	9
Cooleemee, night	
Walkertown, 11 a. m.	
Advance, Advance	16
Lewisville, New Hope	23
Davie, Hardison	30
Mocksville, night	29
	Novem
Kernersville, Kernersville	



INTERNATIONAL
PRECIOUS PROMIS
BIBLE Just Issued

All the precious promises stan out like the milky way in the hea ens. Helpful and inspiring. Han somely illustrated. Complete stud helps, family record, maps, et Low price. Send for special offe

High-grade representatives wanted.
INTERNATIONAL BIBLE

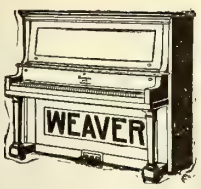
are noted for their accuracy, com pleteness and mechanical perfectio 600 styles provide for every taste type, bindings, study helps, et Liberal discount. Catalog FREE.

THE JOHN C. WINSTON COMPANY, 430 Winston Bldg., Philadelphia

This is the mark of HIGH QUALI in ready-to-wear garments women and children. Hon work, best materials, cor styles. Ask your dealer GRIMBALL GARMEN and verify the trade mark.

GRIMBALL GARMENTS
SPARTANBURG S.C.
GRIMBALL MFG. COMPAN Spartanburg, S. C.

Weaver Piano Endorsed by Musicians and Family Alike.



"The Weaver Piano that I purchased from you several years ago still has the remarkable clear and sweet tone that has satisfied so many musicians who have played on it. We are frank to say that it has more than pleased our whole family in every respect.

The tone and action is—and has been—all that we could expect of any instrument."

Yours truly,
JNO. T. WILKINS.

Mr. Wilkins is the wholesale grocery man of Hendersonville, N. C. The same pure tone qualities of the Weaver Piano that have appealed to his musical friends have endeared it to Mr. Wilkins' family.

Why Do Weaver Pianos Please?

Because we have been building pianos and organs for forty-five years and have never manufactured any instrument except a good one. Our whole ambition has been to conduct a business that would grow a little higher in the respect of the public each year. That kind of a business house pays and it is a pleasure to be connected with it. Our present position as manufacturers of the Weaver—the highest standard of piano quality so far attained—is due to that ambition.

You wouldn't be surprised that Weaver pianos last a life time if you knew the methods, men and materials on which their reputation is based. Weaver pianos are used and endorsed by many of the world's leading musicians, including Alice Nielsen, Mme. Homer, Victor Herbert, Frank La Forge, Frank Croxton and many others.

We also make and sell the Charming Toned York Piano, the Popular Livingston Piano and the Celebrated Weaver Organ.

They may be obtained on terms to suit your convenience.

These instruments are everywhere conceded to be

THE LEADING LINE

Send immediately for catalogue and prices.

Weaver Organ & Piano Co., Manufacturers, York, Pa.

Time Table Watauga & Yadkin River Railroad Co. and Connections

WESTBOUND					STATIONS—So. Ry.	EASTBOUND		
A. M. 8 15 9 30		A. M. 8 15 9 30			Eastern Time Lv Greensboro Ar Winston-Salem	P. M. 9 15 6 35	P. M. 9 15 6 35	
5 Sun. Only	3 Sun. Only	1 Daily Ex. Sa. Su.	7 Sat. Only	Miles	STATIONS W. & Y. R. R. R.	2 Daily Ex. Sun.	4 Sun. Only	6 Sun. only
P. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.		Eastern Time	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
4 30	10 15	2 00	2 00		Lv N. Wilkesboro Ar	10 20	10 00	5 15
4 35f	10 20f	2 04f	2 05f	1	Gordon	9 59f	9 57f	5 12f
4 41f	10 31f	2 19f	2 15f	5	Brown's Ford	6 44f	9 46f	5 00f
4 46f	10 38f	2 28f	2 26f	7	Minton	9 34f	9 37f	4 52f
4 54f	10 46f	2 38f	2 35f	9	Goshen	9 24f	9 29f	4 44f
5 06f	10 55f	2 51f	2 51f	11	Marley Ford	9 07f	9 18f	4 33f
5 16f	11 05f	3 00f	3 00f	13	Goulds	8 55f	9 03f	4 18f
5 26s	11 13s	3 12s	3 20s	16	Ferguson	8 43s	8 53s	4 08s
5 35s	11 20s	3 25s	3 40s	19	Elkville	8 33s	8 45s	4 00s
5 36	11 22	3 30	3 45		Elkville Junction	8 30	8 43	3 58
	11 33f		4 00f	20	McNeils	8 15f	8 33f	3 48f
	11 42		4 15	23	Denny	8 10	8 25	3 40
				27	Darby			
	11 43		4 16	23	Denny	8 00	8 24	3 39
	11 48f		4 25f	20	McNeils	7 20f	8 16f	3 31f
	11 54		4 30		Elkville Junction	7 10	8 10	3 25
5 45	12 04	4 00	4 40	21	Grandin	7 00	8 00	3 15

f Stop on Signal s Regular Stop

NOTE—Trains will commence running to Darby about Sept. 15.

LIST OF OFFICERS

W. J. GRANDIN, President - - - - - - - - - - Grandin, N. C.
M. K. McMULLEN, Vice-President - - - - - - - - Pittsburg, Pa.
R. T. ROSSELL, Secretary - - - - - - - - - - Pittsburg, Pa.
W. W. BEATY, Treasurer - - - - - - - - - - - Warren, Pa.
H. C. LANDON, General Manager - - - - - - North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

A mutual fire insurance company, organized, owned and operated by the Methodist Church in North Carolina, for the purpose of furnishing protection for church property and personal property of preachers at ACTUAL COST.

Write for information and rates.

W. E. WEBB, Secretary **Statesville, N. C.**

Children's Home

Fifth Sunday Collections

Jacob E. Setzer, Newton S. S., $10.00; A. C. Walser, Cooleemee S. S., $1.72; W. H. Cartner, Cleveland, South River S. S., $1.00; R. E. Bundy, Jamestown S. S., $3.00. Total, $15.72.

Received on General and Special Support and Ten Per Cent. Assessment

Mrs. Myrtle Wooten, Winston-Salem, $10.00; C. D. Binkley, Winston-Salem, $5.00; C. M. Grier, Macon, Ga., $30.00; Rev. Dwight W. Brown, McAdenville Sta., $5.35; S. T. Coburn, Salisbury, S. Main St. S. S., $23.00; Biltmore S. S., $2.31; Mrs. Rosa L. Roth, Elkin, $100.00; A. H. Eller, Trust Officer, Winston-Salem, $150.00; James A. Gray, Jr., Winston-Salem, $60.00. Total, $385.66.

Building Fund—Rev. J. H. West, Agt.

Wm. F. Bradley, Sec., Gastonia, Baraca and Philathea classes, $12.50; Main Street S. S., Gastonia, $21.10; Mrs. A. O. Allison, $1.00; Mrs. J. M. Sullivan, $1.00; Norvell Ketron, $1.00; Glover P. Ledford, $1.00; Lura Sullivan, $1.00; W. F. Allen, $1.00; promiscuous collection, $3.55, all from Hayesville' Mrs. Bessie J. Ramseur, Lincolnton, $2.00; L. H. Phillips, Newton, $2.00; Annie Cook, Newton, $2.50; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McClure, Hayesville, $10.00. Total, $59.65.

Note

Our fiscal year ended with the 30th of September, and the above report includes only those remittances which were received up to the close of that day. Those which were received later in the week will be acknowledged in next week's report.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS HELPING

A few days ago the following letter reached our office:

"Selma, N. C., Sept. 27, 1915.

"Rev. R. L. Davis,
Raleigh, N. C.
Dear Bro. Davis:

"Sunday, the 19th, while studying temperance Sunday school lesson, I took up collection in our Sunday school for temperance work in our state, and enclose herewith check for $3.50. This is a small amount but is donated by our school and we trust you will accept and use to good advantage. May God bless you in your work.

"Yours sincerely,
"W. H. Call, Supt."

To know that one Sunday school superintendent has volunteered to give his school an opportunity to contribute to our work was quite refreshing. How easy it would be for the various Sunday schools throughout the state to follow Brother Call's example and, on one Sunday morning during the year, to take a collection to help on the Anti-Saloon League work! And an average of two or three dollars from a thousand or two Sunday schools would put much money in our treasury to help us press the battle for the extermination of the beverage liquor traffic. I hope other Sunday school superintendents who read these lines will resolve to follow his example.

Sincerely, R. L. Davis, Supt.,
N. C. Anti-Saloon League.

RECIPE FOR GRAY HAIR

To half a pint of water add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbo Compound and ¼ oz. of glycerine. Apply to the hair twice a week until it becomes the desired shade. Any druggist can put this up or you can mix it at home at very little cost. Full directions for making and use come in each box of Barbo Compound. It will gradually darken streaked, faded gray hair, and removes dandruff. It is excellent for falling hair and will make harsh hair soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Trains leave Greensboro as follows:

N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information and are not guaranteed.

12:55 a. m.—No. 112, daily. Local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh which may be boarded at 9:30 p. m. and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m

1:47 a. m.—No. 30, daily. Birminghar Special. Pullman drawing room sleepin cars Birmingham and Augusta to New York, and Birmingham and Jacksonvill to Washington. Observation sleeping car Atlanta to Richmond. Tourist sleeper for Washington from San Francisco. Din ing car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars New York to Birmingham an Augusta, and Washington to Jacksonville and Birmingham. Observation sleeping car Richmond to Atlanta. Tour ist sleeping car Washington to San Francisco via Sunset Route. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:45 a. m.—No. 11, daily. Local for Atlanta and points south. Pullman sleepnig cars Richmond to Charlotte and Norfolk to Asheville. Coaches.

7:15 a. m.—No 37, daily. NEW YORK, ATLANTA AND NEW ORLEANS LIMITED. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section drawing room sleeping cars New York to New Orleans, Asheville and Macon. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service. No coaches.

7:30 a. m.—No 108, daily. Local for Raleigh and intermediate points.

7:30 a. m.—No. 154, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

8:10 a. m.—No. 44, daily. For Washington and points north.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily. For Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Handles Pullman sleeping car for Winston-Salem from Raleigh.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily. For Mt. Airy.

9:40 a. m.—No. 144 daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Free reclining chair car Charlotte to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily. For Salisbury, Statesville and Asheville. Connecting at Asheville with Carolina Special which handles through sleepers for Cincinnati and Chicago.

12:45 p. m.—No. 130, daily. For Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

12:50 p. m.—No. 45, daily. For Charlotte, connecting with trains for Columbia and Seneca.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Washington, New York and points north. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

2:00 p. m.—No. 207, daily. For Winston-Salem, connecting daily, except Sunday, with trains for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daily except Sunday. For Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily. For Mt. Airy.

6:30 p. m.—No. 35, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham. Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham, and Charlotte to Atlanta. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily. For Winston-Salem.

6:40 p. m.—No. 46, daily. For Danville.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily. For Sanford.

7:24 p. m.—No. 43, daily. For Charlotte, connecting with No. 35 for the South.

10:15 p. m.—No. 12, daily. For Richmond and Norfolk. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Asheville to Norfolk.

10:20 p. m.—No. 233, daily. For Winston-Salem.

11:20 p. m.—No. 38, daily. THE NEW YORK, ATLANTA AND NEW ORLEANS LIMITED. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section, drawing room and compartment sleeping cars New Orleans, Macon and Asheville to New York. Dining car service. No coaches.

E. H. COAPMAN, Vice-President and General Manager, Washington, D. C.

W. H. TAYLOE, Passenger Traffic Manager, Washington, D. C.

H. F. CARY, General Passenger Agent, Washington, D. C.

C. G. PICKARD, Passenger and Ticket Agent, Greensboro, N. C.

R. H. DeBUTTS, Division Passenger Agent, Charlotte, N. C.

Everybody Delighted

With the

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Piano Club

Music Teachers, Farmers, Preachers, Lawyers, Doctors, Merchants, Mechanics, Bankers, Manufacturers, Professors, Clerks, Stenographers---members of every conceivable occupation express their delight and unqualified approval in the strongest possible terms.

There has not yet occurred a single discordant note in the great chorus of praise of the Club and its superb instruments.

Why? Read the answer in the following letters, selected at random from the Club's correspondence.

From a Music Teacher

"I have had my Ludden & Bates piano since last September and would not part with it for anything like the amount I paid for it, unless I could get another one exactly like it."

From a Minister

"The piano arrived in good time and in first class condition and we find that it measures up in every particular to what you claimed for it. We are delighted with it and take pride in showing it. The first comment after a test is, 'Oh, hasn't it a sweet tone?' and the next is, 'What did it cost?' and then, 'Where did you get it?'

"The wonder is how a piano of its appearance and tone can be sold on the terms on which you offer it. The Club plan is a blessing to the poor man who must buy and would not otherwise be able."

On receipt of our letter thanking him for his indorsement this minister replied as follows:—"You are certainly welcome to my testimonial, but if it had not been true you could not have pumped it out of me with a high-power engine. All that I said is true and more. We would not think of trading it off or back, no, not for four hundred dollars, except to make the same trade again."

From a Merchant

"After carefully investigating the catalogues of other music houses I am of the opinion that the Club plan has given us a much better piano than I could have bought elsewhere for the same money. We are very much plasd with the self-player piano."

From Another Minister

"We are delighted with our piano in every way. The case is beautiful and the tone and action superior to many of far greater cost. I want to thank you also for the courtesy and fairness shown. It is a delight to deal with a firm with such a sense of fairness."

From an Experienced Musician

"In 1877 I bought my first Ludden & Bates piano, although it has had a hard road these thirty-five years it is still a good old piano, has never been tuned but three times. I couldn't begin to enumerate the profit and pleasure it has given me. My second Ludden & Bates piano promises to be what the firm claims for it. I have used it one month and must say it is remarkable how so good an instrument can be purchased at such a low price. I am now planning to buy a Ludden & Bates player-piano for my little grand-daughter. I do not derogate any other make of pianos, but I do speak in the highest praise of the Ludden & Bates and the Club Managers."

From a Farmer and His Wife

"We have had the Ludden & Bates piano almost a year and would not take twice the amount of money that we paid for it. If we were to want to buy a dozen more we would buy a Ludden & Bates piano every time."

From a Physician

"The Ludden & Bates Cabinet Grand Upright Piano which I bought through the Club more than six months ago has been a source of great pleasure to my whole family. I am well pleased with the Club plan and think that the tone and workmanship of this piano cannot be surpassed. I was in touch with several piano concerns before buying and decided to join the Club. I shall never regret it. I congratulate you upon being able to sell so fine an instrument on such reasonable terms."

From a Salesman's Wife

"The piano is a treasure. Everyone remarks on its sweetness of tone and it has been so much pleasure to our family. The Club places the piano in so many homes that otherwise would have to wait an indefinite time to buy. Please accept our sincere thanks for your courteous treatment."

From a Banker

"The piano received O. K. and am delighted with it."

From a Mechanic

"Enclosed you will find Post Office Money Order for $10 part payment on piano. The more we play our piano and call our friends in to see it, and hear them play it, the better we like it. We are more than delighted with it."

From a Teacher

"I have been using the Ludden & Bates piano almost a year and I am more than pleased with it. Its tone is the sweetest. It has not yet needed tuning and has been used daily for ten months. I certainly appreciate the Club's plan of selling."

From a Business Man

"I had quite a job when I announced myself in the market for a piano, but I walked over all of the inducements and joined the Club. I know that I could not have been suited better for the Club is all and more than you claim for it."

From a School Trustee

"The piano obtained through the Club is being used in the Musical Department of the School here and all are highly pleased with it. We feel that we saved from $75.00 to $125.00 by purchasing through the Club."

From a Doctor's Wife

"The piano reached me safely last Monday and I am highly pleased with it. The case is beautiful and the tone so mellow and sweet. Everyone who has seen it likes it."

From a School Teacher

"I have received the piano and am well pleased with it. Everyone that sees it says it is a beauty. The Club plan is fine."

From a Little Girl

"I have had my piano nearly a year and I have learned to play. It has a very sweet tone and is admired by all. I think every girl who wants a piano can join the Club and make the payments and never miss it. I appreciate what you have done for me and hope that this will be a prosperous year for you."

From a College Professor

"It is a pleasure for me to state that the beautiful Ludden & Bates Upright piano has, after a thorough test, proved more than satisfactory. The beauty both in design and finish can only be surpassed by its pure, rich tone. It is a piano for the best and most discriminating musicians."

From a Church Official

"I will say that the church is pleased with the Club plan. The piano is first class in material, workmanship and construction—fine tone, clear, soft and musical. It is an extra fine instrument for the price. The plan of payment is good sound and satisfactory."

From a Postmaster

"The piano arrived in perfect condition and is a beautiful instrument. The tone is full and sweet. It is satisfactory in every particular. I heartily recommend the Club's method of buying a piano."

From a Stenographer

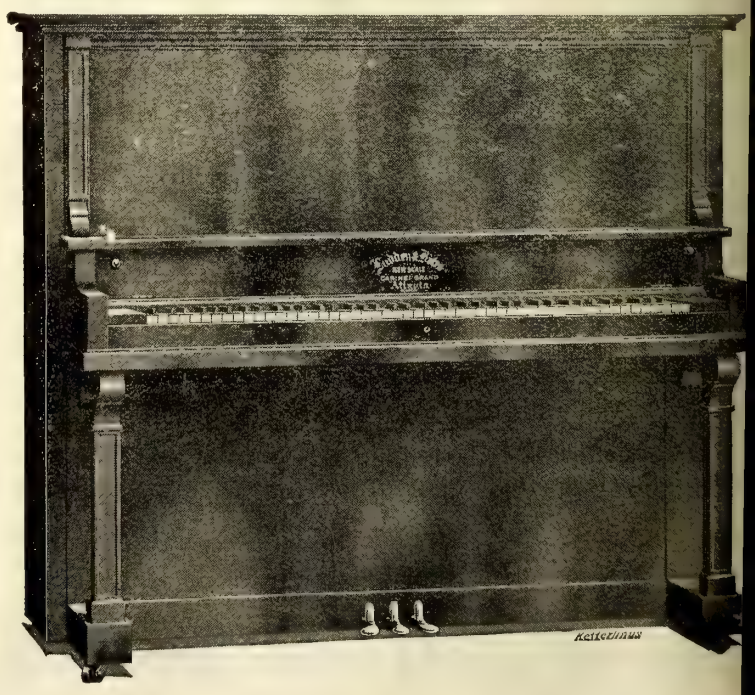
"I have received my piano and I am certainly pleased with it in every respect."

From a Farmer's Wife

"I am perfectly delighted with my piano. I think the Club plan a capital idea."

Everybody Pleased

If space permitted we could publish more than twenty times this number of commendatory letters from Club members. Where **everybody is pleased** there **must** be some **unusual** cause. The Club's Catalog explains the reason.



The Club provides six beautiful styles to select from including a Parlor Grand, three Cabinet Grand Uprights, and a Self-player piano.

Write for your copy of the Club's Catalogue and take advantage of the big saving in price, the convenient terms and the many attractive features that make piano buying so easy, safe and economical. Address the managers.

LUDDEN & BATES

North Carolina Christian Advocate
Piano Club Department,

ATLANTA, GA

VOLUME LX NUMBER 41

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

GREENSBORO, N. C., THURSDAY, OCTOBER ,14 1915

Reading Room Trinity College

I Know He Orders All My Ways

E. H. FOSS

I know he orders all my ways;
The sunshine and the cloudy days,
The hours of pain, the hours of joy,
My days of leisure, and employ.
When toil is arduous and severe
'Tis then I feel his presence near;
And in the hours of deepest grief
He brings me comfort and relief.

I know he orders all my ways;
True to his word he always stays---
Close to my side, displays his power
In the insidious tempter's hour;
With gentle hand he draws me near,
And drives away all sense of fear;
Pillows my head upon his breast,
And soothes my spirit into rest.

I know he orders all my ways;
His Spirit o'er my spirit plays
Like the soft zephyr born in June
Sets all the wind harp-strings in tune,
So to the measure of his will
To melody my heartstrings thrill,
And frames an anthem formed of praise---
I know he orders all my ways.

—*Pittsburgh Christian Advocate.*

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

EDITORIAL

BISHOP LAMBUTH TO PRESIDE

Rev. Dr. James H. Weaver, presiding elder of the Greensboro District, has been officially notified that Bishop W. R. Lambuth will preside over the Western North Carolina Conference at Reidsville. Bishop Waterhouse is still unable to take up active work and it is thought best for him not to undertake the long trip across the continent from his home in Los Angeles.

There will be universal regret that Bishop Waterhouse can not be with us. His administration last year was preeminently satisfactory and there was apparently a universal desire to have him return. However, as he can not be here, Bishop Lambuth will be warmly welcomed. Perhaps no member of the College of Bishops is more widely known or more highly esteemed than Bishop Lambuth, his many years service as Secretary of Missions having brought him close to the people. The Conference will give Bishop Lambuth a cordial welcome.

MOVEMENT FOR HOSPITAL

A meeting of physicians, ministers and representative citizens was held in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday night of last week, and another meeting at the Y. M. C. A. on Monday of this week. At the first meeting it was agreed to undertake the establishment of a hospital with every modern facility for the treatment and nursing of patients, and a committee was appointed to work out the details of the plan.

It is understood that a substantial sum is already in sight and that all the Protestant churches are to be brought into co-operation. The Advocate most heartily endorses this movement and will do everything possible to assist in bringing it to a successful issue. Present hospital accommodations in the city are wholly inadequate and unsatisfactory and the situation should be remedied as early as possible.

Dr. J. W. Long and other leading physicians are interested, and we have no doubt that with their co-operation the hospital is assured.

WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN

On Friday night of last week, this great Commoner spoke in the Grand Opera House in this city. He spoke under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A., and he had a full house.

This was our first opportunity to hear Mr. Bryan since he left the cabinet of Mr. Wilson. We confess that we were not reconciled fully to this apparently eccentric move on the part of Mr. Bryan. It seemed at the time too much like one running away from an unpleasant job and leaving his friend and associate to fight it out the best he could. Since hearing this address, however, on the subject of War and Peace we confess to a change of mind. Mr. Bryan, as an advocate of peace and as a great public teacher of the American people on the menace of militarism and the folly of undertaking to promote peace by arming themselves to the teeth, can do more for the public weal than he ever could have done as a cabinet officer.

Mr. Bryan spoke one hour and was enthusiastically applauded when he expressed the hope that America would keep out of this war and be in position to act as peace-maker at the first opportunity. He was also cheered when he paid his respects to that class who put themselves in the way of danger and thus imperil the peace of the whole country.

There was neither flaw nor fallacy in anything Mr. Bryan said, and we bid him Godspeed on his mission of peace.

DEATH OF DR. C. F. REID

Rev. Clarence F. Reid, D. D., Secretary of the Laymen's Missionary Movement of our church, died October 7 at the home of his sister, Mrs. G. N. Buffington, Erlanger, Ky. From the Southern Methodist Handbook of 1912 we get the following sketch of his life: "Son of Dr. G. L. Reid and Louisa Tilotson Reid; born July 19, 1849, at South Oxford, Chenango county, N. Y. His father died when C. F. Reid was seven years old. The son then lived with his uncle at Binghamton, N. Y., where also his mother lived. He attended the schools of Binghamton. He attended also the State Normal School, at Fredonia. He was converted at St. Louis, Mich., and joined th eMethodist Episcopal Church at Sardis, Mason County, Ky. He was licensed to preach at Sardis in 1874. He preached his first sermon at the old Shannon church, in Mason county, Ky. In September, 1874, he was admitted on trial into the Kentucky Annual Conference. He was appointed as missionary to China by Bishop Pierce in 1878. He was appointed Superintendent of the Korea Mission by Bishop Hendrix in 1896. He was appointed Superintendent of the Woman's Home Mission Society work on the Pacific coast in 1903. He was also a representative of the Board of Missions on the Pacific coast in 1903. He was twice President of the China Mission Conference. From 1880 to 1884 he was the presiding elder of the Soochow District, China Mission Conference; 1886-90, presiding elder of the Shanghai District; 1892-96, Shanghai Station; from 1896 to 1903 in Korea, except for a year or more spent in the United States; from 1903 to 1909, Superintendent of Oriental Missions on the Pacific coast. In 1910 he was elected General Secretary of the Laymen's Missionary Movement (Re-elected in 1913). He was a delegate to the Ecumenical Conference in 1891 and to the General Conference of 1902. He was married twice—first to Miss May Bowman Wightman, May 1, 1877; then to Mrs. Blanche Miller, January 7, 1903. There are six living children—four sons and two daughters. For the past several years he had been a member of the North Alabama Conference."

Dr. Reid had been in feeble health since early in this year; and in May, at the annual meeting of the Board of Missions, he was granted an indefinite leave of absence and went to Erlanger, Ky. He returned to Nashville several weeks ago and entered actively upon his work; but he soon realized that his strength was not equal to the task, and only a few days previous to his death went back to the home of his sister, in Erlanger, Ky.

ECCLESIASTICAL ANARCHISTS

Are there any such? The expression may sound harsh, but there is no other form by which we may truly characterize a certain type more or less prevalent in all congregations.

Webster defines an anarchist as "one who advocates anarchy or aims at the overthrow of civil government." He defines anarchy as "absence of government; a state of lawlessness; political confusion; confusion or disorder in general." Of course this is a definition of anarchy as it relates to civil government. To all intents and purposes the promoter of disorder and disloyalty in church affairs is in the same class with the political anarchist. He is not only insubordinate himself, but he makes himself busy sowing the spirit of disaffection and stirring up the spirit of discontent. Such a character is to be dreaded anywhere; especially in the church.

Discussing this subject at some length under the head of "The Church," the editor of the Midland Methodist says:

There are some who actually flout "loyalty to the church." Not outsiders, but insiders—not infidels, but communicants. They affect a motive superior to that cry of loyalty." They would have us believe that there is a taint of the ignoble in truckling to the cry. They pant for the breath of freedom. They would throw off strait-jackets. They want to do just what they want to do. It is the fallacy of the fad.

Slip up (if that is permissible), and hear these same individuals talk of "voting the "straight ticket." Catch the intonation of their devotion to the "party." Watch them roll up their sleeves for the lodge. Now, tell us, please, why loyalty to a platform is one thing, and loyalty to the church is something else? What possible question can there be in making an extra effort to save the honor of the church, when extra efforts are so often made to save the honor of a lodge, or a political party, or a syndicate?

Just now we have some laymen in the church who are turning a deaf ear to appeals for help on behalf of our benevolences. They find flaws in the method of assessing benevolences. They imagine that the particular class to which they belong has suffered gross indignities in these same assessments. Somebody has oppressed them. Somebody has plotted against them. Somebody has ignored them. The time is ripe, they think, to teach a lesson by absent treatment. They will sidestep any contribution, and watch the effect. More than this, they will build barriers in the way of the liberality of others. They will discourage the rallying of loyal souls.

Is not the essence of ecclesiastical anarchy in such a spirit? And are we not in serious danger, if persons of this disposition take the lead? To do the very best that each church member can do is a duty, regardless of boards of assessments, or supposed inequalities in these assessments. The man who is able to do more than he has been doing, but refuses because some other crowd is not doing its part, is missing something in his vision.

The funny part of this crooked conclusion—if there can be anything funny about a conclusion so serious—is the fact that almost every pastoral charge in Methodism has somebody in it who feels that it is over assessed." Perfect regulation and adjustment of assessments may never come. Are we to rebel on this account? Shall we give our spiritual mother a black eye because some of her children have not acted precisely as we think they should have done? The boy or girl who refuses to help mother because brother or sister has not helped enough is pitifully little.

"Loyalty" is a good word, and the thing itself is superfine. If to country we are ready to bestow bronze medals, and swords, and glory; if to party we elevate to office, or to patronage; if to a community plan for public improvement, we enroll on the scroll of good citizenship, i sthere not a real place for loyalty to the church? Not only in a financial way, but is there not a real place in movements to build churches, to hold evangelistic campaigns, to support a pastoral administration? Should not all good members put aside petty differences—the imaginary grounds for sulking—and do everything possible to defend and support the church?

THE QUESTION OF UNION

On the question of union of the two great bodies of Methodism in America, it will be of interest to our readers to get the view of Bishop J. C. Hartzell, one of the older Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal church. Writing to the Central Christian Advocate of Kansas City, he says:

Dear Dr. Spencer:—Among the piles of letters and papers awaiting me at Madeira Islands April 30, were several Central Christian Advocates. This note is to say, that in my judgment, you are doing a very great and important work, in informing the church what the proposition from our Southern brethren, for the "Union by Re-organization" of American Methodism proposed by them, really means.

The scheme as presented from the South maintains the best traditions among Southern statesmen and church leaders, for far reaching diplomatic shrewdness and assurance.

Twenty-five years of my official life spent in the Southern States, during half of which I was a resident of New Orleans, gave me rare opportunities for understanding the mind of the Southern people on sectional questions, political and religious.

The Southern Methodist brethren have been consistent from first to last, in saying they did not want or propose to have, direct organic union. I have always admired their positive frankness upon this matter, and have felt that the constant urging of union by some of our people was not wise. At the Southern General Conference following the Cape May decision, which gave official sanction to fraternal relations, and where Dr. Chas. H. Fowler and General Clinton B. Fiske were our delegates, it was distinctly stated by Southern speakers that they did not want organic union, and if fraternity meant that, they did not want fraternity. From that position there has been but little if any change among the great body of Southern Methodists for a half century.

The Southern scheme means a practically unanimous declaration that organic union is impractical and should not now be further considered. To this our own Commission has consented.

The plan also means that not until the Methodist Episcopal Church is willing to put away her black people; say to our over 300,000 white members in the South, "You must go into the Southern Church;" and also is willing to divide into the Methodist Episcopal Church, North, including the territory practically north of Ohio and east of Missouri; and into the Methodist Episcopal Church West, including the balance; and not until our General Conference in 1916 agrees to the proposed "Union by Reorganization," and appoints a Commission on Unification—will the Southern Church even appoint a commission to represent its proposed plan. The following is the action of the Southern General Conference: "Should the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1916 declare itself in favor of unification, through the plan of reorganization, and should appoint a Commission on Unification, separate from the Federal Council of Methodism, the representatives of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, are hereby instructed and empowered to appoint a similar commission, which shall serve until the meeting of the next General Conference." We must accept the "plan" already fixed, and consent to its being carried out on lines already laid down, and appoint a commission to represent us, before the authors of the plan will authorize any man or men to confer with our representatives.

Think of the many constitutional questions involved in this "organic union by reorganization" scheme; as to the demarkation of territories, the division of vast missionary, publication and other connectional interests. Then these questions have to be voted upon and carried by a two-thirds vote if adopted in the Annual Ministerial and Lay Electoral Conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church, but probably not before two or three quadraniums of discussion, agitation and General Conference action. I am one who believes that the vote if ever taken, which is very doubtful indeed, will be overwhelmingly in tihe negative; and I also believe that the relations of the churches will be less harmonious, than if with the impractibility of organic union having been settled, they had gone forward as they are, with fraternal relations, each church doing the work of God as given her, with increasing efficiency.

NOTE AND COMMENT

An Event of Supreme Interest during the past week was the announcement on Wednesday, October 6th, of the engagement of President Woodrow Wilson to Mrs. Norman Galt, of Washington City. The press special announcing the engagement on Wednesday says:

The brief announcement from the White House made by Secretary Tumulty came as a surprise to official Washington, but to a number of intimate friends it has long been expected. From this circle came tonight the story of friendship whose culmination was viewed as a happy turn in the troubled and lonely life of the Nation's Chief Executive. * * * Mrs. Galt is the widow of a well-known business man of Washington, who died eight years ago, leaving a jewelry business that still bears his name. She has lived in Washington since her marriage in 1896. She is about 38 years old and was Miss Edith Bolling, born in Wytheville, Va., where her girlhood was spent and where her father, William H. Bolling, was a prominent lawyer.

* * * *

Emperor Francis Joseph, of Austria, is said to be dangerously ill, and the Austrian Crown Prince has been called to Vienna. The news, it is stated, has been kept secret up to this time for fear of the influence it might have upon the international situation. The Emperor celebrated his eighty-fifth birthday, August 18th.

* * * *

Discussing the Subject of Preparedness the editor of Charity and Children hits the nail on the head. He says:

Armament means war—it always has and always will. The man with the gun is more apt to get into trouble than the man without one. The chip on a man's shoulder invites somebody to knock it off. A great standing army and a big navy is a challenge, that is sure to be accepted. Besides, an expensive military establishment means the promotion of the war spirit. Frowning cannon and gleaming bayonets do not promote the spirit of peace. They tell us that we are utterly defenseless, and yet we have lived, and prospered as a nation and nobody has attempted to come over and gobble us up. * * * The jingoes are jumping up and cracking their heels together and demanding that we get ready to whip everything in sight. There is method in all their madness. "Preparedness" has in it millions of money for thousands of thrifty speculators. * * * * The Quakers are on the right track. We have more army and navy now than we need. A Christian people ought to put their trust in a higher power than in brute force. The way to preserve peace is to be peaceful in spirit.

* * * *

The United States has definitely agreed with the Pan-American representatives to extend recognition to Caranza as the head of the Mexican government. It is said that the announcement of this has caused great rejoicing in Mexico City, and it is believed that peace and order will soon be restored to the country. It is understood that General Villa will continue to fight, but it is not thought that he can hold out long.

* * * *

While War Rages there are many indications of a growing peace sentiment. In Sweden, Albert Wickman, a Baptist preacher at Lund, has started a movement which is said to be a decided revival of the old Anabaptist doctrine of non-resistance. True to his convictions he practised passive resistance when he was drafted into the army and suffered imprisonment for seven months. After his liberation he began to travel through Sweden to spread his views of the sinfulness of war both for the nation and for the individual. He teaches men that we belong to the human family more than to a certain nation. War is, in his view, a forsaking of the Prince of Peace and a denial of His cause. More than 3,000 Swedish young men have joined his association, which bids its members rather to die than to serve in war for the killing of fellow men.

* * * *

The Wreck and Devastation of War will make a more and more effectual appeal to the sober judgment of those who are the teachers of this generation. Already there is an undercurrent of thought among the masses which must assert itself finally in the overthrow of the war spirit. Referring to the work of Mr. Wickman in Sweden, an exchange says:

"This idea, so boldly uttered by Wickman is undoubtedly living in the breasts of thousands of citizens of the warring countries who, crushed by the war and mourning their dead, begin to ask the question whether war is after all the logical and final means of settling international disputes, and whether the children of the twentieth century have not outgrown this crude and cruel and bloody way of settlement. The psychological developments of this terrible struggle are intensely interesting, and undoubtedly they will grow to be more so as the war drags its weary length."

Immense Damage was done to our church property in New Orleans by the recent hurricane. Of all the churches only the Carrelton Avenue escaped without damage.

* * * *

Speaking of the Ministerial Age Limit an exchange says that the "inducement" offered to a minister in the Methodist Church to quit at sixty-five is the hue and cry for youngsters for the pulpits, elbowing the sixty-fivers to the back pews and the back lots. It is not always so; but why should it be so at all?

* * * *

The Methodist Episcopal Church (North) is now rapidly making up the delegation for the approaching General Conference. Referring to this the editor of the Central Christian Advocate says: "Secretary Hingeley is reported as saying that eighty per cent. of the ministerial delegates in the next General Conference will be new men. Presumably the percentage among the laity will be even higher. Not one of the delegates, ministerial or lay, from the Des Moines Conference has ever represented the Conference before. Not one of the nine ministerial delegates and but one of the nine lay delegates from the Nebraska Conference were in the last General Conference."

* * * *

Let the Fearful Ones take courage. The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, has more students registered now in their two new universities than we ever had in Vanderbilt. This is true both as to the academic and theological departments. Our neighbor, Brother Massey, editor of the Raleigh Christian Advocate, called attention to this last week, and calls attention also to another fact that very likely most of our people have overlooked, that is, that the total assets of our Southern Methodist University, at Dallas, Texas, and Emory University, of Atlanta, amount already to considerably more than Vanderbilt, including Carnegie's million which precipitated the hubbub.

* * * *

In the Pioneer Days when the red man still inhabited the country, there lived in the Yadkin valley of Western North Carolina a man whom these Indians delighted to refer to as "the just white man." While there were many raids and massacres perpetrated by the Indians, and most of the white people lived in constant dread of them, this man was never disturbed, and tradition says that he lived a long life in perfect peace and neighborliness with them. There was never a time when there was the least particle of danger, notwithstanding he was a man of affairs, and neither built a fort nor in any other way prepared any means of defense. Yet the jingoes tell us that the only way to be secure against the aggressor is to build great forts and spend much money in being ready to repel the invader. Let the nations adopt the policy of "the just white man," and they will need no other preparedness.

* * * *

That the Kingdom is Coming and that there is no good reason to be discouraged with the results so far achieved in the work of foreign missionaries, is evident to one who keeps informed. The greatest hindrance is the ignorance of many of our people as to the real progress which the church has made in the heathen world. Rev. J. A. Shipley, who has been in China long enough to speak with authority, says:

While the whole world is distracted with war and rumors of war—China herself not being entirely free therefrom—the gospel is eagerly listened to and more gladly received than ever before. I have been in China during past years when if six or a dozen should attend our chapel services we should feel that it was well. Now I do not know any place in our mission where our chapels are not more than filled, and in many places our churches are already too small. The responsibility is on us—on you, and while the opportunity is ripe let us stand behind our Chinese brethren with strong prayers of faith, not withholding from them the financial support needed to complete and carry on the work so well advanced by their own lives of endeavor and self-denial.

NATIONAL MISSIONARY CAMPAIGN

Laymen's Missionary Movement

Unusual preparations are being made by the home and foreign missionary agencies of the United States for co-operation in the National iMssionary Campaign, the first great convention of which will be held in Chicago, beginning October 14. In all there are to be 75 men's conventions in the leading cities of the country, culminating in a National Missionary Congress in Washington, next April. So important is the campaign considered that some missionary agencies are throwing almost the entire strength of their organization into the campaign to the exclusion for the next year of other forms of missionary inspiration and education.

Within the past two weeks in special conferences, leaders of three denominations met with missionaries and other men, organiziing and training them for the part they are to take in the campaign. From 40 to 70 men were in attendance at each conference. The Methodists met at Ocean Grove, several bishops being present, the Congregationalists at Chicago and the Presbyterians at Atlantic City, Dr. J. Ross Stevenson, Moderator of the General Assembly, presiding.

Under the direction of its Laymen's Missionary Movement, of which Dr. Fred B. Fisher is general secretary, the Methodist church is making special effort to conserve the results that will accrue from the impulse of the campaign. Some of the Bishops will give most of their time to the public work of the campaign. A number of able missionary leaders have been recalled from their stations in foreign lands, and the Methodist Board of Home Missions and Church Extension is putting the full strength of its city department into the work.

With bishops, mission board secretaries and home and foreign missionaries, the Methodist Church will have a staff of more than 50 men in the campaign, a group of whom will be thrown into each convention city prior to the convention to see that every Methodist church is well represented by delegates. Thousands of pastors in the territory of the convention cities have been made acquainted with the churches' plans and the 400 and more district superintendents have had the responsibility of the campaign laid upon them. The well organized press of the church is being called upon to give generous space to both the denominatoinal and interdenominational plans of the campaign.

The Presbyterians will send an agent to each convention city in advance of the convention, who will meet leading men of the Presbyterian churches and outline measures for securing a representative attendance at the convention of church officers and members. Two special men have been employed to give their entire time to the work. During the convention, prominent leaders will be in attendance, who will meet with the Presbyterian delegates one entire afternoon, leading the conference and following it up to a practical outcome. Presbyterian plans are in charge of Secretary David McConaughy in New York and Dr. W. A. Marquis in Chicago.

Most of the foreign missionaries of the Episcopal Church who are on furlough will be organized for work in preparation for the campaign. Bishop Kinsolving, of Brazil, is coming home to be a speaker and in addition to other bishops and clergy, several missionaries are being recalled from their fields of work to participate in the campaign. The Episcopal Church expects to be able to send two men to each convention center some days or weeks before the convention for the purpose of bringing out the full strength of the Episcopal men and of organizing them for aggressive work immediately after the convention closes. John W. Wood, secretary of the Board of Missions is organizing the Episcopal forces.

A committee of secretaries of Congregational missionary societies of which Dr. Reuben L. Breed is chairman, is planning the largest possible co-operation in at least forty of the chief convention centers where Congregationalism is strongest. Laymen, state and national secretaries, local pastors and missionaries on furlough will be used to give every Congregational church withini 75 miles of a convention city a special missionary impulse. In addition ten teams of two men each, made up of a home missionary and a foreign missionary, will be formed and one of these teams will be put into each convention area a month or six weeks before the convention opens. Eight of the ablest foreign missionaries of the Congregational Church are being called home from their fields of work for the campaign and the home missionary agencies of the church will put their best men into the work. The committee's aim is to put at least 20,000 Congregational delegates into forty or more conventions.

The Northern Baptist Convention at Los Angeles last May endorsed the National Missionary Campaign and turned over to Dr. John M. Moore, secretary of one of its important committees, the formation of plans for hearty co-operation. Under Dr. Moore's direction a special force of missionaries and secretaries is being organized for three or four weeks of preparatory and follow-up work in connection with each convention. All of the Baptist denominational missionary agencies will set aside other methods of campaigning and unite in making the 75 conventions of the National Missionary Campaign the one great task of the year.

Disciples, United Brethren, Lutherans, United Presbyterians, the two branches of the Reformed Church, the Southern Baptist, Methodist and Presbyterians and other denominations are all making the most careful and thorough preparations for co-operation in what promises to be the most supreme effort of missionary inspiration and education made by American churches in recent years.

IF WE COULD BEGIN AGAIN

By C. C. Brown

I once read a sermon—I forgot the preach er's name—on "If we could begin again." While king Jeroboam was seeking to uphold a heathen altar his hand was withered by the sword of a mysterious unnamed prophet, who suddenly came upon the scene. As the prophets were going away, someone called him back, begging him to remove the curse from the king. He said that he could not go back, that God had told him he must not "turn again to go by the way that he came." With this as a sort of motto, the sermon proceeded to show that we cannot begin life again, and our only hope is to start where we are to improve our life and conduct. Life bears us on like the current of a great river—flows on always, and never flows backward.

Almost every man past fifty years of age sometimes thinks along this line—"If I could begin again." I have been doing it. I am not satisfied with what I have done. Maybe I ought to be glad that I am not. To be satisfied would bespeak an unbearable conceit. The widow of Opie, the great painter said, "During the nine years I was his wife, I never knew him to be satisfied with one of his pictures." The rule is we are too easily satisfied, and hence we try to make no improvement.

But if I could begin again!

On the last day of the Seminary session, in 1874, Dr. William Williams, in delivering his farewell lecture, told us good-bye, and said among other tender words, that if God should offer to give him, in a marked degree, his choice of two graces—the ability to lead many souls to Jesus, or the ability to build up believers in holiness and usefulness, he would choose the latter. For this he gave his reasons. He said a well-developed and truly spiritual church, full of grace and truth, would draw unbelievers to it irresistibly, and so instead of working alone from the pulpit, he would have many helpers from the pews—that the average church member was but a poor agent in inducing outsiders to become Christians.

After more than forty years, this piece of counsel from a wise man comes back to me with great force. It is thrust upon me not only by what I can see in the past of my own life, but by what I have seen during this year of travel among the churches. Everywhere the churches are full of undeveloped material, and now in July and August more than a hundred meetings will be held in South Carolina, the aim of which will be to bring in others—called converts—to be added to the mass already in the churches, unused and next to useless. The increase will add to number but not to efficiency. The new comers will just be thrown upon that heap of material that is never worked into anything serviceable. In many places in South Carolina there are churches—large churches—with from fifty to one hundred and fifty families, content with having preaching once or twice a month, whereas a little growth in grace and knowledge and benevolence would easily enable them to have a pastor of their own, with preaching every Sunday. Either they do not want the gospel, or they do not want the kind they get. To eke out a bare living, the pastor must incorporate two or three other churches, and divide his labors among them. In this way no one of the churches gets what it ought to have.

With July the meetings will begin. Numbers will come into the churches, in tens, twenties, and fifties. These will be cast into the old bin of unused grain, and the pastor will tell about his large church, and the evangelist will manage to say through the papers how many were converted. But when all is over, the once or twice-a-month preaching will go on as in other years, and the church will not realize any impulse to better things.

It may be a dream of these latter days, but it seems to me, if I could begin again, I'd cut out the great efforts for members, and devote more of life's labor to building up believers in holiness. I'd play upon this single string until its resonant tone—or monotone—was dinned into the ears of the people, personal usefulness comes out of personal effort. No man was ever preached into piety. To read the Bible every day, to meditate upon God and holy things, to engage in private, secret prayer, to put into actual practice the precepts of the New Testament—these things are all absolutely necessary to the cultivation of the divine life in the soul. These are the things upon which stress ought to be laid right now. We are going to seed on the subject of numbers. If there is to be a summer meeting, or a great evangelistic campaign, let the aim be to develop the raw material in the churches to build up men in holiness and practical personal piety—to go on from once or twice a month preaching to weekly service—until the church becomes a great whirlpool with power to draw men into it by the force of its own mighty current of grace and goodness.

The only religious thing that many church members do it to go to church on Sunday. During the rest of the week life is one long drive after things material. The average church has no soul saving power. The first few days of the meeting are giving to waking up a church that has been asleep since the meeting of a year ago. The young people actually wait for the coming of the "big meeting," even after they have concluded to join the church. If the services between the annual "big meetings" are not given to building up believers in holiness, then it has come to pass that the only service of the year that avails anything is during the "big meeting." When this is over, the converts drop into the prosaic line of dummies and mummies, and the poor church gropes along just as it did before the meeting.

If some of the brethren who are to go out to hold meetings this summer would begin by saying, "Brethren, I have not come to add to the numbers already in the church. I almost hope no one will join. We have now an abundance of crude, undeveloped material. The aim of this preaching is to fashion and shape into fitness for service the vast multitude on the church roll." This would startle the people, and might arouse some of them to consciousness of their worthless condition. It is pathetic to think of the numbers—mostly young folks—who will come into the churches this summer, only to be lost in the crowd. The majority of them will live as others have lived before them—just church members who add nothing to the church but a name, and then die at last and be buried under a little mound of earth, whose rounded top the winds will sweep away and level down forever.

Ho, ye men of God, beware lest you be fighting along the wrong lines. A large part of your effort may be wasted, and, one of these days you will sit in hopeless meditation, while this dull regret runs rumbling through your mind—"If I could begin again."

But I must not end with this hopeless wail. God is merciful. I beg you just to sit and read and re-read this little collection of lines until the truth in them sinks and soaks into your soul! There is nothing behind that you can undo—there may be much ahead that you can better do.

He came to my desk with a quivering lip;
The lesson was done—
"Dear teacher, I want a new leaf," he said,
"I have spoiled this one."

In place of the leaf so stained and blotted,
I gave him a new one, all unspotted,
And into his eyes smiled—
"Do better now, my child."

I went to the throne with a quivering soul—
The old day was done—
"Dear Father, hast thou a new leaf for me?
I have spoiled this one."

He took the old leaf, so stained and blotted,
And gave me a new one, all unspotted,
And into my sad heart smiled,
"Do better now, my child."

—Baptist Courier.

FOUNDER'S DAY ADDRESS, TRINITY COLLEGE

Trinity College, Oct. 4.—Declaring that the "spirit of inquiry when safeguarded by reverence and a sincere desire for truth is to be commended, but otherwise it breeds mischief," Col. John F. Bruton, of Wilson, whose address here this evening was the feature of the exercises in connection with the observance of Benefactors' Day, spoke in a most interesting and instructive manner to a large audience in Craven Memorial Hall. At no moment during the address was there lack of interest on the part of those present. The address was one of the most striking given from the local rostrum in many years. The exercises, held every year by action of the board of trustees, for the purpose of cultivating a proper spirit of benevolence and to give suitable recognition to the generosity of all who have made contributions to the institution, were this year very interesting throughout. At the conclusion of Col. Bruton's address, President Few read the names of those who had made donations to the college during the past year.

Col. Bruton's address follows in part:

"Referring to fad words and phrases, unduly popular at this time, he spoke of their debilitating effect on one's vocabulary and morals. The expression 'I am from Missouri—show me,' is probably an outcropping of that spirit which without a thought of accountability arrogates to itself the authority to question the right of existence of any man or enterprise. When made by the demagogue in the name of the 'dear people' it is helpful in determining his true position to consider whether 'the gentleman from Missouri' really wants to be shown where he comes in. It is sometimes a safe rule when in the presence of this type to keep your hand on your pocketbook and withhold your pledge of political support for the other man.

"The spirit of inquiry when safeguarded by reverence and a sincere desire for truth is to be commended, but otherwise it breeds mischief, and sometimes destruction. Wholesale manufacturers of question marks for reckless or ulterior personal use manifest a disregard for the most sacred things of life. Moved by a spirit akin to anarchy there is nothing in heaven or in earth outside of their self-appointed jurisdiction. Their abuses of truth are so insidious that the uninformed and ignorant are often debauched by their arguments ad hominem.

"This institution and others like it have not escaped. Question marks have been raised against its name, and its right of existence questioned.

"In some of the bills of indictment filed in the courts of public opinion against Trinity College there may be found sacreligiousness, rationalism, lack of faith, irreverence, misinformation and the spirit which dignifies the dollar above the man.

"More for the purpose of illustration than anything else it may be worth while to mention at least three counts.

"1. That Trinity College accords supreme place to God and His Book, and by so doing minimizes the importance of self confidence, and that personal diligence necessary to overcome difficulties.

"2. That it is a church institution, and as such breeds narrowness.

"3. Its cost of operation and the losses direct and indirect incident thereto are out of all proportion to its dividend returns, and that it should therefore be liquidated or converted into some industrial enterprise to the end that employment may be furnished to labor and taxes collected for the support of the state government.

"An idle engagement that of attempting any extended answer to the first two counts. As a plain business man of an experience running through three panics it is to me worthy of note that those obsessed by egotism or who worshipped their gold as their god, and lost it, were the first to expose their lack of self confidence and personal diligence. Crawling on their bellies to the edge of their world they looked over into a bottomless pit, hopeless, helpless and lost. Another thought, that after having witnessed the struggles of men, after listening to their tales of woe, their plans of escape, their words of despair; after having read in their eyes signs of desperation, and following all this having noted the effect of words of consolation 'not of the counting room,' it is my humble opinion that without God and His promises, the insane asylums of this country now measured in acres would have to cover square miles in order to care for the eligible millions driven to insanity for lack of hope. If the foregoing observations are half true the prime importance of dignifying God and His word in the minds and hearts of young men is, measured from the lowest, meanest standards, a matter of prime business concern.

"That Trinity College is a church institution is the strongest assurance that it is here to stay. The best proof of the wisdom of church ownership and control is the unconcealed fact that the teachings concerning God and His word must continue forever in the light of truth and under the sensitive and jealous eyes of a church always alert against abuses involving the old-fashioned faith of the fathers. Having uttered these fierce words, smacking of narrowness in the ears of the ignorant I find in them but one limitation to me in my yearnings and search after God and that is devout reverence coupled with sincerity.

Good may result from an investigation of the cost direct and indirect incident to the operations of this institution. In this day of refined business methods the best paying corporations are subject to the severest audits.

"The assets of this corporation if invested in a successful industrial enterprise should yield an annual dividend of at least six per cent. The teaching force is made up of experts, who if engaged in the more remunerative professions or in business would receive on an average more than three thousand dollars a year. An expense of $300 per year for each student is a conservative estimate. Their earning capacity as common laborers would average three hundred and fifty dollars. This is lost while they are in school. On account of lack of intellectual interests and spiritual will power certain of the student body prove to be failures or degenerates, and this number is estimated at eight per cent. The average life of these failures run about ten years; the expense of supporting them two hundred and fifty dollars a year. From the foregoing we have the following as a conservative estimate of the annual cost, direct and indirect of operating this institution: Assets, $2,590.000, at 6 per cent., $155,400.00; 55 experts, at $3,000.00, $165,000.00; 800 students—expenses, at $300.00, $240,000.00; 800 students—earning capacity as common laborers, at $350.00, $288,000.00; lacking intellectual interests and spiritual will power 8 per cent. or 64 student failures, average life ten years, at $250.00, $160,000.00. Total, $1,008,400.00; or $1,260.00 per student.

"It is interesting to note here that the average price of a slave in 1859-60 was $1250.00; so that it appears that each year in behalf of each student here there is offered up as a sacrifice a human life or the price of a human life in dollars and cents determined by the last best experience table in hand.

"It is a pity this calculation could not be concluded here, but there are other and more vital items to be considered. Their cost in dollars is beyond me.

"Add to the foregoing (1) Loss of time to circle of friends back home, who stop often in their day's work to discuss the prospects of their college friend's success; (2) the labor and stinting of grand parents; (3) the suffering of sweethearts and losses incident thereto. (This may occasion smiles, but the reach of it is extensive and serious); (4) last and most serious of all reckon if you can the cost price to be laid on the burdens borne by parents; deprivations, labor, anxieties, loss of sleep, wrinkles, stooped shoulders, sorrows and heart aches.

"In contemplation of this enormous outlay necessary to insure educational advantages through this institution, and others like it, I confess that only God in His omnipotence can manufacture and distribute the amount of faith sufficient to steady the situation and enable His people to bear with calmness their enormous heart burdens while waiting for the dividend days, which come with slow and uncertain pace. The childless marvel at the faith of parenthood. I hesitate to estimate the enlightened faith of disinterested benefactors. The large and growing number of benefactors identified with this college is another marvel to be considered.

"Speaking of benefactors I can afford to mention at least two without being invidious. One must be justly termed the great pioneer benefactor of modern Trinity, Mr. Washington Duke. Always sane, practical, simple in his manner of living, proud but not arrogant, brave but not self centered; a monument of strength grounded in a faith like unto the simple faith of a little child.

"The other is of more recent date in the list of benefactors—a young fellow, red headed, without a college education, but possessed of a wife, two babies and a small farm with a mortgage on it; bright eyed, clear headed, high minded—he responded in person to a letter advising him of his opportunity. His modest enthusiasm was a sermon in itself. Stating that he was moved by a sense of duty he declared his desire to put into the veins of Trinity College some of his life blood; that by economy and by work on the outside he could and would contribute fifty dollars to the endowment of Trinity College. The foregoing is my excuse for recognizing him as worthy of mention along side of the old man who found a joy in lending of his blood to the life of this institution.

"Mr. Washington Duke's first substantial gift to Trinity was, I believe, more of a protest against ignorance and poverty than an absolute commitment of approval of the character of work being done. Following this protest he without doubt watched and waited subjecting the plant and its product to severe tests. I verily believe he consulted the book with which he was most familiar in making his tests. He sought out the wonderful prayer of the man of the Old Testament whose name is a synonym of wisdom: 'Give thy servant an understanding heart (a hearing heart) that I may know good from bad.' Did he discover evidences of hearing hearts among the students? That promise by Christ of immeasurable wealth, 'Blessed are the meek for they shall inherit the earth,' was his by right. Recalling that the word 'meek' is closest akin in meaning to the compound word 'gentle-man' as used in the old days, the thought of companionship and service dominating, he must have found quiet enjoyment in discovering in the annual product turned out, gentlemen, companionable men, anxious to help their fellow men. Always sane, always practical, he made few mistakes. His subsequent gifts, large and frequent, betrays to us his conclusions that hearing hearts and gentlemen are cheap at any price. By virtue of his own and of the benefactions of his honored family and others Trinity College stands today, not so much as a protest against ignorance and poverty but as an effective, successful agency in the propagation of wisdom and wealth."

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. R. D. Sherrill received five new members at Centenary church last Sunday, four by certificate and one on profession of faith.

—Rev. E. Myers, of Advance, was with Rev. A. R. Bell at Caraway Memorial in revival services last week.

—The great Chapman-Alexander meeting is to begin in Asheville October 22nd. We trust that this meeting will bring great blessing to all the churches in that city.

—Rev. W. L. Dawson went to Sparta last Saturday where he is engaged in revival services this week with the pastor, Rev. J. W. Hoyle.

—Rev. Albert Sherrill, pastor of our church in Rutherfordton, has been engaged in revival services recently. The local paper of a recent date stated that Rutherfordton had for some time been in a continuous revival.

—Rev. F. W. Cook, pastor of West End charge, Gastonia, was called to Candler on Tuesday of last week on account of the death of his sister, Mrs. F. J. Kirkpatrick.

—Dr. James H. Kirkland, Chancellor of Vanderbilt University, delivered the principal address at the celebration of University Day at Chapel Hill on Tuesday.

—Bishop John C. Kilgo, now residing in Charlotte, honored the Advocate office by a pleasant call on Thursday of last week. He was stopping in the city between trains on his way to Durham. We were glad to see him looking well and in his usual cheerful mood.

—The State W. C. T. U. Convention was held in Raleigh last week, adjourning on Monday of this week. The session was one of unusual interest, a feature of which was the address by Chief Justice Walter Clarke.

—Miss Flora Gash, a faithful and devout member of Central church, Asheville, passed away at the home of her uncle, Judge George A. Shuford, in that place on Friday night, October 8th. The funeral was held in Central church on Sunday.

—Rev. E. Myers, of Advance, who had been preaching in the revival meeting at Caraway Memorial for a week, left for his home on Monday, the meeting having closed on Sunday evening. There were fourteen professions, not withstanding the very unfavorable weather which prvailed during the week. A meeting began in his church at Advance on Sunday, led by Evangelist Vestal.

—A marriage of interest to many Advocate readers occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. G. Armfield, at Elkin, on Wednesday evening of last week, when Miss Mary Eccles Armfield, of Statesville, became the bride of Mr. Richard M. Chatham.

—Many readers of the Advocate will learn with interest of the marriage of Miss Ruth Gwyn Lillard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Lillard, of Charlotte, to Mr. Carleton M. Schoonover, which occurred at the home of the bride's parents in Charlotte, on Tuesday evening, October 5, Rev. W. L. Sherrill officiating.

—Our people about Terrell, in Catawba county, have been greatly grieved by the recent death of Mr. Walter S. Gabriel. He was a man of fine character and a faithful member of the Methodist church. For about 20 years he had been connected with the business of Mr. T. F. Connor at Terrell and was widely known and popular.

—It is reported that the tallest tree in the United States is a yellow poplar in North Carolina, which measures 198 feet in height and 34 feet, 6 inches in circumference. This fact, reported by the government, may help some of our readers to believe that we have, in Jackson county, a good sized Methodist church, which was build entirely, including the shingles on the roof, out of one poplar tree. Talk about the big trees of California! North Carolina has had and still has some big trees. The fact is, it is hard to get ahead of the Old North State in anything.

—Many friends and relatives in this state were grieved last week to hear of the death of Capt. R. M. Gaffney, which occurred at his home in Gaffney, S. C., on Saturday, October 2nd. He died suddenly of heart failure, being found dead in bed by one of the family who went to his room to call him to breakfast. He was the father of Mrs. Chas. H. Boyd, of Gastonia, and of Mrs. J. Frank Laney, of Monroe. He was 71 years old and had long been a steward in the Methodist church.

—Dr. W. P. Few, president of Trinity College, has been elected an honorary member of the University Club, of Washington, D. C. Trinity College is the only institution whose seal and motto is placed in the hall of the club. Membership in the University Club is limited to graduates of a first class institution, and the coat of arms of only prominent colleges is displayed in the quarters. Another evidence of the growing influence of Trinity Collge and of her learned president.

TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS AND PASTORS

The Advocate suffered the past year especially in the cotton section. The great majority of our subscribers in that section were carried over without renewal. Now that cotton is going at a good price we beg our friends to bring up their subscriptions to date and advance a year. One good turn deserves another.

Will not pastors give extra diligence to collections for the Advocate, also secure a good list of new subscribers? We have recently sent out new lists to the pastors. Please be fair and do not settle all other claims and leave your paper to shift for itself.

To North Carolina Pastors

D. Ward Milam, evangelist singer and chorus director, is is the state and would be glad to help any pastor who is in need of a singer for his meetiing. Address Greensboro, care Christian Advocate.

To The Pastors of the Western North Carolina Conference

The number of applications for aid already on file with the secretary and the number of requests for application blanks indicate that the demands upon the Board of Church Extension are going to be very heavy this fall. To meet these demands the Board is dependent upon the collection of the present year.

In view of these facts will not the pastors of the Western North Carolina Conference do their very best to bring up full collections for Church Extension and a surplus whenever it is possible to do so.

Alva W. Plyler,
Secretary to the Board.

Rev. Joseph Fowler England

Rev. J. F. England died at his home in Lenoir on Wednesday, Sept. 29, 1915, after a long life of unselfish service. He was born at Picken's Court House, S. C., on Nov. 11, 1840, and was therefore nearing the completion of his seventy-fifth year when he was called to his reward.

At twenty-one years of age he enlisted in Company B of the 35th N. C. regiment, at the beginning of the Civil War, and fought through to the end. At the close of the war he returned to his home in this state and began to make his arrangements to enlist in a warfare that was to end only in death. In 1869 he mounted his horse and rode from Marion, N. C., to Cheraw, S. C., where he was received, on trial, into the South Carolina Conference. After eight years of faithful labor in this Conference, during which time he served charges in Newberry, Pickens, Anderson and Greenville, he transferred to the North Carolina Conference and became pastor of the church in Morganton, N. C. For twenty-nine years this loyal "knight of the saddle-bags" continued his active service in our ranks, filling most acceptably the various posts assigned him. In 1906 his failing health forced him to retire from active service. At this Conference he asked for and was given the superannuate relation, which relation he sustained till the last.

For forty-six years he was a faithful minister in the Methodist church. During this time he served many charges and preached to multitudes of people. He was a modest, unpretentious man, blameless in life and character. He was a loyal soldier, a faithful minister, a good citizen and a true friend. To know the man was to love him, and those who knew him best appreciated him most.

For several years before his death he suffered from a painful and distressing malady, and for the last year of his life there was scarcely a moment when his body was not racked with pain. But through it all he endured his suffering with the fortitude of a brave man and the resignation of a true Christian. Some weeks before the end came he called his loved ones to his side, told them that he was ready for the summons and begged them not to weep, saying that he preferred to have them rejoice with him when at last the struggle was over and he was at rest.

In 1876 he was married to Miss Emily Healen, of Lenoir. For more than thirty-eight years this faithful woman has marched by his side, through storm and sunshine, gladly sharing his burdens with him. And she was faithful to the last, watching by his bedside like a guardian angel till his spirit departed. He leaves to mourn his loss his wife, one daughter, Miss Maude, one son, Will, and a host of sympathetic and admiring friends.

The funeral services were conducted from the Methodist church, the writer being assisted by Rev. C. M. Campbell, and his remains were laid to rest in Belleview cemetery.

"Servant of God, well done,
Rest from thy loved employ;
The battle fought, the victory won,
Enter thy Master's joy."

Z. E. Barnhardt.

Rev. J. F. England

The Rev. Joseph F. England, whose death was chronicled in the last issue of the Advocate, was one of the oldest members of the Conference, having been admitted on trial into the South Carolina Conference at Cheraw in 1869, there being now but seven members of our Conference who joined prior to that date. He was a faithful itinerant minister who served in many fields holding up the cross before the people from the pulpit and by his walk and conversation, letting his light shine for his Lord and Master. He was a preacher of far more than average force and ability. Thoughtful, scriptural, logical, evangelical, and his ministry was blessed of the Lord. He was not what we call a popular preacher but one who taught the people and built up believers in the faith. On various occasions I have heard him preach and always to my profit for he was profound in thought, logical in statement and yet so simple in faith that all who heard knew that he believed in his heart the truths he uttered. For some years past he, on account of feeble health, sustained the relation of a superannuate, and as age crept on he became more and more an invalid, suffering much in the last days. But he bore affliction with the fortitude of a saint, and when the end came there was no fear but a peace and confidence which Christ only can give.

He was a devoted husband and father and the stricken family have the comfort that it is well with him and that some day they may meet him in the skies.

William L. Sherrill.

OUR CHILDREN'S HOME REPORT

By Walter Thompson, Supt.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Messrs. T. F. Marr, President; N. R. Richardson, G. F. Ivey, J. A. Glenn, G. L. Hackney, C. H. Ireland, J. L. Nelson, J. K. Norfleet, S. L. Rogers, C. W. Byrd, H. G. Chatham, Clyde R. Hoey, L. T. Mann, H. K. Boyer, Frank M. Weaver, J. P. Lucas, T. B. Johnson, and J. R. Scroggs—

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit a statement as to the work of the Children's Home for the past year.

Feeling that needed repairs to the buildings must be made, that the farm must be more rapidly improved, and the grounds must be made more sightly, our work has been directed more particularly to these ends during the past year.

We have repaired and renovated four of the old buildings; we have improved the farm in many ways, adding quite a good deal in the way of horses and equipment; we have laid out driveways carefully, have placed more than a half mile of sod on shallow terraces, have graded here and there, until our grounds are becoming a source of pride to the whole of the Institution.

These activities are the expression of the desire of those in charge of the Home to have the children learn to work with their hands, and we show you today the work mentioned, together with a creditable exhibition, on the part of the girls, of plain sewing, laundry work, basket making, fancy work, cooking and canning.

These are the outstanding features of the year. This Home ought to be an efficiently equipped industrial school, where each child should train mind and hand to the end that each may become an industrious and productive citizen. Self-respect is the most important step toward good citizenship. The ability to make a living by honest work is the main element in real self-respect. The great need of the Home is along this line. The inmates of the Home should do for themselves everything they can that is consistent with a reasonable regard for the right of childhood to be happy. Industrial equipment will serve the double purpose of performing necessary service here, and the training of the children in useful and profitable occupations.

People are pauperized by having that done for them which they can do for themselves. This principle applies everywhere and among people of all ages. We can raise our own supplies. We should do so. This suggests the wisdom of buying more land before the price becomes beyond our reach. Only in this way can the development of the Home keep pace with its increased population. I feel sure that only by industrial training will the guardian hand of the Home prove a blessing to the children. Without such training we may sap the foundations of their self-respect to such an extent that they may be dependent all their lives.

The demand for place in the Home is insistent and persistent. The Methodist church, in common with all other churches, is failing in its duty to the orphan. There is a strong demand in some quarters for the state to undertake the building of an orphanage to help take care of those who are without means of support. I do not think this would be wise; for, the church can more nearly supply the place of the natural home than can the state. But, be that as it may, the name of that church which turns the care of the widow and orphan over to some other agency while it is "busy here and there," will be called Ichabod, for, along with the turning away of these, will be the departure of its glory and the end of its usefulness.

There are those who claim that the churches are not now successfully competing wtih the fraternal orders in the affections of our plain people. If this is true, may it not be due to the fact that our sympathies are going so far afield that we overlook the necessities of our own household and fail to provide for them? The Bible says: "All that a man hath will he give for his life," and the agency which visits the sick, binds up the hurts of the wounded, and "visits the fatherless and the widow in their affliction" will live longest in their affections.

It is for this Board to present strongly to the "People called Methodists" the demand of this work, and to suggest to them more even distribution of their benevolence and beneficence. Our people should not be easy in soul and conscience so long as there is an orphan among us who is being reared in an atmosphere of shame and degradation.

Children

There are 131 children on the roll of the Home, nine have been discharged to parents or relatives. The health is good. All who cared to do so, and had the money, went away for a brief vacation among relatives. The only trouble we have had in the matter of sickness was the result of contagion in those returning from vacation. Practically all have been vacinated against typhoid fever.

School

I am able to give a good report of our school. The teachers were efficient and the desire for knowledge on the part of the children is growing. I am glad to say that we have the same teachers for the present year.

Farm

In common with all the farmers of this section, we have had a good year. We made 550 bushels of wheat and oats and think we shall make 2,000 bushels of corn, 300 bushels of sweet potatoes, 250 bushels of Irish potatoes, together with a large amount of oat and Canadian field hay, alfalfa and peavine hay straw and corn stover.

The year has been a busy one for us all. With a simple statement of faithful service, we submit this as the report for the year.

Walter Thompson, Supt.

Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees

The annual meeting of the board of trustees was held at the Children's Home, Tuesday, October 5th. In the absence of the president, Dr. Marr, Mr. J. L. Nelson, of Lenoir, presided. Dr. Marr was re-elected as president, and the following officers elected for the ensuing year: Mr. Walter Thompson, superintendent; Mr. C. H. Ireland, of Greensboro, vice-president; Mr. G. F. Ivey, of Hickory, secretary; Mr. James A. Gray, of Winston-Salem, treasurer; Dr. Marr, Dr. H. K. Boyer, and Messrs. C. H. Ireland, J. K. Norfleet, and John Paul Lucas, executive committee. Much business was transacted, and the board adjourned feeling that the affairs of the Home were in a very satisfactory condition. The report of the Superintendent will be found in another column of the Advocate. The financial report will be published in the next number of the Advocate. Rev. J. H. West submitted his report of work done during the fiscal year, together with the tender of his resignation as financial agent to take effect at the coming meeting of Conference.

A report from a visiting committee consisting of Mr. George L. Hackney, of Lexington, and John Paul Lucas, of Charlotte, stated that all of the buildings of the institution were in excellent shape, and that the farm had been a source of quite a considrable portion of the support of the Home, having beeen operated most successfully during the past year. The grounds of the Home showed marked improvement over their condition a year ago, much work having been done on the drives, walks and lawns, while flower beds and borders added greatly to their beauty. The report of the visiting committee did not fail to give Mrs. Thompson the major part of the credit for the wonderful improvement in the appearance of the grounds, which now rival those of any institution in the state in beauty.

One of the features of the meeting was an exhibit of agricultural products and of rag carpets, plain and fancy sewing, darning, laundry work, basket work, cooking, etc., by the girls. The agricultural exhibit included wheat, of which the Home raised 109 bushels; oats, of which 361 bushels were raised; corn, of which approximately 2,000 bushels have been raised in addition to 60 tons of ensilage; first and second crop Irish potatoes, of which each crp yielded approximately 150 bushels; oats and Canada pea hay, cow pea hay, alfalfa and sweet potatoes, the main crop of which has not yet been harvested. The trustees were much impressed with this exhibit, which strikingly showd the effectiveness of the training being received by the children under the care of the institution.

Fifth Sunday Collections

J. T. Carruthers, Greensboro, $1.05; J. G. Abernethy, Lenoir S. S., $7.51; T. S. Maxwell, Creston S. S., 86c; O. O. Harwell, Troutman, Rocky Mount S. S., $1.00; C. C. Matthews, Siloam, Old Siloam S. S., $1.55. Total, $11.97.

Amount Received on General and Special Support and the Ten Per Cent. Assessment

Rev. A. R. Bell, Greensboro, Walnut St.-Carraway Memorial, $10.00; Rev. E. P. Stabler, Jefferson, $13.00; Rev. A. R. Surratt, Madison, $15.00; two friends, Salisbury, $2.00; Delta Alpha Class, Centenary S. S., Winston-Salem, Miss Mary V. Cooper, Treasurer, $50; Rev. N. R. Richardson, Mount Holly and Belmont, $8.70; Capt. W. T. Rowland, Taylorsville, $12.50; Rev. C. C. Williams, Jackson Hill, $60.00; Rev. T. B. Johnson, Summerfield Charge, $18.50; Rev. P. W. Tucker, Kannapolis, $40.00; George A. Hoyle, Shelby, Central church, $50.00; Rev. Albert Sherrill, for Philathea class, Rutherfordton, $3.50; Rev. George D. Herman, Wadesboro, $20.00; C. M. McKaughan, Winston-Salem, $2.00; a friend, $5.00; Rev. Dwight W. Brown, McAdenville Station, $18.61; Rev. G. A. Stamper, Mt. Pleasant, $35.00; Rev. R. F. Wellons, S. Lenoir S. S., $13.00; A. G. Craig, Treasurer, Charlotte, Trinity church, $9.24; Rev. Z. E. Barnhardt, Lenoir, $35.00; L. M. Johnson, Treasurer, West Market St. Church, Greensboro, $106.51; Rev. W. G. Warren, Franklin church, $1.00; A. H. Masters, Treasurer, Centenary church, Greensboro, $60.00; a friend, Albemarle, $58.67; total, $647.23.

Building Fund—Rev. J. H. West, Agent

Dr. Dred Peacock, High Point, $5.00; Mrs. Mary Weatherly, Franklinville, $1.00; John L. Daniels, Spring Garden S. S., Greensboro, $12.50; P. N. Peacock, Salisbury, $5.00; Mrs. Roscoe Phifer, Monroe, $5.00; W. T. Huckabee, Albemarle, $20.00; Rev. W. M. Robbins, Brevard, $6.25; J. H. Plonk, Newton, $5.00; R. N. Boggs, Catawba, $10.00; Rev. L. D. Thompson, Marion, $10.00; Capt. L. A. Atkinson, $5.00; Dr. B. H. Palmer, Shelby, $12.50; Montmorency Bible Class, Candler, Max Miller, teacher, $4.35; Mrs. Fred A. Hull, Asheville, $10.00; Rev. G. L. Sinclair, Marion, $5; J. F. Wilson, Mt. Ulla, $5.00; E. C. Beam's S. S. Class, Gastonia, $6.25; L. N. Edwards, Mt. Ulla, $5.00; total, $132.85.

Rutherfordton Philathea Class

The young ladies of the Philathea class of the Rutherfordton Sunday school have undertaken the education of one of our girls, and have paid $12.50 to cover that expense for the present year. This is very gratifying to us, and helps us in a very acceptable way. We would be exceedingly glad if other classes would emulate them in this. We are doing all that the Home can do for itself, and those who do for us the things we can not do ourselves help us where we need it most. We appreciate very much every gift that comes from generous givers to the Home, but there is nothing we so much need as money. We know of no way in which the Philathea and other classes in our Sunday schools could do as much for the lifetime welfare of these orphan children of ours as in their education, and we hope many classes will assume the cost of the education of individual children.

The Voice of One Crying in the Wilderness

Dear Brother Thompson:

Find enclosed check for thirty-five dollars, which please credit to the ten per cent. collections. I am making a fight for full collections, and all who refuse to pay up the collections to the Home I am inviting to the mourner's bench to get right with God. Hoping to see you at Conference, I remain,

Your brother,

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave, Asheville, N. C.

WHAT WILT THOU HAVE ME TO DO?

Hast Thou, my Master, aught for me to do
To honor Thee today?
Hast Thou a word of love to some poor soul
That I may say?
For, see, this world that Thou hast made so fair,
Within its heart is sad:
Thousands are lonely, thousands weep and sigh—
But few are glad.

And which among them all is mine today?
Oh, guide my willing feet
To some poor soul that faltering on the way
Needs comfort sweet.
Or into some sick room where I may speak
With tenderness of Thee,
And showing Thee and what Thou art, O Christ,
Bid sorrow flee.

Or unto one whose straits call not for words,
To one in want—in need;
Who asks not counsel but would take from me
A loving deed.
Surely Thou hast some work for me to do;
Ah, open Thou mine eyes
To see how Thou wouldst have it done
And where it lies!

MRS. T. F. MARR

Once again we are called upon to record the passing of one of our most faithful workers. This time the Death Angel has visited the official ranks of our Conference and taken unto her reward one of our most loyal and efficient Conference officers—our beloved Superintendent of Social Service.

The announcement of the death of Mrs. T. F. Marr, which occurred at her home in Charlotte, on the morning of October 2nd, was a great shock and brought grief to hosts of friends throughout our Conference who knew and loved her.

For many years Mrs. Marr has been closely identified with our work and always most faithful in the discharge of her duties as a missionary worker. For a number of years she was president of the Home Mission Conference, later corresponding secretary and for two years the recording secretary of the Woman's Missionary Society of the W. N. C. Conference.

At the last meeting held in her home town she was chosen for the responsible position of Superintendent of Social Service—a position she was most capable of filling. A woman of practical judgment, sound ideas, enthusiastic and persevering, her work was a success.

We shall miss her, most especially at our annual meetings where we could always count upon her for her loyal support in any work for the advancement of her Master's Kingdom.

We tender our most heartfelt sympathy to her husband, daughter and son, upon whom the blow falls so heavily. May God give them the comfort of his Spirit in their sad bereavement!

There is a world above,
Where parting is unknown,
A long eternity of love,
Formed for the good alone;
And faith beholds the dying here
Transplanted to that happier sphere.

Thus star by star declines
Till all are passed away,
As morning high and higher shines
To pure and perfect day;
Nor sink those stars in empty night,
But hide themselves in heaven's own light.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY, TRYON STREET, CHARLOTTE

From Miss Maud McKinnon we have the following concerning the Tryon Street Young People:

A short time ago the following invitations were issued by the Young People's Missionary Society of Tryon St. church, Charlotte:

"October the fourth is Home-Coming Day,
Surely you won't think of staying away
When you know how much on your presence depends.
Come old members, new members, visitors, friends,
Come join in the meeting and then in the fun;
All kinds of interesting stunts will be done."

In response to the invitations quite a number of young people gathered at the church on the evening of the fourth—a rainy, disagreeable evening. The meeting was conducted by the president, Miss Rosamond Lucas. The program opened with a duet by Mrs. Orndoff and Mr. Huyck. Other musical numbers followed—a solo by little Miss Mary Edwards and a duet by Messrs. Robert Joones and Sam McNinch. Mrs. Clemence read the beautiful and appropriate poem, "The Tapestry Weavers."

The members of the society considered themselves unusually fortunate in having with them Bishop Kilgo, who spoke about missionary work, telling how its foundation is faith in God, and how its greatness cannot be estimated. After this most interesting talk, the business of the society was discussed. A collection for a worthy minister was taken and plans for a Mission Study Class were discussed.

After the program was concluded refreshments were served and a most pleasant social hour was spent. Miss Jean Robison gave several humorous readings and the members of the society and visitors joined in a number of mirth-provoking "stunts."

PROBLEMS AND METHODS IN THE LOCAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY

(Adapted to our work from the Missionary Survey)

In a Woman's Missionary Society organized according to the plan of the Woman's Missionary Council, there are several great problems of vital importance to be worked out. Six of these problems follow and let us briefly discuss some practical solution of them:

In our woman's work we have the very broadest conception of the meaning of the word "missionary." We have undertaken to study, pray for, and give to all the work of our church, and hence arises the first problem.

To give definite information concerning the work of the church. We may in large measure accomplish this through the monthly program, which should be broad, definite and up-to-date through the leaflets issued each quarter and through the Bulletins. This information may also be given by increasing the circulation of the Missionary Voice among our members.

How to Get All the Women of the Church Into the Society

is the second problem. It is taken for granted that we will make our meetings so interesting that we will hold the women after we get them; but how to get them? If we will make a list of all the women of the congregation and write after each one her reason for not being a member of the society, we will have taken a step forward in this matter. Then we should select a committee of wise, earnest, tactful women to visit them and invite them to join. This committee will carefully study each woman's objection, and know how to meet it. Let there be added to this careful preparation, much prayer and work, and we will doubtless add many members to our societies.

How to Develop the Prayer Life of the Women

is a third question. We may do this by definite Bible study, either giving one meeting each month to this study, or one half-hour at the monthly meeting. Every society should have in it at least one prayer band, and definite objects for prayer should be kept before the members, emphasizing constantly the power of prayer.

How to Develop Among Its Members to the Council's Plan of Giving

If the leaders of the society know the plan thoroughly themselves and follow it in their giving, they will be in a position to urge it upon the other members. The plan should be presented at least once a year; oftener is sometimes necessary, and the wealth of free literature explaining it should be freely distributed.

The great responsibility which rests upon the woman's society for developing the missionary spirit in the entire congregation is the fifth problem. This responsibility should be met first by organizing and fostering Young People's and Junior societies.

The women's society has a very definite relationship to the work of the younger people of the church and should aid them in their missionary development. The missionary spirit may be promoted in the congregation by addresses by home and foreign workers, such as returned missionaries, deaconesses and those familiar with existing conditions. The influence and value of a missionary address cannot be estimated. A missionary library is another means of promoting missionary spirit on the church. Missionary posters should be hung on the walls of the Sunday school assembly room, and often a missionary bulletin hung in the vestibule will appeal to those who are utterly deaf to a missionary talk. A small moving-picture machine or a stereopticon may be secured and pictures of missionary work be shown.

The great responsibility which rests upon our leaders is a vital problem if our work is to go forward. The study class has been much blessed in calling out and preparing leaders. The society should definitely pray for the women of the church who are qualified for leadership, that they may count it a privilege to be leaders in Christian work. Many leaders today date their call and consecration to leadership to some Conference, so the society is wise that sends its women, young or old, to some one of the great conferences held in our church each summer that they may learn more of the need of the work and be led to give themselves to leadership in it.

In considering all these and other problems of our missionary work let us never become discouraged. Remember the words of Matilda Rankin: "The word discouragement is not found in the dictionary of heaven. Never let yourself use the word if you have God's work to do."

LITTLE MISS SILVER QUARTER CHANGES HER NAME

Mrs. E. D. Brown

The following article taken from the Missionary Survey (Presbyterian Magazine, which by the way is one of the best published) can be read with much profit by our Methodist sisters, substituting our Methodist terms and names for those used by Mrs. Brown.

(Miss Quarter is speaking to a member of the Woman's Society.) Yes, I know very well that I am small and pale-faced and that I'm generally considered one of the weaker and poorer members of my family. It is true that at home I'm not able to serve one meal, that in the Woman's Club I'm not in good standing because I can't afford to pay my dues, that I did not shine in the Easter parade because I could not even pay for a tip end of one feather on such a hat as my cousin, Miss Greenbacks bought for that occasion, and it is true that even in the Woman's Missionary Society my sister, Dollar, is made much more prominent than myself. But of late years I have been given a new office and if you will listen whiie I tell you a part of what I did last year I think you will decide that I can do some things that are worth while, when I am allowed to do as I like.

Last spring in Kansas City, Christian women representing fourteen Southern States met in a Woman's Council. With earnest prayers for guidance they conferred together and made plans for promoting the missionary work of the women of the Southern Presbyterian Church. There Dr. Chester and Dr. Smith, Dr. Morris and Dr. McMillan, Dr. Sweets and Mr. Magwill gave their advice as to how the women could best assist the extension work of the church. Strengthened and prepared for their work as presidents of synodicals, these women returned to their homes. This meeting was possible because I paid the traveling expenses of the synodical presidents.

Last year there were fifteen meetings of synodicals in as many Southern States. At these meetings groups comprising in all eighty-three Presbyterial presidents, heard the plans and advice of the Woman's Council and conferred together as to the best way to apply these suggestions to their special field. The synodical secretaries of the Assembly's causes were also aided and informed as to their duties and opportunities. I paid the expenses of every one of these meetings.

All through the year the Presbyterial secretaries of the Assembly's causes received helpful, inspiring letters from the synodical secretaries. I paid the postage bill.

At a meeting of your Presbyterian Executive Committee I heard the president say, "I could not have undertaken the duties of this office if I had not attended the meeting of the Synodical last summer." I peeped over the edge of the treasurer's bag and heard and don't you know I was glad I had paid that little president's traveling expenses to that meeting?

I need not tell you about the meeting of your own Presbyterial for I saw you there. I know, too, how you came home filled with zeal, and how you persuaded your society president to appoint secretaries of the Assembly's causes. I have heard that you yourself have done fine work as Secretary of Home Missions and that you have received great help from the letters of the Presbyterial secretary of your cause. You see I know these things because I put the stamps on every one of those Presbyterial letters.

You remember that at the same Presbyterial meeting there were several missionaries. As that young missionary voiced her thrilling plea for helpers, for trained nurses to help in bringing the gospel of healing to poor sin-sick souls, did you notice the young delegate next to you start and tremble? Faith and love in that young heart leaped forth to meet the call, and now she has offered her life for the heathen. The message reached the young life because of poor little me!

In the Woman's Society of Ruralville the president held me in her fingers as she said: "The women of this society realize, I know, some of the

(Continued on Page 15)

HOW TO
MAKE MONEY
is the question which confronts many. Improve your spare time—Become efficient in a Profession that will go hand in hand with other business, is the practical solution.
BECOME A GRADUATE OPTICIAN. LEARN TO
FIT EYEGLASSES PROPERLY
Write for Catalogue. Correspondence and Attendance Courses.
Northern Illinois College of Ophthalmology,
O. W. McFatrich, M. D., President,
Masonic Temple, CHICAGO, ILL.

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

EPWORTH EPISODES

A real live presiding elder wrote our Epworth League President: "I congratulate you on the revival of the Epworth League interest in the Conference, and shall be ready to co-operate in any way that I can."

* * * *

The Knights of Ezelah of Spencer, N. C., constitute one of the most active chapters in Conference. They have lots of fun, as boys do, and do lots of good, as boys should.

* * * *

The various chapters of Asheville District have constituted themselves into the Asheville District Union of which Rev. W. W. Edwards is president. Brother Edwards is also district secretary.

* * * *

Chestnut Street, Asheville, although one of the very youngest chapters in our Conference, leads in the African Special thus far with a subscription of $50.00. This chapter is informed, spiritual, missionary and very earnest. A man of God leads the flock of Chestnut Street. All the people love Dr. D. Atkins. If any do not, they must be very bad.

* * * *

There are two chapters in the Conference which have been maintained in successful operation for many years; there may be others, but there are certainly two, Haywood Street, Asheville, and Main Street, Gastonia.

* * * *

Two delegates from one of our churches who were present at the Spencer Conference returned to their city with such a desire to promote the work of the Epworth League that they began at once to arrange for the establishment of a chapter in a country church whose leading young people are their friends. These young ladies are Misses Madge Sills and Frances Medearis, of the Centenary League, Winston. Miss Marguerite Pierce will cooperate with them in bringing this result to pass. Good!

OUR LEAGUERS WHO MET AT SPENCER

Asheville District

Mr. H. E. Walter, District Secretary, Asheville; Miss Ida Wilson, Chestnut Street League, Asheville; Mr. H. L. Brown, Weaverville League, Weaverville.

Charlotte District

Rev. L. A. Falls, Miss Seloma Lucker, Brevard Street, Charlotte; Miss Grace Bradley, Miss Mamie Sullivan, Mr. J. H. Deal, Mr. Sandford Foard, Belmont Park, Charlotte; Mr. Eustus Helms, Mt. Prospect, Monroe, R. F. D.; Mr. J. H. Richardson, Miss Bright Richardson, Bethlehem, Monroe, R. F. D.

Greensboro District

Mr. F. T. Scarborough, Mr. R. R. Mitchell, Miss Janey Mitchell, Mrs. Katherine Browning, Mr. Garland Robeson, West Market, Greensboro.

Morganton District

Mr. Joe Kjellander, Morganton.

Salisbury District

Miss Vergie Jenkins, Miss Mary Moore, Miss Margaret Sides, Miss Emma Houghton, Miss Ruth Ray, Rev. J. W. Moore, First Church, Salisbury; Mr. Will Powell, Knights of Ezelah, Spencer; Rev. C. M. Pickens, Conference Treasurer, Spencer; Rev. S. E. Richardson, E. Spencer church, Spencer; Rev. C. F. Sherrill, Main St. church Salisbury; Rev. G. W. Vick, Holmes Memorial church, Salisbury.

Shelby District

Miss Della Nolen, District Secretary, Gastonia; Rev. F. W. Cook, West End, Gastonia; Mr. Geo. L. Rawlings, Main St., Gastonia; Rev. W. E. Poovey, Conference League Board, Dallas.

Statesville District

Miss Stanly Hall, Editor, Hickory.

Winston District

Rev. E. L. Bain, Conference President, Winston-Salem; Miss Mildred Wilcox, Miss Madge Sills, Miss Frances Medearis, Centenary, Winston-Salem; Mrs. T. L. Clingman, Grace and Liberty, Winston-Salem; Rev. J. S. Hiatt, Grace, Winston-Salem.

* * * *

Mrs. Mattie Stewart, Woman's Missionary Society representative, Charlotte; Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Cline and Baby Cline, Thomasville; Rev. C. M. Short, Cooleemee.

If there were others whose names we failed to get please advise us and we will add them to our list for we wish to have an accurate list of delegates.

SOME THINGS WE HEARD

Address of Welcome

The opening adddress by Mr. Stevenson, Secretary of Y. M. C. A. of Spencer, was to the point. He gave the League Conference a welcome to Spencer and impressed upon us the fact that "Spencer is the Place," even if Salisbury does have the electric sign. He told of the benefits of a League training and the good results that a church receives from having a League. He said we would find the doors of Spencer wide open to us and the hearts of the people warm and friendly—all of which we did.

Rev. J. S. Hiatt

Rev. J. S. Hiatt, pastor of Grace church, Winston, gave the response to the address of welcome and also some advice as to "How to make a League go." He brought out some splendid points in regard to the work of the League. He emphasized the need of training the boys and girls to express themselves—their thoughts and feelings. Also the necessity of giving them something to do and then teaching them how to do it. The Junior Epworth League is the kindergarten of the Senior League and is necessary in order to give the child the proper training. He also showed how the pastor can either make or kill the League. Some preachers oppose the League; some are indifferent to it and some realize the value of it and take advantage of the help that the church may receive from the League and goes to work and has a League, and gets much more help from it than he had even expected. The church needs men with trained muscles, trained minds and with power to do the work in the most intelligent manner. The young people of the church need good wholesome entertainment. Where can these essential things be obtained? From the Epworth League. The work of the church is to train men for eternity. The Epworth League trains men and women to go out into the world and bring the people into the church. We can accomplish nothing unless we try, and if we try hard enough we can accomplish almost anything. To do our best is all that God requires of us.

He used the railroad and the engines to illustrate his points and they were good illustrations, too. His wit and many humorous illustrations made his address especially enjoyable. Pen can not do it justice. You are going to hear from the League in his churches in the future, if he puts as much life into his Leagues as he did into that speech.

Rev. J. W. Moore

At the sunrise prayer meeting Saturday morning Mr. Moore made a short talk on the transfiguration and brought out among others the following points:

While we all need the blessings and joys of the transfiguration sometimes in our lives it would not be well for us to dwell on the mount all the time. As the disciples were not allowed to remain on the mount, but were brought down into the valley where the multitude was waiting for help and comfort, so are we brought into the everyday world where our help and comfort are needed. Blessings that are not shared soon cease to be blessings. Let us get in touch with God each morning and then go out and share his spiritual blessings with others. Let us study the first verse of the Bible: "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth," and ask God to create within us at the beginning of each day, a new heart and a new love for him.

Saturday night Mr. Moore spoke on "The Call to Service," reading for the lesson Isaiah 6:18, ending with the words, "Here am I; send me." In connection he quoted Matthew 9:9—the call of Matthew, in which Jesus said to Matthew, "Follow me," and he arose and followed Him. Also Mark 2:14 and Luke 5:27, recording the same incident. He brought out the fact that God comes to every individual and speaks to him. To all he says "Follow me," but he does not lead us all in the same paths. Jesus saw what kind of a man Matthew was. He recognized him as an extremely selfish but not as an immoral man. Matthew recognized Him as the Son of God and followed. Will we do the same when He calls us? God does not mean that any life shall be in vain. Even the insects do not live for nothing.

We must not feed our souls on money. They need something higher and holier. Jesus immortalized every soul. Jesus wanted Matthew for personal fellowship. He also wants us. He says in John 15:16, "Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you." He does not call us because we are worthy, but if we will let Him He will make us like Himself. He calls us to come to God and then points out the necessity of doing the work of God, giving us the promise: "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

Rev. E. L. Bain

The keynote of Mr. Bain's sermon Sunday morning was "Joy." He read for the lesson Luke 10:1-24, taking the 20th verse as a text: "Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice that your names are written in heaven." He also read John 16:19-24, which gave the promise: "Ask and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full," also promising that it would be an abiding joy. John 14:27-28 promises to leave His peace with us and bids us rejoice because He goes unto His Father. James 1:2 says: "Count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations. 1 Peter 4:13 says: "But rejoice inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings." Jude tells us that God is able to save us with exceeding joy. Paul says "Rejoice always; again I say rejoice." Sure every Christian should live a life of rejoicing; but most of all we should rejoice that our names are written in heaven.

Let us realize that it is worth just as much to save one soul as another. Let us work for the young people and children for they can do so much for Christ. We cannot always expect results. Jesus tried to save Jerusalem. Many pastors, like Jesus, have tried and failed in certain fields, but they should not be discouraged. Our Father sees our efforts. Let us rejoice in our Father's smile. If we cannot see His smile and rejoice in it, nine times out of ten we have not tried very hard ourselves. Let us rejoice that our names are written in heaven and that we may see Him face to face some day, "When I can read my titles clear to mansions in the skies."

He told the story of a poor mother in one of his churches in Asheville, which showed that no matter how poor or how infirm our bodies may be, we can still have the comfort of a Saviour and the joy of knowing that we may at last be with Jesus in heaven, where we will be rich in His goodness and love; where we can rejoice with exceeding great joy. (Let us all make our religion one of great joy.)

Rev. Gilbert T. Rowe

"The necessity for League Work in the Church." He brought out the fact that the training of the young people can best be accomplished under the direction of the Epworth League leaders, who are trained in this work. The pastor is a great factor in the work of the League, for he can either make the League or kill the League. His interest is necessary but his presence is not always best. Every League is a positive benefit to the church, the community, and the pastor. He told of his experience with the "Old Sal Theory" and how it failed. We have been prone to undervalue the small things. The Epworth League will do more than any other organization to remedy the "Old Sal" method. The organized Sunday school class gave a good chance to give the Epworth League a decent burial. The Sunday school had been preparing for the organized class for fifteen years, but the class has about served its purpose and it has been found that it cannot take the place of the Epworth League. There is no conflict between the work of the organized class and the Epworth League. The work of the class is to promote the study of the Bible; the work of the League, the training of the young people to express themselves. No great harm can come from the overlapping of the work, should there be any. In fact, they work side by side. The class fills you full of the truths of God; the League trains you to give it to others. There is a necessity in the life of every church for the activity of the Epworth League.

Let every young person here go back to his church with the determination to show the community that the Methodist church has an organization that will give the training necessary to the young life of the church.

POINTERS

Rev. E. L. Bain, our President, has named a person for every office which he was asked to fill, and is holding the announcement, because those whom he has named have not all replied to his letters. We hope to announce the complete list of Conference Officers of the Epworth League next week.

* * * *

Two things are happening now which are significant. Local chapters are becoming desirous of organizing other chapters and requests for literature and information relative to organizing are coming in from churches where there are no chapters. The League is constantly growing in Western North Carolina.

* * * *

If you desire to organize a chapter, Brother Pastor, send 20 cents to Smith and Lamar and ask for one Epworth League Handbook and a dozen constitutions. You can't make it without information. We know one conference officer who has given away dozens of the Handbooks and constitutions, but you can easily procure them at but little expense from our houses in Richmond, Va., or Nashville, Tenn., and this will impose no burden on anyone.

ELOCUTION

Would you like to study Elocution?

We will give you LESSONS by MAIL and teach you the art of Public Speaking, Dramatic Reading and Entertaining. Elocution will make you popular and earn you money. With our lessons mothers can teach their Children to Recite. Only the best literature taught. If you cannot go away to school, this is your opportunity. Send 4 cent stamp for Sample Illustrated Recitation.

THE MERRILL SCHOOL OF EXPRESSION, Inc.
1759 Woodward Ave., Dept. M-2 Detroit, Mich.



From the Field

MISSIONARY NOTES FROM FIELD SECRETARY

Franklin Ct., W. G. Warren, P. C. Oak Ridge, $11.00 on assessments; Bethel, $30.28 on assessments; Salem, $41.53 on assessments; Clark's Chapel, $1.00 on assessments; Snow Hill, $16.60 on assessments; Iotla, $18.00 on assessments.

Brother Warren planned to follow up services with committees in a two-day canvass of each church. Rain hindered us at some points

* * * *

Brother pastors, please refer to Conference Minutes for names and addresses of trustees to send money to. Send only mission money to Brother Courtney, indicating whether for foreign or for home and conference missions.

* * * *

All money raised for the Conference Mission Emergency Fund should be sent to Brother Courtney as a Conference Mission Special—not Home Mission Special—and not be used to pay out the assessment for Home and Conference Missions.

* * * *

Be sure to study the Discipline on use of mission money raised in the Sunday schools. Then study carefully Table Two in Conference Minutes where proper credit is to be given Sunday schools for all mission money raised whether for a special or on assessment.

* * * *

Don't forget in making out your report to distinguish a home from a conference mission special. See Table Three in Conference Minutes. The assessment for both home and conference missions is in one lump. But all domestic mission specials intended for use in our Conference, such as the Emergency Fund, should be reported under column "Conference Special." Domestic mission specials to be used outside our Conference, like Paine College, should be reported under column "Home Special."

* * * *

Murphy Station, Ira Erwin, P. C.—$351.50 on assessments. I saw a man—not a member of any church—hand Brother Erwin a check for $75.00—$25.00 promised on his salary last year and $50.00 on conference collections this year. He is a tither. He has a conscience—and an exceptionally good Methodist mother.

* * * *

As I write my notes at Murphy tonight, October 7th, my heart is sad, for I have just heard of the death of Sister Marr. Our mission work has suffered a great loss. For twenty-seven years I have known her and loved her in Christ Jesus her Lord. I am glad to have had my last vision of her on earth this summer at her beautiful summer home near Brevard. Seated with her mother on her front porch she looked the picture of happy contentment. Little did any of us know that she would so soon go home to heaven.

Her last great message to our Conference, delivered in Trinity church at our annual session, contained a plea for better support for our preachers. It called from Bishop McCoy the public statement to the Conference Missionary Secretary of his appointment from him to accomplish this end. It was in part the inspiration of the Conference Mission Emergency Fund.

FROM MAIDEN

One of the best meetings the writer ever attended closed at Maiden on the 28th of September. Rev. J. H. Green did the preaching and Prof. Rudd Newsom did the singing. The preaching was of a high order, deep, spiritual, practical—the kind that brings conviction for sin and causes men and women who have lived the nominal Christian life for a time to hunger and thirst for the higher life and the witness of the Spirit. More than seventy-persons were converted or reclaimed. Perhaps the greatest work done was in the church, either in regenerating unsaved members or deepening the spiritual life. As results a number of family altars have been erected. Others lead in public prayer and the attendance at Sunday school has been largely increased, the prayer meeting revived and twenty-four added to the church roll on profession of faith. Many were so filled with the Spirit that their cup ran over and they shouted aloud the praises of God like our fathers and mothers did in the good old times.

Such large rcowds attended the meetings that we had to move out of the church and prepare seats in the grove under a brush arbor to accommodate them. The preaching and exhortations of Brother Green and sweet singing and fervent prayers of Brother Newsom will not soon be forgotten by the people of this section. While we have many able and efficient men, I know of none whom I would rather have to assist in a revival than Green and Newsom. Brother Peeler has done a fine year's work on the Maiden charge this year. There has been a good increase in the membership of each church and the circuit is in a good condition.

Fraternally, C. H. Curtis.

CAROLEEN CALL—ON THE ADVOCATE

Brother Clegg is making "full proof of his ministry." After teaching a Sunday school class every Sabbath he preaches good, sensible sermons. His hardest work is now on—the collections—but the measurement will be full.

Brother Gay is behaving himself royally. The Morganton district will make about the finest report in its history.

The Advocate is doing excellent work on all lines. In all Advocate history the Methodist Church, South has not been so well served. The brother is right who says, "Give us a church paper in every Conference having a membership of 50,000 or even less." As to the literature of our church, we have plenty of it, but the fodder is too high up; it is not being reached by our people who need feeding. Our book shelves are too full while the saddle-pockets of our pastors are too empty. After all, our Zion moves; let us shout. S. M. Davis.

WADESBORO

I have been much encouraged by the great revivals reported by the brethren in our Conference. Surely we will have a large increase in membership to report at Reidsville. I have little faith in a profession of faith which does not impel the convert to unite with some church. The new convert must join some church else he will back-slide.

The fourth Sunday in July I began a meeting at Hanna's Chapel, which continued a week. This meeting resulted in seventeen added to the Methodist church and two to the Presbyterian church. Brother H. H. Jordan, of the Main Street church, Gastonia, was with us a week in September, and did some real strong gospel preaching to large congregations. Last Sunday I received ten on profession as a part of the results of that meeting, and a meeting held in South Wadesboro by that faithful man of God, Rev. Mr. Reddish, pastor of the First Baptist church in this city.

In August I had the gracious privilege of helping that sweet-spirited brother, Rev. L. L. Smith, in two meetings, Salem and Cedar Hill. I think in these two meetings not less than thirty united with the church on profession of faith.

I desire to express through the Advocate my appreciation of that generous gift from Mr. Duke to North Carolina Methodism. If all our men of wealth would thus recognize the claims of the church of God, this would be a much better world.

I am trying to get in shape for Conference—and a move. I have had four busy years here, and some success. The time limit is a blessing to both preacher and congregation. The average preacher is dry after five or six hundred sermons to the same congregation, and the people have a right to a new man.

This has been a trying year financially in Wadesboro but we expect to "pull through." The stewards, under the leadership of that fine young man, Brother George K. Craig, are making a strong fight and no doubt will win. We will report a better increase in membership than any year since my first here. Geo. D. Herman.

Wadesboro, N. C.

FROM CONFERENCE EVANGELIST

We have just been with Brother Sandford at Waxhaw in a good meeting. There were about fifty professions and several accessions. The church was revived. We found some very clever people at Waxhaw. Brother Sandford entertained us very hospitably in the parsonage. We are now with Brother J. W. Hoyle at Sparta.

W. L. Dawson.

TO OUR PASTORS

Our Minutes for last year show, under Table Number 2, the "Number Bible Classes" in our Sunday Schools. A foot-note explanation on the blanks we filled in last year said: "No class reported unless enrolled with Dr. Bulla."

The same blanks will be used this year.

This column in our Minutes is designed to show the number of "Intermediate," "Senior" and "Adult" classes that are enrolled in the "Wesley Bible Class Department" at Nashville, Tenn.

The cost of enrollment is only 25 cents. For this small amount a beautiful "Certificate of Registration" is issued to the class, signed by E. B. Chappell and Charles D. Bulla of our own denomination, and by Marion Lawrence and W. C. Pearce of the inter-denominational Sunday school workers.

If you have an organized Bible class that is not affiliated with the Wesley Bible Class Department at Nashville, write to Dr. Bulla for an application blank for enrollment and have the blank filled out and sent in. If you have an organized class that is already enrolled, say, with the great Baraca or Philathea movement, get this class also to enroll at Nashville. Many classes are enrolled in two or more places, and they therefore gather inspiration from more than one source.

Your classes should enroll at Nashville not only for what they can get but also for what they can give. There is always inspiration in mere numbers. Each enrolling class swells the number and, therefore, the enthusiasm. "Such help as we can give each other is a debt we owe each other."

Unless your organized classes enroll also at Nashville, you should not report them for this column of our Minutes. W. A. Lambeth,

Sec. S. S. Board.

Reidsville, N. C.

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.----------E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg.---W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller----------C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg., M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.-----J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg.---J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.----G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.------ A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel---J. W. Ligon



MAMMOTH BLACK

The greatest pork producers ever originated. We originated this hog. One we sold dressed 978 pounds. See statement from the man that raised this hog:

Wallburg, N. C., June 15, 1907.
John A. Young, Greensboro, N. C.
Dear Sir:
I have killed the Mammoth Black pig I bought of you and he dressed 978 lbs. net. Yours truly,
J. L. Guyer.

Until Oct. 1st we will sell at $10.00 each, $15.00 per pair, pigs 8 to 10 weeks old.

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.

FRIENDSHIP BRACELET LINK ONLY 12¢



STERLING SILVER ROLLED GOLD

Start a Friendship-Maid-Link-Bracelet, latest New York fashion. We start yours by giving you one link absolutely FREE engraved with 3 initials. Your friends give or exchange others. What more beautiful token or sentiment could be expressed. Send to-day for one or more LINKS (12c. each) stating initials and whether ROLLED GOLD, STERLING SILVER, BEADED or PLAIN design wanted and receive links with beautiful Black Ribbon Free so you can start wearing Links at once until Bracelet is complete. Write today. Start with Link we give you Free with first 12c. order or more. Friendship Jewelery Co., Dept. J, 83 Chambers St., N.Y.

GOOSE FEATHERS, FEATHER BEDS, PILLOW AND CUSHIONS, made to order, direct from factory. WRITE FOR CATALOGUE.

SANITARY BEDDING CO., Dept. 613. Charlotte, N. C.

We Will Pay You $120.00

to distribute religious literature and represent us in your community. 60 days' work. Man or woman. Experience not required. Spare time may be used.

Universal Bible House, Philadelphia Dept. C. J.

White Gifts For The King

ARE GIFTS OF

"Self—Service—Substance"

And these make Ideal "Giving Christmas" Service. Nothing added to it—Nothing taken from it

CAN NEVER IMPROVE IT

It means Blessing, Privilege, Power, more faithful service in the whole church, for the WHOLE YEAR. Every Pastor and Superintendent in the world OUGHT to know all about it!

SEND NO MONEY

But copy the order below and mail it to us. "Having seen your 'White Gift' Ad. in the North Carolina Christian Advocate, I write to ask you to mail me your 35c 'Outfit' of samples and I promise to either pay for it, or return it within two weeks in good condition."

Signed .....

Meigs Publishing Co., Indianapolis, Ind.

IDEAL FUNERAL BOOK

A ready aid for pastors of all denominations. Contains Scripture Selection, Topics, Texts and Outlines, Suggestive Themes and Prayers, Quotations, Illustrations, Form of Service, etc. Over fifteen hundred suggestive themes and texts for every possible occasion. A limp leather-bound, gilt-edge book, pocket size, 214 pages, for 75c. and 4c. postage. Guaranteed the best on the market.

PENTECOSTAL PUBLISHING CO., LOUISVILLE, KY.

THE STANDARD EDITION OF LUTHER IN ENGLISH

With the issuing of Volume 1 of the Works of Martin Luther, A. J. Holman Co., of Philadelphia, has begun the publication of the most important series of historical sources that has appeared in America in the last ten years. The series, which is to be completed in ten volumes, will contain, when finished, all o fthe more important writings of the great German Reformer, rendered into adequate English, and provided with extensive notes and historical introductions by a group of scholars eminently qualified for the work.

There have been few men in all history whose contact was so close with all the many sides of life of their age, and there have been few who have left behind them such a mass of literary remains. In his writings, Luther touched on every important problem that was present to the mind of the Sixteenth Century man. His Open Letter to the Christian Nobility of the German Nation is the most complete contemporary discussion that we have of conditions in Church and State at the beginning of the Sixteenth Century; his work On Trade and Usury is a discussion of the causes for the rise in the cost of living that took place in Sixteenth Century Germany, and is really a treatise in Economics written from a Christian viewpoint; his Address to the Burgomasters of the German Cities in the first attempt at the construction of a modern program for state-controlled common schools; there are, in fact, few movements in modern history, the beginnings of which cannot be traced in Luther's writings. Not only the theologian, but the historian, the economist and the sociologist finds in Luther material of inestimable value for the understanding of his science. As a source-book for collateral reading in universities, colleges and theological seminaries, this English Edition of Luther will be found invaluable.

The second volume, which will contain some sixty or seventy pages more than the first, is now on press, and will be ready for sale within a short time.

J. S. MARTIN

My Tribute

In many beautiful things and in much generous service may God's children on earth be like Him in the smallest and most imperfect emasure; and in nothing more than in gift making. One of the greatest and most magnanimous earthly gifts ever bestowed was placed on record in church history here below and up yonder, when the mother over in England gave the child Methodism to the American coloniies. And coming home to appraise and appreciate our part of the precious legacy we find among the values of our North Carolina Methodism J. S. Martin and his excellent companion so freely given to us by our gracious English mother. As in the case of Asbury, Coke and other noble gifts to us, the Head of the Church saw that Brother Martin could accomplish more for the cause of Christ and Methodism than on the other side, by leading him in his new life over into the new world. By home and school training, and by abundant grace and personal devotion he was eminently prepared for the fine, faithful, able and abundant layman work which he did with us and for us.

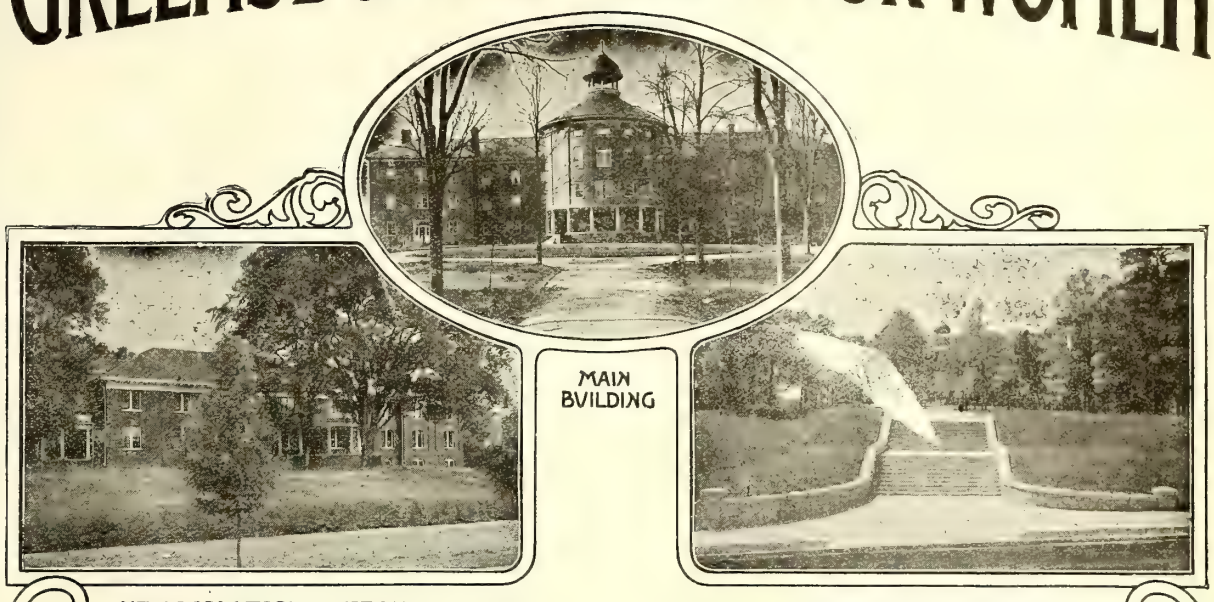
All self renounced an soundly converted at a Wesleyan altar, J. S. Martin was ready to join us in the achievement of Methodism during near a half century. He was listening when the Master said to him: "Diligent in business, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord." The loving, faithful, constant service which he rendered to his Lord was a golden link, linking together his remarkable success in business and his wonderful fervency in spirit.

While I might say on and on and others are saying, we all stop to say: What a loss to us! But at the beautiful gate it was said when J. S. Martin enlisted: "What a gain to heaven!" Personally, what a loss to me! How bereft I am! How I loved Brother Martin! He saw the light of this old world March the 16th ,1847, and I first beheld that light March the 7th, 1847.

Many more are my friends over there than here. My largest affections and treasures all are laid up there.

Caroleen, N. C. S. M. Davis.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department, open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D. D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

TRY MURINE EYE REMEDY
For Red, Weak, Weary, Watery Eyes and GRANULATED EYELIDS.
Murine Doesn't Smart—Soothes Eye Pain
Druggists Sell Murine Eye Remedy, Liquid, 25c, 50c, $1.00
Murine Eye Salve, in Aseptic Tubes, 25c, $1.00
EYE BOOKS AND ADVICE FREE BY MAIL
Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

EVERYBODY DELIGHTED

If you place your order for a piano or player piano through the North Carolina Christian Advocate Piano Club you cannot fail to be delighted with the transaction. Every feature of the Club is **guaranteed**, and every guarantee is **maintained** with scrupulous exactness and courtesy.

The big saving in price which results from uniting our orders in a Club of One Hundred buyers is only one of the many attractions of the Club. The superior quality of the instruments, the permanent guarantee against defects in workmanship and materials, the convenient terms, the protection to your family in the event of your death before the instrument is fully paid for, the exchange privileges, the free service in exchange of music rolls, all these are features which protect and further your interests. The Club is by far the **greatest opportunity** ever offered the piano buyer.

Write for illustrated catalogue and full particulars. Address the Managers, Ludden & Bates, North Carolina Christian Advocate Piano Club Dept., Atlanta, Ga.

WITHHOLD A BLESSING

The last report of our Mission Boards is a treasure, telling all about our mission fields, and giving the name and field of each missionary. Pastors and presiding elders should carry sample copies everywhere.

Brother, if you fail at this point you are withholding a much needed blessing.

A. D. Betts.

Greensboro, N. C.

The Sunday School Lesson

FOURTH QUARTER—LESSON III—OCTOBER 17, 1915

ELISHA HEALS NAAMAN THE SYRIAN. 2 KINGS 5

Golden Text—I am Jehovah that healeth thee. Exodus 15:26.

Summary of the Lesson

Henry van Dyke has attempted to visualize the whole episode of Naaman in his dramatic poem, "The House of Rimmon." The story of this Syrian general, who could conquer opposing armies, but knew of no way to conquer the strange and terrible white spot on his own flesh, lends itself readily enough to dramatic interpretation. The little captive maiden of Israel and her prattle about a prophet in her land who could heal the leprosy; the stately expedition which traveled in pomp to Israel to find healing; the dismay of Israel's king, who saw in it all a threat of war; the quiet assurance of Elisha and his command that Naaman wash seven times in the Jordan; the rage of the Syrian general and his final testing of the prophet's prescription; the healing of Naaman and his joyous home-going, with a new religion in his soul and a new health in his body—all these make up one of the most fascinating stories in the whole Old Testament.

The Captive Maiden

In one of the border forays the Syrian soldiers had brought out of Israel a little maiden, who had become a servant in the home of the great general Naaman. It was a hard lot enough, snatched from her own people and land, and made a slave in a foreign country, but the resiliency of youth and all its hearty optimism found interest in the new life and kept the little maiden from repining. She stopped thinking of herself and began to fill her mind with the hopes and fears, the joys and sorrows of those with whom she lived. It was a great victory and it has transformed the life of many a man and woman in many a land since the days of this maid of Israel.

A terrible calamity filled all the household with gloom. First terrified glances, then low whispered words told the story. The head of the house, the mighty general, on whom the king leaned, had become a victim of leprosy. With ashen faces and noiseless steps the servants went about their work. It seemed as if the whole great establishment had become a living tomb.

Then it was that the little maiden from Israel remembered the kindly, ministering prophet in her own land, who was all the while bringing gladness where there had been sorrow and hope where there had been fear. She told the story of Elisha and his wonderful power to Naaman's wife and soon the tale came to Naaman and then to Naaman's king.

It was a case where not even a forlorn hope was to be passed by and soon the general who was a leper prepared to journey to Israel in quest of healing.

The Impotent King

One of the monarchs of England is said mockingly to have commanded the incoming tide to recede, in order to teach his courtiers the limitations of kingly power. When the brilliant cavalcade from Syria reached the king of Israel, with their costly presents, and their strange request, he was filled with panic. These men seemed quite oblivious of the limitations of kingly power. They asked the impossible. They spoke as if the king of Israel had divine might.

Of course there was only one explanation. The whole expedition was to be made a pretext for war. So thinking the panic of the king of Israel increased. Elisha the prophet heard of it and sent a reassuring message. Let Naaman be sent to him and all would be well.

The king was glad enough to put the burden of a difficult situation on other shoulders. So it came to pass that soon Naaman and his retinue were moving toward the dwelling place of Elisha.

The king of Israel was more fortunate than some kings in realizing his limitations. There have been monarchs who have ruined their reigns and put their people in hard straits because they thought they had no limitations. There is a curious passage in Mary Antin's Promised Land in which we are told how this little immigrant girl in a childish fit of rash confidence ventured to attempt a musical performance for which she had absolutely no training. The results were as disastrous as those coming from the actions of many kings and people whose only capital has been their own confidence. Better to rend one's clothing with the king of Israel than to have that presumptuous conceit which has no consciousness of limitations.

The Masterful Prophet

"They feared God so much that there was no fear of any human being in their hearts" was the description of certain stern Christians. Elisha was no cringing, fawning, flattering courtier. He had no desire to make personal capital out of the visit of the great Syrian general. He had no favors to ask. He had no personal ends to serve. He was engaged in a service before which all human honors dwarfed in significance. When Naaman appeared before his door Elisha did not even come down personally to greet him. He contented himself with sending a terse, definite message, "Go, and wash in the Jordan seven times, and thy flesh shall come again to thee, and thou shalt be clean." The message was assured enough, and it seemed to come with consciousness of authority and power, but it did not minister in the slightest fashion to the vanity of Naaman.

The Syrian general completely lost his temper. Was this the way in which he was to be treated by a petty prophet of Israel? Was the favorite of the great king in Damascus to be received with such scant courtesy when he journeyed to Israel in almost royal pomp, seeking help?

He had expected the prophet to come forth with solemn prayer and ceremonial to do the work of healing. Instead the man from Damascus, with its gleaming waters, was told to bathe again in the Jordan. If it was a matter of washing, why not go back and try the cleansing waters of his own beautiful city? So he turned away in loud, protesting anger.

The Healing of Naaman

The saying, "No man is a hero to his own valet," may be supplemented by another. "There are times when every wise man takes the advice of his servants." While Naaman was muttering angry words his servants were preparing to bring him to a better state of mind. With a tact and skill of the finest quality they reminded him that he would have tried any hard thing at the suggestion of the prophet. Then why not try this easy thing? Their words were so happily chosen and so persuasive that soon Naaman was persuaded to do as Elisha had said.

So it came about that a man entirely free from the loathsome disease of leprosy soon stood in glad wonder on the Jordan's bank. The terrible white spot had departed. Naaman was cleansed.

Now, in place of angry words his lips dripped with gratitude. He tried to force presents on Elisha. He declared his allegiance to God through whose power the wonderful deed had been wrought. His night had been turned into day and a great song of gladness was singing itself in his heart. Elisha refused every gift and gave his guest a parting blessing as he said with simple dignity: "Go in peace." So the man whom life seemed to have repudiated as he faced a leper's fate, went back to his own land, sound of body, to take his place once more as the king's right arm, leading his forces to victory. And as he went away his mind was full of gratitude to the God who had given him the gift of cleansing. Henceforth his heart belonged to Jehovah.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in New York Christian Advocate.

DRINKING THAT HAS PROVEN BENEFICIAL

This is not a statement to cause consternation among our readers, because the beverage is Fonticello Mineral Water. The waters from this Mineral Spring have made restorations to health in cases of sickness of such long standing that the sufferers had given themselves up to believe that recovery was impossible. The proposition in a nutshell is this: Pure Water—water that is free from organic matter is known by the medical profession to be the safest and best of all agents to cleanse the system—and flush the blood and vital organs before the refuse can contaminate them and interfere with their functions. It is through intemperate eating and drinking of beverages, or the failure to drink plenty of water, and the exercise of common sense in living that we incur sickness, which finally becomes chronic.

But to prove the truth of the statement that Fonticello Mineral Water has made these wonderful restorations to health we make this **Guarantee:**

We will send you statements from physicians of acknowledged high reputation, of ministers and others who will show positively that Fonticello Water has cured them of many chronic diseases, including dyspepsia, indigestion, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney and liver diseases, uric acid, etc

We will ship you two five gallon carboys of Fonticello Water with the understanding that if it does not benefit you, **we will return full purchase price.**

Fill out this coupon and mail today

Note our guarantee

I want to try Fonticello Mineral Water and promise to use it regularly, daily, drinking the number of glasses prescribed in the directions which you agree to send me. If this treatment does not prove beneficial, yoou agree to refund purchase price upon receipt by you of the two empty carboys which I promise to return promptly. Enclosed find $2.00 for which please send me two gallons of Fonticello Mineral Water referred to above.

Name .....

P. O. .....

Express Office .....

Note.—This coupon is our acceptance of above terms and guarantee.

FONTICELLO MINERAL SPRINGS CO.
Dept. C., Richmond, Va.



Standard
Memorial Windows
Made in High Point

Beautiful in design—strong in construction. Largest and oldest glass plant in the South. Capacity for any and all orders and prompt delivery. Satisfaction guaranteed. References—any of our old customers or any bank or banker in High Point. Write for catalog.

Standard Mirror Co.
High Point, N. C.



GREATEST RAZOR Offer Ever Made!

Send name and address (no money) and get this high-grade unmatchable razor, round or square point, on 20 days free trial. If satisfied it is the best razor you ever used and wish to keep it send $1.40, if not return it. This razor is made by a secret process that insures a velvet shave.
D. A. BATEMAN, 230 E. MARKET ST., LOUISVILLE, KY.

This Hose Lasts Longer Than Others

Goodyear-Akron Lawn Hose lasts longer than others because it is made to do that. It is made by the makers of the famous Goodyear Automobile Tires. Composed of five layers of alternate new, live rubber and strongest braided cotton. Absolutely seamless. The thick corrugated outer coat, with its six extra large rubber ribs, does away with twisting and kinking. They add immensely to its life.

GOODYEAR AKRON
Lawn Hose

Buy Your Garden Tools Here

We Have Everything You Need

ODELL Hardware Co.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER
Proprietor

GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1845

DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF
STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland
108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

Our Little Folks' Department

THE YOUNG GARDENER

In a corner of the orchard
Is my garden, mother dear.
I'd a peanut planted in it,
One that papa raised last year.

It was planted quite since Monday;
And 'tis Tuesday now, you know,
But 'twas not the least bit rooted—
For I looked awhile ago.

'Mong the mosses soft I placed it,
In the best place to be found;
Then I poured some water on it
Till the grass was wet all round.

When I saw it had not sprouted,
With my little drinking cup
I washed off the muddy peanut;
Then I ate the goody up!

—Selected.

"JUST ME"

A missionary of the Central District of the great American Sunday School Union told a story, illustrating what a boy can do. He said:

"I had organized a Sunday school in the fall, in one of the outlying districts of my field, and the effort gave promise of much usefulness, the locality being a needy one, although only a little way out of the city.

"One stormy Sunday, in the winter, I wended my way to the locality through quite a fall of snow. When I came in sight of the school house, I could see the white smoke curling up from the chimney, and felt sure that there was a warm welcome awaiting me. As I drew near, the bell was being rung; the hour for the session had arrived.

Entering the school house I found the gathering made up of one lad about fourteen years old, and myself. I greeted my young friend cordially, and asked, 'was that the last bell for Sunday school?'

"'Yes sir,' was his polite respond to my question.

"'How has the Sunday school been getting along?' I inquired by way of keeping up the conversation.

"'Oh,' said he, 'it was doing first-rate up until bad weather came; but since then it hasn't been doing so well.'

"We chatted pleasantly for some time, enjoying the warm fire which he had built. No one else appearing, I said to my young friend: 'Do you think there will be anybody else here today?"

"'No," he said, 'it's a pretty bad day, and they don't come out very well when it is bad weather.'

"'How many were here last Sunday?' I asked, recalling the fact that the weather of the several previous Sundays had also been bad.

"'Just me,' was his laconic reply.

"'Well, that's not very encouraging, is it?' I suggested.

"No,' was the reply, 'but I thought if I came and built the fire and rang the bell, somebody else might come.'

"'And you stayed here all alone, did you?'

"'Yes sir, till the hour was up; then I locked up the house and went home.'

"'How far from here do you live?' I asked.

"'About a mile across there,' he said, indicating a locality across fields, and through a patch of woods over on another road.

"'How many were here two weeks ago?' I ventured to inquire.

"'Just me,' was his laconic reply.

"'And this is the third Sunday in succession you have come here, built a fire, rung the bell, and waited an hour for someone to come?'

"'Yes, sir.'

"Well, how long are you going to keep this up?

"'Till they tell me to quit,' was his reply, as he seemed to realize the importance of his position and how great was the responsilbility laid upon him.

"'Well you are the stuff they make successful Sunday school workers out of,' I said, patting him approvingly on the shoulder.

"'I don't want to see the Sunday school go down, and it shan't if I can help it,' was his reply.

"'You are all right, my boy, I said. 'You just keep right on doing your duty, whether anyone else does or not, and you will have your reward. Have you a Bible all your own?' I asked.

"'No,' he said, but I mean to have one some day.'

"'All right, here is one that shall be yours,' and I gave him a good Bible I had with me, and wrote his name in it, accompanying the gift with a few words of advice.

"The next Sunday 'Just Me' went as usual, built his fire, and rang the bell. Some of the people and children came out and the Sunday school was saved.

"I have got my eyes on that boy, and some day I am of the opinion that there will be another chapter written in his life's history, and it will tell of other and greater responsibilities, and their faithful fulfillment, because, 'He that is faithful in that which is least, is faithful also in much.'

"When the book is opened and the roll is called in Heaven, 'Just Me' as I have chosen to call him, will be there, I hope, and able to lay many trophies at the Master's feet."—The Watchword.

IN THE FALL

The chestnut leaves are turning red
And dropping to the ground;
The wind is whistling overhead
With low and warning sound.
The nuts are pattering from the trees
Where squirrels leap and run.
This is their time for jubilees,
For work mixed up with fun.
They must go nutting all the time,
These squirrels, in the fall;
For romping boys know how to climb,
And they might get them all.

—Helen M. Richardson.

THE ORIGIN OF THE THIMBLE

"Isn't it funny, Aunt Margaret, how I thought, such a little while ago, that I never could learn to use this thimble, and now I wouldn't like to be obliged to sew without it?" asked a little girl as she toyed with the thimble her aunt had given her and taught her to use.

"That is the way with many things in this world, dear," was the quiet reply, "and it ought to teach us not to rebel at using whatever may prove a help to us, as you did over trying that thimble."

"Wasn't I foolish, auntie?" said the girl with heightened color. "But I'd like to know who ever invented the first one."

"I have read that it was a goldsmith named Nicholas Benschoten, who lived in Amsterdam in the year 1684. So you see, dear, that girls for hundreds of years have had to learn to use it, just as you did. "Well," continued she, "this man made a thimble which he sent as a birthday gift to a lady friend, and he sent along with it this message: 'To my Frau Van Ranselaer: This little object, which I have invented and executed as a protective covering for her industrious fingers."

"I hope she idn't have as hard a time learning to use it as I did, and no one to show her how, either," laughed Alecia.

"The article I read did not say whether she had difficulty in learning to use it; but she must have persevered, anyhow, for the invention proved such a success that all who saw it tried to obtain similar ones, and the goldsmith had enough to do to supply them. An Englishman was said to have taken one specimen home with him and copied it by the thousand."

"I imagine that they cost more than they do now," observed the girl, who was again using her thimble.

"Yes, the first ones were rather costly, and only well-to-do people could afford them; and—what do you think, Alecia?—it was originally worn on the thumb to parry the thrust of the needle pointing through the material and not, as at present, to impel it."

"How funny that seems!" cried the little girl as she tried using hers on the thumb instead of the second finger. "Why, I couldn't sew at all that way, auntie!"

"Of course not, childl, because you are not accustomed to it; but our way is much better, anyhow. When it was used on the thumb it was called a thumb bell, and from that it was changed to the name we now call it. Fashion in thimbles is said to be very luxurious in the East. Wealthy Chinese ladies have thimbles carved out of mother-of-pearl, and sometimes the top is a single precious stone. Thimbles with an agate or onyx mounted in gold are often seen, as well as some incrusted with rubies. The queen of Siam possesses a thimble in the form of a lotus bud, with her name exquisitely worked in tiny diamonsd around the margin."

"If I had one like that I'm afraid my sewing would suffer, for I'd want to look at it all the time," said Alecia with a merry laugh.—Laura E. Hutchinson.

MARJORY'S PARTY

Marjory was going to have a birthday party, as she always did, and wondered what she could have that would be different from the others.

"I think I'll surprise you and keep it all to myself," said mother with a twinkle in her eye.

She always planned such splendid things that Marjory was sure every one would have a good time. She was crazy to know what it was to be, but made up her mind not to tease.

Little white envelopes were sent out, with the invitations written on the cutest little donkey you could wish to see: "Please come to my donkey party."

The children thought Saturday afternoon never would get there, but it did, and so did all the children. The first thing they did was to be blindfolded and take turns pinning a tail on a big donkey on the wall. Some pinned the tail on its nose, some on its ear, and one little fellow got turned around and pinned it on a girl.

The children laughed and shouted until mother called them into another room for a "donkey hunt."

Little chocolate donkeys had been hidden just everywhere you could imagine, and the children fell over themselves in the scramble to see who could get the most. Under the rug, back of pictures, under the couch, under the pillows, under the books, and in the flowers—the donkeys seemed to be everywhere.

Mother called them to get their prizes, which were big candy donkeys, after which they went to the porch; and there was the loveliest lunch—sandwiches in the shape of donkeys, lovely donkey cakes, and ice cream donkeys with pink saddles on. The things tasted better outdoors, and the lemonade was sweetened just right.

All at once the doorbell rang, and Marjory went to answer it. There sat her papa on the sleepiest-looking donkey you could imagine! He had heard it was a donkey party and so brought the donkey. The children all came out, and such fun as they had, all taking turns riding around the block three or four times! The donkey seemed to wake up when he heard all the little boys and girls and trotted along as if he enjoyed it.

It was a tired lot of children who went home, and they said it was the very best party they ever went to.—Alice L. Eymann.

AUTUMN BY THE SEA

Just before it is time for school to open in September the mothers and fathers who have been enjoying their vacations by the shore take their children and hurry home. One of the most interesting times in the whole year to be beside the sea is this early autumn season. After the last summer visitor departs, after the shutters are all put up on the hotel windows and the cottages are closed, the little field folk, and the beach folk can have everything their own way.

On the small islands and reefs outside the breakers the herring gulls are making merry, celebrating their return after the summer in the north, where the gull nurseries are. Scattered among the silvery-winged birds are many gulls in dull-brown suits. These are young ones, for a gull must be three years old before he dons the pearl-gray mantle such as his father and mother wear.

A little way back from the shore, among the sedges, there are soft chirps, now a twitter, and now a timid snatch of song. The birds who have passed the summer with us are preparing to return to the sunny Southland. Here they are gathering in flocks, for birds love company as well as boys and girls.

The early autumn gales often drive the sea folk shoreward, and sometimes strange and wonderful creatures are cast up on the sands. See those beautiful crystal bells floating about near the shore. One has long, feathery streamers trailing out behind. Ah, the last big wave has brought one of these fairylike creatures ashore! Hollow out the sand beneath it. Work quickly but gently. Now you have a little well with a beroe floating about in it. Look closely, and you will see its wonderful swimming apparatus, rows and rows of delicate hinged plates. See, the sun is shining on the bell. What wonderful rainbow colors play over it! At night the crystal bells glow with phosphoresence, and when there are many of them together the waves seem to be on fire.

If you would learn to know autumn by the sea, you must come softly, after all the human folk have gone. You must hide among the tufts of wiry grass. Here you may watch the birds gathering for their long journey southward and see the small furry folk preparing their winter retreats. Close down by the water you can observe beautiful sea creatures which you have never seen before. Many and wonderful are the secrets of the autumn, which you can learn with patience and your two bright eyes.—Margaret W. Leighton.

FOR EMERGENCY USE

Every well regulated family should keep on hand a jar of Mentholatum.

Its uses are various, because it is an excellent antiseptic and germicide and also a delicate counter irritant—just he thing needed for scalds, burns, bruises, sprains, chapped skin, insect bites and stings.

Mentholatum is a combination of volatile aromatic oils with a heavier base.

In the case of scalds and burns the heavy base keeps out the air, a very necessary condition.

The lighter aromatic oils disinfect the surface and protect it from infection from without.

The lighter oils also set up a delicate counter irritation which seems to draw the soreness out of the injured part, reducing the inflammation and encouraging rapid recovery.

For this reason it is very much used for colds, sore throat, catarrh, and croup.

IDEAL FUNERAL BOOK

Ar eady aid for pastors o f all denominations, Contain : Scripture Selection, Topics, Texts and Outlines, Suggestive Themes and Prayers, Quotations, Illustrations, Form o f Service, etc. Over fifteen hundred suggestive themes and texts for every possible occasion. A limp leather-bound, gilt-edge book, pocket size, 214 pages, for 75c. and 4c. postage. Guaranteed the best on the market.
PENTECOSTAL PUBLISHING CO. Louisville, Ky.

Our Dead

CURTIS—Mrs. Sarah Curtis, wife of Standifer R. Curtis, was born Sept. 19th, 1836, and died in Old Fort, N. C., June 24th, 1915, without a moment's warning, but the summons found her ready. In early girlhood she gave her heart to God and her hand to the Methodist church, in which she lived to old age, by faith and obedience adorning her profession in the world's Redeemer. Mother of five children, one son and four daughters, she devoted her life in training them for usefulness here, and by her Christian influence teaching them to live for God and heaven. To her aged husband, a veteran and greatly afflicted, her devotion was indeed beautiful. But he, while sadly missing her loving care, is only waiting to join her in the better land.

"Aunt Sallie" was loved by all; her home was a pleasant retreat for friends and the weary minister found there a place of rest.

The funeral was conducted by her pastor, Rev. J. L. Smith, and interment made in Old Fort cemetery. May heaven's blessings rest upon her lonely companion and children, and may they walk in the footsteps of mother till they meet in heaven.

Her friend, Emma J. Sherrill.

VANSTORY—John W. Vanstory was born near Monticello, Guilford county, N. C., August 29, 1847, and died July 26, 1915. He joined the Confederate army and served in the cavalry till the close of the war. He was married to Miss Mary P. Brown in 1866, and to them three daughters were born. In the early seventies his wife died and he moved to Iredell county, N. C., and later married Susan E. Allison. To this union two sons and three daughters were born.

Early in life Brother Vanstory joined the M. E. Church, South, and spent fifty or more years in the church as an officer. He was absent at the Children's Day service this summer at Olin for the first time in thirty-seven years. He superintended the school for thirty-five years. The last years of his life were (by his request) given more directly to training leaders for this special work in the church. He failed to answer the roll call at the District Conference in Statesville July 27th, having just answered the call to the life beyond. Many friends attended the funeral service and his body was laid to rest in the Snow Creek cemetery to await the resurrection morn.

His devoted wife and eight children survive him and are faithful members of the church, and his son-in-law, Rev. J. A. J. Farrington, is an efficient minister in the church.

A father in Israel has fallen. May God comfort and direct the loved ones.

P. H. Brittain.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, it pleased our Heavenly Father on Sept. 12, 1915, to remove from our midst our friend and neighbor, Miss Grace Doub, be it resolved:

First, that her pleasing personality will be missed in our social circles and her voice in our church choir.

Second, that Doub's M. E. church has lost one of its most consistent members, and the Sunday school one of its most faithful teachers.

Third, that as a church we feel that heaven is nearer us, inasmuch as another one of our members has transferred her name from this earthly church to the great Church Triumphant.

Fourth, that a copy of these resolutions be put on the Sunday school minutes, one sent to the bereaved family, one to the Christian Advocate, and one to the Twin City Daily Sentinel.

Jessie E. Hauser,
W. Lucian Wall,
Russell G. Holder.

GABRIEL—Walter Gabriel, son of John Gabriel, of Terrell, N. C., passed into eternity Sept. 24, 1915, from a stroke of paralysis on that day. He had lived 41 years. He leaves a wife and three children. I consider him one of the very best husbands, citizen and church men I ever met. He was clean, truthful, upright, loyal, punctual, genteel and affectionate. He loved his family as only a few men do. In business life he was climbing. He probably had more friends and fewer enemies than any man on Rock Spring circuit. He was one of the best members Rehobeth church ever had. Each morning at the family altar he prayed for his pastor. Oh, how I shall miss him. Rehobeth seems lonesome without him. He was one of my truest friends. As we conducted his funeral I felt home-sick for heaven. Heaven is dearer now. I expect to join him in the fellowship of heaven.

Peace, honor and my warm heart throbs of love be on thy memory, O precious friend of mine for time and eternity.

Jim Green, P. C.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

It is with deep sorrow that we as a class record the passing away of one of our beloved members, Mr. Samuel B. Thompson, on the morning of September 18, 1915.

Brother Thompson was a young man of marked characteristics. He was faithful, sincere and courageous, and lived a life of usefulness and integrity.

We realize what a great loss we have sustained, and offer the following resolutions in his memory:

First, that we grieve that God has seen fit to remove him from our midst, but we know that it was for some wise purpose, and we bow in humble submission to the Divine will of Him who makes no mistakes.

Third, that the heartfelt sympathy of the entire membership of our class be extended to those who were near and dear to him and who in a special manner miss his presence.

Fourth, that a page in our class record be inscribed to his memory and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, and to the Christian Advocate for publication.

L. L. Ivey,
G. W. Ross,
M. E. Blalock,
Committee.

HARWOOD—Frances T. Harwood, daughter of Levi and Eliza Lipe, was born March 15, 1846, and died August 19, 1915, aged nearly 70 years. She was buried at old Salem, the funeral conducted by Rev. A. L. Coburn, in the presence of a large congregation.

She always lived a virtuous life. It was not her nature to make a display of religion, yet she dearly loved her church.

Her greatest influence for good was in the home training her children in the way of righteousness.

She was an enemy to no one and none ever had a cause to be her enemy. Well may "her children rise up and call her blessed."

A Brother.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, it has pleased our Heavenly Father to remove from our Sunday school one of our most faithful members, Walter F. Gabriel, who was suddenly called to his reward on Sept. 24, 1915, and

Whereas, we feel that our loss is his eternal gain. (He served as teacher in the Sunday school for a number of years and was always ready to do anything for the betterment of the Sunday school); therefore, be it resolved:

First, that we bow in humble submisssion to the will of him who doeth all things well, and praise God for the beautiful life he lived while a member of Rehobeth Sunday school.

Second, that we extend our heart-felt sympathies to the bereaved widow and little girls, and pray God's richest blessings on them.

Third, that the mantle of his godly life may fall on some member of our Sunday school.

Fourth, that a copy of these resolutions be presented to the family and recorded in our Sunday school record, also a copy be sent to the local papers and to the Christian Advocate.

R. E. Gabriel,
I. E. Sherrill,
S. J. Whitener,
Committee.

MRS. BEULAH HOOFNAGLE HOOVER

The Woman's Missionary Society of Weaverville Methodist church has sustained a grievous loss in the death of Mrs. Beulah Hoofnagle Hoover. She was a charter member of the Home Department of our Society, was our social secretary, president of our Civic League, and our church organist, all of which positions she filled faithfully and efficiently. Therefore, be it resolved:

First, that while we are deeply stricken by this sudden loss of one of our most active and useful members, we humbly beseech our Heavenly Father for submission and guidance.

Second, that we offer our tenderest sympathy to the bereaved daughter, sisters, and brothers, and we earnestly pray that God may comfort them in their sorrow.

Third, that a page in the record of our society be inscribed to her memory, a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, and a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

Mrs. R. V. Williams,
Mrs. C. C. Leonard,
Mrs. J. N. Gill,
Committee.

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.
Fourth Round

October
Spring Creek, Antioch 9-1
Hot Springs, night 1
Weaverville Ct., Salem 16-1
Elk Mountain, night 1
Hot Springs & Marshall, Marshall .23-24
Walnut, Jewel Hill, night 24-25
Sulphur Springs, Snow Hill 30-31
Bethel, night 31
November
Swannanoa, Swannanoa 6-7
Black Mountain, night 7
Biltmore & Mt. Pleasant, Biltmore ...14

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C.
Fourth Round

October
Lilesville, Lilesville 9-10
Trinity, night 10
Polkton, Hopewell 16-17
Unionville, Mill Grove 23-24
North Monroe, N. Monroe, night 24
Marshville, Marshville 30-31
Brevard, night 31
November
Ansonville, Concord 6-7
Wadesboro, night 7
Dilworth, 11 a. m. 14
Spencer Memorial, 3 p. m. 14
Tryon, night 14

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—James H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.
Fourth Round

October
Coleridge Ct., Coleridge 9-10
Ramseur and Franklinville, Franklinville 16-17
Deep River, Central Falls 16-17
Uwharrie, Oak Grove 23-24
Denton, Denton 24-25
Randolph, Trinity 30-31
Wesley Memorial, High Point 30-31
Main Street, High Point 31-32
East End 31-32
November
Asheboro 6-7
Randleman 6-7
West Market 13-14

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Fourth Round

October
Rutherfordton, Gilkey 9-10
Morganton Ct., Oak Forest 16-17
Connelly Springs 23-24
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Spruce Pine 30-31
November
Micaville, Martin's Chapel 5
Bald Creek 6-7
Burnsville 7-8
Marion Ct., Capernaum 13-14

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Fourth Round

October
Mount Airy Ct., Salem 9-10
Danbury, Snow Hill 16-17
Madison and Stoneville, Madison ...24-25
Leaksville 26
Spray 27-31
Draper 28-31
November
Jonesville, Ebenezer 6-7
Elkin 6-7
Ararat, Hunters 13-14

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Fourth Round

October
Laurel Springs, Laurel Springs 9-10
Helton, Greenwood 16-17
Jefferson, Orion 24
Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro 31

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Fourth Round

October
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 a. m., 16-17
Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, night 17-18
Troutman Ct., Shiloh, 11 a. m. 23-24
Davidson Sta., Davidson, night 24-25
Statesville Ct., N. Statesville, 11 a. m. 30-31
Mooresville Sta., Mooresville, night 31-Nov. 1
November
Hickory Ct., Fairgrove, 11 a. m. 6-7
Newton Sta., Newton, night 7-8
Maiden Ct., May's Chapel, 11 a. m., 13-14
Final Meetings
October
Alexander Ct., (all churches) Hiddenite, 3 p. m. 19
Stony Point Ct., (all churches) Stony Point, 11 a. m. 20
Statesville Ct., Marvin, 11 a. m. 21
Statesville Ct., Bethel, 3 p. m.....21
Mooresville Ct., (all churches) Mooresville, 11 a. m. 26
Troutman Ct., (all churches) Troutman, 11 a. m. 27
Cool Spring Ct., (all churches) New Salem, 11 a. m. 28
Iredell Ct., (all churches) Olin, 11 a. m. 29
November
Catawba Ct., (all churches) Catawba, 11 a. m. 2
Statesville Ct., Bethlehem, 11 a. m. ..3
Race St., Statesville, night 4
Davidson Sta., Davidson, night 9
Mt. Zion-Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 11 a. m. 10

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder
Fourth Round

October
Lowesville, Salem 16-17
Mt. Holly, Mt. Holly 17-18
Rock Spring, W. Chapel 23-24
Crouse, Crouse 30-31
November
Shelby Ct., Sharon 6

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.
Fourth Round

October
Albemarle Ct., Pine Grove 16-17
Salem Ct., Salem 17-18
Concord Ct., Rocky Ridge 24-25
Westford, night 25
Bethel and Loves Chapel 30-31
November
Gold Hill Ct., Zion 6-7
New London Ct., Bethel 7-8
Kannapolis Ct., Shiloh 13-14
Kannapolis Sta., night 14

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cornell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C.
Fourth Round

October
Andrews Station 1
Franklin Ct., Bethel 2
Franklin Station 2
Macon Ct., Mt. Zion 24-25
Highlands Ct., Highlands 25
Glenville Ct., East Laporte 30-31
November
Clyde Ct., East Waynesville .....
Waynesville Station .....
Canton Station .....

WINSTON DISTRICT—Hugh K. Boyce Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C.
Fourth Round

October
Walkertown, 11 a. m. .....
Advance, Advance 16-17
Lewisville, New Hope 23-24
Davie, Hardison 30-31
Mocksville, night 29-30
November
Kernersville, Kernersville 6

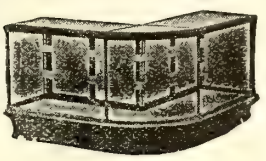
Williams Private Sanatorium FOR DRUGS and WHISKEY

TERMS: Drugs $125 Flat. Whiskey $100 Flat. Women patients pay a small sum extra for nurse.

B. B. WILLIAMS, M. D., Greensboro, N. C.
Reference, Amr. Exchange Nat'l Bank, Greensboro, N. C.

Show Cases Direct From Factory

The Famous Gurley Show Cases cannot be had from any other manufacturer in America. Our goods received double award at the Jamestown Exposition. A jobber who has been selling Gurley Show Cases for nine years, says that only one customer has made any complaint of our goods, and only one small case was involved in his complaint. This is a wonderful record. We sell direct to the merchant. Drug store outfits a specialty. For drug store outfits ask for catalogue "V"; for wall or street cases ask for catalogue "W"; for general line ask for catalogue "Y."



HIGH POINT SHOW CASE WORKS High Point, North Carolina

Time Table Watauga & Yadkin River Railroad Co. and Connections

WESTBOUND					STATIONS—So. Ry.	EASTBOUND		
A. M. 8 15 9 30		A. M. 8 15 9 30			Eastern Time Lv Greensboro Ar Winston-Salem	P. M. 9 15 6 35	P. M. 9 15 6 35	
5 Sun. Only	3 Sun. Only	1 Daily Ex. Sa. Su.	7 Sat. Only	Miles	STATIONS W. & Y. R. R. R.	2 Daily Ex. Sun.	4 Sun. Only	6 Sun. only
P. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.		Eastern Time	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
4 30	10 15	2 00	2 00		Lv N. Wilkesboro Ar	10 20	10 00	5 15
4 35f	10 20f	2 04f	2 05f	1	Gordon	9 59f	9 57f	5 12f
4 41f	10 31f	2 19f	2 15f	5	Brown's Ford	6 44f	9 45f	5 00f
4 46f	10 38f	2 28f	2 26f	7	Minton	9 34f	9 37f	4 52f
4 54f	10 45f	2 38f	2 35f	9	Goshen	9 24f	9 29f	4 44f
5 06f	10 55f	2 51f	2 51f	11	Marley Ford	9 07f	9 18f	4 33f
5 16f	11 05f	3 00f	3 00f	13	Goulds	8 55f	9 03f	4 18f
5 26s	11 13s	3 12s	3 20s	16	Ferguson	8 43s	8 53s	4 08s
5 35s	11 20s	3 25s	3 40s	19	Elkville	8 33s	8 45s	4 00s
5 36	11 22	3 30	3 45		Elkville Junction	8 30	8 43	3 58
	11 33		4 00f	20	McNeils	8 15f	8 33f	3 48f
	11 42		4 15	23	Denny	8 10	8 25	3 40
				27	Darby			
	11 43		4 16	23	Denny	8 00	8-24	3 39
	11 48f		4 25f	20	McNeils	7 20f	8 16f	3 31f
	11 54		4 30		Elkville Junction	7 10	8 10	3 25
5 45	12 04	4 00	4 40	21	Grandin	7 00	8 00	3 15

f Stop on Signal s Regular Stop

NOTE—Trains will commence running to Darby about Sept. 15.

LIST OF OFFICERS

W. J. GRANDIN, President - - - - - - - - - - Grandin, N. C.
M. K. McMULLEN, Vice-President - - - - - - - - Pittsburg, Pa.
R. T. ROSSELL, Secretary - - - - - - - - - - Pittsburg, Pa.
W. W. BEATY, Treasurer - - - - - - - - - - - Warren, Pa.
H. C. LANDON, General Manager - - - - - - North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

A mutual fire insurance company, organized, owned and operated by the Methodist Church in North Carolina, for the purpose of furnishing protection for church property and personal property of preachers at ACTUAL COST.

Write for information and rates.

W. E. WEBB, Secretary **Statesville, N. C.**

NOTES FROM TRINITY COLLEGE

At the conclusion of Colonel Bruton's address last Monday evening, President Few called the roll of donors for the year October 3, 1914, to October 4, 1915, making special mention of two recent gifts. Dr. Few said:

"Mr. Benjamin N. Duke has made a donation for placing a granite wall round the entire college campus and completing the macadamizing of roads and making of walks within the campus.

"Mr. James B. Duke has established a fund of $35,000.00 a year for certain uses of the Methodist church in North Carolina, a part of which fund is to be administered by Trinity College.

"Both these gifts were made through Bishop John C. Kilgo, who has been deeply concerned through a period of twenty-one years for everything that looks to the good of Trinity College, and who on his removal to Charlotte last June was elected President Emeritus in order that he might always have a definite relation to the administration of the college.

"With these gifts came a striking message from Messrs. B. N. and J. B. Duke: "Don't let Trinity get a craze for numbers. Be careful to do sound and good work. Our interest is in doing the best, not doing the most, unless it is first the best."

Here Trinity College is commissioned anew to eschew the common present-day craze for bigness and to seek greatness through direct personal service to even the humblest student that shall ever pass through its doors.

The Fortnightly Club Chapter of the Sigma Upsilom Literary Fraternity held its annual initiation of new members recently, when eight men, four seniors, three juniors and one post-graduate were invested with the secrets of the order. Those who were initiated are: Seniors, J. W. Wallace, of Statesville; I. S. H. Harrell, of Sunbury; J. H. Grigg, of Lawndale; T. W. Sprinkle, of Mount Airy. Juniors, Banks Arendell, of Raleigh; J. H. Burrus, of Shelby; V. C. Hall, of Wilmington. Post-graduate, A. R. Anderson, of Statesville.

The old members of the organization are: Dr. W. T. Laprade, Dr. C. A. Moore, Dr. T. S. Graves, Professor W. H. Wannamaker, Dr. F. C. Brown, Professor A. M. Webb, Dr. E. W. Knight, Dr. W. H. Glasson, S. S. Alderman, B. W. Barnard, B. F. Few, Jr., G. W. H. Britt, J. W. Lambeth, Jr., and R. M. Johnston. George L. Carrington, a post-graduate here, is national treasurer of the fraternity.

As the result of the recent three-weeks contest for the associate editorship of the Chronicle, the weekly paper at Trinity, Banks Arendell, of Raleigh, and J. H. Small, Jr., of Washington, N. C., have been appointed associate editors of the paper for the year.

Both the new associate editors were members of the reportorial staff of the last year's Chronicle, and are, therefore, especially fitted for this kind of work. The provision of the constitution of the Chronicle Governing Board that an associate editor must be appointed from each of the two literary societies has been fulfilled since Mr. Arendell is a member of the Columbian and Mr. Small a member of the Hesperian Literary Society.

The various class basket ball teams have begun regular practice in the Angier Duke Gymnasium for the interclass season which is to open up some time this month. The captains of the various teams are as follows: Seniors, F. C. Patton; Juniors, H. N. LeGrand; Sophomores, H. G. Swan. The captain of the freshman team has not yet been chosen.

THE BLUE MARBLE QUARRY OF NORTH CAROLINA

The quarrying and manufacture of marble has been one of the world's great industries since the dawn of civilization; it is a particularly important industry in North Carolina; for this state stands alone in the Southern production of blue marble, a highly prized marble quarry product. The Regal Marble Company of Regal, N. C., are the owners and operators of the quarries and their Regal Blue is famed for its beautiful permanent color and extreme durability; due to its very slight absorption of moisture. A finely equipped finishing plant, employing only native Southern workmen in all departments is an important adjunct to these well known quarries.

WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT

(Continued from page 8)

benefits of our Presbyterial organization, for many of you have been sent as delegates to our Presbyterial meetings, but you can hardly know what a help the synodical organization has been to me as your president. The letters of its officers keep me in touch with the problems of our own Synod as well as the work of the church and with the need of our great field at home and abroad."

I smiled to myself as I thought, "Dear lady, you would not have received one of these letters if it hadn't been for me."

I am afraid you will think me boasting but really time fails me to tell you of the Presbyterial visitors that I have sent out and of the new societies organized by them, of the literature distributed and of the weak societies helped.

Do you wonder how I have been able to accomplish so much? Let me whisper in your ear—I've changed my name. Madam members of the Woman's Society, the next time you see me smiling at you from the corner of your purse please remember that I am no longer plain, little, Silver Quarter, but that my name is—Presbyterial Contingent Fund.

Bishop R. G. Waterhouse has not yet been able to take up his work for the fall round of Conferences. At the Western Virginia Conference his place was filled by Bishop Collins Denny, and at the Holston Conference, in session last week, Bishop W. B. Murrah presided.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Trains leave Greensboro as follows:

N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information and are not guaranteed.

12:55 a. m.—No. 112, daily. Local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh which may be boarded at 9:30 p. m. and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m

1:47 a. m.—No. 30, daily. Birminghar Special. Pullman drawing room sleepin cars Birmingham and Augusta to New York, and Birmingham and Jacksonvill to Washington. Observation sleeping car Atlanta to Richmond. Tourist sleeper for Washington from San Francisco. Din ing car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars New York to Birmingham an Augusta, and Washington to Jacksonville and Birmingham. Observation sleeping car Richmond to Atlanta. Tour st sleeping car Washington to San Franisco via Sunset Route. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:45 a. m.—No. 11, daily. Local for Atlanta and points south. Pullman sleeping cars Richmond to Charlotte and Norolk to Asheville. Coaches.

7:15 a. m.—No 37, daily. NEW YORK, ATLANTA AND NEW ORLEANS LIMITED. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section drawing room sleeping cars New York to New Orleans, Asheville and Macon. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service. No coaches.

7:30 a. m.—No 108, daily. Local for Raleigh and intermediate points.

7:30 a. m.—No. 154, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

8:10 a. m.—No. 44, daily. For Washington and points north.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily. For Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Handles Pullman sleeping car for Winston-Salem from Raleigh.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily. For Mt. Airy.

9:40 a. m.—No. 144 daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Free reclining chair car Charlotte to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily. For Salisbury, Statesville and Asheville. Connecting at Asheville with Carolina Special which handles through sleepers for Cincinnati and Chicago.

12:45 p. m.—No. 130, daily. For Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

12:50 p. m.—No. 45, daily. For Charlotte, connecting with trains for Columbia and Seneca.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Washington, New York and points north. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

2:00 p. m.—No. 207, daily. For Winston-Salem, connecting daily, except Sunday, with trains for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daily except Sunday. For Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily. For Mt. Airy.

6:30 p. m.—No. 35, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham. Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham, and Charlotte to Atlanta. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily. For Winston-Salem.

6:40 p. m.—No. 46, daily. For Danville.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily. For Sanford.

7:24 p. m.—No. 43, daily. For Charlotte, connecting with No. 35 for the South.

10:15 p. m.—No. 12, daily. For Richmond and Norfolk. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Asheville to Norfolk.

10:20 p. m.—No. 233, daily. For Winston-Salem.

11:20 p. m.—No. 38, daily. THE NEW YORK, ATLANTA AND NEW ORLEANS LIMITED. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section, drawing room and compartment sleeping cars New Orleans, Macon and Asheville to New York. Dining car service. No coaches.

E. H. COAPMAN, Vice-President and General Manager, Washington, D. C.

W. H. TAYLOE, Passenger Traffic Manager, Washington, D. C.

H. F. CARY, General Passenger Agent, Washington, D. C.

C. G. PICKARD, Passenger and Ticket Agent, Greensboro, N. C.

R. H. DeBUTTS, Division Passenger Agent, Charlotte, N. C.

Renew Your Health At Nature's Fountain



Without the Expense and Loss of Time Necessary for a Visit to the Spring

THE CRISIS

There comes a time in the life of practically every man and woman when their digestive or eliminative organs, or both, fail to respond to drugs prepared by human skill. In fact drugs seem to do them about as much harm as good for their systems rebel against all drugs. These are the cases which physicians call "stubborn" and "chronic" for the reason that they persist in spite of drug treatment. I do not refer to incurable diseases such as cancer and consumption, but to that larger class of functional disorders which we meet every day, where the organs of digestion and elimination are impaired.

For this class of cases our best physicians and our big city specialists send their ***wealthy*** patients to the mineral springs where, in the great majority of cases they are permanently restored or decidedly benefited. But what about the ***poor*** man who has not the money or the ***busy*** man or woman who cannot spare the time to spend several weeks or possibly months at a health resort? Shall circumstances deny them the restoration to health which Nature has provided? Read my answer in the coupon at the bottom of this page.

I have the ***utmost*** confidence in the Shivar Mineral Spring Water for to it I owe ***my*** Restoration to Health and probably my Life. It has made me tens of thousands of friends in all parts of America and even in foreign countries, whose faces I have never seen. Yet I count them ***my friends*** for the Shivar Spring Water has bound them to me by lasting gratitude.

I ask you to read their letters, a few samples of which I publish below for ***your*** benefit, and if ***you*** find among them any encouragement as to your own health do not hesitate to accept my offer which has no limits or conditions except those shown on the coupon. If you could read the letters that come to me daily, numbering about ten thousand a year, and the vast majority of them similar to those printed below, you would not wonder that I make this offer displaying ***my absolute confidence*** in the restorative powers of Shivar Mineral Water.

INDIGESTION

Savannah, Georgia.
I was suffering with indigestion, stomach and liver disorders and all its train of horrifying phenomena for several months. I had lived on milk, soft eggs, shredded wheat, a very insufficient diet for an active working man, and, of course, from disease and starvation was in a very low state of nervous vitality and general debility. I ordered ten gallons of your Mineral Water which I used continuously, reordering when necessary, and in four months gained twenty-nine pounds, was strong and perfectly well, and have worked practically every day since. It acts as a general renovator of the system. I prescribe it in my practice, and it has in every instance had the desired effects. It is essential to use this water in as large quantities as possible, for its properties are so happily blended and in such proportion that they will not disturb the most delicate system. It is purely Nature's remedy.
A. L. R. AVANT, M. D.

La Grange, Ga., Nov. 25, 1914.
I feel it my duty to suffering humanity to make public announcement of the benefits I have derived from Shivar Spring Water. I have been a sufferer for the past twenty-five years from indigestion and dyspepsia. After one week's trial of Shivar Water I commenced to improve, and after drinking it for four weeks I gained fifteen pounds. I feel better and stronger than I have in twenty-five years. I strongly recommend this Water to any one with stomach trouble of any character, and truly believe it will cure ulcer of the stomach. I am writing this voluntarily and trust it will fall in the hands of many who are so unfortunate as to be afflicted with indigestion and nervous dyspepsia.
C. V. TRUITT,
President Unity Cotton Mills.

Johnston, S. C.
I wish to add my testimony to the wonderful curative powers of the Shivar Mineral Water. For a number of years my wife has been a sufferer from indigestion and nervous debility, and her condition had reached such a stage as to baffle the skill of our most eminent physicians. Her extreme nervousness and heart troubles at times were alarming and she had become almost a nervous wreck. The latter part of last May she began using the Shivar Water, which she has continued to this date with most satisfactory results.
H. C. BAILEY,
Editor Johnston News-Monitor.

DYSPEPSIA

Blaney, S. C.
I have suffered for many years from gastric troubles, stomach puffed and food sour. I have tried many remedies and a good many waters. Some have helped, but none have given me such relief as your Spring Water. I use it and recommend it to my patients.
W. D. GRIGGSBY, M. D.

Baltimore, Md., April 30, 1914.
For many years I suffered with stomach trouble as a direct result of asthma. I consulted the very best specialist in this country, and spent quite a large sum of money in my endeavor to get relief. However, I had about come to the conclusion that my case was hopeless, but by accident I happened to get hold ofone of your booklets, and decided to try Shivar Spring Water. After drinking the water for about three weeks I was entirely relieved, and since that time have suffered but little inconvenience from my trouble. I cheerfully recommend the use of your Water to any one that may be suffering from stomach trouble.
OSCAR T. SMITH,
Vice-Pres. Young & Selden Co., Bank Stationers.

RHEUMATISM

Leeds, S. C.
I have tested your Spring Water in several cases of rheumatism, chronic indigestion, kidney and bladder troubles, and in nervous and sick headaches, and find that it has acted nicely in each case, and I believe that if used continuously for a reasonable time will produce a permanent cure. It will purify the blood, relieve debility, stimulate the action of the liver, kidneys and bladder, aiding them in throwing off all poisonous matter.
C. A. CROSBY, M. D.

Fredericksburg, Va.
Mrs. Carter has had enlarged joints upon her hands, caused by rheumatism. Shivar Spring Water removed every trace of the enlargement.
WM. C. CARTER.

Roper, N. C., Oct. 30, 1914.
I am anxious to get more of the Water. It has done me more good than anything I have ever tried for rheumatism.
MRS. H. C. EDWARDS.

Florence, S. C., Dec. 1, 1911.
I suffered with indigestion and kidney trouble, and a year ago was stricken with acute articular rheumatism; was helpless for months, and since using your Spring Water I am walking without any crutch and improving daily. Indigestion much relieved. I wish I could write Shivar Spring Water in the sky so that the world could become acquainted with it.
MRS. THEO. KUKER.

Warrenton, Va., Nov. 24, 1914.
It is doing my rheumatism so much good. My limbs are beginning to feel like new ones.
MRS. JAMES R. CARTER.

BILIOUSNESS

Greenville, S. C., Feb. 26, 1914.
For over two years, following a nervous breakdown, I have suffered with a liver so torpid that ordinary remedies were absolutely powerless. Under such circumstances, I came to Shivar Spring, and began drinking the Water. Upon advice however, the first night I took a laxative; the second night a milder one. Since then I have taken none at all. The effect of the water has been remarkable—its action on my livermost marked, and my health and spirits greatly improved. I am satisfied that the laxative, followed by the Water, was the proper treatment in my case. My condition is now perfect.
S. A. DERIEUX.

Buena Vista, Va., Oct. 2, 1914.
It is a great pleasure to tell you that your Water has been a great benefit. I may say a great blessing, to me. My wife says it has helped me more than anything else I ever tried. I have been, for thirty years, a sufferer from stomach trouble.
REV. E. H. ROWE,
Co-President Southern Seminary.

LIVER AND KIDNEY

Ohoopee, Ga., Aug. 21, 1914.
I feel that it is due you that I should give my testimony, unsolicited, as to the benefits derived from the use of your Shivar Springs Water. I was unable to do my work, and had been under the treatment of physicians for six months for kidney and liver troubles when I decided to try your Spring Water, and now after using it for about thirty days I am able to do my work, feel good, and have gained about twenty pounds. I most heartily recommend its use to all who suffer from disorder of the liver and kidneys.
STEPHENS.

Carlisle, S. C.
It is fine for liver troubles, also for constipation. I cheerfully give you this information as to beneficial results in my case.
REV. A. McA. PITTMAN.

RENAL AND CYSTIC

Columbia, S. C.
I suffered for eight years with kidney trouble and inflammation of the bladder to the extent that I would have to get up during the night some five or six times. After using this water only a few days, I am entirely relieved and suffer no more effect of the trouble whatever.
J. P. D.

Virgilina, Va., March 28, 1914.
Your Water has done me more good than anything I ever tried for bladder trouble.
A. R. F.

Wesley, Ga., May 12, 1914.
I had been down with bladder trouble. Couldn't stand on my feet three minutes at a time. In three days after I commenced drinking your Mineral Water my pain was all gone, could walk where I pleased, and felt like a new man.
S. B. D.

High Point, N. C., Oct. 6, 1914.
My wife has had a bad kidney trouble for several years. She has been using the water only about three weeks and it has already made her a new woman. Her color is much improved her appetite is all that she could wish for, her digestion seems to be perfect. We give Shivar Springs credit for it all.
T. G. S.

GALLSTONES

Greenville, S. C.
Shivar Spring Water cured my mother of gallstones, or, I might say, it snatched her from the hospital door, as the doctors had said nothing short of an operation would do her any good. After drinking the Water she was able to get out of bed, and is today stout and healthy. I hope these few lines will be of help to some one suffering as my mother did.
W. J. STRAWN.

Williamston, N. C. Oct. 3, 1914
My doctor said I would have to be operated on for gallstones, but since I have been drinking your water I haven't had to have a doctor.
W. H. EDWARDS.

Columbia, S. C.
My wife was a chronic sufferer from gallstones. She was stricken critically ill, and nothing but morphine seemed to relieve her pain by rendering her unconscious. My physician, who is a good one, seemed to do very little good. Rev. A. J. Foster, pastor of Shandon Baptist Church of Columbia, S. C., advised me to take her immediately to Shivar Spring. On consulting my physician he agreed that it would be best to do so without delay. In about three days after arriving at the Spring she was apparently relieved and had regained her appetite. She has suffered no ill effect of the trouble since. Please publish this for the benefit of sufferers
J. P. DRAFFIN.

URIC ACID & DIABETES

Chancellor, Ala.
I have been for many years affected with uric acid and kidney trouble, and the Mineral Water has helped me more than anything I have ever done for them and therefore heartily recommend same to all who need a speedy relief and cure.
W. F. MATHENY, M. D.

Lexington, Va.
I can recommend your Mineral Water for disorders caused by uric poison. I suffered and have been relieved. It affords me pleasure to recommend this Water to all sufferers.
J. H. WHITMORE.

Roxboro, N. C.
I have used ten gallons of your Mineral Water, and it has done me worlds of good. My disease is diabetes. I lost two years out of three from my work, and your Water is putting me back on my feet again.
JOHN R. PETTIGREW.

Derma, Miss., May 8, 1914.
Have suffered for several years with diabetes. I feel almost cured. Have recommended the Water to others,
Mrs. J J.

Sanford, N. C., April 15, 1914.
Have been down eight weeks with diabetes. Ordered Shivar Spring Water, began drinking it, and keep improving. Showed my doctor the analysis and he said it was just what I needed, with a lithia tablet added.
Mrs. J. D. H.

Sanford, N. C.
Have been down eight weeks with diabetes. Ordered Shivar Spring Water began drinking it, and keep improving. Showed my doctor the analysis and he said it was just what I needed, with a lithia tablet added.
MRS. J. D. H.

Derma, Miss.
Have suffered for several years with diabetes I feel almost cured. Have recommended the Water to others.
MRS. J. J.

Fill Out This Coupon and Mail It Today.

Shivar Spring,

Box 5T, Shelton, S. C.

Gentlemen:—I accept your offer and enclose herewith two dollars ($2.00) for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Spring Water. I agree to give it a fair trial in accordance with the instructions which you will send, and if I derive no benefit therefrom you agree to refund the price in full, upon receipt of the two empty demijohns, which I agree to return promptly.

Name.....P. O.....

Express Office.....

Please write distinctly.

VOLUME LX NUMBER 42

Reading Room
Trinity College

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

GREENSBORO, N. C., THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1915

TO SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

BY THORNWELL HAYNES

That teaching is a dismal failure which does not save. I do not mean altogether the saving up yonder after death, but more especially the saving down here while we are alive. Are you doing this for your pupils? Are you teaching them not only that there is beauty in the sunset, and sweetness in listening to the winds playing October melodies in the soon-to-be denuded trees, but are you also teaching them that God dwells in the charm and hallowedness of church music, and that the presence of the Eternal Love and Truth and Wisdom Spirit is nearer in the sanctuary built for Him than in a thousand sunsets? Do you realize yourself that the graciousness of the Fatherhood pours itself more gloriously into our life under the ministrations of the pulpit than in all the ocean and landscape views of a lifetime?

So the test of you as a teacher is: Are you directing the footsteps of your pupils churchward? If you are not, then your effort is a miserable mockery.

High Point.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

EDITORIAL

TO FRIENDS IN REIDSVILLE

Everybody will enjoy the short story on page 5. But to our friends in Reidsville it will be of paramount interest as so many of them are about to have an opportunity to put to test the beautiful moral. May the happy experience of Alice and Ted be the experience of many a hostess and host in Reidsville.

DEATH OF REV. S. W. BROWN

Our Conference is bereaved again this week in the passing away of one of our most consecrated and efficient educators and ministers.

Rev. Samuel W. Brown was born in High Point about seventy-one years ago, and passed to his reward at his home in Sparta, Alleghany county, on Sunday morning, October 17th. He had been in feeble health for some time, but continued his work as supply on the Laural Springs circuit until a short time ago.

Brother Brown was never a member of the traveling connection, though he was thought of by most people as a member of the Conference. Starting out without means, but with great wealth of character, at the age of twenty-one, he managed to make his way through to graduation at Trinity College, and immediately after graduation, began teaching. He was a born educator, in fact, a born leader of men.

At first he taught for some years at the old Jonesville Academy. Here he soon made a reputation extending throughout adjoining counties, so when later he removed to Sparta to take charge of the Sparta Institute many followed him from the counties below the mountains. His success as a teacher at Sparta was remarkable. Meantime, he had been licensed to preach, and as soon as he took up his work as a teacher in this mountain section he began to preach with as much zeal and perseverance as if he had been in the regular pastorate. Many were converted and churches were established and his school was overflowing all the time with the finest class of young men and women.

There was a period, some thirty years ago, when the Sparta Institute not only fed Emory and Henery, but was said to have sent more young men directly into the Holston Conference than the college did. "Professor Brown" was a household word in all that section and his coming into that section at that particular period as both preacher and teacher seems now, as we look back to it, like the unfolding of a great providential plan. No man ever more fully fitted in as an educational, social and religious leader, nor more fully met the demands of the situation than did Professor Brown.

For a good many years he has given nearly all his time to work as a supply on near-by charges. He was a preacher of great ability and power, and always commanded respect. Spiritual as well as intellectual, his messages were always edifying as well as instructive.

While teaching at Jonesville he was married to Miss Mock. His wife and several children survive him.

We trust some one in possession of all necessary data will favor us with a full memoir at an early date.

THE CIGARETTE EVIL

We hope every Advocate reader will look up the very excellent article in this issue on the above subject, written by Rev. T. J. Ogburn. It is an exhaustive argument, both from a scientific and ethical standpoint, and is just such a presentation of this important subject as is needed to provoke sober thought in the minds of present-day preachers and teachers.

As with the liquor evil, so with the tobacco evil, good men, even ministers, have become entangled; and as, by a persistent and long-continued crusade, most of them have disentangled themselves from complicity with the liquor evil, so they must finally separate themselves from the tobacco evil, especially the cigarette, as this is conceded to be the most ruinous and deadly form of this evil.

The intimation in the article of Brother Ogburn that the boy cigarette habitue is perhaps without exception a moral degenerate, is a fearful thing to contemplate. Yet the fact stated that in all the converts in his ministry, he can not recall one who was a cigarette smoker, is a most conclusive proof that such is the case.

When we consider the fearful results of the cigarette evil, and of the tobacco evil in general, it should not be difficult for all good people to agree upon the following:

1. That the whole tobacco business should be disapproved, from plant bed to manufacturer and dealer.

2. That a crusade should be inaugurated in every home, so that parental solicitude may be aroused and parental authority brought to bear upon children who are inclined to take up the habit in tender years.

3. That school teachers who use tobacco in any form ,especially who smoke, and more especially who smoke cigarettes, should be required to give up the habit, at least to abstain during school hours and at all times while in the presence of the school children.

4. That the manufacture and sale of cigarettes should be outlawed, and the law already on our statute books against the sale of cigarettes to minors should be rigidly enforced.

It is no use for any of us to apologize for our attitude in opposing the cigarette or the whole tobacco business, simply because the business of some kind and clever men is involved. It was so in the crusade against liquor; but many of those men whose life plans seemed completely wrapped up in the whiskey business, and who even cherished bitter feeling toward us on account of our opposition, are now glad that the whole dirty business is gone never to return. However, as in that great crusade, bitter denunciation of individuals did no good, so in this, grievous words will stir up anger and, for the time being, at least, only make friends for the cause of evil.

We take it as a good omen that Brother Ogburn, the author of this excellent article, and who, by the way, is known to be a man wielding a Damascus blade,—has expressed himself in such dignified terms on a subject which has so much in it to provoke the language of one who would call down fire from heaven. In behalf of the readers of the Advocate, including hundreds of anxious fathers and mothers, we thank Brother Ogburn for this contribution.

CHANGING PASTORS

In a system like ours it would seem that pastoral changes should be reduced to the minimum. At the most, our pastors can only remain in the same charge four years, and if any great success is to be achieved there must be time to plan as well as to execute. We submit that it is not fair to pull a man out of a place to which he has been assigned in all probability without being consulted, in less time than the full term unless it should be manifest that he and his congregation can not work in harmony. In such a case of course a sensible man will see the difficulty and seek a change.

Too many pastoral changes are the result of restlessness. Promotion is all right when it comes in the normal way. To seek promotion where there has been no indication of a demand for it is to invite disaster, and the temptation to fall into this snare is very great. How much better to be a large man in a small sphere than to be a little man in a great one. It is, of course, possible for a man to underestimate himself and thus keep his talent hid; but where one errs in this respect, a thousand are swept away by attempting to wade in water where only expert swimmers may venture with safety.

All the restlessness, however, is not among the preachers. There are congregations proverbially hard to satisfy. They never receive a pastor, but that they look him over with more or less of suspicion, and in the majority of cases they put the stamp of disapproval upon him before he has time to get matters in hand. As we write we recall an instance in which a rather modest man, after working faithfully for a year or more, succeeded in getting a very strong hold upon his congregation. One day, while in company with one of his stewards who had kept the cold side toward him for many months, he was told frankly that, for several months after coming to them, the people had thought very little of him. "Now," he said, "everybody loves you; but for the first six months of your term they would have swapped you off for almost anybody, and given boot besides." Some men can pull successfully against such a tide and come finally to a safe landing. Others can not, and thus are swept down to failure. If we could have twice the amount of praying and only a tithe of the kicking which is often in evidence, it would be a great blessing to the church.

Discussing this subject the editor of the Central Methodist attempts to answer the question as to why we have so frequent changes of pastors. He says:

There are many reasons. Few need be given here. These reasons influence both preachers and churches. The pastors desire better parsonages, schools, salaries, situations, social conditions, religious co-operation and prospects —in a word—they seek promotion.

The churches want better pastors, good "mixers," (pardon the word) more pleasing preachers, more fruitful revivals, a man who can sing, build, draw the young people, lift our church debt, revive our League, win our boys, organize the women, raise the conference assessments, hold our congregation, defend our doctrine, strengthen our cause generally and put us in the lead, where we belong. These motives and desires cause frequent changes and inspire hopes of better things.

Presiding Elders are not chiefly responsible for the large number of changes that are annually made: nor do results justify many of them. It happens that a change is often found to be for the worse—that it hurts rather than helps, both preacher and people, as the elder believed it would. In one district that might be named there are several places where the churches would like to change their new pastor for their old one. The swap has disappointed them.

The notion that a new preacher would prove the remedy for every ecclesiastical ill is too general and exceedingly ill founded. Our annual reports from the charges for a series of years show that the idea is a delusion. Things have a perverse way of going along much the same, whether John Doe or Richard Doe is in charge! The young college man, the new church and soul doctor, has not made the lame to walk, the blind to see or the dead to rise!

If the former pastor had just asked the elder to let him alone, and if the people had only looked within and inquired above, there would have been far fewer moves and might have been better times. There must have been a saving of time, toil, money, nerve, friendship and heart-aches.

SOME INTERESTING FACTS

As our Annual Conference approaches interest centers, not only upon Reidsville, where the throngs are to gather November 17th, but upon the question of progress which will be indicated in the reports on that occasion. Everyboy looks for unusual reports of results in revival work and the largest net increase reported in many years. Perhaps we may not expect such phenomenal figures as are given in the Holston Conference, where about 19,000 converts and nearly 12,000 accessions are reported; but there will be reason to question the accuracy of pastors' reports unless the figures are far in excess of what they have ever been in the history of our Conference.

Then there will be the reasonable expectation of a large increase in our financial reports. Conditions are now favorable. The most bountiful crops in the history of the country, cotton excepted, are now being marketed at good prices, the advanced price of cotton largely making up

for the shortage in crop. Surely with such conditions prevailing, following a year of extraordinary revival interest, we shall not discredit the whole business by withholding our substance. Rather let us listen to the voice of Him who has given to us the early and the latter rain, and bring all the tithes into the storehouse, so that the promised blessing of a great outpouring may come upon us, such "as there shall not be room to contain it."

The time for our cup to run over is when we shall have filled the Lord's treasury; and we believe that the greatest pentecost upon this country is still in reserve, awaiting the time when we shall have ceased to rob God by withholding from Him that which is meet and which belongs to Him.

* * * *

So much for prospective figures anticipated with unabated interest, at the close of this year which, in a remarkable sense, may be termed a year of the Lord. There is always a backward look which has its place either to inspire hope or to discourage. At this time we are concerned also with the question of past achievement. We want to look back for a moment over the road which we have traveled, and see what progress we have made. As far as the figures in the record of reports for the past ten years can give this, we are indebted to Rev. W. H. Willis, President of our Conference Board of Missions, for the following facts which show something of the growth of our Conference during the past ten years:

"The Western North Carolina Conference, the largest in the connection in point of membership, except two, includes one hundred thousand Methodists. This organization of Christians raised last year more than half a million dollars (to be accurate $584,652.) They own property (churches, parsonages and schools), valued at $6,185,892.00. Each individual Methodist may be said to own $61.85 worth of church property.

The church paid last year its 245 ministers in salaries $216,176; the average being $882.00. Ten years ago 211 ministers received $127,330, an average of $603.00. The average increased in ten years 45 per cent.

Pastors and presiding elders receiving as salaries $1500.00 or more have grown from eight in 1904 to thirty-one in 1914. Only two charges, West Market and Central Asheville, paid their preachers then as much as $2,000, and no districts; now there are five districts and eight charges that equal or surpass that figure. Four of the latter, West Market (Greensboro), Centenary (Winston), Central (Asheville), and Trinity (Charlotte), paying $2500 and Tryon Street $3000.

At the bottom of the column, however, there are eight preachers who received less than $400 each last year.

Our property holdings during the decade have advanced 160 per cent. from $2,385,892.00 to $6,185,892.00. Per capita giving has gone from $4.15 to $5.85. North Wilkesboro stands easily at the head here. Each of her 240 followers of Wesley, under the head of that financial wizard, Parker Holmes, gave an average of $40.80 to all purposes. West End (Winston) stands next, with an average of $25.50. In contrast with these, the members of three charges, Ararat, Mars Hill and Glennville, fell below $1.00 per capita for all purposes. Last year the largest total was raised by Centenary (Winston), $21,647. West Market and Tryon Street came next with $19,629 and $17,021 respectively.

Our missionary giving, home and foreign, plus the work of the women, has grown in the ten year period from $34,273 to $81,204, which is 136 per cent. This increase is to be accounted for largely by "specials." The fact is, that the number of charges paying in full assessments for foreign and domestic missions has fallen from 173 in 1904 to 88 in 1914. In other words, 146 charges now appear black on the conference chart, against 27 charges ten years ago. For this period forty pastors achieved an unbroken series of successes in paying missions in full. With a similar uniformity fifteen others have met failure.

Toward the end of each Conference session, a chart exhibiting the standing for the current year of each charge on salaries and missionary collections is displayed on the Conference wall. People attending the Conference will find this an interesting feature of the coming session."

NOTE AND COMMENT

The Prohibition Campaign which was launched in Ohio last week seeks to secure a constitutional amendment. With the list of great speakers engaged Ohio will enjoy the greatest campaign of education on this subject ever given in that state.

* * * *

In the War Zone almost all interest now centers in the Balkan region where the Austro-German and Bulgarian armies are concentrating in a desperate drive against the Serbian army. Fighting continues with more or less intensity both on the Eastern and Western fronts. A zepelin raid over London late last week, in which fifty or more were killed and many injured, has stirred great feeling in England. The people are calling for reprisal.

* * * *

"Let Us Not Be Weary in Well Doing." How often is this exhortation of the apostle illustrated in the experience of the faithful Christian worker! An exchange gives us the following incident which is a striking case in point:

"A native colporter was lately distributing copies of the Gospels among the troops of Italy. He says: 'A soldier whom I knew to be a priest and to whom I had given a Gospel of John tore it in pieces, scattering the leaves in the air. I protested politely, saying, that if it did not please him, he should have returned it. I collected the scattered pages from the ground and one by one distributed them to those present, begging them to read them to see if there was anything bad in them. All began to read, some in groups of five or ten (there were 200 soldiers present) and I talked with them. Then a wonderful thing happened. One by one, upon finishing their reading, they came begging me for the whole book that they might continue. The result was that I did not have enough Gospels to go around."

* * * *

"He Got Out of the Bed Wrong this morning," is what a young man said in a sort of apologetic censure of a companion who had appeared irritable all day. This old saying perhaps describes very accurately the trouble with many who find it impossible to keep in sweet temper. There is, sure enough, a right way and a wrong way to get out of bed. Some people who would not think of retiring at night without prayer will jump out of bed in the morning and rush into the hurry and push of the day's duties without a thought of prayer. This is getting out of the bed wrong. If there is one time when men ought to pray more than another it is in the morning before starting into the unknown trials and temptations of the day.

* * * *

Home-Made Evangelism is what the Christian Advocate (New York) calls the Sunday evening services "devoted to gospel sermons," with a mellowing season of prayer at the close, the official men gathering within the altar rail in the hallowed traditional style." There is, we believe, an increasing number of our pastors who are inclined to work on this method, and we do not hesitate to say that such home-made evangelism is the true evangelism, and when persistently followed up will soon bring the church into its normal condition of fervent spiritual life. Why should not at least one service be held with the direct aim of leading souls to a decision? The editor referred to above says: "When this method is fortified and re-enforced by constant prayer, and by one-half the enterprise in drawing a congregation that a decent business man puts forth to get customers, the results are not doubtful and the dangers of hurtful reaction are minimized."

* * * *

A Righteous Ruler—According to the teaching of Solomon the people of this country have reason to rejoice, for he says that "when the righteous are in authority the people rejoice, but when the wicked beareth rule the people mourn." History has repeatedly demonstrated the truth of this assertion, and our own country will be thrice happy if Mr. Wilson continues to pursue the policy which has characterized his administration to the present time. The people will not fear if they know that their ruler is a man of prayer as well as of strong convictions of justice and right.

At a recent Cabinet meeting it is said that President Wilson led in a special prayer for divine guidance. Even the glittering war lords of Europe will be sobered when they learn that the President of the United States takes the Almighty into counsel when he calls his advisers together.

The story goes that when the President arrived at the Cabinet meeting his face wore a solemn look. It was evident that serious affairs of the nation were on his mind. He said to the Cabinet members: "I don't know whether you men believe in prayer or not. I do. Let us pray and ask the help of God." And right there the President of the United States fell upon his knees, and the members of the cabinet did the same, and the President offered a prayer to God.

Bishop William F. Anderson, commenting on this at the session of the Indiana Conference, said: "While the war rages in Europe we in this country should thank God that in this crisis of the world we have a Chief Executive who is a servant of God, who stands with his hand in the hand of God. Every minister in the land should every time he offers a prayer take Woodrow Wilson by the hand and lead him into the presence of God, and ask that he be given strength to continue to be the great apostle of peace among men."

* * * *

Among Our Young Methodist Laymen there is none whose career we have noted with more signal interest than that of Hon. Clyde R. Hoey, of Shelby. With limited opportunities to begin with, he has had a career the history of which will some day read like a romance. Unpretentious and unassuming, without a semblance of that vaunting ambition so common among young men who aspire to places of honor, he has gone right along in a political career beginning when he had barely attained his majority and leading on up through years of successful law practice into the position of Assistant District Attorney, without spot or wrinkle, and with such conspicuous ability as to attract wide attention. Referring to his work in the Federal Court at Charlotte last week the Shelby Star says:

"Hon. Clyde R. Hoey, assistant district attorney for the Western District of North Carolina, won every case for the Federal Government in the court held in Charlotte last week. * * *The editor of the Star was in Charlotte last week and heard high praise being meted out for Mr. Hoey in his able conduct of the cases against Walter Savage, a white man charged with violation of the Mann white slave act. It was the first case of its kind to come up in this district and an able array of attorneys was engaged for the defense of Savage. However, Mr. Hoey, single handed, won a verdict of guilty for which Savage received a sentence from Judge Boyd of four months. The court room was crowded with interested persons and the case will go down in Federal Court history as one of exceptional note through the hotly contested battle which characterized its progress from the beginning to the end.

A number of prominent attorneys from the Charlotte bar went to the court house to hear Mr. Hoey for their first time and his magnificent speech and manner in handling the case throughout elicited their highest praise. The Charlotte Observer of Thursday says:

'District Attorney Hoey's speech was one of the most clearly defined and impressive arguments which has ever been heard in a Mecklenburg court room. Rarely raising his voice, the prosecuting attorney summarized the arguments of his opponents and pointed out the flaws of the defense's testimony with a brevity and force which was most impressive.' "

Unless he has changed recently Mr. Hoey is just as marked in his success in teaching a Sunday school class as he is in prosecuting a white-slaver. There is a great big place in the world for a man like that.

CONTRIBUTIONS

THE CIGARETTE EVIL

Rev. T. J. Ogburn

To begin with, tobacco is a powerful sedative poison. A single pound of it contains enough nicotine, its chief poison, to kill 300 men; and a cigar enough to kill two men. One-seventh of a drop on a cat's tongue will produce instant death. "The heart, the brain, the entire system is relaxed, softened and weakened by the use of tobacco, and more dangerously and rapidly so by the cigarette than by tobacco in any other form" because of the larger quantity of furfural in cigarette smoke, none of which is found in cigar smoke, and very little in pipe smoke. Furfural is said to be fifty times as poisonous as ordinary whiskey, and the smoke of one cigarette contains as much of this most poisonous "aldehyde" as is contained in two ounces of whiskey, besides the nicotine and monoxide inhaled—all deadly poisons! Inhalation is the most rapid and effectual method of introducing a volatile poison into the system. The fumes of burning tobacco are destructive to all forms of life, animal and vegetable. When used to kill grubs and noxious insects on plants, great care must be used to protect the plants from destruction No form of animal or vegetable life can thrive in tobacco smoke.

Summary: Tobacco is a powerful poison. Inhalation of tobacco smoke is the most rapid and deadly method of tobacco poisoning. Cigarette smoke contains tobacco's most deadly poison. Therefore the cigarette habit is an evil. And it is an evil which, though it affected the body only, would deserve far greater condemnation and opposition than it now receives from the church and society and the state. But when we consider, as we shall presently, the evils the cigarette habit brings upon the minds and hearts of men we must wonder at the comparative indifference and silence of the influential people of our land concerning it. How must we account for this apathetic attitude towards the greatest curse of our land today!

What Is the Harm of the Cigarette Habit?

Cigarette smoking brings weakness, disease, and death to the body. It unfits one for athletics, hard labor and skilled workmanship. "Out of 100 boys examined for admission to athletic sports in a Chicago school, 21 were unfit for the exercise and 97 suffered from some form of heart disease, and almost to a man they were cigarette smokers." The non-tobacco users in a Yale class were found to have gained, during their college course, over the tobacco users 32 per cent. in weight, 29 per cent. in height, 19 per cent. in chest measure, and in lung capacity 66 per cent. President Jordan, of Leland Stanford University, says: "The boys who smoke cigarettes rarely make failures in after life, because they do not have any after life. The boy who begins smoking before his fifteenth year never enters the life of the world. He is concerned with the sexton and the undertaker." Mr. Burbank, the great plant wizard, says: "Even men who smoke but one cigar a day cannot be trusted with my most delicate work. Cigarettes are even more damaging than cigars. No boy living would commence the use of cigarettes if he knew what a soulless, useless, worthless thing they would make of him." Out of 71 merchants interviewed in Detroit, Michigan, 69 employed no cigarette smokers. The Chicago post-office authorities will, under no circumstances employ a cigarette smoker. The superintendent of one trolley car company would as soon apply to the county lunatic asylum for its employees as to retain cigarette users in his employ. One railway superintendent says "the cigarette smoker is even more dangerous and unreliable in an emergency than a drunkard. His nerves are sure to fail him." The physical effects of cigarette smoking, scientists declare, are such that each generation of smokers becomes more degenerate until finally wiped out. One blessed (?) provision of nature, however, prevents the boy smokers of today, many of them, from becoming fathers when they reach their marriage age.

The nicotine of cigarettes thoroughly saturates the smoker's system and poisons his blood. Leeches placed on his arm soon loosen their hold and in a few minutes drop off dead.

Cigarette smoking injures the mind. "Out of 2,336 public school cigarette boys examined, tabulated and reported on, only six were reported "bright" students; ten were 'average,' and the remaining 2,320 were 'poor' or 'worthless' students.

In a certain school were found cigerette smoking boys in the 8th grade, five years behind girls they had started with in the 1st grade.

An examination of several men in 1400 American colleges showed that the average mark in scholastic standing of the non-smokers was 79.4 against 74.5 for the smokers; while the non-smokers furnished 31 per cent. of the highest marks and 21 per cent of the lowest, and the smokers furnished 31 per cent. of the highest marks and 79 of the lowest, and twice as many conditions and failures as the non-smokers.

So demoralizing is the effect of cigarette smoking upon student life and work that some colleges refuse to receive any tobacco using applicants, the Penn. College faculty, for one, advising such applicants to go to some other college, believing that "no tobacco user can escape injury physically, mentally and morally." William Allen White says, "the man who knocks out his brain with tobacco is knocked out of the contest for supremacy in any field of activity."

The cigarette smoker suffers moral injury. The oldest fidelity company in America declares that the effects of cigarettes are deleterious both physically and morally and they refuse to bond the cigarette smoker, evidently doubting his honesty.

John Wanamaker says, "the cigarette is the starting point of the downfall of thousands who fall into its clutches and eventually drift away from all sense of morality."

"Truancy is the cradle of crime, and nearly every truant is a cigarette smoker."

"The boy who before adolescence forms the cigarette habit will be a deceiver, and in other ways show degenerate tendencies."

Dr. Robert Speer says, "The use of cigarettes breaks down the principles of self restraint and personal cleanness and purity."

One authority declares that the small boy's association with cigarette smokers invariably makes him a liar.

The famous "boys judge," Judge Lindsay, of Denver, Col., "who has dealt with thousands and thousands of boys in disgrace and sorrow and misery" attributes "these troubles almost altogether to the vile cigarette habit:" and he declares, "no manly, honest boy will smoke cigarettes. The cigarette invites every other demon of habit to come and add to its degradation."

Very few cigarette smoking boys become Christians. I have never known one to be converted in a meeting of mine.

Of course the conversion of the boy smoker would be possible with God were the conditions of conversion possible with the smoker. Ordinarily the cigarette habit soon renders its victim incapable of evangelical conviction. He quickly becomes insusceptible of the feeling of shame or of remorse. Judge Gemmell, of a Chicago Court, before whose bar 25,000 criminals had passed, said "nearly all the men and women who had lost the faculty of blushing were cigarette smokers." The ability to think of shameful sins without the sense of shame is a fatal moral disability. Those "past feeling" are "given over."

But under the uneasiness and excitatoin attending any genuine conviction, the smoker would seek relief in the soothing effects of the cigarette which soon leaves the smoker "in utter unconcern about everything." The partial brain paralysis resulting makes him indifferent to the most sacred promise he has ever made to God or man; and life's most serious and important questions appear to him trivial and unnecessary; after one big smoke nothing matters! Religious concern drives him to his cigarette and his cigarette drives away religious concern. Without his cigarette he wants it more than he wants religion; with his cigarette he wants nothing.

Perhaps the saddest and strangest factor in the smoker's inability to reform is the perversion of the little will power left him—the utterly irresolute, or the perversely resolute, attitude and condition of the soul found only in the most abject and debasing moral slavery. To illustrate: when he resolves to quit smoking he instinctively, automatically, begins to roll a cigarette; he must smoke to get courage to keep his resolve; he is unable to quit smoking without smoking. Finally he resolves to smoke on, always. A pale, lank trembling cigarette fiend once replied to my kind remonstrance, "Mister, I would smoke this cigarette if I knew it would land me in hell in five minutes!" And he no doubt would. Thousands of men are thus enslaved, and thousands of our boys are making for this fatal goal. The cigarette habit binds as fast as the opium habit does, and I fear very few of it's victims will ever escape the doom of the incorrigible.

The whole cigarette business is an awful wrong: its manufacture, sale and use. No good, sensible man will dare defend it as a positive good. It is "evil, and only evil, and that continually. It has no redeeming feature whatever." It is utterly unreasonable and indefensible. As one indication of its wickedness some of its agents are doing their best to introduce the cigarette habit in China. They have given away there a million dollars worth of cigarettes, and their slogan is, "a cigarette in the mouth of every person in China." Missionaries note with shame and sorrow this unspeakable crime against a heathen nation, whose authorities and reformers are laboring so heroically and self-sacrificingly to destroy the opium curse from among them. And Dr. John R. Mott, one of the worlds greatest Christian statesmen, deprecates "the comprehensive, persistent, and vigorous measures employed to introduce cigarettes among the tens of millions of the youth of China—hundreds of agents being stationed in all parts of the country, distributing cigarettes freely, even among small boys." Could satan himself devise, or with all his hosts concoct, a scheme more devilish? Surely it behooves all good people to exert all possible good influence against this dreadful evil, so ruinous to many thousands of our boys and young men, the traffic in which must be demoralizing and from which no good can come. Especially should the church leaders speak out bravely: and every denomination should, in its preaching, teaching, legislation, literature, the personal and business habits of all its members—in its total attitude and expression concerning the cigarette evil, help to impress the world that the Church of Christ has "no fellowship with this unfruitful work of darkness; but rather reproves it." The consistent and faithful maintenance of such an attitude by the church would ere long create a public sentiment that would render the cigarette habit impracticable and the cigarette business impossible. And this good time is coming. For "every plant which my Heavenly Father hath not planted shall be rooted up."

SPIRITUAL LIFE

The reason why men and women are mysterious to us, and prove disappointing, is that we will read them from our books, just as we are perplexed by reading ourselves from theirs.—George Meredith.

* * * *

To make our work or act sublime we must make it real. It is our system that counts, not the single word or the unsupported action. Use what language you will, you can never say anything but what you are.—Emerson.

* * * *

Surely, if you have tasted of that kindness and sweetness of God in Christ, it will compose your spirits and conform them to him; it will diffuse such sweetness through your soul that there will be no place for malice and guile. There will be nothing but love and meekness and singleness of heart.—Robert Leighton.

THE DELEGATE

Although grandmothers may be at a discount in some homes, they certainly were not at Alice Mason's, and they did not reside upon a shelf, either. The sunniest room in that beautiful new house, the coziest corner by the fire and the most inviting chair belonged by right of love and reverence to Grandmother, and when that dear old white-haired lady spoke her gentle mind, she was sure of affectionate attention. So, when Mrs. Mason came in, flushed and excited, from a gay afternoon at a friend's reception, she paused with a smile at hearing Grandmother Parker's call from the library.

"Come here a minute, my dear, before you go up to change your dress. I have some lovely news for you! Soon after you went out the minister came in, all worried and anxious. He said things about the decline of hospitality in the city, and asked if we would not take delegates. You know the conference convenes tomorrow night, and although the list has been published in the paper, some of the people are making excuses, and he is sadly put to it to find homes for the preachers. He seemed timid about asking, because we are newcomers, but I told him that I was sure it was nothing but inadvertence that had kept you from asking for delegates, and that he might send you two, provided they were two of a kind, as you have only the one guest chamber. Won't it be nice to have delegates, deary?"

"I don't know, grandma," faltered Alice, a little aghast. "I've never had the experience."

"To be sure—to be sure. I am always forgetting that you didn't know anything about real home life, spending all your days with parents that by rights should have been Gypsies. But when your mother was a little girl, and we lived in Brooksville, we used to have such exciting times when conventions and conferences would come our way. There is something so fascinating about entertaining any one whom the authorities may send you—quite like opening a prize box. Your dear grandpa and I have entertained as many as a dozen for more than a week at a time. We of the family would sleep upon pallets made of quilts on the floor, giving up our rooms to the visitors. And such preparations in the kitchen! Why, we would bake cakes and pies by the score. grandpa would kill beeves and porkers, and the turkeys would be gobbling in my coops for weeks ahead of the time! Oh, I am so glad we are to have a little peep at old times again!"

Mrs. Parker sighed so happily that Alice Mason bent down and kissed her, compelling smoothness into a brow that was troubled. Then she slipped away to her husband's study to pour out her misgivings.

"O Ted" she cried, "I never would have taken them in all the world! I don't see how I am ever to manage! Just an afternoon tea makes Jane so cross that I am afraid to give her an order for a week afterward, and if my dearest friend drops in to dinner I feel like making the most abject apologies—and to think of two strangers for a whole week! Grandmother forgot the grocery bill, too, Ted, and it makes me sick and faint to think of it, for we must not let her feel that we don't do her justice.

"With our pretty new house and our carriage," she added, "they are sure to send us the bishop or some other important person, and I simply must rise to the occasion—but oh. I do hope grandma won't revert to old times this way again!"

"The bishop or some other important person!" repeated Ted, vacantly. "Well, I love your grandmother, my dear, and I know that next to somebody else, she is the sweetest of women, but if they are going to quarter dignitaries upon us, I am called out of town—I can't rise to occasions like that!"

"O hush, Ted! You are going to do exactly as I shall—make the very best of it, and grandma is not to be made uncomfortable. I am going to cook up everything nice I can think of. I'll put an extra shine on the silver and cut glass, and this house will be spick and span by tomorrow night—you'll see!"

Soon the house was full of pleasant excitement. Mrs. Parker found things for her feeble hands to do, Alice flitted about busily. Jane was mollified by gifts and flattery, and soon the night came, and the family waited in the library for the bishop. There were American Beauty roses bending on their tall stems on the library table, there were violets scenting the entrance hall, and Alice felt a pleasurable glow of self-satisfaction.

"I believe after all, that I am rather glad grandma took the delegates. I am not very much of a church woman, but I realize that these men are doing a great deal of good—and the bishops and the other leaders are always delightful men. I shall try to fulfill grandma's ideas. I shall drive them in the carriage to the church, and I'll have James wait there to bring them home after the session—"

The looked-for ring at the door cut short her hospitable plans, and in another moment she was looking upon her delegates—but not upon a bishop.

They very evidently were from the country. A tall, lank, white-bearded patriarch entered, and upon his arm was a chubby-faced young woman, hardly as old as Alice herself. The old man's clothes revealed the signs of long service and many careful brushings and spongings. The wife was evidently a bride (for her ill-made, illfitting frock was of pearly gray with pink trimmings, and her hat was white, with a wealth of white flowers wandering over and under it. There was not a perceptible pause between Alice's frightened taking in of the situation and her greeting of her guests. Mrs. Parker rose from her chair to hold out her little wrinkled hands with her old-fashioned courtesy, and Ted Mason did his share of welcoming.

"You must be tired," said Alice, hospitably, after a moment, and then she led the way to the guest-chamber, and left them alone.

Her husband intercepted her on her return, and grinned as he shook her affectionately. "Don't you worry, Alice," he whispered "I am so relieved! A bride and a groom will talk to each other, and my brilliant conversational powers will not be needed."

"That is true," agreed his wife, with flaming cheeks. "They will entertain each other, and I'll not need to go around with them. O Ted, isn't she awful! She looks like a pillow with a string tied about it—and he— Why did they send us such people?"

The old minister, Mr. Harvey, had a certain dignity which kept him from seeming embarrassed in the new splendors of Alice's dining-room, but the poor little bride was evidently ill at ease. Mrs. Parker devoted herself to them, and Alice was not far behind, so before the first meal was concluded the conversation was general, if not very absorbing in its interest.

There followed an hour or two in the library, and then Mrs. Parker said to the minister:

"I am not strong enough for late hours, Mr. Harvey. Will you not have prayers now?"

This was another unexpected turn, for Alice had not entertained a minister before and there ensued a flurried hunting for a Bible. Finally she brought, from Mrs. Parker's own room, the big family Bible. Alice deposited it, with an effort upon the table at the minister's side, and mentally resolved that the next day she would buy one of more convenient size.

"The servant, sister?" asked Mr. Harvey. "Do you not have her come in for worship?" Then came a brief but energetic argument in the kitchen with Jane, who finally came in, with a sulky frown, to sit down by the library door. Things were taking a strange turn in the butterfly's nest, but Mrs. Parker lay back in her chair, and as Alice gazed at the sweet, placid, old face, it seemed to her that she could see the golden light of past days dawning over it. The country bride sat still regarding her husband's countenance reverently, and as Alice's eyes wandered, she met her husband's glance. His eyes held no laugh in them, although he smiled at her understandingly, and strangest of all, when the reading was finished, Jane's lowering face had cleared, and she slipped quietly out of the room without even a shake of her expressive shoulders.

"My granddaughter has made some pleasant plans for you my dear," said Mrs. Parker the next morning to the bride. "We are so glad that our delegates are as they are. We had expected two gentlemen, but I always prefer a lady. One gets so much better acquainted, you know."

Alice bit her lip. She had ordered the carriage, and had intended putting it at the disposal of her guests, but she certainly had no idea of going out with them. There was nothing for her but to acquiesce, however, when Mrs. Parker told Mrs. Harvey that her hostess would take her to the church and remain through the opening service with her. Alice considered that she would have to reason a little with her grandmother privately.

Alice pointed out the pastor's house as they drove by, and Mr. Harvey looked at it with interest.

"Well! Well!" he said. "The church is learning to take care of her servants these days. Such a fine house—and they tell me you pay wour pastor two thousand dollars a year! I guess I was born fifty years to soon, Nannie," he said, jocularly, to the little bride. "The younger preachers don't have the struggles we older men had. Why, I have been preaching now for forty years, and my highest salary was five hundred dollars a year—that was when the boys and girls were young, and you know you have eight step-children, Nannie. Still, it is all right, and I am not the one to grumble. The rewards always did go to the deserving men, and I know I am not much of a preacher, so I am just grateful to be remembered by my old conference in the way I am."

It sounded strange to Alice Mason—five hundred dollars a year, for a whole family to live on! How could they do it? Her own little perplexities over ways and means seemed silly in comparison.

She led the visitors to the very forefront in the church. Mr. Harvey had said that he did not want to miss a word of the proceedings.

The conference was about to open. Alice had never seen the bishop, but she did not need to have him pointed out. A tall, fine looking man, with keen eyes looking out from under a wide brow—she had already recognized him before he took his chair. Oh, if he could have been her delegate!

Alice had never cared much for the old-fashioned church hymns; they had a sort of dolefulness to her, but the familiar lines had a different sound as he repeated them before the organ pealed out:

"Come ye that love the Lord,
And let your joys be known;
Join in a song with sweet accord,
And thus surround the throne."

The country bride sang clearly, and the quavering voice of the old preacher rose triumphantly. Alice joined in.

For the first time the sense of strangeness between her and Mrs. Harvey seemed to disappear, and as Alice sat through the morning session, she watched the little woman by her side, looked at the shabby dress. and came to a conclusion.

She had at home a beautiful new black gown, just from the tailor. The cloth of it was smooth and shining, and the fashion of the coat was such that it would conceal the awkward lines of Mrs. Harvey's figure. There was a black hat to match it.

Clad in that the young wife would look really dignified, and Alice determined that she should have it. But to manage it without hurting her feelings!

She set her mind to puzzle it out, and almost forgot what was going on about her before she finally concluded that in order to be able to make the gift she must get on very friendly, almost affectionate terms with Mrs. Harvey.

Mrs. Harvey accepted the gift with perfect simplicity. She looked like a different creature in the new garments. Before noon of the next day Mr. Harvey assured Alice that in all his forty years he had never been treated so handsomely. Mrs. Harvey soon forgot her perplexity over the astonishing number of spoons and forks that surrounded her plate at table, and was able to enter into a very quiet and demure enjoyment of the drollery of Mr. Mason and his young wife. Day after day Alice went with

(Continued on page 7, column 3)

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. W. E. Poovey, of Dallas, assisted Rev. Dwight W. Brown in revival services at McAdenville last week.

—Rev. Dr. J. C. Rowe, presiding elder of the Charlotte District, visited his son, Dr. Henry S. Rowe, in Mount Airy, last week.

—Among the appointments in the Holston Conference we note that Rev. T. R. Wolfe goes to Kingsport Station in the Big Stone Gap District. N. M. Watson goes to Highland Park, Chattanooga.

—We regret to learn that two of our faithful officials at Elkin, Messrs J. F. Hendren and W. S. Reich, have found it advisable to go with their physician, Dr. Ring, to Baltimore for special treatment. We pray that they may both find the relief sought and that they may return soon entirely relieved.

—Rev. John R. Deering, D. D., who has long been known as a contributor to our central organ and other Southern Methodist papers, is now on the editorial staff of the Central Methodist, which is the official organ of the Kentucky and the Louisville Conferences. Prof. D. W. Batson now takes the place of Field Editor.

—Miss Clyde Parker, daughter of Rev. A. J. Parker, pastor of Fifth Street church, Wilmington, was married to Rev. Robert G. L. Edwards, pastor of the Yanceyville circuit, on Tuesday morning, October 12th, Rev. L. E. Thompson, presiding elder of the Wilmington District, officiating, assisted by the father of the bride.

—Mrs. Susan L. Smith, a faithful member of our church at Kings Mountain, passed to her reward on Saturday night, October 9th. The funeral was conducted by her pastor, Rev. E. O. Cole, on Tuesday following. Mrs. Smith was a woman of splendid Christian character and was loved by all who knew her.

—Bishop Murrah presided in the Holston Conference which adjourned at Knoxville last week. The reports of the preachers in this Conference were perhaps the most remarkable in the history of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. There were reported over 19,000 professions and nearly 12,000 accessions to the church.

—We have learned with deep regret of the death of Mr. J. D. Hamlin, which occurred at his home at Rockford, on Friday, October 8th. Mr. Hamlin spent most of his life in Yadkin county where he was born about 70 years ago. He removed from Yadkinville to Rockford about fifteen years ago. Mr. Hamlin was a man of affairs, a good citizen and will be greatly missed.

—Rev. Shuford Peeler, who, for about twelve or thirteen years, has been pastor of the First Reformed church in Greensboro, has tendered his resignation to take effect January 1st. Mr. Peeler's work here has been one of conspicuous success and there will be universal regret that he is to leave. He gives up his work here in order to go to Charlotte to organize a Reformed congregation.

—The following invitation has been received and the Advocate joins in expressions of congratulation in advance:—"Reverend and Mrs. George Daniel Herman request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their daughter, Mabel Brooks, to Mr. Thomas Philip Caraway, on Wednesday evening, October twenty-seventh, at six o'clock, First Methodist Church Wadesboro, North Carolina. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Philip Caraway will be at home after the tenth of November, 'Sunny Crest,' Wadesboro, North Carolina."

—Rev. W. C. Bowden, pastor of the Highlands circuit, reports a successful year on that charge. The meetings have been good and the missionary collections secured. A beautiful new church will be dedicated at Highlands on the 27th of this month. The pastor expresses gratitude to the people of Highlands who have co-operated with him faithfully. Brother Bowden sows down his charge with Advocates and gets good results.

—Our church in Marion has suffered great loss recently in the death of Mr. C. E. Decker who was the secretary and treasurer of the board of stewards. A member of the board says of him that he was one of the most accurate and painstaking officials they ever had, besides he stood for the highest and best of things in the community.

—The people at Marion without division will do everything in their power to hold Rev. Loy D. Thompson in that charge. It is delightful to note the strong hold which Brother Thompson has upon the congregation as well as the whole town. The church will not look with any sort of favor upon any movement to take Brother Thompson elsewhere.

—A note from Rev. M. B. Stokes brings the news that he is back at his post in Korea and beginning the work of his second term. He promises our readers an occasional letter which we are sure will be appreciated. Referring to the Advocate he says: "We are enjoying the paper very much. You are giving us a fine periodical, and its weekly visits are both pleasant and profitable to us all."

—A beautiful wedding ceremony took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hendrix in this city on Monday of this week at high noon, when their daughter, May, was happily married to Mr. James B. Fleet, of Richmond, Va. The ceremony was performed by Rev. H. M. Blair, editor of the Christian Advocate, in the presence of the family and a few close friends. The bride is a graduate of the State Normal College, and of the Methodist Training School, of Nashville, Tenn. She has been very active in church work and will be greatly missed, as they expect to reside in Richmond. The Advocate joins in expressions of congratulation and good wishes.

Weddington Charge.—Weddington charge for the past four years has made great progress under the ministry of Rev. Seymour Taylor. Three of the four churches except one are covered by insurance. The financial side of the church interest is well cared for. Brother Taylor is an interesting worker. He goes about it without any display, labors earnestly and effectively for every organization of the church. He is a deeply spiritual man and lives before his people what he advocates from the sacred desk. His work during the past four years is of the kind that is founded upon a rock; his earnestness impresses and wins.

According to the laws of our church we must give him up this year. He will leave this work with the love and prayers of his people that his lot may be cast in pastures green, and that his power for good may increase continually.

R. B. Cuthbertson.

Mount Airy Station.—Receptive candidates for the finer and better charges at the coming Conference, as their eye sweeps the horizen of possibilities, should let an interested glance fall upon Mount Airy Station. The present occupant, being compelled by the statute of limitation to pass on, is not unwilling to publish a few facts as to the status of a charge not now well known to the Conference. Mount Airy station has now 650 members. More than 300 of these have been added during the present pastorate. This body of Methodists are dwelling together in unity, there being no cliques or factions among them. They are well organized. The organization includes a Sunday school with organized classes, home department and baby roll, the usual missionary societies, an Epworth League, committees on missions, social service and evangelism, all of which are active and more or less enthusiastic.

There being no second church, this organization has the whole city as a sphere of operation. The town is growing, its industries are prosperous, and the church is keeping pace. It has a comfortable and well-located church and parsonage, both out of debt. The church includes in its membership some of the wealthiest citizens of the town. Church finances are therefore easy. In addition to its stated obligations, it supports a foreign missionary at $600 and a Conference missionary at $300. Without any building enterprise, it has raised in the neighborhood of $6,000 for each of the last four years. And the financial possibilities of the charge are not yet exhausted. During the past four years about $24,000 has been raised, 373 members have been added, and 3500 visits have been made. This year, the best of the four, has seen 121 persons added to the membership.

W. H. Willis.

Special Request of Charge Lay Leaders

The Discipline makes it your duty to send a written report to your District Lay Leader. A blank form is provided for this purpose and I urge you to fill it out and mail it by November 10th. See page 10 for name and address of Leader.

It is very important that there shall be a report from every charge. No matter how poor you think your report would be, send it in without fail. We need the facts so that we may plan wisely and work intelligently.

What is the prospect on your charge? Do not be satisfied to "do as well as last year." There is yet time to do better than last year.

You have a great opportunity to serve God and help forward the work of the church between now and Conference. Keep yourself full of faith, good cheer, and energy, and you can greatly increase the power and efficiency of your pastor and stewards.

No doubt your charge could meet its obligations in full and if it fails it will be due to lack of faith and united effort. You are the man to say "We can do it. Come on, I'll help." You are the man to keep up in pastor and stewards the faith and courage that overcome.

However much better they may be, do not insist too much upon your own plans. United and enthusiastic effort on a poor plan will succeed where division and lack of interest with a perfect plan will fail.

So "join in" and get together for a successful effort. Get in deadly earnest about it, pray for it, talk it, work for it and you will win the Master's "Well done."

Conference Lay Leader.

Chart Pointers

By order of the Ex-Com. the Board of Missions' new chart will show salary and missionary payments only, the other collections being disregarded.

In case of collections taken in bulk, the board expects only its pro-rata share for its causes. To this pro-rata, however, should be added any money specifically directed to missions by the donors, including amounts contributed for missions in the Sunday schools and applied to the payment of assessments.

Blue and red stars will show, as last year, specials for foreign and conference missions, respectively. "Specials" that do not appear in the columns thus marked in the report blanks, will not, of course, be shown.

W. H. Willis.

Good Revival at Whitsett

We closed a meeting at Whitsett on Sunday night of seven days, resulting in twenty-five or more professions and nine additions to the church, nearly doubling our membership at that place. This is a small church but it is doing a fine work, especially through the Sunday school, which has an average attendance of nearly four times the church enrollment.

Dr. J. H. Weaver, who was with me for three services, was called away by telegram Tuesday morning leaving me to do the preaching. The entire citizenship, irrespective of denomination, rallied to my support, and, despite the inclement weather, the congregations were large, afternoon and night. Dr. Whitsett did what he could to make it convenient for the students to attend regularly and they were not slow to use the privilege offered. Several of them, already church members, renewed their covenant with God, and some not Christians gave

their hearts to God. It was indeed a good meeting. Several others will join our church at Whitsett. W. S. Hales.

Missionary Notes from Field Secretary

Hayesville Ct., Z. V. Johnston, P. C. Hayesville, $91.50 on assessments. $1,000.00 Conference Mission Emergency Fund on the annuity plan from W. H. McClure and his wife, Georgia McClure. Meyer's Chapel, $10.25 on assessments. Sweet Water, $17.15 on assessments.

The gift of $1,000.00 to the Emergency Fund by Brother W. H. McClure and Sister McClure gives another assurance to the presiding elders and Board of Missions that money can be had for support of the ministry. The interest on this donation is to be used perpetually in Clay county as a conditional appropriation by the Board of Missions to supplement salaries of our preachers. Inspired by this gift the quarterly conference of the Hayesville circuit has fixed the salary for their pastor next year at $700.00. This will put Hayesville circuit in the B grade of charges. Brother McClure is familiarly known in Western North Carolina as "Ham McClure." His wife is a devout Methodist. Brother McClure has never yet identified himself technically with the church. He is a faithful attendant on all our services and has been uniformly a liberal supporter of our church. His brother-in-law, Henderson Haigler, cashier of the Clay County Bank, has been superintendent of our Sunday school here for thirty-three years, and one of our most efficient and faithful laymen. It was upon his motion following the proposal of Brother McClure that the salary was raised by unanimous vote. Having been bereft of all their children through death, Brother and Sister McClure seek to perpetuate through the Methodist church in Clay county by this annuity some vital connection with God's kingdom on earth.

From Hayesville the view is hardly equaled in our Carolina mountains. A railway is in process of completion from Andrews to Hayesville with prospect of its continuance some time by way of Hiwassee, Ga., to connect with the railway running from Gainesville, Ga., to Robertstown.

The Methodist church, with its supreme emphasis on the witness of the Spirit as her distinctive mark, is obligated to the first place in this mountain country, and, as I see it, in all countries. It is a question of men. These our schools must furnish her. The laymen will finance them.

Murphy Circuit, T. L. Noble, P. C. Ogden, $4.50 on assessments. Brasstown, $11.50 on assessments. Peachtree, $21.25 on assessments. Tomotla, $23.25 on assessments. This is not a strong circuit but there are some most excellent people. They have provided for the pastor a parsonage with two acres of land at Tomotla.

Ranger Circuit, J. H. Hopkins, P. C. Ranger, $7.00 on assessments. I was several days with Brother Cordell. He is preaching and working hard as he has done for four years on the Waynesville District, which has made remarkable advances under his leadership.

Remember Sunday, October 24th, is full collection day for missions. Sunday school superintendents and pastors take notice.

OUR CHILDREN'S HOME REPORT

By Walter Thompson, Supt.

FINANCIAL REPORT CHILDREN'S HOME, SEPT. 30, 1915

Maintenance Fund, 1914-'15

Sources

Ten Per Cent. Fund direct to Home	$ 8802.59
Joint Board of Finance	4487.47
General Support	1007.79
Fifth Sunday collections	3884.70
Special Support	1734.90
Epworth League	416.10
Borrowed money	1000.00
Total	$21333.55

Disbursements

Permanent improvement and equipment	$ 4831.00
Current expenses	16729.46
Total	$21560.46

Permanent Improvements Itemized

Balance, heating and plumbing, Smith and Cornelius buildings	$ 3000.00
Furnishing Cornelius building	425.00
Renovating and painting old cottages, new sheds and out-houses	600.00
Work on grounds	315.00
Trees, shrubbery, etc.	95.00
Insurance	56.00
Equipment	340.00
Total	$ 4831.00

Current Expenses Itemized

Groceries and supplies	$ 4263.80
Clothing, drygoods, etc.	1425.00
Fuel and lights	707.41
Drugs and medical attention	98.57
Laundry	469.00
School	1025.00
Postage	101.50
Telephone and telegraph service	98.21
Books, stationery and printing	175.99
Dairy	1015.00
Salaries and wages	4065.17
Farm	2540.00
Miscellaneous	744.81
Total	$16729.46

Bank Statement

Total receipts for year	$21333.55
Balance on hand and in bank, Sept. 30, 1914	983.73
Total	$22317.28
Total expenditures for year	$21560.46
Balance on hand and in bank Sept. 30, 1915	$793.58
Less outstanding checks	29.00
Less due Walter Thompson	7.76
Real balance	756.82
	$22317.28

Building Fund, 1914-'15

Sources

Received from subscriptions	$4520.20
Received from H. B. Carter estate	1000.00
Borrowed money	2000.00
Total	$7520.20

Building Fund Disbursements

Salary and expenses of Agent	$1924.75
Interest	959.97
Smith and Cornelius buildings	818.74
Equipment	3046.79
Labor	174.98
Note paid	1000.00
Expressage	4.45
Total	$7929.68

Bank Statement

Bank balance	$ 159.18
Less checks outstanding	30.00
	$ 129.18
Cash on hand	.60
Real balance	$ 129.78
Balance Sept. 30, 1914	$ 536.26
Receipts for year	7520.20
	$8059.46
Expenditures for year	$7929.68
Balance in bank	129.18
Cash on hand	.60
Final balance	$8059.46

Walter Thompson, Supt.

Amount and Value of Farm Products, Raised During Year

Amount	Value
2,000 bushels corn	$2000.00
110 bushels wheat	132.00
440 bushels oats	264.00
300 bushels sweet potatoes	150.00
250 bushels Irish potatoes	187.50
13 hogs for killing	245.00
10 tons Canadian peavine and oat hay	200.00
2 tons alfalfa	40.00
6 tons straw	60.00
50 tons ensilage	250.00
10 tons peavine hay	175.00
800 dozen roasting ears	80.00
Vegetables, worth probably	250.00
Total	$4033.50

The farm is charged with practically every outdoor expense, and is not credited with the hauling for all purposes of the Home. A considerable part of the expenses of the farm this year is for the purchase of farm machinery and agricultural implements.

Fifth Sunday Collections

J. L. Fox, Alexander Chapel S. S., $1.60; H. C. Jones, Salem S. S., Winston-Salem, $2.-00. Total, $3.60.

Amount Received on General and Special Support and the Ten. Per Cent. Assessment

Mrs. Lena Reddick, Winston-Salem, $2.50; S. W. Long, $3.00, Miss Clara Long, $1.00. Miss Lena Long, $1.00, all of Bostic; Mrs. John S. Roth, Elkin, $2.50; Rev. W. S. Hales, Gibsonville charge, $6.00; C. F. Cline, Gilkey church, $24.01; C. F. Lambeth, Thomasville S. S., on pledge, $50.00; Rev. S. E. Richardson, E. Spencer and North Main street charge, $25.00; H. C. Jones, Salem church, Winston-Salem, $3.00; Rev. W. G. Warren, Franklin Ct., $2.00; Rev. T. J. Huggins, Weaverville Ct., $5.00. Total, $125.01.

Building Fund—Rev. J. H. West, Agent

Rev. A. H. Starnes, Candler, $10.00; Miss Jennie B. Brent, Wadesboro, $2.00; Mrs. Geo. Morrow, Mount Ulla, $1.00; A. H. Daniel, Candler, $5.00; Mrs. E. E. Suggs, Albemarle, $2.00; Paul J. Kerr, Wadesboro, $10.00; J. C. Orr, Asheville, $5.00; H. H. Whitfield, Hendersonville S. S., $15.00; Ed. W. Whiteside, Asheville, $10.00; W. A. Rudasill, Hickory S. S., on pledge, $70.00; W. T. Lee, Waynesville, $20.00. Total, $150.00.

THE DELEGATE

(Continued from page 5)

them to conference, and remained through the sessions.

One day she noticed how the old man's face always lighted up when the bishop began to speak. But nothing prepared her for what happened on a day when Mr. Harvey had been asked to conduct a devotional service. He did not do it very well. He showed that he was a little flustered, and his old hands quivered as he held the Bible. Alice felt sorry for him, and for his wife, who looked at her husband so appealingly; but after Mr. Harvey had taken his seat the bishop rose.

"Brethren," he said, "it has been a long time since I have seen this old friend, before this conference. Forty years ago—forty long years ago, he was just beginning his ministry, and was serving a piney woods circuit away off in an out-of-the-way place. I was a young lawyer sent down to Florida upon a certain land case, and by accident, one hot summer day, I stopped at a brush arbor out in the woods, where he was preaching to a congregation that had gathered there in ox-carts, on horse back and afoot. I stopped more to rest in the shade than because I had any interest, but he had a message, and he delivered it from a full heart. It was for me—for me! I don't know how many others it came home to, but I went on my way thoughtful and more serious than I had ever been in my life before, only to come back and seek him out at night—like Nicodemus of old. And like Nicodemus of old—I was told my way—the only way—"

The bishop paused a moment and some one out in the congregation began to sing, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow," as that congregation had a way of doing upon all sorts of occasions. The bishop bent down and clasped hands with Mr. Harvey, whose uplifted face was radiant. Alice, with downcast eyes, saw the little bride's hands trembling on her lap, and she put her own soft fingers in between, and they sat there listening happily together through the rest of the service.

"Ted, darling," Alice said that afternoon, "we are entertaining something bigger than the bishop—we are taking care of the man who put him in the way of being what he is. Oh, wouldn't it have been awful if we had not been nice to them?"—Susie Bouchelle Wight, in Youth's Companion.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave, Asheville, N. C.

A MEMORIAL SERVICE

The members of the Woman's Missionary Society of Trinity Church, Charlotte, feel very keenly the loss of their friend and co-worker, Mrs. T. F. Marr, and as a tribute of their love for her a most impressive memorial service was held on Monday, October 11th, at which time the members of the Tryon Street auxiliary united with them in showing their appreciation of the life and services of this consecrated Christian leader. For four years Mrs. Marr labored faithfully in each of these churches and it was a fitting tribute paid her by these auxiliaries. The following program was given:

Song "Blest Be the Tie that Binds."

Tribute to her Life and Character, Mrs. Jas. Steere of Trinity church.

Scripture Reading, Proverbs 31:10-31, Mrs. W. W. Hagood, Tryon St. church.

Prayer, Mrs. H. L. Jones, Tryon St. church.

Song, "Saved by Grace," Miss Mary Peasely, Trinity church.

Her Early Life, Mrs. W. W. Mullen, Trinity church.

Her Work as an Organizer, Miss Daisy Cuthbertson, District Secretary.

Her Value as a Conference Officer, Mrs. Mattie H. Stewart, Tryon St. church.

Reading of Resolutions adopted by W. M. S. of Trinity church, Mrs. Walter Davidson.

Hymn, "Abide With Me."

Closing Prayer.

In addition to the above program a letter from Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, president of the Woman's Missionary Society of the W. N. C. Conference, was read in which she expressed the great sorrow of the entire Conference at the passing of this faithful worker.

Mrs. Mattie Johnson of Trinity church told of the resolution of Mrs. Marr's class of Trinity Sunday school to send yearly to China a "Memorial Art Box" in memory of their teacher, as an expression of their love for her.

Tribute of Respect to Mrs. T. F. Marr

By Mrs. Jas. E. Steers, Pres.
W. S. Trinity Church

Friends and members of sister societies, we have gathered this afternoon to lay a flower on the bier of our beloved friend and co-worker, Mrs. T. F. Marr. We have prepared no elaborate program for such would not be in keeping with her life, as we know she was quiet, modest and unostentatious. Like Mary of Bethany, she chose to sit humbly at her Master's feet and learn of Him, rather than spend her time in the pursuit of worldly ambitions, hence her Christlike love for humanity. She chose a better way of honoring her Lord and Master. She justly gave the preference to that which deserves it—the good part which can never be taken from those who have it. She recognized the one thing needful: yea, she gave her life in the same unselfish way that Mary broke the alabaster box and anointed her Lord.

While we mingle our tears together over our personal loss, let us also rejoice that she has entered upon a nobler life and into a more glorious service of her King. For if we sit at His feet here, we shall sit with Him on His throne yonder and as we hear Christ's plaudit, "Well done, good and faithful servant," we know that the good deeds of this sainted woman shall be her memorial.

Resolutions of Respect

The Woman's Missionary Society of Trinity Methodist church expresses the deepest sorrow brought to our hearts and into our work by the sudden passing of our dearly loved friend and valued counselor, Mrs. T. F. Marr; therefore, be it resolved:

First, that we bow in humble submission to the will of our Father, thankful for the memory of her example of consecration, as she lived daily, "seeking first the kingdom of God and His righteousness."

Second, that we extend to our pastor, the grief-stricken husband, and the other members of her family, our most heartfelt sympathy. May our Heavenly Father in His merciful kindness tenderly comfort and keep them.

Third, that a copy of these resolutions be placed in our minutes, a copy be sent to the bereaved family and to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication on the Woman's Page.

Mrs. Walter H. Davidson,
Mrs. Walter Brem,
Mrs. W. W. Mullen.

WEEK OF PRAYER, NOV. 7-13

We are glad to give in this issue a letter concerning our Week of Prayer literature from our Distributor of Literature, Mrs. W. C. Houston. We know it will be most gratifying to the numerous friends of Mrs. Houston to know that she is greatly improved and many prayers will ascend for her complete restoration to health.

The programs and leaflets for the Week of Prayer, which is to be observed November 7-13, were sent to the various district secretaries, October 8th, and by the time you read this should be in the hands of your superintendent of Mission Study and your auxiliary should be busy preparing for the services. The literature is very attractive this year. We have fresh subjects to study; subjects not only interesting from a missionary standpoint, but of liveliest interest to the political world—Japan and the Orientals on our Pacific coast. Tonight I read in a secular paper that Japan is preparing to send vast numbers of Buddhist missionaries to China. We have read over so often the phrase, "Japan, the Key to the Orient," that I fear it has grown meaningless to us, but we should awake to the truth that as Japan goes, so goes the East, and it is our duty and privilege to turn Japan to Christ that she may turn the East to Christ.

Our Council officers seem unusually burdened this year for the success of the Week of Prayer. The responsibility of taking up new work in Japan weighs very heavily upon their hearts. May we not share this burden with them and make it a time of heart-searching prayer that we may be able to do more, give more and pray more than ever before?

If any auxiliary has failed to get the literature will you not write to your district secretary or to me? There has been so much care put into the effort to make it attractive it seems a pity any society should fail to get the benefit of its inspiring messsage.

Yours most cordially,
Nina Adams Houston.
Conf. Distributor of Literature.

REIDSVILLE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

A very interesting meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of Main Street M. E. church was held Thursday afternoon. After opening with prayer, song and Scripture lesson, the business was taken up, and several matters of importance were discussed. The program on Mexico consisted of readings, one by Mrs. D. R. Allen, telling how the needs of people of Mexico had not been met and satisfied with Catholicism, the other by Mrs. Cosmo Benson, an article descriptive of Rural Life in Mexico, both of which were much enjoyed.

Mrs. Wilkinson then presented the subject of Bible and Mission Study, emphasizing the fact that October was the month for a Mission Study Campaign, and urging the organization of a study class. As a result a class of 15 members was organized with Mrs. Eugene Watt as leader, to meet every Friday afternoon at the home of the leader, the first meeting to be held October 15th. The text-book for the season is "The King's Highway," by Mrs. Helen Barrett Montgomery.

The treasurer made an encouraging report and after the serving of a picnic luncheon in the basement of the church by Mrs. A. L. Harris, the meeting adjourned.

DEVOTIONAL TOPICS FOR WEEK OF PRAYER AND SELF-DENIAL

Monday, Nov. 8

Topic: "Teach Us to Pray." (Luke 11:1-13; John 15:7-16; James 4:1-13.) The best work we can do for God's cause is to pray aright. All that we have accomplished in the past has been due to prayer. The growth in the numbers of those who believe, volunteers for service, power in preaching the word, and money, have all come through the "secret service" of those who yearn to see his will accomplished. The future coming of his kingdom depends upon our prayers.

Tuesday, Nov. 9

Topic: "God of Nations—Thy Kingdom Come." (Rev. 11:15; 4:9-11; Ps. 145:12-13; Isa. 11:9; Matt. 6:9-10. God is the supreme fact of human history, and his plan runs like a golden law of all nations. In our day his kingdom moves swiftly, and nations long alien are reaching out their hands to him. Shall we not pray earnestly for his universal reign and that our nation may glorify him by our policy toward the other nations?

Wednesday, Nov. 10

Topic: "The Life-Giving Word." (Isa. 55:10-13; Ps. 126.6.) God has ordained the preaching of his word to be the instrument by which his saving health shall be brought to the nations, and God has promised that it shall ever be attended with power. The translation of God's word into six hundred languages and dialects and the mastery of the tongues of the non-Christian peoples by the missionaries is the modern "gift of tongues."

Thursday, Nov. 11

Topic: "Jesus the Friend." (John 15:13-15; Matt. 7:12; Luke 10:25-37.) Jesus reveals the new relation between himself and his followers—"no longer servants, I have called you friends." The new relation carries three privileges: (1) He shares with them his secret about the Father's nature and will; (2) they are permitted to have a real and effective part in accomplishing his mission; (3) they have the use of his influence and power with the Father.

Friday, Nov. 12

Topic: "Blessed to be a Blessing." (Eph. 3:14-21; John 4.14; 6:35; 7:28; Gen. 12:1-3.) Consecrated human lives are the channel of God's blessings to other souls. The unblessed life cannot bless another life. Today we seek the personal preparation and cleansing that will truly fit us for his service.

"Lord, speak to me, that I may speak
In living echoes of thy tone;
As thou hast sought so let me seek
Thy erring children lost and lone."

Saturday, Nov. 13

Topic: "World Peace." (Proverbs 14:34.) Pray that we may be so filled with the spirit of the Prince of Peace that we may proclaim the single supreme plan of peace, the revelation of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, because wars will have no ending until men cease to hate one another and feel the reality of the brotherhood of mankind, which is the only bond that can make us think justly of one another and act righteously before God himself.

"Prepare ye the way of the Lord"

This means every woman in the Woman's Missionary Society. Are you using this gift of power to hasten the coming of the kingdom? Will you join in definite, daily prayer that Jesus Christ may be enthroned in the heart of every Christian, exalted in every church, and proclaimed to the whole wide world?

THE WEEK OF PRAYER

Because: It has carried the dynamic power of union in prayer for our woman's missionary work for many years. Thousands of voices at the same hour in states extending from California to Texas and Florida have blended in petition for the same objects. A volume of human voices crying aloud for the helping, staying, moving hand of our Lord in this work has brought swift and sure answer.

Because: It has carried the dynabic power of education. The systematic study of the various fields which has been given during this season has done more to educate our people than any other effort.

Because: It has carried the dynampower of knowledge. We know through study and specific appeal the needs and demands of particular fields. We know how to work and how to pray for specific purposes and we thus work "with Him in knowledge."

Because: It has carried the dynamic power of revelation. It has shown us our own blessings and revealed to us ourselves. We have stood face to face with the opportunities and some of us have turned these opportunities to the service of God and society. It has revealed the power of joy and sacrifice.

Because: It has carried the dynamic power of fellowship for us with the women who have gone out into the fields white unto the harvest. A very human sympathy and fellowship has been made between the women of the auxiliaries and the missionaries and deaconesses who represent them on the fields.

Because: It has the dynamic power to create generous giving. The moneys collected through this season of self-denial and sacrifice have made possible enterprises which could not otherwise have been undertaken. In the home work the whole educational policy was made possible by it as the regular funds were so specifically directed at first that none could be used for schools. More than $119,000.00, a third of the value of the home work, has been realized through this season of prayer and giving. So far as the records given show, something more than $75,000 has been raised for the Foreign work by the week of prayer. No definite report of the sum was made during those years when it was applied to the pledge.

Because: We dare not break the force of a power of such historic value. The observance of this season for more than a third of a century and the results therefrom prove its power and give impetus to larger and more determined effort to stress the Week of Prayer till every auxiliary and every woman shall know how good it is and have a part in it.

Because: The support of the Oriental work of the Woman's Missionary Council on the Pacific coast must come this year through the Week of Prayer collections. The extension of the work of the Woman's Missionary Council to Japan and the support of the woman's evangelistic work in that country must come this year through the Week of Prayer collections.

Therefore, the Week of Prayer this year is the dynamic to reveal and interpret the Christ to these "strangers in our midst," and to the women and children of the "Sunrise Kingdom."—Leaflet of Woman's Missionary Council.

TRY MURINE EYE REMEDY

for Red, Weak, Weary, Watery Eyes and Granulated Eyelids. Murine Doesn't Smart—Soothes Eye Pain. Druggists Sell Murine Eye Remedy, Liquid, 25c, 50c, $1.00. Murine Eye Salve in Aseptic Tubes, 25c, $1.00. Eye Books and Eye Advice Free by Mail.

Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago.

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

We had intended giving the reports of the local chapters and the committees this week, but have a letter from Dr. Rawlings asking that we emphasize Mission Study Rally Day, so we have postponed the reports until next week.

MISSION STUDY RALLY DAY

When? October 24th. This is the day set apart by the Epworth League Board as Mission Study Rally Day. It will be observed by all the Leagues. Just think of all the Leagues working for the same end at the same time! Surely the very thought that there are thousands of Leaguers all over this Southland of ours talking and thinking and planning and praying for more mission study classes, will have results. How can our young people resist the call of mission study in the face of that? Let us unite on the 24th of October (or our meeting for that week) in working and praying for the advancement of mission study in our Leagues.

The Program

The October Era is Mission Study Number and is especially interesting from the very first editorial. "The Golden Heart of an Epworth League," to my last item.

The prayer meeting topic on page 86 gives an interesting outline for the Mission Study Rally program. The program outlines in the form of a mission study class. It requires a leader and seven helpers, all of whom should be interested in missions and mission study. During the first hymn those on the program come on the platform and take their places around a table, arranging their text-books, note books and pencils as if they were at a regular mission study class. The opening exercises are conducted as usual and the leader asks the members to tell some of the benefits of a mission study, and some of the interesting facts obtained through mission study. The program is very interesting and easy to carry out, but other programs may be used if more suitable to your chapter.

Helps

Helps and copies of the books may be had at small cost by writing Dr. E. H. Rawlings, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn. In ordering books for the entire class the order should be sent to Smith and Lamar, Nashville, Tenn.

The Results

What results do we expect from our Rally Day meeting? Of course we expect more interest in mission study and many new study classes. If your League does not have at least one study class it has failed in one of its greatest opportunities. Our Leagues must have the missionary spirit if they are to accomplish very much for the Master; and the best way to get your League interested in missions is to get the Leaguers to study missions. How can we be very enthusiastic over something we know nothing about? Let us get to work and enlighten our minds on the subject of the evangelization of the world. O! if we could only know and realize how eager the heathen are to hear the gospel, we would want to go and take it to them. One League reported ten volunteers for mission work. My, what an opportunity for a mission study class in that League! We are going to hear great things from that League in the future.

Enroll Your Class

When you have organized your class don't forget to enroll it. Dr. Rawlings has sent out duplex cards to all the Leagues with which he has been able to get into communication. It carries a return card with list of helps needed and also a return card for enrollment of class. If your League did not receive one have your fourth superintendent write Dr. Rawlings for enrollment card and he will send you one.

"Forward for Seventy Thousand"

That is the slogan for the Educational Department of the Board of Missions. Will the League do its part? That is a question for each one to answer. The answer is left with you. We can safely say that there are over a thousand Leaguers in our Conference. Can't we contribute one of the seventy thousand? Will YOU be one of that thousand? You will never regret it if you are, but you will in the future if you are not. Let us, as a Conference and as local chapters, rally to the support of the leaders of the missionary educational movement.

WHAT WILL I GAIN FROM MISSION STUDY?

We all ask this question of ourselves and of others when the subject of mission study is brought up. It would be impossible to answer this question fully, for we receive benefits and blessings that we cannot realize or see, but there are many that we can see. We gain a better and a more personal knowledge of the foreign countries—the people and their customs: we can better appreciate our own opportunities and the privilege of living in a Christian country; we understand better the needs of the heathen and their eagerness for the gospel; our lives are enriched and our minds are broadened; but the greatest blessings of all is that our hearts are drawn closer to our fellowmen and our souls to God.

Are these results not worth the time and work spent on the class? We think so, don't you? Let us read some testimonies from our missionaries in the fields which are given in the October Era:—

A WORD FROM THE MISSIONARIES ABOUT MISSION STUDY

It was in the mission study class, while we were studying "Daybreak in the Dark Continent," that I felt that I should give my life to the foreign field for service in the Master's kingdom.—H. P. Jones, Japan (1913).

The church must continue to look to the Epworth League to furnish missionaries for her various fields. The active work of the League in all of its departments prepares young people to be Christian workers disposed to hear and answer a God-given call. The missionary meeting, the mission study class, and various activities certainly invite to a serious consideration of the foreign field as the place to invest one's life for God. I believe the church has no agency so effective as the Epworth League for recruiting missionaries.—S. A. Neblett, Cuba (1902).

It has been my privilege to belong to but two regular mission study classes, but it was the study of missions through the Fourth Department that helped me to decide for definite work. —Emma Myers, Korea.

It was in the Epworth League that I made my first testimony; it was in the mission study class of the League that I became aware of the great spiritual needs of the world; it was during this study that the Spirit said, "Go ye."—Ellen Alfter, Mexico (1910).

As student in a mission study class and later teacher in mission study classes my knowledge of the world's field was increased and my conviction deepened; then I was called to the service.—G. D. Parker, Brazil (1901).

I do not know of a better way the Epworth League can serve the cause of missions than through its mission study classes.—J. H. Fitzgerald, Mexico (1895).

The League is the training school of the future missionary church, if we are ever to have such a thing. Lack of knowledge is the main hindrance to the missionary propaganda. Lack of interest is lack of knowledge. Nothing but the facts will ever make a substantial basis for a wholesome progress in missionary work. Sentiment and enthusiasm are short-lived unless there are the plain, undeniable facts as a basis. These facts can best be had through the mission study classes formed in the League.—H. P. Jones, Japan (1913).

I think that the greatest service the League can render to the cause of missions is, first, by mission study classes and the distribution of missionary literature to create an intelligent interest in missions on the part of the young life of the church; and, secondly, to develop the young men and women into enthusiastic workers and capable leaders, whether they go to the front or stay here. I think the League has the opportunity of reaching and molding the lives of men and women at the time when they are most responsive and can easily be influenced to give their lives to the service of Christ and the church.—E. L. Peerman, Korea (1907).

While for some time I had felt that I should be doing definite work in the vineyard, I did not realize that I was needed in any special place or kind of work. In our League mission study class we took up Dr. Josiah Strong's "Challenge of the City." Through a knowledge of conditions in our cities pictured in this way I felt that I should like to give my life in helping to relieve these conditions.—Helen Shugart, Home.

It was from information gained largely through our mission study class that I received a vision of the great needs in the foreign lands. While there were other forces at work in my life at the same time, still my experience in the missionary work of the Epworth League was a great factor in my decision.—Bessie Lee Wilson, Murfreesboro, Tenn.

The course of study for 1898 contained Beech's "Dawn on the Hills of T'andg." I arranged the program, etc. (a sort of crude mission study on the subject of this book.) The work in the Epworth League opened up a new life for me and ran me completely from the worldly world into which my feet were trying to go. The books of the study courses, and especially the arranging of programs for their use, developed my mind and made me believe that by God's help I could do something with my life. Best of all, the contact with Spirit-filled leaders inspired me with deep spiritual desires and purposes. I asked God to give me what he had given them, and he did. The Student Volunteer Movement did not reach me, for I did not volunteer in college. The missionary societies, good as they are, did not reach me. Without the Epworth League and without a wise pastor, who believed in the League and believed in me, I should never have been a missionary.—Mary Culler White, China (1909).

The following from Dr. Parker, Epworth League Secretary, supplementing the statements of the missionaries, will be of interest:

"The first systematic mission study among young people originated in the Epworth League as far back as 1907-08, when courses in mission study were prepared by Prof. Thomas Carter, now of the chair of New Testament Greek of Vanderbilt University, and Mrs. O. E. Brown, wife of the professor of Church History of Vanderbilt University. These courses were published in the New Orleans Christian Advocate and in the Epworth Era. In 1905 the Epworth Era brought out what, as far as I can ascertain, was the first mission study number of any young people's journal of the world. I asked Mr. Ehnes, the Editorial Secretary, and Mr. Vickrey, then the General Secretary of the Young People's Missionary Movement, of New York, now the Missionary Education Movement, if these statements were not in accordance with their information. They replied that they were.

"It is worth nothing that an epecially large proportion of the officers of our state and Conference Epworth Leagues have become foreign missionaries and ministers. Out of one Cabinet, that of the Georgia State Epworth League, came two ministers, both of whom have made good—Miss Mary Culler White, one of our most successful missionaries in China, and Mr. J. L. Gerdine, of Korea, Mr. S. A. Neblett, of our Cuba Mission, received his call both to the ministry and to the mission field when President of the Holston Conference Epworth League. Rev. George D. Parker, one of our most successful missionaries in Brazil, was the organizer of the Seashore Epworth League Assembly, which was the pioneer in the long series of assemblies that have been held by the Epworth League since then. I think that there has never been a session of the Assembly at the Seashore that some of the young people have not volunteered for the mission fields, and at the second great Epworth League organization for the holding of summer assemblies, that at Epworth-by-the-Sea, the number has been even larger. Every one of our mission fields is indebted to the Epworth League Assemblies and Conferences. Miss Olive Lipscomb, one of the most talented and highly prepared young women of the church, who sailed for China in August of this year, was a volunteer from the Seashore Epworth League Assembly. Ruby Kendrick, whose bright spirit continues to live in the memory of her fellow workers by the promoting of the work of missions through the Ruby Kendrick Council of Missions, received her call as a child in the Junior League.

"As a member of the Committee on Candidates of the Board of Missions, I have examined the papers of certainly more than one hundred applicants for work as missionaries or deaconesses under our Board, and by far the great majority of them attribute their choice of the mission field or of the deasoness office, if not in whole, at least in part, to the influence of the Epworth League." A. C. T.

OUR MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT

Miss Ida Wilson, of Asheville, has been appointed Fourth Department Superintendent of our Conference and will be glad to have the names of all Leagues organizing study classes; also the names of the officers and the book you are studying. When you organize just write her a letter giving her this information. In order to make our League work a success the local chapters must co-operate with the officers. She will also be glad to help you in any way she can.



SAVE Money on COAL

Others are doing it by using Clinchfield, the coal that burns like a hickory back-log, slowly, steadily and with intense heat that radiates into every nook and corner of the room. If you have been throwing away your money on coals that burn up like shavings, wasting their heat in a long flame up the chimney and in dense smoke and troublesome soot, try *Clinchfield* this season and note the big saving and bigger satisfaction.

Clinchfield is hard, clean, lumpy, easily kindled and holds fire over night, saving labor and kindling bills. By far the most *economical and satisfactory* fuel for open grates, stoves and residence furnaces of all types. No trouble from clinkers and choked flues.

Leading railways, cotton mills and factories have tested all kinds of coal. They prefer Clinchfield because it delivers more heat for less money. Follow their lead. Write today for literature, freight rate and low summer prices on cars of from 30 to 50 tons each direct from the mines.

Clinchfield Fuel Co.

Desk 12 Spartanburg, S. C.

"THE COAL OF HIGH HEAT VALUE"

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.....E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg...W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller.....C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg., M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.....J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg...J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.....C. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St..... ... O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel...J. W. Ligon

From the Field

LIST OF DISTRICT LAY LEADERS FOR THE WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

Asheville

L. B. Rogers .....Asheville, N. C.
Charlotte
C. W. Ramsey .....Charlotte, N. C.
Greensboro
R. B. Chance .....Reidsville, N. C.
Morganton
F. J. Chapman .....Marion, N. C.
Mount Airy
W. R. Lynch .....Spray, N. C.
North Wilkesboro
Prof. W. W. Steadman ....Boone, N. C.
Shelby
S. J. Durham .....Gastonia, N. C.
Statesville
R. L. Snow .....Taylorsville, N. C.
Waynesville
Prof. A. C. Reynolds ..Cullowhee, N. C.
Winston
R. B. Crawford ....Winston-Salem, N.C.
Salisbury
T. Frank Hudson .....Spencer, N. C.

MT. HOLLY REVIVAL

We closed last night, October 12th, possibly the greatest spiritual revival ever held in Mt. Holly. Rev. Jim Green, of Rock Spring circuit, assisted us, and did the preaching. Mr. Rudd Newsom, of Guilford College, led the singing with great satisfaction. Brother Green is a good preacher, and one of the leading thinkers among the younger men of the Conference. He is a deeply spiritual man, and the work in his meeting here was not of the superficial hand-shaking kind, but evidently the work of the Holy Spirit, revolutionizing and transforming wicked, sinful men into spiritual, zealous Christians. Great good was done among church members, more than seventy-five of whom were reclaimed from cold formalism and indifference, to praising God and working for the salvation of others. There were as many conversions of non-professors. Some over fifty have given their names for membership in the different churches. More than thirty to the Methodist and a long list to the Baptist church, other churches receiving some members. In all those who join the church I can think of but two as young as fifteen years old.

I have never seen more willing workers after they were anointed by the Spirit for service and gave Him the right of way in their hearts. We have added 85 to the church roll since the last Annual Conference and have other names to be received and added to the 85.

I shall make a canvass among the new recruits for subscribers to the Advocate. N. R. Richardson.

TABLE ROCK CIRCUIT

We have held a revival meeting at each of the churches on the circuit this year, resulting in twenty-four accessions. After having such an unusual number of conversions and accessions on the charge last year, we could not expect so many this, especially when we consider the fact that almost all of the people in this section are members of some denomination.

We are very grateful to Revs. M. W. Mann, J. C. Frady, E. E. Williamson, Ernest Harbison and A. C. Gibbs for their valuable services rendered in these meetings. They did almost all of the preaching. Their sermons were good, spiritual and very helpful. By their deep concern for humanity and their social qualities they very much endeared themselves to our people. We have a noble membership on this charge and its spiritual condition is good. We are endeavoring to bring up our financial report equal to that of last year which was the greatest this charge has ever made. Of course we will surpass it if possible.

Elmer Simpson.

METHODISM AT CHAPEL HILL

Probably there is no pulpit in North Carolina that has a greater opportunity for far-reaching effect in moulding the life of the state than that at Chapel Hill. There are now enrolled at the University between eleven and twelve hundred students from all parts of the state. Nearly one third of these young men have come from Methodist homes. These, young men, moreover, are the picked youth of the South who are to become the leaders of the life of their communities. They possess the physical, mental and moral foundations for the development of the highest type of manhood. Shall Christianity as interpreted by Methodism be presented to them in the fullness of its power through a large personality, or in the ordinary way through the average preacher? About two hundred of these young men voluntarily attend weekly either the Sunday school or preaching services at the Methodist church.

But the Summer School, held annually by the University likewise makes important the Chapel Hill pulpit. Here were gathered during the past summer neary six hundred teachers who are now at work in the country cross road school, in the school at rural centers, and in the city school eminating their influence, their ideals, their religious belief among thousands of boys and girls who are in the most plastic period of their life. It is the opportunity of the Chapel Hill pulpit to crystalize life purposes, to create reiglious conviction and to establish standards of living in the hearts and minds of these workers. Only a man with a trained mind, of an experienced life, of vision, of strong convictions of an unwavering faith in the Almighty can ever hope to cope with the situation. This is quite apparent to anyone who has undertaken the work and seen their own weakness in the attempt to fully meet the needs.

Even out of the pulpit the occupant of the Methodist parsonage at Chapel Hill must be a wise counselor of youth, tender but courageous, far-seeing but practical, a man among men, and above all, always pure in heart, pure in thinking, and pure in every act.

The Mission Board has recognized the importance and the opportunity of the Chapel Hill pulpit for years and have appropriated annually $600 to augment the salary paid by the local congregation. But many people have felt that this has been a waste of money. This amount, however, does not enable the bishop to send the strongest men of the Conference to this strategic work. The other denominations of the state have long seen that Chapel Hill is one of their best mission fields. For years the Presbyterians and the Episcopalians have annually appropriated $1500. for the maintenance of their work. Yet, neither of these denominations have more than half the number of adherents in the student body that the Methodists have. To more adequately meet this situation the Mission Board last year appointed a committee to raise by private subscription a sum of $2400 to be paid in four annual installments, thus increasing the appropriation $600. If this is done the bishop will be given a larger range in making the appointment to this charge.

The local congregation feels that it is doing what it is able to do to meet the demands made upon it. During the past summer with the aid of the Carnegie Corporation (which gave $550) a pipe organ has been installed and other improvements made upon the church and grounds at a total cost of about $2000. There are still physical needs which must be met before the church will be able to do its work adequately. The two supreme needs are greater Sunday school facilities, and a social center. At present neither the parosonage nor the church are well appointed for large social gatherings, and the Sunday school has outgrown the building so that a class is held in an outside room. This embarrassment will continue and become more acute as long as the enrollment at the University remains what it is or increases. Relief must come from the outside. It will find a hearty co-operating response on the part of the local congregation.

The people of the state may be glad to know that there is a wholesome religious atmosphere at Chapel Hill and the closest co-operation on the part of the University authorities with the ministers of the community.

Walter Patton.

Chapel Hill, N. C.

ITEMS FROM TRINITY COLLEGE

Work was begun Monday morning on the construction of the granite wall which is to surround the campus. It is expected that the work will be finished by January.

The October number of the Trinity Archive, the monthly publication of the student body, has just come from the press, and contains a large amount of interesting literary material. This year the following staff has charge of the publication: Editor, I. S. Harrell; Associate Editor, J. Horace Grigg; Literary Editors, J. W. Lambeth, Jr., and Miss Carrie B. Craig; Wayside Wares, T. W. Sprinkle; Editor's Table, G. W. H. Britt; Alumni Editor, H. A. Glauss, and Business Manager, J. J. Lilley.

President W. P. Few has returned from Martinsville, Virginia, where he visited Mrs. Few who is recuperating from a severe illness during the summer. Dr. Few reported Mrs. Few considerably improved.

Prof. R. L. Flowers was the speaker at the mid-week meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association Wednesday evening.

The fifth annual high school declamation contest, given here by the 9019, a local patriotic and scholarship society, will be held on Friday, November 26, the day after Thanksgiving. Already the committee in charge has mailed out to more than three hundred high schools and preparatory schools in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Tennessee and Virginia, invitations to send representatives to this contest.

The Duplin County Club was organized here last week with the following officers: President, A. W. Byrd; Vice-President, H. E. Newbury; Recording Secretary, G. W. Murphy; Corresponding Secretary, J. C. Mallard; Treasurer, J. M. Jerome. The following men were appointed a committee on social affairs: L. M. Hall, R. W. Jones and W. A. Loftin. Others of the club are: W. R. Hanchey, J. D. Jerome, K. B. Geddie, and D. B. Tew.

Workmen began Monday to tear away the old wooden bell tower near the Crowell Science Hall. The tower was so badly decayed that it was considered unsafe to leave it longer, and temporarly the bell of the old First Presbyterian church will be used.

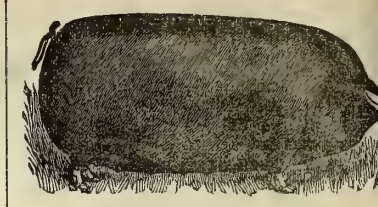
The department of education has recently added to the college library Barnard's American Journal of Education, a very comprehensive work of thirty-two volumes. This work is in itself almost an encyclopaedia of education from the earliest times to the middle of the last centry. Until recently, if at all, there has been no work worthy of comparison with it.

Almost all important educational writings from Plato's Republic to the writings of Herbert Spencer, valuable accounts of the history of educational movements of ancient and modern times, articles on various methods of teaching, school discipline, education of women, and on a large number of other educational topics are contained in this work. This collection is almost indispensable for reference purposes in education courses, and is, this reason, a very valuable addit to the collection of books on this s ject in the library.

Bishop John C. Kilgo, of Charlo President Emeritus of the college, a visitor here Thursday afternoon Friday of last week. On Friday Kilgo, Dr. Few, and Mr. C. C. Hook, chitect, conferred upon the lines of new granite wall and upon the struction of the new bell tower. Saturday morning Dr. Kilgo left New Bern, where he was to t part in the dedication of a church.

The Science Club held its first m ing of the year last Monday even when several interesting papers w presented by W. B. Cannon, W. Giles, and Professor R. N. Wilson.

Professor E. C. Brooks spent s time in Raleigh last week in att ance upon a meeting of the commit in charge of the examination for Rhodes scholarship in this state.



MAMMOTH BLACK

The greatest pork producers ever ori nated. We originated this hog. One sold dressed 978 pounds. See stateme from the man that raised this hog:

Wallburg, N. C., June 15, 19
John A. Young, Greensboro, N. C.
Dear Sir:
I have killed the Mammoth Black I bought of you and he dressed 978 net. Yours truly,
J. L. Guyer.

Until Oct. 1st we will sell at $10.00 ea $15.00 per pair, pigs 8 to 10 weeks old.

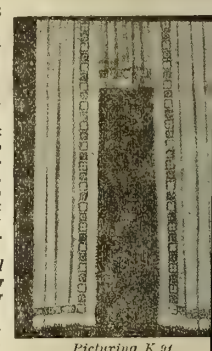
The Newest Styles of Jewel
WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE
Clocks that will run and a large asso ment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassw and Ornaments. We are the oldest lead firm in the city. Everything guarante
SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO
LEADING JEWELERS

GOOSE FEATHERS, FEATHER BE PILLOW A
CUSHIONS, made to order, direct from facto
WRITE FOR CATALOGUE
SANITARY BEDDING CO., Dept. 613. Charlotte, N

We Will Pay You $120.00
to distribute religious literature and rep sent us in your community. 60 days' wo Man or woman. Experience not requir Spare time may be used.
Universal Bible House, Dept. C. Philadelphia

This Beautiful, Ready - to - Ha
DUTCH VALANCE Scrim Curtain $1.00 Pai Postp

2½ yards x 32 inches Torchon Trimming and Filet insertion. Unusual Value. White or Ecru; wears long and launders.
Colored book showing superb line of Rugs, Upholstery, Covers, Dresses, Bath Robes, etc. Sent FREE. Money back if not satisfied.
AGENTS: *Several open Territories for agents. Write for special proposition.*
The Adsson Co. 1037 Chestnut St., Dept. B., Philadelphia, Pa.



Picturing K 91
Scrim—$1.00 Pr. Postpaid.

IDEAL FUNERAL BOO
A ready aid for pastors of all denominati Contains Scripture Selection, Topics, Texts Outlines, Suggestive Themes and Pray Quotations, Illustrations, Form of Service, Over fifteen hundred suggestive themes texts for every possible occasion. A l leather-bound, gilt-edge book, pocket size, pages, for 75c. and 4c. postage. Guarant the best on the market.
PENTECOSTAL PUBLISHING CO., LOUISVILLE,

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISE PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATI

NOTES FROM TRINITY PARK

The one great task of a preparatory school is to teach boys how to study. A great many boys who attend school have a desire to learn and to make their work but they have never acquired the habit of control over their time, and have not learned to concentrate their minds on their work for a definite length of time. Hence a large number of students fail.

To correct this deficiency there was established in the Trinity Park School several years ago a night study hall. I know of nothing that has meant quite so much to the school. At seven fifteen every evening all boarding students go to the study hall for study. This is a large, well ventilated and well lighted auditorium on the second floor of the Asbury building. It is furnisehed with tables and chairs especially selected for this purpose. Each student has his own place for study and is required to be in his place every night. One of the masters of the school presides over the study hall to see that the boys study and to give any needed help on the assignments. This night study period gives method to the work, teaches the student how to make the best use of his time, and gives to him the habit of study. As an aid to discipline it is invaluable. It enables the teachers to know where the students are at night. The night study period lasts until ten o'clock.

Another great aid to the school in the matter of study is the use of the Trinity College library. This is one of the very best libraries in the South and contains fifty thousand choice books. I happen to know that two years ago one of our boys read seventy-two books during the school year. Assignments in the various departments of the school are made by reference to books in the library. In preparation for their weekly society meetings the boys use the library extensively. A general knowledge at this early period of their lives of a well regulated library is of great aid to them in the future. To be able to use a good library is an education in itself.

W. W. Peele.

FREE UNTIL 1916

Have you subscribed yet for The Youth's Companion for 1916? Now is the time to do it, if you are not already a subscriber, for you will get all the issues for the remaining weeks of 1915 free from the time your subscription with $2.00 is received.

The fifty-two issues of 1916 will be crowded with good reading for young and old. Reading that is entertaining, but not "wishy-washy." Reading that leaves you, when you lay the paper down, better informed, with keener aspirations, with a broader outlook on life. The Companion is a good paper to tie to if youc have a growing family—and for general reading, as Justice Brewer once said, no other is necessary.

If you wish to know more of the brilliant list of contributors, from our ex-presidents down, who will write for the new volume in 1916, and if you wish to know something of the new stories for 1916, let us send you free the Forecast for 1916.

Every new subscriber who sends $2.00 for 1916 will receive, in addition to this year's free issues, The Companion Home Calendar for 1916.

THE YOUTH'S COMPANION
Boston, Mass.

New subscriptions received at this office.

NORTH CAROLINA SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The thirty-second Annual Convention of the North Carolina Sunday School Association for all denominations will be held at Salisbury, beginning on Monday, November 22, and closing Wednesday night, the 24th.

The Convention will be held in Salisbury's new Community Building which is centrally and conveniently located and in every way adapted to the needs of a State Convention.

The program will carry a wide range of subjects, all fo which will deal with up-to-date and timely needs of modern Sunday school work and present day life. Able speakers have been chosen to handle the subjects both from the platform and as leaders of conferences.

The program committee is most fortunate in securing for the convention the able, congenial and versatile William A. Brown, of the International Sunday School Association. Mr. Brown is field superintendent of the International Sunday School Association and covers in his travels the continent of North America.

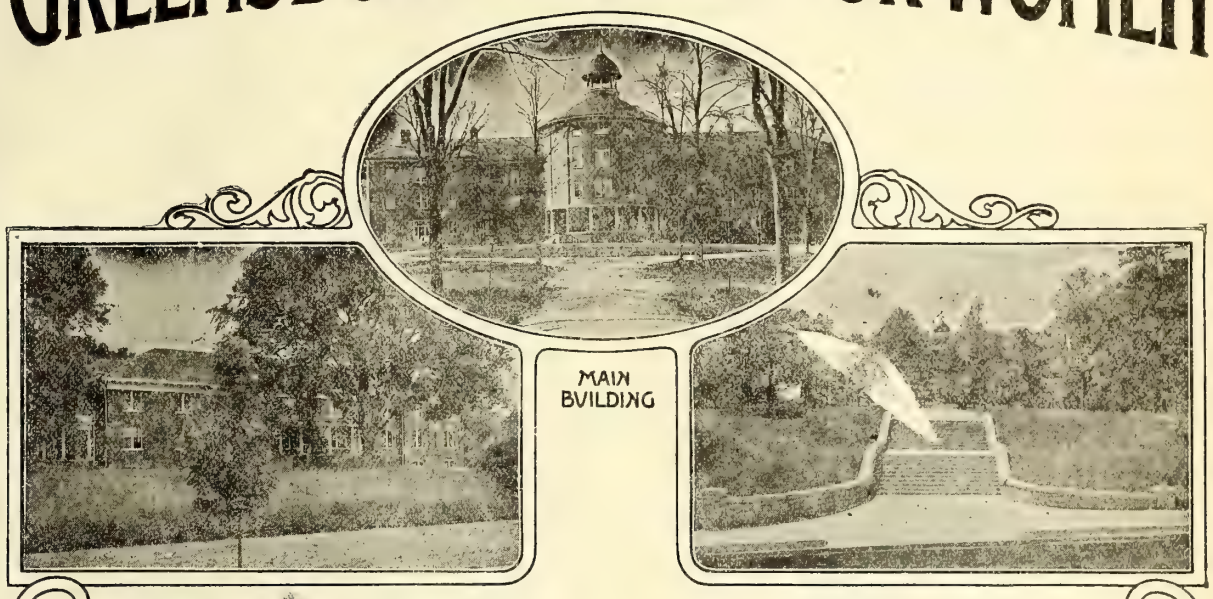
On Wednesday evening for the closing session a pageant will be given which will demonstrate in a most interesting and entertaining manner the history, development and progress of religious education from the days of the patriarchs down to the modern Sunday school organization as we have it today. This is a reproduction of the pageant given at Chicago during the International Sunday School Convention of 1914. Nothing of its kind has ever been staged for a State Convention in this state.

It is not too early for those who expect to attend the Convention to send in their names to Mr. Frank R. Brown, Salisbury, chairman of the Entertainment Committee, that free entertainment may be provided.

The usual reduced railroad fare on the certificate plan has been applied for.

"We may safely trust a good deal more than we do."

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY—FITZGERALD HALL

ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department, open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D. D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $_____to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name _____

Post Office _____

State _____

Date _____

Remarks _____

THE BROOK

I watched the brooklet rushing down
To meet the frothing sea;
It sparkled as it dashed along,
Its life was melody.
I took a stone from out its path,
That it might flow released;
But lo! It danced no more in glee—
Its melody had ceased.

"Almighty God," my soul cried out,
"I see thy perfect plan;
For as the brooklet in its path,
Thou hast made life for man.
The trials from Thy guiding hand,
Whose aim we may not see,
Are but the music of our lives,
Thine is the melody."

From the Red Man.

"Those who fail can't forgive a success."

The Sunday School Lesson

FOURTH QUARTER—LESSON IV—OCTOBER 24, 1915

ELISHA'S HEAVENLY DEFENDERS
2 KINGS 6:8-23

Golden Text—The angel of Jehovah encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them. Psa. 34:7.

Summary of the Lesson

The old nonesense rhyme declares:
"Esau saw what he saw,
Israel saw what is real."

There have always been at least two kinds of seeing in the world. One variety sees that which strikes the eye. The other goes beyond into the deeper and hidden significance of things. Elisha belonged to that noble company of men who have lived "as seeing the invisible." The seer's wisdom was too much for the foraging bands of the king of Syria, and when an expedition was sent against the prophet he outwitted his foes and led them into the very heart of the enemy's country. Then he saw to it that they were well fed and sent home safely. There was a good deal of shrewd humor about this performance of the prophet Elisha. In all the hours of danger he was completely serene and steady, upheld by the thought of the mighty defense Jehovah had provided for him, and when his servant was in a panic of fear the prophet's vision of the heavenly host was shared with the trembling man who thought that the end had come. The invisible allies of the righteous are always mightier than their visible foes.

The Man of Sight

"He has eyes in his head, but he doesn't have any eyes in his soul" was the caustic comment called forth by a man whose interest began and ended with the material and visible.

The servant of Elisha deserves study. He represents a common and familiar type. The hard, concrete facts of life were very impressive to him. The things you could handle and the things you could touch largely made up his world. An army about the city was a fact you could not escape. Such facts took complete possession of him. He might have called himself a very practical man. The trouble with this sort of man lies in the fact that there is more in the world than is dreamed of in his philosophy. One is not interested in attacking his facts. They are perfectly respectable facts and they are important facts, but they are not all the facts there are, and it turns out that they are not really the facts which matter most.

The man who has only a material eye and only a material mind back of his eye misses that part of experience which gives life its richness, its wonder and its glory. He knows all about moving belts and buzzing wheels. He is often an efficiency expert. He is a wonderful product of a bustling, intense civilization which is quite occupied with things, but for all his brilliant qualities the real meaning of life slips through his fingers and escapes.

Elisha's servant doubtless had a very good pair of eyes as eyes go, but he needed more eyes. He needed eyes of the spirit. He needed vision of moral and spiritual verieties. He had never caught the contagion of the prophet's vision.

The Man of Insight

Elisha was a man of far sight; he was a man of high sight, and he was essentially a man of insight. His eye went beyond the outer to the inner. It went beyond the seen to the unseen. It took account of the physical. It also took account of the moral and the spiritual. He saw everything in the light of his relation to Jehovah. His complete trust in God and his entire belief in God were the essential matters in all his seeing. As Fujiyama appears somewhere in nearly every Japanese picture, so the powerful, righteous Jehovah was somewhere in everything seen by Elisha. The presence of God dominated the picture and the presence of God changed the picture.

"What kind of a god have you in the background?" asked a critic of an artist who had painted a terribly pessimistic picture. "I haven't any god at all," replied the artist. The critic was silent for a moment. Then he said: "'Go and find a god, and then paint the picture over again."

The supreme matter about all our seeing of these moving pictures which make up human experience is expressed in one question, "What kind of a God have you in the background?"

Elisha was a man of insight because Jehovah was the perpetual background of all his seeing. The one essential, triumphant fact of life to him was the fact of God. Pessimism is the philosophy of those who have no God in the background. To them the armies about Dothan always seem invincible. They think more about the king of Syria than about Jehovah Lord of Hosts.

Seeing the Invisible

Two men were standing before a striking picture in a great art gallery. It was the portrait of a man's face and the outstanding feature was to be found in the shining, glowing eyes. They seemed gazing off in the distance and they were filled with a satisfaction so deep that it seemed like the depths of the sea. "I can't get away from those eyes," said one spectator. "What does he see?" "If we knew," replied the other, "we would have solved the riddle of life."

There are men who have seen things so wonderful that the sight has solved life's problems. So it was with Elisha's vision of the power and present helpfulness of Jehovah. His servant was ready to collapse with shattering fear. The horses and chariots of the foe were all about the city. Soon he and his master would be prisoners and then would come a terrible death. Unable to contain his fears longer he cried out, "Alas, my master! how shall we do?" The serene Elisha looked steadily into the eye of his trembling servant and quietly replied, "Fear not, for they are with us are more than they that are with them." The words seemed the completest ignoring of the hard and ugly facts of life. Elisha's confidence seemed the confidence of a mad man, but the prophet prayed that Jehovah would open the eyes of the young man, and Jehovah opened his eyes "and he saw and behold the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha." The invisible God had invisible armies to guard His own. One glimpse of the facts behind the facts changed all the world that day for the servant of Elisha.

The prophet waited in steadiness and faith and the day of his supreme danger became the day of his complete deliverance. He was not in the power of the Syrian soldiers. They were in his power and this day he exercised a noble clemency.

Living in the Sight of All the Facts

Some men collect a few facts and then act and fail. Other men patiently collect all the pertinent facts and then act and succeed. The greatest men of the world are those who live in the light of all the facts.

There are all sorts of physical facts. They are real. They are significant. They cannot be ignored, but they are not all that a man has to deal with, and the man who acts as if the physical facts represent all there is of life fails miserably at last.

There are moral facts. They have to do with the glory of personality, with the wonder of freedom, with the dignity of being responsible, with a moral ideal which is forever to be kept shining in a man's sky. They make a man a king. They free him from slavery to things and make him a lord of creation.

There are spiritual facts. They have to do with the one great Lordship over all, with the God who loves us and would build us up into righteousness and power. They have to do with companionship between God and men, and with the highest companionship between human beings.

It is easy to ignore the moral and spiritual facts when we are pressed by the power of the physical, but the man who lives in the light of all the facts knows that the moral and spiritual realities are the most commanding and most significant of all.

When you are sailing in certain parts of Puget Sound there may be a mist. Then it rises and you see the Olympics on one side and on the other that great white mountain, which is the perpetual wonder of the land where it lifts its snowy head. When the mists are lifted and our eyes see life's realities, the snow-white mountains of the spirit take their place of command in our sky.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in New York Christian Advocate.

WILL YOU READ THIS PERSONAL MESSAGE?

It may mean the beginning of the happiest moment of your life—a complete restoration to health and strength—the thrill of once more feeling that you are well. We want you to read the simple truthful statement of one of the most noted of Richmond's medical men, a plain impassioned truth from a man who reached the very highest pinnacle of success as measured by his work and what he did for "the cause" and for Christian-like humanity. Read this message from—

Jud B. Wood, M. D., D. D. S., late president Society Prevention Cruelty to Animals: "For the past three years my office has been in the same building and so situated that I could see what takes place in the office of the Fonticello Lithia Water, and out of thousands of persons who have used this water for various diseases and especially for stomach, bladder, kidney and liver troubles it is a rare exception that they do not declare that they have either been cured or benefited by its use and a large number of these cures have come under my observation. In some instances where they had no faith in the water unti after they had commenced its use, they then became very enthusiastic. I am convinced that it is the peculiar combination of the alkalies in this water that causes it to act so very promptly on the kidneys, skin and lymphatics, thus relieving the system of accumulated poison. I have great faith in Fonticello Lithia Water, and unhesitatingly recommend it to any one who is suffering with dyspepsia, indigestion, urinary and kidney affections, gravel, stone in the bladder, uric acid, rheumatism and gout."

Fonticello Mineral Water is sold on guarantee. Order two carboys—ten gallons—price $2.00. If it doesn't benefit you we will refund your money.

Fill out this coupon and mail today
Note our guarantee

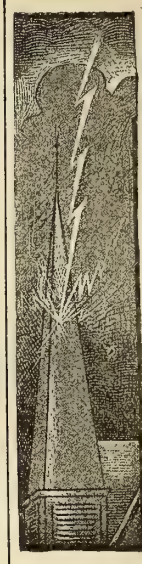
I want to try Fonticello Mineral Water and promise to use it regularly, daily, drinking the number of glasses prescribed in the directions which you agree to send me. If this treatment does not prove beneficial, yoou agree to refund purchase price upon receipt by you of the two empty carboys which I promise to return promptly. Enclosed find $2.00 for which please send me two gallons of Fonticello Mineral Water referred to above.

Name .....
P. O. .....
Express Office .....

Note.—This coupon is our acceptance of above terms and guarantee.

FONTICELLO MINERAL SPRINGS CO.
Dept. C., Richmond, Va.

This is the mark of **HIGH QUALITY** in ready-to-wear garments for women and children. Honest work, best materials, correct styles. Ask your dealer for GRIMBALL GARMENTS and verify the trade mark.
GRIMBALL GARMENTS
SPARTANBURG S.C.
GRIMBALL MFG. COMPANY, Spartanburg, S. C.



Destroyed by Lightning, Saved by Insurance

That is the story of many churches, and yet many are damaged or destroyed—and no insurance whatever. This latter number is decreasing and has been since our

Methodist Mutual, The National Mutual Church Insurance Co., of Chicago

began to impress upon church officials the importance of insurance and sufficient insurance, and to furnish it on such terms that none could afford to put it off. Just think of it! Protection for a few cents or less a day on easy payments, and no assessments. Write for particulars.

Henry P. Magill, Sec. and Mgr., Insurance Exchange, Chicago
Mrs. Alice Hargrove Barclay, Agent M. E. Church South
314 Norton Building
Fourth and Jefferson, Louisville, Ky



INTERNATIONAL
PRECIOUS PROMISE BIBLE Just Issued

All the precious promises stand out like the milky way in the heavens. Helpful and inspiring. Handsomely illustrated. Complete study helps, family record, maps, etc. Low price. Send for special offer.

High-grade representatives wanted.

INTERNATIONAL BIBLES

are noted for their accuracy, completeness and mechanical perfection. 600 styles provide for every taste in type, bindings, study helps, etc. Liberal discount. Catalog FREE.

THE JOHN C. WINSTON COMPANY,
430 Winston Bldg., Philadelphia.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER
Proprietor

GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF STOMACH AND INTESTINES

1211½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland
108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

Our Little Folks' Department

THE FROSTIES

They came—the little Frosties—
One clear October night,
And crept among the garden flowers
That had been our delight.

They did their work in silence,
But oh, they did it well!
And half the mischief that they wrought
My pen could never tell.

The maples watched the Frosties
Until the night had sped,
And were so shocked at what they saw
They blushed a fiery red!

—Virginia Bowdoin.

THE MOUSE THAT WENT TO SCHOOL

Richard and Daisy were visiting grandma. One day, when it was raining and they could not play out of doors, Daisy said: "Please, grandma, may we go up in the attic to play?"

Grandma gave her permission, and soon the children were under the eaves hunting for treasures.

Daisy soon became interested in an old book with queer pictures in it, but Richard continued his explorations.

"What do you suppose this is?" asked Richard after a few moments. He showed Daisy a glass box with a broken cover. Between the two sheets of glass was to be seen a wreath of red roses made of cloth. A tiny, dark object was lying among the flowers, and Daisy saw it move.

"Why, it's alive!" she shrieked, jumping away from it.

Richard carefully removed the cover and looked in. "O, it's a mouse!" he cried. "A baby mouse! It's too small to run away. You need not be afraid of it."

Daisy came forward and looked again. "It's sort of cunning," she admitted. "Let's take it down and show it to grandma."

"Please, may I keep it, grandma?" begged Richard after the baby mouse had been inspected by the family and pronounced very interesting.

"What could you do with a baby mouse?" smiled grandma. "How could you keep it alive? It must be fed, you know."

"I'd feed it with milk, just as you would any baby," declared Richard.

"I'm willing that you should try it," grandma said at last, "but I don't believe it will live."

But Richard persisted. He made a tiny roll out of a piece of white cloth and dipped it in milk; then he tucked it into the little pink mouth. Soon the tiny creature began to suck it eagerly.

The mouse lived an grew very fast indeed. Richard named it Snip.

When Richard and Daisy went home, Richard took Snip with him. The little mouse became very tame and playful, in his pocket.

One day he took it to school with him, although his mother had forbidden him to do so; but he could not resist the temptation to show off his pet to his schoolmates.

The mouse kept very still inside Richard's pocket until the last hour of school; then he began to grow restless. More than once he peeped out of the pocket to see what was going on.

By and by the teacher asked a question which no one could answer. The room was very still. The teacher waited.

"Queak, queak!" said Snip.

"What was that?" asked the teacher.

Nobody answered. Richard felt his face growing red.

"Queak, queak!"

"What was that?" demanded the teacher again. "Richard, can you tell me?"

"It's my—my mouse," stammered Richard.

"Bring it here," said the teacher, "and let me see it."

Richard went up to the desk and held his pocket open for the teacher to see. But Snip, tired of his long confinement, jumped out of the pocket and ran.

In a moment all was commotion. Poor Snip, frightened by the noise and all the strange faces, ran out of the room through the open door. In vain Richard called and called to him. He never saw him again.

Richard was quite broken-hearted over the loss of his pet.

"It serves you right," declared Daisy, "for not minding mamma."

But Richard said: "Of course you don't care, because girls are always afraid of mice."—Rose D. Nealley.

"IN FUN"

Billy sat all alone. He was, as he said himself, "not feeling good." He really meant that he was not feeling happy, or cheerful, or contented. The grown-ups, however, would have said he could not be feeling good because he had been behaving badly.

He seemed to have started the day out wrong, somehow. He had begun by chasing the turkey till the turkey put an end to that by chasing him. Next he had pulled the cat's tail till she too turned and scratched him. After this you might have thought that he would settle down and be good; but, no! he hid the dog's bone, and upset the kitten's milk saucer, next he took Susy's new doll away and (but this was an accident; he didn't mean to do this) cracked her nose,—of course, the doll's nose, not Susy's! At that point father came home to dinner and heard about the misdeeds, and said Billy had better not do any more stunts like that before supper or he certainly wouldn't go to grandmother's next Sunday. So, not to get into any more mischief, Billy sat alone in the yard, though every minute it seemed getting colder.

"I did it only in fun," was all the excuse he could think of.

"Well, don't have any more fun of that sort," said father.

The afternoon seemed very, very long and very cold, so that at last Billy had to go indoors, although he could not hope that any one would be particularly glad to see him. As a matter of fact, Susy put her toys quickly into a box and sat on the box. Mother smiled at him (you could always count on mother's smiling), but she was hushing the baby to sleep, so she couldn't do more than that.

Billy took a book—one of his Christmas books—put a stool by the fire, and sat down to look at the pictures. But the fire made him sleepy. He wanted to be out in the fresh air. But he also wanted some one with him. He thought that he would not get into so much mischief. Even if he did the other person would get some of the blame!

He looked at Susy.

"Come out and play?" he said.

Susy "wasn't speaking to him." But—it was so very quiet when mother was getting baby to sleep—Susy felt inclined to answer. However, what she said first was—

"You can't play with my things."

"Don't want to! They're only girls' things, anyway."

If the baby had been either awake to play with or safely asleep so that mother was at liberty, Susy would have refused to speak again. But it was dull, the sky was getting beautifully red, and she daresayed she wouldn't be allowed out without Billy, who was nine, while she was only seven.

"I'l go for a little teeny while," she decided. "And I'll come in when I want to."

Billy said nothing to this. She couldn't come in unless he opened the door. Perhaps she had forgotten that.

Mother looked toward the nail where coats and caps were, so they put those on and went out. Oh, how nice the air was, after the fire! Billy gave a shout, and ran over to the snow man.

"Oh!" cried Susy. Her tone sounded as if she had seen something new. Billy looked.

At the foot of the tall tree that leaned against the wall of the house a chipmunk was trying to fix a little wad of paper into his mouth. Susy crept up to him very quietly. Billy followed her.

"Sh-sh!" she whispered. "Let's see what he does."

So they stood very quietly, and Master Chipmunk began to climb up the tree in a very jerky way. Every now and then he would stop and seem to have trouble with his paper. But at last he went up and out of sight.

"What's he doing? asked Susy.

"Taking up paper for his nest, and it's a sign it's going to be colder," replied Billy, who had been told this the last day of school. "When he comes down, I'll shoo him up again. That'll be fun!"

"Oh, no!" cried Susy. "Let's put some more paper for him, and watch him take it up. That'll be more fun."

Billy was surprised.

"So it will," he said.

Susy ran back into the house—Billy opened the door!—and brought out some soft tissue paper, left over from Christmas presents. She and Billy had a beautiful time for half an hour. Thep put the paper in nice-sized bits at the foot of the tree and then hid. Master Chipmunk didn't seem surprised at all. He took the bits quite as a matter of course, and soon had the last one up. He didn't come down again.

"How nice and warm and soft his nest is!" Susy cried. "Wasn't it fun!"

"What was fun?" Father had come when their backs were turned.

Susy told him.

"Did you like it, Billy?" father asked him.

"Fine," replied Billy.

"Then"—father laid a hand on each shoulder as they went to the house—"always have plenty of that fun—the fun that helps, and doesn't hurt!"—Frances Harmer, in Sunday School Times.

THE THISTLE BIRD

One morning last fall I was busy getting breakfast when all at once I heard soft, sweet little voices singing: "Hear me, hear me, dearie." I ran to the window, and there, swaying on the California sunflowers, which had all gone to seed, was a flock of thistle birds. Such dainty little creatures as they were in their new suits, and such pleasing manners as they had! They did not crowd or push each other, and not once did one peck his brother or try to steal a seed from his neighbor. They called to one another, "Hear me, hear me," again and again as they fed.

Thistle Bird is Canary's first cousin. When spring comes he puts on his golden wedding suit, set off with black wings and tail and a jaunty little cap. Now you will hear him in the meadow calling, "Per-chic-o-ree, per-chic-o-ree," as he flits about, seeking a suitable tree to swing the cradle in.

"'Tis too early to build yet," says Mrs. Goldfinch. "The spring meadows are so beautiful, all fresh and green and decked with gay flowers. Let us fly about and enjoy ourselves."

"Very well, dearie; just as you please," replies her mate. "It will not do any harm, though, to look about a bit and locate some of last year's thistledown. We shall need it when we do build."

Goldfinches love thistles as much as the farmer despises them. Thistle seeds give these birds the choicest of meals, and who could want a softer nest lining than thistledown?

Goldfinch is a joyful singer. Sometimes his happiness bubbles over so that he cannot sit quietly on a branch and sing, but bounds into the air and goes flying up and down, up and down, all the time pouring out his joyous song. He is a courageous little bird. When skies hang gray and winds blow cold, instead of starting southward he changes his coat for a soft gray one and braves the bitter northern winter. When he finds a stalk of goldenrod or a thistle head with a few seeds clinging to it above the snow, he sings his thanks for so bountiful a feast.—C. C. Abbott.

DAVY'S DIPLOMA

A young boy applied for admission to a college in the South. He had been prepared by a former student, and was able to enter the freshman class. He brought with him a supply of provision, rented a room, and did his own cooking. For months he worked and studied, making rapid progress. One day the president met him and found that he was greatly distressed.

As soon as he could control himself he said: "I must go home; it is time to be at work with the crop, it has rained so much, and I am needed."

The president reasoned with him, and tried to show him the folly of giving up his studies at that time.

He broke down completely and, sobbing as if his heart were broken, said: "I can't study; when I take up my book, I see on every page my mother with a hoe in her hand, working like a slave to keep me in school. I'd rather not be educated than be compelled to look at that picture."

The boy had written home, stating that he expected to leave college that day. At this juncture his mother appeared. Mother-fashion, she drew him into her arms and said, "Davy, my boy, would you break mammy's heart? Stay! Mammy will work for her baby, and will never stop until you say, 'Mammy, here is my 'ploma.'"

A friend called to see the parents of Dave at their humble mountain home. It was the month of July, and the mother was cooking at the fireplace.

"Mrs. Green, you ought to have a cooking-stove," was the comment of the visitor.

"I had one, but I put it in Davy's head," was the only reply.

That mother had sold the stove in order to keep her boy at school. She cannot read, but she was determined that her boy should have an education. At his graduation she was happier than a queen, for she saw her boy receive his diploma and also carry off second honors in his class.

I think that it must somewhere be written, "Blessed are the mothers who make a way for their boys to ascend, for their reward is great, both here and hereafter."—The Methodist Recorder.

FRIGHTENED TURKEYS

The family was one day alarmed by the most frightful shrieks coming from the turkey pen. We thought a fox or coyote had got into the pen and was killing the turkeys. So we armed ourselves with whatever weapon was handy, and went to the rescue. The turkeys had been fed a few minutes before and their food placed in a large shallow dish. On the edge of this dish was a blackbird calmly helping himself to choice bits; and around him in a circle were twenty huge turkeys, shrieking and screaming in an agony of fright. Four hundred pounds of turkey against three ounces of blackbird!—Our Four-footed Friends.



The Desk With a 25 Year GUARANTY

The desk that stands hard usage without becoming shaky. It is of extra strong construction throughout and has these exclusive points of excellence: **Heavy Semi-Steel Frame, Patent Noiseless Hinges** and **Extra Wide Seats.** The design, construction and finish is perfect in every detail. Our proven claim is—the best desk regardless of price. The only desk made in the South.

SOUTHERN DESK COMPANY,
Box 2300, HICKORY, N. C.

RECIPE FOR GRAY HAIR

To half a pint of water add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbo Compound and ¼ oz. of glycerine. Apply to the hair twice a week until it becomes the desired shade. Any druggist can put this up or you can mix it at home at very little cost. Full directions for making and use come in each box of Barbo Compound. It will gradually darken streaked, faded gray hair, and removes dandruff. It is excellent for falling hair and will make harsh hair soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off.

BLYMYER CHURCH BELLS. UNLIKE OTHER BELLS SWEETER, MORE DURABLE, LOWER PRICE. OUR FREE CATALOGUE TELLS WHY.
Write to Cincinnati Bell Foundry Co., Cincinnati, O.

THE MARS SHUCK SHELLER
PORTABLE
Write Today for Booklet Describing This
LATEST IMPROVED
Shuck Sheller. Built especially for the SOUTH and to suit large or small farmers.
WHITMAN AGRICULTURAL CO.
6900 S B'dw'y., ST. LOUIS, MO.

Are Your Piggies Cold?



"My piggies warm as toast."
"So are mine."
"Gee, but ain't it nice to get up early now?"
"Sure is—it used to be so cold before Daddy bought the Nesco Perfect, now, it's just as warm as can be."
"I'll beat you down to thank Daddy for Nesco Perfect."

Are your's these Lucky Kiddies who dress by a
Nesco Perfect Oil Heater
Price.....
The Ne-Ho-Nes
ODELL HARDWARE CO.
Greensboro, N. C.

10c "Foot Up" your hosiery bills, then try 10c "Whit-Leather" Hose—everybody's cure for the 25c and 50c stocking habit. They wear four months or you get new ones. High quality yarn, correct workmanship, fadeless colors and guaranteed. All sizes and all colors.
Two grades only—10c and 12c½c
Whit-Leather
GUARANTEED
HOSIERY
For Men, Women & Children
Sold by most good retailers everywhere. If your dealer hasn't them, we will send hose post-paid on receipt of price and his name. Give size, color, (all solid colors) also whether men's, women's or children's hose are wanted.
WHIT-LEATHER HOSIERY MILLS
Selling Agents:
M. Gilmer Bros. Co. Inc
Winston-Salem, N. C.
Tough as Whit-Leather



A SOURCE OF WEAKNESS

A graduate of a Russian university, who is a soldier in the Russian army, writes in a recent issue of the Outlook about the weakness of the Russian military establishment. The article was written while Russia was driving the Austrians before them some weeks ago. But the view expressed is borne out by the present retreat of the Russians. The writer says that the Russian soldier is as brave as any soldier and as capable of great deeds, but the Russian officers in large are illiterate and are not capable of thinking largely in the conduct of a campaign. They have not been adequately trained in the science of war as are the officers and soldiers of the splendid German army. Mr. George Kennan confirms this view, but hopes that in another year a great change for the better will come and that Russia will yet give a splendid account of herself.

In any event there is a lesson here for a great popular religious denomination, like our own, in its warfare against forces of evil. Russia has neglected general education. So have Baptists in a large measure. Russians are vast in numbers but not correspondingly efficient. So also are Baptists. Russians have not sufficiently recognized the value of training her leaders. Neither have the Baptists. A Russian soldier, captured during the war with Japan and in a Red Cross hospital for treatment of his wounds, said: "If we Russians only had Japanese officers, we could beat the world." But unfortunately for Russia, she had no such officers. If Baptists were as well trained and as well officered as they are numerous, they could take the world. Of course the parallel between Baptists and Russians breaks down at many other points, but in the deficiency of trained leaders, in great but unrealized possibilities it is striking and impressive. We can never hope to enlist our backward churches unless we can somehow adopt a policy which will train leaders. Enlistment in our appeal calls for response on the part of the unenlisted. So long as the pastor is unenlisted and without sympathy for the great appeal, how shall we ever compass the great task? Nothing just now is more fundamental than the question of trained pastors who are missionary at heart and loyal to denominational enterprises. All this does not overlook the many fine pastors all over our territory. It only emphasizes the fact that we are far below the needs and requirements of the situation. Let us induce our young preachers to go to college and then take a Seminary course. —Baptist World.

THE SILENT PIANO

Is there a silent piano in your home? If so, why not exchange it for one which every member of your family can play, no matter whether they have ever taken music lessons or not? Even little children of five or six years can be quickly taught to render the sweetest music on the Ludden & Bates Self-Player Piano. And the same instrument can be used by musicans just as they would use an ordinary piano. It is therefore two instruments in one, a self-player for those who do not know one note from another, and a regular piano for use by musicians.

If you secure your Player piano through the Club you have the special privilege of exchanging your old music rolls for new compositions at any time, at a nominal cost to cover postage and the mere expense of handling.

Write for the Club catalogue and full particulars of the exchange privilege, free music roll service, big saving in prices, convenient terms, etc. Address the Managers, Ludden & Bates, North Carolina Christian Advocate Piano Club Dept., Atlanta, Ga.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

HOW SHIVAR MINERAL WATER RELIEVES RHEUMATISM

According to the standard medical books, Rheumatism is not a germ disease but is the result of imperfect nutrition. The food is either imperfectly digested or imperfectly assimilated. Poisons accumulate and these irritate and inflame the delicate linings of the joints, the heart and other organs. To cure Rheumatism it is therefore necessary to stop the formation of these poisons and get rid of those already formed.

The celebrated Shivar Mineral Water acts on the stomach and kidneys. It corrects the digestion and washes out the poisons through the kidneys. This is the opinion of physicians who prescribe it. If you suffer with rheumatism, dyspepsia, indigestion, gallstones, disease of the kidneys, bladder or liver, uric acid poisoning, or any condition due to impure blood, read the following letter, then sign it, enclose the amount and mail it. Only two out of a hundred, on the average, report no benefit.

Shivar Spring,
Box 5M, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen:

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.
Fourth Round

	October
Hot Springs & Marshall, Marshall	23-24
Walnut, Jewel Hill, night	24-25
Sulphur Springs, Snow Hill	30-31
Bethel, night	31
	November
Swannanoa, Swannanoa	6-7
Black Mountain, night	7
Biltmore & Mt. Pleasant, Biltmore	14

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C.
Fourth Round

	October
Unionville, Mill Grove	23-24
North Monroe, N. Monroe, night	24
Marshville, Marshville	30-31
Brevard, night	31
	November
Ansonville, Concord	6-7
Wadesboro, night	7
Dilworth, 11 a. m.	14
Spencer Memorial, 3 p. m.	14
Tryon, night	14

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—James H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.
Fourth Round

	October
Uwharrie, Oak Grove	23-24
Denton, Denton	24-25
Randolph, Trinity	30-31
Wesley Memorial, High Point	30-31
Main Street, High Point	31-32
East End	31-32
	November
Asheboro	6-7
Randleman	6-7
West Market	13-14

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Fourth Round

	October
Connelly Springs	23-24
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Spruce Pine	30-31
	November
Micaville, Martin's Chapel	5
Bald Creek	6-7
Burnsville	7-8
Marion Ct., Capernaum	13-14

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Fourth Round

	October
Madison and Stoneville, Madison	24-25
Leaksville	26
Spray	27-31
Draper	28-31
	November
Jonesville, Ebenezer	6-7
Elkin	6-7
Ararat, Hunters	13-14
Final Meetings	
	November
Walnut Cove	1
Summerfield	2
Stokesdale	3
Dobson	8
Yadkinville, at Boonville	9
Rural Hall	10
Pilot Mountain	11
Mount Airy Ct.	12
Mount Airy Central	12

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Fourth Round

	October
Laurel Springs, Laurel Springs	9-10
Helton, Greenwood	16-17
Jefferson, Orion	24
Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro	31

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Fourth Round

	October
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 a. m.,	16-17
Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, night	17-18
Troutman Ct., Shiloh, 11 a. m.	23-24
Davidson Sta., Davidson, night	24-25
Statesville Ct., N. Statesville, 11 a. m.	30-31
Mooresville Sta., Mooresville, night	31-Nov. 1
	November
Hickory Ct., Fairgrove, 11 a. m.	6-7
Newton Sta., Newton, night	7-8
Maiden Ct., May's Chapel, 11 a. m.,	13-14
Final Meetings	
	October
Alexander Ct., (all churches) Hiddenite, 3 p. m.	19
Stony Point Ct., (all churches) Stony Point, 11 a. m.	20
Statesville Ct., Marvin, 11 a. m.	21
Statesville Ct., Bethel, 3 p. m.	21
Mooresville Ct., (all churches) Mooresville, 11 a. m.	26
Troutman Ct., (all churches) Troutman, 11 a. m.	27
Cool Spring Ct., (all churches) New Salem, 11 a. m.	28
Iredell Ct., (all churches) Olin, 11 a. m.	29
	November
Catawba Ct., (all churches) Catawba, 11 a. m.	2
Statesville Ct., Bethlehem, 11 a. m.	3
Race St., Statesville, night	4
Davidson Sta., Davidson, night	9
Mt. Zion-Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 11 a. m.	10

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder
Fourth Round

	October
Lowesville, Salem	16-17
Mt. Holly, Mt. Holly	17-18
Rock Spring, W. Chapel	23-24
Crouse, Crouse	30-31
Cherryville, Cherryville	31
	November
Kings Mountain, Kings Mountain	5
Lowell, Lowell	6
Gastonia, West End	6
McAdenville, McAdenville	7
Dallas-Ozark, Dallas	7-8
Gastonia, Main St.	8
Shelby, Sharon	13

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.
Fourth Round

	October
Albemarle Ct., Pine Grove	16-17
Salem Ct., Salem	17-18
Concord Ct., Rocky Ridge	24-25
Westford, night	24
Bethel and Loves Chapel	30-31
	November
Gold Hill Ct., Zion	6-7
New London Ct., Bethel	7-8
Kannapolis Ct., Shiloh	13-14
Kannapolis Sta., night	14

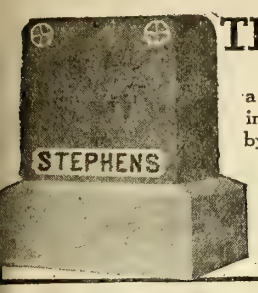
WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C.
Fourth Round

	October
Andrews Station	17
Franklin Ct., Bethel	23
Franklin Station	24
Macon Ct., Mt. Zion	24-25
Highlands Ct., Highlands	27
Glenville Ct., East Laporte	30-31
	November
Clyde Ct., East Waynesville	6
Waynesville Station	7
Canton Station	7

WINSTON DISTRICT—Hugh K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C.
Fourth Round

	October
Lewisville, New Hope	23-24
Davie, Hardison	30-31
Mocksville, night	29-31
	November
Kernersville, Kernersville	6-7

HERE'S PERMANENT WORK FOR YOU, in the State of North Carolina, with an old-established institution whose fame is nation-wide. The work requires sober, industrious men; the position is as good as you make it. Liberal commissions paid.
Box 789, Raleigh, N. C.



TIME TOUCHES IT LIGHTLY
for it is REGAL BLUE

a marble, that has proven its weather resisting qualities in many climates. Lowest moisture absorption, (.0035 by Government test,) makes it permanent and prevents damaging action by frost. Quarried and finished by Southern workmen at Regal, N. C., in a great variety of beautiful designs. The only blue marble produced in the South.

The Regal Marble Company, Regal, N. C.

Business Preparation--Thorough instruction in Bookkeeping, Banking, Accounting, Shorthand, Typewriting, etc.—rendered at minimum cost in shortest time. ***Either school or home courses.*** Good paying positions secured on completion of either.

Write for our illustrated catalogue and learn how this school is equipped to make something of you in the business world. Address

S. P. BROWN, President, LYNCHBURG, VA.

VIRGINIA COMMERCIAL AND SHORTHAND COLLEGE

Time Table Watauga & Yadkin River Railroad Co. and Connections

WESTBOUND					STATIONS—So. Ry.	EASTBOUND		
A. M. 8 15 9 30		A. M. 8 15 9 30			Eastern Time Lv Greensboro Ar Winston-Salem	P. M. 9 15 6 35	P. M. 9 15 6 35	
5 Sun. Only	3 Sun. Only	1 Daily Ex. Sa. Su.	7 Sat. Only	Miles	STATIONS W. & Y. R. R. R.	2 Daily Ex. Sun.	4 Sun. Only	6 Sun. only
P. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.		Eastern Time	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
4 30	10 15	2 00	2 00		Lv N. Wilkesboro Ar	10 20	10 00	5 15
4 35f	10 20f	2 04f	2 05f	1	Gordon	9 59f	9 57f	5 12f
4 41f	10 31f	2 19f	2 15f	5	Brown's Ford	6 44f	9 46f	5 00f
4 46f	10 38f	2 28f	2 2of	7	Minton	9 34f	9 37f	4 52f
4 54f	10 45f	2 38f	2 35f	9	Goshen	9 24f	9 29f	4 44f
5 06f	10 55f	2 51f	2 51f	11	Marley Ford	9 07f	9 18f	4 33f
5 16f	11 05f	3 00f	3 00f	13	Goulds	8 55f	9 03f	4 18f
5 26s	11 13s	3 12s	3 20s	16	Ferguson	8 43s	8 53s	4 08s
5 35s	11 20s	3 25s	3 40s	19	Elkville	8 33s	8 45s	4 00s
5 36	11 22	3 30	3 45		Elkville Junction	8 30	8 43	3 58
	11 32f		4 00f	20	McNeils	8 15f	8 33f	3 48f
	11 42		4 15	23	Denny	8 10	8 25	3 40
				27	Darby			
	11 43		4 16	23	Denny	8 00	8-24	3 39
	11 48f		4 25f	20	McNeils	7 20f	8 16f	3 31f
	11 54		4 30		Elkville Junction	7 10	8 10	3 25
5 45	12 04	4 00	4 40	21	Grandin	7 00	8 00	3 15

f Stop on Signal s Regular Stop

NOTE—Trains will commence running to Darby about Sept. 15.

LIST OF OFFICERS

W. J. GRANDIN, President - - - - - - - - - Grandin, N. C.
M. K. McMULLEN, Vice-President - - - - - - - - Pittsburg, Pa.
R. T. ROSSELL, Secretary - - - - - - - - - Pittsburg, Pa.
W. W. BEATY, Treasurer - - - - - - - - - - Warren, Pa.
H. C. LANDON, General Manager - - - - - - North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

A mutual fire insurance company, organized, owned and operated by the Methodist Church in North Carolina, for the purpose of furnishing protection for church property and personal property of preachers at ACTUAL COST.

Write for information and rates.

W. E. WEBB, Secretary Statesville, N. C.

Methodist Benevolent Association

A Mutual Benefit Brotherhood for Southern Methodists. Issues Whole Life, 20-Premium Life, Term to 60, and Disability Certificates. **Benefits payable at death, old age, or disability.** Over $152,000.00 paid to **widows, orphans, and disabled.** Over $40,000.00 reserve fund. Write for rates, blanks, etc. ***J. H. Shumaker, Secretary, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.***

In France if you have a fire and it damages your neighbor's property, you pay his damages. In Germany, if you have a fire, the first caller is a policeman and he takes you to jail. There you have to prove that you are not responsible, through negligence, or any act, otherwise you have to pay the damages and the cost of the work of the fire department. That's the reason the fire loss is $3 per capita in Europe as opposed to $33 per capita here. We have begun a movement for that kind of a law in this country. With the help of such organizations as the credit men and the public sentiment of all thoughtful persons we expect to put them through in a number of the states.

RESOLUTIONS ON THE DEATH OF MRS. T. F. MARR, BY WEST END MISSIONARY SOCIETY, WINSTON-SALEM

It is with the sincerest feeling that we, the members of the Missionary Society of West End church, Winston-Salem, N. C., bow our heads in deep sorrow this afternoon over the sad news of the departure of our first beloved president, Mrs. T. F. Marr, wife of our former presiding elder and launcher of our church, Dr. T. F. Marr.

It was Mrs. Marr, our sainted and glorified friend and co-worker, who, through much wisdom and strong spiritual endowment, lead us as a society into the Master's work for true missionary endeavor. It was she who, not only organized this society Dec. 19, 1909, but who through her great efforts guided us along those first days when we were inexperienced and needed her vision of the work as our guiding star, for she truly possessed a great and wonderful vision of her Lord's work.

It was she who, we well recall, prayed that our minds might be illumined that we might catch the real vision of life's duties.

It was she, who with wonderful wisdom and tact, kept us steady many times when the burdens and responsibilities of our new and great work was upon our shoulders, always cheering us along with that familiar and affectionate assurance, "Sister, don't worry, it will all be right."

As we recall her gentle, familiar face and voice, full of strength and faith, our hearts ache over the thought of never again in this life enjoying the pleasure of sweet intercourse with our beloved friend, but we know where to find her, and realize that she is still a guiding star—only brighter. Her influence will ever live among us.

It was she, who with her baby pet, little Sue Stevens Howard, assisted in laying the first brick for our beloved church. How happy was she over such a privilege, knowing that it was the beginning of a great and glorious work for Christ. She watched its growth with the same joy.

She insisted that we study the Bible, that it was the foundation of all our work, that with, of course, much intercession. It is with grateful hearts that we as a society enjoyed the privilege of placing a Bible Woman Fund in China while she was still with us, as a fitting tribute of love for our dear friend, known as "The Kannie Marr Fund."

And now, as we review our intimate, pleasant and useful association with her as a society, we deem it not only our sad privilege, but most fitting that we offer these resolutions, as our tribute to one we loved and revered; and, whereas, we have been called upon to give up by death our former friend and co-worker, therefore, be it resolved:

First, that we pause with submissive hearts and bowed heads before the throne of grace of Him "who doeth all things well," saying "Thy will be done."

Second, that we shall always cherish and reverence the memory of our beloved friend and strive to emulate her example—an humble follower of the meek and lowly Nazarene.

Third, that as a society we ever remember our peculiar relations during those first days—wonderful in experiences, and gracious in His manifold blessings, realizing that her spirit of fortitude made us stronger for our work, and while sometimes differing in the little things, yet resolute and united in the one all-important purpose—the advancement of God's kingdom in the world.

Fourth, that as Conference Superintendent of Social Service, we recognize the appropriateness of her office, for no one was ever better fitted for this work, her entire life having been wrapped up in the betterment of her fellowman, and we lament this great loss to the Conference, extending not only to the woman's work our sincere sympathy, but to Trinity church, Charlotte, of which she was a faithful member and laborer.

Sixth, that we extend our tenderest and sincerest sympathy to her broken-hearted companion and children, assuring them of our earnest prayers, and pointing them to the One who "knoweth our griefs and carrieth our sorrows," believing that His grace will be sufficient in this their great sorrow.

Seventh, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased, a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate, and also spread upon the minutes of this society.

Reverently submitted,

Mrs. R. M. Courtney,
Mrs. Ernest Dalton,
Mrs. W. C. Wright,

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Trains leave Greensboro as follows:

N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information and are not guaranteed.

12:55 a. m.—No. 112, daily. Local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh which may be boarded at 9:30 p. m. and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m

1:47 a. m.—No. 30, daily. Birminghar Special. Pullman drawing room sleepin cars Birmingham and Augusta to New York, and Birmingham and Jacksonvill to Washington. Observation sleeping car Atlanta to Richmond. Tourist sleeper for Washington from San Francisco. Din ing car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars New York to Birmingham an Augusta, and Washington to Jacksonville and Birmingham. Observation sleeping car Richmond to Atlanta. Tour ist sleeping car Washington to San Francisco via Sunset Route. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:45 a. m.—No. 11, daily. Local for Atlanta and points south. Pullman sleeping cars Richmond to Charlotte and Norfolk to Asheville. Coaches.

7:15 a. m.—No 37, daily. NEW YORK, ATLANTA AND NEW ORLEANS LIMITED. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section drawing room sleeping cars New York to New Orleans, Asheville and Macon. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service. No coaches.

7:30 a. m.—No 108, daily. Local for Raleigh and intermediate points.

7:30 a. m.—No. 154, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

8:10 a. m.—No. 44, daily. For Washington and points north.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily. For Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Handles Pullman sleeping car for Winston-Salem from Raleigh.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily. For Mt. Airy.

9.40 a. m.—No. 144 daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Free reclining chair car Charlotte to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily. For Salisbury, Statesville and Asheville. Connecting at Asheville with Carolina Special which handles through sleepers for Cincinnati and Chicago.

12:45 p. m.—No. 130, daily. For Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

12:50 p. m.—No. 45, daily. For Charlotte, connecting with trains for Columbia and Seneca.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Washington, New York and points north. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York. Dining car service. Day coaches.

2:00 p. m.—No. 207, daily. For Winston-Salem, connecting daily, except Sunday, with trains for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daily except Sunday. For Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily. For Mt. Airy.

6:30 p. m.—No. 35, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham. Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham, and Charlotte to Atlanta. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily. For Winston-Salem.

6:40 p. m.—No. 46, daily. For Danville.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily. For Sanford.

7:24 p. m.—No. 43, daily. For Charlotte, connecting with No. 35 for the South.

10:15 p. m.—No. 12, daily. For Richmond and Norfolk. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Asheville to Norfolk.

10:20 p. m.—No. 233, daily. For Winston-Salem.

11:20 p. m.—No. 38, daily. THE NEW YORK, ATLANTA AND NEW ORLEANS LIMITED. Solid Pullman train with observation and open section, drawing room and compartment sleeping cars New Orleans, Macon and Asheville to New York. Dining car service. No coaches.

E. H. COAPMAN, Vice-President and General Manager, Washington, D. C.

W. H. TAYLOE, Passenger Traffic Manager, Washington, D. C.

H. F. CARY, General Passenger Agent, Washington, D. C.

C. G. PICKARD, Passenger and Ticket Agent, Greensboro, N. C.

R. H. DeBUTTS, Division Passenger Agent, Charlotte, N. C.

Sunday School Helps and Supplies

SEVEN LARGE VOLS.
OVER
3800 PAGES



ONLY
$6.00
NET

Tools for Preachers and Teachers

Formerly $14.00----Now Less Than Half Price

Any Single Volume, $1.00 net (formerly $2.00)

A practical, working library, drawn from nature, life and the Scriptures. A Storehouse of Information useful for workers in every branch of Christian effort.

1. The Cyclopaedia of Nature Teachings
Introduction by Hugh Macmillan

A selection of acts, illustrations, examples and suggesitons taken from fall departments of inanimate nature, and employed to illuminate the great facts of the religious life.

2. Lessons from Life (Animal and Human)
Introduction by Hugh Macmillan

A compendium of illustration abounding in curious and interesting facts concerning the habits, instincts and peculiarities of living creatures, both animal and human. The moral and religious lessons imparted arise naturally and without effort from the incidents described.

3. Tools for Teachers
By Wm. Moodie

A collection of anecdotes, illustrations and legends for the use of Teachers of Sunday-Schools, Bible Classes and Boys' Clubs. A practical manual and storehouse of anecdotes and illustration for all who have to do with the moral and religious training of the young.

4. New Cyclopaedia of Illustrative Anecdote
(Moral and Religious)

A comprehensive collection of authentic anecdotes, old and new, on a wide range of subjects, arranged and classified alphabetically for ready reference, and with a detailed index.

5. New Handbook of Illustration

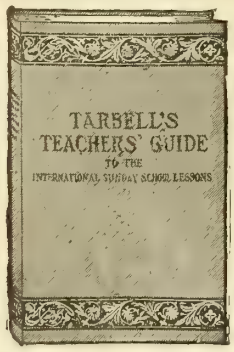
A classified exposition of Scripture Truth and Christian Life, digested and arranged for ready reference. This Handbook of Illustration will afford valuable aid, as a book of suggestion and reference, to public speakers in every branch of their profession.

6. Handbook of Biblical Difficulties
(On Moral and Religious Subjects)
By the Rev. Robert Tuck, B. A.

The editor of this Handbook has collected the passages in the Bible which seem to present special difficulties, and deals carefully with each, suggesting a reasonable explanation of every perplexity, or at least of every class of perplexity.

7. Topics for Teachers *By the Rev. J. C. Gray*

This work constitutes a Bible Dictionary, Manual and Textbook, a Commentary and a Concordance, all in one, saving the cost of these books and the time occupied in their use. The volume is almost a library in itself. It is an invaluable work for preachers and Sunday-School teachers.

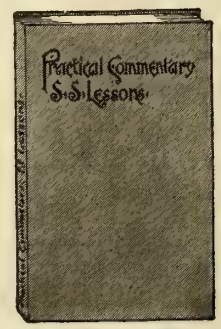


Tarbell's Teachers' Guide

By Martha Tarbell, Ph. D.

Large octavo, cloth binding, $1.00 net (postpaid $1.10).

Time was when "anyone" taught Sunday-school, and results were a matter of conjecture. The TARBELL method has ushered in a new era in Sunday-school teaching, with every teacher a competent instructor. From all parts of the globe testimonials come regularly to the success of this modern Sunday-school teachers' *vade mecum* in all grades.



Peloubet's Notes

Conceded to be the best help for teachers in the Sunday School.

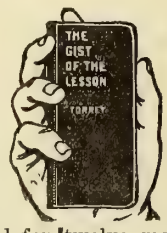
Large octavo, cloth binding $1.00 net (postpaid $1.10).

The Gist of the Lesson

By R. A. Torrey, D. D.

Leatherette, net 25c. postpaid.

Increasing by leaps and bounds, each year the history of "GIST" is the record of continued success. Not merely a book of "notes," but a *vade mecum* packed with seed thoughts for study and meditation.



Sunday School Register arranged with blanks for each Sunday's minutes and complete class report, with a summary for each quarter, also for annual report. Arranged for two years. This is generally conceded to be the best and most complete Sunday school Register now published. Price postpaid $1.50.

Sunday School Quarterly Class Records, full size, 25 cts. per dozen. Every Sunday school should keep a good supply of these records.

Complete Baraca Class Record. One Hundred loose leaf sheets for $1.00. Binder $1.00. Complete outfit $2.00. Each leaf is so arranged as to keep a complete individual record for twelve months. No class should be without this record. Sample sheets furnished on application. One binder will last a life time. Any book published will be furnished at the publisher's price.

Job Printing of all sorts executed with neatness and dispatch. Be sure to see us before giving out your fall work. Anything entrusted to us by mail order will be attended to promptly. Send orders to

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

VOLUME LX NUMBER 45

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

GREENSBORO, N. C., THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28, 1915

Wesleyan Room
Trinity College



THRIFT M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH, Rev. B. F. Fincher, Pastor

The funds for building the church have been secured by private subscriptions from the owners of the new mills at Thrift; the members of the church; and the citizens of Charlotte.

There is a debt of about $1,000 yet to be raised on the building.

Rev. B. F. Fincher is pastor in charge of the church and has had entire charge of its establishment and building. Mr. Fincher, who is well known in Charlotte, his family living here, was several years ago, before he joined the Western North Carolina Conference, a contractor and builder, and is known to members of the conference as a "church builder." He has built a number of churches and parsonages during his twenty-six years in the work.

In addition to raising the money for this new church and doing the principal work on it Mr. Fincher has increased its membership from twenty-six to nearly one hundred. This work has all been accomplished since January first, this year.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

EDITORIAL

OUR NEW CHURCH AT THRIFT

We take great pleasure in giving this week a view of the new church, just recently opened, at Thrift, one of the suburbs of the great and growing city of Charlotte.

Rev. B. F. Fincher, the pastor of this church, is known as one of the men among us who do things. Taking this charge at last Conference, with no house of worship and a membership of only twenty-six, and turning it over at the end of one year with a membership of nearly one hundred, worshipping in this beautiful church with a debt of only $1,000., is quite an achievement.

There is always a place for a man who brings things to pass, and quite likely the bishop and his cabinet will say that a man who can achieve what Brother Fincher has is the man to carry this work forward and lift the balance due on this church. We thank Brother Fincher for allowing our readers to have this look at the new church and wish every pastor would do likewise. May this church at Thrift never cease to thrive.

A SUNDAY IN CONCORD

What wondrous changes have taken place in twenty-five years! A little more than twenty-five years ago—to be exact, twenty-seven years—the Methodists all worshipped in a small brick church in the center of a town of about 2500. The membership, according to the report of 1888, was 401, and the salary paid the one pastor was $1,000. Now there are six churches, having a total membership of 1343 and paying for the support of the ministry $5,533, computing by figures shown in the minutes of last year. In 1888, the value of church property was $10,000; the present value of church property is $64,500.

The population of Concord, according to the last census report, is 8,715; but this does not include much of the suburban population, there being at least three of the mills, perhaps four, located outside of the city limits. There are now some eight or ten cotton mills and groups of mills in and around Concord, besides a large bleachery. It is truly one of our most important textile communities. Every one of our six congregations have to deal more or less with the so-called cotton mill problem, or situation, there being, however, only a few of the people employed in the cotton mills who hold their membership in Central church. The problem is not in any way different in Concord from what it is in other places. Nor is there, in any very essential way, a problem of the mill community different from the problem of towns and cities generally. It is mainly a question of finding some method by which to induce these people to attend the Sunday school and other religious services on Sunday instead of going after other things which attract for the time being.

For several months I had been under promise to put in a Sunday at Concord so as to visit two of the churches that I had not had an opportunity of visiting before. In all the year I could not have selected a day more beautiful than last Sunday. At the morning hour I was with Rev. R. K. Brady, at Kerr Street, in the western section of the city, near the Gibson Mill. Here, in a radius of two or three hundred yards, there is a cluster of four or five houses of worship, furnishing a fine illustration of the evil or the blessing of denominational division. Of course some of these churches are weak and have a hard struggle to keep the work going; but I can not believe that this furnishes any proof that more good would be accomplished by an effort to force co-operation in one or two congregations in more pretentious and commodious houses of worship.

Brother Brady is closing his first year as pastor of the West Concord charge, and, to use the modern expression, he is on the job and has been on it all the year. They have recently added some six or seven good class rooms, and are much better prepared to carry on their Sunday school work. There were about 120 present in the Sunday school, and I noticed that many of the children remained for the preaching service. One of the interesting features of the school is a large adult class of which Brother Brady is the teacher.

Things are closing up hopefully, but it is clear to me that charges like this should have stronger support by our Board of Missions. Moreover, I do not believe that the owners of these large textile plants are giving as liberal support to the work of the church as they should. The benefit of the work of the leading evangelical denominations in these communities is beyond calculation, and the mill owners should show their appreciation by more liberal support.

At the evening hour I preached to the congregation at Westford. This church is located near the Franklin and the Young-Hartsell mills. They have a beautiful little church and a congregation composed of good, loyal men and women, and I understand that they have a splendid Sunday school. Rev. R. L. Forbis, a young local preacher, is supplying this work, and is closing his first year. The interest has increased during the year and the outlook is hopeful. The same difficulties are in the way here as at Kerr Street. The membership is not large and the matter of support is a problem. This was the occasion of their fourth quarterly conference and the reports were encouraging, though there is still a deficit in the financial budget which will put this heroic little band to the test. This work evidently needs stronger support financially. Brother Forbis has done faithful work and is succeeding and ought to be kept here with stronger financial support. He is coming up for admission this year and promises to develop into one of our most useful young men.

Rev. Dr. W. R. Ware, the presiding elder, was on hand at Westford. Having already held three services for the day, he expressed himself as glad to have a substitute for the fourth. The quarterly meeting for the Concord circuit was held at Rocky Ridge, near the Jackson Training School on Saturday, and Dr. Ware was enthusiastic in his report of the meeting. That good circuit is closing up in great shape. Rev. W. T. Albright, pastor of the circuit, was present also in the Sunday evening service at Westford. It was a delight to visit these two charges on this beautiful October Sunday and to preach to them, and we shall hope, many days hence, to gather up some of the bread cast upon the waters.

PROVIDING FOR OUR VETERANS

The approach of our Annual Conference brings vividly before us again the question of an adequate provision for our worn-out preachers and their dependent ones; also the desolate widows and orphans that linger behind where heroes have fallen.

The tardiness with which our Conference, one of the largest and wealthiest in the connection, has responded to the call to make more adequate provision for these worthy claimants, is not at all creditable. For years while our numbers and wealth have multiplied, and while other interests have claimed large increase, little has been added to this fund. It is not creditable that a Conference of 100,000 and more, should be content to dole out an average of less than $150. per year to these claimants. The fact is that the amount provided is so small that it seems like an effort to tantalize rather than provide support for them in their want and suffering.

Here, in our own Conference, the records will show that there has been no apreciable increase in this fund for many years. The old preachers suffer it out in silence, being subjected to all sorts of discomforts and inconvenience. They are too proud to parade their wants before the public, preferring to suffer in silence rather than be regarded as mendicants.

Such is the tragedy of a minister's life. No wonder he is wont to pray that he may cease at once to work and live. There is no pleasure in the thought of living beyond the point where, by his labor, he may hope to earn what is necessary to support himself and those who are dependent upon him. Few men are cruel enough to turn the old horse that has served them faithfully, out to die when he can work no more. How then shall we longer consent to turn these faithful men out to shift for themselves, knowing that we have required them to give the strength of their days on a salary that barely provided for a living by hard economy?

* * * *

A friend writing the editor a few days ago said some pertinent things, and we take the liberty to print what follows because it is the truth expressed better than we can express it ourselves:

"It is true of the Western North Carolina Conference, and it is probable that it is true of all the conferences of the church that the largest percent of deficit each year toward any of the benevolences of the church is to be found in the collection for Conference claimants. Undoubtedly that which may be rightly termed the "tragedy of Methodism" is the meager and by far insufficient provision made for the support of Conference claimants, especially when many of these are preachers who have given all that they have had of time, talent strength and money to the church they have served. This great lack of the church in meeting what should be recognized as a sacred duty and one that should be met gladly is emphasized when it is remembered that the church provides for each member of the college of bishops a salary of $4,900 annually, for each secretary of the connectional interests of the church a salary of $3,000, for each department secretary a salary of $3,000 and that the average salary of the active pastors of the church is now about $700, while less than an average of $150 a year is available for the support of superannuate preachers and widows and orphans of preachers. If this appropriation reached an average of $150 a year, that would be less than $13.00 a month, less than $3.00 a week and less than 50 cents a day with which to provide the necessaries of life, and in many instances this meager appropriation must be applied to the support of more than one individual, as many Conference claimants have dependent members of their families to whom they must minister. This great lack of the church is emphasized again when it is remembered that even criminals in the custody of the State of North Carolina are provided shelter free of charge and receive through the sheriff of the county in which they are held 25 cents each day for meals, the sheriff being allowed to expend as much as 25 cents each day for the meals of each prisoner under his care. This gives each prisoner $1.75 a week, $7.58 a month and $91.00 a year for food alone, whereas the meager sum provided for Conference claimants by Southern Methodism in some instances provides not food alone, but clothing and shelter and often for more than one person. Fortunately for them many Conference claimants have children who are able to do so and who do gladly contribute to their support; but this fact does not relieve a great church with a membership of 2,000,000 from the responsibility resting upon it to provide at least a comfortable living for those who have given their all to its service, nor does any argument that can be presented in any way lessen the stigma of the meager provision that is now all that is available from the various Conferences, 52 in number, for the support of these faithful servants of the cross and followers of the Saviour of the world who bade His followers to "do unto others as ye would that they should do to you."

TO SHELBY DISTRICT PASTORS

Brethren:—

Too often resolutions are passed in our Conference and then never put into practice, nor even an honest effort made to fulfill the resolution.

At our District Conference at Kings Mountain last year the Conference, by unanimous vote, pledged that Shelby District, during 1914 and 1915, would pay the sum of $350.00 of the debt against the Christian Advocate building in Greensboro, and apportioned the amount to each pastoral charge in an equitable way. There was a reason why most of the pastors could not press the claim last year—the unsettled state of all business, low price of cotton, together with a devastating hail storm on a large section of the district, which destroyed all crops in its wake. Many of us did not have the heart to present the matter last year, nor early this year. I shall present the matter to each of my congregations before the nearing Annual Conference meets.

Our District Conference at Lowesville this year reiterated the pledge, and as pastors we have no right to withhold this important matter from our people, not allowing them the opportunity to fulfill this pledge.

The Advocate and building belong to the Western North Carolina Conference. Let us cheer Brother Blair's heart in lifting this debt. He has done a fine work for our Conference in this sagacious business transaction. Let us not treat this claim with indifference.

Respectfully, N. R. Richardson.
Mt. Holly, N. C.

I am grateful to Brother Richardson for the foregoing appeal, and hope it will not escape the eye of any pastor and charge concerned. While it will cheer my heart if all will conscientiously comply, I wish all to understand that I feel that a motive much higher than this should appeal to every one concerned. I know of nothing for which we should, as a Conference, be more profoundly thankful than that we have been providentially led into plans by which the continuous publicatiion of a first-rate Conference paper is assured for all time to come. While other Conferences in our connection have been in constant straits to keep their official papers going, allowing their resources to be wasted on individual enterprises, we have eliminated the individual, carefully husbanding our resources, so that we not only own and control our own publication, but own a building and plant which makes our position secure notwithstanding we have but the one patronizing Conference.

Now, as soon as these outstanding pledges are paid this property, amounting in all to nearly $40,000., will be free from encumbrance, the larger gifts of a few generous friends being conditioned on the payment of these pledges. Could there be given a stronger reason why every pastor and individual concerned should say, "This pledge shall be met, whatever sacrifice may be required?"

In the Shelby District no charge is asked for more than $50., while the majority are asked for $25. and less. It is likewise true that, in the Charlotte District, where $500. was pledged, the amount on individual charges is small. The Charlotte district, however, placed the amounts in the budget through the district stewards, and every pastor will be expected to prorate where the amount is not otherwise provided for. Then there are church pledges scattered over the Conference, as well as individual pledges yet unpaid.

Brethren, not for my sake, but for the sake of a great and pre-eminently worthy enterprise of the church, see to it that these pledges are paid on or before the date of our Annual Conference. The fact is, every dollar paid on these pledges now means about two dollars paid on our debt.

Again, thanking Brother Richardson, who was the author of the Shelby District Resolutions, and thanking all our people who have stood so nobly by the Board of Publication in its unslfish purpose to manage the whole business in the interest of the Conference, I am the servant of all.—H. M. B.

LET US BE FAIR

Under the head of "Chart Pointers" in our issue of last week, Rev. W. H. Willis, Chairman of our Conference Board of Missions, calls attention to the fact that the "Board of Mission's new chart will show salary and missionary payments only, the other collections being disregarded."

We take it for granted that the Board of Missions, or rather the Executive Committee of the Board, which seems to have issued this rule, did not intend to boost missionary and salary collections at the expense of all other Conference collections; but this is precisely what the effect of this order will be. If only these two items are to be considered in determining that a charge is to appear in white or black, any one can see that the door of temptation will be swung wide open before every charge where there is a deficit, to pay out salary and missions in full by discriminating against other claims.

It is true the Executive Committee says, "In case of collections taken in bulk, the Board expects only its pro-rata share for its causes." But we all know that in many charges the collections are taken in bulk, and that, with such a plan of charting the districts and charges, where there is a deficit the tendency will be to pay up these items and leave the other items to share what remains. There is but one fair way to use the charts, that is to give the black mark to every one having a deficit in any item which belongs legitimately in the budget.

This contention is correct for the reason that one cause is just as important as another. There is no argument which may be advanced for the cause of missions, so-called, foreign or domestic, that may not be used in advocacy of Church Extension. The same thing is true as to the cause of Christian education, while the orphan and the superannuate, if possible, make still more pathetic appeal for full payment of the scant estimate for their support.

The conclusion of the whole matter is this: The church is understood, through properly constituted boards, to make an estimate of the minimum amount necessary to carry on the work in all of its departments. Every dollar in this budget of estimates is needed, and when we adopt a method of appeal which causes our people to magnify one and minify another, or to discriminate to any degree against one or more, we are developing a one-sided loyalty.

We can never bring our people into intelligent and dependable co-operation with us in all our enterprises while we work on methods calculated to make them believe that one department is more worthy of support than another. The editor of the Advocate is unalterably opposed to any method which invites discrimination in favor of any department, no matter how worthy the cause may be.

If we are mistaken in our view of the matter we should be very glad to have some one set us right; for we have been more or less vexed with what seems the mistaken policy of our missionary leaders in their great eagerness to reach their goal, to discount everything else. Perhaps many Advocate readers would be glad for Brother Willis, or some officer of the Board to explain why they would place a charge upon the roll of honor with deficits in every item of the budget except those of salaries and missions.

* * * *

Discussing this question in the last issue of the Wesleyan Advocate, Rev. Dr. Rembert G. Smith, of the North Georgia Conference, says:

It is quite within the financial ability of our people to pay every dollar assessed and that ideal we should certainly seek to realize. While this is true experience leads us to believe that the entire amount assessed will not be paid, and it will be necessary to pay some of the claims only in part.

When this necessity arises the equitable thing to do is to distribute the deficit among all the causes for which we raise funds. This, however, is by no means our custom. The Minutes of the Conference for last year show that we paid 80 per cent. of the assessment for missions, 52 per cent. of the assessment for Church Extension, 55 per cent. of the assessment for education. This discrimination against education and Church Extension is not, as far as the writer knows, defended by anybody, and it is not capable of being successfully defended, and yet it is of long standing. Is it not time that we deal impartially in the distribution of the funds raised for these causes? Each of them is a vital interest of the kingdom, and together they compose an organism no member of which can say to any other member, "I have no need of thee." Our desire and effort are to pay all the assesssments in full, but when we can not do this let us distribute what we do raise with impartial hands and recognize no preferred creditors. This matter too is almost entirely in the hands of the pastors and they can easily correct this abuse. It is not impossible that we have reached the place where we feel that it is almost excusable to fall behind with Education and Church Extension if we pay the missionary assessments in full. This insidious error should be abandoned and we should let the great causes for which we raise money share alike. Every one of them is in reality a missionary cause and each must be provided for or the army of Zion will not advance abreast to the conflict with the hosts of darkness.

NOTE AND COMMENT

Public Sentiment Throughout the World has condemned the German authorities for permitting the execution of Miss Cavell, an English nurse in Brussels, under conviction of aiding and abetting English and Belgian prisoners in making their escape. Of course Miss Cavell was technically guilty of a crime, the penalty for which is death, and frankly admitted as much; but the brutal manner in which the whole case was handled is enough to provoke the resentment of the whole civilized world. The court martial reached the verdict of guilty about six o'clock in the evening and the cruel sentence of death was executed about 2 o'clock the next morning, while the American Minister, Mr. Brand Whitlock, and the representatives of several other countries, were pleading that her life be spared. The Governor General was hard-hearted and unyielding. We do not believe that any other nation calling itself civilized would have permitted such a horrible crime, and, unless Germany will disavow sympathy or responsibility for this act, every nurse now doing service for German soldiers should be withdrawn as a just and reasonable reprisal. The blood of this good woman will surely cry to heaven for vengeance upon a nation cruel enough to be capable of such a crime against humanity.

* * * *

The Great Movement of the Teutonic Allies to break through Serbia and relieve the situation at the Dardanelles, has fully developed during the past week and all interest in the great European conflict centers there for the present. Slowly the Austro-German armies are moving in on one side and the Bulgarians on the other; but they are meeting stubborn resistance on the part of the Serbian armies and the French and English are said to be coming rapidly to their assistance by way of Salonika. It is merely now a question of the ability of France and England to land enough men in time to prevent the overwhelming of the Serbian army by vastly superior forces. Advices from London on the 25th say:

While the Austro-German and Bulgarian campaigns in northern and eastern Serbia are being carried out according to the plan, despite fierce Serbian resistance, and the Bulgars who crossed the Timok and hold the town of Prahovo are separated from the Germans who crossed the Danube near Orsova by only a few miles in the South, things are not going so well for the invaders. In the latter region the French troops have joined with the Serbs and, according to French accounts, have inflicted a severe defeat on the Bulgarians at Krivolak, 40 miles north of the point where the Saloniki-Nish Railway crosses the Serbo-Greek frontier.

This success places the Bulgarians who reached Istip, Veles and Uskup in rather an awkward position, for a further advance of the Allied Army would seriously threaten their flank. In fact, unofficial reports state that

---

(*Continued on Page 7, Column 3*)

CONTRIBUTIONS

A MOTHER'S FAREWELL

W. L. Hutchins

(Dedicated to the memory of Mrs. S. A. Marler, deceased, of Yadkinville, N. C.)

I half-way hate to go
And leave you all a-crying so!
Why can't you follow just
A little way
Around the corner, say,
And wait while I
O'ertop the hill? Goodbye?
O no! Why say farewell
When all the boundless universe
Doth throb and swell
With omnipresent life!
And I so near shall be
At that, that you may see
My face, my lifted hand,
Look up and understand
My beckonings and follow fleet
The path that other feet
Have trod
Up to God.

I'll be a mother still
To you—to them, who will
Embrace me when I come
To their fair home.
And, too, I long to kiss
Again those lips of his
Who framed fair words of praise
In maidenhood's spring days.
I rather go than here abide
For over on the other side
Are those who wait
Close by the open gate;
Our parting was so long agone
That I had better now rush on
Lest they in fear should say
That I perchance had missed the way.

Somehow I half-way hate to go
And leave you all a-crying so!
I wish you would rejoice with me
For I shall ever be
With Him—and him—and those
Who from my arms arose
Into the fulgent dawn
As veils of tears were drawn
Across my eager eyes
Looking deep into the skies.
O well, I go! Now—quiet—so!
That distant music thrills
Re-echoed from yon hills—
A light! And peace! The breeze!
The river pure! The trees!
Old friends! Old loves!
Life's burdens past!
And Jesus, Father!
Home at last!

Winston-Salem, N. C.

HOLSTON CONFERENCE

Reflections—Suggestions

By W. W. Bays

The Holston Conference of our Church met in Knoxville, Tenn., October 6th, and closed Monday, October 13th.

That is my "home Conference," which I joined 48 years ago this month, and with which I was continuously connected for twenty-three years. Of course I am always interested in the work and reports of that Conference. "If I forget thee, O Jerusalem," etc. According to a statement in the Knoxville (Tenn.) Sentinel, there were nearly nineteen thousand conversions and eleven thousand five hundred additions to our church in the Holston Conference during the Conference year just closed.

No more evangelical type of Wesleyan Methodism, perhaps, can be found in the world than in Holston Confernce, without any reflection on any other Conference. The preachers and people of the mountain territory have always been great advocates of, and great workers in, revivals, long, long before the day of special evangelists. And I dare say the great ingathering of this year has been much more the product of the silent pastors than of the efforts of Conference evangelists—not at all discounting these.

Another most gratifying report was that the collection this year in that Conference for Conference claimants, was about twelve thousand dollars ($12,000.) surpassing anything of the sort ever done in that Conference before, I am sure. One old needy preacher at the late session, who joined Conference one year before I did, received three hundred and fifty dollars, and other like sums or thereabout. How gratifying to men who had given all their manhood to the work of the Conference, thus to be remembered and remunerated in part; and gratifying to their aged "helpmeets," who, with them had borne the "burden and heat of the day." This enlargement of the collection of the Conference fund in Holston Conference is most encouraging, and shows what can be done by our preachers and people, when their minds and hearts are really enlisted, and that Conference is not so large as ours. And I hope this information concerning the doings in Holston, will act as an encouragement and a stimulus to the pastors and people of our own Conference along this line. The pastors must lead, and the people must be sympathetic and responsive, to succeed in this most needed collection. If pastors are neglectful and the people are not sympathetic and responsive, then the old "worn out preachers" and those dependent on them must suffer for the very necessary demands of life. Thus it is a matter of vital importance to them—some of whom are widows and fatherless children, and some whose situation is somewhat like a living death.

What is to be done, or what *can* be done, to relieve this distressful situation, is a question that should get heavily upon the heart of the church—of both pastors and people. If the pastor should be negligent in this matter, let him remember that his brethren, "worn out" in the work, must suffer because of his neglect. And if the people are unhelpful let them know that those who labored for them in other years, must be in actual want, more or less, because of their selfishness, in a matter so sacred and important.

This question should most vitally appeal to both pastors and people, and all connected with the Conference. First, to the pastors, many of whom are now comfortably situated and sustained by good salaries, keeping them above want. These should gratefully remember those who went before them, laid the foundations, and made possible their present most fortunate situation in the way of adequate salaries and comfortable environments. It has been said that the toil of the millions, turned into gold, has made the many millionaires of this day. I doubt if this can be disproved. And so with the comfortably situated pastors. They did not make these situations for themselves, but they were made by those who preceded them. Other men—the older men—did the work, and they have entered into their labors. "One soweth and another reapeth." This very thought should get upon the heart of every country and city pastor, and especially upon the heart of every one pleasantly and comfortably situated.

I appeal to my brethren not to forget those still lingering in the flesh, and whose needs are so scantily provided for—at best. Be sympathetic and helpful to your older brethren, now deprived of all salary—and well nigh of all sustenance, and implore your people to be sympathetic and helpful and follow your good example. "Like priest, like people."

Then again, how the needs of superannuates and all conference claimants in general should enlist the hearts of the people who were blessed in their early days by the labors, the prayers and the preaching of those now retired and by the fatality of fate forced "to the rear."

If there is anything in the church of God there is everything in it. If these lines should be read by men and women of means, of money, of financial ability, to help the "old preachers" and their widows and orphans," and if they really estimate their own Christian characters and their position in the church I pray them not to forget those who in other years labored among them and led them to the blessed Christ and nourished them with his word. If these older brethren were the good "under-shepherds" that led you "in and out to find pasture," that lead you into the greener fields of God's plentiful goodness and grace, I pray you do not forget their needs now, situated in their loneliness and silence in their declining years. They did the best they could for you and for yours in their day; now do the best you can for them in your own day in remembering and helping, as your church directs. God grant there may be such an effort on the part of pastors and people in our Conference during the short month now until the meeting at Reidsville, that this much needed and sacred collection may be reported "in full." If so, what a help to needy men, women and children!

How unfortunate it would be for any pastor or laymen to lessen his efforts to have this collection from his charge reported "in full," on account of any other help for this cause coming in from any other source whatsoever. Let there be an honest effort made to meet this assessment as made by the joint board of our Conference and by the district stewards in full in every pastoral charge. If I should be personally interested in this matter, I offer no excuse for this letter, as I have given my life to my church and her cause. But I appeal in behalf of others also situated like myself. And I appeal in the name of that Christ who came to kill our selfishness and save us through His sacrifice, suffering and blood, that we might be brethren and that at last we may all hear Him say: "Well done, good and faithful servant; enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

CALIFORNIA LETTER

Rev. C. P. Moore

S. S. Field Secretary, Western Division

It has been a long time since I had the pleasure of addressing myself to the task of writing you and through you to all of the brethren of North Carolina, whom we still love as our "home folks." As you are, of course, aware, the General Sunday School Board at its annual meeting at Junaluska elected me one of its divisional field secretaries. My division comprises the Los Angeles and New Mexico Conferences—a territory comparing in square miles to the entire New England and Middle Atlantic States. For the past eight years we have lived in the city of Oakland, California, one of the most delightful places to live in all the world. But now, by this change in my duties, it will be necessary for us to break camp and move on to a new location. As soon as possible after November first we will remove to Los Angeles, where many will no doubt think we have improved our residential circumstances, but which we cannot now admit. I have headed this letter Oakland, but I am really writing it on the Southern Pacific train en route home from the New Mexico Conference, which has just closed at the beautiful little city of Marfa, Texas. To reach this place I travelled 1491 miles, and am now making the same return journey. Marfa is a town of about 2500 inhabitants in West Texas, about fifty miles from the Rio Grande river and the Mexican border. There are about 1700 Americans and 800 Mexicans in the city. It is about 4800 feet above sea level and sets in the midst of the great plains with their great cattle ranches and large herds of splendid beef cattle. I had the pleasure, and profit also, of visiting the home ranch of my host, Mr. W. B. Mitchell. It contains something like 21,000 acres all under one fence and has on it at this time about 1400 head of cattle. Brother and sister Mitchell are consecrated Christian people, in the prime of life, with a splendid family of four boys and one dear, precious little daughter. But they and their family are deeply attached to the church and hold official relation thereto. They have a delightful modern home, in which they delight to dispense with lavish hand the fullest of genuine Southern hospitality.

The New Mexico Conference, covering the State of New Mexico and that part of Texas

west of the Pecos river, has about fifty appointments, divided into three presiding elders' districts. It is as yet largely frontier work, but the country is being rapidly settled by immigrants from Texas and other states. It is logically the territory of our church, and we are growing rapidly within its bounds. To give you some idea of this growth and the spirit of the church in this conference I call attention to the fact that the report of the Board of Missions shows an advance in missionary contributions of over one hundred per cent. Bishop W. R. Lambuth presided over the Conference and that is the equivalent of saying every department of the church work received careful and prayerful consideration. I feel much indebted to him for his deep interest and most cordial support in the presentation of the Sunday school cause. The Conference was most happy in having a "full house" of connectional brethren present, viz.: Dr. W. W. Pinson, representing the Board of Missions; Dr. Fitzgerald Parker, the Epworth League Board; Dr. R. H. Bennett, of the school of ministerial supply; Dr. John R. Stewart, the Superannuate Endowment Fund; C. P. Moore, the Sunday school board; Dr. Caspar S. Wright, vice-president of Southern Methodist University; Dr. C. M. Bishop, of Southwestern University; and Dr. W. F. McMurry, the Board of Church Extension; and Dr. Gray, representing the Methodist Orphanage, Waco; and last, but not least, Brother W. C. Everett, the genial and efficient businesss manager of the Dallas branch of the Publishing house. Just how he managed to find time to give each of these brethren an opportunity to represent his cause and at the same time keep the business of the Conference up to schedule is a marvel and speaks wonders for the executive ability of Bishop Lambuth. A unique feature in the way of entertainment was given on Friday afternoon when the entire Conference and the visitors and the delegates to the Woman's Missionary Society—which also held its annual meeting in conjunction with the Conference—were invited to the ranch of Bro. F. M. Mitchell to partake of an old-fashioned "Round-up" barbecue. At four-thirty Friday afternoon thirty autos drew up in front of the church to convey the guests to the ranch house six miles in the country. There were something over one hundred and fifty who made the trip and partook of the repast. Upon our arrival we found the feast ready, consisting of a yearling weighing about 250 pounds dressed, which had been prepared in true cowboy fashion—barbecued, fried and stewed, the latter a sort of Irish stew, very rich and palatable and familiarly known on the ranch as "son of a gun." There were potatoes, frijoles (boiled beans), pancake bread, pickles, coffee, etc. Each stepped up, got his tin plate and spoon, black-handled knife and fork and tin cup and then visited the different "chuck piles" and filled his platter to his liking, both as to kind and quantity, then found the most convenient place to sit down (on the ground) and dispose of the same. We saw the beloved Episcopos working his way out of the crowd gathered around the barbecued beef, with a plate piled full of beef and "son of a gun" in one hand and a cup of genuine black coffee in the other. A few minutes after, looking to see how he was making it, we found him sitting flat on the ground with his back against the barbed wire fence;the "chuck" between his knees and a faraway look in his eyes that seemed to say, "This is the life for me." The very large percentage of the participants were Southerners, who through all the years have bowed in respectful reverence before "Aunt Eliza" and her fried chicken and cornbread, but that day "Aunt Eliza" was dethroned and "Quinteen," our Mexican cook, with his broad smile and flashing eyes, was enthroned in her place. Some day the dear old colored woman may be restored to power, but it will take a long time for our palates to become divorced from the delicious savor of barbecued meat and "son of a gun," a la Quinteen. At six oclock we all took our places in the autos and were whisked back to town for the evening service which was the educational anniversary. Any public speaker can readily anticipate the bright, wide-awake audience that confronted Drs. Bishop, Bennett and Wright. They deported themselves in a very creditable manner, however, and no doubt but the congregation got about as much out of it as they would anyhow, had there been no barbecue feast.

The later hours of the conference were saddened by the news of the "going home" of Dr. C. F. Reid, a man well known and well beloved on the western fields.

You will please pardon this long, rambling letter. I felt that our Carolina people often read about conferences, but did not get an intimate glimpse of this intermediate county nor know of its great opportunities and pleasures.

This week our Pacific Conference will be held; then the Los Angeles and another Conference year will have been closed and another begun all along the far west line of battle.

Bishop Waterhouse, in whose welfare you are all deeply interested, I am sorry to say does not improve as rapidly as we would like. It is not at all likely he will be able to hold any conferences this year.

Fraternal greeting to you and through you to all our friends and brethren of the Western North Carolina Conference.

OUR ANNUAL CONFERENCE IN REIDSVILLE

REV. W. L. SHERRILL, SECRETARY

The Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, organized in 1890 with a clerical membership of a little more than 130 and a lay membership of about 56,000, is now about to enter upon its twenty-sixth year of activity. Its twenty-fifth year will be completed upon the adjournment of the next session which is to convene in Main Street Church, Reidsville, on November 17th.

It seems a long time since this Conference met in Reidsville in 1895—twenty years ago, and varied have been the changes during the two intervening decades.

The 1895 session was presided over by Bishop W. W. Duncan, and of the 180 clerical members then upon the roll I find that 80 of these have died, located or transferred—showing that only a little more than half of the membership then are still upon our roll. But the Conference has grown wonderfully in every way during these twenty years.

Then we had 160 pastoral charges, 180 preachers, and 60,500 members.

Now we have 234 pastoral charges, 258 preachers, and over 100,000 members.

Then we raised $82,000 for ministerial support; about $13,000 for home and foreign missions, and $181,000 for all purposes, while the report shows that last year we raised $202,000 for ministerial support, $45,000 for home and foreign missions, including specials and the total raised for all purposes was $585,000.

Our churches and parsonages in 1895 were valued at $855,000, while their value last year reached a fraction more than three million dollars.

The Sunday school membership has grown from 50,000 to 87,000, while the Epworth League has not kept pace with other departments, for in 1895 we had 3,213 Epworth League members, while the last report gives us only 2,273.

Two thousand, one hundred and fifty infants and 1,641 adults were abptized in 1895, and 1,880 infants and 2,826 adults in 1914.

Three thousand, five hundred and fourteen persons were received on profession of faith in 1895, and 4,927 in 1914.

Now these figures show great progress, for which we are glad. We must, however, remember that everything in North Carolina has gone forward at the same or perhaps greater speed. The commercial activities in all fields of endeavor have increased many hundred fold in the past two decades. The church has surely made substantial progress and been the greatest factor in contributing to and making possible the steady and ever expanding growth of our country.

But enough of the history of the past for this time.

The Conference to meet in Reidsville next month is composed of 258 preachers who are full members of the same, together with 23 preachers who are yet on trial and 25 local preachers serving as supplies and 44 lay delegates, besides 60 laymen who are members of the quadrennial boards, making a total of 410, not including those who may apply this session for admission on trial, or the visitors to the Conference. Of course, all will not attend—the missionaries in foreign fields who hold their membership with us cannot come and many of the superannuates will remain at home and a good number of the lay delegates of the Board will be absent, but there will surely be in attendance from 350 to 400 delegates and preachers. Perhaps a number equal to this will go as visitors, but these will not expect free entertainment.

The Conference members who attended the session in Reidsville twenty years ago will never forget the gracious and cordial hospitality of the people of that good town, and are delighted at the thought of going there again.

Main Sreet Church was practically new in 1895, and the people who attended this year will find it renovated and again enlarged now with all the modern Sunday school conveniences and one of the very best church buildings in the Conference. This improvement at an expenditure of about fifteen thousand dollars has been made under the direction of a wise church builder who is none other than the Rev. W. A. Lambeth, the popular pastor of the church, who knows how to build a church and who will prove before the Conference ends that he knows how to take care of a Conference.

Bishop Waterhouse has been designated by the College of Bishops to preside over this Conference, but his health has been quite feeble for some months and it is hardly expected that he will be able to come from his California home, and the newspapers have published the statement that he has appointed Bishop Lambuth to preside in case he cannot come. Bishop Lambuth is one of the aggressive advocates of and leaders in the work of missions in all Christendom. He was born in the China mission field where his father, the late Rev. J. W. Lambuth, of Mississsippi, labored so well for so many years and the Bishop was one of the first Methodist missionaries to enter Japan for mission work. He was educated at Vanderbilt University and took a special medical course and returned to the Orient where he labored for many years; then he was perhaps ten years missionary secretary until he was elected Bishop at the General Conference which met in Asheville in 1910. Since then he has spent much time in Africa establishing our mission in the dark continent, and his wonderful experiences there read like a second Acts of the Apostles.

The preachers and the laity, too, are beginning to realize that moving time is drawing near, and many of the leading charges will be open on account of the fact that the time limit removes the pastors.

The following preachers have served four years in their present fields: Presiding Elders Cordell and Mann, besides C. M. Carpenter, R. S. Howie, T. F. Marr, J. E. Woosley, G. D. Herman, Seymour Taylor, R. D. Sherrill, A. R. Surratt, W. H. Willis, Parker Holmes, W. T. Albright, J. W. Moore, W. T. Usry, W. M. Biles, D. R. Proffit, C. M. Short, A. W. Plyler, W. L. Hutchins and E. L. Bain.

The removal of these brethren will necessitate the removal of others who would not otherwise have to move.

Since last Conference four faithful preachers have died, viz.: A. E. Wiley, W. G. Mallonee, S. S. Gasque and J. F. England. Besides these a good layman, J. S. Martin, of Shelby, who has ever since the Conference was organized in 1890 been the president of the Joint Board of Finance has died, and Mrs. T. F. Marr, an elect lady and one of the leading workers in the Woman's Society has also died.

The memorial service this year will consider the lives and services of these sainted ones.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

TO ALL SUBSCRIBERS AND CUSTOMERS

Our fiscal year ends with October. Our annual report must be based on the status of business as it will appear November 1st. It is not too late for you to get your remittance for renewal or balance due on account to us before that date. How many will be kind enough to sit right down now and attend to this? Statements have been sent you. A good many have accounts that have been standing on the books for months. Why not let us have this today? We will be thankful to you and you will have large share in the joy occasioned by this thoughtfulness. Try it, won't you?

Address, Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. J. H. Green is holding revival services for Rev. C. F. Sherrill and his congregation at Main Street church, Salisbury. Prof. Rudd Newsome is leading the singing.

—Our readers will learn with deep regret of the serious illness of Hon. Robert L. Daughton, Congressman from the eighth district, at his home at Laurel Springs, in Alleghany county. The latest reports indicate only slight improvement.

—A movement was started in this city last week for the erection of another dormitory on the campus of Greensboro College for Women to cost about $30,000, and with accommodation for about 70 more students. The growth of the student body it seems makes this imperative.

—Rev. G. T. Rowe, D. D., pastor of Wesley Memorial church, High Point, has just closed a very fruitful meeting at High Point. Dr. Rowe did the preaching himself and we understand the results are quite large.

—Prof. W. K. Gibbs, who cut out tobacco raising many years ago, has no regrets for the step. He is now turning out from one hundred to one hundred and fifty gallons each day of the most delicious syrup for which he finds a ready market. The 'Squire learned his lesson long ago.—Reidsville Review.

—Rev. H. H. Jordan was with Rev. W. M. Robbins in revival services at Brevard last week, and we understand the meeting continues this week also. The weather was quite unfavorable, but the interest was increasing late last week.

— We regret to learn that Mr. Marvin L. Cornwell, son of Mr. C. C. Cornwell, has been quite ill at Lenoir, where he recently submitted to a surgical operation for appendicitis. The latest report indicates that he is in a more hopeful condition.

—The Advocate joins the ministerial brotherhood of Greensboro in expressions of sympathy for Rev. R. M. Andrews, pastor of Grace Methodist Protestant church, in the great sorrow which has come to him on account of the death of his mother, Mrs. Martha J. Andrews, who passed to her reward at her home in Burlington last week at 80 years of age.

—We have learned with regret that Rev. J. W. Jones has found it necessary to give up the work of Race Street, Statesville, on account of his health. He has returned to Mooresville and Rev. A. P. Ratledge, who recently graduated at Emory University, will be in charge till Conference.

—A copy of the Carolina Arcanian, published at Wilmington, came to our desk last week with a splendid picture of our old friend, Mr. Jno. R. Paddison, of Mount Airy. Brother Paddison is an enthusiastic Arcanian as well as a deep-dyed-in-the-wool Methodist. He has represented Renfro Council in every Grand Council session since 1896, and has served as the Grand Council Chaplain three terms.

—A marriage of interest to many Advocate readers occurred at the Sulphur Springs parsonage, near Candler, on Tuesday evening, October 12th, when Miss Masetta Duckworth, of Acton, became the bride of Mr. Jas. D. Ray, of Asheville. The bride had many friends in this section and was an active member of our church. Mr. Ray holds a position in Asheville and they will make Asheville their home. The ceremony was performed by Rev. T. A. Groce, in the presence of members of the family and a few close friends.

—Miss Blanche Dawson, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. W. L. Dawson, was happily married on Thursday evening of last week to Mr. Arthur K. Moore, of Greensboro. The ceremony took place in the Friends meeting house at Guilford College and was performed by Rev. W. L. Dawson, father of the bride. The Advocate joins in hearty good wishes for this happy young couple.

—The friends of Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Abernethy, of Monroe, will be grieved to learn of the serious illness of their son, Oscar, who was carried to the Charlotte Sanitarium for treatment some weeks ago. He was quite ill at their home in Monroe for some two or three weeks before he was taken to the Sanitarium. The parents are now watching by his bedside. Many prayers are going up in behalf of the young man.

—Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Pattillo announces the engagement of her daughter, Sarah Eudora, to Rev. John Wesley Bennett, of Greensboro, North Carolina. The marriage will be solemnized October 27th, at Billingsley, Alabama.—*Alabama Christian Advocate.* Brother Bennett was among the graduates at Trinity College at last commencement, and has been doing supply work since that time in the North Carolina Conference. He is among the applicants for admission in the Western North Carolina Conference this year. The Advocate joins in expressions of congratulation.

—The Statesville Landmark says: "There has been some controversy, as The Landmark's readers will remember, about Rock Spring camp ground. An attempt was made to stop the holding of camp meetings there, which failed. Suit has been filed in Lincoln county Superior Court to determine the ownership of the property. The members of the quarterly conference of Rock Spring circuit are the plaintiffs and the trustees of the camp ground defendants. Hon. W. D. Turner and Mr. Dorman Thompson, of Statesville, are attorneys for the plaintiffs and Mr. W. C. Feimster, of Newton, and others, represent the defendants.

—Rev. Z. Paris, pastor of our church in Lincolnton, has had remarkable success in his work this year and the people speak in high terms of his work. It is understood that there will be no swapping there. The local paper in a recent issue says: "The Methodist church of this city is understood to have secured an option on the Rudisill lot, opposite the News office. While it has not been definitely decided to buy this property, the quarterly conference at its last meeting voted as favoring the buying of this property for a church home. The plans are for the erection of a handsome new Methodist church on this property in the future, should the plans mature. It is understood that the Methodist congregation has outgrown its present church building and there is a need for a larger building."

—Many of our readers will learn with interest of the marriage of Miss Ruth Abernethy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Abernethy, of Hickory, and Mr. Dan. Chatham, of Winston-Salem, which occurred at the home of the bride's parents on Saturday, October 23rd, Rev. Dr. J. L. Murphy, pastor of the bride, performing the ceremony. Miss Abernethy was educated at Salem Academy, and has many friends among our readers. Mr. Chatham is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Chatham, of Elkin, and is an electrical engineer, of Winston-Salem. Blessings upon these young people.

—We had the pleasure of spending a few hours on Friday of last week with Rev. C. M. Pickens, pastor of our churchh in Spencer. Spencer is one of our most interesting towns, and this is one of our most interesting and important pastoral charges. These railroad men and their families are big-hearted folks, and they stand by the church and her institutions. Our readers will be glad to know that Mrs. Pickens, who has been in the hospital for treatment several weeks, is improving nicely and they hope to have her home this week.

—The city of Greensboro, as well as a large circle of acquaintances throughout the state, were greatly shocked on last Saturday evening, by the news of the tragic death of Mr. R. C. Hood, which occurred some six miles east of the city late in the afternoon. Mr. Hood was out hunting with a number of his friends, and in attempting to cross a wire fence his gun was discharged, killing him instantly. He was one of the most prominent men of the city and will be greatly missed. When a mere boy, while living in Raleigh, Mr. Hood worked for some time in the Advocate office.

—Our most gracious apologies are due and hereby tendered to our good old friend, Mr. J. B. Sherrill, of the Concord Times, for our recent breach of editorial courtesy in publishing extracts from Bishop Kilgo's sermons, without informing the public that we were indebted for these extracts to the very excellent reports given these sermons in the Times. Not seeing Brother Sherrill's just complaint some two or three weeks ago, our attention has just been called to it and we hasten to apologize. Brother Sherrill has always been one of our best editorial neighbors and we desire no breach with him.

Shelby Circuit.—We are having a great revival at our handsome little brick church in South Shelby. Sunday night about twenty conversions. Monday night ten or more. Several reclamations. Rev. Will Rollins, a local preacher from Belwood charge, is assisting me. Although young in life and in the ministry, his preaching would do credit to more experienced ministers and more matured minds. All these conversions were at the altar, and are of the genuine kind.

The Baracas and Philatheas and the Sunday school have built a beautiful brick annex to our church and seated the same with nice chairs, assumed a small debt on the church, the whole amounting to $1150 or more, and are carrying the same in weekly shares in Building and Loan and have the whole secured.

Dr. Scroggs is in fine health and on his job.

A. J. Burrus.

Dobson Circuit.—We are closing our second year's service on this circuit and have no room for regret for the time spent with this people.

We began our first revival meeting at Dobson in March and continued ten days; our second at Old Siloam in April, continuing two weeks; our third at Pleasant Ridge the fourth Sunday in July which lasted one week; the fourth at Siloam the second Sunday in August and closed Friday night following; the fifth at Stony Knoll August 3rd, Sunday, and closed the following Sunday; the sixth at the Brush Arbor, August, 4th, Sunday, lasted one week; the seventh at Rockford the third Sunday in October, continuing till the next Sunday. As we total the results of these meetings, there have been about 90 conversions and 58 accessions to the charge. In connection with these conversions, a number of persons were reclaimed and also good revivals of religion in most of the churches. With all this done, we have nothing to boast of, but we do rejoice that the good Lord has blessed the efforts put forth. To Him be all the praise.

Soon we will meet in Annual Conference at Reidsville. Fraternally,

J. G. W. Holloway, P. C.

Troutman Circuit.—I have just closed my last, the eighth, meeting, two of which I have not reported, the one at Wesley's Chapel and the other at Vanderburg. While we had gracious results at Wesley's Chapel in the winter, there were no professions of faith to be tabulated, the only such meeting that I have held this year. There were five accessions, with four more applications for membership.

The greatest victory was noted at Vanderburg. Here were 60 professions of faith, with 29 accessions. The greatest victory of all of my

ministry occurred here. It was on Sunday night after having good results during the past week. A tremendous throng was present. My faith was never before equal to a Sunday crowd in a protracted meeting. We usually expect little and get less. I was impressed with the situation. I pointed out the difficulty to my people—telling them that God was greater than all that. I rallied them, as best I could. We took hold of the matter with faith in God and purpose of heart, and with the best work we could do, and the result was 28 professions of faith at God's altar. If I am in the ministry 23 years more I cannot expect a greater victory. There were twenty-five personal workers. Thus and again God has set his seal on Vanderburg.

For this year I record 291 professions of faith—nine in the homes—with 159 accessions, with others to come in; 544 visits. I have administered the sacrament regularly, placed in the churches the committees indicated by the Discipline, and, withal, the best year of my ministry. With prayer and purpose of heart, I hope to have a good financial report.

Very truly, Joseph J. Eads.

Mooresville.—I suppose when there are encouraging things to report they should be reported for the benefit of all concerned. First, then, we have just closed a blessed revival meeting at Fair View on Mooresville circuit. The professions of faith number 65 or more, but one of the things that most impressed me was that almost everyone, as soon as converted, turned personal worker, even to little girls and bare-foot boys. Children were earnestly pleading with children to give their hearts to God. And not only did they lead their little friends to the altar but stayed with them, pleading and praying until they were blessed. One father was converted in his home with his little children praying for him. One young man was converted at the home of his best friend, while she was pleading with him to give his heart to God. One of the best workers in the meeting was reclaimed, a few nights before this meeting commenced, in the church yard where a few of his friends, journeying with him, halted him for prayer. There amid prayer and song and entreaty toward the midnight hour he gave his heart to God.

I feel that the best thing that can be said about this meeting is that the Spirit of God had charge of it and carried it along His own way in large degree. As the word of God was being given (and the preaching that had the most effect was just the Bible word) now and then some of the very best workers in the church would be found kneeling at the altar, cut to the heart by the searching word of God, and crying to Him for full deliverance and complete victory in their own hearts.

In the order of the Spirit there was seemingly complete disorder at times, pleading, praying, shouting, some kneeling, some standing, etc., all at the same time. I had never seen it on this fashion. I am helped.

There is another encouraging thing that the Lord has led us into that I report here for the benefit of any country pastor who may desire to act on the suggestion. Early in the spring the children of the charge were organized into missionary clubs. The little boys and girls and infants were enrolled in poultry clubs, each to furnish the price of one chicken to missions; and the larger little boys were enrolled in corn clubs, each planting one ear of corn, to give the proceeds to missions. The results will be gratifying according to the present outlook. There are several features about this that are beneficial; first, the amount of money the children turn in for missions (in this case, $100.00 or more); second, the training the child gets in the giving; third, inducing older people to give more. Other features are pleasure for the child, etc.

For all these encouragements the praise be unto the Giver of every good and perfect gift.

J. T. Ratledge.

A Pounding, Etc.

On Friday night, October 15th, the parsonage here was visited by a crowd, from Walnut Cove and its environs, laden with provisions such as flour, sugar, coffee, rice, potatoes, oatmeal, salt, soap, soda, and many other useful articles too numerous to mention. After depositing their loads, we repaired to the parlor, read a lesson from Psalm 103, and engaged in prayer, then the crowd remained and we enjoyed a short time in social intercourse, after which they withdrew and left us grateful and happy.

Three of the churches of the circuit have also recently contributed toward the purchase of a fine new top-buggy. The ones contributing are Walnut Cove (Stokesburg), Palmyra, and Pine Hall. The other churches will, perhaps, still contribute their part to meet the unpaid balance on it. We are indeed grateful for these kind tokens of appreciation. We have added about forty members this year. It has been a year of arduous labors, but the Lord has been with us.

E. J. Poe, P. C.

A Note of Thanks

Dear Brother Blair:

It is well nigh impossible to acknowledge all the expressions of sympathy that have come to us in this hour of trial. Allow us to do so through the Advocate. God only knows the comfort they brought. Any effort to express our appreciation must needs be clumsy. We have had fellowship in our suffering and it has made the burden lighter.

T. F. Marr, and Family.

Missionary Notes from Field Secretary

Fines Creek Ct., E. M. Avett, P. C.—Pine Grove, $40.25 on assessments; Panther Creek, $12.25 on assessments; Laurel Hill, $6.00 on assessments. Brother Avett has organized a new class at Wilkins Creek with sixteen members—twelve on profession of faith.

Returning from Fines Creek in Brother Avett's automobile, with him as driver, we stopped a few minutes to pay our respects to that princely layman, Brother Riley M. Ferguson, who generously handed me a check for $50.00 for a needed Conference Mission Special.

I am writing these notes from the Creston circuit, where I began October 20th a systematic canvas of the eight churches for the Conference assessments. I will speak eight times at Sutherlands. Brother Hickman hopes to secure all assessments in full with a good margin for the Jefferson School.

In the gathering of assessments in full, brethren, please do not overlook where due, subscriptions to Paine College, and also the Conference Mission Emergency Fund.

A Well Deserved Pounding

But this time it was not a preacher who received it. It was an estimable old lady, who has been a Dorcas in her community, and one who is loved by all who know her. We refer to Mrs. D. A. Edmonson (Aunt Dianna), of Guilford College, N. C., who lives near Muir's Chapel. The good ladies of the community, remembering that Saturday, October 16th, was the day that Aunt Dianna was seventy-two years old, decided to surprise her, which they did very effectually. At four o'clock in the evening they marched in upon her, carrying not only an elegant supper, but supplies to last for some time. At the proper time supper was spread on the lawn and after prayer by Mrs. Holiday they all proceeded to eat, drink, and be merry. Just as supper was being ended a ton of coal put in its appearance as the compliments of the Boren Brothers. Mrs. Lee S. Smith, as spokeslady for Aunt Dianna, in a few happy remarks, expressed thanks to the audience for their kind remembrance. Mrs. Clegg offered another prayer and the ladies each went home feeling glad, and leaving Aunt Dianna rejoicing to know how they all loved her.

W. L. Dawson.

Conference Brotherhood

Assessment No. 14.—This assessment was called for on the first day of October, 1915, on account of the death of Rev. J. F. England. The funds of it will be retained in bank for the purpose of paying the next claim. Those paying the assessment since my last report are as follows: F. L. Townsend, R. M. Courtney, W. H. Willis, E. G. Pusey, J. O. Ervin, E. P. Stabler, J. W. Jones, J. P. Hipps, A. W. Jacobs, M. B. Stokes, J. R. Moose, J. F. Usrey, W. E. Abernethy, J. H. Weaver, H. K. Boyer, M. T. Steele, T. B. Johnson, W. A. Lambeth, S. Taylor, J. T. Stover, G. C. Brinkman, W. M. Curtis, W. L. Dawson, W. F. Sandford, J. F. Kirk, J. G. W. Holloway, J. B. Craven, J. H. Green, G. H. Christenberry, A. S. Raper, D. Atkins, S. T. Barber, D. R. Proffitt, A. G. Loftin, W. I. Hughes, T. J. Ogburn, W. F. Elliott, J. E. Gay, R. E. Hunt, J. H. Robertson, C. A. Wood, E. M. Hoyle, P. L. Terrell, P. L. Shore. C. M. Pickens, Sec.-Treas.

Spencer, N. C.

CONFERENCE NOTICES

Meeting of Presiding Elders

Bishop Lambuth desires to meet the presiding elders at Reidsville on Tuesday before the Conference, November 16th.

J. H. Weaver.

Even Dollars in Pastors' Reports

Even dollars on all items in every pastor's report at Conference. So the General Conference recommends and so our Secretary requests the pastors to do. It is a great saving of time and labor to the secretaries to make these reports without the odd cents.

W. R. Ware.

"A Plan for Better Support For Our Superannuates and Other Conference Claimants"

The above is the title of a most excellent and thoughtful article by Rev. R. M. Taylor in the Advocate of September 23rd. Did you read it? If you did not, look it up and read it carefully. It is worth your while. It is coming before the Conference at Reidsville for our action. Be ready to act wisely and intelligently.

W. R. Ware.

On the Shelf

There are 640 copies of our Hand Book for 1915 on the shelf in our Publishing House. They ought to have been sold last January. The people need them. What are our pastors doing?

A. D. Betts.

NOTE AND COMMENT

(*Continued from Page* 3)

the advance of the French, who are being closely followed by the British, has already caused the retirement of the Bulgars toward Strumitsa.

The first desire of the Germans, however, is to open a route through northeastern Serbia and Bulgaria to Turkey and this is on the eve of being accomplished.

On the other hand, military writers here do not believe that the position of Serbia is so desperate as has been painted. It is serious, of course, but they claim the Serbians can hold out for weeks in the many natural defensive positions in the mountains, that, with the Quadruple Powers carrying out their determination to help Serbia by rushing reinforcements to Saloniki and other points, the Bulgars will have an extremely warm reception and that the Germans and Turks, being fully occupied elsewhere, will not be able to send them much help.

* * * *

Our Fraternal Greetings to the Presbyterian Synod of North Carolina, now in its one hundred and second session at Gastonia. These men represent one of the finest and most sturdy elements in the social and religious life of our state, and we take great delight in noting their steady growth and prosperity.

* * * *

The Cotton Crop of the present year, though less than last year's crop by 2,000,000 bales, is said to be worth at least $375,000,000, more than the crop of last year. This being true and other crops of unprecedented abundance being harvested and prices ranging high, there should be no reason why this country can not prosper financially during the next year. It is to be hoped that the wage scale will be restored where such has not already been done. And let the Lord's people be sure to "bring all the tithes into the storehouse, that His work may not suffer.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

HAVE THINE OWN WAY, LORD

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!
Thou art the potter; I am the clay.
Mould me and make me after Thy will,
While I am waiting yielded and still.

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!
Search me and try me, Master, today!
Whiter than snow, Lord, wash me just now,
As in Thy presence humbly I bow.

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!
Wounded and weary, help me, I pray!
Power—all power—surely is Thine!
Touch me and heal me, Saviour divine!

Have Thine own way, Lord! Have Thine own way!
Hold o'er my being absolute sway!
Fill with Thy Spirit till all shall see
Christ only, always living in me!

—Selected.

Your editor is having the great privilege, with hundreds of other Ashevillians, of attending the Tabernacle meetings in this city, conducted by Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman, of New York. These services are being attended by great throngs of people daily, and with the strong, forceful, earnest preaching of Dr. Chapman; the splendid singing of a choir of 300 voices, under the capable leadership of Mr. Alexander; the soul-stirring vocal solos by Mr. Brown, accompanied by the skilled pianist, Mr. Barraclough, augmented by the personal work of those interested in the salvation of others, this meeting will, we predict, mean a great deal to Asheville. The above beautiful prayer hymn is taken from one of the songs used by the revivalists while in this city.

NEW ORGANIZATIONS

Adult Society, Horseshoe, N. C., with the following officers: President, Mrs. J. O. Johnson; first vice-president, Miss Sue Cannon; second vice-president, Mrs. W. E. Brown; recording secretary, Miss Bessie Lee Allen; corresponding secretary, Miss Nellie Allen; treasurer, Mrs. Charles Duncan; superintendent mission study and publicity, Mrs. Carrie Osborne; superintendent social service, Mrs. H. F. Johnson; agent Voice, Miss Laura Brown; assistant agent Voice, Miss Sue Duncan. P. O. address of all officers, Horseshoe, N. C.

Adult Society, Avery's Creek—Mrs. George Glenn, Arden, N. C., president. The names of the other officers not available at this time.

A WORD FROM OUR TREASURER

Two hundred and seventy-three days already gone in our missionary year.

Three hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars of our budget already due and payable.

How much have you sent the treasurer?

Are your dues and pledges paid to date?

Won't you pray and pay your way to the answer, "I will pay my vows now?"

Dear Women of the Conference:—

The above are the facts called to our attention by the Council officers at the close of the third quarter. Almost another thirty days have passed, and I am afraid that very few societies, or even individuals, can say that all claims are paid up to date.

The receipts for the first three quarters are encouraging in that they show an increase over the figures for the corresponding period of last year. They are quite discouraging if we compare the amount paid with the amount set for our goal. You will remember that at the annual meeting in Charlotte we planned that we would raise a pledge of $15,000.00 and that we would bring our total receipts to $25,000.00. We have now paid on pledge, $4,955.84. Our total receipts to date are $10,453.83; not one-half the money but the time more than three-fourths gone. I am well aware that we always do our best work in the last quarter, and I am looking for large returns when the fourth quarter reports come in. But let not any one be too confident of victory and rest upon her oars. Let each auxiliary and each member—for in the final analysis it is a personal matter—get on her mettle and work and pray and pay as she has never done before, for it is going to take a long pull, a strong pull and a pull altogether to bring us up to our annual meeting in Greensboro with a clean sheet.

I want to say just a word for the Scarritt Endowment Fund. Very little has so far been sent in on this fund, and I trust every auxiliary will see to it that a donation is made to this cause this quarter. Also see that all the members pay the Conference and retirement funds. The money for these is very much needed.

Finally, let us all keep in our heart of hearts the knowledge that it is not what WE can do, but what HE can do in us.

Mrs. P. N. Peacock, Treas.
Salisbury, N. C.

A SUGGESTION

From one of our livest, most wide-awake district secretaries, Miss Daisy Cuthbertson, of Charlotte, we have a suggestion with which we most heartily concur. Realizing the value of mission study to her district, Miss Cuthbertson has been most enthusiastic in her efforts to organize classes, and her results have been most gratifying. Having had calls from some of the smaller auxiliaries for mission study books to be loaned them, she suggests that some plan be formulated by which these books may be available to the district secretaries to be loaned to these societies that need them, but with their other many and varied calls, feel unable to purchase these books. Could not larger societies throughout our Conference that have finished a course of study send their books to their district secretary that she may use them in her district? In other words, may we not establish a loan department and thus further the work of organization of classes for mission study in our conference? Of course these books would be under the supervision of our district secretaries and would not be loaned only to one secretary, but passed from one to another. What do you think of this plan? Which district outside of Charlotte, Miss Cuthbertson's own district, will fall into the plan as suggested—be the first to join our loan department?

We have instances in our Conference where many of our auxiliaries have already given their books to other auxiliaries; others have sold them at half-price, and a few others loaned them, but we feel that this plan would be the very best thing for us at this time. Let our auxiliaries see if they cannot help us out in this, one of the greatest and most important departments of our woman's work—the department of mission study and publicity.

THE WEEK OF PRAYER

Mrs. R. W. MacDonnell

November 7-13 has been fixed as the Week of Prayer and Self-Denial for the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. It is now more than a third of a century since the love and loyalty of the Southern Methodist women for our Lord Jesus Christ found an expression in the establishment of schools, Bible-teaching centers, hospitals, and social and religious settlements in the waste and strange places of our own country and among our people of other nations and races who knew Him not. With a holy enthusiasm they have wrought these many years.

To awaken the masses of women who do not care, and to quicken the zeal of those already committed, many devices have been created. Educational campaigns showing human needs and spiritual poverty have been conducted and campaigns for enlargement of membership and increase of auxiliaries have been launched.

The most successful means for generating this interest has been the Week of Prayer and Self-Denial. Annually for more than thirty-seven years thousands of women have lifted their voices in petitions, for the records tell us that it resulted in a church revival at one place.

The programs for this season have been carefully prepared; for the success of such a season depends upon clear, well-wrought plans.

It has been found that moneys were more easily raised when specific objects were presented. Indeed the Week of Prayer collections have made possible the beginning of home mission schools, as the regular funds were specially directed and until the General Conference changed constitutional lines these could not be used for schools. Most of the buildings erected during these last ten years have been financed through the Week of Prayer.

Since the union of the foreign and home societies the Week of Prayer has been jointly observed, though distinct collections have been taken. Now that we have organic union the fields of study and the moneys are one. The opening of work in Japan by the Woman's Department was conditioned upon a collection for this field at this season. To harmonize the subjects the Oriental work in the United States is to be maintained this year through the collections of the Week of Prayer.

Nine thousand dollars is appropriated and we cannot fail to collect more than double this amount. Let us plan wisely for this season. Get our households in readiness, so that we may give much time to the meetings. And above all else, may we hold our hearts in readiness for the personal message that He would send at this time.

MISSIONS A BIG BUSINESS

The foreign missionary enterprise has grown until it is a tremendous world-wide business in which over twenty-four thousand men and women missionaries are engaged and for which the Protestant churches of Christendom contribute annually over thirty million dollars. Of this total fully one-half comes from the United States which has come to be recognized as the most important single factor in the world-wide extension of the Christian faith.

A native church of nearly three millions of members has been built up, with four million or more adherents. About six thousand of these natives have been prepared by long courses of training for the Christian ministry and are now ordained pastors of their own people. But from every field there are calls for great advances. The missionaries abroad believe that their total force should probably be doubled in order to meet worthily the present opportunity.—Missionary Intelligencer.

OUR GREATEST WORK

Prayer is the greatest work that God lets us do. To pray is to summon and use the working power, the omnipotence of God himself. Mr. Frost, of the China Inland Mission, in a forthcoming book on "Men Who Prayed," after pointing out that the man who prays is the most potential man in the world, and that what we need most is prayer, adds: "And what is necessary to obtain prayer is to secure men who will pray—not men who will think about prayer or talk about prayer or will purpose some time or other to take time for prayer, but who will now and continually pray." Our belief in the power of prayer may be unbounded, but it accomplishes nothing until we pray. Are we faithful today to the greatest work that God has laid upon us?—Sunday School Times.

GOOD MONEY is being made daily by Opticians who have been trained to
FIT EYEGLASSES RIGHT
We can teach you how. Attendance or mail courses. Write today for catalog,
NORTHERN ILLINOIS COLLEGE OF OPHTHALMOLOGY
G. W. McFatrich, M. D., Pres., Masonic Temple, Chicago, Ill.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS ON PRAYER

"Prayer is to the missionary work what air is to the body."

"Unless the church is simply full of prayer, men will be tempted to forget God and will try to do God's work in their own way."

"Prayer puts God first. It reminds us that He is the Supreme Worker. It reminds us also that only as we follow the line of His will can we have true success."

"He who embraces in his prayer the widest circle of his fellow creatures is most in sympathy with the mind of God."

"Prayer not only illuminates the word, but lights up the world."

"We get no further and move no faster than we pray."

"The neglect of prayer by the church at home means defeat at the front of battle."

"Nothing lies beyond the reach of prayer except that which lies outside the will of God."

"He cannot pray aright for missions who will not take the pains to discover Go's thoughts about them."

"Appeals to God will man the fields more quickly and more efficiently than appeals to man."

"The supreme need of the day seems to be a consecrated stewardship empowered by prayer."

"If those at home are cold and dead, not pushing out the warm life blood of sympathy and prayer and sacrifice, the hands will be palsied and the knees feeble. Only when the watchers on the mountain top sustained Moses' hands in prayer was the army victorious at the front."

"Will you today lay hold of the mighty power of prayer for the awakening of His church and the coming of His kingdom?"

HIDING THEIR LIGHT

There are three classes of men in every community whose influence for good is negligible. They may be "good" men but they are "good for nothing" as far as the work of the kingdom goes.

The first class is composed of the men in the churches who do their work by proxy. They are willing to contribute to the cause of Christ the influence of their name and sometimes the additional influence of their money but they are utterly unwilling to give themselves to the work of solving the problems that confront the church. These men are numerous, so numerous indeed that they probably constitute a majority of the men in our churches. They believe in Jesus Christ; they live honorable and correct lives; they are generous in their way; but they are unwilling to perform yeoman service. The indifference of the gifted men in a church is enough to break the heart of a devoted pastor. Dr. Jefferson suggests that for a thousand years Rome has fostered the delusion that the priest is God's representative, and that the work of the church is the business of the clergy. Let this pernicious heresy be exploded, and let the layman recognize that every problem of the church will be solved when they realize that Christianity demands all that there is in a man.

Another group of good men who are good for nothing in the work of the kingdom, is composed of those who

(Continued on page 15)

Epworth League Department

Conducted by Miss A. Stanly Hall, Hickory, N. C.

NEW EPWORTH LEAGUE AT CENTRAL, ASHEVILLE

At a meeting of several of the Sunday school workers of the Central Methodist church, held at the church recently, an Epworth League chapter was organized. The following officers were elected to serve for the first term: president, Eugene Ward; vice president, Dandall Harris; secretary, Miss Margaret Mathis; treasurer, Miss Thelma Smathers; organist, Miss Sarah Orr; corresponding secretary, Miss Evelyn Whitaker; superintendent first department, Roy Glenn; superintendent s cond department, Miss Kathleen Erwin; superintendent third department, Miss Susie Hunter; superintendent fourth department, Miss Emma Roberts; Epworth Era agent, Newey Cline.

REPORTS AT CONFERENCE

Only three officers and three district secretaries were present.

President Bain's Report

The Conference last year met at Lake Junaluska, with three officers and a very few delegates present.

Much progress has been made in the past year and there are Leagues in most of the centers of influence now: Mt. Airy, Elkin; Centenary and West End, Winston; West Market St., Greensboro; new life has been taken on at First Church, Salisbury, and Leagues are being organized at Tryon St., Charlotte, and Central Church, Asheville. Spencer has a Camp of Knights of Ezelah. The leading preachers of the Conference are beginning to appreciate the League.

Editor, Miss Stanly Hall

No report other than the weekly page in the Advocate.

Treasurer, Rev. C. M. Pickens

Conference Funds

Nov. 1, 1914, on hand	$ 5.19
Received on 5c assessment	6.50
Disbursements	1.16
Balance on hand	$10.53

African Special

Receipts

Dilworth, Charlotte	$10.03
Pilot Mountain	5.00
Mt. Holly	7.50
Mt. Zion	10 00
	$32.52

Disbursements

For printing and postage	5.15
Balance	$27.38

Children's Home Fund

Amount on hand	$368.45
Interest on above	47.65
	$416.10

The above amount was paiid to Walter Thompson, Superintendent of the Children's Home, for furnishings for the Cornelius Building at the Home.

H. E. Walter, district secretary of the Asheville district, reported: Haywood Street still active and nine new League organized at Central, Ashe-Leagues organized at Central, Asheville, this week. The following Leagues now in working condition: Haywood St., Asheville, Sr., 86 members; Chestnut St., Asheville, Sr., 62 members; Chestnut St., Asheville, Jr., 50 members; West Asheville, Sr., 30 members; West Asheviille, Jr., 20 members; Biltmore, Sr., 30 members; Biltmore, Jr., 25 members; Montmorencie, Candler, Sr., 56 members; Acton, Sr., 47 members; Hendersonville, Sr.; Saluda, Sr., 30 members; Weaverville, Sr., 16 members; Tweeds chapel, Fletchers, Sr., 30 members; Canton, Sr., 35 members; Fairview, Sr.; Central, Asheville, Sr.

A District Union organized. Most of the Leagues were represented at meeting, fifty-four delegates being present. Expects to have a Leauge on Elk Mountain circuit and at Bethel church soon. Will soon have a League in every charge. Will attempt great things for God and expect great things of God.

Charlotte District (Secretary not present)—No work done by district secretary. Several Leagues in Charlotte and several country Leagues.

Greensboro District (Secretary not present)—One League at West Market St., Greensboro.

Morganton District (Secretary not present)—League at Morganton represented.

Shelby District, Miss Della Nolen—Senior League at West End, Gastonia, 35 members; Senior League, Cherryville, 32 members; Junior League, Main St., Gastonia, 50 members; Senior League, Lincolnton, 60 members; Senior League, Mt. Holly, 50 members.

Salisbury District (Secretary not present)—League at First church, Salisbury.

Statesville District (Secretary not present)—Leagues at Newton and Statesville. New Leagues recently organized at Bethel church, West Hickory and Snow Creek, near Statesville.

Winston District, F. T. Scarborough—Leagues at Centenary, Grace, Liberty and West End, Winston. Secretary has been living in Greensboro most of the year.

Other districts not represented.

REPORTS OF LOCAL CHAPTERS

Asheville District

Haywood Street—Has never been inactive, but has prospered to wonderful extent. Takes part in the revivals and has a revival every day in the year. Has secret prayer circles. Has 86 members seventy-five per cent. of whom are active in church work. Has one ministerial student. Secret service department has made 260 visits and six mission study classes have been conducted. The Council meets every month and each officer hands in a written report, or pays a fine of 25 cents. Raised $30 for missions; all other objects, $52.00; Benevolences, $200.00; total, $282.00.

Chestnut Street—Organized August 8th, 1915, with 35 members; now has 62 members. Has charge of North Asheville mission work, conducting Sunday school each Sunday afternoon and prayer meeting each Thursday night. Has a Girls' Club. Relief committee very active. Has carried out special program and studied the handbook earnestly. Has "Jesus Christ as our foundation."

Weaverville—Organized in September. Has 16 members, three of whom are ministerial students.

Charlotte District

Brevard Street, Charlotte—Has been doing some good work. Counts among its members ten volunteers for mission work and one candiate for the ministry.

Belmont Park, Charlotte—Has 85 members, 75 of whom are active. Held 37 devotional and 6 social meetings during year. Has 6 volunteers for mission work and two candidates for the ministry.

Prospect, Prospect Ct.—30 members. Has conducted a reading class.

Bethlehem, Prospect Ct.—Organized for fifteen months. 45 members. One candidate for ministry.

Greensboro District

West Market Street, Greensboro, had a splendid written report, as follows in part:—60 members; increase of 12 this year. Meetings held on Monday night, bringing each department into prominence. Business every fifth Monday night. New members mav be received at any meeting. Each department doing good work. $74.40 raised ducring year, $25 of which was paid on African Special. (Wish we had space for report in full.)

Morganton District

Morganton—New League with 35 members. "Working for Christ and for ourselves." Meeting on Monday night. Meeting held in an "upper chamber" one night with ten present. Everybody testified and took part in sentence prayer.

Salisbury District

First Church, Salisbury—Organized in January. Working for spirituality. One volunteer for mission work. Meet Sunday night.

Knights of Ezelah, Spencer—Organized in November, 1914, with 20 members. Now has over 50. Are doing good work and having lots of fun. Raised for missions, $6.60; other objects, $8.05; total, $14.65. (This was a splendid report and we wish you all could have heard it. It is impossible to give it on paper.)

Shelby District

Main Street, Gastonia—A good written report as follows in part:—50 members, 15 per cent. increase over last year; 60 per cent. active in church work. Total amount raised, $47.50. Have had meetings regularly. Devotional meetings on Sunday evening and two social meetings on first and third Friday nights. Fourth Friday night business meeting. Study classes lead by pastor. Studying "Methodist Armor"—found both profitable and interesting. Had a lecture by Dr. Sam Steele in court house. Plan to have more literature next year. Sent Miss Della Nolen, our district secretary, to the Institute at Junaluska this summer. Conducted service at County Home.

West End, Gastonia—Organized in January. 35 members, of whom 20 are active in church work. Done active church work. Helped care for a widow and seven children. One Leaguer walked several miles through the mud to tell pastor of death of one of the children. Helped organize a Sunday school in a country church. Pastor uses motorcycle to carry his Leaguers to his country churches. A working League, which has a pastor who is interested in the work.

Winston District

Centenary, Winston—Organized in November. Now has 36 members. Has monthly business meetings and council meetings. All four departments active. Raised $25.00 for "African Special," and $15 for other object. Total, $40.00.

Grace and Liberty Churches—Grace League has 43 members and collected for missions, $7.97. Liberty League has 50 members and collected for missions and Children's Home, $13.00. These are Junior Leagues. Have regular meetings and all departments do their part of the work. Helping support a native missionary in India.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

Report of Nominating Committee already given.

Committee on Courtesies—"In the name of the Epworth League Assembly we wish to express to our host, Rev. C. M. Pickens, our appreciation for the time and interest he has so generously given, under trying conditions.

To the Knights of Ezelah we are indebted for many courtesies, beginning with our arrival. May each of these Knights grow into a Christian gentleman of the highest order.

To the thoughtful ones who by the artistic decorations and symbolic flowers made our meeting place so attractice, we owe special thanks.

We shall always remember the splendid cordiality and hospitality of the people of Spencer and the pleasant hours spent in their homes.

For all the helpful and inspiring sermons, planned for our good and pleasure, we are most grateful.

Not even the business sessions have been tedious for the genial, bright spirit of our presiding officer has permitted many moments of merriment while dispatching the serious business for which we were assembled. And through the excellent choice of our nominating committee we look forward to another year's work with our beloved President Dr. "Epworth League" Bain.

Ida B. Wilson,
Madge E. Sills,
Renard R. Mitchell.

THE BLUE MARBLE QUARRY OF NORTH CAROLINA

The quarrying and manufacture of marble has been one of the world's great industries since the dawn of civilization; it is a particular important industry in North Carolina; for this state stands alone in the Southern production of blue marble, a highly prized marble quarry product. The Regal Marble Company of Regal, N. C., are the owners and operators of the quarries and their Regal Blue is famed for its beautiful permanent color and extreme durability; due to its very slight absorption of moisture. A finely equipped finishing plant, employing only native Southern workmen in all departments is an important adjunct to these well known quarries.

White Gifts For The King

ARE GIFTS OF

"Self—Service—Substance"

And these make Ideal "Giving Christmas" Service. Nothing added to it—Nothing taken from it

CAN NEVER IMPROVE IT

It means Blessing, Privilege, Power, more faithful service in the whole church, for the WHOLE YEAR. Every Pastor and Superintendent in the world OUGHT to know all about it!

SEND NO MONEY

But copy the order below and mail it to us. "Having seen your 'White Gift' Ad. in the North Carolina Christian Advocate, I write to ask you to mail me your 35c 'Outfit' of samples and I promise to either pay for it, or return it within two weeks in good condition."

Signed .....

Meigs Publishing Co., Indianapolis, Ind.



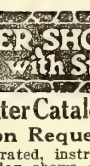
Standard Memorial Windows

Made in High Point

Beautiful in design—strong in construction. Largest and oldest glass plant in the South. Capacity for any and all orders and prompt delivery. Satisfaction guaranteed. References—any of our old customers or any bank or banker in High Point. Write for catalog.

Standard Mirror Co.
High Point, N. C.

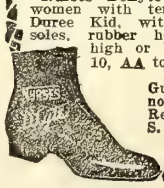
DALSIMER SHOES Comfort with Style



Fall & Winter Catalog FREE Upon Request

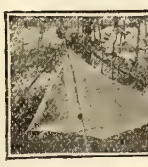
THIS illustrated, instructive catalog shows our shoes for Women, Men and Children. It also contains an authoritative article, "Care of the Feet," by Leon S. Dalsimer, M. D.

Most foot troubles come from poor fitting. For 36 years Dalsimer Shoes have been recognized for their Fit, Quality and Style. The Dalsimer "Nurses' DeLyte" Shoe is designed for women with tender feet. Made of Duree Kid, with no seams, flexible soles, rubber heels—button or lace, high or low, 1½ to 10, AA to F..... $3.00



Dalsimer Shoes are Guaranteed. If you are not fully satisfied, we Refund your Money.

S. DALSIMER & SONS
1204R Market St.,
Phila., Pa.



An Ideal Vacation

The blue sky overhead, your gun or your rod, a congenial companion and the

Sportsman's COMPAC TENT

"Go Light But Right."

It weighs only 3 3-4 lbs. and when rolled measures 4x16 inches. Nevertheless when open you have a comfortable tent, 6 ft. wide, 8 ft. long and 4 ft. to peak. It is equipped with four adjustable ventilators and floor cloth sewn in as part of tent. Water-proof, snake-proof and bug-proof. Easily erected and guaranteed durable.

Write for samples of material and catalogue.

COMPAC TENT COMPANY,
203 W. 10th ST., INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.----------E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg...W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller----------C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg.,
M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.-----J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg...J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.----G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.-------A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel---J. W. Ligon

Our Dead

COLLINS—Ernest Haywood Collins was born in Iredell county, N. C., on February 12th, 1884, and died on October 4th, 1915, aged 31 years, 7 months and 21 days.

He was married to Miss Carrie Estelle Wyatt on November 18, 1906. Of this union four children were born. Three of these live, and one is dead.

He professed faith in Christ and joined the Methodist Church, South, at Rocky Mount on Sept. 11, 1910. Later he was elected to the office of steward, in which communion and in which capacity he remained in good standing until he was taken.

He leaves a bereaved wife and three children, father and mother, four brothers, five sisters and many friends to mourn their loss. His remains were laid to rest in the cemetery at Rocky Mount on the day following his death, in the presence of a great concourse of friends. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. C. L. McCain, a former pastor, assisted by myself. His funeral services were attended with the honors of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics.

May the God of all comfort sustain the bereaved ones. Sincerely,

Joseph J. Eads, Pastor.

ARMFIELD—Emsley A. Armfield was born in Union county, N. C., Sept. 28, 1839, and died in Monroe, N. C., Sept. 4th, 1915. At an early age Mr. Armfield was left an orphan, and was brought up by his grandfather, Wm. Houston. He graduated from Trinity College at the age of nineteen. In 1870 he located in Monroe, N. C., where he spent most of his active life, and where the greater part of his work was done Mr. Armfield was a good citizen, interested deeply in all that was for the material, educational and moral upbuilding of the country. He was a man of fine mind and was well educated, and kept up and abreast with the progress of the times. He held many positions of trust and responsibility in his county, and town, and filled them all with great credit to himself and with satisfaction to those whom he served. He was a dliligent and successful business man. He was for many years an active and faithful member of the Methodist church in Monroe, and was for years a member of the board of stewards. During the last several years of his life he was blind, and almost deaf, but his active mind and spirit found an outlet in many ways of usefulness and happiness to himself and others. I was his pastor for the last four years of his life, but one. I often visited him, and always found him pleasant and cheerful. He was a man of strong faith in God, and patiently submitted to what seemed to come to him in the order of Divine Providence. His home life was happy. Few men were ever blessed with a stronger or better life companion, who walked by his side for over fifty years and contributed largely to his success and happiness, and who now feels deeply the separation. He had all the loving and tender ministries from his good wife and devoted children that an aged and afflicted man could desire.

He died in the Christian faith and has entered into rest. May the mother and each one of the children and grandchildren join him (and the other members of his family who had gone before) in the home prepared for all those who love and serve our Lord.

J. H. Weaver.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, in the death of Brother C. E. Decker, of Marion Methodist church, the quarterly conference of Marion station has lost a faithful member, the local church and board of stewards a valued member and co-laborer, his community a highly respected and honored man, his family a devoted husband and father; therefore, be it resolved:

First, that we, the members of the quarterly conference of the Marion station, the members of the board of stewards, give expression to our sorrow because of the death of our friend and beloved brother.

Second, that we bow in humble submission to God's sovereign will, knowing that he doeth all things well.

Third, that we shall cherish most pleasantly his memory to life's latest day.

Fourth, that we convey to the bereaved family and sorrowing relatives our sympathy and pray the Heavenly Father's blessing upon them.

Fifth, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family and copies be sent to the Advocate and the Marion Progress.

Signed: J. E. Gay, P. E.; Loy D. Thompson, P. C.; A. B. Gilkey, D. E. Hodgins, J. Q. Gilkey, C. F. James, F. J. Chapman, Dr. J. F. Jonas, Dr. J. G. Reid, W. F. Wood, J. H. Tate, D. H. Bumgarner.

FURR—John A. Furr was born in Union county, N. C., about 60 years ago. He died in Charlotte, N. C., on May 5th, 1915. Brother Furr was twice married, first to Miss Alice Cornelia Wentz. With her he lived in happy companionship for about 30 years, until her death. Of this union two sons and one daughter survive. On Dec. 24th, 1908, he married Miss Lexie Daughtry, of Iredell county. Of this union one little daughter, Carrie Sue Furr, was born.

Brother Furr, for fifteen years or more, had been an acceptable and useful member of Dilworth Methodist Church, South. As a private member, as steward in his church and as a Sunday school superintendent, he served his Lord and his church with joy. As a father he was solicitous and kind and prayed that his children might walk in paths of righteousness. As a husband he was tender, gentle and thoughtful. As a parishioner he was to his pastor a brother beloved.

In his last days he said to his pastor, "I am weak but Christ is strong," and in this fact he rested unafraid until, in the early morning of May 5th, when he slipped away to the Father's house to be with Him whom he loved.

"When we asunder part, it gives us inward pain; but we shall still be joined in heart, and hope to meet again." J. O. Ervin.

DECKER—Clarence E. Decker was born in Susquehanna county, Pa., Jan. 28, 1862, and peacefully passed away at Marion, N. C., Sept. 26, 1915. He is survived by his wife, a daughter, Miss Martha; a brother, Mr. John Decker; a sister, Mrs. G. D. Shepherdson, and his step-mother, Mrs. A. A. Decker—all of Marion.

As a citizen, Mr. Decker always stood for the highest and best. He was a successful business man. In character he was unsullied, irreproachable. He was honorable and upright in life. His word was his hand.

As a young man he made profession of faith in Christ and united with the M. E. Church. About eighteen years ago Mr. Decker, with his family, came to Marion and transferred his letter of church membership to the Marion

TRY MURINE EYE REMEDY
For Red, Weak, Weary, Watery Eyes and,
GRANULATED EYELIDS.
Murine Doesn't Smart—Soothes Eye Pain
Druggists Sell Murine Eye Remedy, Liquid, 25c, 50c, $1.00
Murine Eye Salve, in Aseptic Tubes, 25c, $1.00
EYE BOOKS AND ADVICE FREE BY MAIL
Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago

Standard Form Collection Envelopes

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

HOLT'S CHAPEL

FOR PASTOR'S SALARY

AMOUNT

Name ---------- | Dollars | Cents |

Date----------*191*----

MISSIONS AND CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

MOUNT ZION CHURCH

Name---------- | Dollars | Cents |

Date ----------

$1.90 for 1000, delivered

$1.40 for additional 1000, delivered

FOR EITHER FORM

This price is based on using the above forms, changing name of church only. The large envelope is manila, and of the quality regularly used for Pastor's Salary collections. The small envelope can be furnished in white, green or cherry. Its difference in color and size from the Pastor's Salary form makes it ideal for Missions and Conference Collections.

If special form is desired the price will average $2.40 for the first 1000, and $1.40 for additional 1000's, delivered.

Special rates on large quantities.

The Advocate Press, Greensboro, N. C.

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective Oct. 10th, 1915

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	No. 4 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester----Lv.	7 43 a m	----------	7 43 am	----------	5 35 pm	----------
Yorkville----"	8 29	----------	8 29	----------	7 10	----------
Gastonia ----"	9 14!	3 10 p m	9 14	----------	9 05	----------
Gastonia ----"	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------
Lincolnton---"	10 15	4 06	10 15	----------	----------	----------
Newton----"	10 50	5 02	10 50	----------	----------	----------
Hickory----"	11 40	5 35	11 28	12 30 pm	----------	6 00 am
Lenoir----"	12 45 p m	6 33	----------	1 20	----------	7 55
Lenoir---- ---"	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------
Mortimer----"	----------	7 54	----------	2 49	----------	----------
Edgemont---Ar.	----------	8 05	----------	3 00	----------	----------
Southbound	**NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only**	**No. 3 Passenger Sun. Only**	**NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.**
Edgemont---Lv.	----------	6 45 a m	----------	7 00 am	----------	----------
Mortimer----"	----------	6 53	----------	7 08	----------	----------
Lenoir----"	1 50 pm	8 02	----------	----------	----------	----------
Lenoir----"	----------	----------	----------	8 17	----------	----------
Hickory----"	2 45	9 05	x2 50 pm	9 15	----------	----------
Newton----"	3 18	9 30	3 18	----------	----------	----------
Lincolnton---"	3 53	10 05	3 53	----------	----------	----------
Gastonia----"	4 40	10 55	4 40	----------	----------	----------
Gastonia----"	5 00	----------	5 00	----------	4 15 am	----------
Yorkville----"	5 46	----------	5 46	----------	5 34	----------
Chester----Ar.	6 35	----------	6 35	----------	7 30	----------

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. **CHESTER, S. C.**

Methodist church, of which he was a faithful member when the end came.

Mr. Decker has been an official in the Marion Methodist church since his coming to Marion. As secretary and treasurer of the board of stewards he was highly efficient and in many ways rendered valuable service to his church. He loved the church and loyally served it to the very end.

The funeral services were conducted from the residence by the pastor, assisted by the pastors of the local churches, and interment was made in the town cemetery. The floral offerings were very numerous and beautiful, bearing eloquent testimony to the high esteem in which the whole community held him.

May the lone companion and the relatives look to the Master for strength and comfort.

The man is gone but his influence abides. He has left an untarnished name and a blameless character. He served his day and generation by the will of God and has been called to more fruitful and delightful tasks.

Loy D. Thompson.

STIMPSON—Sister Cora Stimpson was born Sept. 3rd, 1892, and departed this life on August 31st, 1915, aged 22 years, 11 months and 28 days. She was married to Mr. J. T. Norman, of East Bend, Yadkin county, N. C. Divine Providence ordered that his married life should be short.

She died in her father's home, in the absence of her husband. When she saw the end was nigh she spoke of her husband who was in Lee county, N. C., where they had lived during the summer, and said, "I will not get to see him and more." She leaves father and mother, two brothers, one sister, husband and one infant child. Her funeral was preached by her pastor, assisted by three Baptist ministers. She was laid to rest in the church yard in the presence of a multitude of sympathizing friends.

Sister Norman was a pious woman. She took great interest in the Smithtown Bible Reading Association. She was faithful to the Sunday school and a consecrated worker in the church. She accomplished her Christian work early in life and has gone to her reward in heaven.

Why should we mourn for those who are dead and to glory gone? They are crowned with everlasting bliss, in the sanctified throng. W. M. Boring.

STIMPSON—Cora A. Stimpson was born Sept. 3, 1892, and departed this life August 31, 1915, aged 22 years, 11 months and 28 days. She was happily married to J. Thomas Norman, Nov. 12, 1914. She professed and joined the church at Prospect about the age of 10 years, where she lived a consistant member until death. She was an active member of the church, always ready to do something for the Master. She loved her Sunday school and served it in any way she could, as teacher or secretary or anything else. She was a kind companion, a loving sister and an obedient daughter, and to know her was to love her. She leaves a husband, one infant child and a host of friends and relatives to mourn their loss.. W. M. Boring.

PAYNE—On Sept. 25th, 1915, Mrs. Susan C. Payne, widow of Thos. Payne, died at the home of her grandson, Foy Abernethy. She was 89 years, 6 months and 20 days old. She was born in sight of Liberty church, on the Alexander circuit, and joined that church at the age of fourteen years, and few if any ever, under similar circumstances, met life's duties more faithfully. She was married to Thos. Payne in that year noted in Methodist history, 1844. She was the daughter of Jacob Keever, whose descendants are yet so numerous in that community. I suppose there is no member of the N. C. Conference who has ever had this, the Alexander circuit, who does not remember with appreciation the hearty support in every way of this devoted pair. Her husband for many years was a steward, and in paying the preacher, what others failed to do, he did. I heard him pay a great compliment to our Conference which was in session there. We were wondering who the next preacher would be, and Uncle Tom said, "I do not know, but I know he will be a good one, for our Conference has no other kind." What Liberty church has been in the past and what it is now, is, in a great measure, due to the efforts of this noble pair of God's servants and to the seed which they sowed. Their church there stands as a "palace built for God," that has in it many honest dollars and many earnest prayers for its success.

She was mother of six children. Only two survive, but many grandchildren and great-grandchildren are coming on, to whom I want to say that the pattern laid down for you all to follow is one that is truly worthy, and if you, with all your superior advantages, would come up to, there is something before you.

She died as she had lived for 75 years, and all is well. If I could say something better I believe this subject was worthy of it.

Thos. F. Murdock.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

Whereas, it has pleased our Heavenly Father in His Divine Wisdom to remove from her earthly labors our esteemed sister and co-worker in the church, Mrs. T. F. Marr, the beloved wife and true helpmate of our dear pastor, Dr T. F. Marr, and that by her death we have lost a much beloved worker in our church, and the cause of Christian work; one in whose heart throbbed only impulses of love and kindness to all with whom she came in contact:

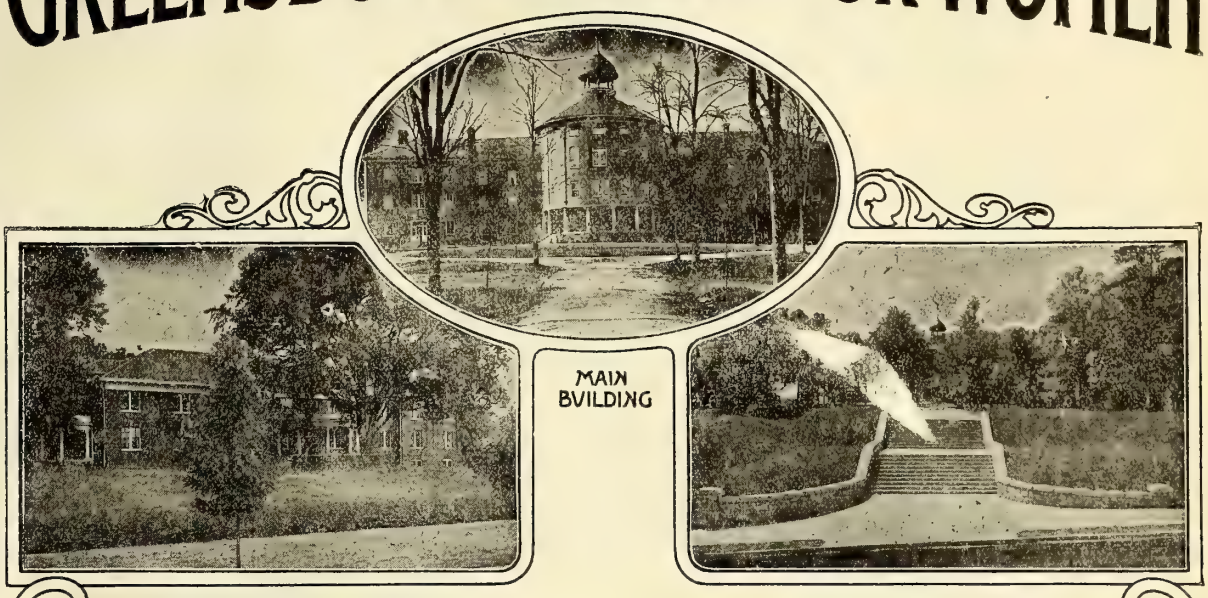
We, the Stewards of Trinity M. E. Church, South, Charlotte, N. C., in behalf of the congregation, tender her bereaved husband and children our deepest sympathy in this their hour of bitter trial and grief, and we assure them that our love and prayers are theirs; but they sorrow not as those without hope, for we have the assurance that blessed are they that die in the Lord.

Be it further resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, recorded in our minutes, and published in the Christian Advocate.

Signed,

J. B. Wolfe,
J. P. Little,
O. D. Wheeler,
Committee.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY - FITZGERALD HALL

ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department, open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D. D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

The Sunday School Lesson

FOURTH QUARTER—LESSON V
OCTOBER 31, 1915

THE BOY JOASH CROWNED KING

2 Kings 11:1-20

Golden Text—The house of the wicked shall be overthrown; but the tent of the upright shall flourish. Proverbs 14:11.

Summary of the Lesson

That gifted Frenchman Racine was so impressed by the narrative with which our study today has to do that he put it into the form of a brilliant drama. The story of Athaliar and all her remorseless energy and ambition, the tale of Jehoiada, the priest, and all the risk he took for the nation's good, the picture of the lad Joash suddenly thrust into the center of great events, the swift strategy by which Athaliah was overthrown and Joash made king—all these make up a narrative sure to appeal to that sense of the dramatic which is so real a part of human nature. Under all these swiftly moving events there is a fight between good and evil. The crowning of Joash means more than the coming of a new king. It means a triumph of the religion of Jehovah and all its righteous sanctions.

Athaliah

The Old Testament does not seriously discuss the woman question, but it portrays some powerful women for all that. Sometimes they are leaders, like Deborah; sometimes they are women of strategy and resourcefulness, like the mother of Moses; sometimes they incarnate a loyalty like that of Ruth; sometimes they are monsters in human form, like Athaliah. This queen walked through the blood of her own family to power. She had a cruel passion for command and no life was safe which stood in her way. She was the very personification of that lawless greed which wrecks men and women and nations.

Such a personality mastered by noble purposes and dominated by loyalty to Jehovah would have been an unspeakable gift to the nation. Every great and good thing in the life of the people might have been confirmed and upbuilt through her influence. As it was wherever she touched she left a stain.

"Thee has a dangerous gift," said a wise old Quaker lady to a young woman who was blooming out in extraordinary beauty. She realized that such rare and radiant charm could bee put to varied uses. It might be the servant of that which is good and noble. It might be the servant of that which is debased.

Not only the gift of beauty, but also the gift of personality alive with commanding energy is a dangerous possession. Such a magnetic personal power may poison the life of a nation. It may corrupt the very thoughts and feelings and motives of men. Athaliah is a classic example of the prostitution of a powerful personality for ignoble ends.

Jehoiada

When we read the story of the relations of John Knox with that beautiful Queen Mary who came from the gay court of France to the throne of Scotland, our chivalrous sympathy is inclined to go out to the woman of exquisite charm, to whom the stern reformer could speak with such blunt and gruff energy, but the more we study Mary and the more we study John Knox the more thankful we become that there was a powerful leader in Scotland, who could not be deluded by the ingratiating ways of the alluring queen. She used every gift of grace and beauty in the name of a cause which meant the defeat of all the best things in Scottish life. The future of Scotland was in the hands of John Knox, and so it was safe.

Jehoiada, the priest, was a true and loyal man, who was not deceived by the brilliant personality of Athaliah. He knew that her triumph was the death of the things which were deepest and best in the nation's life. He knew that she must be overthrown for the sake of the future.

Only by the greatest courage and the willingness to risk life itself could the queen be dethroned. Jehoiada did not hesitate. He took the risk. Very carefully he organized the movement which was to crown the young Joash king. A single misstep would have been fatal to the man and the movement. It is a clear and steady brain and an unfaltering will which can plan and execute such a design. A rare combination of caution and daring is required. The priest was of the stuff of which strategic leaders are made. There was no false move in all the revolutionary project. The first that Athaliah knew of it young Joash was receiving the shouts of loyal acclaim which acknowledged him king.

Joash

Daniel Webster is reported to have said: "I always feel like taking off my hat when I see a small boy. He represents the future." That particular small boy Joash, saved from the queen murderer, did indeed represent the future. In the midst of dark and evil days he was kept in an environment all saturated with loyalty to Jehovah and His high behests. He was hardly old enough to know what it all meant when he was suddenly thrust forth to receive the crown amid the plaudits of faithful men who were ready to risk life itself in the name of his rule, but the strong and wise Jehoiada was near. Joash was guided by men who taught him the responsibilities of a throne. He was not surrounded by men who taught him that a throne is just an opportunity for unbridled indulgence.

The story of the dauphin Louis XVII, the little hostage of the French Revolution, put in the midst of influences dark and degrading in the time of his innocent and impressionable childhood, is in marked contrast to the story of Joash. Each royal lad represents a type found in all classes of life. Some boys grow up in surroundings so noble that they ought to pledge them to virtue and faithfulness all their lives. Some boys grow up with evil in the very air they breathe. To have some protecting and guiding Jehoiada near to every growing boy is the practical ideal toward which Christendom must move.

The Collapse of Evil

Confident, audacious and masterful, Athaliah rushed in among the people who were shouting for the newly crowned king, but the hour of triumphant evil had passed. A stern Nemesis was ready to strike the cruel and brilliant queen. For once she looked upon a group of people untamed by her stern eye. She saw only the unrelenting and fearless hostility everywhere. Outside the temple she met a speedy death at the hands of the soldiers of the little king. The day of her triumphant ferocity was over. A sudden black night fell upon her.

It takes the world a long time to learn that wickedness is inherently weak. Sometimes it wears a wonderful suit of armor, but inside there is a fearful heart and a furtive eye. When the hosts of righteousness are once ready for decisive action it is always a surprise to see the way in which opposition comes to a complete collapse. The universe is built on the side of goodness. The structure of the world is in favor of righteousness. The very infirmities of the physical world which we call the laws of nature are on the side of virtue and faithfulness and truth. The man who fights for righteousness has the universe on his side.

However brilliant and able Athaliah may be he is an alien in a world whose very stars in their courses fight for Jehoiada. The fundamental structure of humanity, the deepest things in the nature of man fight for righteousness. So it is that one man and the laws of nature make a majority; or, to put it more profoundly, one man and the God of nature can triumph over all foes. Even an Arminian can believe in one kind of foreordinaton—the foreordination of evil to complete defeat.

Suggestions to Teachers

The place of strategy in the moral and religious life of the world is the important matter suggested by this study. There should be a lively discussion of Christian strategy on the part of the class.

Questions for Discussion

What should be the attitude of a good man toward evil forces temporarily in power? What is the relation of religion to political forces of an evil character? What steps may the church take in fighting organized wickedness? What are the elements which go to make up a successful reformer? —Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in N. Y. Christian Advocate.

DRINKING THAT HAS PROVEN BENEFICIAL

This is not a statement to cause consternation among our readers, because the beverage is Fonticello Mineral Water. The waters from this Mineral Spring have made restorations to health in cases of sickness of such long standing that the sufferers had given themselves up to believe that recovery was impossible. The proposition in a nutshell is this: Pure Water—water that is free from organic matter is known by the medical profession to be the safest and best of all agents to cleanse the system—and flush the blood and vital organs before the refuse can contaminate them and interfere with their functions. It is through intemperate eating and drinking of beverages, or the failure to drink plenty of water, and the exercise of common sense in living that we incur sickness, which finally becomes chronic.

But to prove the truth of the statement that Fonticello Mineral Water has made these wonderful restorations to health we make this **Guarantee:**

We will send you statements from physicians of acknowledged high reputation, of ministers and others who will show positively that Fonticello Water has cured them of many chronic diseases, including dyspepsia, indigestion, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney and liver diseases, uric acid, etc

We will ship you two five gallon carboys of Fonticello Water with the understanding that if it does not benefit you, **we will return full purchase price.**

Fill out this coupon and mail today
Note our guarantee

I want to try Fonticello Mineral Water and promise to use it regularly, daily, drinking the number of glasses prescribed in the directions which you agree to send me. If this treatment does not prove beneficial, yoou agree to refund purchase price upon receipt by you of the two empty carboys which I promise to return promptly. Enclosed find $2.00 for which please send me two gallons of Fonticello Mineral Water referred to above.
Name .....
P. O. .....
Express Office .....
Note.—This coupon is our acceptance of above terms and guarantee.
FONTICELLO MINERAL SPRINGS CO.
Dept. C., Richmond, Va.

IDEAL FUNERAL BOOK

A ready aid for pastors of all denominations. Contains Scripture Selection, Topics, Texts and Outlines, Suggestive Themes and Prayers, Quotations, Illustrations, Form of Service, etc. Over fifteen hundred suggestive themes and texts for every possible occasion. A limp leather-bound, gilt-edge book, pocket size, 214 pages, for 75c. and 4c. postage. Guaranteed the best on the market.
PENTECOSTAL PUBLISHING CO., LOUISVILLE, KY.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice

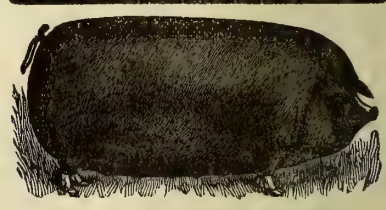
Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER
Proprietor
GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF STOMACH AND INTESTINES
121¼ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland
108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44



MAMMOTH BLACK

The greatest pork producers ever originated. We originated this hog. One we sold dressed 978 pounds. See statement from the man that raised this hog:

Wallburg, N. C., June 15, 1907.
John A. Young, Greensboro, N. C.
Dear Sir:
I have killed the Mammoth Black pig I bought of you and he dressed 978 lbs. net. Yours truly,
J. L. Guyer.

Until Oct. 1st we will sell at $10.00 each, $15.00 per pair, pigs 8 to 10 weeks old.

The Newest Styles of Jewelry
WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE
Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.
SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS

ELOCUTION
Would you like to study Elocution?
We will give you LESSONS by MAIL and teach you the art of Public Speaking, Dramatic Reading and Entertaining. Elocution will make you popular and earn you money. With our lessons mothers can teach their Children to Recite. Only the best literature taught. If you cannot go away to school, this is your opportunity. Send 4 cent stamp for Sample Illustrated Recitation.
THE MERRILL SCHOOL OF EXPRESSION, Inc.
1750 Woodward Ave., Dept. M-2 Detroit, Mich.

Our Little Folks' Department

HOME AGAIN

We spent the summer down by the sea—
Somehow, it seemed so short to me;
But when I came back the birds had flown,
Save for a robin that sang alone,
Over and over, all day long,
One little bar of one little song.
In place of the roses I thought to see,
Late nodding daisies welcomed me;
Goldenrod stands by the dusty road,
Fruit trees are heavy with crimson load;
The tall green corn that I left is brown,
Withered and dry, with its arms held down;
The kittens that wabbled wherever they went
Are good-sized cats with their legs unbent;
The baby calf is almost a cow,
The puffball chickens are grown up now.
I can't stop looking—it seems too strange,
When you aren't watching, how things change!—Unidentified.

DANDY

The first time Evelyn saw him was on the steamer when she and her brother Charlie and mamma and papa were all going on a summer holiday. He sat on a box in a corner of the main deck, a cord tied around his neck, his tail drooping mournfully, and his eyes longingly glancing about for release. Evelyn patted his head, while the purser told her the story of Dandy.

He was just a tramp dog and stole passage on the boat in the boldest way. But this was his last trip. A despoiled lunch basket, some hidden chicken bones and Dandy's look of bland, disinterested content told the whole shameful story. "He shall never go again," concluded the purser.

Evelyn looked ruefully at the stubby yellow coat. "If he were a prettier dog, I'd like him myself; but he is awfully homely. His nose is like a pugs, his ears like a water spaniel's, his coat like a collie's and terrier's mixed, and his tail like a setter's. He's a terribly mixed up dog, but I like his eyes."

So it was to his big, honest eyes that Dandy owed his nice new home, but once given a chance he won the love of his little mistress for the whole "mixed-up" dog. Together they romped the beach at Ottawa Park, dashing over the bluffs and through the glens on wonderful tramps of adventure, and at night in the little cottage a yellow figure lay on guard just at the foot of Evelyn's cot.

"You cannot take that dog home with you, dear," was mamma's verdict. "I won't have such a looking animal around the house."

Dandy knew all about it, and he licked his faithful little mistress's face lovingly when her tears fell on his ugly head out in the woods. It was their last day together, and Evelyn meant to make the most of it by visiting all the old haunts. Over the hills they ran, until all the cottages were passed. Over the edge of the cliff was a narrow path, and down this Evelyn tripped until she saw the place where she wanted to rest. Then breathlessly she tugged, slipped and floundered through the warm sand until it was reached. It was a fine lookout point, a cave that some boys had dug in the hillside and then deserted.

There was a queer sliding, crushing sound, a hail of pebbles and sand, a great heavy thud, and then darkness.

"Dandy," gasped Evelyn as she rolled to the far end of the cave away from the deluge, "we're just corked in. O dear me!"

The tears tumbled in a riotous toboggan slide down the pink cheeks and the brown curls were bent to the dust in sorrow.

Dandy fully appreciated the danger of the situation, but he did not cry. He licked the bowed head and he sniffed carefully on all sides, then went straight to business. Pretty soon all that the spiders and ants heard were Evelyn's sobs and a soft, quick scratch, as Dandy's big paws dug steadily at the sand.

The sun lay like a great ruby on the water when a black nose poked itself out of the mass of sand that had loosened and fallen in an avalanche before the cave, the dirty paws followed, and the owner darted off headlong for Evelyn's cottage.

"Dandy alone!" cried Mr. Chester when the stanch little dog bounded to the hammock and barked. "Something's wrong, I'm afraid, mother."

Dandy tried to tell with his tail how true a guess it was, and before the ruby sun had dipped into the western waves he was guiding papa and brother Charlie to the cave.

It was tedious work, digging with sticks, hands, anything at the sand, but Dandy pawed and barked cheerfully, and the work went on until finally brother Charlie crawled through and handed out a frightened, dirty, tearful little girl to papa's arms.

"Dan—Dandy left me, papa," she sobbed.

"Well, Dandy shall never leave you again, daughter," said Mr. Chester, patting the dog's rough yellow head. "He's a hero, and even I had to learn the lesson from a dog that a rough coat does not make a cur."

Evelyn's eyes openeed wide. "Why, papa! How did you know where I was?"

"Dandy did it all," said papa earnestly. But the hero never blushed; he merely waggd his tail. Perhaps it meant just as much.—Selected.

VERY REMARKABLE

Polly, standing on the piazza, waved her hand in such a cheerful exuberance of farewell that Aunt Emily looked back from the carriage with a troubled expression.

"I wish I knew what idea Pollykin is revolving in that curly head of hers," she murmured. "I'd feel safer."

"O no, you wouldn't, my dear. You'd probably be in a fever," laughed Uncle Horace. "Polly's ideas are seldom reassuring."

Polly herself needed no reassuring. She was quite confident that a day for wonderful things had arrived and that she was the young person to perform them. There was not often such an opportunity as having Aunt Emily away for a whole day. Certainly there had not been since day before yesterday, when Polly wrote in her new red and gold notebook. "Resolved to be a remark-u-bul woman. Pauline Alice Mead."

"Be a good girl," Aunt Emily had said. And that meant not going out of the yard to play, helping to take care of Thaddy, and not troubling Bridget, who had the week's ironing to do. "Such little things!" said Polly scornfully. "Anybody could do 'em and not be one bit remark-u-bul."

But she knew what she meant to do; and it was not to be any small undertaking, either. She had heard Aunt Emily say that the upper storeroom must be cleaned and put in order as soon as she had time to attend to it. And wouldn't auntie be pleased and surprised to find it all done without aay trouble to herself! "Of course housecleaning is a pretty big thing; but it is only a little room, and I can climb up on a stepladder and reach the very toppest part of it," she mused. "Nobody ever said I mustn't; so 'tisn't wrong and Bridget will be downstairs, where she won't bother."

It was easy to find the stepladder; and though it was not quite so easy to transport it up to the store-room, Polly accomplished it and was ready to begin her work as soon as she found that Bridget was safely occupied with her ironing. Dusters, soap, and some water in auntie's china wash bowl (she did not like to go to the kitchen for any of her utensils) made what she considered a very business-like outfit; and when she tied about her waist an apron so long that it nearly tripped her at every step, she mounted the ladder.

"I can do it as well as anybody," she assured herself as she began moving the jelly glasses. "And I can have a nice, quiet time 'thout nobody to 'sturb me."

But she had forgotten Thaddy, and that young gentleman was not one to tolerate being forgotten long at a time. His small feet ascended the stairs right foot forward on every step, and his voice preceded him. "Polly, Polly, I do want some one to play horse with me. Polly, where is you gone?"

"O dear! He'll bring Bridget if I don't answer him," muttered Polly. "Here I am, Thaddy. Hush, I'm here."

Her guarded tones finally reached the little searcher; and after two or three exasperating calls of "Where?" he pushed his way into the small room. "I want you to come and play hor—What are you doin', Polly?"

"I'm cleaning house," said Polly desperately. "I can't play now, 'cause I'm going to move all these jellies an' things and wash the shelves to s'prise Aunt Emily. You be a good boy and run away for a little while, won't you, Thaddy?" she urged coaxingly.

"No, I'm going to clean house and s'prise mamma too," he declared. "I'm going to wash the floor an' lots of things."

"No, no, Thaddy, you mustn't; you can't do it."

"Can too," said Thaddy positively. And he plunged his hands into the bowl of water and drew out the cloth with a splash.

"Thaddy!" cried Polly, leaning toward him.

Alas! she leaned too far, and the lader tilted. She clutched wildly at a shelf and upset half a dozen jelly glasses, and the nexe moment child and ladder went down together amid a series of shrieks from Thaddy. When the noise brought Bridget to the rescue, she found a small boy with a bumped head fairly streaming with jelly; while Polly, bruised and crying, lay on the floor in a pool of water, the ladder on top of her and the broken china bowl and fragments of glass around her.

Poor, frightened Bridget called on all the saints she knew; but when she had separated the wreck and found that the human part of it had no bones broken, she certainly did indulge in what Thaddy called "an awful hard scoldin'." She interspersed it with warm water, dry clothing, arnica, and sympathy, however, and gradually brought peace and order out of the confusion. But it was a very subdued and somewhat battered little Polly who lay upon the lounge when Aunt Emily came home and furnished that good lady with a surprise not intended.

"Ah! little girl, it is easy to leave undone the small duties that are our own and come to grief by attempting the great deeds that belong to somebody else," said Aunt Emily with a tender little laugh. "Most of us get many a fall before we learn better."

And somehow that "we" was wonderfully comforting as well as convincing. Polly opened heer little red note book that evening and looked long at the first entry. Then she wrote underneath it: "Resolved to try being just a common, good girl at first and not be a remark-u-bul woman till I grow up. It's convenienter for other folks."—Advance.

ARBOR DAY

Ellen D. Masters

They planted somee trees on Arbor Day—
Harold and James and Clyde;
All in a row they set them out,
Beside the bare roadside.

Harold planted a strong young oak.
He said: "How nice 'twill be,
When folks come down this dusty road;
To find a shady tree!"

James planted a pippin apple-sprout.
He said: "How nice 'twill be
For folks who travel down this road
To find an apple tree!"

A walnut next little Clyde set out.
He said: "How glad they'll be
To come along some frosty day,
And find a walnut tree!"

And then all three ran home and told
Their mother what they'd done;
And proud was she, that Arbor Day,
Of each small, thoughtful son.

"I'm sure it made you happy, my boys,"
Said she, "to do this deed,
To plant a tree for some one's joy
Or help in time of need."

And three little boys saw visions that day
Of apples and walnuts and shade;
And glad were they, long, long before,
Of joys their planting made.

And down by the road, in rain and sun,
The walnut and apple and oak
Are growing as fast as little trees can,
For the weary traveling folk.
Mt. Ulla, N. C.

YOU WILL WRITE A LETTER LIKE THIS

I wish that I knew which one of the thousands of letters I receive would have the most weight with you, my friend. I can't quote all of them here, but I am going to ask you to read these carefully and then give me a chance to renew your health and make you write me one very much like them:

701 Barnard Street,
Savannah, Ga., Dec. 28, 1910.

Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C. Dear Sir: As you are aware, in 1909 I was suffering with indigestion, stomach and liver disorders and all its train of horrifying phenomena for several months. I had lived on milk, soft eggs, shredded wheat, a very insufficient diet for an active working man, and, of course, from disease and starvation was in a very low state of nervous vitality and general debility. I ordered ten gallons of your Mineral Water, which I used continuously, reordering when necessary, and in four months gained twenty-nine pounds, was strong and perfectly well and have worked practically every day since. It acts as a general renovator of the system. I prescribe it in my practice, and it has in every instance had the desired effects. It is essential to use this water in as large quantities as possible, for its properties are so happily blended and in such proportion that they will not disturb the most delicate system. It is purely Nature's remedy.

A. L. R. AVANT, M. D.
Leeds, S. C., March 2, 1911.

I have tested your Spring Water in several cases of rheumatism, chronic indigestion, kidney and bladder troubles, and in nervous and sick headaches, and find that it has acted nicely in each case, and I believe that if used continuously for a reasonable time will produce a permanent cure. It will purify the blood, relieve debility, stimulate the action of the liver, kidneys and bladder, aiding them in throwing off all poisonous matter.

C. A. CROSBY, M. D.

These are not selected cases nor are the results unusual. I receive thousands like them from physicians, ministers, lawyers, merchants, farmers, manufacturers and every conceivable profession. I want the satisfaction of receiving such a letter from you. No matter what your complaint may be, dyspepsia, indigestion, nervous headache, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney or liver disease, or any chronic ailment that has not responded to drugs. I invite you to match your faith in the Spring against my pocketbook. If the water fails to benefit you simply say so, return the empty demijohns and I will promptly and willingly refund your money—every cent. Sign below:

Shivar Spring,

Box 5B, Shelton, S. C.

Gentlemen:

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns, which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.
Fourth Round

	October
Hot Springs & Marshall, Marshall	23-2
Walnut, Jewel Hill, night	24-25
Sulphur Springs, Snow Hill	30-31
Bethel, night	31
	November
Swannanoa, Swannanoa	6-7
Black Mountain, night	7
Biltmore & Mt. Pleasant, Biltmore	14

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C.
Fourth Round

	October
Unionville, Mill Grove	23-24
North Monroe, N. Monroe, night	24
Marshville, Marshville	30-31
Brevard, night	31
	November
Ansonville, Concord	6-7
Wadesboro, night	7
Dilworth, 11 a. m.	14
Spencer Memorial, 3 p. m.	14
Tryon, night	14

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—James H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.
Fourth Round

	October
Uwharrie, Oak Grove	23-24
Denton, Denton	24-25
Randolph, Trinity	30-31
Wesley Memorial, High Point	30-31
Main Street, High Point	31-32
East End	31-32
	November
Asheboro	6-7
Randleman	6-7
West Market	13-14

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Fourth Round

	October
Connelly Springs	23-24
Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Spruce Pine	30-31
	November
Micaville, Martin's Chapel	5
Bald Creek	6-7
Burnsville	7-8
Marion Ct., Capernaum	13-14

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Fourth Round

	October
Madison and Stoneville, Madison	24-25
Leaksville	26
Spray	27-31
Draper	28-31
	November
Jonesville, Ebenezer	6-7
Elkin	6-7
Ararat, Hunters	13-14
Final Meetings	
	November
Walnut Cove	1
Summerfield	2
Stokesdale	3
Dobson	8
Yadkinville, at Boonville	9
Rural Hall	10
Pilot Mountain	11
Mount Airy Ct.	12
Mount Airy Central	12

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Bennett, Presiding Elder, North Wilkesboro, N. C.
Fourth Round

	October
Laurel Springs, Laurel Springs	9-10
Helton, Greenwood	16-17
Jefferson, Orion	24
Wilkesboro, Wilkesboro	31

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Fourth Round

	October
Mooresville Ct., Centenary, 11 a. m.	16-17
Mt. Zion and Huntersville, Mt. Zion, night	17-18
Troutman Ct., Shiloh, 11 a. m.	23-24
Davidson Sta., Davidson, night	24-25
Statesville Ct., N. Statesville, 11 a. m.	30-31
Mooresville Sta., Mooresville, night	31-Nov. 1
	November
Hickory Ct., Fairgrove, 11 a. m.	6-7
Newton Sta., Newton, night	7-8
Maiden Ct., May's Chapel, 11 a. m.	13-14
Final Meetings	
	October
Alexander Ct., (all churches) Hiddenite, 3 p. m.	19
Stony Point Ct., (all churches) Stony Point, 11 a. m.	20
Statesville Ct., Marvin, 11 a. m.	21
Statesville Ct., Bethel, 3 p. m.	21
Mooresville Ct., (all churches) Mooresville, 11 a. m.	26
Troutman Ct., (all churches) Troutman, 11 a. m.	27
Cool Spring Ct., (all churches) New Salem, 11 a. m.	28
Iredell Ct., (all churches) Olin, 11 a. m.	29
	November
Catawba Ct., (all churches) Catawba, 11 a. m.	2
Statesville Ct., Bethlehem, 11 a. m.	3
Race St., Statesville, night	4
Davidson Sta., Davidson, night	9
Mt. Zion-Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 11 a. m.	10

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder
Fourth Round

	October
Lowesville, Salem	16-17
Mt. Holly, Mt. Holly	17-18
Rock Spring, W. Chapel	23-24
Crouse, Crouse	30-31
Cherryville, Cherryville	31
	November
Kings Mountain, Kings Mountain	5
Lowell, Lowell	6
Gastonia, West End	6
McAdenville, McAdenville	7
Dallas-Ozark, Dallas	7-8
Gastonia, Main St.	8
Shelby, Sharon	13

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.
Fourth Round

	October
Albemarle Ct., Pine Grove	16-17
Salem Ct., Salem	17-18
Concord Ct., Rocky Ridge	24-25
Westford, night	24
Bethel and Loves Chapel	30-31
	November
Gold Hill Ct., Zion	6-7
New London Ct., Bethel	7-8
Kannapolis Ct., Shiloh	13-14
Kannapolis Sta., night	14

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C.
Fourth Round

	October
Andrews Station	17
Franklin Ct., Bethel	23
Franklin Station	24
Macon Ct., Mt. Zion	24-25
Highlands Ct., Highlands	27
Glenville Ct., East Laporte	30-31
	November
Clyde Ct., East Waynesville	6
Waynesville Station	7
Canton Station	7

WINSTON DISTRICT—Hugh K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C.
Fourth Round

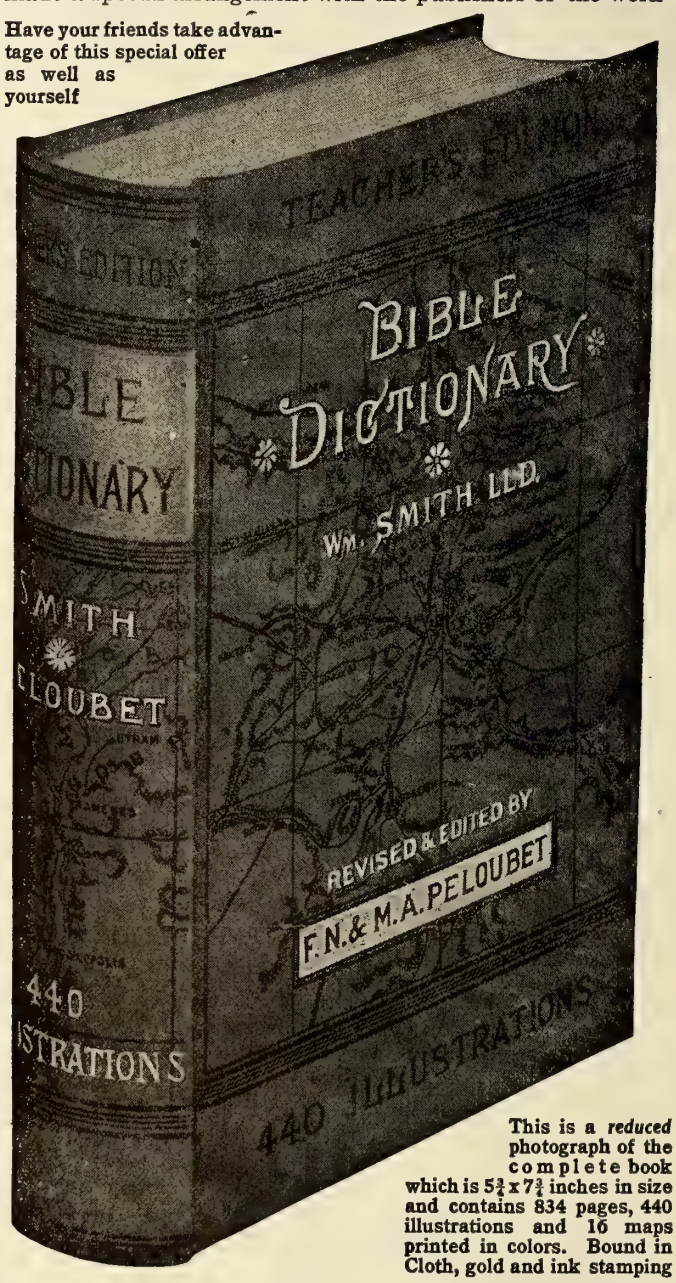
	October
Lewisville, New Hope	23-24
Davie, Hardison	30-31
Mocksville, night	29-31
	November
Kernersville, Kernersville	6-7

The Christian Advocate Offers You This Well Known Bible Dictionary

SEE SPECIAL OFFER BELOW

Realizing the wide demand that exists among our constituents for this Bible Dictionary, we have made a special arrangement with the publishers of the work by which they agreed to supply it to us on exceptional terms, provided we would widely advertise it, and this enables us to offer this **well-known Bible Dictionary in its original form** and with all its important features, including over 400 illustrations and maps in colors, at **less than half the regular price.**

Have your friends take advantage of this special offer as well as yourself



This is a *reduced* photograph of the complete book which is 5¾ x 7¾ inches in size and contains 834 pages, 440 illustrations and 16 maps printed in colors. Bound in Cloth, gold and ink stamping

THE FATHER OF ALL BIBLE DICTIONARIES

Everyone acknowledges the superior value of Dr. William Smith's Bible Dictionary, as containing the fruit of the ripest Biblical scholarship. It is practically the foundation, or father, of all other Bible Dictionaries. This late edition is brought down to the twentieth century and thoroughly revised to incorporate modern research and discoveries in Bible lands. It has been adapted in its present form to the convenience of teachers and scholars.

MAKES BIBLE STUDY EASY. MAKES THE BIBLE PLAIN TO EVERY READER

This Bible Dictionary is a veritable treasure to Christian Workers. It contains in the simplest language a full explanation of all topics mentioned in the Bible—every place, nation, tribe, person, and historical event; every custom and rite; every instrument and implement; every animal, plant, flower, mineral, metal, etc. It is a systematic collation of all the facts recorded in the Bible, supplemented and explained by materials supplied from authentic records of Biblical times. It gives in compact and lucid form the substance of the result of profound Biblical scholarship and research. IT OPENS A NEW UNDERSTANDING AND APPRECIATION OF THE BIBLE IN A WAY THAT NO OTHER BOOK DOES.

Our Special Offer

From this till January first we offer the Advocate one year and this dictionary for

$2.50

This applies to new subscribers and renewals.

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, GREENSBORO, N. C.

A Great Book at a Great Bargain Less Than Half Price.

It is large, double column pages, printed on good book paper, substantially bound in cloth. It contains about 450 sermons and sermon outlines by many of the world's greatest preachers and about 800 bright suggestive religious anecdotes, price prepaid $1. If not pleased return it and your $1 will be refunded without a word.

The Co-Operative Pub. Co., Kirkwood, Mo.

HOMER'S PRAYER

Teach me that sixty minutes mak one hour, sixteen ounces one pou and one hundred cents one dollar.

Help me to live so that I can li down at night with a clear conscience without a gun under my pillow, an unhaunted by the faces of those t whom I have brought pain.

Grant, I beseech Thee, that I ma earn my meal ticket on the square and in doing thereof that I may no stick the gaff where it does not belong

Deafen me to the jingle of tainte money and the rustle of unholy skirts

Blind me to the faults of the othe fellow, but reveal to me mine own.

Guide me so that each night when look across the dinner table at m wife, who has been a blessing to m I will have nothing to conceal.

Keep me young enough to laug with my children and to lose myself i their play.

And then when comes the smell flowers, and the tread of soft steps, an the crushing of the hearse's wheels the gravel out in front of my plac make the ceremony short and the ep taph simple:

"HERE LIES A MAN"

"No passion so deprives us of jud ment as anger."

Williams Private Sanatorium FOR DRUGS and WHISKEY

TERMS: Drugs $125 Flat. Whiskey $100 Flat. Women patients pay a small sum extra for nurse. B. B. WILLIAMS, M. D., Greensboro, N. C. Reference, Amr. Exchange Nat'l Bank, Greensboro, N. C.

Time Table Watauga & Yadkin River Railroad Co. and Connections

WESTBOUND					STATIONS—So. Ry.	EASTBOUND		
A. M. 8 15 9 30		A. M. 8 15 9 30			Eastern Time Lv Greensboro Ar Winston-Salem	P. M. 9 15 6 35	P. M. 9 15 6 35	
5 Sun. Only	3 Sun. Only	1 Daily Ex. Sa. Su.	7 Sat. Only	Miles	STATIONS W. & Y. R. R. R.	2 Daily Ex. Sun.	4 Sun. Only	6 Sun. only
P. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.		Eastern Time	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
4 30	10 15	2 00	2 00		Lv N. Wilkesboro Ar	10 20	10 00	5 15
4 35f	10 20f	2 04f	2 05f	1	Gordon	9 59f	9 57f	5 12f
4 41f	10 31f	2 19f	2 15f	5	Brown's Ford	6 44f	9 45f	5 00f
4 46f	10 38f	2 28f	2 26f	7	Minton	9 34f	9 37f	4 52f
4 54f	10 45f	2 38f	2 35f	9	Goshen	9 24f	9 29f	4 44f
5 06f	10 55f	2 51f	2 51f	11	Marley Ford	9 07f	9 18f	4 33f
5 16f	11 05f	3 00f	3 00f	13	Goulds	8 55f	9 03f	4 18f
5 26s	11 13s	3 12s	3 20s	16	Ferguson	8 43s	8 53s	4 08s
5 35s	11 20s	3 25s	3 40s	19	Elkville	8 33s	8 45s	4 00s
5 36	11 22	3 30	3 45		Elkville Junction	8 30	8 43	3 58
	11 33f		4 00f	20	McNeils	8 15f	8 33f	3 48f
	11 42		4 15	23	Denny	8 10	8 25	3 40
				27	Darby			
	11 43		4 16	23	Denny	8 00	8-24	3 39
	11 48f		4 25f	20	McNeils	7 20f	8 16f	3 31f
	11 54		4 30		Elkville Junction	7 10	8 10	3 25
5 45	12 04	4 00	4 40	21	Grandin	7 00	8 00	3 15

f Stop on Signal s Regular Stop

NOTE—Trains will commence running to Darby about Sept. 15.

LIST OF OFFICERS

W. J. GRANDIN, President - - - - - - - - - - Grandin, N. C.
M. K. McMULLEN, Vice-President - - - - - - - - Pittsburg, Pa.
R. T. ROSSELL, Secretary - - - - - - - - - - Pittsburg, Pa.
W. W. BEATY, Treasurer - - - - - - - - - - - Warren, Pa.
H. C. LANDON, General Manager - - - - - North Wilkesboro, N. C.

Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

A mutual fire insurance company, organized, owned and operated by the Methodist Church in North Carolina, for the purpose of furnishing protection for church property and personal property of preachers at ACTUAL COST.

Write for information and rates.

W. E. WEBB, Secretary Statesville, N. C.

OUR CHILDREN'S HOME REPORT

Fifth Sunday Collections

Miss Mamie Dorton, Concord, for Boger's Chapel S. S., $3.00.

Received on Ten Per Cent. Assessment Fund and General and Special Support

Rev. W. M. Smith, Winston-Salem, Salem church, $25.00; Rev. J. L. Teague, Franklin, Macon Ct., $5.00; "A Friend," High Point, $5.00; J. W. Murdock, Mooresville, Mooresville Station, $25.00; Rev. T. S. Ellington, Hendersonville, Henderson Ct., $25.00; Rev. C. L. McCain, Statesville Ct., $27.50; Rev. T. J. Houck, Lexington, Davidson Ct., $50.00; John L. Beal, Gastonia, Main St. church, $25.00; Mrs. R. J. Foster, for Hickory Woman's Missionary Society, $10.00; Charles F. Lambeth, Thomasville S. S., on pledge, $25.00; sale of sundry articles, $25.00; Rev. P. L. Shore, Mocksville, Davie Ct., $5.00. Total, $272.50.

Building Fund—Rev. J. H. West, Agt.

John L. Daniels, Sec., Pomona, for Spring Garden St. S. S., $15.00.

It gives us pleasure to note that Statesville circuit will be enrolled this year in the ranks of the charges that have paid their assessment in full. Congratulations to Brother McCain and his good people.

Next Sunday is the last Sunday of the year 1915. We are hoping that many of the Sunday schools whose names have not appeared on our books as contributing to the fifth Sunday collections during the year will remember us then. We never needed help more than we do now.

THE LITTLE THINGS

It is often the little things of life which brighten existence most.

A smile, a cordial handshake, a gentle, kindly word. We cannot measure their value, but they make up the sunshine of life.

It is also true that the little and inexpensive conveniences are the source of much of our comfort and health.

Mentholatum is one of these little household conveniences which fits into many emergencies.

Is it sunburn, an insect bite or sting, a bruise or burn?—Mentholatum brings relief and comfort.

Is it a head cold, difficult breathing, cold sores, a headache?—Again Mentholatum, the ready relief.

In almost any case of external inflammation this cleanly, convenient and efficient counter irritant serves to relieve the pain and hasten restoration.

In millions of homes the Mentholatum jar is a highly appreciated family friend.

WANTED—LADY REPRESENTATIVE

in every Southern community. Exceptional opportunity, commissions and cash bonus; liberal pay for spare moments. Send for our special Christmas money offer. Full particulars on request.

SOUTHERN WOMAN'S MAGAZINE,
Tennessean Bldg., Nashville, Tenn.

Prayer is not overcoming God's reluctance, it is laying hold on His highest willingness.—Archbishop Trench.

for one reason or another have drifted out of the church. Their reasons may be perfectly satisfactory to themselves, but they deliberately cast in their lot with those who reject the Lord. The church is the recognized agency for work and progress of the kingdom, and when men turn their back on the church the world concludes that they have turned their back on God. Many good men have thus drifted out of the churches, some because of personal offense, some because of disappointment in the church, some because prominent members have proved untrustworthy. Of course we cannot begin to enumerate the reasons that men give for turning their backs on the church, but, sad to say, the world sees that they have voluntarily turned away from their first love. These men are hiding their light under a bushel, even when continuing to cherish the Christian hope.

The third class of good men who are good for nothing in the work of the kingdom, is composed of those who are secret disciples of our Lord. They are in the class of the Nicodemus and Joseph of Arimathea. They believe in Jesus Christ; they give him the affections of their hearts; and in their way they are trying to serve him; but they are afraid or ashamed or at least unwilling to show their colors. The man who fails to come out into the open, who fails to declare his allegiance, who fails to identify himself with some church is greatly limiting, greatly circumscribing his influence. Such men may be saved as was Nicodemus and Joseph of Arimathea, but they ought not to be ashamed to own their Saviour before the world. They are timid, halting, hesitating disciples who can never be eulogized. Such discipleship must be unsatisfactory at his best. Dr. Watkinson suggests that such discipleship denied the instinct of the human heart, is contrary to the genius of Christianity and mars Christian character by leaving unperformed certain positive duties. For example, how can a man declare that he loves Jesus Christ, when he persistently and openly refuses obedience to his last commandment that we keep the supper in remembrance of him? How do secret disciples feel about the Lord's supper? Their very attitude keeps them from obedience to this positive command, and yet Christ said, "If ye love me ye will keep my commandments."

Yet, when all this has been said it is comparatively easy to explain this secret of suppressed discipleship. Secret disciples are not purposely and with the malice aforethought refusing obedience to their Master. They are restrained, kept back by something. Perhaps it is constitutional sensitiveness. It may be the fear of man. It may be fear of falling. Whatever be their reason their attitude is retarding the kingdom. Every man who loves God ought to take his stand with people of God. He owes this to God, to himself, and to the world. Let such men heed the warning of John Ruskin that "our shamefacedness be not such as may at last put us among those of whom the Son of Man shall be ashamed." Let such men heed the warning of Jesus Christ himself, for he said, "If ye deny me before men I will deny you before my Father and the holy angels.—Watchman-Examiner.

YOU ARE INVITED

The Advertising Manager of the North Carolina Christian Advocate cordially invites you to investigate the attractive offer of the North Carolina Christian Advocate Piano Club. The Club has proven, to the entire satisfaction and delight of its members, every claim that was made for it. It was founded on the principle that "What is impossible for one is easy for One Hundred. The tremendous purchasing power of an army of one hundred buyers solves perfectly the otherwise difficult problem of securing a piano or player-piano of the highest artistic standard at a price and on terms which put it in reach of practically every subscriber.

The new Club booklet and catalogue, beautifully illustrated and describing the Club plan and instruments, are now ready for distribution. We have a copy for you. Won't you write for it today? Address the Managers, Ludden & Bates, North Carolina Christian Advocate Piano Club Dept., Atlanta, Ga.

GOOSE FEATHERS, FEATHER BEDS PILLOW AND CUSHIONS, made to order, direct from factory. WRITE FOR CATALOGUE. SANITARY BEDDING CO., Dept. 613. Charlotte, N. C.

We Will Pay You $120.00

to distribute religious literature and represent us in your community. 60 days' work. Man or woman. Experience not required. Spare time may be used.
Universal Bible House, Dept. C. J.
Philadelphia

"PORTRAITS AND BIOGRAPHIES OF OUR 14 BISHOPS."

Send 25 cents for copy of above 32-page volume showing photographs and short biographical sketches of our Bishops. It should be in every Methodist home. You will be delighted with it. Ask for proposition to Missionary Societies for selling them.
JOHN L. GREENFIELD,
1329 Busch Building, - Dallas, Texas.

DEAD

Little Bobby's father was a doctor and Bobby liked nothing better than to take his father's case in one hand, his overcoat in the other, and go down the street for a block or two to some imaginary patient. One winter's day, when he started out he forgot to close the door.

"Bobby," called mother's voice sweetly, "please close that door." But Bobby was in a hurry and went on.

"Robert," came father's sterner voice, "close that door."

Bobby returned and closed the door. Some time later he came in quietly, put up the case and overcoat, and started upstairs.

"Bobby," said mother, ingratiatingly, "how's your patient?"

"Dead," was the laconic answer. "Gone dead while I was shutting that old door."—Everybody's.

No soul can preserve the bloom and delicacy of its existence without lonely musing and silent prayer, and the greatness of this necessity is in proportion to the greatness of the soul.—Farrar.

It is when we have borne submissively some dreadful sorrow that we see the golden ladder reaching upward, as did Perpetua from the darkness of the dungeon; when we have given ourselves to some great work and wrought it, by God's help and the inspiration of his spirit, triumphantly to the end, that the vision is granted us.—R. S. Storrs, D. D.

Are Your Piggies Cold?



"My piggies warm as toast."
"So are mine."
"Gee, but ain't it nice to get up early now?"
"Sure is—it used to be so cold before Daddy bought the Nesco Perfect, now, it's just as warm as can be."
"I'll beat you down to thank Daddy for Nesco Perfect."

Are your's these Lucky Kiddies who dress by a

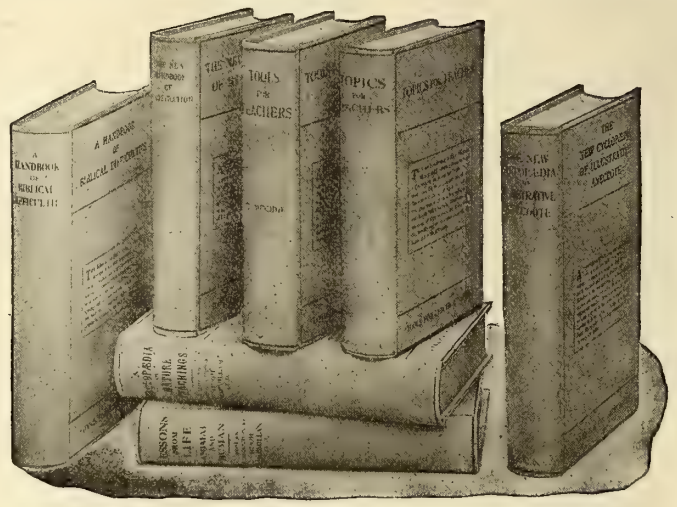
Nesco Perfect Oil Heater

Price.....

ODELL HARDWARE CO.
Greensboro, N. C.

Sunday School Helps and Supplies

SEVEN LARGE VOLS.
OVER
3800 PAGES



ONLY
$6.00
NET

Tools for Preachers and Teachers

Formerly $14.00----Now Less Than Half Price

Any Single Volume, $1.00 net (formerly $2.00)

A practical, working library, drawn from nature, life and the Scriptures. A Storehouse of Information useful for workers in every branch of Christian effort.

1. The Cyclopaedia of Nature Teachings
Introduction by Hugh Macmillan

A selection of acts, illustrations, examples and suggesitons taken from fall departments of inanimate nature, and employed to illuminate the great facts of the religious life.

2. Lessons from Life (Animal and Human)
Introduction by Hugh Macmillan

A compendium of illustration abounding in curious and interesting facts concerning the habits, instincts and peculiarities of living creatures, both animal and human. The moral and religious lessons imparted arise naturally and without effort from the incidents described.

3. Tools for Teachers
By Wm. Moodie

A collection of anecdotes, illustrations and legends for the use of Teachers of Sunday-Schools, Bible Classes and Boys' Clubs. A practical manual and storehouse of anecdotes and illustration for all who have to do with the moral and religious training of the young.

4. New Cyclopaedia of Illustrative Anecdote
(Moral and Religious)

A comprehensive collection of authentic anecdotes, old and new, on a wide range of subjects, arranged and classified alphabetically for ready reference, and with a detailed index.

5. New Handbook of Illustration

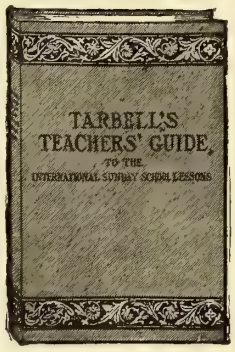
A classified exposition of Scripture Truth and Christian Life, digested and arranged for ready reference. This Handbook of Illustration will afford valuable aid, as a book of suggestion and reference, to public speakers in every branch of their profession.

6. Handbook of Biblical Difficulties
(On Moral and Religious Subjects)
By the Rev. Robert Tuck, B. A.

The editor of this Handbook has collected the passages in the Bible which seem to present special difficulties, and deals carefully with each, suggesting a reasonable explanation of every perplexity, or at least of every class of perplexity.

7. Topics for Teachers *By the Rev. J. C. Gray*

This work constitutes a Bible Dictionary, Manual and Textbook, a Commentary and a Concordance, all in one, saving the cost of these books and the time occupied in their use. The volume is almost a library in itself. It is an invaluable work for preachers and Sunday-School teachers.

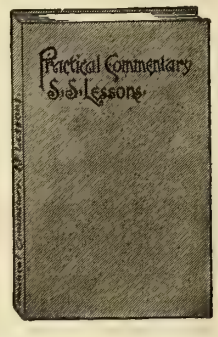


Tarbell's Teachers' Guide

By Martha Tarbell, Ph. D.

Large octavo, cloth binding, $1.00 net (postpaid $1.10).

Time was when "anyone" taught Sunday-school, and results were a matter of conjecture. The TARBELL method has ushered in a new era in Sunday-school teaching, with every teacher a competent instructor. From all parts of the globe testimonials come regularly to the success of this modern Sunday-school teachers' *vade mecum* in all grades.



Peloubet's Notes

Conceded to be the best help for teachers in the Sunday School.

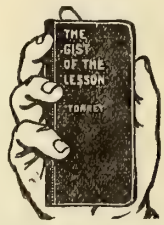
Large octavo, cloth binding $1.00 net (postpaid $1.10).

The Gist of the Lesson

By R. A. Torrey, D. D.

Leatherette, net 25c. postpaid.

Increasing by leaps and bounds, each year the history of "GIST" is the record of continued success. Not merely a book of "notes," but a *vade mecum* packed with seed thoughts for study and meditation.



Sunday School Register arranged with blanks for each Sunday's minutes and complete class report, with a summary for each quarter, also for annual report. Arranged for two years. This is generally conceded to be the best and most complete Sunday school Register now published. Price postpaid $1.50.

Sunday School Quarterly Class Records, full size, 25 cts. per dozen. Every Sunday school should keep a good supply of these records.

Complete Baraca Class Record. One Hundred loose leaf sheets for $1.00. Binder $1.00. Complete outfit $2.00. Each leaf is so arranged as to keep a complete individual record for twelve months. No class should be without this record. Sample sheets furnished on application. One binder will last a life time. Any book published will be furnished at the publisher's price.

Job Printing of all sorts executed with neatness and dispatch. Be sure to see us before giving out your fall work. Anything entrusted to us by mail order will be attended to promptly. Send orders to

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

VOLUME LX NUMBER 46

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Learning Room Trinity College

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

GREENSBORO, N. C., THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1915



DILWORTH METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH, Charlotte, N. C.

Rev. J. O. Ervin, Pastor

This property is valued at $15,000.00 to $18,000,00. Inside and out it is said to be one of the most beautiful and complete churches in the city. Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman when he preached the first sermon in the new church said, "I like your new church. It is well arranged. It is beautiful on the inside and on the outside."

The membership is steadily increasing, and at present 275 are on the roll.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

EDITORIAL

THE SEASON

November woods are bare and still,
November days are clear and bright;
Each noon burns up the morning's chill,
The morning's snow is gone by night.
Each day my steps grow slow, grow light,
As through the woods, I reverent creep,
Watching all things "lie down and sleep."
—Helen Hunt Jackson.

It Has Been Noted With Pleasure that Mr. Ralph H. Graves, formerly of Chapel Hill, has been made city editor of the New York Times. This makes two North Carolinians now on the editorial staff of the Times, Mr. J. S. Hughes being editor of the News Bureau of the Times. Commenting on this promotion of Mr. Graves, the News and Observer says: "His promotion has led to a discussion as to what it is in a journalist that marks him for preferment. There is but one answer and the Charlotte Observer hits it off when it says that the ability to win newspaper success is just naturally born in a man. The Observer thinks that Graves no doubt has been helped in his profession by the training that he secured in the early days, but the Observer also holds that the successful newspaper man is born and not made. The gift of a facile prose expression is just as much a peculiar gift as poetic expression. There are not many that possess it. Those who do, if perchance to it they add industry and common sense, need never lack employment in the newspaper profession.

* * * *

That Interest in Baseball is Waning will come as no unwelcome news to many of our best and most public-spirited people. As a game participated in by the many for the sake of exercise, there could be no question that it might be beneficial; but everybody knows that the game has been prostituted to the use of the gambler, and that only the few exercise, while the many make it an occasion of useless and unprofitable sport, aiding and abetting the worthless gangs who ply the gambler's trade. If there was ever any justification of pulpit excoriation of the horse-race and the cock-pit, there is ten-fold greater reason why we should make war on baseball. Commerce and Finance, a New York publication, says:

"Only three of the sixteen clubs in the major leagues are reported to have gone through the season with a balance on the right side of the ledger. At least one club is in a bad way financially. In the minor leagues conditions are worse. Some of them would have collapsed without finishing the scheduled number of games but for assistance. With the exception of the world's series the post season inter-league games were a failure.

What's the matter with the so-called national game? Everybody seems to know except the baseball bosses. Sport has been subordinated to such a degree by commercialism that big league contests no longer have their old-time, strong appeal. Players are bought and sold like cattle on the hoof. One manager put his team of pennant winners on the auction block. For his contract with one player he received $50,000. Another manager, eager for a pennant, and willing to spend a fortune to get it, crippled various rival teams through purchase of their star players. Such a system is destructive to a city's interest or pride in its club or attachment to the players. It tends also to dull the sentiment without which a player becomes mechanical.

Baseball needs new leaders, men with more appreciation of sport and more sentiment than the present tribe and less lust of dollars."

* * * *

This is a Very Frank Statement, to be sure. What we want to know is, if new leaders were chosen how long they would continue to lead without landing in the same place. Our mania for sport is one of the signs of national decay, and at the rate we have been going it will not be long till the Sabbath and every sacred institution will be scorned and trampled under foot. With the increase of the sport mania comes a lack of serious-mindedness which is essential to strong and dependable citizenship. One of the pathetic events in the beginning of the great war now raging in Europe was the almost frantic efforts of General Lord Roberts and others, as in trying to arouse England to a sense of their danger, they went from one athletic field to another, and, trying to make effectual appeal to young men to enlist, they were often met with jeers and ridicule. Lord Roberts turned sadly away and said that what England needed more than all else was serious-mindedness. Soon, we fear, and possibly in some great national peril, it may have to be said of America that her youth are incapable of being aroused.

* * * *

Cheering News Comes from Brazil, where our church has one of its most vigorous missions. Bishop Mouzon has recently returned from there after holding the Brazil and the South Brazil Conferences. The Texas Christian Advocate, referring to the Bishop's return, says

He reports the great republic of Brazil as a wonderful and fascinating field. The Brazil Conference has some 6,000 members, and the South Brazil Conference 2,000. The Bishop reports the net gain in membership at 10 per cent. He says the work more and more is growing toward self-support. The contributions of some of the Brazil churches equal four or five dollars per member, an amount quite equal to the contributions in many of our American churches. * * * The intelligent men of Brazil are declared to be open-minded toward the gospel as preached by us. They are said to have turned from Catholicism. Bishop Mouzon declares that our only need in Brazil at this time is men and money. The opportunity for Protestantism is great.

* * * *

One Man in Our Conference has earned his bread. There are doubtless many others also; but we are speaking now of the stupendous work done this year by Rev. Frank Siler, our Field Secretary of Missions. Perhaps few of our readers have any conception of the strenuous program by which this faithful man has worked, and there ought to be great enlargement indicated in the pastors' reports on missions as a result of this work. Only Frank Siler could lay out such a program and put the whip upon himself in order to work to it. Such an unselfish and heroic devotion to a great task ought to bring large results and to be richly rewarded.

OUR ANNUAL THANKSGIVING

These bright autumn days are provocative of thanksgiving. The bracing, exhilirating atmosphere makes one feel like thanking God for the privilege of being alive, to say nothing of feasting the eye upon the indescribable beauties of earth and sky. There is peculiar fitness in the season of our annual thanksgiving. Besides the mellow sunlight, the bracing atmosphere and the thousand tints and hues of the Autumn days, there is the bursting cornucopia pouring upon us the bounteous harvests which gladden our hearts. It is the season when, by a thousand tokens, our hearts are called to give praise to God.

In another column we are printing the proclamation of our President, and what higher reason could we have to give thanks to God than the fact that such a God-fearing man rules over us? We can think of nothing which should appeal more powerfully to all the people of our great country at this time to gather in their accustomed places of worship and give thanks to God, than the fact that a righteous man rules over us—one who, in the midst of war and confusion, maintains that our mission is one of peace and good will to men.

It would be hard to recall a time in the history of our nation when special reasons for thanksgiving were more apparent. At peace with all the world; with an unprecedented opportunity to act as peace-maker among belligerant nations; with crops filling our garners so that we have enough and to spare in a time when our bounty is sorely needed, what is there for us to do but "take the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord?"

Let us be sure this year that the thanksgiving of our hearts shall take practical form or find some method of practical expression. As all our religion must not be confined to the cloister, so our thanksgiving must not be a matter of sentiment alone. Gratitude to God for what we have to make life joyous can not fill our hearts without unveiling to us the miseries of our fellow beings. So if we are thankful in the right way we will let our bounty bless the needy ones.

As we write our attention is called to the orphan's cry.

Messrs. Shipman, Moore, McNairy and Johnson are appealing to the people of North Carolina through the press of the state for the children in our orphan asylums.

They call for a day's wage from every man, woman and child in the state, as a Thanksgiving offering; and surely they will not call in vain.

Our savings account in the banks of the state is $2,779,000 more this year than last. The crops we are now harvesting are worth $76,000,000 more than the crops of six years ago. Our total wealth in North Carolina three years ago reached the grand total of nearly two billion dollars.

Surely we cannot remember these things and rejoice in them on Thanksgiving Day and forget the 2400 children in our 27 orphanages in North Carolina!

SABBATH DESECRATION

One of the disquieting signs of our time is the persistent tendency to ignore both the divine and the civil law of the Sabbath. To realize how serious a matter this is one has only to go about our railway stations and other places, such as our public parks, about the time for church service and see the vast numbers that hang around in idle curiosity, to say nothing of the crowds that go and come on trains.

Large numbers seem to have no definite object in view, but appear to be only drifting about with the surging tide of aimless multitudes. True, the Salvation Army, in our larger places, tries to stem this tide and projects a little gospel work upon the floating mass; but this seems to touch only a small fraction, gathering one here and there, while the great multitude sweeps by without even giving any notice to the service or message.

There is great need of a campaign of education on this subject. Our people are gradually losing the Sabbath conscience, and once the Sabbath conscience is gone we may rest assured that our churches will be empty and there will be no more vision for the prophet of God, nor message from his lips. Few people have an intelligent conception of the place of the Sabbath, either in its relation to our physical welfare or to our spiritual good. They do not know that an inexorable physical law demands one day in seven for rest; nor do they know that to remember the Sabbath and to hallow it is the only thing that can save a nation from the curse pronounced upon those who forget God.

A contributor to one of our religious exchanges discussing this subject says:

Dr. Willard Parker declared that in his practice he fund that men who had paralysis and broke down early were those who carried home their books and business letters for Sunday. He gave out the following: "The Sabbath must be observed as a day of rest. This I do not state as an opinion, but knowing that it has its foundation in man's nature as fixed as that he must take food or die." Dr. Henry Foster, of Clifton Springs, New York, declared concerning the Sabbath: "It is a law of God, established in our physical constitution, that demands rest as often as one day in seven. Any infringement upon that law weakens the con-

stitution and lowers the physical and moral tone of that being." "Dr. J. S. Jewell, of Chicago, an eminent specialist on nervous diseases, testified in regard to those who engaged in secular employment seven days in the week, that 'in almost all cases physical health has suffered, and morals also.'" The following is Dr. W. S. Hall's testimony: "The highest perfection of physical being can best be obtained by a strict observance of the letter of the commandment uniting bodily rest and relaxation with religious services. If there were no Sabbath, it is very clear that the poor would not live as long as they do now." These quotations are from the Sabbath For Man," page 200. Let this evidence suffice. It is an established fact beyond controversy that the Sabbath must be preserved or physical, mental and final wreck will overtake the nation.

A WORD ABOUT REPORTS

In another column on this page the reader will find a very important note from Mr. J. A. Odell, Treasurer of our Joint Board of Finance. Pastors, especially, should read this carefully and begin at once to get things in shape so that the report may be complete before starting to Conference. Then there will be nothing to do but drop the envelope in the box and the treasurer and his corps of assistants can go to work at once compiling the report.

If any one needs proof of the stupendous task required of the treasurer in order to be ready with his report, let him take a copy of the minutes and glance over the vast array of figures on a single page. Let him recall the fact that these figures must be gone over carefully time and again and verified, so that the checks and vouchers will balance up with the footings in each column. If one will just think a moment he will surely agree with us that, to be tardy about this is cruel and inexcusable.

Again, we would urge that pastors and officials see to it that all receipts for money sent in during the year be enclosed with checks so that the sum of receipts and checks will exactly tally with the amounts reported on the outside of the envelope. A failure to enclose receipts sometimes causes endless confusion.

It should be a rule with every pastor to close up his report before leaving home. There is this to be said in behalf of some of our pastors: They serve charges where even official members will put off their work to the last moment and then plead with them to keep their reports back till they send in a final report. This almost always causes trouble and should not be agreed to by the pastor. In fact, the people should not embarrass the pastor by making a request which, if complied with, will likely put him on the delinquent list.

We would urge the people, especially official members of the church, to co-operate in an effort this year to obviate these troubles which have heretofore vexed and embarrassed our faithful and efficient treasurer. Let us see if we cannot have every report correct and in its place on the first day of the session.

COMPLAINTS NOT JUSTIFIABLE

Just at this season we hear many complaints about heavy assessments. Those who make such complaints really know little or nothing about the facts. For instance, last year, the total amount raised for all purposes in our Conference, as reported in our minutes, is $584,652, or about $5.87 per member. Think of that for a moment. The average tobacco chewer—just a common tobacco chewer—spends at least twice as much for his supply of tobacco. The bill for chewing gum, plus the nickels spent for the picture shows, will mount up to twice as much, and these things are only the insignificant items of the family luxuries.

The total amount assessed for what is commonly referred to as the benevolences in the Western North Carolina Conference for the current year is $101,409. There being just about 100,000 members reported last year, it will be seen that, for the whole budget, we are asked to pay an average of just about $1.00 per member. The amount assessed for missions, Foreign, Home and Conference, is $48,-700. This is less than fifty cents per member. If we include Church Extension and Education, the amount is $81,566., or about 81½ cents per member.

The trouble with us is that we are a generation brought up under the influence of exceedingly small ideas, and we ought to be able to see our littleness and ask the Lord to help us expand. It is still true that only a few are liberal, and are supporting the church, while the many are but drones in the hive.

Whatever excuse we may make for not meeting our assessments in full, let us never again be heard to say that the church is over-assessed. An intelligent man or woman should blush at the thought of our great church being asked for an average of fifty cents for missions. Let us ask God to forgive us and apologize to our fellow men.

THE TAYLOR PLAN

We refer to the plan outlined and explained on our fourth page by Rev. R. M. Taylor, of Norwood, for the support of our superannuates. We are printing this the second time because it is to come up for adoption at our approaching Annual Conference. Every member of the Conference should study it diligently and be ready to act intelligently.

We have not had time to give the plan sufficient thought to justify us in committing ourselves to it; but we are fully prepared to take it as a working basis and shall, so far as in us lies, insist that our Conference adopt this or some modification of it which will commit the church to a policy of real support for our superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of deceased preachers.

The time has come for us to act in this matter, and we trust that no narrow policy will be allowed to get in the way of a real forward movement.

LETTER FROM BISHOP WATERHOUSE

The following letter fully explains itself and will be read with interest by every one:

Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 22, 1915.

Rev. H. M. Blair,
Greensboro, N. C.

Dear Brother:

Will you please say in the first issue of your paper, after receiving this, that the presiding elders of Western N. C. Conference are requested to meet with the Conference Board of Missions, and with Bishop Lambuth, in Reidsville, N. C., on Tuesday at 2:30 P. M., Nov. 16?

Bishop Lambuth also desires to meet the presiding elders on Tuesday morning to begin the work of the cabinet.

Yours fraternally,
R. G. Waterhouse.

P. S. While my health is improving now more satisfactorily than at any time during my sickness, my physician is opposed to my attempting any work. I have been greatly helped and comforted by the knowledge that the brethren are praying for me, and I desire that they continue to do so, daily. R. G. W.

NOTICE TO PASTORS

Brethren:

Please allow me to call your attention to a few facts in regard to the reports to our approaching Annual Conference.

First, Have your reports made out before you leave home and deposit same on first day of Conference. Should you not be able to attend Conference send your report to the treasurer by mail so he will get it on the first day.

Second, Be sure and have your reports correct, especially the financial report. Have all amounts reported on envelope, correspond with your report to the financial secretary.

Third, Be sure to have checks or cash and receipts to balance amount reported on envelopes, as the treasurer is charged with the amount reported on envelope, and he must have cash and vouchers to balance same.

Fourth, Make all checks payable to J. A. Odell, Treasurer, or endorse any made to yourself. Do not make any checks payable to other parties, as the treasurer deposits all funds in the bank and when all are in he distributes to the treasurers of the different boards the amounts due them.

THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION

By the President of the United States

It has long been the honored custom of our people to turn, in the fruitful autumn of the year, its praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God for His many blessings and mercies to us as a nation. The year that is now drawing to a close since we last observed our day of national thanksgiving has been, while a year of discipline because of the mighty forces of war and of changes which have disturbed the world, also a year of special blessing for us.

Another year of peace has been vouchased us; another year in which not only to take thought of our duty to ourselves and to mankind, but also to adjust ourselves to the many responsibilities thrust upon us by a war which has involved almost the whole of Europe. We have been able to assert our rights and the rights of mankind without breach of friendship with the great nations with whom we have had to deal, and while we have asserted rights, we have been able also to perform duties and exercise privileges of succor and helpfulness which should serve to demonstrate our desire to make the office of friendship the means of truly disinterested and unselfish services.

Our ability to serve all who could avail themselves of our services in the midst of crises has been increased by a gracious Providence, by more and more abundant crops. Our ample financial resources have enabled us to steady the markets of the world and feciliate necessary movement of commerce which the war might otherwise have rendered impossible and our people have come more and more to a sober realization of the part they have been called upon to play in a time when all the world is shaken by unparalleled distresses and disasters.

The extraordinary circumstances of such a time have done much to quicken our national consciousness and deepen and confirm our confidence in the principles of peace and freedom by which we have always sought to be guided. Out of darkness and perplexities have come firmer counsels of policy and clearer perceptions of the essential welfare of the nation. We have prospered while other people were at war, but our prosperity has been vouchsafed us, we believe, only that we might the better perform the functions which war rendered it impossible for them to perform.

Now, therefore, I, Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate Thursday, the twenty-fifth of November next, as a day of thanksgiving and prayer, and invite the people throughout the land to cease from their wonted occupations and in their several homes and places of worship, render thanks to Almighty God.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington, this twentieth day of October, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and fifteen, and of the independence of the United States of America, one hundred and fortieth.

By the President: Robert Lansing Secretary of State.

(Signed) Woodrow Wilson.

A CRY OF DISTRESS

In another column our readers will find an article by Dr. Jno. M. Moore, Secretary of the Home Department of our Board of Missions, with cuts showing two of our wrecked churches in New Orleans. Let every one be sure to read Dr. Moore's description of the distress of these churches and then do as the Macedonian Christians, "make up their bounty beforehand," and be ready to help these distressed congregations. It seems that the great tropical storm did far more damage than we realized. A little from every one will put these people back into their houses of worship.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE DORMITORY

On page 10 the reader will find the cut of the proposed new dormitory and some account of the launching of the campaign to erect this building. Be sure to look this up.

CONTRIBUTIONS

REV. SAMUEL WELDON BROWN, A. M.

J. H. Bennett

Rev. Samuel Weldon Brown, A. M., was born at High Point in Guilford County, N. C., on Dec. 7, 1843, and died at his home in Sparta, Alleghany County, N. C., on Sunday, October 17, 1915. He passed triumphantly to the church in heaven at the hour of worship, 11 o'clock, on Sunday morning. Professor Brown lived 71 years, 9 months and 10 days.

He was married to Miss Maggie M. Mock Dec. 20, 1871. To this union were born six children. The widow and five children survive, sadly mourning the loss of a model husband and father. The surviving children are Messrs. G. D. Brown and S. W. Brown, Jr., Mrs. Ola E. Carson, and Misses Alice and Hattie Brown.

Brother Brown was converted at High Point when 13 years old and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. He crossed the line of accountability on the right side. He never believed that it was necessary for a boy or girl to become a wilful transgressor of God's Law, a point in theology that should be everywhere emphasized. Brother Brown prayed in public during his 13th year, and was superintendent of a Sunday school at 14. His own father, two brothers and a sister, were converted under his influence. He was a branch in the vine that brought forth fruit from the beginning of its life.

During his young manhood Professor Brown did three years valiant service in the Confederate Army. He told me that during that time he never had a fear of being killed, because he knew of his call to the ministry and believed that he would live to meet its requirements.

After the war he entered Old Trinity College, from which Institution he received the degree of Master of Arts, on June 16, 1870.

Brother Brown was licensed to preach in 1868. He has therefore been a preacher 47 years. He chose to remain in the local ministry, devoting his time to teaching and preaching. He was ordained deacon and elder by Bishop McTyeire in the seventies.

Prof. Brown moved to Sparta in July, 1881. He lived there 34 years. He was the pioneer of higher education in Alleghany county. He was the first college graduate to become a citizen of that county. He conducted the first high school ever taught in that section of our mountains. He taught 42 consecutive years. Nearly every family in Ashe and Alleghany counties of North Carolina and in Grayson county, Va., have been helped in an educational way by Professor Brown. Many prominent and influential men in every honorable profession and occupation say not that they are graduates of some college, but that they are graduates of Professor Brown. He was a fine instructor and a powerful personality.

Brother Brown was as devoted to the ministry as he was to the work of education. He believed that Jesus Christ is the foundation and the crown of an educated manhood. He therefore preached practically every Sunday during his 47 years as a local preacher. When he could get a school house or a private home he entered and preached. When these were not available he made appointments at cross roads and in the fields and groves.

Methodism had no existence, or a very meager existence in those mountains when Brother Brown went there. He was the greatest pioneer of Methodism in Alleghany county, establishing nearly every church we now have in that county.

As a preacher he was clear, strong, eloquent, invincible, and persistent. He had the evangelistic power and used it all the time. He served five pastoral charges, being at the time of his death pastor of the Laurel Springs circuit.

One of the leading lights among North Carolina educators has gone out, but still shines. One of the brightest stars of North Carolina Methodism has left a halo of glory among us, and gone up to increase the lustre of heaven.

Professor Brown requested that the full ritual of the church be used at his funeral. The service was conducted by the writer, at Brother Brown's own request, assisted by Rev. J. W. Hoyle, pastor at Sparta. A large concourse of people were present, silent in respect, honor, sorrow. And we laid the body of Professor Samuel W. Brown to rest among the friends and amid the scenes he loved so well.

"Weep no more, woeful friends, weep no more,
For Brown, your sorrow, is not dead,
Sunk though he be beneath the earthen floor.
So sinks the day star in the ocean bed,
And yet anon repairs his drooping head,
And tricks his beams, and with new spangled oar
Flames in the forehead of the morning sky;
So Brown sunk low, but mounted high,
Through the dear might of Him that walked the waves,
Where other groves and other streams along,
With nectar pure his oozy locks he loves,
And hears the unexpressive nuptial song,
In the blest kingdoms meek of joy and love.
There entertain him all the saints above,
In solemn troops and sweet societies,
That sing, and singing in their glory move,
And wipe the tears forever from his eyes."

A PLAN FOR BETTER SUPPORT FOR OUR SUPERANNUATES AND OTHER CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS

R. M. Taylor

1. We recommend that the Joint Board of Finance first place all the Conference claimants on an average basis, which may be a home, rent free, without income. Any income of any claimant may be considered at the discretion of the Board. Also that the Board provide for all cases of special necessity, before making any general distribution of the Conference fund.

2. In the distribution of the Conference fund to the claimants we recommend that a superannuate member of the Western North Carolina Conference shall be a unit, his wife a unit, the widow of a deceased member of the Conference a unit, each child of a superannuate or deceased preacher of the Coonference a half unit, up to the age of fourteen years.

3. We recommend that a unit be allowed a sum equal to one per cent. of an average salary of all the preachers and presiding elders of the Conference for the current year, for each year of effective service rendered the church by the preacher representing the unit, up to the limit mentioned in the next paragraph. PROVIDED—the claim of a preacher's widow might be computed on the number of years she was the wife of the said preacher. And PROVIDED—If the fund be not sufficient to meet such a distribution the fund be raised by assessment upon the Conference, at the rate of two thousand dollars a year until a sufficient amount be raised, and that such rate be continued in the future. Meanwhile the Conference fund to be distributed on the basis of this paragraph.

4. We recommend that the limit of the application of the above paragraph be an average of all the years of effective service rendered the church by all the whole units (half units not being counted). Provided—NO family shall receive more than the maximum claim of two units.

5. We recommend that the Conference claimant fund be placed with the budget for the support of the ministry, and not, as heretofore, with the benevolent collections.

* * * *

The Plan Demonstrated

1. The first paragraph is intended to equalize, as far as possible, the condition of the claimants, before making the distribution of the fund for their living expenses.

2. The second paragraph seeks a basis for the distribution of the fund among the claimants. It is, in fact, a continuance of the idea of the first paragraph.

3. The third paragraph seeks to establish a rule for the distribution of the fund, based on the principle of the length of service, which principle is recognized and provided for in the Discipline. (Paragraph 388, Discipline 1914.)

4. The next paragraph introduces the limit, because, unlimited, there would be a great inequality in the condition of the claimants by applying the principle of length of service without limitation.

5. The fifth paragraph would take the handling of the colection for claimants out of the benevolent collections, and put it where it evidently belongs, with the fund for the support of the ministry. The fund would be prorated, as is the other fund raised by the stewards and the pastor and presiding elder would share the shortage with the claimants.

* * * *

Mathematical Demonstration

1. There are now even one hundred Conference claimants on our list—22 men, 50 women, and 28 children. Not counting the children in the list in casting up the average length of service, the average is 25 years. This, then, would be the limit, and every unit credited with 25 years or more, would be entitled to the maximum claim.

2. The average salary of the preacher, including the presiding elders, is $870.00. One per cent. of this is $8.70. This is the amount to be allowed for each year's effective service rendered the church. To find the proper allowance multiply $8.70 by the number of years of service, up to 25. The years above 25 not being counted. There are two provisos in this paraagraph. The first is an effort to prevent the possibility of an old man marrying a young woman, and leaving her as a maximum calimant, possibly for many years. The other would provide for the gradual increase of the fund up to a sufficient amount to meet the demand according to this plan. It cannot be told just what amount would be necessary. Possibly as much as ten per cent. of the amount of the preachers' salary from each charge. We do this for the orphans, and our obligation to support the superannuates is far more binding than this can be.

3. Suppose a preacher has ten years to his credit. This would give him $87.00, his wife the same, each child half the amount. If he has two children under fourteen his claim would be three times $87.00, $261. Suppose a preacher has twenty years to his credit. This would double the ten year claim, and would give him and his wife $348. If he has children, the count would go on up, but not beyound the sum of $435.00, which, according to this plan is the maximum for any claimant's family. A man with 25 years, or more to his credit would get $217.50. His wife the same, together, $435. By a providential co-incidence this is just exactly half the average salary of the preachers of the Conference. So the superannuate of 25 years or more is "retired on half pay."

Now, brethren, this is the plan I have worked out from a mass of reading which embraced the pension plans of all the churches, and many of the big corporations of industry where many men and women are employed. It does not claim perfection. But it does claim to be worthy of close thought on the part of all our people. It may be improved, no doubt, but I believe it is a workable plan, if we really wish to wipe out the shame of Methodism. There is no excuse for us to carry this disgrace any longer without at least an effort to remedy the evil.

I call attention to the fact that each Annual Conference must take care of its own claimants. I recognize the value of a great connectional fund like we are trying to raise, but the General Conference of 1902 set that movement on foot with the purpose of raising five million. After twelve years we have less than half a million. Less than one-tenth in twelve years. One hundred and twenty years at that speed. Last year we sent the fund the sum of $1154, and received from it the sum of $274.50. It will take us a long time to support our claimants at that rate. Of course that fund is all right, I suppose, but is too slow for present needs.

This paper is not prepared because of any discount on the work of our faithful Joint Board of Finance. Perhaps no Conference has had a more faithful and efficient Board than we. And the two splendid laymen who have given so ungrudgingly their services to this work deserve the everlasting gratitude of the Conference.

But this paper is prepared because the time has come for us to take a forward step to wipe out our shame and disgrace.

Notice is hereby given that this paper will be presented for adoption at the coming session of our Conference. Read and study it, brethren, and make up your minds, at least post yourselves as to what it contains, and proposes to do.

This plan takes no account of the splendid and princely donation of Mr. Duke to the Conference Claimant Fund. If we had that amount, added to what we have been raising it would almost meet the demands of the plan. But we do not know how the Trustees of Trinity College will see fit to apply it. And we are not free to count it in this calculation.

THE APPOINTMENTS

As we approach another sesssion of our Annual Conference, the thought of our preachers and people turns naturally and properly to the appointments for another year. Christian men and woman everywhere are praying for a preacher and pastor whose religious and moral life will be a safe and wholesome example for young and old, and who has sense, grace and courage to do all the work of a Methodist preacher faithfully and well. They want men of Christian character and capacity. Our conscientious, consecrated preachers are praying for fields of labor where their earnest efforts to advance the Master's kingdom may be properly appreciated, and where they may render the largest and most fruitful service. This difficult and fearfully responsible work of adjusting preacher to pastoral charge has been committed, by the law of our church, to the Bishop and his cabinet. The writer believes that if the cabinet would observe the following principles in assigning the preacher that it would remedy, in large measure, the growing restlessness so evident among our pastors.

1. No preacher should be moved simply for the sake of giving another man a place.

2. A preacher should never be moved at the dictation of a church "boss" and his sympathizers.

3. Long moves should be avoided unless unusual conditions render such moves necessary

4. If experienced preachers are to be moved before the expiration of a four years' pastorate, they should be consulted before such changes are made. The experienced preacher is the best judge of his own ability and capability.

5. A man who is indifferent to the comfort and welfare of his family is unfit for the Christian ministry. Hence the educational needs of a minister's children should be carefully considered and the best possible advantages given them.

6. So long as men retain their physical strength and mental alertness, length of service should determine promotions. Experience is just as important in the life and work of a minister as in that of a physician, lawyer or statesman. It is a serious matter to promote an inexperienced man to a position that justly belongs to a man of demonstrated ability. At least three parties are injured in all such promotions—the young man promoted, the charge to which he is sent, and the experienced preacher to whom the place justly belonged.

The average Methodist preacher is ready to endure privation and hardship, but he resents promptly and energetically any form of injustice. Then let justice be done though the heavens fall. Methodist.

NEW MISSION STUDY BOOKS

Efficiency Points

By W. E. Doughty

Mr. Doughty has done in "Efficiency Points" another fine piece of work in the realm of Mission Study. His first book, "The Call of the World," just hit the niche of a peculiar need. In that book he gave an outline survey of the world situation at home and abroad and yet, comprehensive as was its scope, it was compressed into the brief compass of something more than a hundred pages. To men especially, two points in that book appealed, viz., its scope and its brevity. In the preparation of this second book he has kept these two important features still in mind. It does not take eight weeks to finish a course in "Efficiency Points," as is required by the ordinary text-book and as perhaps ought usually to be given to a course. This book can be taken in four weeks, or even in one week meeting for four nights, hitting rapidly, hitting hard, and with the whole book finished going about something else.

Below follows a fuller review of this book by Col. E. W. Halford, who is Vice-Chairman of the Laymen's Missionary Movement and himself one of the great missionary leaders of the country.

"Mr. Doughty follows his The Call of the World with this companion volume in a manner that will make it equally, if not more, valuable both as a text-book and reader. Efficiency Points is written in compelling style. The first book bristled with facts and their imperative; this bristles with an array of fundamentals giving an enduring motive and laying a sure foundation for missionary service of every phase.

The first chapter is an analysis of the missionary character of the Bible and of its message to individuals and to nations. The Bible does not present missions as a segment of God's revelation. Missions, in the broadest sense and scope, is all there is of the Bible. It is not 'a matter of text, but of texture.' Missions is the warp and woof of the Scriptures from Genesis to Revelation.

The second chapter is devoted to a discussion of the spread of Christianity through personal service. Naturally, the place and work of laymen bulk largely. What laymen have done and must do, under guidance of the ministry, is well worked out in detail, with emphasis upon the 'social' message and work of the church at the present day. This chapter is rich in illustrative fact and in practical methods of work.

The third chapter discusses the Christian attitude toward property and the essential principles of 'giving' for the extension of the kingdom of God. This chapter, in its fullness and clarity, is a real contribution to the mass of literature upon stewardship, much of which is more or less confusing.

The concluding chapter is entitled "Prayer the Essential Dynamic of Efficiency." Upon this topic Mr. Doughty is a recognized specialist.

Efficiency Points is an advance over The Call of the World. That, by necessity, was a compilation of facts, correlated in a masterful way. There is like vigor and freshness in this volume, but with increased spirit and power growing out of the larger freedom the writer could properly feel in its preparation."

Rising Churches in Non-Christian Lands

By Arthur J. Brown

This book is the principal foreign text-book to be used by Epworth Leagues, Sunday school classes, Laymen, Women, and miscellaneous groups for the Mission Study year 1915-16, and is interesting for three fine reasons, viz.,

(1) It is a new book. Straight from the press, it reaches us just in time for the summer normal work in the various conferences. Our Mission Study year proper begins September 1st, and this book, published by the Missionary Education Movement and furnished by all the branches of our own publishing house, will be ready for use in thousands of interested groups in every part of the church. (2) The book is written by a man peculiarly qualified to write this kind of text-book. Dr. Brown has been for years one of the great missionary secretaries of the world, and having traveled much in mission fields and, as foreign secretary of his board, having dealt in the most intimate and practical way with questions connected with the development of the native church, he knows just what aspects of that development the home church needs to know and exactly how to present the many phases of that development in terms that will interest and stimulate the church at home. (3) The subject itself is a peculiarly interesting one. The native church has been partially treated in other books but never before perhaps has an expert dealt at such close range with the burning questions growing out of the development, adjustment and establishment of the church in the great foreign fields of the world. A discussion like this could not fail to make real the life of the rising church abroad, as so much needs to be done, and calling forth the interest of our membership at home, will set before them definite and appealing objects for intercession, will challenge young men and young women to the service of this rising church abroad, will justify and, no doubt, greatly stimulate the missionary offering of the home church.

Below is given an illuminating review of this book by Dr. James L. Barton. Dr. Barton is Secretary of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, and is familiar as few men with the questions discussed in this book of Dr. Brown's.

"This latest of mission study books presents a new approach to the subject by one of the most experienced of missionary administrators. It deals, not with theories, but with concrete facts reported by eye-witnesses and experts and massed in an unanswerable argument establishing the power of the church of Christ in the mission field.

The arrangement of the material of the book into eight chapters is logically progressive and conclusively convincing. One does not require previous experience of the subject to get the most out of this study.

The author begins with the untutored peoples destitute of Christian ideas and void of the marks of Christian civilization, as they were discovered by the first missionaries a century ago. From that point, treated in the first chapter, he traces in chapter two the initial steps for founding the Church of Christ in the midst of many disheartening and at times apparently almost prohibitive temptations and difficulties peculiar to the inevitable environment, as shown in chapter three.

In spite of these untoward conditions the reader is taken into the heart of the rising churches and introduced in chapter four to indigenous Christians in great number, whose devotion and constructive self-sacrificing service prove the power of the gospel to vitalize a spiritually, morally and mentally dead people into a living church.

The strength of the church in the mission field today as illustrated by the number of its membership, the character of its leadership, and the conspicuous usefulness of its institutions, is forcefully demonstrated in chapters five, six, and seven. These three chapters constitute the climax of the argument and grow legitimately from the four preceding chapters. Chapter eight, "Relations to Missions and Western Churches," was necessary to make complete the connection of the yet young but powerful church in the mission field to the various churches and communions at home, by whose contributions and co-operation the foreign work was organized and is continued. This chapter opens up a wide field for study and discussion and will inevitably leave the student eager to pursue further his studies of this central feature of the entire missionary enterprise.

The twenty-eight illustrations add to the attractiveness and value of the book, while the full bibliography and index and foot-notes make it complete as a text-book.

Dr. Brown has put into this little volume conclusions growing out of extended tours of observation in the leading mission fields of the world, to which he has added years of correspondence and personal contact with missionaries and native leaders. This has made it possible for him to enrich and strengthen nearly every point with convincing illustrations to which the entire field of missionary activity and literature have generously contributed.

This book is fresh, interesting, comprehensive, convincing, while maintaining a clear, scholarly character and giving its reader a true conception of the power of the church of the living God to transform a sin-sick world."

Many groups, large and small, will take this book as their text, but when groups cannot be gotten together individuals will purchase and find it peculiarly valuable in their study of the burning subject of missions.

Nashville, Tenn. E. H. Rawlings.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—The place of meeting of the Virginia Conference has been changed from Petersburg to Norfolk, the meeting to be held in Cumberland Street church, Nov. 17th.

—We are glad to give our readers a look at the beautiful Dilworth church this week. We congratulate Brother Ervin on the great success attending his ministry in this beautiful suburb.

—The Winston Sentinel says that during the past year our churches in that city have made a gain of 532 new members, apportioned as follows: West End, 112; Grace and Liberty, 100; Burkhead, 124; West Salem, 22; Southside, 39; and Centenary, 135.

—The North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Protestant church will convene in Greensboro on Wednesday, November 17th. We sincerely regret that the date conflicts with the date of our meeting at Reidsville. Greensboro will give a hearty and cordial welcome to these our co-workers.

—Presiding Elder L. T. Mann preached a sermon Sunday night in the Methodist church that held the closest attention of his hearers. During the discourse he took isssue with Bryan's peace propaganda, pointing out that war is often necessary, that it is incident to life—that life is war, and that out of war comes many blessings for mankind.—Newton Enterprise.

—We congratulate Rev. A. S. Raper and his congregation at Epworth, Concord, on the happy consummation of their plans to free their splendid property from debt. That Sunday night service in which the mortgages were consigned to the flames must have been a very happy service. Now we hope to see this congregation go forward and accomplish large things among the people in that important and populous section of the city.

—A beautiful marriage ceremony was solemnized in the First Methodist church, Wadesboro, last week, when Miss Mabel Herman, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Geo. D. Herman, was happily married to Mr. Philip T. Caraway, Rev. Mr. Herman, father of the bride, performing the ceremony. Mr. Caraway is assistant cashier of the Bank of Wadesboro, and is a nephew of Mrs. J. P. Buchanan, of this city. Mr. and Mrs. Caraway, after a trip of ten days to Florida, will be at home in Wadesboro where they will reside.

—Rev. A. W. Plyler, pastor of our Lexington First church, pounded the liquorites and their sympathizers in a strong sermon on Sunday evening, October 24th. The Dispatch printed his picture last week and reported his sermon in full synopsis. Brother Plyler handed out straight stuff, and it took effect.

—Rev. P. L. Shore writes suggesting that Rev. S. W. Brown be accorded a place in our memorial service, also in the minutes of our Conference. This is a very proper suggestion and we trust the presiding elder of the North Wilkesboro District will so move and that it will pass by unanimous vote.

—Rev. Raymond Browning requests us to announce that he has moved to Lincolnton as a place of permanent residence and that he and Rev. D. H. Comann are planning a three months' Bible Institute to be held there, beginning the first week in January. Those interested are requested to write to Brother Browning for full information.

Morven Circuit.—I have not written anything to the Advocate this year, but I have a few things to write now. In May Dr. Rowe, our presiding elder, preached a week for us at Morven, and from this meeting thirteen children joined our church. Dr. Rowe's preaching was a great blessing to us as a community.

Our other six meetings I held myself, beginning the fourth Sunday in July and closing the second day of September. Sixty people have joined the church this year. We have added over three hundred to the church during the four years; have traveled on buggy 7500 miles, made 1800 visits, over a territory of more than 20 miles; held prayer in the homes of the people 500 times; held 320 prayer meetings, 750 public services besides funerals. The charge has raised—when we pay out this year—for all purposes between $18,000 and $20,000. Three of our Sunday schools have more than doubled their enrollment during the four years. Our church property has been greatly improved. The charge will be in right good condition for our successor.

Your brother in Christ,
J. E. Woosley.

Central, Mount Airy.—Central church of Mount Airy is rejoicing over a manifestation of Christian devotion and church loyalty. During the four years pastorate of Brother Willis three hundred and seventy-eight new members have been received. Of these some two hundrd and fifty were present, wearing badges, at "New Members Service" on Monday evening. They occupied all the central block of seats and part of the other seats of the church. Brother Willis preached a practical, spiritual and inspiring sermon on "The Secret of Keeping On." The hour clossed with a short but impressive consecration service.

This is an example of the wise pastoral care with which Central church has been favored the past four years. Brother Willis, by his incessant labors, his ability to plan and carry into effect, his hopeful spirit and sound preaching, has won the admiration and love of our people. The opportunities of Mount Airy Methodism call for another pastor like him.

Sincerely, J. D. M.
Mount Airy, N. C.

Epworth, Concord.—On Sunday night, October 24th, 1915, at the close of the evening service at Epworth M. E. Church, South, in the presence of a good sized congregation, the burning of four mortgages which have been running since October 15th, 1907, took place. This event had been made possible by the united efforts of a plucky little band of earnest and faithful church workers. This event has been looked forward to for some weeks, since it has been known that the last mortgage had been cancelled. The united efforts of so many of the members of the church, together with the push of the pastor, brought about this happy occasion. Paying a church debt of $1500.00 is no easy task.

We now have a beautiful church at Epworth in Concord, entirely out of debt. This church was built in 1907 while Rev. J. Walter Long was pastor. Plans were then laid for a greater Epworth church and now this faithful band have reached a period in their history when they begin to walk in the light of past achievements. Oh! it is so good to be out of debt once in a life time, but still we owe a debt of gratitude to our Lord for giving us such signal success in this our undertaking at so critical a moment as this through which our people in this country are now passing.

As the pastor of this faithful band of earnest workers, I desire to extend to them my most sincere thanks for their willingness to help at this moment, and to assure them they will receive a rich reward for the great sacrifice they have made. The Church Extension Board, through Dr. W. F. McMurry, the secretary, has greatly helped in making this beautiful church a possibility.

We hope to go to Conference in good shape. We confidently look for and expect this to be the very best year this church has had. With such heroic efforts put forth we are always sure of God's approval.

May God's choicest blessings come to this faithful flock is the sincere wish and prayer of their pastor. A. S. Raper.

Rock Springs.—I wish to say a few words about the Rock Springs circuit. I came here as a junior pastor in August, found the work in fine condition. It has been a very delightful stay to me. I find some of the best people I have ever had the pleasure to work with. They are people who love the church and their pastor. You always find them ready to do what is best for the kingdom of our Lord, and as for Brother Green, I have never known a man whom I loved quite so much. He always has an encouraging word to say. He has done a wonderful work here this year. There have been something like five hundred professions and two hundred additions to the church on this circuit. He has also done a great deal of revival work. In all the meetings that he has been in there have been sixteen hundred professions and something like seven hundred additions to the different churches. He has preached up to date this year three hundred and seventy-five times. He is now in a meeting at Salisbury, with Brother Sherrill.

Our fourth quarterly conference was held last Saturday, October 23 and 24, at Webb's Chapel. We were very much delighted to have our beloved presiding elder, Dr. J. R. Scroggs, with us, who, for the first part of the year, was unable to get to his work. He preached two wonderful sermons. They were enjoyed by a large crowd of people. Dr. Scroggs gave us some very encouraging words about our district. We are looking for everything to come up in full. Some of the churches paid up in full Saturday, and I think the others will be out within a week or two.

Yours in Christ,
Avery S. Abernethy.

A Great Revival at Spray

We have just closed a meeting of eight days which was considered to be the greatest revival in the history of our church. The power of the Spirit came down in the old fashioned way. It was truly a revival. Cold church members were made to sing the praises of God, sinners were awakened and converted, backsliders confessed their waywardness. I had been trying to serve the Lord for forty-four years but I never felt the power of God's Holy Spirit burning in my soul and seen with my eyes the wonderful effects of His power upon others as I felt and saw it last Sunday morning. To God be all the glory.

Who did the preaching? Why, our pastor, and he did it well, Brethren, help your pastor by holding up his hands. Get close to God and you and your own pastor hold your meetings.

As a result we had sixty-five conversions at the altar, and one hundred reclamations. Forty have already joined our church and others will, and several will join other churches. The most of our converts were young men.

Yours for a good close up on the end of the year, W. D. Phillips.

Rutherford College

We have just closed a nine days' revival meeting here at Rutherford College. President M. T. Hinshaw preached on the first Sunday of the meeting at eleven o'clock and at night. He, as always, poured his very soul into the excellent young people who are in school here this year, as well as all others present. He certainly is an inspiring personality.

Our pastor, Brother B. Wilson, did the preaching the remainder of the meeting. He preached some most excellent sermons and with splendid success. The spirit of God was with us in great power both for the Christian and non-Christian. Some were strengthened, others reclaimed and others converted. Brother Wilson is much loved by all of his people and his congregations have continually grown since he came. We are hoping and planning for his return for another year.

The school here is progressing nicely with the largest enrollment for years. We have twenty-eight ministerial students in the club and they are very sincere in their calling and in the preparation for their life's work. The religious work that the young men are doing is very gratifying indeed.

The work on the new college building is progressing nicely these days.

Burley C. Reavis.

Report of Treasurer of Board of Missions for October, 1915

Received on Assessment

	Foreign	H & C
Walnut St., A. R. Bell	$ 10.00	
Forsyth Ct., J. W. Vestal	20.00	$ 30.00
Denton, J. M. Varner		40.00
Murphy Ct., T. L. Noble	5.00	11.00
Creston, J. I. Hickman	55.00	83.00
Woodleaf, J. W. Kennedy	12.00	14.00
Jefferson, E. P. Stabler	5.00	
Marshall, W. L. Rexford	5.00	5.00
Cherryville, W. T. Usry		16.15
Belwood, J. F. Moser	25.00	91.85
Iredell Ct., P. H. Brittain	16.75	15.00
Franklin Ct., Frank Siler		20.06
Wilkes Ct., W. S. Cherry	8.00	12.00
Murphy Sta., Ira Erwin	60.00	70.00
Yadkinville, W. M. Boring	17.20	17.20
Bald Creek, J. A. Fry		11.00
Hayesville, Frank Siler		44.75
East Spencer, S. E. Richardson	12.00	14.00
Walnut Cove, E. J. Poe		6.30
Sulphur Springs, T. A. Groce		95.00
Murphy Ct., Frank Siler	250.95	20.25
Bethel Ct., A. L. Latham	52.00	29.00
Summerfield, T. P. Johnson	9.00	12.00
Mooresville Ct., J. T. Ratledge	75.65	142.00
Mocksville, Z. N. Anderson	23.00	34.00
Green River, J. M. Barber	10.00	6.50
Mills River, R. F. Honeycutt	45.00	55.00
Micaville, R. F. Mock	4.00	4.00
Kernersville, C. P. Goode	80.00	
New London, R. L. Melton	25.00	
Dilworth, J. O. Ervin		40.00
McDowell, M. W. Mann	25.00	
West End, N. V. Stockton	183.00	
Yadkinville, W. M. Boring	8.10	15.00
Jonesville, D. A. Oakley		4.00
Cooleemee, C. M. Short		55.85
Marion, L. D. Thompson	25.00	
Total assessments for Oct	$815.70	$1013.91

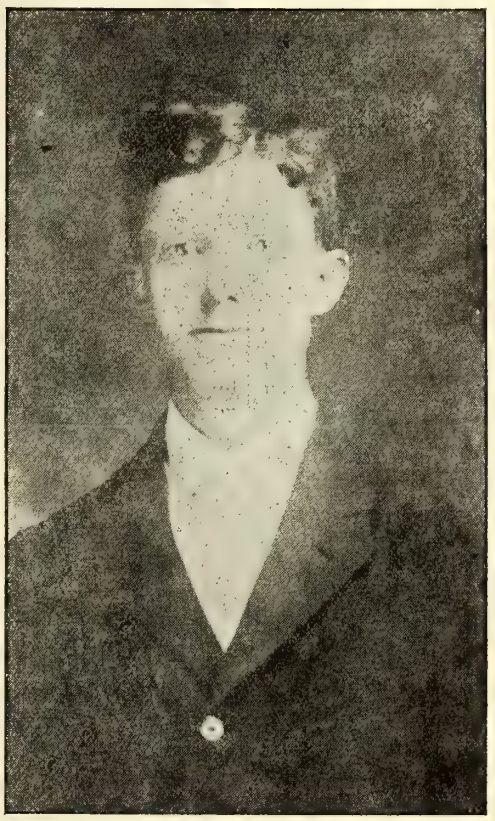
Received on Specials

	Foreign	H & C
Randolph, Miss Kate Norment		$ 1.00
Concord, Central, F. C. Niblock		5.00
Mocksville, Frank Siler		10.00
West Market, L. M. Johnson		5.00
Ramseur, W. F. Smith		5.00
Wesley Memorial, J. S. Wilborne		10.00
Centenary, Z. T. Bynum		33.33
Concord, Central, D. B. Coltrane		25.00
High Point, S. Main St., J. W. Hinkle		1.00
Lenoir Sta., Z. E. Barnhardt	$125.00	
Haywood St., H. A. Dunham	6.23	
West Market, A. H. Alderman		5.00
Randolph Ct., Mrs. M. A. Carpenter		1.00
West Market, A. E. Fordham		5.00
Clyde, G. M. Fisk		12.50
Tryon St., D. A. McLaughton		5.00
Lincolnton, Mrs. Bessie Ramsaur	25.00	
Coleridge, O. W. Ward		2.50
West Market, Miss Selma Lamb		5.00
Morganton Ct., A. C. Swafford		5.00
Shelby Sta., T. J. Babington		5.00
Gilkey S. S., C. F. Cline	5.00	
Hendersonville, M. D. Coburn		5.00
Coleridge, W. C. Craven		10.00
Wesley Memorial, D. A. Stanton		5.00
Wesley Memorial, J. E. Marsh	300.00	10.00
Bryson City, Frank Siler		20.00
Walkertown, D. C. Moir	25.00	
R. M. Gantt		5.00
Lincolnton, Dr. L. A. Crowell		30.00
Marion, L. D. Thompson		5.00
Wesley Memorial, C. Dunbar		10.00
Haywood Ct., Frank Siler		50.00
Marion, Miss Nell Blanton		1.00
Mooresville St., R. L. Snow		3.75
Newton, R. L. Snow		5.00
Rhodhiss, R. L. Snow		5.00
West Market, S. L. Alderman		12.50
West End, N. V. Stockton	17.00	33.33
Brevard Institute S. S., C. H. Trowbridge	3.33	
Newton Sta., J. E. Setzer	100.00	
Total specials for Oct.	$636.56	$ 351.91
Total receipts for Oct.		$2818.02
Previously reported on—		
Foreign assessment		2682.31
Home and Conf. assessment		3086.62
Foreign specials		3202.92
Home and Conf. specials		4000.56
Total receipts to Nov. 1, 1915		$15790.43
Total receipts to Nov. 1, 1914		13751.87
An increase of		$2038.56

R. M. Courtney, Treas.
Winston-Salem, N. C.

New Church at Dilworth

On the first page of this issue appears a view of Dilworth M. E. Church, South, as it stands today. On December 30th, 1914, on this plot stood what was known as Dilworth Chapel, a small wooden structure beaten by the storms of many winters and in the last stage of decay. On the above mentioned date as the workmen gathered about prepared to remove the old building, our thoughts went back to the glad hours spent under the dear old roof, and the happiness experienced there, for many of us had found Jesus sweet to our souls there. Again we knew that many of our friends and loved ones who had followed Jesus there had passed over and were living with Jesus. But as all things earthly must perish, this old chapel had fulfilled its mission and was no longer able to shelter the flock born under its roof. So it was torn down to give place to a more suitable building, which began to arise immediately under the hands of skilled workmen, and today in the place of the old chapel stands what is conceded to be one of the most unique and handsome churches in the Queen City.



Rev. James Osborn Ervin

Our new church was highly honored in having Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman to preach the first sermon, at which time a large and enthusiastic band were present to hear the famous evangelist.

This church is situated in Charlotte's best suburb (Dilworth) and bids fair to be, in a few years, one of the strongest churches in our city. Three years ago its membership ranged under 200. Today we have almost reached the 300 mark.

Rev. James Osborn Ervin, pastor in charge for the last three years, is a faithful shepherd to the flock, and through his able work and never-failing faith in his people, has made this advancement possible. He is a man that has no room for can't. A. H. Garrett.

South Atlantic Quarterly

With the October number the South Atlantic Quarterly completed its fourteenth year. The opening article is an appreciation of Sidney Lanier, by Henry E. Harman, a Georgia poet. Those who have become familiar with Mr. Harman's excellent verse in "A Bar of Song," and other volumes, will find his appreciative characterization of Lanier as a poet most interesting. Professor James Routh, of Tulane University, contributes an article on "Rhetoric in the Graduate School," which is worth the attention of all college teachers of English. He makes an effective plea for a greater recognition of the worth of rhetoric as a study.

Now that papers and magazines are filled with war news from Germany, the article by Professor Titsworth, of Alfred University, New York, on "Walks and Ways in Weimar," will please by contrast. He gives the reader a most attractive account of this peaceful center of literary and artistic interest.

Professor George D. Morris contributes another article on a Southern poet. He discusses French criticism of Poe and shows that the French verdict upon the worth of Poe's writings has not been so uniformly favorable as has generally been supposed.

No feature of the July number of the Quarterly brought a more hearty response from readers than Major Rowland's "Letters of a Virginia Cadet at West Point." These letters have brought to many an old Confederate or Federal officer interesting recollections of his West Point days. The October Quarterly contains another generous installment of these letters descriptive of West Point life from 1859-1861.

Mrs. John D. Hammond, of Augusta, Ga., contributes to the Quarterly a comprehensive survey of the benefits which have accrued to the South from the work of the General Education Board. Her paper is largely based on the report recently published by the Board.

CONFERENCE NOTICES

Meeting of Presiding Elders

Bishop Lambuth desires to meet the presiding elders at Reidsville on Tuesday morning before the Conference, November 16th.

J. H. Weaver.

Annual Meeting Board of Publication

The Board of Publication will hold its annual meeting at the Advocate office, in Greensboro, Wednesday, November 10th, at 2 P. M.

D. B. Coltrane, Pres.

To the Class of the Second Year

The class of the second year will please meet the committee of examination at Reidsville Wednesday, November 17th, at 7 p. m., in place designated by local committee.

M. F. Moores, Chairman.

Class of First Year

The class of the first year will please meet the committee in Reidsville at the place designated in the directory, on Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 16, 1915, at 2 o'clock.

E. J. Poe, Chairman.

The Board of Missions

is called to meet Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 16, at 3 o'clock at the place designated in the Conference Directory. The bishop and the presiding elders are expected to meet with us.

W. H. Willis, President.

Notice! To the Preachers and Delegates to Conference

1. The last General Conference recommended that the preachers in making their reports at Conference should report **even dollars** (omitting cents). This was observed last year for the first time and the pastors are again requested to remember this departure from the old custom of reporting fractions of a dollar.

2. The railroads have granted the usual special rates on account of the Conference. Those attending will pay full fare going, but when purchasing ticket, secure from the agent the standard form of certificate which will have to be signed at Conference by the Secretary, after which upon presentation at the railway office at Reidsville return ticket can be secured at half rate, plus fifty cents. It is important for all who desire to secure this special rate, to bring from agent at starting point the standard certificate.

William L. Sherrill,
Conference Sec.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

PEACE

By Thomas F. Gordon

What shall I wish for my friend today?
Silver and gold, success alway,
Joy and mirth, a life that's gay,
Eternal sunshine and resting? Nay—
I wish you peace.

While a wall of hate the race uprears,
And the tread of Death dins in our ears;
While millions of hearts are sick with fears
And the eyes of earth are blind with tears,
I wish you peace.

No idle content in a quiet spot,
Nor hardened scorn of the sufferer's lot,
But a soul where the love of God is hot,
And, knowing that love, it feareth not—
So be your peace.

Peace in the grip of the Father's hand,
Joy in obedience to His command;
His is the placing, where'er we stand,
And only with Him may we reach the land,
Of infinite peace.
And thus does my greeting find its grace,
As, peering ahead, our path we trace,
And we gird our loins for a goodly race—
May the loving smile of our Father's face
Send you sweet peace.

WEEK OF PRAYER

It begins Sunday, November 13th, and is the time when the women of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, are going to make a united prayer and offering for the great cause of missions and for our new field of labor, Japan, especially.

The success of this Week of Prayer lies in EVERYBODY observing it.

WHAT SHALL OUR RECORD BE?

We trust that every member of every auxiliary into whose hands the Advocate of last week came, did not fail to read the appeal from our Treasurer, Mrs. P. N. Peacock. She made clear to us what remains for us to do, the two remaining months of this year, and now my sisters, are we going to rally to our treasurer in this work and come to the close of the year with a record of which we shall be proud or is our record going to be found wanting. These last two months are going to be very busy ones with each one of us, for tho' we regret to say it, so many of our auxiliaries wait until the close of the year to meet the obligations resting upon them. Let us work earnestly during these few days and get results for which we may have cause for rejoicing. Let 1915 be the greatest year in our missionary history.

CLOSE OF THE CAMPAIGN

The month, October, which was set apart by our Conference for the Church-wide Campaign for new members and our new organizations has has come to a close. What has been the result of these four weeks of earnest united effort on the part of our women of the Western North Carolina Conference? We would be so glad to give through this column, the results of this campaign. Will not each District Secretary report to us at once the number of new organizations in her district? We trust the results are most gratifying.

TO THE YOUNG PEOPLE

The following letter from Mrs. H. K. Boyer, First Vice-President of our Conference shows that she is interested in the observance of the Week of Prayer for the Young People. Let each one of our Young People socieies claim the day set apart for them during this week and may they not only get financial returns but gain many new membehs during the observance of that day.

Dear Young People:

The attractive literature for the Week of Prayer has been sent out and I hope each society has received it and has already begun work on the program.

As you know the offering given the afternoon devoted to the young people during the week of prayer, goes through the channel of the young people's society. I hope each adult 1st Vice President will interest herself in behalf of the young people's service and make the service a financial and a spiritual blessing.

Mrs. H. K. Boyer.

Since the offerings from the Week of Prayer, are to be given for the furtherance of Christ's Kingdom in Japan and among the Orientals on our Western shores, we are glad to give the extracts from one of the leaflets issued by the Woman's Council, with reference to Japan in the hopes that it may help to impress more deeply upon our readers the great necessity of our prayers and our gifts during this week.

The Woman's Missionary Council at the annual session at Little Rock, Ark., in April 1915, by a large vote agreed to undertake the support of the woman's evangelistic work in Japan. This action was approved by the Board of Missions. In view of this fact we should find the following questions and answers of vital interest:

Japan

Why Enter Now?——— This is a time of stress and strain. Funds are low and business conditions bad. Reorganization and readjustment in the Missionary societies have caused some feeling of unrest. The most urgent calls for enlargement come from every field. Why, in the face of all this, did the Council decide to enter a new field?

1. It is a critical hour in Japan. That little country holds the key to the situation in the Orient. She controls Korea and is somewhat suspicious of the work the mission boards have enterprised there. She is more and more dominating China. A Christian Japan would be the mightiest influence throughout the East. While Japanese officials restrict our work in Korea and may soon do a similar thing in China, there is no restriction of the work in Japan, where we are reaching the leading classes.

2. The work our church has launched in Japan is wholly inadequate to meet the needs. It has been impossible to increase the evangelistic force for several years. During the past nine months Japan has suddenly come to a position that makes it the most strategic mission field. From that standpoint the call for enlargement comes with peculiar urggency.

What it Means

For years it has been the hope of the women in the missionary societies to have a share in the work in this most interesting field. The members of the Council representing as they do, the organized woman's work of the whole church, again saw the opportunity of making enlargement possible and passed a resolution assuming the support of the woman's evangelistic work in Japan and assigning missionaries to that field.

The Council will spend $10,000.00 for work in Japan in 1916. It also means an increase of appropriations of $10,000.00 and four new field workers if the Board of Missions continues its appropriation of $8,000.00 and sends two new workers.

What Was the Basis of Confidence?

Upon what were the women relying when they recommended this appropriation in the face of these hard times? First, upon the loyalty of the splendid body of women that make up the missionary societies throughout the forty conferences.

Second, they thought that the same reasons that had led to vote for this several times in the past held good now with a greater need before us.

Third, the most far reaching move for larger results in the Orient depended upon the women.

Fourth, they relied upon the impetus to be gained by the appeal of a new field and the increased interest that would surely come with the output of new literature and its use in the seven thousand auxiliaries of the church.

Fifth, they felt that one of the most important fields had been discriminated against for years in that one great branch of the missionary forces, the Woman's Missionary Society, had had no part in it. These groups of women who now meet several times a month for prayer and study of the work will surely bring increased interest in a field which they already love.

Sixth, they believed that the money would come. They believed that the extra gifts would come in answer to prayer, so that no other part of the work would suffer and that the thank offering asked for this purpose would be made joyfully.

Who Will Help?

It was a step in faith, an answer to a call of need, a determination to go forward and to help the whole Board to go forward, a confidence that what seemed so clearly our duty would be done.

Before the Council meeting adjourned the support of two missionaries and five Bible women was assured. Any of this work may be taken on the Station plan as follows, 19 Bible women at $75 each; 6 Kindergartens at $225 each; six missionaries at $750 each; shares at $50 and over may be taken in the Lambuth Memorial Bible School.

Now loyal workers must make the fulfillment of this undertaking possible by their extra gifts and by the gift of young lives to go.

MISS LEILA JUDSON TUTTLE

Friends interested in Miss Tuttle will be glad to know that she is again safely in China, "happy at work" as she writes one of her friends. While at home on a furlough this summer Miss Tuttle visited so many of the District meetings in our Conference and was always so helpful in the work. Bringing to us messages of cheer from her beloved China, always so happy and so full of Christ herself, her presence was a benediction.

May God make her work in China a most prosperous and successful one.

THE APPEAL OF THE CITY

A Great Missionary's Testimony

"Do you know what I would do if I had a thousand dollars?" It was Adoniram Judson, the great missionary who was speaking, and a thousand dollars looked as big to him as a million. He was walking with a friend past a Christian College in the city of Rochester and his friend ventured the reply: "yes, I know what you would do with a thousand dollars. You would give the whole of it to Foreign Missions." Judson had just returned from Burma, where he had labored for thirty long years and his friend thought he knew what was in the mind of the great missionary pathfinder. "No," said Judson, "I would not give it to Foreign Missions, I would put it in an institution like that. Building Christian colleges and filling them with Christian students, is raising the seed corn of the world." This was the dictum of a great Christian statesman who understood the world's need better than most men, and who knew where the best investment for the advancement of the kingdom of God could be made.

A Chinese Forms Bible Classes

A young Chinese engineer named Mea has taken up in China the organization of Bible classes as incidental service to his professional work.

It is reported that there are now operating under his oversight 71 such classes, attended by 800 men. Mea was converted in the Massachusetts School of Technology of Boston, Mass., where a most earnest Christian student won his friendship and changed his views of religion.—Missionary Review of the World.

Taking Care of One

Many years ago an invalid lady whose home was in the country, visited on a hultry summer day a large city near where she lived. She had business in some of the smaller streets and alleys, and was appalled at the number of sick, puny, pale babies in their mothers' arms who were literally dying for a breath of fresh air. What could she do?

"I cannot save all" she said, "but I can save one. There is room for a mother and her child at my home." She took the mother and child to her country home and kept them a fortnight. Then she took them home and brought others.

Her neighbors followed her example. The next summer the number of children entertained amounted to hundreds, and the next to thousands. Another woman who lived in the city could not give a cent but she wrote of the work. The story was published in the New York paper. A woman of wealth read the articles and sent the editor a thousand dollars, with the request that a fund be opened for this noble purpose.

The Fresh Air Charity was the result. It all grew out of the deed of the woman who took care of one little child.

RECIPE FOR GRAY HAIR

To half a pint of water add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbo Compound and ¼ oz. of glycerine. Apply to the hair twice a week until it becomes the desired shade. Any druggist can put this up or you can mix it at home at very little cost. Full directions for making and use come in each box of Barbo Compound. It will gradually darken streaked, faded gray hair, and removes dandruff. It is excellent for falling hair and will make harsh hair soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off.

Plant Trees

from the

Greensboro Nurseries

We have more than a million trees, vines and plants. We will make you a special price. Write today for our special offer.

John A. Young & Sons

Greensboro, N. C.

This is the mark of **HIGH QUALITY** in ready-to-wear garments for women and children. Honest work, best materials, correct styles. Ask your dealer for GRIMBALL GARMENTS and verify the trade mark.

GRIMBALL GARMENTS

SPARTANBURG S.C.

GRIMBALL MFG. COMPANY, Spartanburg, S. C.

Epworth League Department

Conducted by R. R. Mitchell, Greensboro, N. C.
Assisted by Conference Officers and District Superintendents

WEST MARKET LEAGUERS HEAR RETURNED MISSIONARY

The West Market Street Methodist church Epworth league held a most enjoyable and instructive meeting at the church recently, one of the features of which was an address by Miss Annice Siler, former missionary to Japan, who, while wearing the garb of a Japanese woman, talked most interestingly of her travels through this oriental country.

The program was opened with a hymn, following which Mrs. Frank Siler, dean of Greensboro College for Women, conducted short devotional exercises. Following the devotional Mrs. Siler gave a brief talk on the duty of all toward the fulfillment of God's plan for mankind, the talk being instructive as well as uplifting. Mrs. R. B. Young then sang "Beside Still Waters," which was thoroughly enjoyed by the many present.

Then Miss Siler, the returned missionary to Japan, contributed her part of the program, one of the most enjoyable features Epworth leaguers have been granted the privilege of hearing in some time. The lecture was illustrated with various articles brought from Japan by Miss Siler.

Concluding the program, Miss Moran played "Vera" and Mrs. Young sang "The Eternal God."

A PLEA FOR THE EPWORTH LEAGUE

An article headed "Changing Pastors" appearing in your most estimable paper, week of Oct. 21st, contains this statement, "The churches want better pastors, good 'mixers,' more pleasing preachers, more fruitful revivals, a man who can sing, build, revive our league, win our boys, organize the women, raise the conference assessments, hold our congregation, defend our doctrine, strengthen our cause generally and put us in the lead where we belong." Truly, these requirements demanded on the part of our pastors, would give us ideal men aud result in ideal churches, which of course, is the end for which we are striving, but the words "Revive our League" were what attracted and riveted my attention. May I be so presumptuous as to say had we more pastors who took a deeper interest in our Epworth Leagues, that clause. "Revive our League" would not have appeared among the many articles exacted of them. There is no one within the bounds of Southern Methodism who has ever loved their pastors more faithfully and loyally than I, and 'tis with sorrow and regret that I am forced to say they have failed even ever so slightly in their many calls to duty; but when a pastor contends the work of an Epworth League can be accomplished through the organized class in the Sunday school, as one remarked to me only a few weeks ago, he is surely laboring under a grievous mistake. The leader in the church, its pastor, should surely keep in touch with every movement within its compass, and my brother if you have a struggling Epworth League do not permit it to struggle with its last breath and finally expire because of your lack of interest in it, but give it your hearty support, encourage your young people with your presence. If not privileged to attend upon all their services, at least, let them feel and know you are in sympathy with them; speak occasionally from the pulpit platform of the work they are doing—everybody likes prominence—and you will spur them to fresher effort.

In my strong, hearty support of this beloved organization, I do not feel condemned when giving less attention to other organizations of the church outside of the Sunday school, for in the Epworth League we have all that is necessary for the education of our young people in the church life. With such forces as the Holy light of the Gospel, the call to the needy, the mind uplifted, the cry "Come over and help us" we can match up with any and all organizations and say "To us is given the victory." Where will you find another society who takes its young people and trains—mark the word—I say trains them into actual service in the church. Do a little figuring and you will find the Epworth League today is largely responsible for leaders in the church, preachers in the pulpit, and missionaries in our foreign fields. What an enormous work it is, if rightly divided, when forces are moving in a silent but powerful way.

I do not hesitate to say we have in our Epworth League, several of the finest young men that can be found any where. In a conversation with our pastor a few days ago, speaking of their respective abilities, he remarked 'twas his intention to place one of them on his official board, for he had noted their spiritual advancement in silently watching their careers and desired to place them in broader fields of usefulness; who will say they are not eminently fitted and qualified for this more responsible position? All Hail! to the Epworth League that can send forth such young men and may God bless them in their new fields of labor.

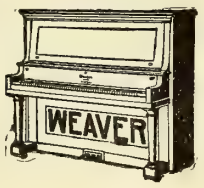
In my attendance upon the county Sunday school convention held at Guilford College, a most excellent outlined map was given of the several departments of the Sunday school, portraying each department within a gate; when it reached the enclosure marked for seniors, from seventeen to twenty, the gate was broken down and at the top the words, "What will repair the damage?" I recalled the words of Dr. Parker in his address upon League work at the session of the Baltimore conference which it was my privilege to attend last spring: "About the age of eighteen there comes a period of unrest, an unsettling of mental holdings, we are reaching out for realities, for solid facts, and how shall we reach them? Through no other avenue but that of activity," and I felt like proclaiming from the house top, "The Epworth League is it." It will repair the gate, build up the broken columns, restore injured bars and posts, making them strong and stalwart again. Oh! my beloved pastors do not let any one persuade you that the Epworth League has no place in your life, your church, or your community. Some say there are too many organizations—perhaps so—but no other organization has been established for the young people by our Methodist church, but the Epworth League. See that the young people are loyal to it, and they will one day be ready for any service in God's vineyard when the call comes for it. Epworth League and Ever Loyal are synonyms. We can't be one without being the other, and fulfill our mission "All for Christ."

Katherine B. Browning.

Secretary Western North Carolina Epworth League Conference.

TRY MURINE EYE REMEDY
for Red, Weak, Weary, Watery Eyes and Granulated Eyelids. Murine Doesn't Smart—Soothes Eye Pain. Druggists Sell Murine Eye Remedy, Liquid, 25c, 50c, $1.00. Murine Eye Salve in Aseptic Tubes, 25c, $1.00. Eye Books and Eye Advice Free by Mail.
Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago.

Weaver Piano Pleases North Carolina Family.



"The Weaver Piano I bought of you has been in use about six years and we are well pleased with it. It is one of the sweetest toned pianos I have ever heard, which is the opinion of all who have heard it. If I were buying another piano, it would be the Weaver.

Very truly yours,
J. C. FISHER."

Mr. Fisher is Superintendent of the Junaluska tannery, Hazelwood, N. C. He is a capable man who would be satisfied with nothing but the best for his home.

Why Do Weaver Pianos Please?

Because we have been building pianos and organs for forty-five years and have never manufactured any instrument except a good one. Our whole ambition has been to conduct a business that would grow a little higher in the respect of the public each year. That kind of a business house pays and it is a pleasure to be connected with it. Our present position as manufacturers of the Weaver—the highest standard of piano quality so far attained—is due to that ambition.

You wouldn't be surprised that Weaver pianos last a life time if you knew the methods, men and materials on which their reputation is based. Weaver pianos are used and endorsed by many of the world's leading musicians, including Alice Nielsen, Mme. Homer, Victor Herbert, Frank La Forge, Frank Croxton and many others.

We also make and sell the Charming Toned York Piano, the Popular Livingston Piano and the Celebrated Weaver Organ.

They may be obtained on terms to suit your convenience.

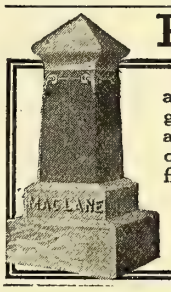
These instruments are everywhere conceded to be

THE LEADING LINE

Send immediately for catalogue and prices.

Weaver Organ & Piano Co., Manufacturers, York, Pa.

REGAL BLUE MONUMENTS
Withstand the elements



and are permanent in color because of their dense texture and great resistance to moisture absorption. Awarded the gold medal at St. Louis in 1914. Our quarries produce the only blue marble of the South—Regal Blue—and we have a splendidly equipped finishing plant for its manufacture. Special designs executed. We also finish Confederate Gray, Fantasie and Georgia marble.

THE REGAL MARBLE COMPANY,
REGAL, NORTH CAROLINA.

HERE IS A DESK THAT *Stays Rigid*



because the frame is of extra heavy semi-steel and the wood work is solidly dove-tailed to it. The seats have noiseless hinges and cannot loosen, and are extra wide. The frame has no scroll work to catch dust and the high arch makes sweeping easy. The only desk made in the South. Send for our descriptive catalogue

SOUTHERN DESK COMPANY, Box 2300, HICKORY, N. C.

Business Preparation—Thorough instruction in Bookkeeping, Banking, Accounting, Shorthand, Typewriting, etc.—rendered at minimum cost in shortest time. ***Either school or home courses.*** Good paying positions secured on completion of either.

Write for our illustrated catalogue and learn how this school is equipped to make something of you in the business world. Address

S. P. BROWN, President, LYNCHBURG, VA.

VIRGINIA COMMERCIAL AND SHORTHAND COLLEGE

Methodist Benevolent Association

A Mutual Benefit Brotherhood for Southern Methodists. Issues Whole Life, 20 Premium Life, Term to 60, and Disability Certificates. **Benefits** payable at **death, old age, or disability** Over $152,000.00 paid to **widows, orphans,** and disabled. Over $40,000.00 reserve fund. Write for rates, blanks, etc. ***J. H. Shumaker, Secretary, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.***

Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

A mutual fire insurance company, organized, owned and operated by the Methodist Church in North Carolina, for the purpose of furnishing protection for church property and personal property of preachers at ACTUAL COST.

Write for information and rates.

W. E. WEBB, Secretary Statesville, N. C.

MISSIONARY NOTES FROM FIELD SECRETARY

In these notes last week the printer somehow omitted the amount of $60.00 for Fine's Creek church

Creston Ct.—J. I. Hickman, P. C. Sutherland $120.60, assessments overpaid. Thomas Chapel $31.41, on assessments. Mountain View $22.62, on assessments. Creston $72.61, on assessments. Mill Creek $37.50, on assessments. Clifton $18.46, on assessments. Big Laurel $26.00, on assessments. Rich Hill $12.25, on assessments.

I preached eight times at Sutherland and one time at each of the other churches.

Brother Hickman was determined to bring his circuit out on all conference collections; and he is certain to do it.

If the stewards raise the salaries Creston Ct. will have a clean sheet at Conference. And surely the stewards will do this.

Brother Hickman and his splendid wife with their three lovely children deserve more than the circuit has promised.

Brother Bennett is praised and appreciated everywhere.

There were five twenty-five dollar subscriptions on the collections; viz. Rev. J. I. Hickman, Wm. Wilson and wife, Mrs. Mary Sutherland, Roby Thomas and John Thomas.

The Sutherland congregation has roofed their church this year at a cost of $220.00. The community has built a good public school building.

Bro. Hickman is an indefatiguble worker. I saw him hail a negro man on the highway to collect a dollar subscribed at our Creston service. The colored brother who supports his own Methodist church dismounted and wrote his check.

This country is in many respects most interesting. The small narrow valleys and coves and many of the mountains of Ashe county have been cleared and set in blue grass, orchard grass, clover and timothy, which supply every fall for the markets the largest number of cattle of any of the counties of the State. Some of the people are getting rich.

I know one man who owns two thousand acres of land and who is said to ship annually $20,000.00 worth of cattle.

I was most hospitably entertained in many beautiful homes.

As I write these notes on the veranda of Brother Emmett Sutherland's home overlooking the south fork of the New river, I hear instrumental music as one of his children is taking a lesson from his teacher whom I have just seen to alight from one of Ashe county's fine horses.

On the hills and mountains on both sides of the river I see herds of cattle grazing, sleek and fat. And this is Oct. 27th.

And turkeys! As Uncle Washington Duke said about the crowd of Trinity boys that gathered at his home one night to serenade him after one of his gifts to Trinity College, I never seed the like." On a green hill yesterday I counted a drove of fifty four.

What fine milk and butter and homemade cheese abound. Mrs. Oliver with whom we dined yesterday on Big Laurel in her big white house of nine rooms promised to send Mrs. Siler for Christmas a sample of the cheese for which she finds such ready market at the near railway points.

There are many apples this year of a very fine quality.

I found two churches, Mill Creek and Clifton, decorated with Chrysanthemums and other flowers for our rallies. The people attend church well in this country.

The fourth quarterly Conference of the Creston Ct. voted to go off the Board this fall.

I heard a good deal about the Jefferson school. Brother Stabler of the Jefferson charge and Brother Scott, principal of the school, I learned have secured $2000.00 of the amount necessary to free it of debt and get the amount offered by the Conference. I sincerely hope they will fully meet the conditions and thus save the school to our church.

Bro. Hickman, in our tour of his circuit, received two one hundred dollar subscriptions and a number of small ones, unsolicited. I waas impressed that if the work of collecting old subscriptions and securing new contributions is now intelligently pressed the people will respond. And the Conference, I feel sure, will stand by the school when once assured that the people in these four counties of Alleghany, Ashe, Watauga and Avery want and appreciate it.

The editor of the Adovate is remembered in these parts as presiding Elder. Many, too, read his most excellent paper.

Bro. Hickman told me he had sent the Advocate over $50.00 in subscriptions and renewals this year.

They are looking forward, Brother Blair, to your coming next summer to the North Wilkesboro District Conference which convenes at Sutherland

My route to Creston this visit lay by way of Asheville, Morristown, Bristol and Mountain City., Tenn. Bro. Hickman met me and carried me to Sutherland. The trip was made in one day. Mountain City is the terminus of the Virginia and South Western Ry. out of Bristol extending within nine miles of Sutherland, the very heart of Ashe county. The scenery along the Watauga river above Elizabethton is grand. On my return I drove nine miles down the New river from Creston to Warrensville, a point on the Virginia and Carolina Ry. six miles from Jefferson running from Abbington, Va., to Elkville, some miles above Jefferson.

Here I got a train for Abbington which put me in easy connection with the C. C. & O. at Johnson City, for points in Mitchell and Yancey counties.

When I was in this section of the Conference a year ago this railway was incomplete. Now there are towns of considerable importance with large business interests judged by the big wholesale houses, stores, homes and school houses I saw from the train. And these in Ashe county.

This road runs within two miles of Jefferson.

West Jefferson has sprung up with a new bank or rather the removal of one of the Jefferson banks and some talk in the county of a possible change eventually of county seat to this place.

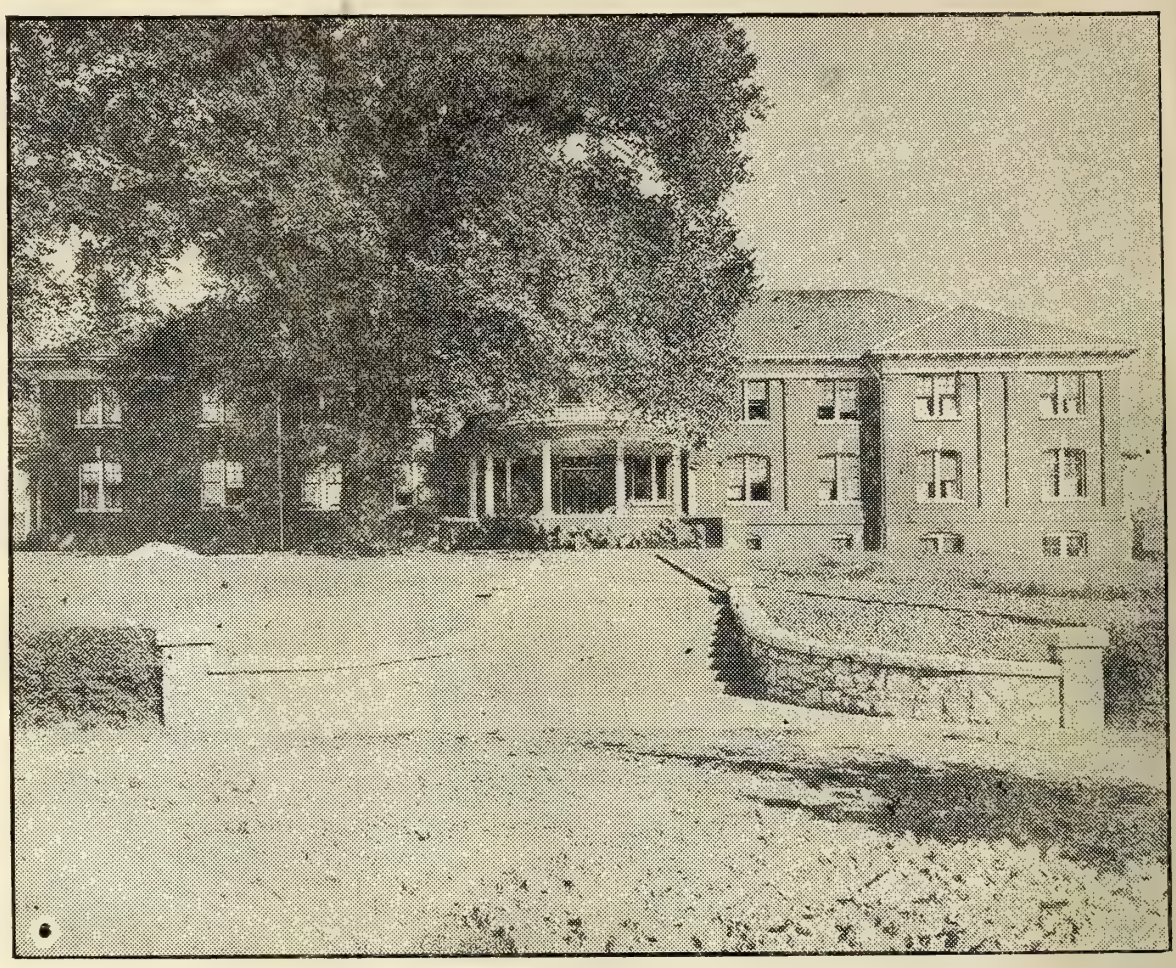
What transformations these railways make! I am wondering if the time is not at hand when Jefferson should become the residence of the presiding Elder of this important district. I do not know. Doubtless Brother Bennett can tell us the possible connection of these railways from out of Holston with our North Carolina lines. Surely it is a time for wise statesmanship in our mission and educational policy for this transmontane territory.

Later.

Since writing the above I have heard rumor that the Baptists have secured land in West Jefferson and are preparing to build there a school. I have not opportunity to get at the facts. I'm sure Brother Bennett, who is on the ground will ably represent our church in this crisis and that the Conference will have all the facts for intelligent action.

I had the joy of a three hours' visit, the second since 1888, to Emory and Henry. I found my cousin, Mrs. Hattie Knight, in charge of the Fulton House where a good supper was being served to a large number of students, among them Bro. Shelton, of Haywood county. He took me over to president Weaver who kindly showed me through all the new buildings.

The old administration building had been replaced by another handsome structure thoroughly modern in every respect, containing, beside recitation rooms and the college offices, a large library room and auditorium, seating twelve hundred people. The four other large buildings on the campus new and modern, are the two dormitories, the students' home and the Stuart building, the science hall and the big telescope just bought. The heating and sight seeing plant, the pumping station at the famous big spring, the handsome building across the campus for the fitting school, the new railway station, new stores and so forth. All gave me the impression, with the bright electric lights about the whole, that this famous old college has entered upon a career of greatest usefulness. The student body is one of the largest in the history of the college. Of course



GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN

It wll be gratifying to the friends of Greensboro College for Women to know that this time-honored institution is enjoying an era of unusual prosperity. The collegge has an overflow of students this year so that it has become necessary to secure rooms for students outside of the college buildings. For some time it has been realized that another dormitory building would be necessary in order to meet the growing demand of the institution.

Recently definite steps have been taken to make a campaign for funds to erect a new dormitory on the order of the Fitzgerald Hall, a cut of which appears above. Recently Dr. Turrentine and Rev. W. M. Curtiss appeared before a joint meeting of the Chamber of Commerce and Merchants' Association of Greensboro and presented the needs of the college especially touching the proposed new dormitory. It is proposed that the new dormitory cost about $30,000, and will accommodate about seventy students. It is gratifying to state that this joint meeting of business men nuanimously endorsed the enterprise, and appointed a representative committee to cooperate with college authorities in making a canvass of Greensboro's representative citizenss to secure funds to aid in the erection of this new dormitory. Gratifying progress has already been made in the canvass and a generous response has been realized in behalf of this worthy enterprise.

It is hoped that sufficient pledges will be given by friends throughout the State to enable the authorities to proceed with the work on the college in time to have this dormitory ready by the opening of the college next fall. President Turrentine has expressed the belief that this new building can be filled with students if ready by next September.

I visited the Byers House with its famous Society Halls. They looked very much as they did when I entered them thirty-one years ago the first time.

If I have not more of seasoned wisdom now and ability to face crowds with messages that help than in this Hermesian Hall where I made my start in contest for the "Improvement Medal" for debate the fault lies not in the dear old college.

And I remembered, too, that it was in the old chapel I preached my first sermon. The men who heard me were greater than I shall ever be—Jordon, Barton, Davis, Price, Hoss, Wiley, Longby and others. But they were sympathetic.

It was sad to think of Bishop Waterhouse as I walked about the campus. The new college is in large part his creation. He was my tutor here. Dr. David Sullins whose presence is a benediction at the Junaluska summer Conferences started me well my Freshman year by rising to his full height on the platform of the chapel that first morning of college life and, with that powerful voice led in singing, "He Leadeth me."

Other students from North Carolina I met are Gay, Marsh, Kirk and Jones.

Of course, too, Dr. Weaver treats me to a call on Dr. Lee Crawford and his charming wife and son whom I had never seen.

Dr. Weaver seems happy in the faculty of strong young men, several of whom I came to know.

RESOLUTIONS BY FRANKLIN QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

Whereas, the four year term of Rev. L. T. Cordell as Presiding Elder of this district is about drawing to a close, this being the last quarterly meeting of the Franklin Station; and whereas, under the laws of the Church, Brother Cordell will be next year sent to a new field of labor; and whereas, during his term as Presiding Elder the district has made marked and substantial gains in all departments of church work:

Therefore be it resolved by the quarterly conference of Franklin Station:

1. That we recognize in Brother Cordell a man of deep piety, a preacher of great spiritual power and an executive of exceptional ability whose thought and purpose seems continually "to be about his Master's business."

2. That our best wishes follow him to his new field of labor, and that we commend him to the Bishop and his Cabinet as worthy to fill any place to which they in their Godly judgment may see fit to send him.

3. That a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of this conference and a copy be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

Jas. A. Parlier.
For the Board of Stewards.

RESOLUTIONS OF CONCORD CT. QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

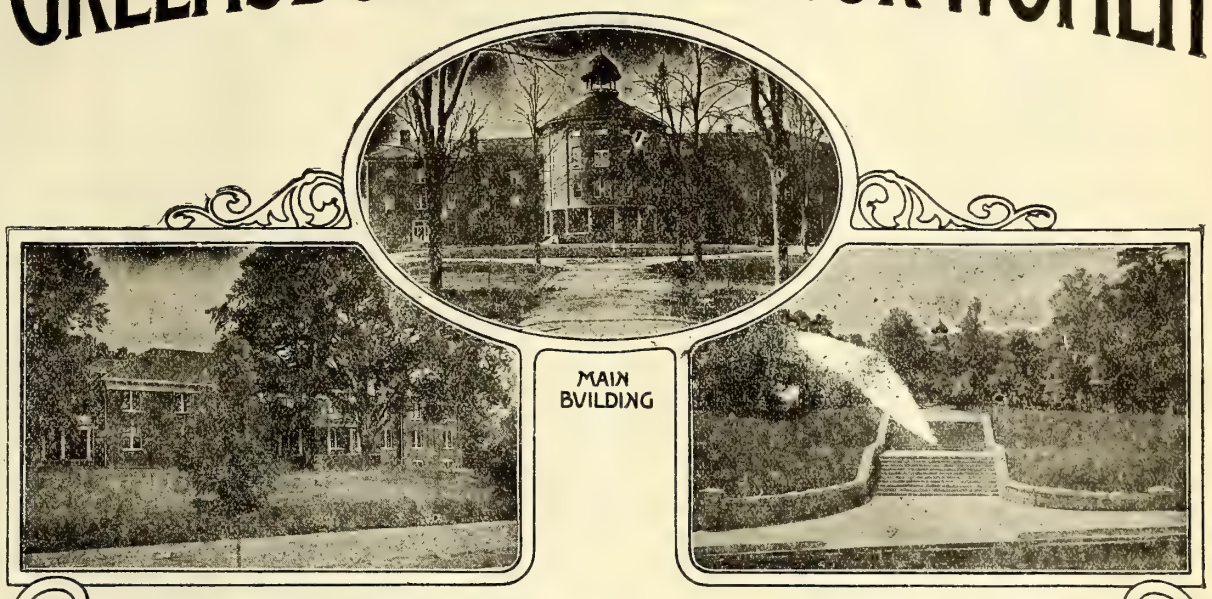
Whereas, the Rev. W. T. Albright has acceptably, faithfully and efficiently served the Concord Circuit tne time limit of four years.

1st. Therefore be it resolved that we extend to him our heartfelt sympathy and gratitude for his services, and that our prayers shall follow and ask God's blessings on him and his family, and ask the appointing powers at Conference to give him the best appointment posible.

2nd. That a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the Conference records, that a copy be sent to the Christian Advocate, to the county papers and ask for publication of the same, and that a copy be given to Rev. W. T. Albright.

W. G. Newell,
W. E. Kluttz,
Jas. A. Furr,
Committee.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY—FITZGERALD HALL

ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department, open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D. D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

STATE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The State Sunday School Convention which meets in annual session November 22-24 in Salisbury has the best bill of fare ever offered at a State Convention, judging from a little prospectus sent out from headquarters by the program committee.

The topics to be discussed are not only fresh and timely for Sunday school people, but are such as to be of vital interest to leaders of thought and of activity in other lines. The convention will, it is true, magnify the Sunday school's place in aiding the individual to develop a full-orbed life here and now, and its place in making the community and society what they should be in order to develop a high order of Christian civilization; but it will go further and treat Sunday school propaganda in its relation to the various agencies which are vying together to produce such a social order as will help every one to find tnd do his best.

The speakers who have been secured to discuss the various subjects and lead conferences are specialists in their lines, and while it would not be too much to say that some of them are masters.

The social side of the convention has been handsomely provided for in the plan to have all the delegates lunch together on Tuesday and Wednesday in a large dining hall near the convention center. This plan will also work good to the hosts and hostesses by enabling them to attend the sessions of the convention.

The religious Educational Pageant, to be given by the Salisbury people is altogether new for a State Convention and would alone justify the trip to Salisbury.

Reduced rates over all railroads from all points in the state have been granted on the certificate plan.

Schools will do well to begin to elect delegates next Sunday and it would aid the local committee if they would send their names in advance to Frank R. Brown, Salisbury, Chairman of the Committee on Entertainment.

GOOSE FEATHERS, FEATHER BEDS, PILLOW AND CUSHIONS, made to order, direct from factory. WRITE FOR CATALOGUE. SANITARY BEDDING CO., Dept 612, Charlotte, N. C.

When GGod does his best work he needs the best men to help him.—*George Eliot.*

The Sunday School Lesson

FOURTH QUARTER—LESSON VI—NOVEMBER 7, 1915

JOASH REPAIRS THE TEMPLE

2 Kings 11:21 to 12:16

Golden Text—God loveth a cheerful giver. 2 Cor. 9:7.

Summary of the Lesson

"I am no man: I am dynamite," said Nietzsche, and he knew of no object of worship higher than himself. Such a temper can destroy temples. It never repairs them.

Joash represents the temper which has a genuine appreciation of the place of worship in the life of a people. He set about repairing the temple, which stood for a type of religion in which righteousness and worship were wedded together. Under the king's leadership a noble and eager spirit seems to have taken possession of the people, and the process of repairing itself was made almost an act of worship.

The Neglected Temple

"Quench, then, the altar fires of your old gods, quench not the fire within," wrote Matthew Arnold. As a matter of fact the quenching of the altar fires usually indicates that the fire within has already gone out. The neglected temple in the city suggests that the temple in the heart is already in ruins.

Joash came to the throne after a period of decline in the worship of Jehovah. The temple in a process of decay was but a symbol of the fact that true religion had been in a process of decay. By calling attention to the state of the temple Joash was in reality calling attention to the state of religious life of the temple. The decay of religion is a most interesting nad significant study. It may mean that an inadequate religion has ceased to minister to the growing men who have heretofore accepted it. It may mean that evil-minded men are turning from a faith which rebukes their wickedness. When the pure worship of Jehovah began to lose its hold upon any group of men it was always a reflection on the men and not on Jehovah. The man who preferred the Baal worship to that of Jehovah by that very fact pleaded guilty to a lapse in the moral quality of his life.

It was such a situation which had produced the carelessness in respect of the temple and it was this which Joash in enthusiastic loyalty to Jehovah set about changing. Jerusalem had become the city of a neglected shrine. The city of a neglected shrine is all too likely to be the city of a forgotten God.

The Repair of the Temple

Speaking of the Roman empire at the time of the birth of Jesus, Dean Milman says: "Thus the world, peaceably united under one temporal monarchy, might be compared to a vast body without a soul." If this can be said of a nation it can be said sometimes of a place of worship. A temple, for all its magnificent architecture, may be a body without a soul, but it may also be the dwelling place of the very soul of worship. It may be a body which expresses the life of the soul.

There are indications that the soul was not forgotten in that work of temple repair upon which Joash had entered. The work was done as if itself a sort of noble ritual in praise of the Almighty. Something more than a building in Jerusalem was being repaired.

The great danger connected with a splendid temple is that by a curious kind of spiritual mutiny the temple may usurp the place of the Deity. That which was intended to be means of worship sometimes becomes an object of worship. The day comes when there is room in the temple for everyone except God. Worship is suffocated by its own magnificent garments.

To Joash and those about him the temple was a symbol and not an idol. It was a place to meet God. It was not an ornate method of doing without a Deity.

So the repair of the temple was a great moral and spiritual act. It was an expression of a spirit of revival in the worship of Jehovah. Returning interest in the temple indicated returning nterest in the God of the temple. The invisible God waas the object of the people's thought while they restored His visible house and made it more worthy of the One who was worshiped there.

Our Neglected Temples

Two old men were watching a beautiful woman as she walked past them in a city park. There was something hard and selfish about her face, with all its beauty. One of the old men said: "Do you know that face reminds me of an empty church." The other quickly quoted from a much-read book, "Or a 'handsome, unlighted lamp'!"

The neglected temples in the modern world are in the souls of men. To be sure there are other temples which are neglected, but the empty building is not half so tragic as the empty life. The fine, benevolent, serene-faced man who reminded a friend of "a walking doxology" is not too common on our busy streets.

"There is a little plant called reverence in my soul's garden which I like to have watered about once a week," said a genial and brilliant New England man of letters. The plant only watered once a week would not live long, but quite apart from that, it is to be feared that in many lives this particular plant is scarcely watered once a week, or month, or year. The attitude of worship is the secret of receiving all sorts of priceless things into the life, and that very attitude of worship is quite foreign to the whole experience of many a busy and efficient man. "My people perish from a hard secularity," a modern prophet might be forced to say of many Americans.

In every soul there is meant to be a place of worship. In every heart God wants to find a temple. The invisible cathedral within is God's abiding place. And this is the very temple which the modern apostle of quick efficiency often allows to fall into decay.

The Process of Repair

The religious task of the twentieth century is the restoration of the temples in the souls of men. There is a sense in which every man must be his own Joash here. You cannot repair the breaches in the invisible temple in spite of a man. He must feel the tragedy of the crumbling mass of ruins, where a beautiful and well-kept temple should be found. He must set about gathering the materials and restoring the house of worship in his soul. It is an individual matter and it must be settled in the deep place of decision in the individual soul.

But the air may be charged with a new sense of the significance of worship, which will arouse in men everywhere a feeling of need, and this atmosphere of urgency is to be produced by those who know the secrets of worship. The man who keeps his temple in repair is a summons and a challenge to all other men.

Above the door of his room Linnæus placed the words, "Live innocently. God is present." When the meaning of these words comes home to a man he will find reason enough for repairing the temple in his soul. The sense of the presence of God is the very life of religion.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in N. Y. Christian Advocate.

RHEUMATISM AND INDIGESTION

Practically all physicians and medical writers are agreed that there is a close relationship between Indigestion and Rheumatism. This view is substantiated by the fact that Shivar Spring Water, which is probably the best American mineral water for Dyspepsia and Indigestion, relieves Rheumatism and the Rheumatoid diseases, such as Gout, Sciatica, Neuralgia and Nervous Headache. All of these diseases are probably related and all are probably due in whole or in part to imperfect digestion or to imperfect assimilation of food. Physicians who have studied this water and who have observed its effects in their practice believe that it relieves these maladies by rendering the digestion complete and perfect and thereby preventing the formation of those poisons which inflame the joints and irritate the nerves, and also by eliminating, through the kidneys, such poisons as have already been formed. The following letters are interesting in this connection:

Dr. Crosby, a South Carolina physician, writes:—"I have tested your Spring Water in several cases of Rheumatism, Chronic Indigestion, Kidney and Bladder troubles and in Nervous and Sick Headaches and find that it has acted nicely in each case, and I believe that, if used continuously for a reasonable time, will produce a permanent cure. It will purify the blood, relieve debility, stimulate the action of the Liver, Kidneys and Bladder, aiding them in throwing off all poisonous matter."

Dr. Avant of Savannah writes:—"I suffered for years with a most aggravating form of stomach disorder and consulted a number of our best local physicians, went to Baltimore and consulted specialists there and still I was not benefited. I had about despaired of living when I began to use Shivar Spring Water and in a short time was cured."

Mr. Rhodes of Virginia writes:—"Please send me ten gallons of Shivar Spring Water quickly. I want it for Rheumatism. I know of several who were cured of Rheumatism with this water."

Editor Cunningham writes:"The water has done more good than any medicine I have ever taken for Rheumatism. Am entirely free from pain."

Mr. McClam of South Carolina writes:—"My wife has been a sufferer from Rheumatism, and after drinking twenty gallons of your Mineral Water was entirely cured of the horrible disease."

Mr. Carter of Virginia writes:—"Mrs. Carter has had enlarged joints upon her hands, caused by Rheumatism. Shivar Spring Water removed every trace of the enlargement. The water is simply excellent."

If you suffer with Rheumatism, or with any chronic disease, accept the guarantee offer below by signing your name. Clip and mail to the

Shivar Spring,

Box 5S, Shelton, S. C.

Gentlemen:—I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons (two five-gallon demijohns) of Shivar Spring Water. I agree to give it a fair trial in accordance with instructions which you will send, and if I derive no benefit you are to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns, which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....

Post Office .....

Express Office .....

WANTED—LADY REPRESENTATIVE

in every Southern community. Exceptional opportunity, commissions and cash bonus; liberal pay for spare moments. Send for our special Christmas money offer. Full particulars on request.

SOUTHERN WOMAN'S MAGAZINE,
Tennessean Bldg., Nashville, Tenn.

We Will Pay You $120.00

to distribute religious literature and represent us in your community. 60 days' work. Man or woman. Experience not required. Spare time may be used.

Universal Bible House, Dept. C. J.
Philadelphia

NEW FEATHER BEDS $5.40 ONLY

6 pound Feather Pillows $1 per pair. New, Clean, Odorless, Sanitary and Dustless Feathers. Best Ticking. Satisfaction guaranteed. Write for FREE catalog and wonderful FREE OFFER. Agents wanted. SOUTHERN FEATHER & PILLOW CO., Desk 24 GREENSBORO, N. CAR.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER

Proprietor

GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY

DISEASES OF STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL

General Insurance

General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland

108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.

LEADING JEWELERS

MAGAZINES

You can save money on the magazine you want by writing for



This Catalog FREE

Our New Catalog lists more than 3000 Periodicals and Club Offers, *It's a big Money-Saver.* Send us your name and address on post card today and get this big free catalog. *Do it now.*

CAROLINA MAGAZINE AGENCY,
P. O. Box 298, Greenville, S. C.

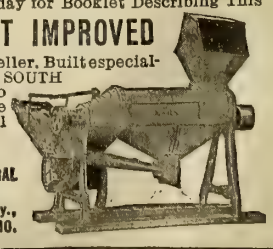
THE MARS SHUCK SHELLER

PORTABLE

Write Today for Booklet Describing This

LATEST IMPROVED

Shuck Sheller, Built especially for the SOUTH and to suit large or small farmers.



WHITMAN AGRICULTURAL CO.
8900 S B'dw'y.,
ST. LOUIS, MO.

BLYMYER CHURCH BELLS.

UNLIKE OTHER BELLS SWEETER, MORE DURABLE, LOWER PRICE. OUR FREE CATALOGUE TELLS WHY.

Write to Cincinnati Bell Foundry Co., Cincinnati, O.

Our Little Folks' Department

WHY HE DIDN'T

Billy was taking his very first written spelling test in school, and because he liked to have good grades he was very anxious to spell every single word exactly right. If he did that, his teacher would write "100" in red ink at the top of his paper, and then he would be very proud to take that home to his father and mother.

Most of the words were easy, and he seemed to remember them all out of some past lessons; but there were two or three of them that he didn't feel very sure about. For one thing, he just couldn't remember about "receive" and "believe" and just which one had the "e" first and which the "i" first. He was in the second grade, but older people than he was have been puzzled trying to remember that very same thing.

Billy looked up and looked all around the room and wished he could be perfectly sure about those two words, and then he remembered that Uncle Jack had once told him to remember it was "ce" and "li"—or was it "le" and "ci"? It was very puzzling, and Billy would have been very glad indeed to have heard the teacher spell it out correctly.

Teacher was through giving out the words and was only waiting for the children to sign their names and hand in their papers. She waited a little bit long, though; so if any child wanted to change a word on his paper, he would have plenty of time to do so. While she was waiting she laid her own paper, the one that had the test words on it, down on the desk in front of her. Then she got up and turned around to write something on the blackboard, and the wind came in at the window and blew around the room and picked up the paper and threw it on the floor right at Billy's feet. Of course that gave him a splendid chance to look at the puzzling words without anybody in the world knowing what he was doing. He saw the paper fall, and he knew exactly what it was; and all he had to do was to just look down on the floor at his feet and see if he had spelled the words right or not. It seemed to be the easiest thing in the world to do, but somehow Billy couldn't quite do it. What he did do was to sit up at his desk as straight as a soldier and look up at the blackboard.

Then the teacher turned around and missed her paper and, looking around the room, spied it on the floor at Billy's feet.

"Will you bring me that paper?" she said, looking straight at Billy; and of course he stooped and picked it up and brought it to her. She couldn't help seeing, though, that he didn't once look at it; so she smiled very kindly as she said: "Haven't you looked at it yet?"

"No, ma'am," said Billy politely.

"Didn't you want to see it?" she asked next, because she knew how much Billy liked to get good grades.

"Yes, ma'am," he answered truthfully.

"Then why didn't you look at it?" she asked. "The wind blew it right down at your feet."

"Because," answered Billy timidly, "it's in school the same as it is in baseball—if you don't play the game fair, you can't win. And I want to win fair."

"Pretty good reason," said the teacher, laughing, "and it's very true." Then she looked over Billy's paper and found that he really had spelled all of his words right. "Now," she said, "I'm glad to mark you '100' here at the top of your page; but if you had looked on, you would have always known you didn't play fair, and you wouldn't have enjoyed your one hundred. Besides, if you had looked on instead of trying hard to remember, your own memory would have been weaker, while now it is stronger because you trusted it."—Francis McKinlon Morton.

HOW LILY BELL FED THE HUMMING BIRD

There was once a dear little flower called Lily Bell. Lily Bell's mother always dressed her in white, because it was more becoming to her than colors.

This little flower used to stand all day on a tall green stem and nod sociably to the birds, the bees, and the butterflies as they passed by. One day a dainty little humming bird flew into Lily Bell's white cup and began to sip be generous, and she was very glad to be able to have food to offer to such a charming visitor.

On days when the sun shone Lily Bell would spread out her dainty white dress to receive all its warm rays; and on rainy days she filled her deep cup with the dancing raindrops, for she knew that her little humming bird friend was often thirsty; and when he discovered that Lily Bell had water as well as honeydew to offer him, his visits were more frequent.

At last there came a time when the raindrops ceased. Day after day the sun scorched down on Lily Bell's unprotected head, until she no longer could hold it up. The bird came, but there was neither honeydew nor water in Lily Bell's wilted cup, and she had only strength enough left to whisper: "There is a sister lily standing near me dressed in green. Pretty soon our mother will have her white dress ready for her to wear; and when she does, my sister lily will give you honey-dew and water, just as I have done."

The humming bird was very sorry for his little flower friend, for he had learned to love her for the generous way in which she had supplied him with food and drink; and as he saw her hanging her withered head as if in shame he wished that he might do something to bring her back to life.

The next day as he flew by the spot he saw another flower dressed in white and holding up a cup filled with fresh honeydew. The gardener had cut off the unsightly stem upon which Lily Bell had lived her useful life; but as the humming bird stuck his long, slender bill down into the sister lily's cup he seemed to be humming: "What a kind and generous mother, to be willing that her children should provide me with such choice food!"

And it almost seemed as if a voice answered.

"That is Mother Nature's way,
To give food, nor ask for pay.
All the beauty, every hour,
That is seen in tree and flower
Is her gift; e'en birds can share
In her kind and loving care."

—Helen M. Richardson.

HOW JOE MADE GOOD

Joe Wheeler was the one boy in his Sunday school class whom the teacher found she could not depend on. One day she told the boys that she wanted each one of them to help her raise some money to send to a little band of Sunday school workers who lived in far-away China.

"I'll help, I'll help," cried the boys, Joe among the rest.

Miss Lillian looked at Joe, and a little feeling of unbelief sprang up in her heart. She had heard Joe promise so often before to do things with the other boys and then never make an effort, so she said: "Joe, I think you had better not promise so hastily in this, for you might forget again. You see, I depended on you once before when we had promised a certain amount to the church fund, and I had to earn your part because you failed me."

"Well, I won't do that any more," replied Joe shamefacedly.

"Well, I tell you, Joe," said Miss Lillian. "I'll give you one of the little barrels, and all you collect I'll label especially from you."

All the way home Joe thought of what Miss Lillian had said, and he recalled the many times he had promised to help the class do certain things and then had neglected his duty. Now Miss Lillian had lost faith in him, and he felt a lump rise in his throat.

"Well, there's nothing to do, Joe," he said aloud, "but to make up for it some way. You've got to do something to make Miss Lillian think about you like she does about the other boys."

His mind was made up to earn some of the money that would go in the missionary barrel, so next morning he arose thirty minutes earlier than usual and put into practice the idea that had come to him the night before. He unscrewed the long hose that connected with the hydrant, and, taking it with him, he applied at several of the houses on the street which didn't have a hose and asked to be allowed to clean the walk and water the flower beds. He soon had all the work he could do, and people gladly gave him ten and fifteen cents after he had finished the job. He was very careful to do each one well, because he remembered that they too might lose confidence in him. Sometimes his small shoulders ached painfully after he had carried the heavy hose from house to house and watered six or eight gardens, but he forgot the aches and pains when he reached home and added a few extra nickles to his missionary barrel. Before he realized it the little barrel was full. He knew it held twenty nickles, and when he placed the last one in the top, he laughed. "I guess this will help some," he said to himself.

On the following Sunday the barrels were returned to the teacher, and Joe proudly handed in the little missionary barrel that held the money he had earned.

Miss Lillian gave a little gasp of surprise. "Why, Joe," she exclaimed, "you have more money than anybody else in the class!" She was quite excited.

Joe wanted to tell her that he had done it to gain her good opinion once more and that hereafter she could always depend on him; but all he did was to turn red with pleasure and mumble: "O, that ain't much!"

However, Miss Lillian seemed to understand.—Alice L. Whitson.

GRANDMA'S BIRTHDAY

"O dear!" sighed Amy Lee. "I wish I knew something real nice to do next."

"Why not run over and visit poor old Grandma Spear?" suggested mamma.

Amy's eyes grew bright. "I'm glad you thought of that, mamma," she cried. "I was forgetting that it is grandma's birthday."

"So it is, dear. I'm afraid no one else will remember."

"I ought to carry a present," said Amy soberly. "When a grandma is seventy-five she ought to have something nice."

"Go out in the garden and pick a bunch of those lovely pink roses," planned mamma. "I shall send her some pieces of calico. Nothing pleases grandma more than some pretty stuff to make into patchwork."

When the light basket was packed with rolls of calico, some freshly laid eggs, and the bouquet of roses Amy still lingered.

"It's very nice, mamma; but I wish I had some candy or ice cream. Grandma likes nice things to eat. O, I know! It'll take only a minute to make a glass of junket. May I, mamma?"

"I tried that once," replied mamma, "when little Beth was sick. I made some pretty pink junket, but I found when I carried it to her that it was no longer firm like custard, but it had been shaken until it was watery and spoiled."

"You might try this way," continued mamma. "We will put some sugar and vanilla into a glass of milk, and you can take a dry junket tablet; then you can warm the milk, stir in the junket, and set it in grandma's pantry to cool."

"O, you always think of a good way!" laughed Amy.

Setting the sweetened milk carefully in one corner of her basket, she went over to Grandma Spear's old, unpainted house. "I wish you a merry birthday, grammie!" she cried, lifting the latch softly and tiptoeing in.

Grandma was dozing in her big armchair. Her knitting had slipped down upon the braided rug, and Marigold, her big yellow cat, had tangled it into a pillow, upon which he was taking a nap.

Grandma started up. "Why, so it's you, dearie! And you've fetched old grandma some more sweet-smelling posies. I was wishing this very morning that I had an egg for my breakfast. Your mother is real kind."

"I've come to help celebrate your birthday, grandma. I'm going to make the nicest dessert for your supper. May I warm this milk?"

"What's this? It looks like a medicine tablet."

"It's a junket tablet," laughed Amy. "I like junket almost as well as ice cream."

Grandma watched with interest. "That milk hasn't boiled," she cautioned.

"Boiling would spoil it," said Amy. "It must be just warm. The tablet makes four glasses. You can use these three pieces some other day. See, I dissolve one-quarter in a teaspoonful of cold water and stir it into the warm milk. Now set it in your cool pantry, and it will soon be a lovely custard."

"Well, I declare. Isn't that fine?"

Amy loved to listen to grandma's stories and was sorry when the old clock struck five and their birthday celebration was over.

"Your junket is nice and custardy, grammie," said Amy, peeping into the pantry. "Now I must hurry home and help mamma set the table."

Grandma kissed her good-by and invited her to come often. As she set the glass of creamy junket behind her old-fashioned blue plate she bent over to breathe the roses' sweetness, and whispered: "God bless the little heart."—Nellie M. Leonard.

"PORTRAITS AND BIOGRAPHIES OF OUR 14 BISHOPS."

Send 25 cents for copy of above 32-page volume showing photographs and short biographical sketches of our Bishops. It should be in every Methodist home. You will be delighted with it. Ask for proposition to Misssonary Societies for selling them.

JOHN L. GREENFIELD,
1329 Busch Building, - Dallas, Texas.

Are Your Piggies Cold?



"My piggies warm as toast."
"So are mine."
"Gee, but ain't it nice to get up early now?"
"Sure is—it used to be so cold before Daddy bought the Nesco Perfect, now, it's just as warm as can be."
"I'll beat you down to thank Daddy for Nesco Perfect."

Are your's these Lucky Kiddies who dress by a

Nesco Perfect Oil Heater

Price.....

Your Name Here

ODELL HARDWARE CO.
Greensboro, N. C.

Quarterly Meetings

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.
Fourth Round

	November
Swannanoa, Swannanoa	6-7
Black Mountain, night	7
Biltmore & Mt. Pleasant, Biltmore	14

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C.
Fourth Round

	November
Ansonville, Concord	6-
Wadesboro, night	
Dilworth, 11 a. m.	14
Spencer Memorial, 3 p. m.	1
Tryon, night	1

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—James H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.
Fourth Round

	November
Asheboro	6-7
Randleman	6-7
West Market	13-14

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.
Fourth Round

	November
Micaville, Martin's Chapel	5
Bald Creek	6-7
Burnsville	7-8
Marion Ct., Capernaum	13-14

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mount Airy, N. C.
Fourth Round

	November
Jonesville, Ebenezer	6-7
Elkin	6-7
Ararat, Hunters	13-14

Final Meetings

	November
Walnut Cove	1
Summerfield	2
Stokesdale	3
Dobson	8
Yadkinville, at Boonville	9
Rural Hall	10
Pilot Mountain	11
Mount Airy Ct.	12
Mount Airy Central	12

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.
Fourth Round

	November
Hickory Ct., Fairgrove, 11 a. m.	6-7
Newton Sta., Newton, night	7-8
Maiden Ct., May's Chapel, 11 a. m.,	13-14

Final Meetings

	November
Catawba Ct., (all churches) Catawba, 11 a. m.	2
Statesville Ct., Bethlehem, 11 a. m.	3
Race St., Statesville, night	4
Davidson Sta., Davidson, night	9
Mt. Zion-Huntersville, Mt. Zion, 11 a. m.	10

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder
Fourth Round

	November
Kings Mountain, Kings Mountain	5
Lowell, Lowell	6
Gastonia, West End	6
McAdenville, McAdenville	7
Dallas-Ozark, Dallas	7-8
Gastonia, Main St.	8
Shelby, Sharon	13

SALISBURY DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.
Fourth Round

	November
Gold Hill Ct., Zion	6-7
New London Ct., Bethel	7-8
Kannapolis Ct., Shiloh	13-14
Kannapolis Sta., night	14

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—L. T. Cordell, Presiding Elder, Asheville, N. C.
Fourth Round

	November
Clyde Ct., East Waynesville	6
Waynesville Station	7
Canton Station	7

WINSTON DISTRICT—Hugh K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C.
Fourth Round

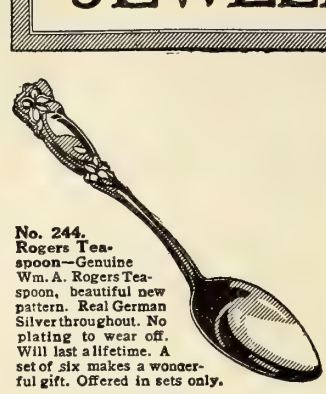
	November
Kernersville, Kernersville	6-7

A Great Book at a Great Bargain Less Than Half Price.

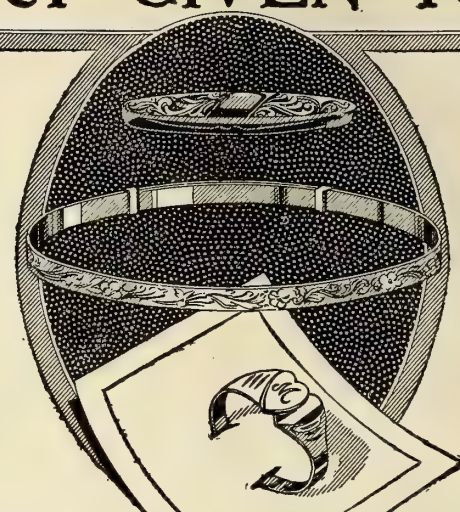
It is large, double column pages, printed on good book paper, substantially bound in cloth. It contains about 450 sermons and sermon outlines by many of the world's greatest preachers and about 800 bright suggestive religious anecdotes, price prepaid $1. If not pleased return it and your $1 will be refunded without a word.

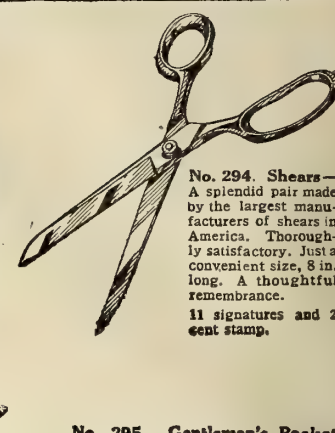
The Co-Operative Pub. Co., Kirkwood, Mo.

THIS REAL GOLD FILLED JEWELRY GIVEN TO YOU!



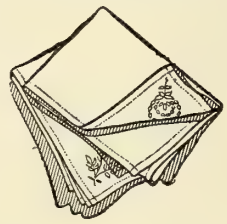
No. 244. Rogers Teaspoon—Genuine Wm. A. Rogers Teaspoon, beautiful new pattern. Real German Silver throughout. No plating to wear off. Will last a lifetime. A set of six makes a wonderful gift. Offered in sets only.
33 signatures and 2 cent stamp, or 20 cents and 25 signatures.



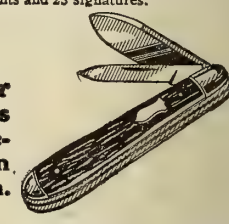


No. 294. Shears—A splendid pair made by the largest manufacturers of shears in America. Thoroughly satisfactory. Just a convenient size, 8 in. long. A thoughtful remembrance.
11 signatures and 2 cent stamp.

No. 271. Ladies' Handkerchiefs—Everyone wants handkerchiefs for Christmas. Hemstitched with Swiss embroidered design in corner. Excellent quality. New style. In sets of four only. Decided bargain at
16 signatures and 2 cent stamp.



Cut out the special Christmas certificate below and mail today



No. 295. Gentleman's Pocket Knife—American Stag handle with two well ground blades of finest English Wardlow steel. Fully guaranteed. This is a present every man or boy needs.
27 signatures and 2 cent stamp, or 10 cents and 25 signatures.

This is our special Christmas offer. It closes December 31st, 1915. All you have to do is to send the Christmas certificate below, together with a signature from a one-pound package of Arbuckles' Coffee, either whole bean or ground, and the necessary amount in stamps or coin.

How to get the beautiful, double Heart Ring, S. No. 5

You can get one of these beautiful initial double heart rings with any letter that you wish on it for the Christmas certificate, together with **one signature and 12 cents** in stamps or coin. This premium is not shown in our catalog, but is a special Christmas offer. Its value is remarkable. Absolutely real gold-filled ring (not washed or electro-plated), guaranteed to give excellent wear. If not, it will be cheerfully exchanged without question. Offered in sizes from 1 to 10. Be sure to give the ring size and initial desired. (Only one letter on each ring.) For size, see directions given on the list enclosed with Arbuckles' Coffee.

How to get the Wave Spring Rolled Gold Plate Bar Pin, S. No. 6

Or you can get the exquisite bar pin, shown above, for the Christmas certificate and **one signature and 10 cents** in stamps or coin. It is a fine quality of rolled gold plate, and will outlast all others. No other pin has these important features. Hingeless flexible joint, giving more room for fabric. Pin tongue is always in tension. The stiff spring makes this solderless pin non-losable. No hinge to loosen or break. Flexible bridge holds pin in correct position. It makes a gift every woman would appreciate.

How to get the Adjustable, Gold-Filled Bracelet, S. No. 4

Or you can get this beautiful gold-filled bracelet, in a lovely flower design. An adjustable slide permits you to make this bracelet oval or round, so that it is just the shape and size to fit your arm. It is one of the greatest values. Sent for the Christmas certificate and **one signature and 15 cents** in stamps or coin.

What women say about these gifts

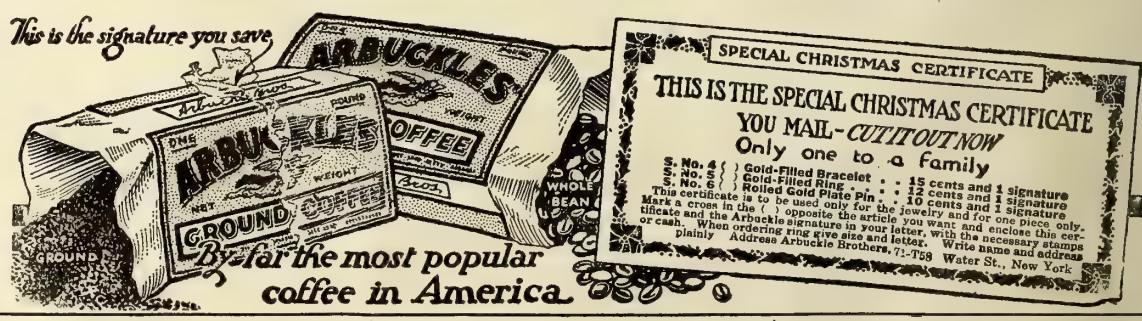
When women have once started using Arbuckles' Coffee, they say, "Why didn't I start using it long ago! It has just the flavor I have been looking for and with it I get so many lovely gifts that I have always wanted." So many say this that we make this special offer to have *you* get your first package now.

Your grocer has Arbuckles' Coffee. Get a package today—get the coffee which you have been looking for and make it earn lovely gifts for you. Serve it for breakfast tomorrow. Learn why more Arbuckles' Coffee is sold than any other packaged coffee—why it is by far the most popular coffee in America.

Send the signature from the package, together with the Christmas certificate below, and the necessary amount in stamps or coin, and get your choice of this valuable gold-filled jewelry. This offer holds good only until December 31st. To be sure your jewelry arrives in time for Christmas, have your order reach us before December 15th.

More suggestions for gifts

The spoon, knife, scissors and handkerchiefs shown here will make very popular Christmas gifts. Notice how few signatures you need—how quickly you can secure them. Send the number of signatures and stamps requested; for these gifts, the Christmas certificate is not required.



TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY STORIES

And every story a good one. They are entertaining, but that is not all you can say about them. You know there is hardly a periodical published that is not full of time-wasting stories, but not a single story in The Youth's Compaion is a time waster. Take the stories of C. A. Stephens. It would be hard to pick out one from which you cannot learn something useful and yet entertaining.

Some of The Companion stories refresh your knowledge of geography; some tell you the mysteries of chemistry, some reveal the secrets of forestry and of general farming. They cover a wide range. They are chosen with an eye to the possible likings of every member of a Companion family—stories of vigorous action and stirring adventure for boys, stories of college life and domestic vicissitudes for girls, stories that range all the way from sheer drollery to deep seriousness for men and women. There are no stories quite like those in The Youth's Companion.

If you are not familiar with The Companion as it is today, let us send you sample copies and the Forecast for 1916.

New subscribers who send $2.00 for 1916 will receive free a copy of The Companion Home Calendar for 1916, in addition to all the remaining 1915 issues from the time the subscription is received.

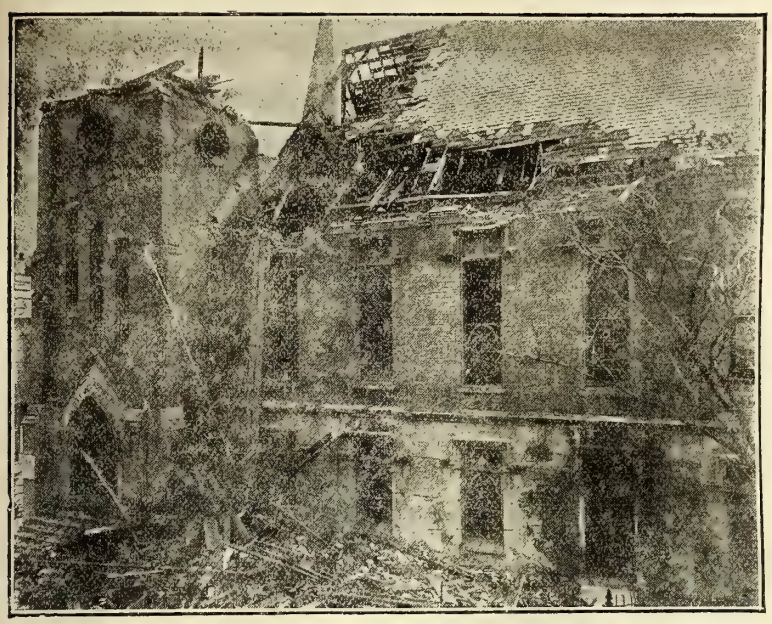
THE YOUTH'S COMPANION,
Boston, Mass.

AGENTS WANTED

Everywhere in N. C. by Penn Mutual Life Insurance Co. Write McPherson & Barnes, State Agents, Raleigh, N. C. Best Company for Insured, therefore best for Agents.

The whip of words,—short, sharp, incisive words,—chosen with care and knotted well together, is a terrible weapon. One brief indignant couplet of such words, or a prophetic warning of three small syllables only, like "voe victus," will go round the globe and man has no power to stop it.—*James Freeman Clark.*

You must for wisdom, and for society, have access to the mind and heart of the common humanity. The exclusive excludes himself.—*Emerson.*



HISTORIC FELICITY METHODIST CHURCH, NEW ORLEANS, LA.
Wrecked by storm, Sept. 29th.



ALGIERS METHODIST CHURCH, NEW ORLEANS, LA.
Demolished by storm on Sept. 29th

CHURCHES IN DISTRESS

John M. Moore.

The Christian Advocate, Nashville, of October 15 carried a call signed by Bishop Atkins, Bishop in charge, Dr. W. F. McMurry, Secretary of Church Extension, and myself as Secretary of Home Missions for help for the wrecked and greatly damaged churches in New Orleans and other parts of Louisiana. The havoc wrought by the storm on September 29 is even greater than we knew at that time. I am again laying the matter before the church as it is almost imperative that some help be given in order to save our churches in that section. Dr. S. H. Werlein, pastor of First Church, New Orleans, has sent the following note on the situation which is accompanied by the pictures of the wrecked historic Felicity Street church and also the church in Algiers which is now in ruins.

"The great hurricane of September 29th which swept New Orleans struck our beloved church a staggering blow. Felicity church has been turned into a ruin. The church across the river at Algiers is wrecked. Rayne Memorial is twisted and wrenched and unsalable. Parker Memorial and Epworth churches suffered and the roof of the First church was almost stripped of tiles and was exposed to the down pour of rain, causing a damage of $2000. Mary Werlein Mission was unroofed and our furniture in St. Mark's Hall was damaged. Louisiana Avenue and Second church also sustained loss. The damage will foot up to not less than fifty thousand dollars.

"These churches, located in practically a missionary field, have made a brave and determined fight for years. The people have carried as heavy financial burdens as possible. Their generosity has been taxed to the limit. Some of them have hardly been able to support their ministers. And now this appalling situation must be faced, what can these destitute churches do? The membership who dwell in their own residences had been compelled to make their homes ratproof against the spread of Bubonic Plague, and now repairs necessitated by the hurricane must be met. Meantime these structures dedicated to the worship of God send forth their silent though eloquent plea to all our churches throughout the connection to come to their help. A few dollars from the individual church and a few larger contributions from those financially able will bring cheer and blessing to our New Orleans Methodists at this time of depression and anxiety.

Rev. C. V. Breithaupt, who is in charge of our French Mission at Houma, La., tells in a letter of the distressed conditions which the storm left in his community and says, "Just think of two American missionaries, a deaconess, two French preachers and four exhorters, with only one building owned throughout their entire field of operation. Last Sunday I was in a section where we had $450 subscribed for a church and the water was from six inches to two and a half feet deep in the yards of most of the homes. I went around in a boat and saw thousands of barrels of corn in the water and of course a total loss. Another place where we expected to build was washed almost away and the people have left as a community with only their personal effects."

This faithful missionary has already taken $300 of his salary, which is meager enough, to help tide over the work of his mission and he has even had to sell his motorcycle by which he makes his way over that vast territory in order to take care of conditions as they are. Yet he continues to work. He has had seventy accessions this year to the church, all of whom have come from Roman Catholic families. He preaches to 300 to 400 people every week who are of the Romanist faith. Surely this faithful missionary should have some consideration at the hands of the church. We should have at least $1000 to put in his hands at once in order to reestablish the preaching places which were so seriously affected by the storm. New Orleans should receive at least five times as much, and I am inclined to think we should make it even more than that. Will not the church respond promptly and liberally? Never was a call more worthy and Methodism must necessarily be greatly retarded in New Orleans and in this great mission among the French if the response is not ready and liberal. Offerings from individuals, Sunday schools, or congregations, however small, however large, may be sent to Mr. J. D. Hamilton, Treasurer of the Board of Missions, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn. If anyone should prefer he may send his contribution to the Rev. W. W. Holmes, presiding elder of the New Orleans District, 1015 Dublin St., New Orleans, La.

LONELY SOULS

One cold day, in New York, a young girl saw from her window a woman poorly dressed and very old, walking past the door with a basket of broken chips and wood. When the building is torn down on a city street in the tenement quarter many people take advantage of the opportunity to gather bits of broken board to light their fires. The girl ran out and asked the old lady if she would not come in and rest. "We are having a party," she said. The house was well known to numbers of people in the neighborhood as a Christian Settlement. The women who lived there—both younger and older—were trying to be friends with their neigbors, and doing everything they could to make them happy and show them sweet and unobtrusive charity and clean ways of living. When they had a tea party in the afternoon they invited mothers and children in and tried to offer them real and friendly hospitality and a good time.

"I cannot come in," was the reply of the old woman, in halting English. "I am not dressed for a party, and I haven't any money."

"You don't need any money," said the girl, "and your dress is quite right. We only want you."

Thus persuaded, she stepped into warm bright room, sat down and had coffee and cake, while her basket was filled with fruit and flowers so that the rough wood was hidden. When she said goodbye, the old lady looked about her, and in a quivering voice made this statement: "I am eighty years old. I came from Germany fifty years ago. This is the first time I have had anything to eat outside of my own room."

The thought of that speech never can lose its impression on those who heard it. Fifty lonely years. Think of it, and then to say to yourself while you are young and happy that you will be looking out for the people who are lonesome that you may cheer their pathway.

"There are lonely hearts to cherish,
While the days are going by."

Selected.

Fear then, to do evil. That is the attitude of mind and heart we should all have. Be brave to face danger, difficulty; but shrink from sin with fear. There is reason for this, believe me,—reason written in the very foundation of the universe, and permeating through all the fabric of conscious life. Determine that your life shall be genuine. Seek character above reputation.—*Charles E. Perkins.*

Children's Home

Amount Received on Ten Per Cent. Assessment Fund, and General and Special Support

E. D Atkins, Gastonia, Woman's Missionary Society of the Main St. Church, $12.50; "A Tithing Layman," Greensboro, $10.00; Rev. J. C. Harmon, Asheville, Bethel, $35.00; Miss S. B. Miller, Charlotte, $10.00; Miss Julia Brookshire, Biltmore, $2.71; Rev. J. T. Ratledge, Mooresville, McKendree, $7.40, Centenary, $8.97, Triplett, $1.25; James C. Fink, Concord, Treas., Forest Hill, $20.00; Taylor Bynum, Treas., Centary, Winston-Salem, $136.80; Rev. D. A. Oakley, Jonesville, $3.42; Rev. W. T. Albright, Concord Ct., $34.23; Total, $282.28.

Building Fund—Rev. J. H. West, Agt.

J. J. Crow, Monroe, $25.00; Wriston Lee, Monroe, $25.00; Main Street S. S., Gastonia, $10.30; B. L. Young, Spencer, $12.50; S. J. Kyle, Mount Ulla, $10.00; C. P. Peeler, Belwood, $6.00; H. B. Brewer, Thomasville, $5.00; J. G. Holtzclaw, Thomasville, $5.00; Drs. Little and Little, Newton, $4.00; Cash donation, Jamestown Church, $2.77; M. C. Austin, Monroe, $1.00; J. H. Luttuloh, Franklinville, $1.00; Miss Ida Lee Moore, Mount Ulla, $1.00; John L. Daniels, Sec., Spring Garden St. S. S., Greensboro, $15.00; F. C. Boyles, Treas., West Market St. Church, Greensboro, $115.00; "Two Salisbury friends," $2.00; Total: $240.57.

Correction

The amount credited to J. W. Murdoch, Mooresville, in last report, should be $45.00 instead of $25.00, the total as given, $272.50, is correct.

Acknowledgement

Mrs. S. J. Allen, Forest City, has our thanks for the gift of a pair of sheets, a quilt and some apron material. We have also received a pair of quilts from a friend or friends in Gastonia whose name does not appear on the package. We will be glad to make proper acknowledgement for this gift if the donor will kindly send us the name.

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.....E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg...W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller.....C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg., M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.....J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg...J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.....G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St..... A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel...J. W. Ligon



YOU ARE BURNING MONEY

when you buy a coal that burns riotously like shavings, wasting its heat far up the chimney in long flame, dense smoke and troublesome soot, and is quickly reduced to ashes.

Clinchfield Domestic Coal burns like a hickory back-log, giving a short flame and a bed of *intensly hot* coals of wonderful *lasting* quality that radiate their heat into every nook and corner of the room. Hard, clean, lumpy, easily kindled. Holds fire overnight, saving labor and kindling bills. By far the most *economical* and satisfactory fuel for open grates, stoves and residence furnaces of all types. No trouble from clinkers and choked flues.

Clip this ad and save it or write today for literature, freight rate and low summer prices on cars of from 30 to 50 tons each direct from the mines.

Clinchfield Fuel Co.
Desk 12 Spartanburg, S. C.
"THE COAL OF HIGH HEAT VALUE"

Sunday School Helps and Supplies

SEVEN LARGE VOLS.
OVER
3800 PAGES



ONLY
$6.00
NET

Tools for Preachers and Teachers

Formerly $14.00----Now Less Than Half Price

Any Single Volume, $1.00 net (formerly $2.00)

A practical, working library, drawn from nature, life and the Scriptures. A Storehouse of Information useful for workers in every branch of Christian effort.

1. The Cyclopaedia of Nature Teachings
Introduction by Hugh Macmillan

A selection of acts, illustrations, examples and suggesitons taken from fall departments of inanimate nature, and employed to illuminate the great facts of the religious life.

2. Lessons from Life (Animal and Human)
Introduction by Hugh Macmillan

A compendium of illustration abounding in curious and interesting facts concerning the habits, instincts and peculiarities of living creatures, both animal and human. The moral and religious lessons imparted arise naturally and without effort from the incidents described.

3. Tools for Teachers
By Wm. Moodie

A collection of anecdotes, illustrations and legends for the use of Teachers of Sunday-Schools, Bible Classes and Boys' Clubs. A practical manual and storehouse of anecdotes and illustration for all who have to do with the moral and religious training of the young.

4. New Cyclopaedia of Illustrative Anecdote
(Moral and Religious)

A comprehensive collection of authentic anecdotes, old and new, on a wide range of subjects, arranged and classified alphabetically for ready reference, and with a detailed index.

5. New Handbook of Illustration

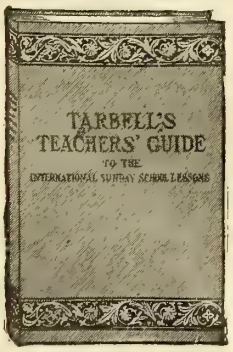
A classified exposition of Scripture Truth and Christian Life, digested and arranged for ready reference. This Handbook of Illustration will afford valuable aid, as a book of suggestion and reference, to public speakers in every branch of their profession.

6. Handbook of Biblical Difficulties
(On Moral and Religious Subjects)
By the Rev. Robert Tuck, B. A.

The editor of this Handbook has collected the passages in the Bible which seem to present special difficulties, and deals carefully with each, suggesting a reasonable explanation of every perplexity, or at least of every class of perplexity.

7. Topics for Teachers *By the Rev. J. C. Gray*

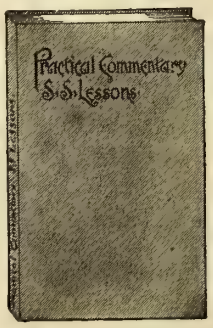
This work constitutes a Bible Dictionary, Manual and Textbook, a Commentary and a Concordance, all in one, saving the cost of these books and the time occupied in their use. The volume is almost a library in itself. It is an invaluable work for preachers and Sunday-School teachers.



Tarbell's Teachers' Guide
By Martha Tarbell, Ph. D.

Large octavo, cloth binding, $1.00 net (postpaid $1.10).

Time was when "anyone" taught Sunday-school, and results were a matter of conjecture. The TARBELL method has ushered in a new era in Sunday-school teaching, with every teacher a competent instructor. From all parts of the globe testimonials come regularly to the success of this modern Sunday-school teachers' *vade mecum* in all grades.



Peloubet's Notes

Conceded to be the best help for teachers in the Sunday School.

Large octavo, cloth binding $1.00 net (postpaid $1.10).

The Gist of the Lesson

By R. A. Torrey, D. D.

Leatherette, net 25c. postpaid.

Increasing by leaps and bounds, each year the history of "GIST" is the record of continued success. Not merely a book of "notes," but a *vade mecum* packed with seed thoughts for study and meditation.



Sunday School Register arranged with blanks for each Sunday's minutes and complete class report, with a summary for each quarter, also for annual report. Arranged for two years. This is generally conceded to be the best and most complete Sunday school Register now published. Price postpaid $1.50.

Sunday School Quarterly Class Records, full size, 25 cts. per dozen. Every Sunday school should keep a good supply of these records.

Complete Baraca Class Record. One Hundred loose leaf sheets for $1.00. Binder $1.00. Complete outfit $2.00. Each leaf is so arranged as to keep a complete individual record for twelve months. No class should be without this record. Sample sheets furnished on application. One binder will last a life time. Any book published will be furnished at the publisher's price.

Job Printing of all sorts executed with neatness and dispatch. Be sure to see us before giving out your fall work. Anything entrusted to us by mail order will be attended to promptly. Send orders to

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

VOLUME LX NUMBER 47

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Reading Room Trinity College

GREENSBORO, N. C., THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 1915



MAIN STREET CHURCH, REIDSVILLE,
Where the 26th Session of the Western North Carolina Conference will assemble on Wednesday, November 17th.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

EDITORIAL

RELIGION IS SOMETHING TO WORK AT. None the less, it is something to be enjoyed. There is no disappointment in the experience of one whose whole heart is in it. Witness the following story of D. L. Moody, when he was a young fellow, wrapping up shoes, where he worked in Boston. Mr. Ed. Kimball, his Sunday school teacher, came in, put his hand on his shoulder, and told him how much Jesus loved him. "Well, I guess," said Moody, "if Jesus loves me as much as that, it's only fair that I should love him in return." Then and there he made the bargain with Jesus for life. This is what happened, the next day, told in Moody's own words:

"I well remember the next morning, when I came out of my room. I thought the old sun shone a good deal brighter than it ev r had before. I thought it was just smiling upon me; and as I walked out upon Boston Common, and heard the birds singing in the trees, I thought they were all singing a song for me! Do you know, I fell in love with the birds. I was in love with all creation. I was ready to take all men to my heart."

* * * *

A LOSS THAT PAYS is what an exchange calls the great falling off in revenue receipts from the liquor traffic. During the past year the loss amounted to $23,000,000. Commenting on this the editor of the Western Methodist says:

"The consumption of liquor increased from six and a half gallons per capita in 1860 to almost twenty-three gallons in 1907, and since the latter date there has been a slight decrease per capita. This is the result of prohibition. Now there is a tremendous slump in the total consumption, amounting to 15,000,000 gallons of distilled liquors and 6,359,744 barrels of beer this year, with loss in revenue indicated above. There is also a decline of $307,379 in the taxes paid by retail liquor dealers, showing 12,000 fewer saloons in 1915 The liquor traffic is alarmed and is everywhere entering politics even more vigorously. The distillers and brewers are forced to know from the declining revenue that prohibition actually prohibits. But what the liquor traffic and the national treasury lose is a positive gain in that the money represented is in the hands of the people and they can use it for a better purpose."

* * * *

THE NEW PHASE OF OUR MISSIONARY propaganda is not yet fully appreciated by many devoted church people. Before they were aware of what was going on God had brought together the ends of the earth right here in our own country. Fifteen years ago it was an unusual thing to hear a strange tongue on our streets. Today, in the little city of Greensboro, it is possible any day to hear a Babel of tongues on our streets and to look into the strange faces of dozens lately arrived from the Near East or the Orient. Thus, in the order of divine providence, our opportunity to convert the people of these nations to Christianity is through the conversion of these who are now among the strangers within our gates.

A writer in the Presbyterian Standard says: The United States is the greatest mission field in the world. There are more nationalities gathered here than in any other country on earth. This is the great Valley of Decision, into which God has gathered the nations, where His prophets may preach the Gospel to them. If a man wants to preach to all the world at one time, here is the Gerizim for his pulpit.

What a splendid opportunity God is thrusting upon us in bringing these multitudes of foreigners to us in ever increasing numbers. The opportunity is not limited to themselves. Multitudes are going back to their native lands, or will go back some day, and carry back whatever truth we have put into their hearts. They are writing letters to their people in their native lands. Our opportunity is to put Jesus Christ in those letters.

A friend of mine went to a Chinese laundry in one of our towns, and was the means of converting the Chinaman who ran it. The Chinaman wrote to his people in China. His letters converted to Christ his father and mother, his two brothers and one sister. These in turn conveyed the knowledge of Christ to their neighbors and friends, and many of them accepted Christ as their Saviour. My friend did not know when he was preaching the Gospel to that one Chinese laundryman, that he was building a church in China. He did not know that he was preaching on the other side of the world.

* * * *

WHEN THE EYES OF OUR PEOPLE are thoroughly open to the foregoing facts they will fully appreciate the Home Department of our Board of Missions. The necessity for organizing this department has been thrust upon us by the conditions which have so rapidly developed in this country in recent years because of foreign immigration. They have poured into this country in a constant stream and they have brought their religions with them. However, the fact that our churches are here and that our services are held regularly means but little to them unless we go after them. A pagoda would answer as well as a church building, so far as these foreigners are concerned unless we sally forth from these churches in search of them. What are we doing to bring these people under the influence of the gospel?

BISHOP WALTER R. LAMBUTH, D. D.

The Western North Carolina Conference will accord a hearty welcome to Bishop Walter R. Lambuth. He is well known among us, having visited our Conference many times during the eighteen years of his service as Missionary Secretary. Few men are better known throughout the entire connection.

Bishop Lambuth is a product of our Foreign Mission field. Born in Shanghai, China, in 1854, the son of Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Lambuth, who were among our first missionaries in that field, he literally grew up in the mission fields.

"His mother, Mrs. M. I. Lambuth, came of Scotch ancestry, her maiden name being Mary Isabella McClellan, a descendant of the Gordons of Edinburgh.

In 1869 the boy came to the United States, spent several years at Emory and Henry College, Va., where he graduated in 1875. In the year 1877 he graduated from the Medical Department of Vanderbilt University, married the daughter of Dr. D. C. Kelley, and spent nine years in China, establishing the Soochow Hospital, and acting for a year as superintendent of the mission.

In 1882, Bishop Lambuth took his second medical college degree, this time from Bellevue Hospital Medical College, New York, and went to Edinburgh, Scotland, for special work in surgery

In 1887, Bishop McTyeire appointed him superintendent of the Japan Mission. He continued in that field until 1891 when upon returning to the United States he was elected in 1892 to fill the vacancy in the Missionary Secretaryship left by the death of Dr. Weyman Potter. In 1894, he was elected secretary by the General Conference, and again in the years 1898, 1902 and 1906, making 18 years spent in the office."

Like Luke, the beloved physician, our good Bishop had traveled the world over in his ministries to the bodies and souls of men before he came into the office of a Bishop. In 1910, at the General Conference held in the city of Asheville, he was one of six men elected to the episcopacy. Entering at once into the work he has been in labors abundant, having made two trips to Africa, where he established our first mission in the Dark Continent. Few realize what hardships he has endured and with what heroic faith he has met and conquered all these difficulties.

Those fortunate enough to attend our Conference in Reidsville may justly expect this to be one of the greatest missionary inspirations ever enjoyed in Western North Carolina.

A CONFERENCE DAILY

We are glad to announce that we are to have a full daily report of our Annual Conference by a local paper. The publisher of the Reidsville Review, Mr. Oliver, has arranged to give at least six columns of his paper to a specially prepared report of the Conference. Rev. Numa F. Reid, of Wentworth, a man in every way competent, has been engaged to report the Conference, and there is every reason to expect this report to be full and accurate.

The Review proposes to furnish this paper for the week to any address for 15 cents. We urge all pastors and delegates to show their appreciation of this enterprise by sending in their subscriptions at once. Have the paper mailed to your people at home. Address the Review, Reidsville, N. C.

OUR NEW BOOK EDITOR

At the recent meeting of the Book Committee held in Nashville, Rev. Horace M. DuBose, D. D., was elected to succeed the lamented Dr. Gross Alexander as Book Editor and Editor of the Methodist Review. This election was confirmed by the College of Bishops, in semi-annual session at the same time in Dallas, Texas.

There will be general approval of this action we have no doubt, as Dr. DuBose is one of the most widely and favorably known men in the connection. A man of brilliant gifts, he is, withal, scholarly and profound in his knowledge of Methodist history and polity. Loyal to the core, the church may rest assured that this man will not use a great opportunity to pull down, but rather to establish and strengthen her denominational bulwarks. The following facts concerning Dr. DuBose, furnished by the Methodist News Bureau, will be of interest to our readers:

"The new editor is well known throughout our Methodism, and his ability and fitness for this important work will be recognized by our own people and by the leaders of other branches of Methodism. He is one of the best known men of Methodism, and the selection of the Book Committee will be universally endorsed. The Southern Methodist Handbook of 1916 gives the following sketch of his life: 'Son of Rev. Hezekiah and Amanda Hawkins DuBose. Born in Choctaw County, Ala., November 7th, 1858. Boyhood days spent partly on farm and partly in town with his father in the mercantile business. Education received in primary schools, in Waynesboro Academy (four years), and under private tutors. Converted in 1866. Licensed to preach (Mississippi Conference) October 1, 1876. Became pastor at the age of nineteen. List of appointments: Mississippi Conference, 1878-79, Chotard Circuit; 1880, Fayette Circuit; Texas Conference, 1881-84, Huntsville; 1885-86, Shearn Church, Houston; 1887-88, Marvin Church, Tyler; Los Angeles Conference, 1889-90, Trinity Church, Los Angeles; 1890-94, editor Pacific Methodist Advocate; East Texas Conference, 1895-96, Marvin Church, Tyler; Mississippi Conference, 1897, First Church, Jackson. Elected Secretary of the Epworth League in 1898.' He continued in the Epworth League until 1910, when, at his own request, he was not re-elected. Transferring to North Georgia Conference in 1910, he was appointed pastor of First Church, Atlanta. He has been a member of five General Conferences

and of two Ecumenical Conferences (1901 and 1911). He was fraternal delegate from our church to the Canadian Methodist General Conference of 1910. He has written a number of books, among the number 'The Life of J. D. Barbee;' 'Francis Asbury, a Biographical Study;' 'Life of Bishop Joshua Soule;' 'The Symbol of Methodism.' ''

THE CONFERENCE PROGRAM

We are glad to note that the Conference, through the board of presiding elders, has at least a tentative program for this year. While it may be well to leave room for flexibility, we think it would be wise for the Conference each year to provide a program committee for the ensuing Conference. In this way we would avoid the very embarrassing situation of having an anniversary with no speaker except such as may be picked up at random for the occasion.

This committee should fix the program after full consultation with the various boards, arranging for at least one speaker who would be expected to make the principle address. This would secure to each of the Boards a fair share of attention and to the public the entertainment and edification of real speakers on the various subjects that demand attention.

There are many good reasons that might be given for furnishing such a committee; but we deem these suggestions sufficient for the present and hope the Conference will not fail to act accordingly, thus taking a step of real progress.

REIDSVILLE METHODISM

Churches, as well as people, have their individual traits. There are distinctive characteristics which give type to Methodists in different sections. This is doubtless true of all denominations. Yet the various denominations have characteristics as widely prevalent as the denominations themselves. An observer will, by an almost intuitive instinct, recognize a minister as Baptist, Methodist, Presbyterian, or Episcopalian. There is something about him, if it be only the "cut of his coat," as one said of Mr. Brownlow, that tells the tale of his denominational affiliation.

Just so, there is an indefinable something which gives distinctive type to the Methodists in different localities, and one needs only to mingle with the Methodists of Reidsville, as well as all the section bordering the Virginia line, to be convinced that they represent a type different from that with which he comes in contact in other sections.

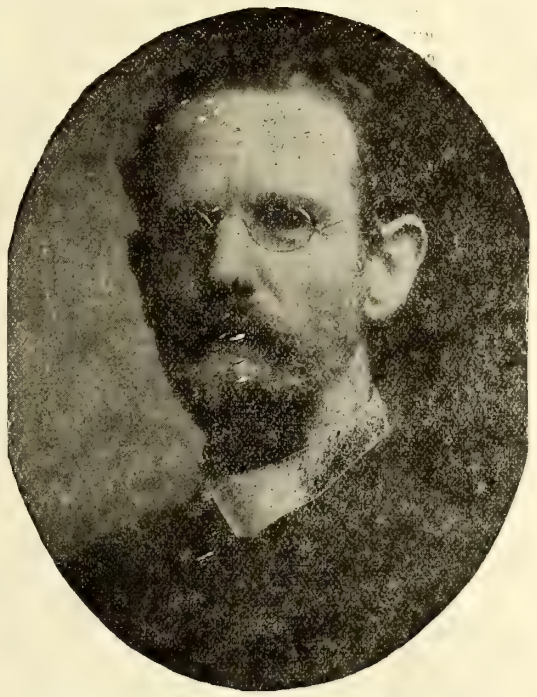
In 1892, while Rev. Dr. W. R. Ware was pastor of Main Street Church, the editor of the Advocate, then pastor of Forest Hill Church, Concord, spent one happy week preaching to this congregation in revival services. We can never forget the joyous sensations of that week, due in large measure, to the warm-hearted spirit of appreciation which was shown the pastor and his helper as they mingled with the people. There seemed to be everywhere a spirit of deference for the minister such as we had scarcely come in contact with elsewhere, and it all recalled the admonition of the Apostle, "We beseech you, brethren, to know them which labor among you, and admonish you; and to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake."—I Thess. 5:12-13.

We found among these people the aroma of the old type of Methodism developed in Virginia and North Carolina by such men as James Reid, Alfred Norman, Joshua Bethel, Moses Brock, Peter Doub, Numa F. Reid, Abram Penn and others whose names are a precious memory in all this section.

The members of our Conference may rest assured that they are to be entertained by a community of warm-hearted Methodists and others who combine the best elements of Virginia and North Carolina hospitality. A congregation with pluck to invite the old North Carolina Conference in 1886, and proving so resourceful in handling the same despite a snowfall of twelve inches or more, then entertaining the Western North Carolina Conference so handsomely in 1895, will know how to handle our great Conference this year so as to make us all feel the touch of that distinctive type of Methodism referred to above. And that means that when it is all over we shall want to go again. May we all be able to so deport ourselves that Reidsville will want us to come again.

A THANKSGIVING SERVICE

The old custom of some of the churches of holding a regular Thanksgiving service, cannot be too highly commended. It not only gives to the day the flavor of good religious sentiment, but it affords the finest opportunity for us to express in a practical way our thanksgiving to God for his goodness. It also affords the very best opportunity for the pulpit to give forth sane and helpful utterances on the subject of Christian patriotism, and this is important. Perhaps one of the weaknesses of our pulpit today is its failure to voice with sufficient emphasis the relation of religion to our civic life. This day affords the preacher



BISHOP WALTER R. LAMBUTH, D. D., Who Will Preside in Our Conference at Reidsville, Nov. 17th.

a fine opportunity to define clearly the demands of civic righteousness in a nation such as ours.

It is also a fact that the claims of our institutions of charity—our orphanages especially—can best be set before our people in the thanksgiving service. We are writing this with the hope, that, wherever possible, a thanksgiving service will be arranged and due announcement made next Sunday. Our Conference will adjourn in ample time for the pastors to get back to fill the pulpits, and we should not fail to hold at least one service in each charge. We should also, if possible, avoid the union service with other denominations, for the reason that such a service will always reduce the aggregate of attendance and also greatly reduce the offering. We are hoping that the offering for our Children's Home, at Winston-Salem, will be larger this year than ever before. Let all who can set aside the proceeds of one day as an offering for our Home.

HISTORICAL SKETCH OF MAIN STREET CHURCH, REIDSVILLE

The following is an extract from a sketch read at the opening of Main Street Church in April, 1894, by Mr. John G. Staples:

Up to 1872 there was no organized society in the village of Reidsville. The Methodists here worshipped at Salem Church, "With an occasional service at Reidsville." From 1869 to 1872 the Wentworth Circuit, which composed the following churches, Wentworth, Bethlehem, Mt. Carmel, Ruffin, Pelham, Peniel, and Lowe's, was served by the Rev. John W. Lewis.

"During Bro. Lewis' pastorate Reidsville began to grow and gave promise of developing into a town. He secured a lot, which was given by Mr. Wm. Lindsey, now deceased—and just now let me record it to the sacredness of this good man's memory that he donated a lot to all of the four denominations of whites, Baptists, Presbyterians, Methodists, and Episcopalians—as they have builded in Reidsville. Several hundred dollars were raised in cash and subscriptions, bought a part of lumber, had it on the ground, and laid the foundation. Bro. Lewis' pastoral limit expiring with the year '72, and the fearful monetary panic which came in '73, the enterprise was abandoned, and to some extent Methodism in Reidsville halted.

"In 1873 Rev. W. C. Norman was sent to Wentworth Circuit, and through the kindness and courtesy of our Baptist brethren had a regular monthly appointment in their church. It was thought advisable for the Reidsville Methodists to move their membership from Salem Church to Reidsville. Bro. Norman says of them: 'They were reluctant to separate from the spirtual home where they had so long worshipped God, but in the spirit of true Christian sacrifice they consented to transfer, and uniting with our people in town they worked nobly to plant Methodism in Reidsville.' And one Sabbath afternoon in 1874 (the exact date I am unable to ascertain) after the regular monthly service in the Baptist church, Brother Norman enrolled the names of all present who wished to connect themselves with our church, repaired to the home of Dr. G. G. Temple, on what is now known as Lindsey street, afterward the home of the late Judge John Kerr, and there perfected the organization of a Methodist society in Reidsville. At this time, two, at least, Miss Cynthia Wyatt and Dr. G. G. Temple, were received into the church by baptism.

Among the names first enrolled I mention those I know, viz.: Wm. Burton, Thos. D. Carroll, B. A. Crafton, W. S. Allen, Samuel J. Meador and wife, Misses Ann and Catherine Meador, Mrs. Sarah Lindsey, Mrs. Lucy Barnes, Mrs. J. H. Benson, John Irvin and wife, James Robinson, and a number of others whose names I have been unable to obtain. B. A. Crafton, W. S. Allen, and Wm. Burton were appointed stewards.

"In 1877 Rev. V. A. Sharpe came to the circuit, and as we shall see he not only heated the iron over seven times hotter than it had been, but he proved an instrument in the hands of the divine architect which had verily been sharpened for the work he wrought. He appointed a class leader, started a prayer-meeting, and opened a Sunday school. Soon after this our Baptist friends decided to have a Sunday afternoon service, and we had to suspend for a while. At this juncture our Presbyterian brethren extended through their pastor, Rev. Jacob Doll, a most cordial invitation to use their church for preaching and Sunday school so long as we might need it, which of course, was accepted gracefully, and here we continued to worship until we moved into our own new church."

Already "the foundation of the church had been laid, some of the framing was on the ground, but it was only there under the circumstances as a reminder of the failure—worse in many respects than if nothing had been done. But Brother Sharpe said, as was said by Cyrus in his decree found at Achmetha in the province of the Medes concerning the house of the Lord at Jerusalem, 'Let the House Be Builded.' "

And it was builded! "On the 24th day of November, 1878, the new and first Methodist church was dedicated to Almighty God by Bishop George F. Pierce. The church had cost about $2,200.00."

"In 1881 and 1882 Rev. J. Ed Thompson came to us. Under his ministry the building of a parsonage for the circuit was inaugurat-

(Continued on page 7)

CONTRIBUTIONS

BROWN MEMORIAL COLLEGE

J. I. Hickman

Jefferson School must be saved to Ashe county, to North Wilkesboro district, and to the Church of the Living God. It will take thirty one-hundred-dollar men, or fifteen two-hundred-dollar men, to save it. Three of the thirty have been found by this writer in three days. The other nine-tenths will be found by the help of the district. Pastors of the North Wilkesboro district, please bind yourselves for one hundred dollars each and at least two other one hundred dollar men. Go for the "tall timber." We promised at our district conference at Henson Chapel on the Watauga charge, five thousand dollars to the Jefferson School to be raised in two years. It is past due. God helping us, we must make good. This is over and above our regular Conference collections. Creston is working for red on the canvass this year. The Elijah of our district has been translated. But after he had made the test on Mt. Carmel that his God was the one who answered by fire, he found Elisha and threw his mantle on him, and the young prophet would not leave him until the old prophet was taken up in a chariot of fire. The Elijah of the North Wilkesboro district was Prof. S. W. Brown, who has gone from us. He has left us orphans on this district. The Elisha of the North Wilkesboro district is Prof. W. L. Scott, who, in the providence of God, is the principal of Jefferson School and the follower of Prof. S. W. Brown in Christian education. Why not save Jefferson School and rally to its support until it can be incorporated as a junior college? Then change its name to Brown Memorial College, in honor of Prof. S. W. Brown, who has been the secretary of our district from its infancy. He was a graduate of Trinity College, and spent many years of his life teaching and preaching in this district. I am told he was the best loved man in Ashe county. I was told just yesterday that every former pupil of his, of which there are many in Ashe and Alleghany counties, would rally to build a monument to his memory. In my vision I see good buildings on the Jefferson School grounds in memory of Prof. S. W. Brown, out of debt, with Prof. Scott leading on to victory. Let me give you Prof. Scott's letter of October 26, 1915, to the pastor of Creston charge:

"Dear Brother Hickman:—Your letter received this morning was the most encouraging note that has come to me in a long while. I cannot begin to express to you our gratitude for the good work you are doing on Creston charge. This good news inspires us all with courage to go ahead. In the name of God let us win. May God bless you and Mr. Thomas and all the good people of Creston charge. The needs of the school are money, and the fight will be hard, but the spirit that you express will win any battle. May God bless you and us all in the great undertaking.

Your friend and brother, W. L. Scott."

Does not this letter inspire confidence in the Bible expression, the young prophet has received a double portion of the old prophet's spirit, since he has seen him taken up to heaven in a chariot of fire?

Pastors and laymen of the North Wilkesboro district, help your presiding elder, dear Brother Bennett, and Prof. Scott, to save Jefferson School and to make it a college in memory of Prof. S. W. Brown, deceased.

OKLAHOMA LETTER

J. C. Hooks

I have thought ever since I passed through your territory last spring, on my way to Richmond, that I would write a short note for your paper. Although all of my ancestors were North Carolinians, my father and grandfather having been born there, it was the first time I had ever visited or touched the state at any point. My surprise and gratification at the marvelous recuperation and signs of progress on every hand was unbounded. I passed on that trip through more than ten states of the union. None in my judgment measured up to North Carolina, particularly the section through which we passed, including Asheville, Greensboro and Salisbury. I was especially charmed with Greensboro. Of all the cities I saw, including Richmond, Norfolk and Washington, Greensboro impressed me as the most desirable for a residence. I have seen nothing in the West, South or North that should make any citizen of Greensboro dissatisfied, but, on the contrary, thankful, that he lives in what appeared to me the "garden spot." I have always admired North Carolina for her glorious history in the Civil War and her unfaltering loyalty to the Confederacy.

I am just closing a meeting of nearly five weeks' duration in which I have been assisted by a worthy son of the old Holston, but a native of North Carolina, Rev. D. V. York, D. D., twenty-four years a member of Holston and two years Conference Evangelist under the Board. Dr. York came West in 1910, and for three years has been the Conference Evangelist of the West Oklahoma Conference. On account of old friendship he agreed to come to the East to hold a meeting for me—in many respects one of the most remarkable meetings I have been in. There have been many conversions within as well as without the church. This meeting will be remembered for a generation. Measured by any rule, Dr. York is a great preacher, as evangelistic as John Wesley, as zealous and as aflame for the salvation of souls as St. Paul. I have heard most of the great evangelists, including Sam Jones and Moody, and hesitate not to say that York will not suffer in comparison with any, and in pulpit ability excels. He is scholarly and wide and varied in culture. I am sure the brethren of the Old North State will be glad to hear such a good account of one who was born and educated among them, and who is nobly filling his place in the far West.

A BIT OF EVANGELISTIC WORK IN KOREA

M. B. Stokes

Last Sunday I had the privilege of attending an unusually interesting service at our East Ward church in Songdo. Several men from the city had gone out for an evangelistic campaign over the East District, and, on their return, the Sunday evening service was given over to them to make reports of their work.

All of these were very interesting, but the first one, made by one of the school teachers, impressed me most. A translation of his speech in abstract would be about as follows:

"I left Songdo for Tosan Market Place about three weeks ago, and, in company with Brother Choi, arrived at that place the same day. I will say nothing about the hardships along the way in our walk of more than twenty miles, with rain coming down overhead, and mud beneath our feet, and will at once tell of the good things.

"On entering the town we met an old friend, who in former days had been a believer, and we had an opportunity of exhorting him to come back to Jesus. He directed us to a large inn, where we could spend our time while in the town. This inn was not very clean, but it was a fine place to preach Jesus' doctrine, for there were a great many people coming and going, and all day long many were glad to listen to us. The son of the inkeeper soon became convinced of the truth of our message, and became a believer.

"We had a phonograph along, and we took it out to the market place and gathered a large crowd by playing it in an open court. Then we preached to these people, and gathered some souls for our Lord. To others, who were not yet ready to accept Christ, we gave tracts, and soon every one had received a direct message.

"After a few days of this kind of work, we went to a town about six miles away, where we had a flourishing church already started. We stayed there several days, holding services every night, and preaching to large crowds of Christians and unbelievers. In this way we went from place to place preaching, distributing tracts, and selling Gospels and Testaments. Altogether, about thirty new believers were received and the local Christians everywhere were encouraged to greater effort.

"But now comes the sad part of my story. Just as we were getting well started in our work, and it was getting more and more interesting every day, a message came to me to return to Songdo to help in a Bible class. I had to obey, but it was so hard to be compelled to give up the work that I could not keep back the tears when the time came for me to return. I give God all of the glory for all the good that was done."

This is just a little sample of the work that is now going on over the country. May the home church aid these faithful workers by praying earnestly in their behalf.

A DEVOTIONAL INTERPRETATION

T. J. Ogburn

"My soul, wait thou only upon God."—Ps. 62:5.

The literal interpretation of this Scripture suggests a beautiful phase of Christian experience and an interesting form of Christian worship. The Psalmist would have his soul, not wait upon God only, but, only wait upon God: that is, do nothing but this. Literally, "My soul, be silent unto God." The word translated "wait only" occurs but few times in the Old Testament Hebrew and in every instance it is the superlative expression of silence, as "in the grave;" or of stillness, as in "a stone;" or of supreme restfulness, as in ceasing from all effort. The word never occurs in any connection implying activity, or any effort whatever save the effort to be inactive, silent, still. It is another word that is translated, "waited patiently" in Ps. 40:1, in which verse the Psalmist referred to his "cry." Here he "waited patiently" and also "cried." But the waiting of our study verse has no "cry" with it; nor prayer; nor any word or effort save the author's command to his soul and his effort to be "silent as the grave;" to "be still as the dumb stone;" to "rest in the submissive quietness of a weaned child." "Be patient, O my soul, unto God."

We are commanded to pray always and everywhere and about everything. And this Scripture is no argument against constant prayer. It emphasizes rather an experience and a duty and privilege possible only to the man who prays always and everywhere and about everything. The man of such unceasing prayer must sometimes cease to pray in the lower realm of actual petition as he enters into the higher realm of pure devotion in silent waiting, in thankful expectancy and in quiet hopefulness under the blessed assurance that his prayer, already heard, will be answered in God's good time and way. "After Abraham had patiently endured he obtained the promise." May it not be true that some times we should pray less if we believed more? In our little faith and its consequent fear we run to our Lord and cry, "Master, we perish." Let us be still and know that He is God. Far better is the silent, restful trust in our heavenly Father than the urgent prayer betraying fear and distrust.

True worship is a dialogue, an intercommunion, a speaking and a hearing. The true worship will "think more about what God says to him than about what he says to God."

"O'erwhelmed with thy stupendous grace,
I shall not in thy presence move;
But breathe unutterable praise
And rapturous awe and silent love."

The sacred awe, the silent trust, the mighty silence, the stillness of soul—these become us in the presence of God. "For God is in heaven, and thou upon earth; therefore, let thy words be few." "The Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him." "Be silent to the Lord and stay (thyself) upon him." "I will hear what God the Lord will speak."

"O Sabbath rest by Galilee!
O calm of hills above!
Where Jesus knelt to share with thee,
The silence of eternity,
Interpreted my love.

Drop thy still dews of quietness,
Till all our strivings cease;
Take from our souls the strain and stress,
And let our ordered lives confess
The beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire
Thy coolness and thy balm;
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
Speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,
O still small voice of calm!"

WELCOMES IN ADVANCE

By Pastor

Our preachers are on the move in more ways than one. When it comes to being about their Master's business, they are indeed abundant in labors. But the moving that I have in mind is that of going from old to new fields of labor. The Church Advocates are now publishing reports of Annual Conference sessions. In the month that I am now writing, forty-seven Conferences are being held. Several thousand preachers will be moving to new charges. Laymen cannot fully comprehend the meaning of such moving to the preachers. There is hard work ahead, much anxiety, many questions, some fears, much to hope, sleepless nights, anxious and earnest praying entering into the life of the preacher who is moving to an unknown field. These are some of the experiences that the great majority of laymen know nothing about, but they are of tremendous forces to the preacher. He is pained in heart as he thinks of leaving friends, tried and true. He calls to mind the many loving ministries of his people to him and his family. He is wondering what he will find in his new field, what kind of a welcome he will receive, and what kind of a people he will meet with. He would like to have the assurance of a warm welcome, loyal support and hearty co-operation from the people among whom he is about to go as "the new preacher."

Right now is the time when the charge which is to receive a new pastor can express to him, even before he comes among them, that he is already received as a brother in the Lord. Here is is where "welcomes in advance" can bring much courage and hope to the pastor who is busy packing up goods, boxing books and giving careful attention to all the little details connected with the closing up of the work on the charge he is about to leave.

While he is thus busily engaged in the hard task of severing associations with friends, paying a last visit to some shut-in, speaking words of comfort to some troubled soul, preparing his farewell messages and moving out of the parsonage, he may be comforted with the assurance that he is already welcomed on his new charge, his parsonage home is ready for him, some persons will be at the train to meet him, and his church is waiting to receive him with pledges of love, loyalty, prayers and support.

A personal experience related may explain more fully my thought and what the charge may do to strengthen in heart the man of God who is to be their new pastor. I had been in correspondence with a pastor in another Conference and state about an exchange of charges. We had reason to believe that the plan would be approved by those in authority on such matters. One evening I received the following telegram from the bishop presiding at the Conference where this matter of exchange would be acted upon: "I transfer you into the ——— Conference and appoint you to ———."

The experiences above referred to I now began to pass through. I was very busy packing my goods, receiving callers, attending to many matters of church affairs now suddenly presenting themselves, and also very naturally thinking of and asking myself many questions about my new charge and people. One very busy morning I received through the mail a letter from the charge to which I was appointed. It read as follows:

"Dear Brother: My wife and I attended the Conference at ——— and there learned from our good, fatherly presiding elder that you are to come here and suffer with us for one year at least, as Bishop ——— says that a charge could stand any kind of a preacher for one year. Now, Brother ———, we extend to you our very best wishes and assure you that you will like it here and that you will have the hearty co-operation of all the members, and you will say that our charge is as easy to fill as any charge you have ever filled, as we all pull together fine. We very much dislike to see Brother ——— go from us, but all feel that you will just fit this place, and all extend to you a hearty welcome. Kindly advise us when you will arrive here that some of us may pilot you home. "Respectfully,

"———,

"President Board of Trustees."

Well, now, maybe you think this didn't make the parsonage family feel good. We did feel good, and this "Welcome in advance" helped mightily. Goods packed easier, and nails drove into boxes better, the packing business was not such hard work, after all. I tell you this letter sounded good and we indeed appreciated the great-heartedness of the unknown brother who wrote it.

But there is another chapter to this story. The next day we were just as busy as the day before and the mail service was just as kind to us, for it brought another letter as follows:

"Dear Brother: According to the list of appointments made at the session of our Annual Conference, just closed, you are appointed to minister to us for the coming year. As president of the official board, I wish to say that while we regret to see Brother ——— go from us, we desire to assure you of a very cordial welcome among us, and we shall be glad to co-operate with you in any way we can for the up-building of the church. Would be pleased if you would let some of us know the day and train on which you and your family will arrive. Trusting we may have a profitable and pleasant year together, I am Sincerely yours,

"———,

"President Official Board."

Well, this letter made the work still lighter, and the future still brighter. We felt that indeed we already knew this people and liked them very much. Yet, another chapter. This same day brought still another letter, as follows:

"Dear Brother: We understand that you are to be our pastor for the coming year. As president of the Ladies' Aid Society, I want hereby to extend a welcome to you and your family. There are a few articles of furniture in the parsonage which Brother ——— has doubtless told you about. We have a strong Ladies' Aid Society and are always glad to do what we can for the church. Trust you will let some of us know when you expect to arrive.

"Sincerely,

"Mrs. ———,

"President Ladies' Aid Society."

After we received this third letter we felt already at home with our new pople, and without any forebodings whatever of the future we moved out of the parsonage, and in a few days were on our journey to our new home.

I made answer to these letters, expressing our appreciation of their words of greeting and "welcomes in advance." I notified them when we would arrive. The train pulled into the station on time. Two officials of the church met us with an automobile and took us to our place of entertainment, where a good fried chicken dinner was ready and where we remained until going into the parsonage.

Whatever the history of this charge has been or ever will be, I am sure they did a very thoughtful, generous and kindly deed in thus sending "welcomes in advance." It meant much to the parsonage family coming as we did into a new Conference in a new state, where I knew but few preachers, not acquainted with any of the charges, and I an entire stranger to the laymen of the charge and Conference. These "welcomes in advance" called to my mind an incident in the life of Paul when on his way to Rome from the city of Puteoli, where his party had tarried seven days. "And from then, when the brethren heard of us they came to meet us as far as Appi forum and the three taverns, whom when Paul saw, he thanked God, and took courage."

We found such a welcome awaiting us as was indicated in the letters, and within a few weeks after our arrival we had ample opportunity to prove the genuineness of their "welcomes in advance." The work of the year started off very pleasantly, and in the first official board meeting, the willingness of the board to fall in heartily with the plans of the pastor for aggressive work was openly and heartily expressed. I trust that many pastors may be received on their new charges by such loving "welcomes in advance."—Selected.

THE ASBURY CENTENARY OF 1916

Progress of the Movement

The Methodist Church of Canada has taken action, through its General Conference Executive Committee, in approval of the observance of the Centenary of Bishop Asbury's death in 1916. In resolutions just adopted it recommends (1) that a place be given in the program of each annual conference at its session next year in honor of the labors and achievements of Asbury and his co-laborers; (2) that on Sunday, March 26, 1916, a sermon be preached in every Methodist pulpit on the devotion, privations and sacrifices of the founders of American Methodism; (3) and that the press of the church give the fullest possible publicity to articles covering all phases of the subject.

The Executive Committee of the Free Methodist Church at its meeting in October declared its hearty endorsement and approval of the Asbury Centenary, recommending that every annual conference make provision for an Asbury program in 1916, that Free Methodist societies and preachers observe the anniversary by suitable services and that at each centenary service a voluntary offering be taken for a bronze equestrian statue of Asbury in the City of Washington, D. C.

The Executive Committee also suggested that the district elders in the several conferences act in advance as a committee to prepare a program for the conference celebration.

Wide preparations have been made for the annual conference celebration in the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Methodist Church, South, the Methodist Protestant, African Methodist Episcopal, African Methodist Episcopal and Colored Methodist Episcopal churches, and now the Free Methodist Church and the Methodist Church of Canada have joined heartily in approving the plan of celebration, which comprises these features:

1. A program by every annual conference in America at its session in 1916, in honor of the labors and achievements of Asbury and his co-laborers and the mighty results that have come from their heroic endeavors.

2. On the Sunday nearest the date of the anniversary of his death, March 26, or Sunday, June 4, 1916, a sermon from every Methodist pulpit designed to call to the minds of the prosperous Methodists of today how great was the investment of endeavor and devotion, privation and sacrifice made by the preachers and members of the first half century of American Methodism.

3. A wide circulation of literature relating to the men and events of that period that the appreciation and gratitude of Methodists of the twentieth century may be evoked for the fathers of the eighteenth century.

4. The erection of a bronze equestrian statue of Bishop Asbury in the City of Washington from the voluntary contributions of American Methodist churches. Such a statue of this devoted man would surely not be out of place among the statues of those who have served their country as warriors, statesmen and pioneers, inasmuch as his labors helped mightily in laying religious, moral and social foundations for an enduring Republic."

MY CAPTAIN

Raymond Smith

My Captain goes not forth to war steel-armed,
As men are wont to do on earth today;
But all that which the souls of men hath charmed,
He with the sword of truth doth seek to slay.

He seeks no lofty towers of brick and stone,
Nor citadels of wealth and wonder grand;
But seeks the hearts of men to make his own,
And ever hold them with his pierced hand.

His bugle call is not to dare and die,
As brave men have done all throughout the years;
But bids us all to come and trust and try,
And not resort to bitterness of tears.

What captain is there like this Prince of ours,
Whose battles are for aye the victories?
What earthly captain brings his men the wreath—
That wreath of life and not eternal death?

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—The Methodists of Walnut Cove charge recently gave their pastor, Rev. E. J. Poe, a severe pounding of the sort that made preacher and people feel good.

—Rev. W. M. Smith has recently held revival services with his congregation in the old town of Salem. He was assisted in these services by Rev. R. M. Courtney, of West End.

—The licensing committee of the Statesville District met in Statesville last week and licensed Mr. A. P. Brantley, of Mount Ulla. Mr. Brantley, who is a ministerial student at Trinity College, is now engaged in teaching at Mt. Ulla.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Green, of Midland, N. C., announces the marriage of their daughter, Beatrice, to Mr. Rowland A. Brooks, Nov. 7th, 1915. Ceremony was performed at the home of the bride, Rev. W. I. Hughes officiating.

—We acknowledge with thanks the following invitation: The Platonic Literary Society of Rutherford College requests the honor of your presence at their Sixteenth Opening Debate Friday evening, November the twelfth, nineteen hundred and fifteen. College Auditorium.

—We have learned with deep regret of the death of Mr. L. L. Smith, of Gatesville, who, for many years, has been prominent in the councils of our church in North Carolina. Mr. Smith was the father-in-law of Rev. M. T. Plyler, presiding elder of the Raleigh District.

—Rev. Dwight W. Brown has had a very successful year at McAdenville. This is, in some respects, a difficult field. Brother Brown sent in the amount for his charge on the Advocate Building Fund early in the year, also his allotment of new subscribers.

—A beautiful wedding ceremony took place at the residence of Mrs. W. P. Ivey, Lenoir, N. C., on Thursday, Nov. 4th, when her daughter, Miss Lina, was happily married to Mr. Marshall H. Courtney, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Courtney. The wedding was a quiet home affair and the ceremony was performed by the pastor, Rev. Z. E. Barnhardt.

—Many Advocate readers will learn with interest of the marriage of Miss Maud England, daughter of the late Rev. J. F. England, to Dr. W. I. Pitts, which took place at the home of the bride, in Lenoir, on Wednesday of this week. Dr. Pitts is a young physician, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Pitts, of Catawba, and has been practicing his profession in Lenoir for several years.

—Rev. A. L. Stanford, of Hickory, recently held revival services for Rev. G. F. Smith and his congregation in Elizabeth City. The local paper of that place says: What is generally admitted to be the best meeting at the First Methodist church in many years came to a close last Thursday night. Interest in the service was then at its highest mark, but other engagements compelled Rev. A. L. Stanford of Hickory who was doing the preaching to close the meeting at that time. The church had an unusually large number of accessions as a result of the services, but the members feel that this is but the beginning of the meeting's influence for good. The whole church was revived and it is believed that every member who attended the services was given a fuller appreciation of the obligation to and the happiness of Christian service.

—The Marshville correspondent of the Monroe Enquirer says: Presiding Elder J. C. Rowe preached two very able sermons here Saturday and Sunday to appreciative audiences. The Marshville circuit will send up a fine report to the annual Conference. Rev. J. W. Williams is a tireless worker and has the confidence and esteem of his charge.

—A correspondent writing from Mooresville says: The fourth quarterly Conference of the Methodist church was held last Monday evening by Presiding Elder L. T. Mann, of Statesville. The spiritual and financial condition of the church at the close of the year was found to be very good indeed. Owing to the time limit set by the Conference, this will be the last quarterly Conference conducted by Mr. Mann, who has faithfully served for the past four years. The good wishes of the church at this place go with him to his new field of labor. Mr. Mann preached for the congregation on Sunday night.

—The splendid new church at North Wilkesboro, which will remain as a monument to the consecrated energy of Rev. Parker Holmes, was formally dedicated last Sunday, the sermon being delivered by Rev. J. H. Bennett, presiding elder. The local paper, referring to the work of Brother Holmes, says: His coming, four years ago, found the congregation worshiping in the modest wooden structure, built to accommodate the necessities of an unpretentious village. His leaving will see the same body assembling in a modern handsome and commodious brick building, which is alike a credit to the builders and an ornament to a growing and ambitious town. Mr. Holmes merits and has won the Conference's honorary distinction of "Church Builder." It might be said in this connection that the congregation has never been served by a more faithful and popular pastor; popular alike with those who are and are not members of his fold. It is really regrettable that associations of such long and likable standing should be severed.

—The editor of the Texas Christian Advocate speaks in high praise of Rev. R. S. Satterfield, pastor at Paul's Valley, Oklahoma. In a recent issue he says: "Rev. R. S. Satterfield, pastor at Paul's Valley, is a live wire when it comes to the interests of his Sunday school. He invents and uses all sorts of schemes to secure attendance and to promote the work. His Rally Day was a great occasion—198 present, offering $91.21. Where is there a more effectual record of the day?"

—The Leaksville correspondent of the Reidsville Weekly says: Rev. A. L. Aycock, our beloved pastor, is going to Conference at Reidsville with a splendid report. Since his residence here he has accomplished much in the religious field. We are proud of him and wish we could keep him forever.

—We have been greatly pleased to learn of the very large results which have come out of the recent evangelistic services at Wesley Memorial, High Point. Rev. Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe, the pastor, did the preaching himself, and at last report more than 80 persons had been received into the church, and others were expected to join.

—Rev. J. A. B. Fry, who is so favorably and affectionately remembered in this Conference, was appointd to Berkeley, Cal., at the recent session of the Pacific Conference. Brother Fry left this church one year ago after having served some six or seven years. He is said to be a great fit in this congregation which is composed largely of University students.

—Rev. H. H. Jordan, pastor of Main Street Methodist church, returned Wednesday night from Brevard where he conducted a week's meeting at the Methodist church. As a result of this meeting there was quite a number of conversions and much good was accomplished. An especially interesting feature of the services was the conversion of many young lady students at Brevard Industrial Institute, an institution belonging to and conducted by the Western North Carolina Conference.—Gastonia Gazette.

—A special from Raleigh, dated Nov. 4th, says: The main building of the North Carolina Methodist orphanage was slightly damaged by fire yesterday, the flames being discovered in the northeast corner of the third floor by one of the children. Fortunately the children were assembled at the time in another building. The city fire department was summoned, but the flames were extinguished before the firemen arrived through the strenuous efforts of the residents. The origin was unknown.

—Mr. J. J. Hamilton, teacher of the Wesley Bible Class of Burkhead Sunday school, submitted his annual report to the congregation Sunday morning. It showed that the average attendance for the year was 64; that the contributions aggregated $291.05; that 47 garments were distributed and seven poundings given; that 515 visits were made by the teacher and members of the class. The splendid report was received with interest and gratification.—Winston Sentinel.

Annual Conference Program

At their efficiency Meeting at Thomasville last spring, the Presiding Elders appointed a Program Committee for the Reidsville Annual Conference consisting of the following persons: J. H. Weaver, G. T. Rowe, C. W. Byrd, H. K. Boyer, and W. A. Lambeth. J. H. Weaver is the chairman.

Consequently this Committe is ready to announce the following schedule for the week of the Conference:

Afternoons at 3:30

Wedenesday: Address, by J. H. Barnhardt, on "Church Efficiency."

Thursday: Address, by E. A. Cole, on "The Temptations of the Laity."

Friday, Address, by C. W. Byrd, on "The Temptations of the Ministry."

Evenings at 7:30

Wednesday: Address, by E. C. Brooks, on "Why We Educate."

Thursday: not yet definitely determined.

Friday: Address, by William T. Ellis, on "Missions"

Saturday: Address, by William A. Brown, on "The Sunday School."

W. A. Lambeth, Secretary.

Reidsville, N. C., Nov. 9, 1915.

Avery Circuit.—We have just closed our fifth revival on the Avery circuit. We have had good revivals in every church. In all these meetings we have had about 150 professions and about 60 added to our church. Praise the Lord for his great power to save and revive. This has been a great year for the Avery charge. Sincerely,

John H. Green.

Notice! To the Preachers and Delegates to Conference

1. The last General Conference recommended that the preachers in making their reports at Conference should report **even dollars** (omitting cents). This was observed last year for the first time and the pastors are again requested to remember this departure from the old custom of reporting fractions of a dollar.

2. The railroads have granted the usual special rates on account of the Conference. Those attending will pay full fare going, but when purchasing ticket, secure from the agent the standard form of certificate which will have to be signed at Conference by the Secretary, after which upon presentation at the railway office at Reidsville return ticket can be secured at half rate, plus fifty cents. It is important for all who desire to secure this special rate, to bring from agent at starting point the standard certificate.

William L. Sherrill.
Conference Sec.

The Board of Missions

is called to meet Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 16, at 3 o'clock at the place designated in the Conference Directory. The bishop and the presiding elders are expected to meet with us.

W. H. Willis, President.

HISTORICAL SKETCH OF MAIN STREET CHURCH, REIDSVILLE

(Continued from page 3)

ed." This parsonage was located just across the street, in front of the church, where Pinnix Warehouse now stands.

"In 1884 Rev. A. R. Raven was our pastor. During this year an addition was built to the church, the vestibule and tower, the whole church repainted, at a cost of about $600. Over $400 of this amount was contributed by one party, whose name Bro. Raven never gave to the church, so far as I ever heard, only stating it was from a brother who made it a special offering of one-tenth of his income that year. What an opportune time for a few such to come to our help just now!"

"In 1885 and 1886 Rev. D. R. Bruton was our pastor. While it was very painful to separate from our brethren on the circuit, with whom we had been working and worshipping so long and whom we loved so well, it as apparent that the time had come for us to become a station. We therefore petitioned the approaching Conference to set off Reidsville station, which was done."

"At the same time we sent an earnest and pressing invitation to Conference to hold its next session in the fall of '86 with our church. This was a very remarkable and extraordinary fact in the church's history and worthy to be recorded—a society which had only been organized with a handful of members for eleven years, having a church building for only seven years, for the most of the time forming only a small part of a large circuit, inviting and entertaining a large and influential Annual Conference of about 350 members or more; and we did it well, as all the brethren testified. All of the people of the town, irrespective of denomination, opened their hearts and homes to the Conference and, though it was in the midst of a fearful snowstorm, it was a great success and proved an onward movement to Methodism in Reidsville. Bishop John C. Granberry presided."

"At the close of the session of Conference here the name of Rev. P. F. W. Stamey was read out to Reidsville Station for the year 1887. Bro. Stamey started a subscription for a new parsonage. He soon raised $1,000, and the work began at once. He occupied it in a few months."

Rev. A. McCullen was our preacher during the year 1889. Under Bro. McCullen's administration a new church building was set on foot. At first we planned repairing and enlarging the old church, and were having the plans drawn, when we decided to abandon this idea and project the new church. At the close of the year Bro. McCullen was transferred to the Missouri Conference, and Rev. J. D. Arnold was sent to Reidsville for the year 1890. The canvass for the new church had been started right actively by Bro. McCullen the previous year, several large subscriptions having been pledged and a part of the lot promised, and so Bro. Arnold at once pressed the matter, calling a meeting of the church at an early date, at which time over four thousand dollars was secured in good subscriptions, and on the 24th of March Bro. T. L. Rawley, chairman of the building committee, reported $5,300.00 raised. At once the following were appointed a building committee: T. L. Rawley, G. M. Hazell, P. H. Williamson, William Lindsey, and John G. Staples. On April 1, the dirt was broken. The corner-stone laying took place on Sept. 4, 1890."

In November, 1890, the Rev. W. R. Ware was sent to Reidsville station. "Bro. Ware is now closing his fourth and last year with us. He has worked faithfully among us, and eternity alone can reveal the good work he has wrought through his consecrated, earnest toil in his Lord's vineyard." "During the past years of Bro. Ware's pastorate, we have been steadily and quietly moving on and working to complete the new church. At the close of the year 1890 we sold our old church to our Primitive Baptist brethren. The conditions of our sale required us to give it up July 1, 1891, and so in July we moved into the main auditorium of the new church, and though it was in a rough condition we worshipped here until October, when we moved into our Sunday school room and have there remained to the present."

"And so here we are today at our opening service, brought hither by the blessings and mercies of our Lord, and the consecrated toil, time, labor, talents, and money of our earnest, faithful men and women of this church, and the liberality of many kind friends. We praise God for this glad hour."

* * * *

The following is an extract from paper read by Mr. P. H. Williamson at the opening of the church after great changes and enlargement in March 1915:

The church has had twelve different pastorates, served by eleven different preachers. One preacher, L. W. Crawford, served two of the pastorates in different years. The pastors with their years of service, are as follows:

W. R. Ware	1890-1894
L. W. Crawford	1895-1896
H. F. Chreitzberg	1897
S H Hilliard	1898
J. J. Renn	1899
J. R. Brooks	1900-1901
D. V. Price	1902-1903
T. E. Wagg	1904
L. W. Crawford	1905-1907
L. T. Mann	1908-1910
W. F. Womble	1911-1913
W. A. Lambeth	1914-1915

In November, 1913, at the Conference held in Charlotte, presided over by Bishop McCoy, Rev. W. A. Lambeth was appointed to this charge as our pastor. Bro. Lambeth had just finished his fourth year at West End, Winston-Salem, where he was universally beloved.

From the hour that Will Lambeth, as he is lovingly called by his brother pastors, came to our city, he has thrown himself, soul and body, into the large and responsible work that he found awaiting him. A necessity for a better equipped and more adequate church auditorium, and Sunday school rooms, had become apparent to us all. In fact, a building campaign had been launched by our former beloved pastor, Rev. W. F. Womble. Bro. Lambeth found this huge task to be placed upon his shoulders in addition to the numerous duties that every consecrated pastor has to fulfill, so you can readily see that he has had much to occupy his time since he has been among us. I am told by the building committee that he has been of infinite assistance to them, never losing sight of the smallest, yet sometimes, the most important, details in the erection and equipment of this building; in fact, they say they don't see how they could have gotten along without him. You all can see what the result of his efforts, aided by our efficient and faithful building committee, have been.

Brother Lambeth has been able to get a very strong hold on the young people of our church and town, and I believe you will agree with me when I say that this is the hope of the church, and the solution to the problem of ultimately winning the world to Christ.

It is the supreme desire of every consecrated minister to be able, by God's grace to feed his flock day by day, with the bread of Life. But we seldom find a pastor who is endowed with the ability to perform this all important task, and at the same time, take a definite, intelligent and elevating interest in the community life. Bro. Lambeth has the happy combination and has been able to do both largely.

The eight following presiding elders, with their terms of office, have served us during the past twenty-one years:

J. H. Weaver	1894
P. J. Carraway	1895-1898
Frank H. Wood	1899-1900
J. R. Scroggs	1901-1904
S. B. Turrentine	1905-1908
W. R. Ware	1909-1912
G. T. Rowe	1913-1914
J. H. Weaver	1915

J. H. Weaver was our presiding elder when this building was completed twenty-one years ago, and now, just as we are completing the present remodeling and enlarging, he is again filling the same office. He has come again as the same sweet-spirited, fatherly Christian leader whom every one of us admires and loves.

* * * *

It may be well for me to record here, some of the more important changes and improvements that have just been made.

About one-third of the old Sunday school room has been added to the church auditorium. Much of this added space is now being utilized by the pipe organ, choir loft, pulpit platform, and chancel. The pews no longer face North, but East.

At the rear of the building a considerable extension has been made. This extension, together with the one-half left of the old Sunday school room, made a gallery possible, not to mention the twelve individual class-rooms. The extension and re-arrangement of the basement have given the Sunday school seven other individual class-rooms and one large assembly room for the elementary department.

Steam heat has been substituted throughout the building for hot-air furnaces. Semi-indirect electric lighting has been installed. Water and sewer connections have been made in the basement.

These fine improvements have cost about fifteen thousand dollars, when we count in the organ donation from Mr. Carnegie and the cost of the beautiful carpet that the ladies of the Parsonage Aid Society have just presented to the church.

I want to record the names of the persons who composed the building committee that wrought these marvelous changes and improvements: J. W. McGhee, chairman, R. B. Chance, treasurer, Jno. D. Huffines, W. A. Trotter and J. E. Amos. This committee has worked well, and without a single inner discord. The members have constantly shown such good business judgment and such consummate tact that the entire membership of the church has been supporting them from the outset, and we are still behind them on this glad day! I feel that these words of public commendation are due these men for their grand accomplishment.

Two of these men deserve today the praise and gratitude of our entire membership, in a most marked degree, for their constant oversight and faithful watch-care over the details of construction. For months, they have set up, by day and by night, with the enterprise. I want their names to be indelible in your memory and in this history that will, perhaps, be read by future generations: R. B. Chance and John D. Huffines.

This building committee fortunately secured one of the most consecrated members of this church, J. W. Walker, to superintend the work of remodeling and enlargement. He has done the work in a solid and substantial manner, never slighting any detail and never giving a lick and a promise. He was too conscientious a man to do a shoddy job. His name is now forever built into these walls.

One personal word: Due to removals and deaths, only two persons are now members of the present board of stewards who were members in 1894, when this structure was erected, Eugene D. Watt and myself. That I have been privileged to be connected with these two great events in the history of this church, I count myself most fortunate. And I think I can now almost see, as I stand at the sunset of life, this Methodist church, that I love so devotedly, rendering to this community through these coming years a grander Christian service than it has ever done before, because of its present superintendent.

Last March, when the Main Street Church of Reidsville, remodelled and enlarged, was formally opened, two papers were read that recount the history of the church. Brother T. L. Rawley, of Winston-Salem, was invited to read the paper that was prepared by Brother John G. Staples for the official opening of the (then) new church in 1894. The other paper was read by Brother P. H. Williamson, the Chairman of the Board of Stewards.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

AT THE LOOM OF LIFE

We sit today at the loom of life,
And, weave and weave, and weave.
The warp is laid by Hands Divine,
But ever the woof is where we grieve,
For every moment of every day
The shuttle flies through and through.
The patterns we scheme,
In the dreams we dream,
Are made up of the things we do—
Smiles and tears; kind words and fears,
Are wound on the bobbins we wind;
And every thoughtless word is there;
Every deed unkind;
Every act we would fain forget;
The thoughts that are dark and vain,
We view them in the fabric of life,
And see them again and again.
We sit and weave with aching hearts,
In a world of vast regret,
And our tears fall fast, as we view the past,
And we pray that we may forget.
But out of ripening and recoil,
We look in the future and see
That the pattern has not been woven in vain,
For our lives are spread on a broader plane.
We know not the length of warp or woof;
We know not our given span;
But into each day's allotted task
Let us put the best we can
Of smiles, of kindness and patient care—
The unselfish efforts we've made—
And blend them in colors surpassing fair,
That the flight of years will not fade.
And thus, at the end of our working day,
When the shuttle falls from our nerveless hands,
And the loom shall lie at rest,
May we hear the voice of the Master say,
"Take the rest, well won, for the work thou hast done,
For 'twas done as thou thought best."
—Joseph H. Marvell, in Philadelphia Public Ledger.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Woman's Missionary Societies of the W. N. C. Conference will be held in West Market Street Church, Greensboro, N. C., January 27-31.

The foregoing announcement will be read with much interest by our workers we are sure for this is an occasion to which we all look forward for it is a time of retrospection, a time when the records of the past year are made known and we are made to realize what has been accomplished by our efforts in our Master's cause.

We trust that this will be the greatest meeting which we have ever held. It is much earlier in the year than heretofore but the Executive Committee felt that it would be wise to meet and formulate our plans before the year was far advanced, so that we might early in the year lay these plans before the local auxiliaries and the work for another twelve months be well in hand during the first quarter.

We would urge each auxiliary to begin to plan right now to have a representative present at this meeting. Greensboro is an ideal place in which to meet and those big-hearted loyal Methodists of all the churches stand ready by their co-operation to make the meeting a success. They will open wide to us their homes and their hearts during our stay in their midst. Let our slogan be "On to Greensboro" and may every auxiliary in the W. N. C. Conference be represented there and may missionary enthusiasm be so contagious that we will all be filled with a greater zeal to work for the coming of Christ's Kingdom!

MRS. MONTIE CHRISTIAN BLALOCK

Again we are called upon to chronicle the passing of one of our most faithful and loyal missionary workers, Mrs. U. B. Blalock (nee Miss Montie Christian) who died at her home in Wadesboro on the morning of November 2nd, following a short illenss. Not only to the auxiliary at Wadesboro whose faithful President she was, does this announcement bring sorrow but the hearts of hosts of friends throughout our Conference will be saddened to know that she has gone from among us. Always faithful in her devotion to the work of her Saviour what must have been her joy as she was transported to Heaven there to receive her reward.

So many times during this year we have been called to record the passing of a consecrated worker. How we shall miss them. Four of them who were at Charlotte at our last Annual Meeting, Mrs. Coltrane, Mrs. Marr, Mrs. Hoover and Mrs. Blalock, have answered the call and have gone higher.

So appropriate seem the words of Fannie Crosby the blind hymn-writer, just at this time when we fell so deeply our bereavement.

"They have laid aside their armor
For the robe of spotless white;
And with Jesus they are walking
Where the river sparkles bright.
We have labored here together,
We have labored side by side,
Just a little while before me
They have crossed the rolling tide.

On those dear familiar faces,
There will be no trace of care;
Every sigh was hushed forever
At the palace gate so fair.
We shall see them, we shall know them,
And we'll all sing hallelujah
In our Father's home above.

ITEMS FROM THE NOVEMBER MISSIONARY BULLETIN

Meeting of the Council of Women for Home Mission in Atlanta, Ga.

The seventh annual meeting of the Council of Women for Home Missions will be held in Atlanta, Ga., in December. This Council is composed of eleven constituent and affiliated Home Mission Boards, which handle more than three millions of dollars. It directs nine summer schools for the study of home missions. Each constituent Board has nine members in the Council, and a representative from each one is placed on one of the following committees: Study Course, Immigrant, Schools and Colleges, Comity and Cooperation, Summer Conferences, Children, Young People, and the Day of Prayer.

It has been the custom to hold these meetings in New York, but this year the Council will come South at the Earnest request of the Presbyterian and Methodist Boards. It is hoped that many will take advantage of this opportunity offered for a broad study of conditions, which are nation-wide, and will profit by conference with leaders in all denominations.

Brevard Institute

Professor Trowbridge writes as follows concerning a revival service which the students at Brevard have enjoyed:

"It started immediately after a chapel talk which Mr. Reece made before school. I think you know that we always devote the first forty-five minutes of the school day to some form of Bible work. Three days in the week the school is divided into classes, which recite to different teachers. The juniors study foreign missions and the seniors home missions, while the remainder of the school studies other parts of the Bible. On Wednesday some phase of Christian experience is presented in lecture or sermon form by one of the teachers or by some preacher.

"On this particular morning Mr. Reece spoke unusually well, contrasting the life of a righteous man with that of one living in sin. At the end of his talk he asked for a show of hands from those who desired the prayers of the Christian students and teachers. Five hands went up, and arrangements were made for an inquiry service that evening. About twenty-five students and teachers attended that service, and there were seven bright conversions. We held the school together the next morning, and Mr. Reece spoke again. This developed into a regular evangelistic service, and we continued holding services throughout the week. Our pastor came down to help out later in the week, and we had fifteen or twenty conversions and reformations. As the little revival broke out so spontaneously, it has been most wholesome and has given us what seems to be the best start we have ever had in the Christian work of the year. I think no student, whether on the campus or from the town, has failed to be touched; and I think that fully ninety per cent. of the school is now professing Christianity."

Buddhists in America

Prominently in front of the Buddhist booth at the Panama-Pacific Industrial Exposition, in San Francisco, is posted the following:

Kindergartens in California, 6; number of Buddhists in the world, 580,000,000; number of Buddhists in the United States, 80,000; number of Buddhists in California, 30,000; number of churches in California, 74; number of priests in California, 17; church schools in California, 15; night schools in California, 3; hospitals in California, 2; publications in California, 6; Sunday schools in California, 11; Young Men's Buddhist Associations, 12; members of same, 2,550; Young Women's Buddhist Associations, 10; members of same, 871; number of school teachers in California, 50; Pupils of same, 850; value of property devoted to educatinoal work, $10,000; value of church property in U. S. A., $250,000; high priests and bishops in America, 2.

On a large poster, prominently displayed, is the following: "International Buddhist Congress, August 2-7, 1915. Fifty noted speakers from India, Burma, Siam, Ceylon, Japan, China, Europe, England, and America."

Querries

Will some one answer these questions at the November missionary meetings?

1. How many schools are maintained in the Home Department by the Woman's Missionary Council in the South?

2. How many Wesley Houses and other institutional enterprises for civic betterment?

3. How many Bethlehem Houses?

4. How many trained workers employed in this social and religious work?

5. Are our settlements evangelistic in their influence?

The social, industrial, and educational features of the Wesley and the Bethlehem Houses are a means to an end. They touch humanity on its human side, build friendship, create higher standards, and break the bread of life to those they touch. In 1914, through the Wesley House in Atlanta, Ga., one hundred joined the church; in Macon, Ga., sixty were induced to become church members; through the Kingdom House in St. Louis, sixty-three.

HOW TO SECURE ATTENDANCE

Mrs. P. A. Simpson

How to interest women and get them to come to our Missionary Society is a most vital question to all church workers. To awaken this interest and increase the attendance seems to be dependent primarily upon human agencies, and we cannot ignore the fact that God has given a very definite part in this world of His. The spirit of God has surely descended on many of the women of His church in these latter days and they are made fit and willing to carry on this work.

Let us use common sense in our work. The women of this world are sometimes wiser than the women of light in planning and carrying on their work. Suppose a social leader is going to have her club meet with her does she depend upon her servant to prepare the parlor and arrange the flowers? Does she rely upon the hope that someone who comes may bring a stray bit of information for the program or some one else may add a piano solo? No, indeed. She beautifies her parlors, sees to her program, secures a professional friend to play or sing, and perhaps ministers to the inner man by serving a very dainty refreshment. She calls into service mind, body and pocket book, energy, skill, tact, expense and pains and she has the crowd. Now why should not a missionary society be just as interesting, just as pleasant.

Try this plan. Make your missionary society a live wire that sets on fire every soul that comes in reach of its influence. After all, it is the individual, personal effort that makes for success. Why are you a member of a missionary society? Is it because you love Christ and His cause and desire to see the spread of the gospel and the evangelization of the world in your generation? Are you giving the very best advice of your heart? Do attend regularly and give systematically? Are you willing to offer sentence prayers, strive to win new members by telling them what a helpful meeting your last one was? Do you try to take some disinterested woman with you? Is it your aim and object to get every woman in your church to become a member?

Now if you are this kind of a member and belong to a live society, make out your program a year ahead, study to make them up well, because it is necessary to have good programs well carried out by intelligent women.

To summarize the whole matter have a fine program, systematize personal work, short Bible reading, definite prayer. Have business last and don't leave out entirely the social feature. Use perseverance and patience and don't be afraid to spend a little money on good literature and circulate it. Ignorance is the real reason for indifference and neglect. If you can become such a member as I have described, bear in mind one such good woman can make a society if she tries. But you say, "All this means much work." Of course, it does. Christ did not say "Go into my vineyard and rest in the shade." He said, "Go, work," heart-rending sometimes, unappreciated work, but rest will come to the faithful sure and complete.

When Garibaldi was calling for troops to help set Italy free, some young men said, "What shall be our reward?" "Reward" said Garibaldi, "privations, wounds, scars, perhaps death, but victory and liberty for Italy."

Epworth League Department

Conducted by R. R. Mitchell, Greensboro, N. C.
Assisted by Conference Officers and District Superintendents

FROM MISS HALL

(Omitted last week by oversight.)

My dear Epworth Leaguers:

I want to introduce to you your new editor for 1915-1916, Mr. R. R. Mitchell, of Greensboro. I bespeak for him your loyal support.

When your League has an interesting meeting write him about it. The Epworth League Department in the Advocate is not intended as a place where one person—the League editor—may give you from week to week his view of League work, but it is intended as a medium of exchange for the ideas and plans that we each have tried and which have proven helpful to our League, so they may be of help to other Leagues. Please tell us what you are doing. It always encourages us to know what others are doing along the same lines. If your League is doing things for Christ, tell others about it. Don't be selfish and keep all these good things to yourselves.

If in your reading you come across a bit of verse or an article, or perhaps just a few sentences that you think might be interesting to others, cut it out and send it to Mr. Mitchell. Let's keep his League letter box so full of good things that he will never have to say "O! I wonder where I can find something for the Advocate this week."

Fellow officers, use the League page in the Advocate to bring your particular work before them. By all means help your editor all you can. He will need your help and you need his help.

Send in your reports written on one side of the paper and written legibly, so he will not have to copy them.

I want to thank our League Conference for the honor it bestowed upon me in electing me League editor for the past two years and to say that I have enjoyed the work, though at times it was discouraging, when week after week would pass without a word from anyone.

That our Leagues may grow in number and in spirituality, and that we all may daily live up to our motto, "All for Christ" is the prayer of

Yours in the work,
A. Stanly Hall.

OUR RELATIONSHIP TO GOD

(Paper Read at Conference at Spencer by a Leaguer)

1. Existence of God's Love for Us:

God had a profoundly close relationship to us long ages before it ever dawned upon man's consciousness that there was a God. "God so loved the world." No need to go further. His love for us was a fact, existing before and independently of any slight response on the part of man to His goodness and mercy. And it is to this great law that we owe our very existence and all that it means.

2. Signification of His Love Through Jesus Christ:

God's eternal thoughtfulness and love of man has been unmistakably declared by a gift, whose worth the world has never and will never fully understand. This gift of God to us is that element which completes and fulfills our relationship to Him, because it fulfills and completes His relationship to us. Christ is God's love articulate in a person, and He is a person not of commandment or of judgment, or of revenge, but of companionship in suffering and in shame, in victory and in glory. Jesus described Himself as "the way, the truth, and the life," as the "light of the world," and as "the bread of life," He declared "I lay down my life of myself, and I take it up again." But the significance of all these descriptive phrases is made perfectly clear in the simple affirmation "He that hath seen me, hath seen the Father." And of like import is the quiet assurance "He that receiveth me, receiveth not me, but Him that hath sent me." Through the law giver, the prophet and the poet, God sent us messages, but Jesus is the express image of His person. They tell us about God, and bring us word from God. He shows us God. He brings God within the reach of these lame hands of faith of ours, that we may have that divine fellowship, in due measure, with God himself. Truly, our fellowship is with the Father and with His son, Jesus Christ. We have a society with man, that is a requisite, for we are all of one mould, but with God, do we partake of fellowship? Yes, we may have divinely close relationship with God. Such is His mercy, not our merits. Then, if this be true, let the world despise and forsake us, it is enough that the Lord does not disdain our fellowship.

3. God's Investment in Us:

Let us consider briefly some of the endowment's with which God has invested our personality. In making us able to know God declares that there are no mysteries too sacred to be investigated. In making us able to feel, He claims our allegiance to the highest reaches of His affection. In making us able to decide. He displays the utmost respect for our power of judgment and imposes in us a confidence that is sublime as well as uplifting. But God does not stop with merely appraising us this highly. He seeks our fellowship—in work. He has deliberately given us a garden to tend, a city to build, and a truth to tell. He has shown us an ideal of good to be attained, and purposefully defers the fulfillment of the plan to the earnestness and persistency of our soul struggles. "Workers together with Him" aptly describes the relationship into which everyone is first invited to enter. And if we are to work with Him, certainly we must trust Him. And this union of our souls with His causes us to hold God in ever increasing reverence. God accepts, with pity, the homage that fear inspires. But He welcomes with the keenest of pleasure the close approach of His child, because He knows that only admiration and deepening reverence can draw a soul to Himself, and trust and reverence insure loyality. "To rise and take his part upon this battlefield of earth" is what friendship with God enables one to do. To know His cause and support it., to know His will and to live it, to make His will effective to renounce what He disproves, to practice what He prescribes, that is loyality. To obey without understanding, but because there is love for One who gave the commandment, that is loyality. To fight to the last ditch, never to give up the ship, to keep the faith, that is loyality. And "To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life."

Beneaht Thy hammer, Lord, I lie
With contrite spirit prone:
Oh, mould me till to self I die
And I live to Thee alone.

I know not where His islandss lift
Their fronded palms in air.
I only know I cannot drift
Beyond His love and care.

AN EMERGENCY APPEAL

The American Bible Society is in immediate need of $150,000 in special gifts from churches and individuals if it is not to come to its Centennial next spring with its Reserve Funds exhausted and forced to a calamitous retrenchment of all its work at home and abroad.

Last year its budget was cut 10 per cent. and this year its appropriations were still further reduced by nearly 20 per cent.

This means refusing Scriptures to thousands of people who are hungry for them. Every field of the Society, save Mexico and the Turkish Empire, is calling for advance.

Even with enlarged resources we could not supply the demand in the Far East and South America.

The Board of Managers, therefore, asks one thousand churches or individuals to give $100 each, and for fifty $1,000 subscriptions, before December 31, 1915, if possible.

The Society's issues last year amounted to 6,403,323 volumes, a total far in excess of anything in its history, and giving some idea of the world need for the Scriptures.

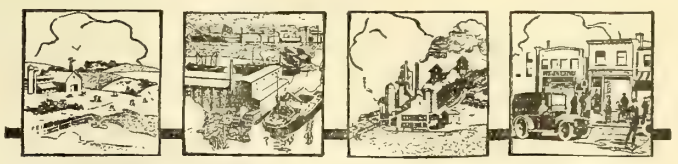
Ought not our people, free, in so large a measure, from the sorrow and strife consuming the energies of Europe, to strengthen immediately the resources of this Society, which they established nearly a hundred years ago, so that it can take up this burden now laid as never before upon it? This is no time for a famine of Bibles or a scant supply.

The impression prevails, far and wide, that the Society is rich. This is not the fact. It is true that during the last decade the Society has received two very large legacies. The gift of Mrs. Russell Sage of $500,000, under the condition upon which it was given, and through the generous contribution of the American people, brought into our treasury one million dollars as a permanent endowment. This added to the other trust funds, the interest on which alone can be used in the Society's work, yields an annual revenue of $75,000. This would conduct the present operations of the Society for only about two months. The Society has no other endowment or trust funds.

Unrestricted legacy gifts have been held as a Reserve Fund, and used as sparingly as the urgent demands would permit. But these demands have been very pressing, especially in the Far East, and in the United States where new conditions required the creation of nine Home Agencies during the last decade. These Home Agencies alone have necessitated the expenditure of over $100,000 a year.

The Board of Managers felt it a duty not to withhold the use of the money to supplement the annual income when it was a question between using it, and absolutely refusing to supply the Scriptures needed for this world demand. As a result, the larger part of these unrestricted legacies has been used.

We are thus brought face to face with a critical situation. To meet it there is needed, first of all, a revival of that spirit of faith and prayer which the Society, throughout its history, has recognized as its greatest support; and then, the immediate cooperation of all who love the Holy Scriptures.



Business is booming!

Dayton, Ohio.

Merchants everywhere tell our 800 salesmen that business is booming.

Farmers have had two record crops, at big prices, with big demand at home and abroad.

Stocks of manufactured material are short, and labor is in great demand.

Exports largely exceed imports.

Factories are busy, many working overtime.

More freight cars are needed, and steamers are taxed to capacity.

People are living better, and spending their money more freely.

This country has the best money in the world, and more of it than ever before.

Such a combination of favorable circumstances never has occurred before, and probably will never occur again.

Billions of dollars are passing over the merchants' counters.

The people who spend this money want the best service.

They demand it in all kinds of stores, from the smallest to the largest.

They get it in stores which use our up-to-date Cash Registers, which quicken service, stop mistakes, satisfy customers, and increase profits.

Over a million merchants have proved our Cash Registers to be a business necessity.

[Signed] John H Patterson

Write for booklet to
The National Cash Register Co.
Dayton, Ohio.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

From the Field

CONFERENCE NOTICES

Meeting of Presiding Elders

Bishop Lambuth desires to meet the siding elders at Reidsville on Tuesday morning before the Conference, November 16th. J. H. Weaver.

Class of First Year

The class of the first year will please meet the committee in Reidsville at the place designated in the directory, on Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 16, 1915, at 2 o'clock.

E. J. Poe, Chairman.

Meeting of Conference Trustees

The Conference Trustees will meet at the church in Reidsville on Tuesday, Nov. 16th, at 3 p. m.

J. H. Weaver, Chairman.

A Correction

The class of the second year will meet at 2 p. m. Wednesday instead of 7 p. m. A mistake was made in the time indicated in last week's Advocate.

M. F. Moores.

Class of the Third Year

Please meet the committee at the place designated in the directory at 2:30 Tuesday.

C. S. Kirkpatrick.

Educational Anniversary Evening

The Board of Education has arranged with Brother Lambeth and the committee to hold its anniversary meeting on Wednesday evening of the Conference. Dr. E. C. Brooks, of the Department of Education at Trinity College, is to deliver the address this year. He is to speak on the subject, "Why We Educate."

Class for Admission

The committee for examination of applicants for admission into the Conference will meet in the room assigned Tuesday at 2 p. m., Nov. 16.

D. Atkins.

NEW CHURCH OPENED

Yesterday, Nov. 7, the Mt. Olivet congregation worshiped for the first time in their beautiful new church. The day was fine, the congregation large, and there seemed to be a feeling of joyous triumph among this good people. They have wrought well and we think have the best country church house in the Conference.

The Concord circuit is in good condition for the new preacher after Conference. It is a pleasant charge to serve and the past four years, while busy, have been very pleasant and have passed so quickly by. All our finances will be in full with our one hundred dollars on specials. During the four years 266 have been added to the church, and the net gain has been 165. Infants baptized, 104.

The people have been good to us. Many good things in poundings and otherwise have been received, but I make special mention of a fine suit of clothes for the preacher given by Rocky Mount church. For all this we are very thankful, and pray God's blessings upon this people.

W. T. Albright, Pastor.

CONFERENCE BROTHERHOOD

Assessment No. 14. This assessment was called for on the first day of October, 1915, and will be retained on hands for the purpose of paying the next claim. If it is convenient for the members to send check for this amount before the session of the Conference it will make the Conference work of the Secretary and Treasurer at Conference much easier. The following have paid this assessment since my last report: W. L. Rexford, M. F. Moores, J. J. Eads, James Willson, S. E. Richardson, W. R. Ware, Z. E. Barnhardt, O. J. Jones, J. D. Buie, J. E. Thompson, J. R. Scroggs, C. S. Kirkpatrick, S. M. Davis, N. M. Modlin, P. H. Brittain.

C. M. Pickens, Sec.-Treas.

Spencer, N. C.

TO THE PASTORS AND LAY LEADERS OF THE CHARLOTTE DISTRICT

If correspondence will avail anything (for the mails must be my chief means of communication) I feel that my efforts perhaps will not be in vain, and trust that by our next District Conference we will find ourselves well organized and up with the work.

I do not feel worthy or equal to being called a "leader," but I much prefer that term to "pusher." I do not propose to push men into any plan or purpose of my own but rather wish to emphasize the things that the Laymen's Movement stands for.

1. Prepare the envelopes at once and organize the official board promptly for the next year's work.

2. Urge the people to systematic giving—regularly each week, and see that an opportunity is given them to do so at Sunday school when there is no preaching service.

3. Organize the missionary committeees and let them make an every-member canvas for the Conference collections, under the supervision of the pastor and lay leader. This should be done early in the year.

4. Arrange for missionary days in all the churches and Sunday schools as often as practical, providing missionary literature for free distribution.

5. Organize mission study classes for a better understanding of the missionary cause. Our people are failing to respond because of the lack of knowledge.

6. I want us to make an effort to have a service in every church each Sabbath next year. Get consecrated laymen, local preachers, exhorters, Sunday school superintendents to hold services where there is no regular preaching.

7. Let us make next year one of evangelistic and educational effort. An active evangelistic committee can render valuable assistance to the pastor, and a systematic distribution of leaflets in all the churches will do much towards stimulating interest in the various causes.

Brethren, the Laymen's Movement is a movement under God and ought to be maintained. It can accomplish great good if we will use it and let it use us.

I want to stimulate the work of the laymen, but will largely have to work through the pastors and charge leaders, of whom I ask sympathy and hearty co-operation.

We have the forces, what we need is to get them to work. Whatever is done, is done. I don't know what the reports are going to be, but some are very encouraging.

I want us to begin right and right at the beginning of the year and avoid the "annual tug." If things lag at the beginning of the year they will most likely stay behind all the year.

I am satisfied that if the brethren will begin early and make a thorough every-member canvass, it will solve the problem of finances. I fear that the failures this year will lie just here. If we can have co-operation we can accomplish perhaps a great deal, but if not, we can accomplish but little.

Leaflets on various subjects can be had free by writing, General Secretary Laymen's Missionary Movement, No. 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn., or if the brethren will write me I will have sent to them whatever they need.

"Forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, let us press forward to the mark"—mark of higher efficiency and greater results—(learn a lesson from the German army)—mark of soul saving and service—mark of full collections and paid up salaries. If we cannot get the people to church, let's go after them.

Yours faithfully,

C. W. Ramsey,

Lay Leader Charlotte Dist.

FIRST CHURCH, SALISBURY

The fourth quarterly meeting of the First Church, Salisbury, adopted the following:

"This church, having come now to the time when the pastoral relations of our beloved Brother Jno. W. Moore must be severed, we would herewith place on permanent record in the minutes of our church life this feeble appreciation of his life and his work among us.

As a sympathetic and loving shepherd he has ministered unceasingly to his flock. His life and presence have been a benediction upon us and his labors have been fruitful in enriching the lives of many.

By precept and example he has striven to keep us near the feet of our blessed Saviour. He has broken to us the pure Bread of Life and has preached unto us the saving gospel of truth.

We give up Brother Moore and his excellent wife, who has gracefully and beautifully helped in the work of minister and people, with a feeling of regret and deep sense of loss, and pray continued blessings on them in their new home."

FROM CONFERENCE EVANGELIST

Since our last report we have been with Brother J. W. Hoyle at Sparta in an eight days' meeting, where we feel that much good was accomplished in many ways. There were eighteen professions and a quickening of new life in many of the churches. The people love Brother Hoyle, and speak well of him. Our next meeting was at Boonville with Brother Boring. Here we had a great meeting resulting in twenty-three professions, eight accessions, and a great revival in the church, which not only manifested itself in shouts of praise, but in a material way, by paying a deficit of about sixty per cent. on salary and collections. Brother Boring is in high favor with his people, and they are asking for his return to the work. We are now with Brother S. E. Richardson at North Main, Salisbury, and are having a good meeting. Will report results in next week's Advocate. Also will give a brief summary of the year's work.

W. L. Dawson.

MISSIONARY NOTES FROM FIELD SECRETARY

Burnsville, H. M. Wellman, P. C.—$500.00 pledged for pastor next year. The deed to the new church lot has been secured. The lot is excavated; the brick for building has been bought and the work on new structure will be actively begun in the spring.

* * * *

Race St., Statesville, A. P. Ratledge, P. C.—$200.00 on assessments. Brief visits to Bakersville, Spruce Pine, Marion, Glen Alpine, Morganton, Hickory, Concord, Salisbury, High Point and Greensboro, in interest of Emergency Fund collections, have yielded satisfactory results. Everywhere presiding elders, pastors and officials are pressing collections. The question is, who are to be in arrears?

* * * *

Remember Dr. Ed. F Cook, fresh from the Orient, and possibly Bishop Lambuth, of Africa fame, will speak at Reidsville Tuesday night, Nov. 16th. Wm. T. Ellis, the great mission traveler and writer, will deliver the anniversary address, Friday night of Conference.

* * * *

Every member of the Board of Missions, clerical and lay, should be at the joint meeting of Board and Presiding Elders Tuesday, Nov. 16th, at 2:30 p. m. The following are the members: W. H. Willis, President; C. H. Ireland, Vice-President; R. M. Courtney, Secretary-Treasurer; W. F. Womble, J. A. Nichols, E. K. McLarty, E. A. Cole, F. L. Townsend, C. H. Ireland, L. D. Thompson, J. D. Pitts, W. R. Lynch, Parker Holmes, F. D. Hackett, J. W. Moore, J. F. Shinn, J. F. Moser, C. W. Hoyle, Z. E. Barnhardt, D. Matt Thompson, J. P. Rogers, A. C. Reynolds, F. S. Lambeth.

REV. R. M. TAYLOR'S PLAN FOR SUPERANNUATES

Allow me to thank Dr. Ware for calling our attention to the article by Brother Taylor in the Advocate of Sept. 23rd, on "A Plan for Better Support for our Superannuates and Other Conference Claimants."

I do not know of a man among us better qualified to work out such a plan that the one who has undertaken it. Evidently he has gathered widely from many quarters that he might guard against unworkable propositions and incorporate only that which experience has proven good.

Having served on the Joint Board of Finance, it is out of that experience that I speak. I can see no valid argument whatever against the proposed plan; on the other hand I see clearly four good and strong reasons for its adoption.

1. This plan undertakes to adequately meet the cases of special need. Those who have worked on the Joint Board know with what difficulty we have handled these cases, and how inadequately we meet them.

2. This plan more fully proportions the degree of need, and the degree of obligation the Conference is under for service rendered. In a general way, these considerations have always entered, but by no means to the extent contemplated in this plan.

3. It sets a definite goal as the minimum amount we shall provide in this fund, and that minimum is something more than we have been raising. Surely no one can fail to support this item. For the burning need of a larger fund with which to meet actual life necessities of our claimants must be known to us all.

4. Last, but by no means least, this plan takes the whole matter of our pension to our honored heroes out of the realm of charity, where it does not belong, and puts it into the realm of just, but only partial, repayment of services rendered the church. Let the matter work by rule, not by haphazard. Let a man's own record determine what he shall get, not the appeal which may be made to the emotions of the Board when it takes up his case. It has always been just a little embarrassing for a self-respecting man to beg for his bread. May it never occur again with us.

There is just this regret which I feel on the adoption of this plan. Those splendid men, our elder brothers, who have suffered much and have gone to their graves with crushed and bleeding hearts because we could not, or did not, adequately meet their needs, what of them? Let us try to make up in good treatment of their widows and orphans what we lacked in taking good care of them. God bless their sacred memories and may their works of loyal devotion to the church they loved be more adequately rewarded under this fine new plan.

D. M. Litaker.

RANDOLPH CIRCUIT

The Ashboro Courier last week had the following very interesting account of the fourth quarterly meeting for the Randolph circuit which was held at Trinity:

As a people not only Trinity, but the Randolph circuit, have been having "a feast of reason and a flow of

TRY MURINE EYE REMEDY
For Red, Weak, Weary, Watery Eyes and GRANULATED EYELIDS.
Murine Doesn't Smart—Soothes Eye Pain
Druggists Sell Murine Eye Remedy, Liquid, 25c, 50c, $1.00
Murine Eye Salve, in Aseptic Tubes, 25c, $1.00
EYE BOOKS AND ADVICE FREE BY MAIL
Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago

soul" since Thursday evening when a series of meetings planned by Rev. E. N. Crowder was opened by a fine sermon by Rev. J. E. Thompson, of Ashboro, to the Epworth League. Mr. Thompson's sermon was an inspiration not only to the young people to whom it was addressed, but to all thoughtful people who had the pleasure of hearing him.

On Friday evening our Presiding Elder, Rev. Dr. Weaver, of Greensboro, preached a masterly sermon full of love to God and man, and showing to young and old the blessedness of a religious life. None who heard it could fail to realize that "the old time religion" filled his soul, and that such zeal and enthusiasm must flow from a life in close touch with the throbbing heart of a tender loving Heavenly Father.

On Saturday morning the fourth quarterly conference of the Randolph circuit convened in the chapel. The exercises opened at ten o'clock with a strong practical speech by Attorney Bruce Craven on the work of the stewards and the financial duty of the people of the circuit to the church. As usual, Mr. Craven's speech was quite fitting and should create a new ideal in the hearts of his hearers as to their obligations. Mr. Craven was followed by several other interesting talkers from various members of the official board. There were a goodly number of members from the other churches on the circuit and the presence of these and the various ministers in our homes added much to the pleasure of the occasion. The reports from the different churches showed a marked improvement on all lines especially in the sentiment of the official board, and there seems little doubt that the Randolph circuit will be a thousand dollar appointment in the near future. Dr. Gilbert Rowe, of Wesley Memorial, High Point, delighted a large audience Sunday morning with a masterful sermon while Sunday afternoon, Prof. Haynes in an address on religious literature and its place in home made all feel that we could not do without our church paper. Rev. Mr. Byrum brought up the rear Sunday night on the philosophy of a happy Christian life.

SOME FACTS ABOUT BLUE MARBLE

It is commonly known that Southern marble quarries hold an important place in the production of the world's marble, but it is a question if the people of the South know that to one of their own home industries, strictly Southern in ownership and management, belongs the distinction of producing some of the finest blue marble in the world.

Blue marble is not a common product and the Regal Marble Company of Regal, N. C., own the only quarries in the South. One of their best products, known to the trade as Regal Blue, was recently made the subject of interesting tests by the U S. Department of Agriculture. The government report showed the marble to be such fine and compact texture that it withstood the highest tests for crushing strength and water absorption. These are the properties that make for the recognized permanence of color and durability of this marble. The Regal Company employs native Southern workmen exclusively, both in the quarries and in their finishing plant.

JUST THE RIGHT PRESENT

Don't take chances in the matter of Christmas presents. You don't want yours, like so many others, to be received with indifference or worse, and ten days after Christmas to be cast aside and forgotten.

You take no such chance in giving the Youth's Companion for a year.

Did you ever know of a home in which it came amiss, or of one in which it was not conspicuous on the library table or in some one's hands all through the year?

It is worth while to make a gift of that sort, and it is worth while to receive it, too, for The Companion illustrates the best traits in American life in its stories and sketches, upholds the best standards in its articles and other contributions, and combines the practical and informing with the entertaining and blood-stirring.

If you do not know The Companion as it is to-day, let us send you one or two current issues free, that you may thoroughly test the paper's quality. We will send you also the Forecast for 1916.

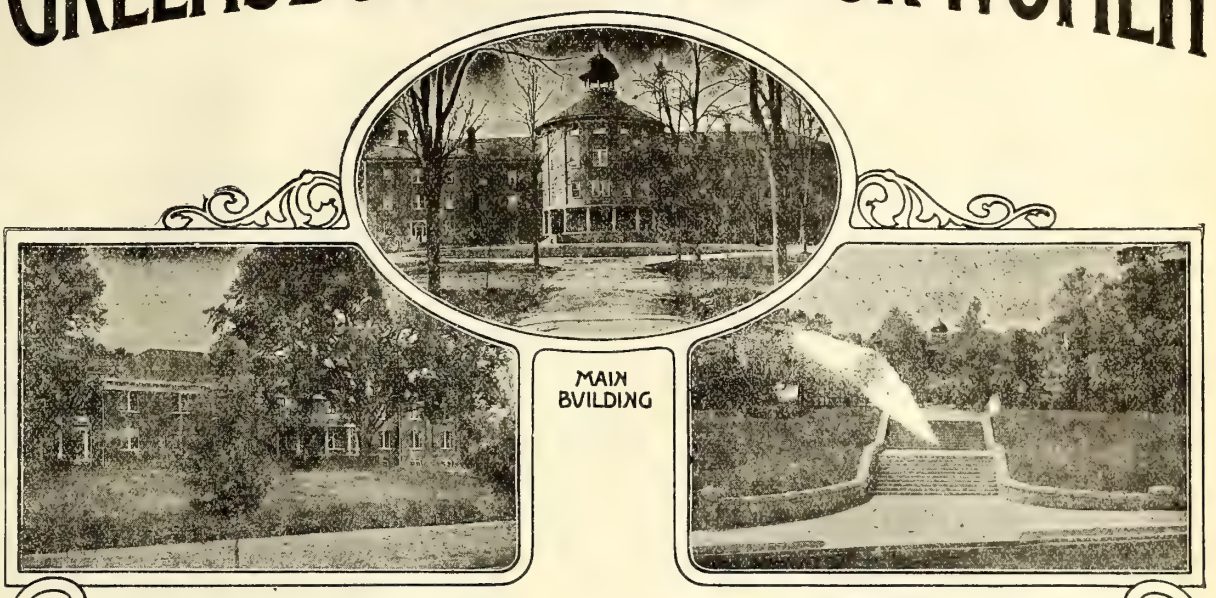
Every new subscriber who sends $2.00 for the fifty-two issues of 1916 will receive free al the issues for the rest of 1915 and The Companion Home Calendar for 1916.

THE YOUTH'S COMPANION,
Boston, Mass.

If broad daylight should never be **yours on this side of the grave, He will** hold your feet in the twilight that **they shall not stumble, and at last,** with all the more love, and all the more speed as well, He will fold you to His bosom, who is Himself the Light Eternal.—F. W. Faber.

I love to believe that no heroic sacrifice is ever lost; that the characters of men are moulded and inspired by what their fathers have done; that, treasured up in American souls are all the unconscious influences of the great deeds of the Anglo-Saxon race, from Agincourt to Bunker Hill.—James A. Garfield.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY – FITZGERALD HALL

ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department, open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D. D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.....E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg...W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller.....C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg., M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.....J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg...J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C —421 S. Main St.....G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St..... A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel...J. W. Ligon

I am grateful to that man above all others who brings home to me afresh the mystery and glory of the world, the significance of our mortal life, the immediate presence with us of the infinite and everlasting God.—John White Chadwick.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

The Sunday School Lesson

LESSON VII—NOVEMBER 14
Daniel in the King's Court

WORLD'S TEMPERANCE SUNDAY
Daniel 1:8-16, 19, 20; (Memorize verse 15)

Golden Text

Watch ye, stand fast in faith, quit you like men, be strong. 1 Cor. 16. 13.

Notes by Dr. and Mrs. Camden M. Cobern

It was near the year 606 B. C. that Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon, was making war upon Palestine, a small state. Some of the warring nations at the present time have expressed scorn of the small nation, but the world's history and character would be poor indeed without the memory of Palestine and Greece and Switzerland and Holland and Scotland It is in these countries that individual liberty or individualism has been conserved to the world. It is the tendency of large nations to crush individualism by their very mass. Life is so congested that it becomes cheap. The greatest calamity that could befall humanity would be to reduce its prismatic, individualist colors to a dead tone-level. Material superefficiency is a crime against human nature if it must be obtained by killing individual initiative. During Nebuchadnezzer's campaign against Israel his father, the king of Babylon, died. He immediately raised the siege upon Jerusalem and returned to Babylon to take the vacant throne. He carried off with him the golden Temple service. Behind his triumphal car King Jehoiakim was led in chains with some princes of the royal blood, whom the Babylonian king decided to train for court service. Four of these young men are the subject of today's lesson (verse 11). Evidently the king recognized some kind of superiority in the Jewish mind. Much as the Anglo-Saxons dislike to own it, the Jews in every nation gain preeminence. "In Great Britain the chief justice of England, five members of the cabinet, five members of the House of Lords, six members of the Privy Council, eighteen members of Parliament, sixteen baronets and fourteen knights are Jews. In Germany the man in charge of all the transportation of the armies, the leaders of the Socialists and the revisionists are Jews. In Italy the president of the Council of State, sixteen members of Parliament and fourteen senators are Jews. The United States ambassador to Turkey, having under his care three hundred councils of various nations, is a Jew." In all ages and among all nations these people withstood race absorption, as these four boys resisted the lure of luxury and ambition in the court of Babylon.

Preparing for Life

Four boys torn from their home surroundings and suddenly placed in one of the most luxurious courts of antiquity were surely in imminent danger of losing their bearings. Even their names were changed by the king, dedicating them to a new religion. Daniel was renamed Belteshazzar, which meant, "Favored of Bel;" Hananiah was known as Shadrach, a name referring to the moon-god, etc. It was as hard for these young men to refuse to eat the rich food at the king's table, where a bevy of other boys were doubtless poking fun at them, as it would be for a few boys to kneel and say their prayers in a big dormitory full of guffawing rowdies. That is a test of strength that even men shrink from. These boys yere compelled to make a choice. The young men who thought to curry favor and gain influence by "doing in Rome as the Romans do," lost both charcater and influence at the same time. Even bad men admire moral courage, and when it comes to matters of business they trust the Daniel-men, and because of this the Daniel-man has the chance of success. If it were written, "Be good and you will succeed," every one would have an evil motive, because it would be selfish to seem good. But the good way always looks to be the longest way around to success and the devil's short-cuts appear pleasant, so when one does right it develops nobility and courage, which is the only thing in man that God seems to care very much about. Preparing for life was what all the young princes were doing. Four have been remembered for twenty-five hundred years; the others have been utterly forgotten, because they were not men enough to stand for the best. Admiral Farragut tells how he came to make the Daniel choice for his life. He said that when ten years of age he was with his father on a man-of-war. "I had some qualities which I thought made a man of me. I could swear like an old salt, could drink as stiff a glass of grog as if I had doubled Cape Horn, and I could smoke like a locomotive. I was fond of gambling in any shape. At the close of dinner one day father turned every one out of the room and said. 'David, what do you intend to be?' 'I mean to follow the sea,' I replied. 'Follow the sea and be a poor, miserable, drunken sailor before the mast! Be kicked and cuffed about the world and die in some foreign land! No, David, you will have to change your whole course of life if you ever become a man.' My father left me," Admiral Farragut continued, "stunned by the rebuke and mortification. I decided to change my life at once; I'll never utter another oath; I will never drink; I will never gamble." Very soon after this the young boy became a Christian, which was the real turning point in his life. Admiral Farragut probably would have died unknown as the princelings in our lesson, if he had not developed strength to resist temptation.

The Care of the Body a God-Imposed Duty

"To man propose this test—
Thy body at its best,
How far it can project the soul on its lone way." Browning.

The Jews even ate and drank religiously. Paul says: "Whatsoever ye do, whether ye eat or drink, do all to the glory of God." The eating of pork and shell-fish and the manner of killing meat and cleaning it were matters of religion to these boys from Palestine. We have been wont to call it all superstitions, but we are discovering that religion must include the body. When these sumptuary laws were made they were most important in an Oriental country. Whether anything was known of "germs" or not, the laws at least demonstrated scientific observation of cause and effect upon the human body. The whole world is fighting a common battle against alcohol, and tobacco also will follow that poison to the limbo of discarded sins against God's human temple. The tobacco habit is harder to cure than the liquor habit, so say those who know. How cruel it is that magazine literature and moving-picture shows keep this habit constantly before our young people in the most alluring way! In the stories the hero always lights a cigarette before he can perform his heroics, and the dashing darling in the photo-play often runs great danger of setting the heroine afire with the ever-present cigarette. It is a constant suggestion of the most insidious type to boys who are yearning to be men, and who can imitate only men's sins. The cigarette fiend is as much a menace of degeneracy as the alcoholic, and penologists write them as morally more debased

"Only the other day a great steel beam was being brought up a giddy height by a hoisting-apparatus. As it passed a girder, the beam just turned enough to push one of the workmen off. The man siezed the beam, and was swung far out over the street. Gradually his weight moved down the end of the girder to which he clung, and in a few minutes he would have been thrown off, when a fellow workman sprang on the other end, thus balancing it and together they were lowered to the ground."

Many of our boys are in just as much peril of the abyss of moral destruction as that workman was of physical death, and yet fathers are not making town and city safe for the young boys. Mothers watch and agonize as the boy is pushed from home safety by the relentless beam of life; he clutches and swings. She would throw her soul upon the bending girder and dare the abyss with him—but she can only stand and die again and again, shuddering and praying that the great Carpenter of Nazareth may balance the life-beam.

You who damn our boys by voting for the license, if you had to choose the boy your vote would ruin, could you do it? Would it be your boy or mine? In Ohio, for instance, "the loss of revenue from license would increase tax only twenty-one cents on a thousand dollars, even if saloons cost Ohio nothing. But drink costs Ohio taxpayers far more than the saloon revenue, and the drinkers pay $100,000,000 yearly besides. Would you ruin your boy for twenty-one cents? The people of the United States spent $750,000,000 last year for educational purposes. This is one-third the amount spent for liquor. It is not Christianity that has failed, but Christ's helpers who are failing when war and race degeneracy can be tolerated in this year of our Lord. (E. C. C.)—Pittsburgh Christian Advocate

THE GREATEST NECESSITY

You can do without food for weeks.
You can do without drink for days.
You can do without warmth for hours.
But you can do without air only for minutes. And very few minutes at that.

For without air the body promptly poisons itself. This air starvation is called strangulation.

In coughs and colds the phlegm in the organs of respiration coats the membranes, so that only a part of the air is effective in reaching the membranes and in purifying the blood. You have partial strangulation.

The blood is not purified momentarily as it should be and the whole body is self-poisoned, for the waste is not oxidized.

Under such circumstances Mentholatum is a great relief.

Its pungent oils tickle the membranes into activity, loosening the phlegm, assisting in removing it, so that the air can reach the membranes and purify the blood.

For this reason Mentholatum is almost indispensable in cases of sore throat, catarrh and croup.

What light and glory ever fell upon the darkest day when the heart is assured of certainty of the ultimate manifestation and vindication of its beloved Lord! This certainty the apostle shows is based upon a personal relationship to God.—Campbell Morgan.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER

Proprietor

GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phone 571 Res. Phone 1345

DR. C. W. MOSELEY

DISEASES OF STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121½ So. Elm St., Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL

General Insurance

General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland

108 North Elm Street 'Phone 44

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.

LEADING JEWELERS

DALSIMER SHOES Comfort with Style

Fall & Winter Catalog FREE Upon Request

THIS illustrated, instructive catalog shows our shoes for Women, Men and Children. It also contains an authoritative article, "Care of the Feet," by Leon S. Dalsimer, M. D.

Most foot troubles come from poor fitting. For 36 years Dalsimer Shoes have been recognized for their Fit, Quality and Style. The Dalsimer "Nurses' DeLyte" Shoe is designed for women with tender feet. Made of Duree Kid, with no seams, flexible soles, rubber heels—button or lace, high or low, 1½ to 10, AA to F.....$3.00

Dalsimer Shoes are Guaranteed. If you are not fully satisfied, we Refund your Money.

S. DALSIMER & SONS
1204R Market St.,
Phila., Pa.

Precious Promise Bible

Something Entirely New—Just Off the Press

ALL THE PROMISES IN RED

Most Comforting Bible Published

The famous, international clear type, self-pronouncing edition, with all the teachers' helps. Beautifully illustrated in colors. Leather, only $3.75. Descriptive Circular Free.

SEND FOR OUR FREE CATALOGS

of Song Books, Bibles, Bible Mottoes, Christian Workers' Helps, Missionary Books, Temperance Books, Purity Books, Christian Evidence and Anti-Infidel Books, Peace Literature, etc. Agents Wanted.

We Have the Most Complete Catalogs Published

GLAD TIDINGS PUBLISHING CO. Lakeside Building CHICAGO, ILL.

Our Little Folks' Department

WHAT JESUS WANTS FROM CHILDREN

Children. learn what Jesus wants from you. He wants your childhood. He wants your faith and your love. He wants you to pattern your childhood after his. He wants you to obey your parents as he obeyed his. He wants you to treat with respect those who are older. He wants you to ask questions and to learn. He wants you to make a public confession of his name, as he publicly confessed his Father's name. He wants you to join in his worship and praise.—*David Gregg.*

TOM THUMB

Yes, there was a real Tom Thumb, not as small as the dwarf told in old fairy tales and ballads, however. He was about three feet high, and was just as famous as he was small. Your father and mother may have seen him and talked to him.

One of his best friends was Mr. Barnum, whose wonderful circus delighted little folks years ago. He and Mr. Barnum are buried in the same churchyard in a little town in Connecticut. It was Mr. Barnum who made him famous, for the little dwarf became part of his circus. Children in every big city in the country and in many small towns and villages learned to love "General Tom Thumb" and to watch for his coming. He could sing the national airs of any country he visited. Kings and queens sent for him to come to their palaces, and he made friends among the most powerful people, as well as among those in more humble circumstances. In fact, he had a wonderful life and was a great favorite.—*Picture Story Paper.*

A WONDERFUL TREE

In far-off Persia grows a shrub which is called the Sorrowful Tree. Another name for this tree is the Night Jasmine of the Sad Tree. The reason why it is called the Sad or Sorrowful Tree is because it blooms only at night.

When the first star appears in the sky the first bud opens on the wonderful tree. As the evening advances, the buds open more rapidly, until the tree is covered with the delicate bloom, and it appears like one vast white flower. The bloom is fragrant, and the odor is like the perfume of the evening primrose. As the stars begin to grow dim and the dawn approaches, the flowers begin to fade, and by the time the sun has arisen not a bloom can be found on the tree.

During the hours of daylight the tree appears to be withering, as if it had been injured in some manner; but in reality it is simply regaining its strength in order to put forth new blossoms on the following night.

This tree is held in high esteem by the natives of the country where it grows, and is looked upon as a curiosity by florists throughout the world. When cut down these trees send up sprouts from the roots that will mature into a flowering tree in a very short time.—*Apples of Gold.*

THE KETTLE AND THE KITTEN

Linnet had always wanted to have a kitten of her very own, and it seemed to her as if she were never, never going to reach the old-enough stage, which had been set at five years old. But five years was at last reached, and Linnet's cup of joy was filled to overflowing when, on the morning of her birthday, she found sleeping in a basket by her chair at the breakfast table a tiny gray kitten.

Linnet could hardly be induced to let the kitten out of her arms during the day and there were a few tears shed at bedtime when she found a basket in the kitchen was to be kitty's sleeping-room, and not her bed as she had fondly hoped.

The kitten was about a week-old visitor when a rainy day forced Linnet to play in the house. About tea-time kitty insisted on having a sleep, and wouldn't play no matter how Linnet teased and coaxed it; so at last, in desperation, Linnet wandered off into the kitchen and watched her mother making cakes for tea. Suddenly a noise from the stove attracted Linnet's attention. The kettle was singing merrily, its lid fairly dancing up and down on its glee.

"Oh muver, muver, look at the kettle!" cried Linnet.

Mrs. Baird looked at the kettle, then she walked over to the stove and lifted it up, filled the teapot and a small kettle that were standing on a table near by, and then set the large kettle on the back of the stove.

"Does you always take the kettle off when she bubbles?" asked Linnet. "Does it hurt her to bubbles?"

"I don't know, dear," laughed Mrs. Baird. "Most likely it does, and that is the reason why it hisses, so as to let me know it is ready to be taken off."

"Oh!" Linnet looked at the kettle. "I 'spects it hurts its insides to have boils in it; I 'spects everysings must come off that has boils in it. Don't you, muver?"

"Perhaps, dear. But, remember, Linnet, you must never, never try to take a kettle or anything that is boiling off the stove. If you do you may scald yourself very, very badly and not be able to play with kitty for weeks and weeks. You'll promise mother, won't you, Linnet?"

"Yes," nodded Linnet. "Never touch nuffins hissins, muver, never, never!" And Linnet trotted after her mother and the dear little tea-cakes into the dining-room.

After tea Linnet sat down on the rug in front of the parlor fire and hunted for fire pictures, while kitty slept soundly on a chair beside her. After a while, tiring of hunting for fire pictures by herself and of waiting for her mother to finish reading the paper, Linnet bent over Kitty to wake her up. As she did so she heard a funny sound. Never had Linnet heard such a sound from kitty before, and she bent her head closer.

"Purr-rr-rrr-rrrr!" went kitty.

"Was kitty getting ill?" queried Linnet.

"Purr-rrr-rrrr!" went kitty again.

Light broke on Linnet. She scrambled to her feet, rushed over to her mother, and caught her by the arm. "Muver, muver!" she cried, "come and take poor kitty off! Tan't you hear she's boiling?"

Mrs. Baird dropped her paper and smiled lovingly at her small daughter.

"Kitty isn't boiling, dear; she is purring because she is happy and doesn't want to be disturbed. That is her way of telling you she is happy."

"Oh!" Linnet looked thoughtfully at the kitten a minute, then she turned to her mother again. "Maybe the kettle didn't wants to come off eiser. Maybe she was purring 'cause she was happy—don't you think, muver—and wanted to be left alone, too."

Mrs. Baird laughed. "No; I think, dear, the kettle was purring because it was so happy that it was ready to be of use, and was quite ready to be taken off the stove and make the tea."—Margaret Erskine in Churchman.

DIET OF BIRDS

With farm help so hard to get and the fast growing weeds such prolific producers, the Liberty Bell Bird Club of the Farm Journal, Philadelphia, calls the attention of the farmer to the wage-earners on his place that he usually regards as pillagers and thieves. It has the government report for its statement that the American sparrow family saved the sum of $89,260,000 to the farmers in 1910 in consuming weed seeds.

The song sparrow's diet consists of three-fourths weed seeds, while the tree sparrow consumes one fourth of an ounce of noxious weed seeds a day. Half the food of the quail is undesirable weed seeds. Several thousand pigweed seeds have been found in the stomach of a single quail. The crop of ringnecked pheasant from Washington contained 8,000 chickweed seeds and a dandelion head. More than 72,000 weed seeds have been found in the stomach of a wild duck taken in Louisiana in February which shows that this bird is more valuable to the farmer alive than trussed on somebody's table. Weed seeds form the largest single element of food of the horned lark, and are also a large part of the diet of the meadow lark, bobolink, blackbird, chipping sparrow, and chickadee. The mourning dove is a strict vegetarian with a never-flagging appetite for weed seeds.

When a single plant or purslane is said to produce 250,000 seeds, black mustard from 10,000 to 15,000 and other field pests are as productive, the farmer should realize how important it is to protect his swift helpers who earn their own board, seek their own shelter, and if they could speak for themselves, would ask only that they should not be destroyed while they are cheerfully working in the farmer's fields and orchards.

While it is hard for one farmer to keep thoughtless hunters and other bird enemies from killing or driving away the little field helpers, united, the farmer folk can save a many a feathered "field hand" who, in gratitude for protection, will pour out glad songs and give useful service.

The farmers in Warrick, Vanderburg, and Gibson counties, Indiana, have organized themselves into a farmers' tricounty union to protect the birds. Farmers in different parts of the county, with their boys, are joining the Liberty Bell Club of the Farm Journal, Philadephia, by signing and sending in the following pledge.

"I desire to become a member of the Liberty Bell Club of the Farm Journal, and I promise to study and protect all song insectivorous birds and do what I can for the club."

The club badge-button is sent free to each person who signs this pledge. There is no cost of any kind in joining this club.

BRIGHT SAYINGS

Little Bertha asked for a pickle at dinner. Although warned that it was very sour, she ate it hastily. The result was that she puckered up her mouth and exclaimed: "Doodness! 'At pickle made my mouth feel offul small! Can you hear my talkin'?"—Ohio State Journal.

When a little girl reeceived her first "very own" doll, after a succession of treasures inherited from her older sisters, she turned to her mother a face full of rapture. "I expected I'd have a doll some day," she said breathlessly; "but I didn't expect I should ever have my expect!"

STOPS TOBACCO HABIT

Elders' Sanitarium, located at 513 Main St., St. Joseph, Mo., has published a book showing the deadly effect of the tobacco nabit, and how it can be stopped in three to five days.

As they are distributing this book free, anyone wanting a copy should send their name and address at once.

Plant Trees

from the

Greensboro Nurseries

We have more than a million trees, vines and plants. We will make you a special price. Write today for our special offer.

John A. Young & Sons

Greensboro, N. C.

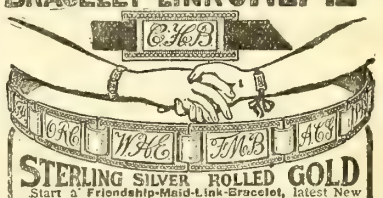


Standard
Memorial Windows
Made in High Point

Beautiful in design—strong in construction. Largest and oldest glass plant in the South. Capacity for any and all orders and prompt delivery. Satisfaction guaranteed. References—any of our old customers or any bank or banker in High Point. Write for catalog.

Standard Mirror Co.
High Point, N. C.

FRIENDSHIP BRACELET LINK ONLY 12¢



STERLING SILVER ROLLED GOLD

Start a Friendship-Maid-Link-Bracelet, latest New York fashion. We start yours by giving you one link absolutely FREE engraved with 3 initials. Your friends give or exchange others. What more beautiful token or sentiment could be expressed. Send to-day for one or more LINKS (12c. each) stating initials and whether ROLLED GOLD, STERLING SILVER, BEADED or PLAIN design wanted and receive links with beautiful Black Ribbon Free so you can start wearing Links at once until Bracelet is complete. Write today. Start with Link we give you Free with first 12c. order or more. Friendship Jewelery Co., Dept. J, 83 Chambers St., N.Y.

IDEAL FUNERAL BOOK

A ready aid for pastors of all denominations. Contains Scripture Selection, Topics, Texts and Outlines, Suggestive Themes and Prayers, Quotations, Illustrations, Form of Service, etc. Over fifteen hundred suggestive themes and texts for every possible occasion. A limp leather-bound, gilt-edge book, pocket size, 214 pages, for 75c. and 4c. postage. Guaranteed the best on the market.

PENTECOSTAL PUBLISHING CO., LOUISVILLE, KY.

We Will Pay You $120.00

to distribute religious literature and represent us in your community. 60 days' work. Man or woman. Experience not required. Spare time may be used.

Universal Bible House, Philadelphia Dept. C. J.

NEW FEATHER BEDS $5.40 ONLY

6 pound Feather Pillows $1 per pair. New, Clean, Odorless, Sanitary and Dustless Feathers. Best Ticking. Satisfaction Guaranteed. Write for FREE catalog and wonderful FREE OFFER. Agents wanted. SOUTHERN FEATHER & PILLOW CO., Desk 24 GREENSBORO, NO. CAR.

Are Your Piggies Cold?



"My piggies warm as toast."
"So are mine."
"Gee, but ain't it nice to get up early now?"
"Sure is—it used to be so cold before Daddy bought the Nesco Perfect, now, it's just as warm as can be."
"I'll beat you down to thank Daddy for Nesco Perfect."

Are your's these Lucky Kiddies who dress by a

Nesco Perfect Oil Heater

Price.....

ODELL HARDWARE CO.
Greensboro, N. C.



BIEDERWOLF

JUST OFF THE PRESS!

"The King of Song Books"

"MAKE CHRIST KING, COMBINED"

Combines "Make Christ King" and the "New Make Christ King" with many new songs. (Orchestrated.) Edited by Prof. E. O. EXCELL, DR. W. E. BIEDERWOLF and over 70 leading Evangelists. The "Make Christ King" Song Books have been the best sellers in the United States, having exceeded all sales of any other book by a wide margin. Regardless of expense the editors tried to make this the greatest song book ever published.



EXCELL

Send 15c for Sample Copy. THE GLAD TIDINGS PUBLISHING CO., LAKESIDE BUILDING, CHICAGO, ILL.

Williams Private Sanatorium FOR DRUGS and WHISKEY

TERMS: Drugs $125 Flat. Whiskey $100 Flat. Women patients pay a small sum extra for nurse. B. B. WILLIAMS, M. D., Greensboro, N. C. Reference, Amr. Exchange Nat'l Bank, Greensboro, N. C.

Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

A mutual fire insurance company, organized, owned and operated by the Methodist Church in North Carolina, for the purpose of furnishing protection for church property and personal property of preachers at ACTUAL COST.

Write for information and rates.

W. E. WEBB, Secretary **Statesville, N. C.**

RHODHISS

Just space enough to let all of the readers of our paper know that Rhodhiss is not dead even if we have said nothing through the paper this year. While our loyal people have many commendable qualities yet one of their leading virtues is raising all collections in full. This has been done every year since the church was organized three years ago, and I believe they will make considerable sacrifice to keep up with their past record for all time in the future. I never served a more willing people in my life than I am serving here.

We have held two series of revival meetings here this year. In the first, my brother, D. W. Fink, of Charlotte, helped me, in which there were some 40 professions and reclamations.

In the second meetings Rev. R. A. Taylor of our church, and pastor of First Street church in Albemarle, did the preaching, and in these meetings there were some 70 professions and reclamations.

Brother Taylor is wonderfully gifted as an evangelistic preacher, and withal a very successful revivalist. He preaches the old time Gospel in its simplicity, with the power and demonstration of the Holy Spirit, which reaches the hearts of the people, reviving the cold hearted church members, reproving the backsliders and hypocrites in the church, and also convicting the hard hearted sinner and converting the petitent. His preaching is free from the errors and fanaticism so often observed in many so-called evangelists. He also ties the people to the church and the pastor, thus enabling the church to properly care for them after the meetings are over. Brother Taylor is a safe man to put into the field as an evangelist, and really I would be glad to see our church appoint him to such work at the coming Conference. There is plenty of room for at least two or three such men in our Conference to put in their entire time in the revival work. It would be a good paying investment if the church should see fit to pay them salaries and let the work be done where it is most needed. It would be almost self supporting, by each of them taking collections in their meetings and turning it back to the evangelistic fund. We have wise heads managing this evangelistic matter, I know, and fully believe they will do the very best thing possible for the church along this line whether it is done according to my views or not.

There have been about 110 professions and reclamations all told in our church this year, and some 44 added to the membership. This brings our present membership, on roll at present, to 150. We have received about 200 in the church since it's organization, but as is always the case, some have left the community from time to time.

We are loyal Methodists up here, yet would like to see an exception be made in our case in regard to the Presiding Elder, and have him returned, yet we know this cannot be done as he is serving his fourth year with us in that capactiy. Yet we realize that his place will be very ard to fill, as a preacher, leader and presiding elder. While we have many good presiding elders in our Conference, yet I do not believe that there is a man in all of the bounds of the Conference who is better qualified for the presiding eldership than Rev. Lee T. Mann. Our church, community, and entire district regret very much to part with him, yet we know that our loss will the gain of some other district or charge.

G. W. Fink, P. C.

THE HAMILL MEMORIAL AND THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Some time since we made an appeal to all our Sunday schools to observe the 3rd Sunday in September as Hamill Memorial Day, and asked for a contribution from each school to aid in the erection of the Memorial Building in Kobe, Japan.

This request has evidently been overlooked by a majority of the Sunday schools.

From the entire State of North Carolina the Treasurer has, up to November 1st, received no remittances from the Sunday schools and only one personal contribution. We are sure that North Carolina wishes to have some part in this Memorial, and that the apparent neglect has not been because of unwillingness or indifference. We therefore appeal again to every Sunday school superintendent in North Carolina to bring the matter to the attention of his school on some Sunday in November or December, and give an opportunity to aid in this enterprise.

Dr. Hamill was one of the world's great Sunday school leaders, was a minister of our own church, and our Sunday schools were very largely the beneficiaries of his labors. It would be a reproach to us if we suffered this memorial movement to fail because of our neglect. Take this collection and send amount secured promptly to A. J. Lamar, Treasurer, Nashville, Tenn.

John R. Pepper, Chariman.
A. J. Lamar, Treasurer.

COTTONVILLE CHARGE

On the 5th Sunday in October we observed old folks day at Cottonville church. At eleven o'clock the church was packed to its full capacity to hear and engage in the old time songs. The old people were there on time and ready to do all that they could to make it a success. We find the old people are made to feel young if we only give them a chance to join in songs of praise. There were old people of all different churches in the county and some from Anson county gathered around the organ and as near in front as they could and joined in singing the old time songs together for one hour, and then we took a collection for the Children's Home, after which the pastor preached an appropriate sermon, using as a text the 37th Psalm, 25 verse, "I have been young and now am old, yet have i not seen the righteous forsaken nor his seed begging bread."

At the close of the sermon all joined in singing the old time song, "Parting Hands," and at one o'clock as had been announced, dinner, which all enjoyed, was spread on the ground on the church lot.

At 2 o'clock we gathered in the church again and filled it to overflowing for a service for the children and young folks and after a few songs by the young people we were favored with a splendid talk to the young people and cildren by Dr. T. A. Hathcock, of Norwood. His subject was, "The Ideal of a Boy or Girl." 1st, Their Ideal Physically; 2nd, Intellectually; 3rd, Spiritually. We all enjoyed hearing him. The Dr. was at his best, and gave a talk that if put into practice will tell for years to come. At the close we sang, "God be with you till me meet again," and adjourned with the benediction.

H. F. Starr, Pastor.

Children's Home

Fifth Sunday Collections

Robert Ward, Donnaha, Mt. Pleasant S. S., $1.61; R. L. Snow, Taylorsville S. S., $6.35; Eugene Simpson, West End S. S., Winston-Salem, $11.10; Mrs. Wm. J. Worsham, Ruffin S. S., $1.75; Jas. T. Smith, Wentworth S. S., $5.10; J. B. Greene, Walnut Cove, Palmyra S. S., $2.00; J. C. Flinn, Pine Hall S. S., $2.31; D. C. Moir, Walkertown, Love's S. S., $7.00; R. L. McNeely, Mount Ulla, Knox' Chapel S. S., $2.66; Rev. J. J. Eads, Troutman, Wesley Chapel S. S., 83c; J. M. Dunn, Rockford S. S., $1.00; F. M. Markland, Advance S. S., $3.15; J. F. Morris, Treas. Centenary S. S., Winston-Salem, $24.36; Rev. John M. Price, Gold Hill Ct. S. Schools, $7.34; C. D. Moore, N. Charlotte, Spencer Memorial S. S., $1.10; R. M. Seamone, Woodleaf S. S., $3.20; Edward Jordan, Jamestown, Oakdale S. S., $1.63; G. G. Adams, Sec. First Church S. S., Mooresville, $12.50; Samuel H. Kunkle, Race St., S. S., Statesville, $4.19; W. E. Kreeger, Rural Hall, Antioch S. S., $1.21; J. M. Hawkins, Acton S. S., $1.00; Thos. R. Burgin, Old Trail, Bethel S. S., 45c; G. B. Goodson, Lincolnton, Asbury S. S., $3.44; S. A. Goforth, Kings Mountain, Elbethel S. S., $2.18; J. D. Kelley, Jr., Charlotte, Pleasant Grove S. S., $1.47; Rev. Geo. D. Herman, Wadesboro S. S., $16.50; Chas. Osborne, Jr., Main St. S. S., High Point, $16.29; R. H. Stone, Winston-Salem, Route 5, Shady Grove S. S., $1.31; E. W. Kime, Concord, Forest Hill S. S., $4.88; A. L. Sherrill, Old Fort S. S., $3.00; R. B. Babbington, Main Street S. S., Gastonia, $21.27; Eugene J. McDonald, Reidsville, Salem S. S., $2.45; K. L. Craven, Concord, Central S. S., $10.45; A. L. Payne, Rural Hall S. S., $2.40; M. C. Forbes, Granite Falls S. S., $4.12; Leroy Miller, Linwood, Cotton Grove S. S., $1.27; W. A. Dearman, Statesville, Route 1, Shiloh S. S., $1.32; L. C. Kimbrell, Matthews, Weddington S. S., $1.25; F. H. Washburn, Tryon Street S. S., Charlotte, $25.59; W. Harmon, Booneville S. S., $1.85; T. S. Kincaid, Salisbury, Gay's Chapel S. S., $2.40; Rev. E. O. Smithdeal, Hickory S. S., $3.13; Mrs. Earl Feimster, Statesville, Trinity S. S., $1.00; T. H. Price, Mayodan S. S., $2.25; E. D. Grubb, Walnut St. S. S., Greensboro, $4.60; E. L. Lowder, Norwood, Cedar Grove S. S., 65c; R. H. Kennington, North Monroe S. S., $2.01; T. P. Snuggs, Norwood, Randall S. S., $3.03; A. B. Hauser, Treas. Grace S. S., Winston-Salem, $9.00; S. T. Hodgin, Stoneville S. S., $2.00; P. R. Webster, Stokesdale, Eden S. S., $1.75; Miss Gertrude Allen, Hiddenite, Carson Chapel, 50c; Miss Mabel Gilleland, Catawba S. S., $2.42; M. J. Lynch, Lincolnton, Laboratory S. S., $2.67; C. B. Laney, Central S. S., Monroe, $15.00; Marvin Kearns, Farmer, Concord, S. S., $2.00; Mrs. T. R. Flack, Gilkey, Gilboa S. S., $2.76; W. C. Thompson, Mooresville, Fair View S. S., $2.76; C. F. Cline, Gilkey S. S., $4.66; J. M. K. Randall, Mount Holly S. S., $17.50; E. M. Wagner, Troutman S. S., $2.13; S. H. Vick, Norwood, Fork S. S., $2.60; G. K. Little, Union S. S., Wadesboro, $2.10; R. C. Lynch, Lincolnton, Pisgah S. S., $1.40; Bryson Weast, Union Mills, Pisgah S. S., 70c; H. S. McLendon, Wadesboro, Ansonville S. S., $3.74; G. V. Bodenheimer, Thomasville, Unity S. S., 75c; D. W. Alexander, Connelly Springs S. S., $3.25; S. M. Goff, King, Black Mountain S. S., $1.10; L. J. Stilwell, Charlotte, Route 6, Trinity S. S., $7.60; Alva Martin, Catawba, Hopewell S. S., $1.75; C. T. Archer, Greensboro, Bethel S. S., $1.09; W. C. Massey, Trinity S. S., Trinity, $8.00; R. O. Gamble, Summerfield S. S., $3.00; J. C. Curtis, Candler, Pleasant Hill S. S., $2.00; J. R. Swain, Marshall S. S., $3.22; Mrs. D. T. Knight, Balsam, Maria S. S., 53c; H. L. Horton, Central S. S., Albemarle, $12.03; H. L. King, Asheville, Mt. Pleasant S. S., $5.97; W. M. Meacham, Linwood, Wesley's Chapel S. S., $1.25; W. M. Shuffler, Jonas Ridge S. S., $2.30; Edney Willis, Henry, St. Peter's S. S., $3.83; W. H. Rees, Treas. West Market St. S. S., Greensboro, $40.64; J. L. Broyles, Webster S. S., $1.50; Samuel Turner, Monbo, Concord S. S., $5.51; R. W. Davis, Mooresville, Triplett S. S., $5.15; R. W. Shell, Lenoir, Whitnel S. S., $2.50; J. W. Howell, Candler, Pisgah S. S., 98c; Miss Maggie L. Bradley, Old Fort, Ebenezer S. S., $1.00; W. G. Hunter, Nebo S. S., $3.00; R. F. Berry, Connelly Springs, Mt. Harmony S. S., $1.50; Walter Rathburn, Rosman S. S., $2.60; F. B. Miller, Salisbury, Bethel S. S., 50c; J. S. Bell, Elkin S. S., $5.32; C. F. Mickle, Jr., Pfafftown, Brooktown S. S., $1.20; C. C. Hagler, Concord, Rocky Ridge S. S., $3.29; Rev. R. K. Brady, Concord, West Concord S. S., $4.25; Frank D. Hackett, North Wilkesboro S. S., $4.56; H. A. Dunham, Asheville, Haywood St. S. S., $11.28; R. E. Biggerstaff, Forest City S. S., $7.43; F. J. Wilson, Mount Ulla, Centenary S. S., $2.00; E. H. Mortimer, Elk Park S. S., $2.17; Chas. A. Reece, Ramseur S. S., $27.19; J. F. Uree, Buffalo S. S., 50c; Miss Bessie Morris, Stanley, Stanley Creek S. S., $1.35 E. H. Howell, Waynesville, Shady Grove S. S., $2.00; T. L. McElrath, Crab Tree, Panther Creek S. S., $1.00; J. R. Johnson, Jefferson, Fairview S. S., $1.50; Joseph Honeycutt, Monroe, Union S. S., $1.20; W. M. Wall, Mt. Airy, Oak Grove S. S., $1.05; Miss Sarah Oakley, Sandy Ridge, Delta S. S., $1.05; C. C. Foy, Treas., Central S. S., Mt. Airy, $14.14; R. S. Folger, Dobson S. S., $1.65; M. L. Wall, Pinnacle S. S., 50c; J. R. Raper, Linwood S. S., $8.61; H. E. Braswell, Mc-

Farlan, Pleasant Hill S. S., $2.83; G. M. Proffitt, Bald Creek S. S., $6.00; W. H. Hunter, Alexander, Flint Hill S. S., $1.10; G. H. Haigler, Hayesville S. S., $1.00; G. W. Martin, Madison S. S., $3.00; L. H. Poe, Hudson, Mt. Herman S. S., 50c; R. E. Bundy, Jamestown S. S., $6.15; P. R. Davis, Mocksville, Concord S. S., $1.01; J. P. Stacy, Morganton, Bethel S. S., $1.50; H. M. Whitfield, Hendersonville S. S., $7.43; P. D. Hinkle, Welcome, Center S. S., $1.87; J. F. Hardin, Boone S. S., $4.40; James B. Strickland, Murphy S. S., $5.57; John F. Puett, Dallas S. S., $7.00; Mrs. M. A. Irving, Stoneville, Cottage S. S., $1.58; Houston Nelson, Guilford College, Mt. Pisgah S S., 50c; J. A. Scott, Concord, Mt. Olive S. S., $7.50; Rev. D. W. Brown, Mc Adenville S. S., $1.55; E. C. Black, Cabarrus, Bethel S. S., $1.00; Mrs. A. G. Jones, Walnut Cove, Stokesburg S. S., $1.13; W. T. Greene, Charlotte, Brevard St. S. S., $6.30; Mrs. F. M. McGregor, Lilesville, Olivet S. S., $1.00; W. P. Allen, Forest City, Mt. Hebron S. S., $3.25; George P. Green, Bostic, Salem S. S., $1.00; W. S. Phelps, Advance, Mock's S. S., $1.33; A. H. Starnes, Candler, Oak Hill S. S., $1.16; R. N. Marion, Siloam S. S., $8.21; W. C. Scroggs, Moravian Falls, Beulah S. S., $2.00; A. J. Houck, Baldwin, Bethany S. S., $1.54; Rev. A. L. Aycock, Leaksville, $11.40; Harry Kistler, Seversville S. S., $8.00; T. A. Hathcock, Norwood S. S., $16.00; W. M. Carter, Hayesville, Sweet Water S. S., 65c; Miss Juanita Lucas, Brown Summit, Lee's Chapel S. S., $1.34; Geo. L. Hackney, Lexington S. S., $37.38; S. B. Lee, Polkton, Weightman S. S., $1.75; Glen A. Boyd, Crabtree S. S., $3.20; Cliff Ratliff, Morven S. S., $11.32; R. J. Roberts, Biltmore, West Chapel S. S., $1.31; Leroy A. Smith, Salisbury, First Church S. S., $14.41; W. A. Hood, Morganton, Mt. Pleasant S. S., $2.10; J. B. Parks, Statesville, Clarksbury S. S., $4.14; D. A. Ader, Advance, Good Hope S. S., 55c; B. L. Robinson, Morven, Bethel S. S., $4.47; E. W. Hauser, Pfafftown, Daubs S. S., 82c; J. W. Zink, Greensboro, Zion S. S., $2.07; A. M. Gabriel, Mooresville, Vanderburg S. S., $2.86; Miss Clara Johnson, Hendersonville, Fruitland S. S., $1.25; Oliver Swaringen, Concord, Cold Springs S. S., $2.85; Percy C. Clapp, Greensboro, Mt. Pleasant S. S., $1.37; J. M. Scarboro, Ashboro S. S., $7.01; H. E. Rogers, Richfield, Mt. Tabor S. S., $1.50; W. H. Hobson, Mocksville, Liberty S. S., $1.75; Russell Dallas, Reidsville, Bethlehem S. S., $5.05; J. M. K. Randall, Ellenboro, Oak Grove S. S., $1.68. Total, $778.07.

Amounts Received on General and Special Support and the Ten Per Cent. Assessment Fund

The Junior Epworth League, North Liberty St. Church, Winston-Salem, $10.00; Rev. J. J. Eads, Troutman, Wesley Chapel, $10.18; John L. Beal, Gastonia, Main St. church, $25.00; Rev. A. S. Raper, Concord, Center church, $2.88; Rev. A. S. Raper, Concord, Epworth church, $8.43; Rev. P. H. Brittain, Olin, Iredell Ct., $5.48; Rev. E. O. Smithdeal, Hickory, $10.00; W. F. Snuggs, Albemarle, Central, $80.00; Rev. P. L. Terrell, Pleasant Garden S. S., $19.29; Bethlehem S. S., $13.26; Bethany S. S., $1.45; W. P. Hutton, Greensboro, Spring Garden St. church, $64.00; Rev. B. Wilson, Rutherford College, R. Col. and Con. Spgs. Ct., $20.00; Rev. T. J. Houck, Lexington Ct., $6.00; Rev. T. L. Noble, Tomotla, Murphy Ct., $5.00; A. M. Nail, Treas. Burkhead church, Winston-Salem, $20.00; Rev. D. A. Oakley, Jonesville, $5.00; J. N. Anderson, Mocksville charge, $37.98; Rev. A. L. Aycock, Leaksville, $50.00; F. B. Bunch, Statesville, Broad St. S. S., $37.94; W. T. Penry, Winston-Salem, Capt. Rawley's Bible class, $41.67; T. A. Crews, Walkertown, Loves church, $35.00; A. G. Craig, Treas. Trinity church, Charlotte, $58.42; Miss J. L. McDowell, Bricton, Patty's Chapel, $3.00. Total, $572.79.

Building Fund—Rev. J. H. West, Agent

Dred Peacock, High Point, $5.00; J. S. Bell, Elkin, $2.20.

Acknowledgement

Our thanks are hereby tendered the Ladies' Aid Society of Ashboro for two barrels of fine pears. Also to the ladies of the Centenary church, Mooresville circuit, for a quilt of their own making. Also to Mrs. W. C. Houston, Concord, for a goodly number of magazines for the library.

———, Nov. 1, 1915.

Mr. Walter Thompson,
Winston-Salem, N. C.

Dear Sir:

I named October 22 as the day to give what I made to you for the children. This was a chance day, as I put the dates of October in a hat and this date was drawn out.

I did twenty-three dollars' worth of work that day, and collected ten on it, for which I am sending you check. charged, but tenMFWYPMFWYUUU The balance, thirteen dollars, was charged, but ten of this I think I shall be able to collect, and when I do I shall forward it to you.

The same day I performed an operation on a boy in one of the charitable institutions near by, and treated several children for our local associated charities.

The amount could have proven smaller, also larger, and I hope, next year, it will prove a better one. If there is one month more than another that you would rather have my contribution, let me know and I shall be glad to send it then.

I am sincerely sorry that I am not able to give to this cause more liberally.

I am very truly,

———.

A Great Book at a Great Bargain Less Than Half Price.

It is large, double column pages, printed on good book paper, substantially bound in cloth. It contains about 450 sermons and sermon outlines by many of the world's greatest preachers and about 800 bright suggestive religious anecdotes, price prepaid $1. If not pleased return it and your $1 will be refunded without a word.

The Co-Operative Pub. Co., Kirkwood, Mo.

Our Dead

TRIBUTE TO MRS. CAMPBELL

Since God has seen fit to remove from earth our beloved friend and former teacher, Mrs. J. M. Campbell, we as members of the Campbell Bible Class of Spring Garden St. M. E. church wish to express our appreciation of her faithful service rendered in our behalf.

We recognized in her one who lived close to the Master, and exemplified in her life and character in an unusual degree the teachings of his word. The memory of her devotion to her church and Sunday school will ever remain with us to inspire us to greater zeal and faithfulness.

We missed her sorely when she moved to Hickory, but looked forward to her occasional visits, when she always had a word of cheer and ecouragement for us, and revealed unconsciously each time her continual growth in grace. Now that we shall see her face no more on earth, we feel indeed bereaved, but rejoice that she now sees her Master "face to face," and dwells forever in his presence.

We feel that we can but poorly express what she meant to us but we strive to follow in the way in which she so faithfully led, knowing that she would not wish or ask greater reward of her service than that of having led some one to live closer to the Christ, whose service was her greatest joy.

Signed:

Miss Myrtle Hanes,
Mrs. J. W. Long.

PIERCE—Mrs. Eliza Ann Pierce was born May 9th 1830 in Smith county, Virginia, and died October 11th 1915, at Mouth of Wilson, Virginia, aged 85 years, 5 months and 2 days.

She married Mr. R. K. Pierce when she was 20 years old. Bro. Pierce preceded her to the other side about 17 years ago. They were the parents of four children; John M. Pierce, of Crumpler, N. C., Mrs. Maggie Ross, of Mouth of Wilson, Va., Mrs. Mary Greer, of Grassy Creek, N. C., and Mrs. Jennie Niekirk, of Forest Hill, Maryland.

Sister Pierce was converted at Cripple Creek camp meeting in Wythe county Va., and joined the Methodist church when 13 years old. She was a devout Christian 72 years, or more properly 85 years, 5 months and 2 days.

Sister Pierce lived 60 years in Ashe county, N. C. She and her good husband were among the first to assist that great pioneer of the mountains, Professor Brown, in the establishment of Methodism near their home. And Bro. Brown was her pastor when she died, but was lingering near the end himself and was unable to be with her. In his absence I conducted her funeral.

Sister Pierce was a good woman. She served well her generation. Her life and prayers will be a guiding influence to many who knew her.

Her son, Bro. John M. Pierce, is one of our best laymen on the Laurel Springs Circuit. May God bless the waiting loved ones.

J. H. Bennett, P. E.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT ADOPTED BY THE LADIES' AID SOCIETY OF SEVERSVILLE CHURCH.

Whereas the death angel has invaded our ranks and removed from our midst our beloved president, Mrs. W. T. Frazier, and whereas our Society has sustained, in her death, the loss of one of its most efficient workers, therefore be it resolved:

First, That we yield submissively to the will of an all-wise Providence praying that a double portion of her gentle spirit may rest upon us.

Second, That we extend to the grief stricken family our sympathies in this their hour of deep sorrow and that we commend them to the God of all grace who is able to comfort.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be recorded in our minutes, a copy sent to the bereaved family and a copy be furnished the Christian Advocate for publication.

Mrs. N. B. Robertson,
Mrs. S. M. Asbury,
Mrs. W. F. Elliott,
Committee.

HOGUE—Mattie Dover was born Oct. 4, 1865. She was married to William Hogue, Nov., 1888. She was converted and joined the M. E. Church South, in 1889.

Mrs. Hogue has been a great sufferer for about 15 years, never seeing a well day, but through all her affliction she remained patient and submissive, never loosing faith in God. Like one of old she seemed to say "Though He slay me yet will I trust Him."

As a Christian, she was humble and unassuming. Her devotion to her Savior was sublime. Her Christian influence was felt by every one with whom she associated. Her intelligence and refinement were observed by every one who met her.

As a wife, she was loving and kind and considerate companion.

As a mother, she gave herself in absolute devotion to her children, lavishing upon them all the fullness of a mother's love.

As a friend, she was congenial and always considerate of another's welfare. Her home life was beautiful in its perfection and was recognized and appreciated by none more fully than by those who knew her best.

Her conflicts and trials and suffering were ended and her triumph begun when just before midnight Oct. 22, 1915, she was called to her eternal reward.

Besides 3 children, 2 grand children, two brothers, and a heart broken husband she leaves a host of friends to mourn their loss.

"Unveil thy bosom, faithful tomb!
Take this new treasure to thy trust
And give these sacred relics room
To slumber in the silent dust."

The funeral and burial service was conducted by her pastor and Rev. Beverly Wilson, a favorite ex-pastor of the family of the deceased, on Sunday Oct. 24th, 1915. A large circle of sympathizing friends attending.

Beverly Wilson,
A. J. Burrus.

CLAYTON—Amus George Clayton, son of George and Della Clayton, was born Sept. 11, 1887. Died Oct. 28, 1915, at 20 minutes after 4 o'clock in the morning. Mr. Clayton had been in declining health for about two years, and was confined to his bed, helpless, for eleven weeks.

He was married to Miss Lillie Holder, April 28, 1912. Their life of union was blessed with only one child, but God took it to heaven shortly after its birth.

Mr. Clayton's father preceeded him to the upper and better world several years ago. Two of his sisters have gone before him and now he has answered to the voice that calls all men to a higher life with Him.

He leaves behind him his lonely and faithful wife, his mother, two brothers and one sister.

He has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, since 1911. His many friends and relatives who have stood by him and his family so faithfully in their time of need will miss him, but he is now mingling with the redeemed in the Beulah land.

He bore his affliction as a Christian, and he is now gone to live with his Lord in whom he trusted and to live a new with father and sisters in the eternal kingdom, where death never comes.

As we look back across the years that have forever flown, and think of those who walked with us in days now past, those friends and loved ones who are dead, those friends we loved so well, who now in lifeless form and shape in these dark chambers dwell, our hearts feel sad as memory brings from out the distant past, fond recollections of the joys that were too sweet to last. How they with willing hands and hearts our every want supplied, and our love for them we failed to tell them ere they died.

Now they are dead—have passed beyond. Their sleeping dust here lies; the soul has flighted back to God far out beyond the skies.

"Who does the best his circumstance allows,
Does well, acts nobly—angels could no no more."



FITTING GLASSES RIGHT
IS EASY, CLEAN AND PROFITABLE WORK. As a profession it is known as **OPTOMETRY**
We Teach Optometry in all its Branches.
Attendance or Mail Courses. Write for Catalog.
NORTHERN ILLINOIS COLLEGE OF OPHTHALMOLOGY
G. W. McFatrich, M.D., Pres., Masonic Temple, Chicago, Ill.

If You Value Your Health

Read Every Word of

This Remarkable Story

It is told by one who has himself experienced the regeneration in health which he encourages you to seek by the self-same means.



THE STORY OF A GREAT DISCOVERY.

The hardships of a traveling salesman's life had wrecked my health. My family physician diagnosed my case as chronic gastritis, brought on by disease of the liver and complicated by kidney trouble. I consulted specialists who confirmed his diagnosis. Months passed, I grew worse and was finally compelled to give up my work.

By chance I heard of some wonderful cures which had resulted from drinking the water of a little spring in the Mineral Belt of South Carolina, a picture of which spring appears on this page. In desperation I tried it. On the second day I thought that I could notice some improvement; at the end of the first week my appetite and digestion had returned and I was much stronger; at the end of the third week I felt that I was completely cured. That was six years ago and I still enjoy perfect health.

Knowing that it had restored my health and believing that it had saved my life, I bought the Spring.

I then determined to see whether the water would cure others as it had cured me. I shipped ten gallons absolutely free of charge to each of one thousand sufferers from chronic diseases. Only four reported no benefit from the use of the ten gallons. The other nine hundred and ninety-six reported decided benefit or complete cures. Many claimed that the water had saved their lives.

I realized that I had discovered one of the world's greatest mineral springs, and I decided to devote my life to it. But how could I make the world listen; how could I make them believe my story? The precious water was running to waste while thousands were suffering. I said, I will ***make them believe*** me by showing ***my*** faith in ***them*** and in the ***curative power*** of the Spring. I will tell them that the water shall cost them ***nothing*** if it fails to benefit.

The world listened!

Some wrote for proof and I sent them the letters which I had received from ***their*** fellowmen. Others accepted my offer without question. Thousands have written me reporting relief and permanent cure of a great variety of chronic diseases.

But some of the water still ran to waste for lack of belief. I determined that every drop should be used to relieve the sufferings of humanity. To this end I requested the advertising manager of the N. C. Chris. Advocate to come to see me. At my desk I opened my mail and showed him the letters from men and women from all parts of the country who had suffered and who had found relief. I gave him my letter files and induced him to spend several hours reading my past correspondence with those who were using the water. I showed him the chemical analysis and letters from physicians explaining the curative properties of the water.

He believed, and as a result he has written this announcement for me.

WILL YOU BELIEVE?

I do not ask your implicit faith; only enough to try the water for three weeks as I did. I estimate that I drank about ten gallons and I, therefore, offer gladly to ship you two five gallon demijohns on my guarantee that if you find that it does not benefit you I will promptly refund the price, which is only $2.00. You must promise to drink the water in accordance with the instructions which I will send you and return the empty demijohns. I make ***you*** the sole judge as to whether the water has benefitted you, and as the Advertising Manager of this paper has kindly consented to ***guarantee my guarantee*** to refund your money, if you are not benefitted, I hope you will feel perfectly free to accept my offer.

This offer is extended to all who suffer with ***any chronic disease,*** except cancer and consumption, but I especially recommend the water for the treatment of stomach, liver, kidney and bladder diseases and for rheumatism, gout, uric acid poisoning, gall stones, diabetes, nervous headache and general debility resulting from impure or impoverished blood. These are the diseases most frequently mentioned in the letters which I have received, but my offer is open to anyone who suffers from any chronic ailment.

Yours sincerely,
N. F. SHIVAR, Proprietor.

Fill Out This Coupon and Mail It Today.

Shivar Spring

Box 5 P, Shelton, S. C.

Gentlemen:—

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars ($2.00) for ten gallons (two five gallon demijohns) of Shivar Spring water. I agree to give the water a fair trial in accordance with the instructions which you will send, and if I derive no benefit therefrom you are to refund the price in full, upon demand and upon receipt of the two empty demijohns, which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....

Address .....

Shipping Point .....

EVERY MAIL BRINGS LETTERS LIKE THESE.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 28, 1910.

Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C.: Dear Sir—As you are well aware, in 1909 I was suffering with indigestion, stomach and liver disorders and all its train of horrifying phenomena for several months. I had lived on milk, soft eggs, shredded wheat, a very insufficient diet for an active working man, and of course, from disease and starvation was in a very low state of nervous vitality and general debility. I ordered 10 gallons of your Mineral Water, which I used continuously, reordering when necessary, and in four months from date I began drinking it gained 29 lbs., was strong and perfectly well and have worked practically every day since. It acts as a general renovator of the system. I prescribe it in my practice, and it has in every instance had the desired effects. It is essential to use this water in as large quantities as possible, for its properties are so happily blended and in such proportions that they will not disturb the most delicate system. It is purely nature's remedy. A. L. R. AVANT, M. D.

DuPont, Ga., Nov. 25, 1911.

Shivar Spring, Shelton, S. C.: Gentlemen—I have suffered for years with nervous indigestion and kidney troubles. Derived more benefit from the Shivar Spring Water than from months at Hot Springs, Ark., and numerous other springs. I consider it the very best water extant. AGUSTUS DUPONT.

Scranton, S. C., Nov. 21, 1911.

Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C.: Dear Sir—My wife has been a sufferer of rheumatism, and after drinking twenty gallons of your mineral water was entirely cured of the horrible disease. Yours respectfully, J. D. McCLAM.

Lexington, Va., Nov. 24, 1911.

Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C.: Dear Sir—I suffered with intestinal indigestion and the Shivar Spring Water has cured me. I would gladly recommend it to all suffering with indigestion, kidney and liver trouble. My father had kidney trouble last fall and he thought Shivar Spring Water saved his life. Respectfully,
MRS. HARVEY DIXON.

Atlanta, Ga., July, 27, 1911.

Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C.: Dear Sir—I ordered 10 gallons Shivar Spring Water especially for my teething baby who was suffering with its stomach and bowels. This water cured her disorders entirely and she is herself again. I stopped all medicine and gave her only the water. I was also run down from the heat and fatigue, and the water has restored me also. Thanking you, Very respectfully,
MRS. W. C. McGILL.

Columbia, S. C., Aug. 11, 1912.

Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C.: Dear Sir—Until a few weeks ago my wife was a chronic sufferer from gall stones. She was stricken critically ill and nothing but morphine seemed to relieve her pain by rendering her unconscious. Rev. A. J. Foster, pastor of Shandon Baptist Church of Columbia, S. C., advised me to take her immediately to Shivar Spring. On consulting my physician he agreed that it would be best to do so without delay. In about three days after arriving at the Spring, she was apparently relieved and had regained her appetite. She has suffered no ill effect of the trouble since. Please publish this for the benefit of sufferers. J. P. DRAFFIN.

P. S.—I suffered for 8 years with kidney trouble and inflammation of the bladder. After using this water only a few days, I am entirely relieved and suffer no more effect of the trouble whatever.

Newberry, S. C., Nov. 28, 1911.

Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C.: Dear Sir—I suffered with indigestion, but after using Shivar Spring Water I can enjoy eating the food I want without any unpleasant feeling afterwards. I take great pleasure in recommending this splendid water to all sufferers of indigestion.
Very truly, L. B. WHITE,
Pastor West End Baptist Church.

Guyton, Ga., Feb. 11, 1911.

Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C.: Dear Sir—Water came and I went right to drinking it, was in bed with indigestion, heart cutting up all kinds of pranks, was under the doctor's treatment. The first case of your water relieved me. I thought I had drank the water of all the springs in South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama and Tennessee, but this beats them all. I don't drink any other water. Am eating anything I want, even sweet potatoes, something I have not eaten before in twenty years.
Yours very truly
H. W. ORVIN,
Manager, Effingham Mer. Co., Guyton, Ga.

Blaney, S. C., Oct. 31, 1910.

Shivar Spring, Shelton, S. C.: Gentlemen—I suffered for many years from gastric troubles, stomach puffed and food sour. I have tried many remedies and a good many waters. Some have helped, but none have given me such relief as your Spring Water. I use it and recommend it to my patients, because its virtures are good. W. D. GRIGGSBY, M. D.

Chancellor, Ala., Oct. 21-09.

Mr. N. F. Shivar, Shelton, S. C.: Dear Sir—I have been for many years affected with uric acid and kidney trouble, and the mineral water has helped me more than anything I have ever done for them, and therefore heartily recommend same to all who need a speedy relief and cure. Very truly,
W. F. MATHENY, M. D.

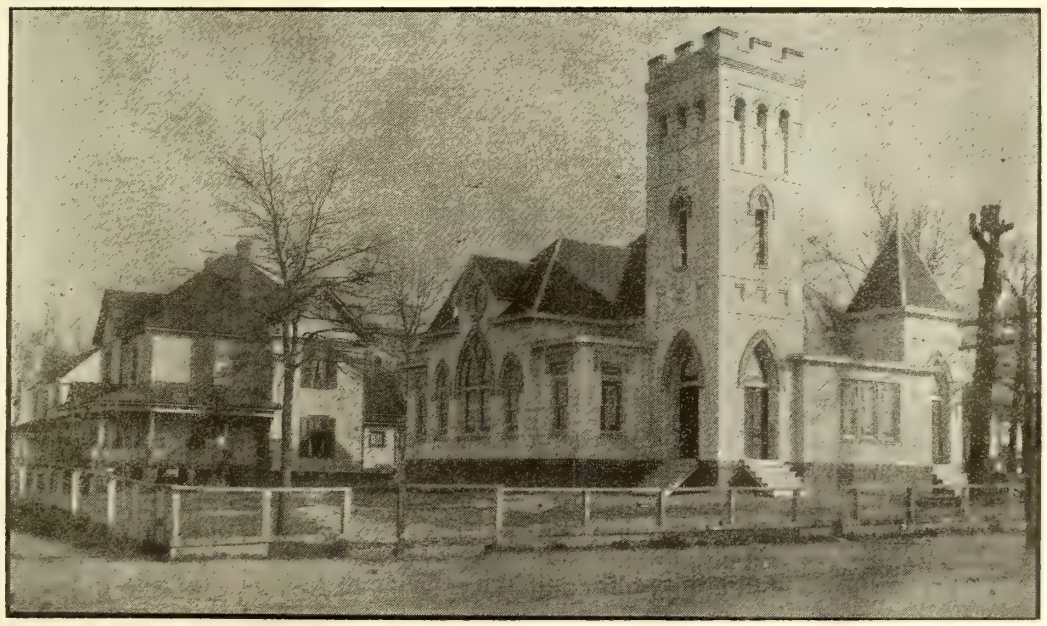
VOLUME LX NUMBER 48

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

GREENSBORO, N. C., THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1915

Reading Room
Trinity College



EPWORTH CHURCH AND PARSONAGE, CONCORD, N. C.
REV. A. S. RAPER, PASTOR.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

EDITORIAL

A SPLENDID PLANT

We are glad to give our readers a view of the splendid church and parsonage at Epworth, Concord. The pastor, Rev. A. S. Raper, has worked diligently during the past year to free this property from debt, and his congregation has co-operated faithfully with him. On a recent Sunday evening they had the pleasure of burning their mortgages in the presence of the congregation.

This church is admirably located and we have no doubt will wield large influence for good in the years to come. We congratulate both the pastor and congregation.

BOOKER T. WASHINGTON DEAD

Booker T. Washington, president of Tuskegee Institute, passed away at his home at the Institute on Sunday morning at the age of 58. The death of this great educator and leader of the negro race is lamented by both black and white; for he was conceded to be by far the best type of leader that has been developed among the race since emancipation.

Washington was born in Virginia in 1857. After the emancipation of his race he moved to West Virginia. He was ambitious to acquire knowledge from the first, saving his money so as to pay his way in school. He graduated in 1875 and began work at once as a teacher. In 1891 he organized an industrial school for negroes at Tuskegee, Alabama. This was the beginning of what has grown to be one of the greatest and most successful schools for negroes ever established in the country. Beginning in a rented shanty it now has 3,500 acres of land, and 100 buildings, valued at $500,000.

AN UNSEEMLY CUSTOM

Both the president of the United States and the governor of our state have, by proclamation, called the people to assemble in their places of worship on Thursday, November 25th, and give thanks to Almighty God for His goodness to us as a people. These proclamations are couched in dignified and reverent terms; and while there may be no special sanctity attached to the day as of divine institution, there is a fitness of things which ought to forbid the custom of devoting the day to sport as is the custom now in many places.

So completely has the sport mania monopolized our Thanksgiving that some have even suggested that the park receipts on that day be divided with the orphanages. We sincerely hope that no such compromise will ever be made. Such a plan would put a premium on what we can but regard as an unseemly method of observing Thanksgiving.

In spite of all argument to the contrary, the solemn call of our rulers to observe this day as a day of thanksgiving, exhorting the people to lay aside work and business occupation and assemble in their customary places of worship, gives a sort of sanctity to the day, and we can not disregard the call without offending God and disregarding the highest call of patriotism. Let the reader consider what our country will be if it should ever transpire that all the people will turn their backs upon the house of worship on Thanksgiving day and fill the amphitheatre of sport. Will not the hero of a generation like that be the Matadore? In fact, how long will a generation preferring to substitute sport for worship be satisfied with men rather than bulls in the arena?

We plead for a new perspective—that our people begin to appreciate more fully the significance of this day. We beg that Christians everywhere co-operate in an effort to use our National Thanksgiving as a day to promote high ideals and noble conceptions of citizenship. Let the children be taught by an intelligent observance of this day that it is no insignificant matter that our rulers should unite in calling us to observe a day, turning our hearts with gratitude to God for his mercies. Can we do this if we allow them to spend the day at the ball park?

PLANS FOR THE NEW YEAR

We take it for granted that all our Conference Boards will endeavor to formulate definite plans while in council at our Annual Conference, looking to a timely, orderly, systematic and thorough campaign in behalf of the interests committed to them. This should be done with more deliberation and care than ever before.

By all means the first thing to be provided for is an early beginning. The most fruitful cause of our failures in the past has been a dilatory policy which has left each pastor to determine for himself whether the financial budget shall be looked after early in the year, or allowed to go without attention till the closing months of the year. This old policy not only subjects the whole budget to the peril of a shortage or deficit at the end of the year, but it effectually forestalls any successful campaign for specials or contributions to the emergency fund. Let the regular budget be provided for early in the year, and the way cleared for a free hand in doing something to enlarge our field by entering the doors of opportunity that are constantly opening before us.

We verily believe that, despite the noise and confusion of war, the church is coming into position for larger achievement than ever before. When this strife shall cease and new adjustments are made, as they will be, we firmly believe that the darkness will break away before the opening dawn of a new and better day. May it not be the day for which we have all prayed, even the day of the Lord? Let us, therefore, plan more carefully and more prayerfully than ever before for the coming year, and let us press the battle all along the line.

To be sure every pastor must handle his own problems, and he can not do it successfully without tact. But a pastor's tact is largely the product of grace; so if he keeps close to God, asking daily for the enduement of heavenly wisdom, he need not be timid about pressing the matters of the kingdom. The people are inclined to respond to one's efforts if they see that he is about the Master's business. It is wonderful how a campaign for missions, education, the circulation of church papers and other literature of the church and securing all the money for benevolent objects stirs the people up and gets them ready for the campaign of evangelism.

We hope this year to see all the collections secured before April and such a spring campaign of evangelism as we have never seen before.

A PROGRAM OF PREPAREDNESS

This new issue precipitated by the European war, is about to get us all into politics, because it is a moral question as well as a question of political expediency.

That it is the duty of a great nation to defend itself against invasion, and be ready at all times to rescue its subjects from the hand of the oppressor, there can be no doubt. But just how much of the present cry of alarm in this country is inspired, not by fear, but by the cupidity of those who would sacrifice the peace of the world to gratify their greed for gain, it is hard to determine. The big interests that are thriving on the manufacture of munitions of war have no doubt endeavored to influence, as far as possible, the public mind, and the big headlines in some of the great dailies would be less in evidence perhaps if it were not for the personal interest some individuals have in perpetuating strife. However, we are of the opinion that Mr. Wilson is in a position to weigh all these things, and we are sure that the country can trust him, as a conscientious man, to recommend nothing more than is reasonable, and to adhere consistently to his policy of preparation for defense only.

Personally, we are a sincere advocate of peace, and hold to the theory that all armaments should be done away with. We never doubt for a moment that the ultimate outcome of the Kingdom of Christ, as portrayed by Old Testament prophets, will be an era of world peace in which no nation will rise up against another, nor will they learn war any more. In that era the instruments of war shall be turned into the implements of husbandry, and devastation and plunder will be unknown. But this is the ideal toward which we are tending, and no one can tell but that the fearful devastation of this present war may clear away the rubbish of false systems which for ages have blocked the way of progress toward this ideal.

It seems but reasonable that, until all nations can be brought into some sort of compact, a measure of preparedness is essential to the safety of a nation. We think the editor of the Statesville Landmark sizes up the situation very clearly in this paragraph:

"The extremists who say the president's plan doesn't go far enough and the extremists who think that nothing should be done, are a standoff. Between the two it is hoped that conservatism and common sense will prevail. We should be in position to command respect for our rights, not by a show of force but by the knowledge that we have the force as a last resort. But we should avoid encouraging the militarism in this country that has been a burden and a curse to Europe in all the ages."

THE PASTOR'S OPPORTUNITY

There are so many opportunities ever opening before the diligent pastor that we almost hear them saying, "Which one do you refer to?" The only people who may be said to have been built up and edified by pastoral labors are those who have acquired the habit of taking intelligent interest in the affairs of the kingdom. And let us be sure to place the emphasis upon the word intelligent; for there is a possibility of arousing a sort of spasmodic interest which rests upon no foundation of intelligence, and which is therefore evanescent and unreliable.

"Israel doth not know, my people do not consider," is the lament of the prophet of old. Then, as now, much of the preacher's labor seemed but a fruitless expenditure of thought and effort, because, like the seed sown on barren or stony ground, where there was no depth of earth, nothing seemed to come of it. The seed germinated but to spring up, it may be, prematurely, only to wither away and die.

There can be no disputing the proposition that the pastor's problem is very much one of education. There is no hope of permanent upbuilding where the intellectual soil is shallow and sterile. The pastor, therefore, if he is to build permanently must ally himself with every movement of his community which looks toward the banishment of ignorance and the intellectual emancipation of his people.

With this in mind we have been wondering to what extent our pastors have been joining hands with the effort to establish the so-called moonlight schools. This movement has in it the possibility of bringing the light of rudimentary knowledge at least to the minds of many people who have thought themselves too old to undertake anything of the sort. If pushed to the utmost it will be the means of throwing open the windows of many a mind now shut in, and thus opening the avenue of approach to the inner chambers of the soul, so as to bring these otherwise unresponsive souls into vital sympathy with God's great plans.

It is a hopeful sign when men and women, advanced in life, show a disposition to seek knowledge. Every such sign should be met by pastors with enthusiastic interest, and they should leave no stone unturned to kindle this spark of reviving interest into a flame of zeal. We need nothing in this country more than to revise the old notion that a person gets too old to learn. The fact is that the men and women who are really achieving anything are

constantly learning. They are perpetual students.

* * * *

Another phase of this educational opportunity of the pastor is his wide open door of opportunity to kindle the fires of intellectual and moral aspiration by distributing wholesome literature, and, in a measure, directing the reading of those who have a taste for reading, and creating a taste for it where this does not already exist.

This is, indeed, an art which many pastors have yet to acquire. Even being well wishers in this respect, many of them, either through fear of being placed in the category of book peddlers, or on account of a sort of false pride or timidity, hesitate to lay hold of this great opportunity, and so, in effect, aid and abet the ignorance of their congregations and community at large. We say community, because in the work of distributing literature, both in the form of books and periodicals, the preacher has access to all in a sense that he could hardly have otherwise. O, for the day to come when all pastors shall be able, like Mr. Wesley, to see that preaching from the pulpit is only a part of the program by which we are to work!

* * * *

Now and then, some eminent pastors, even in advanced life, discover themselves, and turn their great, personal influence to good account, even in the matter of circulating the church periodical. The following from a late issue of the New York Christian Advocate, will be read with a good deal of interest in this connection, and we reprint it here with the hope that it may be suggestive to many of our own leading pastors. Under the head, "Not a Cunningly Devised Fable," the editor says:

"Once upon a time there was an eloquent preacher who was also a great pastor—two men who do not always live in the same skin. He had charge of a large church in a world capital, and he did many things beyond what was absolutely required of him. But when it came to securing subscriptions to The Christian Advocate he left that matter in the hands of his assistants, and did not make the most of his opportunity—every pastor's opportunity—to reinforce the impressions made by his own ministry by making a definite and successful effort to persuade his people to become habitual readers of the denominational weekly.

Now in the fullness of time this able pastor was elected editor of The Christian Advocate. This election was a boon to the paper, for it brought to its directitn a man of real journalistic perceptions, with a personality sufficiently powerful to realize his ideals. The paper was revolutionized and headed toward a new era of prosperity and influence. But if the paper was transformed, what about the man? The shifting of his point of view worked wonders. He now saw that the circulation of The Christian Advocate ranked among the prime pastoral duties, and could scarcely be neglected "without sin." What mighty letters he wrote to his brethren appealing to them to step out before their congregations and take subscriptions to the paper! He was sure it could be done, and in many persuasive and seductive phrases he rang the changes on the duty, the pleasure, the profit and the ease with which it might be accomplished. Some of the brethren were persuaded and thanks to them, and to the good paper he was giving them, the circulation mounted steadily.

Six months ago the editor left the tripod for his old throne of power, and became the pastor of a great church. It must be confessed that some of his brethren who remembered his arguments for circulating the church papers now wagged their heads and said, 'Let us see what this dreamer will do now that the shoe is on the other foot!' Well, let them come to the publishers' office and call for the Scranton book, and see the long column of 'new names' added to the list of Elm Park subscribers this fall by the Rev. George P. Eckman, D. D. They can already count sixty-six, as the first installment, which is the largest number received to date from any pastor in the fall campaign, which is now on.

Here endeth—temporarily—the reading of the lesson, which, we venture to hope, will not be wholly lost on those pastors who peruse this editorial."

NOTE AND COMMENT

A New Pace Was Set for the county fair at Lenoir this year. In fact, if we mistake not, this was their first fair, and, according to the reports given in the papers, they began right by eliminating all loud shows, skin games, fake contrivances and betting on horse races, having a real exhibit of the products of the county. Among other unusual things the Minister's Union had an exhibit in the Floral Hall—tracts and Bibles to sell at actual cost. The Union also held religious services every day at the noon hour and the people took great interest in these exercises and heard them gladly. Commenting on this, Mr. Fairbrother, editor of Everything, says:

"Did you ever hear of such a thing at a fair in North Carolina before? It is an innovation with a moral uplift that is commendable, and we desire to call it to the attention of our thousands of readers as something refreshingly unique. Catch the moral, invigorating breeziness of it? All honor to Caldwell. Her example should electrify the state. The fair was not devoid of attractions along educational lines and innocent amusements. A great people have pulled off a great fair—great in aims; accomplishments in industry and agricultural pursuits, and an inspiring uplift.

It is not to be wondered at when there was such a splendid unity of purpose on the part of the people of the entire county, lead by Mr. G. M. Goforth, the county demonstrator, and under the guiding hands of Mr. J. H. Beall, president of the Fair Association; J. W. Whisnant, Secretary, and H. W. Courtney, Treasurer. Wide-awake business men who are putting a splendid "call" in Caldwell county."

* * * *

It Makes All Difference as to which crowd is in charge. We have always been of the opinion that there has been no real demand for the dirty appurtenances which have degraded our fairs. These things are the devices of wicked and unscrupulous men who have been willing to sacrifice a great educational opportunity for the sake of putting money into their pockets. The better people of the country are really very stupid to allow such men to get into the saddle and head the procession. A filthy midway and a gambling race track do not represent the ideals of our people generally, but the ideals of coarse men who control most of our fairs. This may be regarded as plain language, but no other sort will penetrate the hide of a man capable of selling the social and moral purity of his county for the sake of gain. This editor takes off his hat to the good men of his native county.

* * * *

The Junior Epworth League furnishes the pastor a real opportunity for giving pastoral instruction to the children of his charge. Instead of decrying the League as a fifth wheel or useless piece of machinery, the pastor should have a Junior League at least, the membership of which should equal the number of children in his congregation. He should then meet and instruct them at least once a week. Referring to this important matter, the editor of the Midland Methodist, who is also a presiding elder, says:

A very frank and honest pastor reported to his quarterly conference on pastoral instruction of children: "Nothing has been done, as usual." The perfunctory and meaningless dodge that is generally writ down had just as well be open like the brother quoted. Outside of the Junior League and catechetical classes or organized groups of children for Bible stories and Bible instruction, there is not much opportunity for pastoral oversight. Why do not some of our preachers thus organize such classes?

* * * *

It Is Estimated that we have 5,000 children in North Carolina belonging legitimately to the class of helpless orphans, unprovided for. It is also estimated that the income of one day given by every citizen of the state would put all these 5,000 children under the care of the orphanages now existing. That is with the increased support which this would give to each of our orphan homes, they could so increase their capacity for housing, feeding, clothing and training the children as to be able to take these pitiful little waifs in, not only saving them from the rebuffs of a cold and dreary world, but putting them on the road to good and useful citizenship. Let us all try it this year.

A CHRISTIAN WARRIOR

The passing from this life during the past month of C. F. Reid, General Secretary of the Laymen's Missionary Movement of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, removes a stalwart leader from the ranks at a critical moment. His many years of service at the front of the battle in China fitted him in a large way to lay the burden of the world's need on the hearts of his fellow Christians. Intensely interested in the Layman's Movement from the beginning, he had given himself with unflagging zeal to the promotion of the principles and methods for which it stands. Such a workman, laying down his well-worn tools at the very beginning of a new and larger task, leaves a serious gap in the ranks of the leaders in the Southern churches as they face the inspiring opportunities of the National Campaign. Dr. Reid was an unusually successful campaigner, an interesting speaker, a delightful companion. Having served with him in a number of campaigns in the South, this editor will miss him sorely when comes the call to journey southward in the interest of the Kingdom. May his mantle fall on some worthy prophet of God who will carry on his work with undiminished zeal and success!—Men and Missions.

BISHOP LAMBUTH

His experiences in equatorial Africa, as narrated at the Civic Auditorium, Sunday, October 17, at a session of the Conference of the Southern Methodist Church, seemed as modern as Stanley's, and as apostolic as St. Paul's. From time to time he referred to the "tabloid" form in which supplies were carried, for the purpose of reducing impedimenta; and, to his listener, the Bishop himself seemed virility, high courage, efficiency, and fine culture, in tabloid form—slim and trim in physique, without an ounce of flesh to impede his great undertakings. With speech unimpassioned and deliberate, he held his large audience for nearly two hours, ranging the gamut of human emotions—from the comedy of the elephant's trying to board their Congo steamer, to the tragedy of his bidding good-bye to those three American women, whom, with their husbands, and little "Mary Elizabeth," he left behind in the African cannibal village. It was as fine an exemplification of modern Christianity as one could listen to; and an absolute vindication of the reciprocity that may exist between denominational workers, as illustrated by the courtesies extended him by Dr. Morrison, the Presbyterian, who had preceded him. Modern as this application of Christianity seemed, when he told of King Albert's and his Queen's policy in the administration of this possession, there seemed a still more modern interpretation; that Belgium herself, instead of having to defend himself against invasion should be performing the paternalistic function of government, that of civilizing her colony. It is still as possible in this twentieth century for the human heart to be strangely moved, as when the disciples, in the first century, walked beside their Master to Emmaus.—California Christian Advocate.

ONE DAY FOR THE ORPHANS

Whereas, our kind Father above has blessed us with peace and plenty, and in recognition of this, the President of the United States and the Governor of North Carolina have set apart Thursday, November 25th, 1915, as a National Thanksgiving Day, I, Zadok Paris, President of the North Carolina Orphans' Association, do respectfully ask every citizen of North Carolina, irrespective of color, politics or religion, to set apart one day's earnings to be sent on Thanksgiving Day, to the Orphanage of his choice, or some needy orphan in his community.

Z. Paris, President.

A TRIBUTE TO BISHOP WILSON

Address of Hon. Josephus Daniels, Secretary of the Navy, at Trinity M. E. Church, Baltimore, Md., Oct. 26, 1915, in honor of the fiftieth anniversary of the ministry of Bishop Alpheus W. Wilson

I am coming here tonight to express my personal friendship for the good bishop who commemorates the fiftieth anniversary of his pastorate of this church. It has been my privilege to have known him long, to have felt the benediction of his presence in my home, and to have heard him in sermons that have heartened me for service.

There are some sermons that you never forget—very few, though those you do not remember in after years may have powerfully affected your life. Among the half dozen sermons that I recall tonight as truly great, is one preached more than twenty-five years ago. It left an indelible impression on my mind. The time, the place, the sermon are as fresh in my memory as though it was only the last Sabbath. I was a young editor, living in the capital city of North Carolina, spending much of my time with a gifted friend of high ideals who, in a way little thought of later in a Chinese city, was indirectly helped by one of Bishop Wilson's missionary sermons in the closing hours of the sad ending of a brilliant life. We made it a rule—this Arthur Hallam and I, to meet at our hotel every day to talk as we dined. On that particular night, he came in a little earlier than usual, and said "Let's hurry with our dinner. I have just learned that Bishop Wilson is in the city and is going to preach at Central Church tonight. He is the greatest preacher in the South and we must hear him. The one sermon I heard him preach was the best sermon I ever heard." No notice had been given that Bishop Wilson would preach, and so in the little church was a prayer-meeting congregation of less than an hundred. The Bishop had traveled all day, looked rather tired, and began his sermon without promise that the place was to be transformed by his eloquence. The theme was the sacrifice of the woman who bought an alabaster box of ointment, "stood at his feet behind him, weeping, and began to wash his feet with tears and wiped them with the hair of her head and kissed his feet, and anointed them with the ointment." The thought of perfect love that does not count the cost was the theme which the good bishop illustrated and emphasized in so impressive a way that every hearer was lifted to a higher conception of Christian service, despising to be ruled by the "thou shalt nots" but aspiring to a whole-hearted devotion that makes full surrender. We have all heard sermons of warning based upon the negations of the church against questionable diversions. No one who heard that sermon, and was able to attune his life to its melody, could ever again need warnings or admonitions. You do not need any "thou shalt not" for one who has attained unto the complete sacrifice of this woman whose gift gave her immortality, or has tried even afar off to attain unto such devotion. It was late that night when these two young hearers, profoundly impressed by Bishop Wilson's message, separated, having opened their hearts to one another as never before. From that hour, following the sermon, the friendship of David and Jonathan was not closer than that between us. A little later, my friend was appointed by Mr. Cleveland as Consul-General to Shanghai. I bade him "good-bye" in Washington, little supposing I would never look upon his face again in life. He went to his high duty with the spirit of service to his country, and wrote enthusiastically of what he hoped to do in opening the markets of the Orient to the cotton mills of the South and other American manufactures. Soon his letters ceased. Then the news came that he was ill, and, upon the advice of physicians, had started for home. He died upon the Pacific, far from friends. There was not even "any moaning of farewell," for he died among strangers. His body was borne tenderly to his country home near Raleigh. There the true farmer folk, his neighbors, who had loved him, honored him, and mourned him, came in quiet grief to his burial. As the preacher said the last word, "looking to the resurrection in the last day," my mind went back to the evening in that church in Raleigh when he was stirred and strengthened—and for time and eternity by the sermon of Bishop Wilson. Nothing was learned positively of the nature of his illness, and naturally his mother was anxious to know something of his last days. When his effects came to her, she found in his trunk the photograph of a lady of rare sweetness of face, but with nothing to indicate even who she was or anything to comfort the mother's heart. She preserved the photograph, hoping some day that it would be the clue to learning about the life of her son before his fatal malady. A few years later there was held in the Methodist church in Raleigh a Missionary Conference, to which came missionaries who had spent years in China. The broken-hearted mother resolved to attend the Conference, in the faint hope she could learn something of her dead son. Her devout soul was cheered by the able addresses of the visiting missionaries, but neither of them had served in Shanghai while her son was Consul-General. The last day of the meeting she was talking to one of the missionaries, and told him the story of the photograph of the beautiful young woman she had found in her son's effects. When it was shown to him, he surprised her by saying: "Why, that is a photograph of my wife." How strange that in so remarkable and unexpected a way the mother learned about her son's last days through a devoted Methodist missionary, doubtless one who had gathered inspiration for her work from Bishop Wilson during his missionary journeys. It gave the mother happiness to learn of her son's success and of the esteem in which he was held until illness fell upon him. It was a sad pleasure to know that this faithful and lovely missionary of her own faith and sex had known and respected him and that they had become warm friends in far-away Shanghai. How small the world is, and how far-reaching is the influence of an individual devoted to a noble cause!

In addition to my personal tribute, I feel that it is given me to voice not only my own congratulations and good wishes, but to speak tonight for the laymen and preachers of Southern Methodism. Wherever the communicants of that militant and enthusiastic church abide there is found a feeling of profound respect for Bishop Wilson and thanksgiving for his long life. From far-away China, where he has made Pauline pilgrimages, in answer to the call "come over and help us," from missionaries who have been inspired by his faith and zeal, from country and city church by wireless telegraph and telephone come messages of cheer and good-will to our venerable Bishop, recognized as the Grand Old Man of Southern Methodism. These messages come from hearts that were strangely moved under his preaching, and their prayer is that his life may be preserved, he may find health and strength for his tasks, and their prayer is made in assurance and confidence that for him "at eventide it shall be Light."

For ourselves—those of you who have sat under his ministry here and those whose lives he has touched less intimately,—we are grateful for the benediction his life has been to his city, his church, his country. He has not failed, while "rendering unto God the things which be God's" to remember also the duty of a Chrsitian "to render unto Caesar the things which be Caesar's." Christian men must be concerned in making this world a better place to live in as well as in looking for a Better Land when we pass from this life. Bishop Wilson has set us an example of citizenship by the interest he has taken in the affairs of his country. Consecrated to his high calling, he has not let political considerations swerve him from his holy work, but he has concerned himself in proper ways in study of government and throwing his influence for civic righteousness. Once when there was a movement for better government in Chicago and Mr. Moody appealed to good men to enlist in the campaign, a certain spineless Christian citizen declined to have anything to do with politics, saying "my citizenship is in heaven," whereupon Mr. Moody said: "Then I would advise you to bring it down to earth for the next sixty days." Christian citizenship must be the instrument for purifying politics and securing better government.

"The world is my parish" was the claim of John Wesley, founder of the Methodist church, who traveled 5,000 miles a year and in his life of 84 years preached 40,000 sermons, wrote 400 books. He was equally at home preaching to the Indians in the country around Savannah; in the mining districts of Wales; in the crowded marts of London; in the shady country places of England; and in intellectual Oxford. "Leisure and I have parted company," said the busy evangelist and organizer. If among Methodists there existed something akin to apostolic succession, the mantle of Wesley would fall with fitness upon the shoulders of Bishop Wilson who has traveled more miles than Wesley—thanks to modern methods of transportation, having circled the globe six times in his practical acceptance of the Wesleyan world-wide field of service. Scholar like Wesley, Bishop Wilson has regarded culture as a soldier regards his weapon—not for itself but valuable for the service he may be called upon to render. Reading the Word in the original Hebrew, well grounded in Greek and Latin classics, he has made use of Knowledge as a beginning to Wisdom. Leaving college, he heard the call to preach the gospel, and answered, "Here am I Lord," and as a young man upon horseback traveled unfrequented places to carry the Bread of Life. His first circuit was over a hunderd miles long. He has heard the panther scream above his head as he rode through the wilds at night. In this pioneer service Courage was more necessary than Culture. Asked how to quell those who sought to disturb his meeting, Wesley replied "Always look the leaders of the mob straight in the eye." Bishop Wilson, in his early camp-meetings, needed more heroic remedies. When roughs rode out to break up a camp-meeting at Muddy Creek, Virginia, the valiant young preacher, assisted by kindred spirits, who were unafraid, met the toughs, made them captives, and turned them over to the authorities. The preacher courageous, without fear and without bluster, won the admiration even of those who thought it sport to break up a Methodist meeting. The early Methodists in Great Britain often made converts of those who came to scoff, So it was with the pioneer circuit rider in America. They trekked where neither school nor church building had been seen, and built upon firm foundations a robust Christianity and a robust Americanism. Who can write the story of the early circuit riders? Some day an epic will be written, commemorative of those men who lost themselves in the wilderness in their zeal to save the souls of their fellows. Their times were the heroic days of Methodism. This epic when written will embrace characters of heroic mould, of the type of Peter Cartwright, who without ripe scholarship, had mastered the course in the university of experience, and Alpheus Wilson who left books to carry the gospel into sparsely settled sections. Perhaps these two men—Cartwright and Wilson,—might be said to typify the two earliest periods of the growth and power of Methodism. Cartwright, the contemporary of Adams and Jackson, and Wilson the contemporary and comrade of the leaders of the South in a period that saw the divisions which produced the war between the States and the restoration and cementing of the Republic after the shock of battle and the horrors of Reconstruction. Peter Cartwright was another Andrew Jackson. Cartwright's religion was of the same stern stuff as the religion of John Haine, a Methodist preacher who was with the English Army in Flanders an hundred years ago. When the colonel sent for Haine and

told him he must cease preaching to the soldiers, the Methodist militant replied: "You have a commission from man to men. I have a commission from God to men and must be true to my commission." The Colonel saw that the preacher had the highest credentials, and when he perceived that the men who attended his preaching were more sober, and better soldiers, the Colonel was glad he had recognized the preacher's credentials. Peter Cartwright, while passing through Nashville, had an appointment for a Sunday morning service in the Methodist church. Soon after the services had begun and the preachers were seated in the pulpit, the local parson turned to the travel-stained old circuit rider and said: "I see General Andrew Jackson just coming into the church, and I hope you will be careful not to say anything to offend him." Cartwright nodded his head quietly. His opening sentences, as he arose to preach were these: "The pastor here has just informed me that Gen. Jackson is in church today, and has warned me not to say anything he would not like to hear, but I want to say right here to Andrew Jackson that God is no respector of persons, and that if he doesn't repent and belive, God will damn his soul as quick as he would that of a Guinea negro." Old Hickory, it is said, never heard a sermon that he liked better than that, and, going up to speak to the eloquent and fearless old circuit rider afterward, he thanked him for his courageous warning and invited him to dinner.

That was typical of the pioneer period. New conditions demand new methods. Bishop Wilson spanned the gulf between the pioneer days, when Peter Cartwright was the agency for reaching plain spoken men, and our day of city and town life, when instruction in schools reach all classes and teaching in the Sunday schools has educated the youth in knowledge of the Bible. And yet, is it not possible that we of this generation in suppressing the emotional side of religion, are losing hold upon the hearts of men who cannot be reached by any appeal except such as are addressed to the heart? Is the church not failing to reach and influence the world today because it is too conventional, appeals too much to logic and too little to the emotions? Do we not need more preaching of the sort that characterized the days of Cartwright and young Alpheus Wilson? "Nathan said unto David, thou art the man," is the only personal appeal that can be employed to reach thousands with whom no impersonal presentation of the gospel is effective.

When Nathaniel Macon, "the last of the Romans," as Jefferson called him, reached three score and ten, he resigned his seat in the Senate and retired to his farm, desiring to spend his last years in quiet repose. How much better to close a life, as Bishop Wilson is doing, going to China in his 77th year, and being able to say as Wesley said, a year before his death: "I am now an old man. * * * However, blessed be God, I do not slack my labors." Longfellow's lines reflect beautifully the possibilities for service possessed by old age:

It is too late! Oh! nothing is too late.
Till the tired heart shall cease to palpitate,
Cato learned Greek at eighty; Sophocles
Wrote his grand "OEdiphus," and Simonides
Bore off the prize of verse from his compeers,
When each had numbered four score years;
And Theophrastus at four score years and ten
Had but begun his "Characters of Men."
Chaucer at Woodstock, with the nightingales,
At sixty wrote "The Canterbury Tales."
Goethe, at Tholmar, toiling to the last
Completed "Faust" when eighty years were past.

What then! Shall we sit idly down and say,
The night has come; it is no longer day
The night has not yet come; we are not quite
Cut off from labor by the failing light;
Something remains for us to do, or dare,
Even the oldest trees some fruit may bear;
For age is opportunity no less
Than youth itself, though in another dress;
The sky is filled with stars invisible by day.

Fast as the evening twilight fades away.

In this conception of old age crowning a man's life with usefulness, and of his continuance in labor abundant in fullness of years, Christianity surpasses all the ideas of pagan philosophy and human speculation. Philosophy, both ancient and modern, has thought strongly and written beautifully of old age, and literature has found in this theme inspiration for many of its most beautiful periods. There was much argument in the philosophy of the ancients whether old age were a blessing or a curse. To the glory of that old philosophy be it said that the final verdict was that old age was a period in human life well worth attaining unto if the life had been founded on principles of right and justice and of service to one's country. Solon, a man of so great wisdom that his name has been a synonym for right-thinking all down through the ages, is made in the writings of Herodotus to depict his two ideals of happiness. The first was that Cleobis and Bito, two young nobles of the state who had been crowned conquerors in the games. When they found there was no oxen available for their mother's chariot, drew her in it to the temple, a distance of 40 furlongs. Their mother asked the Goddess Juno that the greatest blessing man could receive might be vouchsafed to them, and in accordance with these prayers when these two young Argives lay down to sleep in the temple they never waked again. In our day when Christianity has brought so much higher ideals to men, the idea of passing through the oblivion of sleep into death and eternity is repugnant, for we deem that man happiest who may live to serve. But even above the claims of Cleobis and Bito to the name of "happy," Solon counts Tellus, the Athenian, the happiest of men because he had lived to enjoy not only the love of all his children, but his children's children, and at the end of a long life was given the privilege of dying in battle for his country.

Cicero in his De Senectute answers the argument that old age is not a blessing by giving instances, both from history and his own observation, in which he concludes that if old age is not a happy period, it is not the fault or defect of nature but of men themselves who by their disregard of the laws of nature in their youth and manhood have brought evil consequences upon themselves. Thus does he answer the argument that old age calls men away from the transaction of affairs; that it renders the body more feeble, and that it is not very far from death. He shows in the first place by illustration from Greek and Roman history that old age rather qualifies a man for the transaction of business of his own or of the state. While he can no longer participate in the march or in the battle, when his country is at war, he is the more able in the Senate to guide the conduct of the men who in the ranks below have taken his place, and to counsel them with a rich experience and wisdom of which they are not yet possessed on account of their youth. While it is true that the body grows more feeble with the passing of the years, there is nevertheless a corresponding cessation of the demand for the more active duties of manhood. For instance, Cato learned Greek at 80 and at 84 was in the vigorous possession of keen mentality, so that he could not only give counsel in the important matters of state but could continue with great versatility his literary pursuits. In his argument of the glory of old age, Cicero makes Cato say, as he approaches nearer to death, that it is like the sight of land as one comes into port after a long voyage. Cato's foreglimpse of eternal life to come is most pathetically eloquent as he says:

I find no disposition to deplore the loss of life as many even learned men have done, nor does it repent me to have lived, since I have so lived that I count myself not to have been born in vain; and I depart from life as from an inn, not as from a home, for nature has given us an inn to sojourn in, and not a home to dwell in. O most glorious day when I shall set out to join that God-like assemblage and company of souls, and leave this sordid crowd behind! For I shall go to join not only the great men of whom I have spoken, but to my own Cato, too, than whom no better man was ever born, nor more distinguished for filial piety. His body was laid by me on the funeral pyre, instead of mine by him as had been fitting. But his soul, not deserting me, but often looking back, doubtless departed to those regions to which he saw that myself would come. I seemed to bear my loss with fortitude; yet I so bore it, not from indifference, but because I consoled myself with the thought that there would be no long distance nor separation between us. For these reasons, Scipio (to reply to the wonder which you and Laelius have expressed that it should be so), old age sits lightly on me, and is not only irksome, but delightful."

Infinitely higher, however, than anything taught by old philosophers is the teaching of revelation about old age. It is held out as a reward for filial obedience in youth, and is generally contemplated as being sure to follow an exemplary youth and manhood. It is stated by sacred historians of Abraham, of Gideon, and of David, that they "died in a good old age." To live to be "full of years" was always a coveted honor by the Hebrew people, and it was a privilege of such to sit in th gates and give of the wisdom garnered during the past for the counsel of the younger men. In his "Old Cumberland Beggar," the poet Wordsworth pictures an old man, poor in this world's goods but rich in stores of accumulated wisdom, passing through the village, and exerting a powerful though unconscious moral influence on the youth. This is one of the services old age renders, for the truth so exquisitely expressed by Tennyson has been fulfilled in their lives—"the thoughts of men are widened with the process of the suns."

I suppose the good Bishop, whom we honor, while receiving many proofs of the results of his ministry, has had his times when he felt that the harvest had been far smaller than he had hoped. It must do his heart good to be given the evidences upon this golden anniversary of the cheer and strength he has brought to gladden human hearts in his long ministry. I have been told by both eminent and humble preachers that they have sometimes grown almost despondent as they saw so little accomplished in making the world better. A multitude of witnesses attest the success of the preaching of Bishop Wilson. If in any hour of sadness they may feel he has not been able to lessen evil in the world, let me recall to him tonight the story of the old preacher's dream as told so beautifully in "The Witnesses" by Mary Raymond Shipman Andrews. The aged clergyman had labored faithfully in the vineyard. As he slept he dreamed, and in his dream, as he stood in the infinitely glorious Presence, this question was asked of him; "* * * What have you made of the life given you?" And he looked down humbly * * *, and answered:

"Lord, nothing. My life is a failure. I worked all day in God's garden, and my plants were twisted and my roses never bloomed. For all my fighting, the weeds grew thicker. I could not learn to make the good things grow. I tried to work rigthly, Lord, my Master, but I must have done it all wrong.'

"And as he stood sorrowful, with no harvest sheaves to offer as witnesses for his toiling, suddenly back of him he heard a marvelous, many-toned, soft whirring, as of innumerable light wings, and over his head flew a countless crowd of silver-white birds, and floated in the air beyond. And as he gazed, surprised, at their loveliness, without speech again it was said to him:

" 'My child, these are your witnesses. These are the thoughts and influences which have gone from your mind to other minds through the years of your life.' And they were all pure white.

"And it was borne in upon him, as if a bandage had been lifted from his eyes, that character was what mattered in the great end;

(Continued on Page 15)

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—The Morganton Herald says that the people there expect Rev. E. E. Williamson to be returned to them for another year.

—The new church at Norwood will be completed in December. This, it is claimed, will be one of the best buildings in the Salisbury district. Brother Taylor has done fine work and is to be congratulated.

—Congressman Robert L. Doughton, who has been ill at his home at Laurel Springs, is reported to be well on the way to recovery. This will be good news to many Advocate readers.

—The meeting recently closed at Main Street church, Salisbury, in which the pastor, Rev. C. F. Sherrill, was assisted by Rev. J. H. Green, was one of much interest and large results. We have not been furnished with a definite report as to results.

—Rev. Jno. W. Moore closes a very successful quadrennium of pastoral service with the congregation of our First Church, Salisbury. His successor will find here a great field for work as plans have been on foot for some time for building a new church.

—A correspondent of the Morganton Herald writing from Rutherford College, says: "Rev. Mr. Wilson has been a most faithful and enthusiastic worker on Connelly Springs circuit and it is hoped that he will return for another year."

—We are glad to learn that Mr. Oscar Abernethy, son of Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Abernethy, of Monroe, who has been quite ill in the Charlotte Sanitarium, is much improved and it is hoped can return home soon.

—We have learned with deep regret of the death of Rev. J. M. Ashby, of the North Carolina Conference, which occurred at his home at Elm City last Monday as a result of a stroke of paralysis. Interment was made at Mt. Airy yesterday, where many relatives of the deceased reside.

—Chaplain W. E. Edmonson has been appointed pastor of the Nolesville circuit by Bishop Murrah. Chaplain Edmonson will continue to reside in Nashville, serving the work from this point.—Christian Advocate.

—Mr. C. A. Shuford, of Brevard, on last Saturday gave our Board of Missions for its Emergency Fund a nice lot in Brevard valued at from $250.00 to $300.00. The proceeds will be used for the work of our church in Transylvania county. This adds another name to that list of persons who have so generously responded to the call of the Conference this year for an advance in our Conference mission work.

—The death of Dr. Charles E. Taylor, former president of Wake Forest College, which occurred at his home at Wake Forest on the morning of November 6th, removes one of the most conspicuous and influential educators of the past quarter of a century in North Carolina. A Christian gentleman of the finest fiber, he had been connected with Wake Forest College since the year 1870.

—We have noted with great pleasure the success of Rev. H. H. Jordan pastor of Main Street church, Gastonia. Referring to the closing of the year the Gazette says: "While Mr. Jordan is bringing to a close his first year as pastor of Main Street church, the record of the year's work is one which will be gratifying not only to the pastor, but to the congregation as well. There has been a net gain of 125 or more members during the conference year, and every department of the church has shown a decided growth."

—Rev. J. W. Ingle has the distinction of having served the heaviest charge in our Conference the past year. The Linwood circuit is not only a heavy one but one of great possibilities, and the following note from the local paper shows with what diligence Brother Ingle has done his work: "Linwood circuit closes its work of the year with every obligation paid in full. Besides the pastor's salary, worthy objects of the Conference will receive about $575. This charge probably enjoys the unique distinction of being the largest in North Carolina, at least the biggest in the Western North Carolina Conference. It is composed of eight churches scattered over a wide expanse of territory, those being Macedonia, Cotton Grove, Linwood, Wesley's Chapel, Bethel, Yadkin College, Center and Ebenezer. The circuit has 1,100 members."

—A special correspondent of the daily press writing from Salisbury, under date of Nov. 11, says: "The congregation of Holmes Memorial Methodist church in East Salisbury has decided to change the name of the church to Park Avenue church. This identifies the location of the new building which is being erected on Park Avenue. The cornerstone is to be laid Sunday afternoon with appropriate exercises.

—Rev. Albert Sherrill had a strenuous day last Sunday, preaching four times, thus meeting each of his congregations on the Rutherfordton charge the last Sunday before Conference. The Rutherfordton Sun says: "The pastor will make one of the best reports that has been made in several years."

—The State Sunday School Convention which will convene in Salisbury on November 22-24, has a fine bill of fare to offer the large crowds expected to attend. A good many Methodists who ought to attend this meeting throughout will have to eat at the last table on account of the conflict of dates. We regret this very much.

—Mr. Jerre Hinson, a faithful and influential member of our church, died at his home near Monroe last week. He is survived by his wife and ten children, one of whom is Rev. O. I. Hinson, formerly a member of our Conference. The Monroe Enquirer says: "He loved his church and lived his religion. He was a most devout man, earnest and fervent in prayer, strong in his faith and devoted to every good work."

Shelby Circuit.—Just closed a very interesting meeting at Earles. Continued from fifth to first Sunday. Attention excellent and the church much strengthened. Our church house had been much injured by a storm. We have repaired it and have been preaching in it since fifth Sunday in August. Rev. Will Rollins of Lawndale preached every sermon and much endeared himself to the people of Earles. At the close of the meeting they gave him and the pastor a pounding besides a liberal cash offering to Brother Rollins. A. L. Burrus.

Ararat Circuit.—The writer officiated at the laying of the corner stone of Hatcher's Chapel Methodist church, Friday last. This organization has begun the erection of a very creditable church. There was a good dinner and a sermon by the writer. Pastor Combs again leads the district in the number received on profession of faith, his number being 94. He has two churches in process of erection. He is doing a good work and his people want him back. Central Considers it a privilege to have a part in the support of this prosperous work.—W. H. Willis in Mount Airy Leader.

Monroe.—Rev. J. E. Abernethy, pastor of Central Methodist church, will hold his last service for the year next Sunday. This is Mr. Abernethy's first year in his present pastorate. He is an eloquent and powerful preacher and during his ministry here about forty new members have been added to his church. When Mr. Abernethy goes up to the Annual Conference, which convenes next Wednesday in Reidsville, he will report that his salary and all Conference claims have been paid in full. He will also report that the Woman's Missionary Society has raised $1,362 this year; that the church supports two missionaries, one in Japan and one in Brazil; that the Sunday school is the largest in the history of the church and that the church has a membership of about seven hundred. During the year Mr. Abernethy has been a busy man and has done fine work. Monroe folks want him to be sent back here, and they believe that he will be returned.—Enquirer.

Clyde Circuit.—On Monday after the second Sunday in October, Rev. J. P. Rodgers, of the Canton church, came to us at Clyde and for two weeks he preached the gospel to us as earnestly and faithfully as I have ever heard it preached. The various denominations united with us and we had a great meeting. There were something like fifty or sixty conversions and reclamations. Eight joined our church and several joined the Baptist. Any of the brethren who may be fortunate enough to secure Brother Rodgers in revival services make no mistake. The good ladies, led by Sister G. F. Rodgers, made up a nice purse and presented it to the pastor with which to purchase a new suit of clothes. I am very thankful to everyone who so generously contributed. May heaven's richest blessings rest upon them. Just two days and we will (D. V.) start for Reidsville! Truly "time flies."

G. A. B. Holderby.

Statesville.—Broad Street Methodist church held its fourth quarterly conference Wednesday night, following the prayer meeting service. Presiding Elder Mann presided. The present board of stewards was re-elected. Mr. Jas. F. Anderson was also re-elected superintendent of the Sunday school; Mr. B. F. Russell assistant superintendent, Mr. Frank Neill president of the Epworth League and Prof. D. Matt. Thompson district steward. Resolutions regretting that the time limit will remove Presiding Elder Mann from this district after the next Conference, and asking for the return of Rev. J. F. Kirk as pastor of Broad Street church, were adopted. Although the last General Conference denied the ladies legal right to vote on church matters, Mr. Mann overruled the Conference and permitted ladies present to vote on the resolutions and other matters at Broad Street conference.

Rev. Frank Siler, of Greensboro, missionary secretary of the Western North Carolina Conference, spent Wednesday and Wednesday night in Statesville with the Race Street Methodist congregation. A canvass of the congregation was made Wednesday afternoon in the interest of Conference collections and Mr. Siler preached at the church Wednesday night. At a conference following the preaching service arrangements were made for the continuance of the canvass through the Sunday school and the layman's missionary committee.—Landmark.

Missionary Notes from Field Secretary

The closing week of the Conference year has been one of the best. At Wadesboro I enjoyed co-operation with Brother Hermon in a final effort for full collections. He will present everything in full. I went out in afternoon of same Sabbath, Nov. 7th, to Bethel, on the Morven circuit, with excellent response.

Visits to Monroe, Charlotte, Gastonia and Shelby gave me the emergency funds due.

I spent two days with Brother Shinn at Bessemer in campaign for salary and Conference collections. Concord was more than out when I left and Bessemer in sight of goal.

I found Brother Abernethy in revival services at Shelby with a very fine congregation Thursday night. He pressed me in to preach. I was struck with the large percentage of men at this week night hour.

At Hendersonville, where I collected in some emergency subscriptions due, I found Brother and Sister Womble busy harvesting the fruits of the revival services held jointly by all the churches, led by Rev. Mr. Evasts, one of the Wilbur-Chapman campaign staff.

At Brevard I spent Sunday, Nov. 14th. Brother Robbins' people greeted me with a packed house, despite the wind and rain, and at the close of service quickly gave in cash $225.00 to cover the deficit on annual budget. I was the guest, as is my custom when in Brevard, of the Brevard Institute. I led two of the fifteen minute daily devotional services participated in by faculty and students at 6:45 a. m., and addressed the entire faculty and student body at the Saturday chapel exercises. The attendance, local and from abroad, is excellent with the two larger steam-heated brick buildings and a most excellent faculty. The Woman's Council has every title to the sincere

congratulations of the church for so amply providing such favoring educational facilities for the young people of both sexes of our entire section. Prof. Trowbridge is loved and honored by the people of Brevard irrespective of religious affiliations. Mrs. C. A. Shaford, living in Brevard and holding her membership on the Brevard circuit, conveyed to our Board of Mssions a beautiful residence lot in the suburbs of the town, 165 by more than 200 feet, valued at $250.00 to $300.00, the proceeds of which when sold to go to our work in Transylvania county.

Trustees Meeting Greensboro College for Women

The Board of Trustees of Greensboro College for Women held its annual meeting on the afternoon of November 9th, 1915. Nearly all the members of the Board were present, and the meeting was one of the best held in years. The report of the President and the Executive Committee showed a satisfactory condition of affairs.

According to the President the greatest need just now is that of a new dormitory, the attendance this year going a little beyond the present capacity, as a few students have been compelled to secure rooms outside of the college buildings. A canvass is now on for funds for a new building and it is hoped that sufficient money will be secured in order to erect this building next year so that it may be ready for the opening of the fall term in September, 1916.

During the year two of the trustees have died, J. A. Long, of Roxboro, chairman of the Board, and L. L. Smith, of Gatesville. Two new members were elected; one of these is Mr. Charles S. Wallace, of Morehead City, N. C., the other will be reported later.

This being the annual meeting of the Board, the following officers were elected: J. B. Blades, President; Rev. G. T. Adams, Vice-President; C. H. Ireland, Secretary and Treasurer. Executive Committee: John A. Young, chairman; C. H. Ireland, C. A. Bray, M. D. Stockton and J. W. Harris.

For Conference Superannuate Endowment Fund

At the last session of the Western North Carolina Conference the Joint Board of Finance appointed a committee to formulate a plan for the better support of our superannuates.

The following resolutions, if passed by the Board, will be submitted to the Conference for approval:

Resolved, that the Joint Board of Finance is in hearty sympathy with every wise regulation for the better support of the superannuates of our Conference, their widows and orphans, and that we deem it expedient that action should be had looking to the relief of the situation.

Resolved, that the Western North Carolina Conference undertake to raise an Endowment Fund of $100,000, the interest of which shall be applied annually to supplement the fund raised by assessments upon our Conference and distributed among the claimants.

The Joint Board recommends that an agent for this fund be appointed by the presiding bishop of this present session of the Conference whose duty it shall be to canvass our Conference in the interest of this fund, and who shall undertake to raise the amount by gifts, devises and wills.

The above in no way conflicts with the "Taylor plan."

W. C. Houston,
Member of the Committee.

Concord, N. C.

From Conference Evangelist

Our last meeting, which was with Rev. S. E. Richardson at North Main, Sailsbury, resulted in about forty on profession, several accessions, and much good in many ways. During the year we have helped in twenty-five meetings, preached three hundred and ninety-seven times, had about nine hundred and eighty-four professions, three hundred and twenty-eight accessions, have preached to about ten thousand four hundred and fifty people; have traveled about six thousand and seven hundred miles; have held several services besides those held in the meetings, and have tried to assist the brethren in many ways, financially and otherwise. Notwithstanding we have helped on several mission charges, the people have responded very liberally to the support of the Evangelistic Committee. While it has been the busiest year of my life it has been one of the happiest. We have had fifty-six calls to help in meetings which we could not answer. Nearly all who have made professions, who are not already church members, have joined the church. The reason that the number of professions so far exceed the number of accessions is because we have found so many unsaved people in the church. But we thank God for saving souls whether in or out of the church. If we can get church members saved, and get them to live holy lives, then we will have a blessed and healthy atmosphere in which to place our young converts. Then there will not be so much backsliding in the church, and the world will begin to hunger after the Christ of the church.

W. L. Dawson.

Brevard Institute

The present session of Brevard Institute is now well under way. The school is prospering in many ways as never before. The student body is of about its usual size, though not all the dormitory rooms are as full as they were last year. The earnestness of the students is manifesting itself as never before both in intellectual and industrial ways. There is an unprecedented demand for extra work to reduce expenses, and it has been necessary to devise entirely new industries to supply this demand. At the same time the scholarship record has naturally improved appreciably.

Perhaps as both a cause and also an effect of this situation the spiritual condition of the school is unusually satisfactory. Mr. T. C. Chao, a professor in Souchow University, China, opened the daily session of the first few days of the school year and started everybody to profound thinking on religious subjects. A short time after that deep conviction showed itself in the hearts of many of the students, and a little meeting broke out spontaneously. It began in a chapel talk made by Mr. Reece, the assistant principal, and continued under his direction a day or two. The pastor, Rev. W. M. Robbins, watched the meeting from its beginning and took charge when Mr. Reece needed help. About twenty of the students were converted or reclaimed within the four days while these special services were being held.

Brother Robbins has been a very great help to the school in this as in other ways. He has regular appointments at our chapel exercises and always brings valuable thoughts with him. He is always on hand for every special service or to talk with those who need individual help. He has also been preaching unusually strong sermons from the pulpit. In many respects the church is in the best condition since I have known it. The Sunday school has been vastly more successful both in members and in interest than ever before. A mid-week prayer meeting has been organized with a very satisfactory attendance. There seems no reason for doubt that everything will be paid in full and that the overpayment on missions will be equal to that last year. Only once before in the recent history of the church have there been as many additions as during the past two years.

Another factor that has contributed largely to the present satisfactory spiritual condition of the school is the very effective meeting conducted by Rev. H. H. Jordan. He preached powerful sermons for about ten days and drew large audiences for every service. His effort was to get the church warm and eager for service and to bring the unconverted into it. While there were not a large number of conversions, the entire community was stirred to its depths, and the ground is certainly in excellent condition for meetings which will follow. We are expecting great accomplishments for the Lord during the remainder of the fall and winter.

C. H. Trowbridge.

SIMON PETER CLOUD'S REPORT

(This poem appeared in the Reidsville Review and was written by Rev. W. L. Hutchins at the request of Rev. W. A. Lambeth, of Reidsville.)

"Let the Conference come to order!" said the Bishop clear and loud,
"We'll have the roll completed; call the name of S. P. Cloud."
Simon Peter Cloud arose, and gazed on every one,
And then proceeded calmly to report what he had done.

I am glad to tell you, Bishop, though the times are rather dull,
There's a surplus paid on salary, and collections all in full;
A fine revival spirit permeates my mountain charge,
But desires to save the heathen, I confess, are not so large.

I've held my mid-week meetings, and I've organized a League,
And I've kept the thing a-going, but Oh! with what fatigue;
I've polished up the cook-stove, fixed a lock upon the door,
And set a baited mouse-trap by a knot-hole in the floor.

I've bought a 'frigerator and a brand new butcher knife
And an Irish potato peeler for the coming preacher's wife;
I've dusted off the pictures and I've polished up the frame;
I furnished the tobacco when the dear old Elder came.

I've tacked on several palings to the worn-out garden fence;
I stopped a leaky gutter at considerable expense.
To the back yard equipment I have added one more coop;
Also 'round the kraut barrel I have placed another hoop.

Amanda's ponderosa took the premium at the fair;
I sold to Brother Simpson's son my old wind-broken mare.
I've been around my circuit thrice a-visiting the folks;
And, to be honest, Bishop, I've uncorked some harmless jokes!

I've preached the ancient Gospel with a fervor and a noise,
And many words of wisdom said to little girls and boys;
I've been a friend and neighbor to the needy and the poor,
And ne'er a tramp through all these years has hungry left my door.

I've married many couples shot by Cupid's poisoned hail,
And christened all their children at the old-time altar-rail;
But now I'll tell the Conference the thing I think is best,
I've saved the souls of sinful men, and that beats all the rest.

I've never worked for money, nor easy place nor fame;
I've gone to hard appointments, sir, without a word of blame;
I've never asked a favor from the saintly powers that be;
But, Bishop, I'd be grateful for a bit more salary.

"You've been a faithful servant in the little and the much,
You deserve a good appointment and we'll surely give you such,
And hope for you, good Brother Cloud, when life's short race is run.
The worthy praise from Christ's own lips: 'Thou faithful soul, well done.'"

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave, Asheville, N. C.

MY PRAYER

Nellie B. Sweets.

Lead me, Father, lead, I pray,
For the night is dark and wild,
And I cannot see my way;
Father, lead thy trembling child.

Lead me in the morning dawn,
Lest in paths of sin I stray,
And earth's pleasures lure me on;
Lead me in the narrow way.

Lead me in the noonday glare
When the shadows all are gone,
Lest I leave Thy watchful care,
Thinking I can walk alone.

When the evening draweth near
And my courage ebbs away,
Lead me to the light most clear
Of the Everlasting Day.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES OF THE WESTERN N. C. CONFERENCE

When? January 27-31.

Where? West Market St. Church, Greensboro, N. C.

Let every woman in the Western North Carolina Conference remember to pray daily for this meeting, that God may be with us as we plan and work for the successful carrying forward of His great work.

Let us especially ask God's blessing upon our Conference officers and District Secretaries who feel so much the burden of the great work committed to them. May we not ask guidance in our committee meetings and during each day of the meeting may we feel His presence.

NEW ORGANIZATION

Asheville District—Avery's Creek Adult Society.—President, Mrs. George Glenn; first vice-president, Mrs. Wallace: second vice-president, Mrs. Mary Burnett; recording secretary and treasurer, Miss Edith Johnson; superintendent of social service, Mrs. S. E. Johnston; superintendent of mission study and publicity, Mrs. L. M. Ducker.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY AT RANDLEMAN

From Miss Mary Sherwood, of Randleman, comes the following account of a new Young People's Society at Randleman. We are sorry that we did not get the names of the officers of this band of workers and will be glad to give them later if the corresponding secretary will send them in to us.

"The young people of Randleman from the two Methodist churches, St. Paul and Naomi, have organized a missionary society, through the efforts of Mrs. A. E. Fordham, our district secretary, and Mrs. Blanche Carr, of Greensboro. We had a most interesting meeting at St. Paul's on Sunday afternoon, October 31st, at which time there were enrolled eighteen members. By the "Each One Win One" campaign we hope to double this number before the New Year.

Mrs. Fordham made a most interesting as well as instructive talk at night at Naomi, followed by Mrs. Carr, who showed the vast field with so few laborers and strived to impress upon us how we could help our less fortunate sisters, both at home and abroad.

We are very enthusiastic over our society and hope our work may prove profitable in every respect. And though quite young in the undertaking, we feel sure that it will not only be a help to our church, but will broaden each individual life. We pray that by the missionary spirit we may put sunshine into some one's heart and soul by helping some one to know Christ?

THOMASVILLE AUXILIARY

We are especially glad to give the cheering news from Thomasville contained in the following account by Mrs. D. M. Litaker—the results of the Membership Campaign. We hope to hear just such good news from other of our auxiliaries:

"In the October campaign for new members the Woman's Missionary Society of Main Street church, Thomasville, N. C., received the following: Fifteen in the Adult, thirteen in the Young People and nineteen in the Junior society—a total of forty-seven members.

The Sunday following the campaign was given over to the woman's work of the church. At eleven o'clock the pastor, by invitation, preached a special sermon to the members of the Woman's Missionary Society, who attended in a body. The night service was conducted by the three societies, at which time a broad presention of the work was given. Delightful music furnished by the choir added much to the pleasure of the occasion."

DR. CHAPMAN'S APPEAL TO MOTHERS

"When God started a nation He began with a home," said Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman at a meeting in Bethany Presbyterian church, Philadelphia, where over 3,000 men and women had gathered to hear his noted sermon, "An Old Fashioned Home." "We find that God began with Abraham. It takes a single sentence to tell the reason, 'For I know him that he will command his children and his household after him.'

"The father is the priest in his household, but a man can never be what he ought to be until he is a Christian. Two great principles must prevail in every home, authority and example. And in order to command we must ourselves be controlled.

"If we are to set before our children and our household the right example I find we cannot begin too soon. The home is rather a training school for eternity. It may be the poorest house imaginable, but if it is serving its mission it is a place of joy. We have an idea, some of us, that our homes are for display. They are not. They are to drill our boys and girls for an unending eternity. God pity us if we miss the one aim. The two mightiest agencies in the home are, first, the mother, and second, the father. Four things every mother must understand. First, you must be a Christian. The memory of my mother's Christian life was more to me than if she had left me a million dollars.

Second, every mother must be absolutely consistent. Third, every mother must be prayerful. No matter what confusion there may be in your home, prayer will right it. Fourth, every mother must study her Bible. There is not any love in the world like a mother's love. There is not anything like a mother's love to engender love. You love your boy. He may break your heart but he will never get away from your love."

A FATHER'S VERICT

What a delightful old man he was! He was out of active business living on a very moderate income, in a simple but comfortable way, just a plain, cheerful life. All the people in the village and country around about knew him. Some of them called him affectionately by his first name.

It took a good while for him to walk up or down the street, he had to speak to so many people, young and old, rich and poor; to make so many inquiries about the health of people; to send so many messages of cheer, and to scatter such a lot of sunshine as he went along. The Psalmist would have put him into a Psalm if he had known him. He did write several psalms for just such people as this cheerful, white-haired man. His children were no longer at home with him, though he was never quite unconscious of them.

He was speaking one day of a neighbor, a very rich man. This neighbor had just made a lot of money, which he did not need. The neighbors had been telling him about his splendid investment which had doubled his money in an incredibly short time. It was the talk of the small town, and there were many to envy the man who had struck it rich. It is ever so. Everything he touched turned to gold, and people called him fortunate. So he was, within limits, though such fortune has to be understood and explained. My old friend did not envy his rich neighbor or scold about him; he was too wise for that. No sharp words ever escaped his lips. He also might have been rich. He knew it. He might have left to his sons many thousands. He knew that also. He had chosen otherwise. Not a scholar himself but a man of rare intellectual quality, he sent every son he had through college. His sons were proud of him, and all their friends loved him, he was such a man. But when all the town was talking about splendid investments, and was thinking of oil and coal and lands, he was heard to say with great firmness and a smile as of one who knew, "I calculate that I know something about investments myself, having tried several kinds. And I judge that an investment in Christian education just about beats them all. It pays big dividends, and pays them right along. They get better all the time. The markets do not affect them. I have tried it. Better put a thousand dollars into the making of a man than a good many thousands into the making of more thousands."

And those who stood by remembered how the old man's son had been converted in a Christian college and how he had gone as a missionary. And they were silent. The talk of money did not seem to belong in that atmosphere. They were thinking of their own boys and girls. "I give my verdict for Christian education," he said as he moved away. That night there were councils and prayers, while children slept, but the next morning for more than one boy or girl the door to the Christian college stood wide open.—Pittsburg Christian Advocate.

THE MISSIONARY'S CLAIM ON CHRISTIAN WOMEN

Mrs. J. F. Lawson

Was there ever a time in the world's history when everyone was quite so busy as we are now? From the humblest housewife to the greatest capitalist it is the same story. Busy busy, from Sunday morning until Saturday night! Even the children are caught in the whirl. High and low, young and old, we all seem to be spinning around in the same maelstrom of activity. So many and varied are the demands on one's time, that we must say "no" to some of them. There are no more hours in a day now than when our forefathers wrested their livelihood from the forests around their little cabins, and no telephone or doorbell ever rang to distract the housewife's attention from the home duties. The sun rises and the sun sets just as it did then, but between its rising and setting there are now more things to do than we can possibly compass—try as we may.

The question for each of us is just what shall we do? And what shall we leave undone? This question is most pertinent in the matter of Women's Clubs, and I wish that all Christian women might be brought to feel that the missionary society has first claim on them.

Numerous as they are, we can divide women's clubs into four classes: First, those whose aim and object we might designate as "In Memoriam:" the clubs which exist to keep alive the memories of heroes and heroic deeds which might otherwise be forgotten. In the second class, we may place the clubs which are attempting to grapple with the present day problems, the prevention of child labor, the betterment of conditions in factories and mines, civic improvement clubs, and all the others which are striving to better existing conditions.

In the third class we may place the social clubs; all the woman's clubs which exist purely for recreation either innocent or otherwise. In the fourth class we will put the self-improvement clubs; all those clubs in which the members are handed togeher for mental development.

It seems to me that with a little serious thought we may see why the missionary society outranks any and all of these clubs.

Measured by the first class, does the missionary society do anything to compare with keeping green the memory of our heroic dead? Indeed it does that very thing and does it better than any other society can, because its heroes are the greatest on earth. The men who have laid down their lives for Christ and His crown are the heroes of all the ages. Then, in keeping alive the memory of those who fought for some earthly cause, there's always danger that we may keep alive at the same time bitterness and hatred which we all wish to forget. The memory of such lives as those of Livingstone, David Brainerd, John G. Paton, John Leighton Wilson and all the long list of such heroes, can only "live to bless." The study of these lives will stir in us that which is highest and best.

Compared with those clubs which are attempting to grapple with present day problems, the missionary society's claims certainly come first. For, as Arthur T. Pierson says, "The supreme enterprise of the age is the immediate preaching of the gospel to every creature." The greatness of any enterprise is measured by the mind which plans it. The giving of the gospel to every creature is God's plan.

If we want to grapple with real problems, what other society has such problems for its study as the missionary society? Problems embracing every nation and kindred and tribe upon the earth. Compared with the clubs which are trying "to do things," the missionary society must come first, since it is trying to do the one thing for which God sends us into the world—that is, to advance His kingdom.

As to the claims of the social club, the superiority of the missionary society seems to me too evident to need comment. Where would a Christian woman except to find such delightful companionship as with other "members of the body of Christ" banded together in studying and working toward the very end for which Christ, our Head, has called us into existence? And if we do not find such an atmosphere congenial, may it not be that after all we are not really members at all; or if members, benumbed and atrophied ones? I could never see any point to the jest that "those who go to heaven will doubtless have a pleasanter climate, but the best society will be found in the other place." There has to be at least a grain of truth in a jest to make it funny and there is not even a grain in this. For who, having tasted it, can deny that Christian fellowship is the richest and sweetest in the world? Socially then, the missionary society has first claims.

Now, as to the last class mentioned, the self-improvement club. We have only to settle for ourselves what "self-improvement" really means, and we can see how easily the missionary society heads the list.

My real self is that part of me which shall live on and on through all eternity, long after the "lust of the flesh," the lust of the eye, the pride of life," all that is of the earth, earthy, shall have passed away. There are things in this world which God has placed here for the betterment of my real self, things which will make me more useful in His service, here, and consequently win for me a greater reward hereafter. Self-improvement? What club can claim so much in this line as the missionary society? With God's word for its constitution, with His command for its plan of operation, with His children for its members, and the promise of His companionship, "Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world."

Epworth League Department

Conducted by R. R. Mitchell, Greensboro, N. C.

THE MANLY MAN

The world has room for the manly man with the spirit of manly cheer;
The world delights in the man who smiles when his eyes keep back the tear;
It loves the man who, when things go wrong, can take his place and stand
With his face to the fight and his eyes to the light, and toil with a willing hand.

The manly man is the country's need, and the moments need, forsooth,
With a heart that beats to the pulsing tread of the allied leagues of truth;
The world is his, and it waits for him and it leaps to hear the ring
Of the blows he strikes and the wheels he turns and the hammers he dares to swing;
It likes the forward look in his face, the poise of his noble head,
And the onward lunge of his tireless will and the sweep of his dauntless tread.

Hurrah for the manly man who comes with the sunlight on his face,
And the strength to do and the will to dare, and the courage to find his place!
The world delights in the manly man, and the weak and evil flee
When the manly man goes forth to hold his own on land or sea.

—American Israelite.

AFRICA RALLY DAY

December 12 has been set apart as Africa Rally Day, and a program will appear in the December EPWORTH ERA for use on that date. It is hoped that every League Chapter in the Church will work up a fine program and present the Africa Special attractively and enthusiastically in a public meeting. The Missionary Committee should be thinking about it now, deciding how they can relate their general plans for Africa to that day and it's observance. Much depends upon the interest of the Missionary Superintendent and the Missionary Committee; and through that committee He who watches over the Congo Mission and over all the missions where his representatives are at work can bring great things to pass.

Your December ERA will come to you about the 25th of November, giving you time to write to the Educational Department of the Board of Missions for "helps" that will be suggested for use on the program.

Let us make Africa Rally Day this year a great occasion in Epworth Leaguedom and do a big thing for the Congo Mission for the coming Conference year.—Epworth Era.

A FAILURE OR A SUCCESS

This question is in the minds of many in regard to our Lake Junaluska Institute. Three years in succession now a gathering of Epworthians at the lake has been attempted. The beginning was small. The last effort was, to say the least, no improvement over the first. There was no crowd, only a small company, and that made up in part by stragglers on their way home from summer resorts. The program, however, was good, excellent many pronounced it, which ought not to be considered extravagant praise when the personnel of the faculty is taken into account. With Hounshell, Chao, Mrs. Hammond, Cook, Cuninggim, Bush and others on the platform and Miss Robinson, Miss Howell, Mr. Quillian and Mr. Hunter in carge of the different schools, high expectations were justified, and it is safe to say that no disappointments were registered. Mr. Hunter was especially popular in his novel feature of an afternoon story hour. Irregular meals made it very difficult to conduct games as had been intended. The high quality of the program, indeed, caused many to deplore all the more the fact that so few young people were registered.

Considered by itself, the Epworth League Institute would seem to have been a failure. In the light of prevailing conditions, however, a truly optimistic judgment is warranted. The Epworth League shared with all the other agencies of our Church the limitations imposed by the unfinished state of the Assembly Grounds. Uncertain accommodations at rates unattractively high and railroad tariffs capricious rendered it difficult to get a movement of any considerable number started toward the lake. Another obstacle in the way of the Epworth League was even more serious. Our constituency all over the South had already been called together in annual and state gatherings which laid neavy obligations upon every Chapter. The lake had been practically encircled with League Conferences at which the average attendance was easily one hundred and fifty. Can the meeting at the lake be made so distinctive in character as to draw from the regions already served by the shorter and more inspirational gatherings? That is, in serious reality, the main question before the Epworth League in determining its future relation to the Assembly.

Te forecast of the future glows with the light of promise. Commissioners of the Assembly give assurance that by next session the big hotel, and possibly a smaller one for transients will be built. A plan is being considered also to construct a large dining hall in the rear of the public service building, turning the present small eating place into an attractive community room with piano, games, comfortable chairs, papers and magazines, and to establish two tent colonies under framed and floored canvas for the exclusive use of those who register for any of the conferences. With the entire public service building and the tent cities, together with the dining hall, set apart for the accommodation of those who wish to attend the conferences, it is believed that a charge for entertainment within the reach of almost any young person can be established.

Another ray of light gleams in the sky. There is talk of joint action by all the five Boards of the Church in conducting a great conference for young people at the lake next summer. It would be called simply a "Young Peoples Training Conference" or a "Conference for Christian Workers" and would not displace any conference at present being maintained. As the Board of Missions and the General Sunday School Board are, equally with the Epworth League Board, concerned about the young people of the Church, it seems entirely fitting that they should heartily give their support to some feasible plan to rally at least a thousand young people on the grounds of the Southern Methodist Assembly in 1916.

It is coming to be recognized by the General Boards of the Church that their obligation to the Assembly does not begin and end with the summer season. If the months set aside for conferences are to be richly fruitful, a much more liberal investment of thought and means in the interim is demanded. It is not to be feared, therefore, but that the Boards will jealously nurse the unparallelled advantages afforded them at beautiful Lake Junaluska.—Epworth Era.

THE CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP FEE

We wonder if our Leagues of the Western North Carolina Conference have given proper recognition to the earnest pleas that have been sent out from our headquarters at Nashville concerning the Chapter Membership Fee. The maintenance of our Central Office is dependent almost entirely upon this source of income, and it is very important that every Chapter—not only in our Conference, but throughout the entire Southern Methodist Church—sees to it that this obligation is discharged. This matter should have been attended to in the early part of the year; but "better late than never"—by far.

There are 3,937 Epworth League Chapters in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Suppose every Chapter paid the Chapter Membership Fee. This would mean an income from this source of $8842.50, which would enable our President and Secretaries to carry out many plans for the promotion of League work that have been impossible heretofore because of the lack of funds.

Let every Chapter that has not already done so send in this amount at once. This fee and our Conference Ten-cent Assessment should be given precedence over all other financial obligations, for upon them the growth of the Epworth League depends.

A RALLY DAY SOCIAL

By Miss Phala Hawkins.

By November nearly every one has returned from his summer vacation, and the Epworth Leaguers are ready to start to work again with renewed vigor and earnestness. It will be a good plan to have a Rally Day social.

Let the League artists get out large posters modeled after the League emblem, the Maltese cross. Hang these in conspicuous places. Get out smaller attractive invitations to this social on the same order as the posters and mail them to all the young people who ought to attend this social. Follow up with personal invitations. Through this Rally Day social many young people can be interested in the League work for the whole year.

As soon as all the guests have arrived have a grand march. Let the League officers stand in line. Then let some one play a march on the piano and all present form in line, march to the music, and shake hands with the League officers.

Vocal number.

Progressive story: "How I Spent My Vacation." Let some one start the story, and at any point let another take it up then another, and another.

Piano number.

If possible let several tell about "The Funniest Thing That Happened to Me This Summer."

Distribute papars with the initials "E. L." (for Epworth League) at the top. On these papers should be questions, which should be answered with two words beginning with these initial respectively. Here are some sample questions:

To whom does this paper belong? (Ella Long.)

How tall is the person?

Whom does he (or she) favor?

What is his (or her) character?

What color is his (or her) hair?

What color are his (or her) eyes?

Who is his (or her) best friend?

What is his (or her) favorite occupation?

What is his (or her) favorite pastime?

What is his (or her) highest ideal?

For the best answers an "E. L." pennant might be presented.

The President might then be called on for a brief outline of some of the plans to be used for the advancement of the League during the coming year.

To make fun, have a comic orchestra. An imaginery instrument is chosen by each one present, such as a violin, a flute, a harp, etc. As soon as the leader begins, the others must follow and make a noise and go through the motions which represent the instrument he plays. The leader may be playing a flute. He suddenly stops and begins playing the violin, then the one playing the violin must take up the flute. The leader may change as often as he likes. Anyone failing to make the change at the proper time may be made to pay a forfeit. (Adapted from Baker's "Indoor Games.")

To "match up" for refreshments: Cut in two pieces slips of paper upon which are written some facts relating to the Epworth League, the girls drawing one, the boys the other half. Some sentences to be written may be:

The Epworth League is a training school for young people.

There are five elective officers in the Epworth League.

There are five appointive officers in the Epworth League.

Anniversary Day is the second Sunday in May.

Yellow and white are the League colors.

The League flower is the violet.

There are four departments of League work.

Have he refreshments simple. After eating refreshments, all join hands in a large circle and sing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds." This never grows old.—Epworth Era.

RECIPE FOR GRAY HAIR

To half a pint of water add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbo Compound and ¼ oz. of glycerine. Apply to the hair twice a week until it becomes the desired shade. Any druggist can put this up or you can mix it at home at very little cost. Full directions for making and use come in each box of Barbo Compound. It will gradually darken streaked, faded gray hair, and removes dandruff. It is excellent for falling hair and will make harsh hair soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off.

SYSTEMATIC BIBLE STUDY
Let us tell you about the study of the Bible and methods of practical Christian work by correspondence, which is being received more favorably than ever before. We are offering
EIGHT DISTINCT COURSES
These courses give a wide range of choice, and we are confident we have a course that will meet your need. Our prospectus and other literature, which we will be pleased to send you, will tell the story. Address
THE MOODY BIBLE INSTITUTE
Dept. S 3, 153-163 Institute Place, Chicago, Ill.
BY CORRESPONDENCE

MAGAZINES
You can save money on the magazine you want by writing for


This Catalog FREE
Our New Catalog lists more than 3000 Periodicals and Club Offers, *It's a big Money-Saver.* Send us your name and address on post card today and get this big free catalog. *Do it now.*
CAROLINA MAGAZINE AGENCY,
P. O. Box 298, Greenville, S. C.

Frost Proof CABBAGE PLANTS
By the hundred or by the million. Raised in the Piedmont section of North Carolina. Stout and stalky. Grown in the open field. Twenty years' experience has taught me how to grow good plants. Early Jersey, Charleston Wakefield, Early Flat Dutch and Succession. $1.00 per 1000. 4000 to 5000 lots at 80c F. O. B. **High Point, N. C. MOFFITT FARM.** On main line of Southern R. R. Quick delivery.

BLYMYER CHURCH BELLS
UNLIKE OTHER BELLS SWEETER, MORE DURABLE, LOWER PRICE. OUR FREE CATALOGUE TELLS WHY
Write to Cincinnati Bell Foundry Co., Cincinnati, O.

This is the mark of HIGH QUALITY
in ready-to-wear garments for women and children. Honest work, best materials, correct styles. Ask your dealer for GRIMBALL GARMENTS and verify the trade mark.
GRIMBALL GARMENTS
SPARTANBURG S.C.
GRIMBALL MFG. COMPANY,
Spartanburg, S. C.

Our Dead

REID—Etta C. Boyd, youngest daughter of John J. and Somerville Boyd, was born in Warren county, Virginia, Sept. 21st, 1859.

When five months old her father died, leaving a young mother of only thirty-four with eight children and a plantation, and no one on whom to depend but the faithful slaves.

During all those cruel years of war the mother managed the affairs of the home and farm, two sons having joined the army of the "Lost cause." And when it was over she went bravely forward with the training and education of her children unaided, except such as was given by the ex-slaves. They had been so kindly treated they would not leave the old plantation, even when their freedom came, but remained and worked as before, for what small wages they could get in those hard times.

The devotion of the old negroes to those who had been kind to them was most beautiful. Even after the subject of this memoir was a married woman old "Aunt Charity" would come to the parsonage home and affectionately call her "honey," just as she had always done.

Etta was a beautiful child and won the affection of every one in her childhood. Even then her distaste for everything coarse and vulgar was manifest. As she grew to womanhood, she developed into a pure christian character. She was converted at the early age of fourteen, and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at the old Manor church near her country home. From that time until her departure she was a conscientious Christian; a faithful and loyal Methodist.

She was educated at Roanoke Female College, in Martinsburg, W. Va., and at the end of her student days she was offered a position as teacher in her Alma Mater, but declined the flattering offer and remained with her mother who was then entirely alone.

On July 29th, 1887, she was united in the holy bonds of marriage to Rev. D. L. Reid, and proved herself a faithful helpmate to her husband and a true mother to her children.

No mother ever loved her children more devotedly, or was loved more sincerely by them. In her home the splendid graces of her character shone brightest, for there she was always at her best.

She had the happy faculty of winning the confidence and esteem of all classes and holding their friendship for life without seeming effort on her part, a faculty that is rare in these time of stress when we seldom take time to be friendly with those who may be in sore need of the help we may give them as we pass along. She was a great favorite wherever she lived, and her loss is deeply felt by so many whom she helped by the way.

She was a devout Christian worker in every respect. The most cultured, as well as the most abandoned sinners, were won to Christ through her gentle influence.

During the great revivals conducted by her husband in Rockingham county, Virginia, in 1896-97, she came into a deeper experience, which the old time Methodists called "perfect love" or "entire Sanctification," and modern writers of other churches call "the victorious life." From that time until her departure she was wise to win souls for Christ.

During her last illness she won her two attending physicians, father and son, to Christ, and every one whom she made a special subject of prayer, during the short time she lived in Pennsboro, was among the three hundred and twenty converts of the revival. Rev. William Asher, the Evangelist, said it was like heaven to be in her presence, she was so peaceful and happy.

Rev. Sam P. Jones, the great "Southern Evangelist," whom she often entertained in her home, introduced her to his own family in the presence of a large company of people as "one of the best women in the world." In every charge where her husband was pastor she was greatly loved by almost every one with whom she came in contact. She inspired all, old and young, with a desire to be better Christians.

She hated the liquor traffic with an intense hatred, but she pitied and loved the souls of its victims. From young womanhood she was a member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and she won drunkards to Christ by asking their permission to pin the "White Ribbon" on them.

Her knowledge of human nature enabled her to understand others so that she knew how to help those who needed the gentle ministries. Her faith in God through all the trials, hardships and sorrows of life was unshaken.

During her last illness she was wholly resigned to God's will, but her life was prolonged for two months after she seemed about to depart, largely in answer to her prayers and the prayers of the Christian people who knew her. Sometimes returning from the verge of the Jordan, she would talk with her husband and children at great length, once for five hours, giving most minutely every detail of plan for their future welfare and happiness, not even refering to her own sufferings, which were often intense.

During the last hours of consciousness she would frequently praise God quoting from one of her favorite hymns, "'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus."

She quietly fell asleep in Jesus at four o'clock on the morning of March 30th, 1915. Her funeral services were conducted in the parsonage at Pennsboro, W. Va., by Rev. L. B. Bowers, assisted by Rev. R. A. LeMasters and this writer; and in Front Royal, Va., April 1st., by Rev. J. J. Ringer and Rev. H. H. Sherman, her friends and former associates of the Baltimore Conference, after which her remains were laid to rest in the family lot beside her father, mother and daughter, Nell, to await the resurrection of the pure and good. Many in that day besides her own family and loved ones, will rise up and call her "Blessed."

W. L. Reid.

Secretary Western Va. Conference M. E. Church, South.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Realizing the irreparable loss that we, the members of the Woman's Bible Class of Trinity church have sustained in the passing of our dear friend and teacher, Mrs. T. F. Marr, it is the desire of this class to place upon record an expression of our deep affection for her and our sincere appreciation of her faithful and efficient services, therefore be it resolved:

First, That we feel a deep sense of personal bereavement and loss in the death of our friend and teacher, and wish that this expression of our love and affection be placed on our class records.

Second, That we believe that her life was one of loyal devotion to her master, that we shall strive to imitate her noble Christian example, and hold her name in loving remembrance.

Third, That we extend to the grief stricken family our heartfelt sympathy and love.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be put on the Sunday school minutes, and one sent to the bereaved family.

Mrs. Wiggins,
Mrs. F. M. Winchester,
Mrs. Plummer Stewart.

RESOLUTIONS ON THE DEATH OF MRS. T. F. MARR.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Western North Carolina Conference are bowed down with profound sorrow because of the transition of our beloved friend and co-worker, Mrs. T. F. Marr, Oct. 2nd, 1915. In the ripeness of her life with its varied interests and activities full upon her, our silent sister answered the silent summons, and passed out of the strife into the great calm awaiting the faithful.

Therefore, be it resolved:

First, that as a Conferencee Society we shaal miss the careful counsel and efficient labors of our silent sister, and realize that not only has our woman's work sustained a distinct loss, but the whole church into whose channels flowed the best that her life had to give.

Second, that in our Conference we shall miss her, yet we know that her works do follow her and though dead, she yet speaketh through the long and valuable service she rendered to both the Foreign and Home departments of our work, notably her constructive work and inspiration to Brevard Institute.

At the time of her transition she was the Conference Superintendant of Social Service, and in this department, as in all others where she was called to serve officially, she administered its affairs with care and ability.

Third, that as a Conference Society we express profound sympathy for Dr. Marr and his stricken children in the irreparable loss of the faithful wife and devoted motheer.

Fourth, that these resolutions be recorded in our minutes, and a copy sent to the bereaved family and a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

By order of the Conference President.

Mrs. H. K. Boyer,
Mrs. E. L. Bain,
Mrs. R. M. Courtney,
Committee.

IN APPRECIATION OF HONORABLY J. A. LONG

Since the President of this Board, Hon. J. A. Long, has been removed from us by death, we desire to express and put to record our high appreciation of his services and to make note of the loss sustained.

Brother Long measured up so well in his many virtues and along the varied lines of endeavor, that men were apt not to appreciate the magnitude of the place filled until he was gone and they began to note the void. Quiet and unobtrusive in his habits, almost unerring in his judgments and possessed of the highest character, his services proved valuable in many fields.

Whether as a soldier in the sixties, or as Legislator in both branches of the General Assembly, or as farmer or merchant or manufacturer or banker, or as a member of a Board of Trust in affairs of state or education or church, fidelity, sound judgment, and highest motives characterized J. A. Long.

Having been a member and the President of the Board of Trustees of Greensboro College for Women for more than a decade, the services of Brother Long were duly appreciated and our sense of loss is great. His poise and sound judgment, his devotion to the cause of education and loyalty to this College, his high character and readiness to respond to any demand, made him an invaluable member of this Board.

We would, therefore, extend to the family bereaved, our genuine sympathies, and cherish as a precious heritage, the character, the high ideals, and the labors of our lamented brother and former co-laborer. The State, the church and the cause of education is the richer because of the life lived by Brother J. A. Long.

Resolved, second, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased and a copy of the same to the two Advocates in North Carolina, with a request for publication.

Let proper record of this be made in our minutes.

Signed,
M. T. Plyler,
M. D. Stockton,
C. A. Bray.

RESOLUTIONS

Whereas, in the providence of God we have been called upon to release from the sphere of active duty our devoted, faithful, and efficient friend and brother L. L. Smith, a member of the Board of Trustees of Greensboro College for Women ever since it became the property of the present owners, and

Whereas, Brother Smith, who was one of its original incorporators, has, by wise counsel, sane judgment, and substantial financial aid, ever been foremost in shaping its policies, directing its destinies, and aiding it in all its progress, now

Therefore, we, the Members of the Board of Trustees of Greensboro College for Women, desire to enter upon our minutes this testimonial of our appreciation of his worth. Jealous for the success and good name of our beloved institution, he showed his confidence in its mission by entrusting to its care the training of his own daughters and many of his dearest and best friends. Responding to its call for aid when the property was about to pass out of the hands of the church, he became one of the endorsers of its paper to secure its original purchase, and when the disastrous fire destroyed practically all of its visible resources he never faltered in his faith and devotion to the ideal he had set for its aim, but was among the first to throw himself into the effort to restore the loss and to build bigger and better than before. Through years of conscientious self-sacrifice, he attended nearly every meeting of the Board, and by his wise counsel and mature judgment, aided in a very substantial manner in shaping the destinies of this Institution.

Resolved, first, that in the departure of Brother Smith we have suffered a very great loss, but we are sustained in our grief by the consciousness of eternal gain, for he lived right, and his end was peace, and his example is worthy of emulation by all of us.

Resolved, second, that the deepest and tenderest sympathy of this Board be turned to the family of our departed brother, that a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to them, and a copy to each of our Church Advocates in North Carolina for publication.

Signed,
C. H. Ireland,
G. F. Smith,
G. T. Adams.

HIGH PRAISE FOR BISHOP ATKINS

The Texas Advocate last week devoted a full page to pictures of the Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and more excellent likenesses of them we have never seen anywhere. The College of Bishops are now holding their fall session in Dallas—it began Thursday, Oct. 28, and will continue through next Sunday. In briefly referring to some of our chief pastors, the editor of the Texas Advocate has the following to say of Bishop James Atkins, who this year has supervision of our work in the Louisiana and two Mississippi Conferences:

"Especially will we be pleased to have Bishop James Atkins to behold the fruition of his own plans. We are sure that the Bishops will not take offense if we say that no other Bishop among us ever quite did the constructive work accomplished by Bishop Atkins during his quadrennium. To his constructive genius more than to that of any other one man, possibly, Southern Methodist University is due."—New Orleans Christian Advocate.

From the Field

RESOLUTIONS OF NORTH WILKESBORO QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

Whereas, ev. Parker Holmes, the beloved pastor of North Wilkesboro Station, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is now rounding out the fourth year of his ministry at this charge, and, under the rules of our church, will have to go to other fields of labor with the new Conference year:

And Whereas, During the four years that Brother Holmes has "gone in and out" before the people of North Wilkesboro and the membership of the church, he has so conducted himself, as a man, a Christian and a pastor, as to endear him to the church membership for whom and with whom he has labored, and to the entire citizenship of our town and community as few men are ever able to do:

And Whereas, During the four years of his ministry with us Brother Holmes has labored most zealously, faithfully and efficiently for the upbuilding of every interest of our beloved church and has succeeded in placing the Methodist church in North Wilkesboro in such prominence and power for good as it never before had attained, and he has, in every desirable way "enlarged the borders of our Zion and strengthened her bulwarks" as never before.

And, Whereas, The Official Board of North Wilkesboro Station, in fourth Quarterly Conference assembled, desire to fittingly express our love for Brother Holmes and his family, as well as our appreciation of his faithful labors with us and for us:

Therefore, be it Resolved:

1. That the membership of this church will ever hold in fond affection the memory of the four years of faithful, devoted and consecrated Christian service our Brother has given us, as a church and a people:

II. That we desire to commend to the most favorable consideration of our Presiding Bishop and his Cabinet, the Christian zeal and the ability of our brother, as well as also his beautiful, sincere and consistent Christian character; and to most heartily endorse him for any work of any magnitude and responsibility that the Annual Conference in its wisdom may see proper to assign to him, feeling assured in our hearts and minds that he will measure up fully to the standard of any trust that may be reposed in him:

III. That we, as a church will ever hold in love and esteem, Brother Holmes, and his devoted wife and estimable children, and we heartily commend them to the love and esteem of any congregation and community to which they may be assigned.

IV. Resolved Further, That we also desire to express to the Bishop and Conference our sincere regard and appreciation for the faithful and efficient labors of our beloved Presiding Elder, Brother J. H. Bennett, who for the past Conference year has wrought faithfully and well in the work of the North Wilkesboro District and has striven earnestly, faithfully and efficiently in upbuilding and conserving the interests of the Church in his district, and we heartily commend him to the good will and consideration of the Bishop and the Conference, and to that recognition which his ability and his zeal so well deserve.

V. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to our Conference Organ and a copy given our Presiding Elder to present to the Bishop and his Cabinet, to the end that they and the Conference may know of the love and esteem in which our brethren are held; Also that a copy be spread upon the minutes of this Quarterly Conference, and a copy furnished to Brother Holmes.

Frank D. Hackett,
R. M. Brame,
J. R. Hix,
Committee.

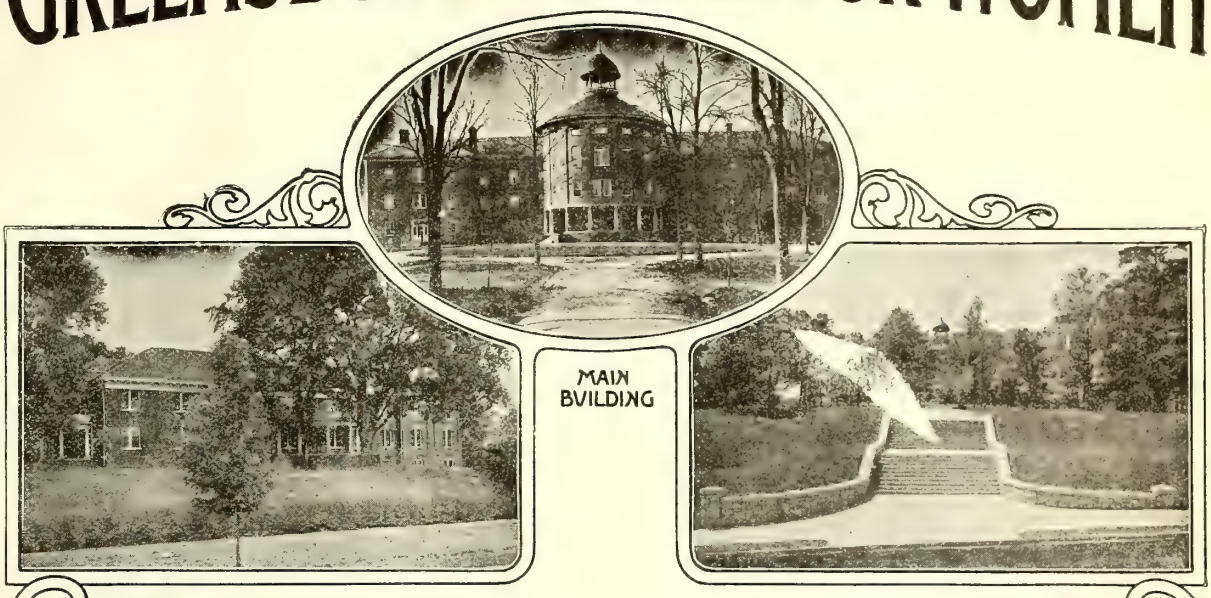
Adopted by acclamation, this October 27, 1915.

W. P. Kelly, Secretary, North Wilkesboro Quarterly Conference.

Our consciousness rarely registers the beginning of growth within us any more than without us. There has been much circulation of the sap before we detect the smallest sign of the bud.—*George Eliot.*

Learn as if you were to live forever: live as if you were to die tomorrow. —*Ansalus de Insulis.*

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY – FITZGERALD HALL

ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department, open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D. D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $_____ to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name _____

Post Office _____

State _____

Date _____

Remarks _____

RESOLUTIONS, WILKESBORO STATION

We, the members of the quarterly conference of the Wilkesboro station, desire to express, by means of this resolution, our heartiest commendation of the work of Rev. J. H. Bennett, our presiding elder. By his wise administration and by his unusual preaching ability he has magnified Methodism in the North Wilkesboro District. We feel sure that under his leadership during the remaining three years of his quadrennium, Methodism in this section of North Carolina cannot fail to be greatly strengthened. And it is our decided conviction that his removal from the presiding eldership of this district at this time would be nothing less than a calamity to the church. We most earnestly urge the appointing power to return Brother Bennett to the North Wilkesboro District.

Signed: C. F. Morrison, C. H. Somers, J. W. White, J. H. Leckie, W. H. Starr, H. C. Caviness and W. C. Winkler.

We quote the following from quarterly report of our Educational Secretary, Mrs. Hume R. Steele:

Total number of new mission study classes reported for the third quarter is 467, with a total membership of 21,181. Of these classes 295 are Adult, with a membership of 17,487; 48 Young People's, with a membership of 775; 124 Children's, with a membership of 2,919. The total number of classes for the three quarters is 1,509. The Conferences leading in mission study for the third quarter, are: Texas, with a total of 56 new mission study classes; North Georgia, 50 new classes, and North Alabama, with 39 new classes.

The Sunday School Lesson

FOURTH QUARTER—LESSON VIII
NOVEMBER 21, 1915

JONAH A MISSIONARY TO NINEVEH
(Foreign Missionary Lesson)
Jonah 3:1 to 4:11

Golden Text—Go ye therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I command you: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Matt. 28:19, 20.

Summary of the Lesson

In that stimulating and revealing essay "The Spoiled Children of Civilization," found in the volume Humanly Speaking, Samuel McChord Crothers declares "The great commandment to the worker or thinker is—Thou shalt not sulk." The book of Jonah is a brilliantly effective study of a sulking prophet. With a bewildering play of irony a self-conscious, self-centered life is portrayed. Jonah is not willing to preach for fear men will repent. He finds it impossible to love a God who loves other people. He wants every thing or nothing. He would rather have a gourd of his own than a God he must share with others. He is not willing to be a child of God unless he can be a favored, pampered pet. The selfish isolation of the Jewish people is held up to scorn in this striking Old Testament book.

Some New Testament Parables

Gilbert Chesterton, in his book Orthodoxy, makes the shrewd observation, "A figure of speech often gets into a crack too small for a definition." It is also true that a story often penetrates a mind which would be closed to a formal argument. In the presence of the hard and sordid selfishness of the Jewish leaders Jesus did not argue. He did something more effective. He told stories. In the presence of men who cared nothing for a lost soul He told the story of a woman who cared for a lost coin. He pictured a shepherd who cared for a lost sheep, and He painted the immortal portrait of a father and all his suffering love as it yearned after a lost son, and over all these stories hung the thought of the God whose very nature it is to love and seek and find the lost.

Cold and cruel selfishness in the Jewish leaders formed one of the greatest obstacles which Jesus had to meet. So it was that He bombarded them with human, tender stories, all alive with unselfish love. If Jerusalem, whose face was turned inward in proudly complacent contemplation, could be led to gaze without at all the tragic, suffering need of men, its very nature would be changed. Great doors would swing open and life would be given a new and wonderful meaning. The cold and calculating spirit was freezing the heart of Jerusalem. With amazing patience Jesus tried again and again to kindle a flame of self-forgetful love. Too often the fire simply would not burn.

The leaders of the Jews became angry when they saw that Jesus did not approve them. They felt in a dim way that they must either hate Him or hate themselves. They were too proud to repent, and so they hounded Jesus to His death, but from His tomb unselfish love came forth divine and immortal to master the world.

An Old Testament Parable

The temper of proud and complacent exclusiveness was not new to Jewish life in the time of Jesus. Hundreds of years before its dark and ugly blight had taken hold upon Israel, and long before a man of large and generous heart and warm and human sympathies had longed to lead his people to discard it. He, too, avoided the path of formal argument in dealing with the problem. He, too, told a story, one of the most wonderful and revealing stories in the Old Testament. It is an indictment of selfishness. It is a tribute to generous, forgiving love.

God commands the prophet Jonah to go and preach in the great city of Nineveh. The prophet at once sets out to go to the opposite end of the world, but he cannot escape from God, who holds his ship in the grasp of a terrible tempest. Jonah is traveling with heathen sailors, but they treat him with the most kindly consideration and refuse to follow his own suggestion that they cast him overboard until there seems to be no other way of escape. When he is thrown into the sea the prophet's life is saved by a great fish, and at length he comes safely to land.

When Jonah is commanded once again to go to Ninevah he goes. The streets ring with his cry that in forty days Nineveh shall be destroyed. His preaching produces a most extraordinary effect. The whole city listens; the whole city heeds; the whole city repents; king and people and even domestic animals fast. The great repentance is seen by Jehovah. He regards this turning of a whole people to Him and Nineveh is not destroyed.

At this point you expect Jonah to be filled with a solemn and sacred joy because his preaching has had such great effect. Instead he is angry. He goes off in a morose and jealous wrath. He wanted to see Nineveh destroyed. Now it is safe. What is the use of being the prophet of a soft-hearted Deity, who makes stern threats only to forego carrying them out? Jonah feels that a God of love is about good as no God at all. So, with face clouded and heart hot with wrath at a God who can forgive, he goes out of the city.

The Prophet Who Was Like a Spoiled Child

Muttering his petulant discontent with a God who has a tender heart, Jonah goes to the east and builds a booth where he can continue his fit of sulks. The patient God is represented as gently chiding him: "Doest thou well to be angry?"

A gourd grows up about the shelter of Jonah. Its shade is grateful in the hot sun. Here, at last, is something that Jonah can have without sharing it with some one else. He will not love God. He will just love the gourd. He takes a selfish, abnormal pleasure in simply enjoying the gourd and trying to forget God and Nineveh. Then the gourd dies and the spoiled child of a prophet wants to die, too. What is the use of living if you cannot have even a gourd all to yourself?

Again Jehovah speaks in gentle chiding and when Jonah makes petulant response, continues to try to appeal to some deep sense of the fitness of things, which should be found even in the heart of such a sulking prophet. If Jonah cares so much for a gourd, is it strange Jehovah cares for a great city like Nineveh? Should not God care for that vast multitude of people gathered together in a wonderful metropolis? Should He not have regard to the crowds of innocent children? Should He not care for the herds of cattle?

So the book ends. On the one hand we have the prophet of colossal selfishness; on the other we have the God of infinite tenderness and deep compassion.

In this fashion a great-hearted man, long before the coming of Jesus, tried to teach Israel "the wideness of God's mercy." No wonder the book of Jonah has been called the most Christian book in the Old Testament.

The Heart of God

"Is that a good photograph of God?" asked little David of Dr. Lavender, in Margaret Deland's story The Awakening of Helena Ritchie. The small boy was looking up at a picture of the baptism of Jesus, with a representation of the Divine face looking down upon the scene from a cloud above. Dr. Lavender looked at the small boy, who was gazing up at him, and said quietly, "If it looks like a kind Father I think it is a good photograph of God."

The really wonderful thing about the book of Jonah is not its brilliantly executed portrait of the sulking prophet. The great achievement of of the book is its tender and revealing portrait of God. The patience of Jehovah and His thoughtful care, the love which broods over innocent children and includes in the circle of its thought even the beasts of the field—all this is seen over against that hard and cruel selfishness which knows no upreach of generous feeling and no outreach of unselfish devotion.

The book of Jonah is one of the most effective foreign missionary documents ever written. The very inspiration of a religion which must take its tender ministries wherever there is conscious life moves through it. "Every land is my fatherland," wrote an exile in a foreign country. The spirit which breathes through the book of Jonah, in all God's dealings with the recalcitrant prophet, is the spirit of One whose interest reaches as far as humanity and whose love goes to the full length of human need. The man who has caught the noble contagion can say, "Every land is my fatherland and all men are my brothers."—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in N. Y. Christian Advocate.

TRY THIS FOR YOUR HEALTH

For diseases which do not readily yield to drug treatment, such as chronic dyspepsia, indigestion, rheumatism, Bright's disease, gall stones, uric acid poisoning and diseases of the kidney and liver, the best physicians send their wealthy patients to the famous mineral springs. Some even spent months at the Spas of Europe and were almost invariably cured or greatly benefited.

I believe that the Shivar Spring is the greatest mineral spring ever discovered and I believe it so firmly that I offer to send you enough water for a three weeks' treatment (two five-gallon demijohns) on my guarantee that if it fails to benefit your case I will refund the price. You would hardly believe men if I told you that only about two out of a hundred, on the average say that they have received no benefit. The water is restoring thousands. It restored my health when my friends and physicians thought my case was incurable and I am willing and anxious for you to match your faith in the spring against my pocketbook. If I win you become a life-friend of the spring. If I lose I will be sorry for you but I will appreciate your courtesy in giving the water a trial and will gladly refund your money on request. Sign the following letter:

Shivar Spring,
Box 5C, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen:

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Spring Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns, which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER
Proprietor
GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phoue 571 Res. Phone 1174

DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF
STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121½ S. Elm St. Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland.
109 North Elm Street, 'Pone 44

The Newest Styles of Jewelry
WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE
Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.
SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO
LEADING JEWELERS

Plant Trees
from the
Greensboro Nurseries
We have more than a million trees, vines and plants. We will make you a special price. Write today for our special offer.
John A. Young & Sons
Greensboro, N. C.

The Desk With a 25 Year GUARANTY



The desk that stands hard usage without becoming shaky. It is of extra strong construction throughout and has these exclusive points of excellence: Heavy Semi-Steel Frame, Patent Noiseless Hinges and Extra Wide Seats. The design, construction and finish is perfect in every detail. Our proven claim is—the best desk regardless of price. The only desk made in the South.

SOUTHERN DESK COMPANY,
Box 2300, HICKORY, N. C.

Our Little Folks' Department

WHEN MAMMA WAS A LITTLE GIRL

Fred Myron Colby

The Holmes children were eagerly talking of the time when they would rather have lived. Harry preferred to be a soldier of fortune and adventure in the days of "Good Queen Bess;" Percy thoughts the wars of Napoleon the most glorious; Ruth liked the reign of Queen Anne, but when the question came to little Emily she answered decidedly, without any respect to history at all, "I would rather have lived when mamma was a little girl."

The others jibed and laughed at her, and Emily shyly hid her face on her mother's shoulder, but not amount of ridicule could move her, and still she declared, "I like the time when mamma was a little girl best."

When mamma was a little girl was the time of all the most wonderful and delightful happenings in all that lovely region of twilight and bedtime stories, the dearest to the child's heart in all the fair child kingdom.

There were two stories to which Emily listened with pleasure blended with terror—a kind of far-off terror that made the glowing firelight and the sheltered look of the heavily curtained and carpeted bedchamber twice as comfortable and beautiful to her. I shall tell them to my readers that they too may understand how very different it was when the fathers and mothers were little boys and girls.

Always at the bedtime hour Emily would say, "Now, mamma, tell me about grandfather and the panther that rode behind him on the horseback, and about the little girl that the tornado carried away."

"Two stories, my little girl, and such exciting ones; why, you will never go to slumberland at all!"

"Oh, yes, mamma, I will," said the coaxing, childish voice, and so mamma told the stories.

"When I was a little girl—this was the way all the stories began, and Emily would not have thought them half so delightful otherwise—your grandfather used to tell me of an adventure that happened to him when he was a young man. We lived, you know, in Central New Hampshire, not far from the famed Kearsage Mountain, and the country was quite wild and newly-settled. Neighbors were few and far between, and there were large tracts of forest land where now and then bears and catamounts were seen. There was a poor neighbor living over in what we called Sutton Gorge, some gve or six miles away, and one day in the late autumn father rode over on horseback with some tea and sugar and a couple of loaves of mother's white bread such as would seem delicacies to a poor family used to the rough, hard fare of those early days.

"The family had just killed a pig, and when father was ready to come home they insisted that he should take a piece of the fresh pork in exchange for the delicacies that he had brought. Of course he could not refuse and he strapped the meat behind the saddle, and so rode off with cheery goodbys and thanks. It was late in the afternoon, and the November night came on early, so that it was quite dark before father was half-way home, but by the light of the stars shining dimly through the forest treees he kept bravely on his way.

"Suddenly father heard a long, low wailing cry like that of some child, lost and wandering in the woods. His horse threw up its head with a snort, his ears erect, trembling all over, and then started off in a gallop. Behind him fatheer heard the long wailing cry again, and presently the patter of soft, catlike feet. Looking over his back father could see a dark object bounding along the forest track, and presently it leaped like a flash upon the back of his horse. Father then knew that the fierce animal had smelled the fresh meat and it was that which made the panther so bold.

"Old Dobbins was not used to panthers, and doubtless the creature's sharp claws dug into his back. Anyway, he dashed off half-crazed with terror, plunging and snorting terribly. For half a mile the panther clung to his perch, tearing with his teeth at the fresh meat, when the frightened horse threw him off. Half an hour afterwards they reached home safely, but old Dobbin bore the marks of the panther's claws for many a long day afterwards."

Emily drew a long breath.

"Now, mamma, tell me about the big tornado. You know you were there, your very own self, mamma."

"But mamma was only a baby girl asleep in the cradle, so she will have to tell this too as it was told her.

"This was on Sunday afternoon in early September. It was exceedingly warm and no air was stirring, and all the doors and windows were open so that the inmates of the houses might catch every wandering breeze. It was about five o'clock, and all at once a dense dark cloud was seen rising in the west. Very rapidly it grew and very swiftly it came. There was no time to close either door or window before the tornado was upon us.

Mamma always said that the cloud as it approached resembled and inverted funnel, only it covered the whole western heavens. Out of it flashed vivid lightning and the most terrifying thunder. In a moment it was as dark as night, and then the tempest dashed down, sweeping everything before it.

"In our little settlement on the side of the mountain there were seven houses, in each of which lived a family. When the tornado had passed not a house nor a barn was left standing. Every tree on a forty-acre lot of woodland was leveled to the ground. Trees, fences, shingles, household implements, the heads and wings of fowls filled the air. Crops were swept off clean; stones partly buried in the earth were overturned. Even the chimneys of the houses were carried away.

"Strange as it may seem, very few lives were lost. An old man at one of our neighbors were killed. Our nearest neighbor's wife had an arm broken. All the others escaped without a scratch. I was lying asleep in a cradle when the tempest broke over the settlement, and never knew what had happened. After the tornado had passed I was found still asleep in the cradle under an overturned sleigh, half a mile from where the house stood. My two brothers the day before had caught a big black bear in a trap, and had him chained to a sill in the barn, intending to exhibit him the next day at a muster near the village. Though the barn was entirely destroyed to its very foundation, the sill to which the bear was chained being a cross-sill and bedded into the ground, remained in its place, and bruin was unharmed. But he was not exhibited the next day on the muster-field."

Emily's eyes closed in a most dutiful manner as mamma finished the last sentence.

"I am going to sleep now, mamma, and it was very nice of you to tell me two stories. They put me to sleep so much better than one."

Suddenly she opened them wide.

"Mamma, if I had lived when you were a little girl I couldn't have had you for my mamma. I like it best just as it is." And it was a very sensible conclusion.

A SLIGHT MISTAKE

Professor Mason had a charming wife and family of whom he was very fond, but, professor-like, his thoughts were always on his books.

One afternoon Mrs. Mason went motoring with a party of friends and did not return home until evening. The house seemed remarkably quiet to her. She had left the children playing about, but now they were nowhere to be seen.

"Where are the children James?" she inquired.

"Why, my dear," responded the husband, "they were making a good deal of noise, so I just put them to bed without waiting for you or calling the maid."

"I hope they gave you no trouble," said Mrs. Mason.

"No," said the Professor, "except the one in the back room. He objected a good deal to my undressing him and putting him to bed."

Mrs. Mason went to inspect the children. "Why James!" she cried, "the boy in the back room is little Tommy Moore, who lives next door!"—New York Times.

TRUE TO MOTHER

Harold and Ralph were walking along the street when Ralph, with a smile, took off his hat to a lady on the other side.

"Who is that lady?" asked Harold.

"That is my mother."

"Do you always take off your hat to your mother?"

"Why, of course I do. Don't you?"

"I do to other ladies."

"Well my mother is about the nicest lady I know. I think she's worth being polite to."—Zion's Herald.

WHO FORGETS?

A ragged, poor and friendless Chicago boy was asked, "Do you not think if there were a God, He would tell somebody to give you clothes and other things that you need?" "He does tell somebody," replied the boy, "but somebody forgets."

How about the faithful veterans of the ministry who have literally worn themselves out in the service of Christ and our church and are now able to serve no longer, whose salaries are cut off and who stand in need?

How about the widows and little orphan children who have shared the privations of self-denying ministers who have now ceased from their labors? Doth God care for oxen and can He forget His saints? Somebody forgets. Have you forgotten?

These saints who are in need have put their trust in the great God of Elijah, and they can truly say with the Psalmist of old, "I have been young and now am old, yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken nor his seed begging bread."

God will give them their daily bread. He longs to do this through His church. He offers you the privilege of sharing with Him this fellowship of ministering to the saints.

"Lord God of hosts be with us yet, lest we forget, lest we forget."

A home missionary pastor in Oregon recently held a meeting in a place as benighted as heathendom. He found three mothers who had not heard a sermon since they were children. He found young people who had never been inside a church building or to a Sunday school. An eighteen year old girl on being shown a picture of Christ, said "Who's He? I thought that was only a curse word."

Where is your heathen brother? From his grave
Near thy own gate or 'neath a foreign sky?
From the thronged depths of ocean murmuring cave
His answering blood reproachfully doth cry.
Blood of the soul! Can all earth's fountains make
The dark stain disappear? Stewards of God awake!"

WOULDN'T STAND SWEARING

A boy who attends one of our Sunday school went out into the country in the summer to spend his vacation—a visit he had looked forward to with pleasure. He went out to help the men harvest. One of the men was an inveterate swearer. The boy, having stood it as long as he could, said to the man: "Well, I guess I will go home tomorrow."

The swearer, who had taken a great liking to him, said: "I thought you were going to stay all summer."

"I was," said the boy, "but I can't stay anybody swears so. One of us must go; so I will go."

The man felt the rebuke and said: "If you will stay, I won't swear." And he kept his word.

Boys, take a bold stand for the right; throw all your influence on the side of Christ, and you will sow seed the harvest of which you will reap both in this world and that which is to come.—Messiah's Herald.

THE RED-SHOULDERED HAWK

Far up against the blue sky you can see a tiny speck. Watch; it is growing larger. Now is seems to be slowly circling around. Why, it is a bird—a hawk! "Father, get your gun quick!" you cry. "There's a hen hawk aiming at the barn-yard!"

Stay, my friend. Do not be in such haste to destroy the feathered airship as it sails toward you. Look! Has it red shoulder straps? Yes. Then it surely is not a bird to be slain. "But it will carry off our pullets," you protest.

Are you sure it is not one of this bird's cousins that robs your hen house? Sir Red-Shoulder loves mice better than he does chicken. These hawks build their nests on tall trees in the thick woods. When the young have learned to glide and circle about far above the tops of the trees their mother takes them on a mouse hunt. She teaches them to watch the grass and, when it trembles in a certain spot, to dart down, swift as an arrow; for there a meadow mouse is running.

After the hunting season is over, up into the air mount the hawks, higher and higher, till they look like mere specks against the sky. If your eyes are sharp and your hearing keen, you can watch them at their play—a wonderful air dance among the clouds. They glide and circle, poise and float, all the time uttering shrill whistles to each other like a group of jolly school children at their games.

Once in a great while Red-Shoulder does crave a bite of chicken; but usually he breakfasts, dines, and sups on mice and moles and other small rodents. His desserts consist of spiders, crawfish, earthworms, frogs, fish, and insects. If it were not for Sir Red-Shoulder and his kin, the farmers would soon see how much worse off they were. The mice and moles would ruin the grain crops so completely that there would hardly be enough left to harvest. Let us be neighborly to Friend Red-Shoulder and invite him to build on our premises, even if we do have to sacrifice a pullet or two each season in return for all the help he gives us.—Margaret W. Leighton.

TRY MURINE EYE REMEDY

for Red, Weak, Weary, Watery Eyes and Granulated Eyelids. Murine Doesn't Smart—Soothes Eye Pain. Druggists Sell Murine Eye Remedy, Liquid, 25c, 50c, $1.00. Murine Eye Salve in Aseptic Tubes, 25c, $1.00. Eye Books and Eye Advice Free by Mail.

Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago.

A Great Book at a Great Bargain Less Than Half Price.

It is large, double column pages, printed on good book paper, substantially bound in cloth. It contains about 450 sermons and sermon outlines by many of the world's greatest preachers and about 800 bright suggestive religious anecdotes, price prepaid $1. If not pleased return it and your $1 will be refunded without a word.

The Co-Operative Pub. Co., Kirkwood, Mo.

We Will Pay You $120.00 to represent us and distribute Bibles in your community. 60 days' work. Man or woman. Experience not required. Spare time may be used.

International Bible Press, Dept. I Y, Philadelphia

$150.00 SALARY For sixty days work distributing religious literature. No experience or investment necessary. Promotion to broader field for those who show ability. Spare time if you prefer. J. S. Zeigler Co., 200 Harrison State Bldg. Chicago.

NEW FEATHER BEDS $5.40 ONLY

6 pound Feather Pillows $1 per pair. New, Clean, Odorless, Sanitary and Dustless Feathers. Best Ticking. Satisfaction guaranteed. Write for FREE catalog and wonderful FREE OFFER. Agents wanted. SOUTHERN FEATHER & PILLOW CO., Desk 24 GREENSBORO, NO. CAR.

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.....E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg...W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller.....C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg.,
M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.....J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg...J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.....G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St..... O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel...J. W. Ligon

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

Are Your Piggies Cold?



"My piggies warm as toast."
"So are mine."
"Gee, but ain't it nice to get up early now?"
"Sure is—it used to be so cold before Daddy bought the Nesco Perfect, now, it's just as warm as can be."
"I'll beat you down to thank Daddy for Nesco Perfect."

Are your's these Lucky Kiddies who dress by a

Nesco Perfect Oil Heater

Price.....

Save Your Money

ODELL HARDWARE CO.
Greensboro, N. C.

Whit-Leather

GUARANTEED HOSIERY FOR MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN

THERE isn't *any hosiery made* except Whit-Leather that gives you all this for 10 cents:—

(1) Guaranteed comfort.
(2) Guaranteed fit.
(3) Guaranteed fast color.
(4) Guaranteed durability. We guarantee that six pairs won't wear out in four whole months or we will replace them free of charge.



Sold by most good retailers everywhere. If your dealer hasn't them, we will send hose post-paid on receipt of price and his name. Give size, color (all solid colors), also whether men's, women's or children's hose are wanted.

WHIT-LEATHER HOSIERY MILLS

Selling Agents:
M. Gilmer Bros. Company, Inc.
Winston-Salem, N. C.
Tough as Whit-Leather

Children's Home

Fifth Sunday Collections

Mrs. G. W. Kirk, Mouth of Wilson, Va., Potato Creek S. S., 70c; E. A. Caudle, Liberty S. S., Liberty, $4.50; C. F. Morrison, Wilkesboro S. S., $2.76; J. E. Freeman, Bryson City S. S., $3.80; Frank Woosley, Winston-Salem, Pine Grove S. S., 78c; W. H. Speas, Winston-Salem, New Hope S. S., 74c; D. R. Scott, Raven, Mill Creek S. S., $2.00; J. F. Roberts, Treas. Central S. S., Shelby, $20.00; W. C. Beckham, Hiddenite S. S., $1.70; J. M. Goforth, Trinity S. S., Dysartville, $1.55; E. Patton, Patton's S. S., Franklin, 70c; H. T. Griggs, Chesterfield, S. C., New Hope S. S., $2.06; H. W. Gibson, Garden City, Carson's Chapel S. S., 70c; H. L. Lewis, Treas. East End S. S., High Point, $3.82; R. H. Lassiter, Supt. New Hope S. S., Pipe, $3.00; V. A. J. Idol, Treas. Wesley Memorial S. S., High Point, $15.31; J. P. Marlin, Siloam, Prospect S. S., $2.00; W. S. Hodges, Spray S. S., $2.39; G. C. Little, Newton S. S., $5.00; N. E. Propst, Newton, Friendship S. S., $1.00; J. T. Query, Hudson S. S., $1.00; H. L. Walser, Lexington, Bethel S. S., $1.00; W. E. Huls, Winston-Salem, North Liberty S. S., $2.00; J. N. Dayvault, China Grove S. S., $4.64; T. P. Shuford, Statesville, Rowe's Chapel S. S., $3.00; A. C. Sharpe, Hiddenite, Rocky Spring S. S., 71c; R. M. Foster, Farmington, Smith's Grove S. S., $1.00; R. C. Davis, Treas. Asheville, $20.85; L. L. Moore, Monroe, Wesley's Chapel S. S., $1.00; Miss Bessie Lee Allen, Horse Shoe S. S., 60c; Howard Marsh, Marshville, Gilboa S. S., $1.30; Miss Arra Lankford, Saluda S. S., 98c; R. C. Good, Lincolnton S. S., $9.41; John L. Ferguson, Whittier, Shoal Creek S. S., $6.00; A. M. Howard, Davidson, Williamson Chapel S. S., 70c; G. F. Ivey, Hickory, First church S. S., $18.74; Mrs. H. H. Mitchell, Harris, Broad River Ct., $4.05; W. L. Smith, Providence, Broad River Ct., $1.00; E. D. Grubb, Greensboro, Walnut St. S. S., $10.00; S. E. Varner, Whittier S. S., $7.00; Davenport College S. S., class of young women, Lenoir, by Rev. C. M. Campbell, $8.00; J. R. Hauser, Lewisville, Union S. S., 60c; Supt. Marvin S. S., Stony Point, 27c; J. W. Lassiter, Pipe, Oak Grove S. S., $1.55; Miss Rose Green, Treas., Bethel S. S., Asheville, $4.28; John W. Hoyle, Newton, Marvin S. S., 55c; Hadley Helms, Monroe, Grace S. S., $1.34; S. E. Kirkman, Randleman, St. Paul's S. S., $13.92; Rev. J. T. Stover, Crouse S. S., 60c; T. B. Crawford, for Wesley Adult Bible class, West End S. S., Winston-Salem, $5.00; Dr. J. E. Kerr, Lilesville, Forestville S. S., $1.61; Dr. J. E. Kerr, Lilesville S. S., $5.00; L. A. Helms, Unionville S S., $4.50; J. C. Lowell, Mill Spring, Lebanon S. S., 51c; E. E. Houck, Todd, Blackburn's Chapel S. S., $1.00; D. C. Flowers, Lenoir, Cedar Valley S. S., $1.25; Jas. W. Eury, Gastonia, West End S. S., $2.75; J. B. Hazell, Treas. Reidsville S. S., $12.00; W. M. Zimmerman, Lexington, Mt. Olivet S. S., $3.75; Mrs. T. M. Rickert, Statesville, Snow Creek S. S., 80c; H. L. Yarboro, Monroe, Prospect S. S., $1.50; C. P. Rogers, East Flat Rock S. S., $3.58; C. D. Taylor, Valle Crucis S. S., $3.00; Miss Lola B. McBrayer, Rutherfordton, Kestler's Chapel S. S., $1.06; Carmi Felker, Cleveland S. S., $2.02; M. C. Scarcy, Glass, Unity S. S., $1.25; Sanford Foster, Advance, Bethlehem S. S., 63c; R. B. Babbington, Treas. Main St. S. S., Gastonia, $12.37; J. S. Mitchell, Statesville, Connelly's Chapel S. S., $1.15; M. S. Speas, Winston-Salem, Sharon S. S., 75c; Paul E. Kirk, Albemarle, Stony Hill S. S., $1.30; A. J. Busick, Greensboro, Center S. S., 95c; W. M. Clark, Greensboro, Rehobeth S. S., 40c; J. P. Brown, Franklin, Clark's Chapel S. S., $1.95; L. S. Kimel, Winston-Salem, Bethel S. S., $1.76; G. D. Wilkinson, Maiden S. S., $4.00. Total, $276.28.

Amounts Received on General and Special Support and the Ten Per Cent. Assessment Fund

T. B. Crawford, Winston-Salem, Adult Bible class, West End church, $20.00; Mrs. Myrtle Wooten, Winston-Salem, $5.00; Capt. W. T. Rowland, Taylorsville, $12.50; John L. Beal, Treas., Main St. church, Gastonia, $55.00; A. E. Hendley, Ansonville, Cedar Hill S. S., $2.73; Rev. D. A. Oakley, Jonesville, $2.60; a friend, $5.00; Rev. J. E. McSwain, Lewisville, $28.00; G. B. Howard, Mount Holly, for "a good Baptist friend," $5.00; Rev. J. T. Stover, Crouse, $5.70; The Junior Epworth League, North Liberty St. church, Winston-Salem, $3.00; Rev. D. F. Carver, Davidson Ct., $25.00; Rev. R. L. Ferguson, Black Mountain, $9.07; Rev. A. C. Swofford, Salem church, $3.70; C. A. Rodgers, Mooresville, Unity church, $3.50; L. M. Johnson, Treas. West Market St. church, Greensboro, $9.66; J. S. Bell, Elkin church, $81.75. Total, $277.21.

Building Fund—Rev. J. H. West, Agent

Mrs. S. E. Tiner, Saluda, $10.00; Mrs. S. E. Summer, Biltmore, $2.50; Miss Sudie Robinson, Newton, $2.50; W. F. Bell, Albemarle, $1.00; L. E. Brown, Mt. Ulla, $10.00; Miss Burton Elison, Franklinville, $2.00; J. F. Groves, Rutherfordton, $2.50; John J. Dunlap, Wadesboro, $10.00; G. A. Brown, Mt. Ulla, $5.00; W. S. Robinson's class, Harrison's church, Fort Mill, S. C., $20.00; Mrs. W. L. Patterson's class, Harrison's church, Fort Mill, S. C., $5.00; Miss Kathleen Atkinson, Wadesboro, $5.00; E. Niven, Waxhaw, $5.00; W. L. Stamey, High Point, $1.25; a friend, Wadesboro, $50.00; W. B. Stearns, Asheville, $25.00; J. W. Harris, High Point, $25.00; Ed. M. Whiteside, Asheville, $10.00; Main Street S. S., Gastonia, $18.85; John C. Orr, Asheville, $5.00; Mrs. W. E. Cunningham's class, Pineville Ct. Fort Mill, S. C., $2.50; Mrs. Warren C. Stack, Monroe, $2.00; Miss Fannie B. Howell, Waynesville, $1.00; Mrs. F. Keeter, Gilkey, $1.00; Miss Bessie Cox, Franklinville, $1.00; a friend in Thomasville, $1.00. Total, $224.10.

Acknowledgement

We take pleasure in acknowledging the gift of two quilts by Mrs. L. C. Eury, one of the venerable mothers in our Israel at Gastonia, and another by Mrs. L. F. Moore, of Mt. Ulla. We also return our thanks to our good neighbor, Mr. Dalton, who frequently remembers our family with apples all round, for a barrel of choice winesaps distributed among the cottages the past week.

RESOLUTIONS OF APPRECIATION

Whereas, Rev. W. T. Usry, having served out his quadrennial term on the Cherryville charge M. E. Church, South; and

Whereas, by statute of limitation it devolves upon Conference soon to convene at Reidsville, N. C., to remove him from us; therefore,

Be it resolved, that the five churches of the Cherryville charge hereby tender to him and his family their heartfelt thanks for and appreciation of their noble and untiring services among us. We deem it altogether fitting that we give public expression to our feelings and adopt this means of so doing.

Be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and a copy to the Cherryville Eagle for publication, a copy be presented to the presiding elder of the Shelby District and a copy given to our beloved pastor, Rev. W. T. Usry.

Official members Cherryville Ct.

It is good to give a stranger a meal or a night's lodging. It is better to be hospitable to his good meaning and thought, and give courage. We must be as courteous to a man as we are to a picture, which we are willing to give the advantage of a good light.—*Emerson.*

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Schedule figures published only as information. Not guaranteed. Trains leave Greensboro as follows:

12:55 a. m.—No. 112, daily. Local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh open here at 9:30 p. m. and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m.

1:47 a. m.—No. 30, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars Birmingham to New York and Washington and observation sleeping car Atlanta to Richmond. Tourist car Washington from San Francisco. Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars New York and Washington to Birmingham and observation sleeping car Richmond to Atlanta. Tourist car Washington to San Francisco via Sunset Route. Dining car service. Day coaches.

3:45 a. m.—No. 31, daily. Augusta Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars New York to Augusta and Asheville and Washington to Charlotte and Asheville. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:45 a. m.—No. 11, daily. Local for Atlanta and points South. Pullman sleeping cars Richmond and Norfolk to Charlotte. Connects at Salisbury tor Asheville and points west. Day coaches.

7:15 a. m.—No. 37, daily. New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with drawing room and open section sleeping cars New York and Washington to New Orleans and New York to Macon. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service. No coaches.

7:30 a. m.—No. 108, daily. Local for Raleigh.

7:30 a. m.—No. 154, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

8:10 a. m.—No. 44, daily. For Washington and points north.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily. For Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Handles Raleigh-Winston-Salem sleeping car.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily. For Mount Airy.

9:20 a. m.—No. 144, daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Free reclining chair Charlotte to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily. For Salisbury, Statesville, Asheville and Waynesville. Connects at Asheville with Carolina Special. Chair car Goldsboro to Asheville.

12:45 p. m.—No. 130, daily. For Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

12:50 p. m.—No. 45, daily. Local for Charlotte, connecting for Columbia and Seneca.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Washington and New York. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York.
Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:40 p. m.—No. 207, daily. For Winston-Salem, connecting daily except Sunday for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daily except Sunday for Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Chair car Asheville to Goldsboro. Coaches.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily. For Mount Airy.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily. For Winston-Salem.

6:43 p. m.—No. 43, daily. Local for Charlotte.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily. For Sanford.

7:20 p. m.—No. 35, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham, Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham. Dining car service. Day coaches.

7:30 p. m.—No. 46, daily. Local for Danville.

10:20 p. m.—No. 12, daily. Local for Richmond. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Norfolk.

10:35 p. m.—No. 32. daily. Augusta Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars Augusta and Asheville to New York and Charlotte and Asheville to Washington. Dining car service. Day coaches.

10:35 p. m.—No. 233, daily. For Winston-Salem.

11:15 p. m.—No. 38, daily. New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Pullman drawing room and observation sleeping cars New Orleans and Macon to Washington and New York. Dining car service. No coaches.

R. H. DeBUTTS, Division Passenger Agent, Charlotte, N. C.

C. G. PICKARD, Passenger and Ticket Agent, Greensboro, N. C.

THE SOUTHERN SERVES THE SOUTH

AGENTS WANTED

Everywhere in N. C. by Penn Mutual Life Insurance Co. Write McPherson & Barnes, State Agents, Raleigh, N. C. Best Company for Insured, therefore best for Agents.

NOTES FROM TRINITY COLLEGE

"Our Navy and its Meaning" was the subject of a very interesting and instructive stereoptican lecture by Dr. Edward Breck, representative of the Navy League of America in the Y. M. C. A. Hall Monday evening.

Dr. Beck holds the A. M. and Ph. D. degrees from the University of Leipzig. For many years he was the Berlin correspondent for the New York Times and the New York Herald, and was later consul-general to Berlin. From this experience he gained first-hand information as to the actual conditions in countries which maintain large armies and navies.

Dr. Frank C. Brown, of the department of English, left Monday for Raleigh to attend the annual meeting of the North Carolina Folk-lore Society of which he is secretary and treasurer It was largely through the efforts of Dr. Brown that the society was first organized three years ago.

Dr. William K. Boyd, of the department of History, was a member of the committee which yesterday awarded the Patterson Memorial Cup, offered for the best volume published within the year by a resident of North Carolina, to President William Louis Poteat, of Wake Forest College. The Cup is presented each year at the annual meeting of the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association.

The Mountain Boomers' Club, one of the largest organizations of its kind here, met several days ago and reorganized for the year. The following officers were elected: President, G. W. Harley; Vice-President, J. W. Elliot; Secretary and Treasurer, J. H. Coman.

The following new members were taken into the club: S. E. Stone, Frank Calfee, R. H. Shelton, E. L. Shelton, Bonner Ray, Edwin Burge, S. G. Corpening, R. K. Smathers, C. L. Nichols, W. D. Hyatt, W. M. Bouterse, A. Moody, and Miss Bessie Finestein; faculty member, Professor R. N. Wilson.

The Columbian Literary Society on last Saturday evening elected the following officers for the second quarter: President, L. C. Allen, Apex; Vice-president, R. M. Johnston, Greensboro; Secretary, G. H. Ferguson, Reidsville; treasurer, J. H. Burrus, Shelby; and marshal, J. H. Grigg, Lawndale. The new president made the following appointments: corresponding secretary, C. A. Poole; chaplain, M. B. Woosley; censor, J. W. Hoyle, Jr.; chief tribune, G. Y. Newton; associate tribunes, G. R. Jordan and C. A. Reep; clerk of tribunal, L. L. Gobbel; and executive committee, M. S. Lewis, chairman, E. C. Harris, H. W. Kendall, E. M. Spivey,and I. L. Shaver.

The Y. M. C. A. held a students' meeting last Wednesday evening when it was addressed by Messrs. J. H. Coman and W. R. Shelton.

The Trinity College Alumni are planning a meeting and dinner in Raleigh Friday evening, November 26, at 6 o'clock, and the occasion promises to be most interesting and helpful. This dinner is to similar to the one so successfully planned and so greatly enjoyed at Charlotte last Thanksgiving when seventy-five or eighty former students and friends of the College were present.

The meeting this year will be held during the Teachers' Assembly which is to be in session in Raleigh from the 24th to the 26th. During this time a large number of Trinity men and women who are teaching in the state will be in Raleigh attending the session of the Teachers' Assembly. Friday evening, November 26, has been set apart as the "College Get-Together Night;" and from six until eight o'clock these college dinners and meetings will be held at various places in the city.

The preparations for the Trinity dinner are being made by a faculty committee consisting of Professors E. C. Brooks and R. L. Flowers, and Dr. E. W. Knight, who are conferring with a committee appointed by the Wake County Alumni Association. This latter committee is composed of Messrs. Willis Smith, Hal A. Hayes, Rev. J. C. Wooten, and Dr. Albert Anderson, who are being assisted by numerous other alumni in Raleigh. The committee from Trinity College has prepared a letter which is being sent to a large number of Trinity men and women who are likely to be in Raleigh attending the Teachers' Assembly or who will go to Raleigh especially for the dinner. From present indications it appears that as many as a hundred and fifty or perhaps more will be present at that time.

Thursday night in Crowell Science Hall the regular meeting of the Botanical Club was held. The program consisted of a paper by B. L. Smith on "Recent Discussions of the Mutation Theory."

W. E. Giles, J. C. Gaither, and J. C. Boggs became members of the Club.

MISS OLIVE RUDD IS BRIDE OF MR. SINK

A beautiful home wedding was solemnized Thursday, Nov. 4th, 1915, at high noon when Olive Clemtine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Senaca Rudd of Brown Summit, N. C. became the bride of Mr. H. F. Sink of Greensboro. The home was beautifully decorated for the occasion. The parlor in white roses and ferns, hall in forest colors and dining room in yellow chrysanthemums. The parlor was filled with many friends and relatives of the couple. Rev. T. B. Johson, the pastor of the bride, who officiated at the ceremony was standing in the corner opposite the entrance. The ring ceremony of the Methodist Church was used.

Just prior to the entrance of the bridal party Mrs. Fulton rendered a musical program and Mrs. S. L. Jones of Greensboro sang "Oh Promise Me." "Hearts and Flowers" was played during the ceremony. The bridal party entered the parlor to the strains of the wedding march in the following order: Miss Irene Fulton, maid of honor, carrying a bouquet of purple chrysanthemums to match her costume; Mr. Sink with his brother, Walter Sink, who was best man; Annie Ware Caffey, flower girl with Albert Rudd, nephew of the bride, ring bearer. The ring was buried in a white chrysanthemum. The bride, in a suit of brown cloth with accessories to match, entered leaning on the arm of her brother, S. G. Rudd, who gave her in marriage. She carried a beautiful bouquet of white chrysanthemums.

Immediately following the ceremony, a buffet luncheon was served by Mesdames M. D. Caffey, S. G. Rudd, assisted by Misses Clara Osborne and Myrtle Rudd.

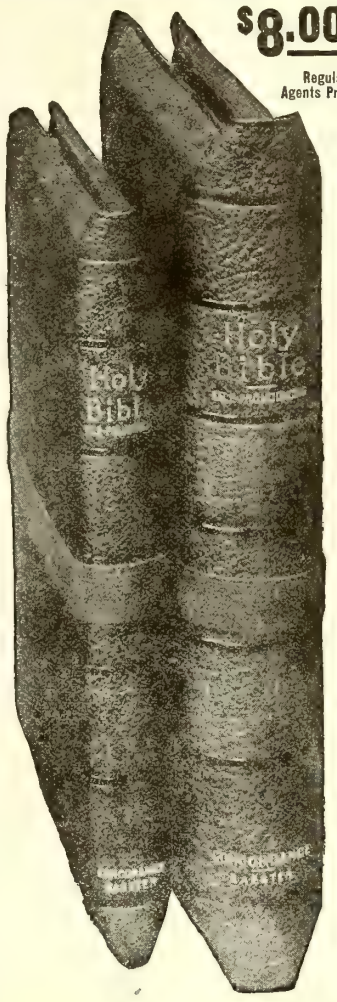
A TRIBUTE TO BISHOP WILSON

(Continued from page 5)

that success, riches, environment, intellect, even, were but the tools the master gave into his servants' hands, and that the honesty of the work was all they must answer for. And again he lifted his eyes to the hovering white birds, and with a great thrill of joy it came to him that he had his offering, too, he had this lovely multitude for a gift to the Master; and as if the thought had clothed him with glory, he saw his poor black clothes suddenly transfigured to shining garments, and, with a shock, he felt the rush of a long-forgotten feeling, the feeling of youth and strength, beating in a warm glow through his veins."

Judged by the tokens of appreciation tonight, Bishop Wilson must in his waking hours have like visions enabling him to "renew his youth like the eagle's."

The most difficult thing in life is to keep the heights which the soul has reached.—Rev. David Riddle, Jr.



$8.00 BIBLE FOR $3.50

Regular Agents Price. Our Net Price POSTPAID.

FINE INDIA PAPER BAGSTER BIBLE,

with its luminous red under gold edges, beautiful clear, large black face minion type, about half the weight, thickness and bulk of the ordinary paper edition. The India paper used in these genuine Bagster Bibles is the costliest, thinnest, the whitest, the toughest, the most opaque that the world's best mills can produce.

It has nearly 1,200 pages, including a complete Concordance, references and colored maps, so indispensable to Teachers, Pastors, Superintendents, Bible Students, Evangelists, and Christisn Workers generally, **but is only seven-eighths of an inch thick** and weighs only 19 ounces, 5 1-2 x 7 1-2, Its superb silk sewn, **Genuine Morocco** leather binding is not only exquisitely beautiful, but is protected by its

PATENTED UNBREAKABLE BACK

because of which we absolutely guarantee the binding not to break or crease, and to outwear any other.

A ROYAL GIFT

for the Scholar, Teacher, Pastor, Superintendent, or Friend that will not only delight the recipient, but will be a credit to the giver.

This genuine Bagster Bible must not be confounded with the cheap imitations claimed to be printed on "thin" paper or "Bible" paper and bound in so-called "leather." "Thin" paper and "Bible" paper are not the expensive INDIA paper on which this genuine Bagster Bible is printed. Money cheerfully refunded and delivery charges paid both ways if you do not agree that this is the most extraordinary Bible value you ever saw. $8.00 value for $3.50; also same Bible as advertised above with long primer type for $5.00.

Note—For 50 cents additional we will furnish our Thumb Index Edition and stamp name in pure gold on outside cover

Pentecostal Publishing Co.
LOUISVILLE, KY.

Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

A mutual fire insurance company, organized, owned and operated by the Methodist Church in North Carolina, for the purpose of furnishing protection for church property and personal property of preachers at ACTUAL COST.

Write for information and rates.

W. E. WEBB, Secretary **Statesville, N. C.**



A MONUMENT OF REGAL BLUE
is a monument of beauty and permanence

It is a marble that withstands the rigors of every climate; its color is a beautiful deep, unchanging blue. Government tests show the highest resistance to absorption of moisture and the greatest crushing strength. Finished at our own plant in a great variety of designs. Special work to order. Awarded the Gold Medal at the St. Louis Exposition. Regal Blue is the only blue marble produced in the South.

THE REGAL MARBLE CO., - - Regal, N. C.

Methodist Benevolent Association

A Mutual Benefit Brotherhood for Southern Methodists. Issues Whole Life, 20-Premium Life, Term to 60, and Disability Certificates. **Benefits** payable at **death, old age, or disability.** Over $152,000.00 paid to **widows, orphans, and disabled.** Over $40,000.00 reserve fund. Write for rates, blanks, etc. ***J. H. Shumaker, Secretary, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.***

Business Preparation--Thorough instruction in Bookkeeping, Banking, Accounting, Shorthand, Typewriting, etc.—rendered at minimum cost in shortest time. ***Either school or home courses.*** Good paying positions secured on completion of either.

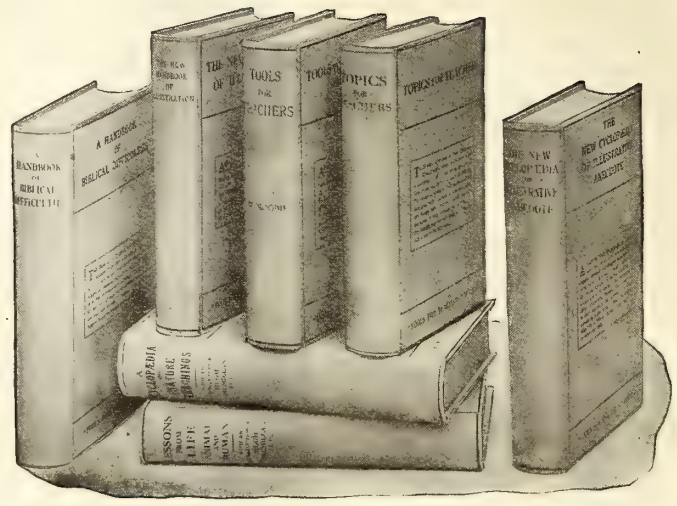
Write for our illustrated catalogue and learn how this school is equipped to make something of you in the business world. Address

S. P. BROWN, President, LYNCHBURG, VA.

VIRGINIA COMMERCIAL AND SHORTHAND COLLEGE

Sunday School Helps and Supplies

SEVEN LARGE VOLS.
OVER
3800 PAGES



ONLY
$6.00
NET

Tools for Preachers and Teachers

Formerly $14.00----Now Less Than Half Price

Any Single Volume, $1.00 net (formerly $2.00)

A practical, working library, drawn from nature life and the Scriptures. A Storehouse of Information useful for workers in every branch of Christian effort.

1. The Cyclopaedia of Nature Teachings
Introduction by Hugh Macmillan

A selection of acts, illustrations, examples and suggesitons taken from fall departments of inanimate nature, and employed to illuminate the great facts of the religious life.

2. Lessons from Life (Animal and Human)
Introduction by Hugh Macmillan

A compendium of illustration abounding in curious and interesting facts concerning the habits, instincts and peculiarities of living creatures, both animal and human. The moral and religious lessons imparted arise naturally and without effort from the incidents described.

3. Tools for Teachers
By Wm. Moodie

A collection of anecdotes, illustrations and legends for the use of Teachers of Sunday-Schools, Bible Classes and Boys' Clubs. A practical manual and storehouse of anecdotes and illustration for all who have to do with the moral and religious training of the young.

4. New Cyclopaedia of Illustrative Anecdote
(Moral and Religious)

A comprehensive collection of authentic anecdotes, old and new, on a wide range of subjects, arranged and classified alphabetically for ready reference, and with a detailed index.

5. New Handbook of Illustration

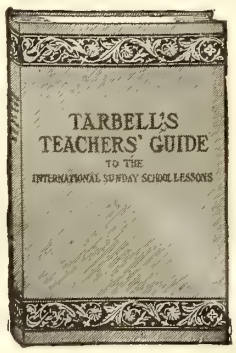
A classified exposition of Scripture Truth and Christian Life, digested and arranged for ready reference. This Handbook of Illustration will afford valuable aid, as a book of suggestion and reference, to public speakers in every branch of their profession.

6. Handbook of Biblical Difficulties
(On Moral and Religious Subjects)
By the Rev. Robert Tuck, B. A.

The editor of this Handbook has collected the passages in the Bible which seem to present special difficulties, and deals carefully with each, suggesting a reasonable explanation of every perplexity, or at least of every class of perplexity.

7. Topics for Teachers *By the Rev. J. C. Gray*

This work constitutes a Bible Dictionary, Manual and Textbook, a Commentary and a Concordance, all in one, saving the cost of these books and the time occupied in their use. The volume is almost a library in itself. It is an invaluable work for preachers and Sunday-School teachers.

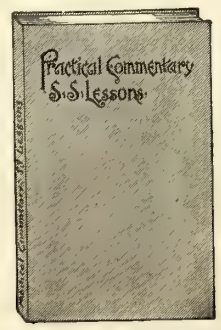


Tarbell's Teachers' Guide

By Martha Tarbell, Ph. D.

Large octavo, cloth binding, $1.00 net (postpaid $1.10).

Time was when "anyone" taught Sunday-school, and results were a matter of conjecture. The TARBELL method has ushered in a new era in Sunday-school teaching, with every teacher a competent instructor. From all parts of the globe testimonials come regularly to the success of this modern Sunday-school teachers' *vade mecum* in all grades.



Peloubet's Notes

Conceded to be the best help for teachers in the Sunday School.

Large octavo, cloth binding $1.00 net (postpaid $1.10).

The Gist of the Lesson

By R. A. Torrey, D. D.

Leatherette, net 25c. postpaid.

Increasing by leaps and bounds, each year the history of "GIST" is the record of continued success. Not merely a book of "notes," but a *vade mecum* packed with seed thoughts for study and meditation.



Sunday School Register arranged with blanks for each Sunday's minutes and complete class report, with a summary for each quarter, also for annual report. Arranged for two years. This is generally conceded to be the best and most complete Sunday school Register now published. Price postpaid $1.50.

Sunday School Quarterly Class Records, full size, 25 cts. per dozen. Every Sunday school should keep a good supply of these records.

Complete Baraca Class Record. One Hundred loose leaf sheets for $1.00. Binder $1.00. Complete outfit $2.00. Each leaf is so arranged as to keep a complete individual record for twelve months. No class should be without this record. Sample sheets furnished on application. One binder will last a life time. Any book published will be furnished at the publisher's price.

Job Printing of all sorts executed with neatness and dispatch. Be sure to see us before giving out your fall work. Anything entrusted to us by mail order will be attended to promptly. Send orders to

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

VOLUME LX NUMBER 49

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Reading Room Trinity College

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

GREENSBORO, N. C., THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1915

BE SOMEBODY'S FRIEND

BRUCE CRAVEN

There is no greater lesson in history than the fact recorded by Sallust that the Roman Empire rose to greatness because it helped weaker nations when the help was needed. It is equally true as told by Gibbon that the Empire's fall began when it settled into a life of luxury supported by the tributes from weaker peoples. It is the same truth as taught by Solomon: "The man who hath friends must show himself friendly." Human sympathy is not due to one who complains that he has not a friend in the world, His complaint means only that he has in his own heart no spirit of friendliness for any one in the world. A friend is a logical fruit of a feeling of friendship. Nothing is easier than to have friends. The only need is to show oneself friendly. This simple statement holds good in every walk of life. It is a maxim of politics that no man can be elected to office who has not shown that he will stand by his friends. The joy of friendship comes not from the possession of a friend, but from the consciousness that there is one who depends on you as a friend. There is nothing else that will make a person so glad to be alive and so anxious to live as this feeling. What right has anyone to expect friendship without giving it, to expect something for nothing? Instead of measuring happiness by the number of friends we have, it is really measured by the number of persons to whom we are a friend. Do not ask how many friends you have, but ask yourself if there is one person to whom you are a faithful friend. The substance of religion, as given in the two great commandments, is very nearly included in the admonition, "Be Somebody's Friend."

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

EDITORIAL

IMPORTANT STATEMENT

In another column we are printing the report of the Board of Publication. It will be observed that the debt on our building is provided for only on condition that outstanding pledges are paid.

Since casting up our accounts after Conference we find about $1200. of these pledges still unpaid. A goodly number of these made definite promise during the session of our Conference to attend to this the first thing this year. Quite a number of the pledges are by churches and charges. This note is written to urge that this be attended to at once. Please, brethren, take up this if possible during this first week and let us have check. We depend upon you.

THE WAGES OF ONE DAY

This is Thanksgiving Day and those having charge of our orphanages have requested us to give the income, earnings or wage of one day to the institution in which we are personally interested. The readers of the Advocate will not forget our Children's Home at Winston-Salem.

Let each one estimate as nearly as possible what his average income for a single day amounts to; or, if working for a salary what the average per day would be; or, if working for a daily wage, what the amount is for a single day. Let no one who revels in the abundance of large incomes from numerous sources dodge the issue. If all will respond with honest purpose to this call our orphans will suffer no want for the years to come. Yet why should we not do this very thing? Any one can spare the income or earnings of a day that these homeless ones may be provided for.

SUMMING UP THE RESULTS

As predicted in these columns some time ago, the figures in the reports this year indicate a year of unusual interest and progress. The churches have been blessed and large numbers have professed faith and taken their place among God's people.

The number of local preachers is 200, members 106,303, total 106,503. Total gain for the year 6071. This is the largest net gain we have ever had in one year.

There are 64 Epworth Leagues, with 2273 members. It seems that the League does not grow in numbers. We fear this does not indicate a spirit of devotion and loyalty among our young men and women; or is this due to the attitude of many pastors who say we do not need the League?

The reports show $10,292 raised for superannuated preachers and their widows and orphans on an assessment of $14,000. Only a little more than 73 per cent. We hope to see every dollar of this assessment paid next year. It is a shame that we allow a deficit in the scant assessment made for these claimants.

The amount paid for missions is: foreign, $27,079.00; home and conference, $25,670.00; total, $52,749.00; Church Extension, $9,171.00; education, $12,692.00. These items in reality are missionary, so that the total contribution amounts to $74,612.

The total amount paid for the support of the ministry is $211,791. Of this, $21,156. was paid to presiding elders, and $190,635. was paid to pastors. The average salary is $860.93. The average salary of presiding elders is $1923.27, and the average of pastors is $811.21.

Value of houses of worship is $2,573,505.00, and the value of parsonages, including district parsonages, is $545,155.00.

The report as to the circulation of the church papers is very inaccurate, for the reason that pastors are exceedingly careless about this item. The reports indicate that there are 5,331 Advocates taken, whereas, there are in reality nearly 7,000.

Taking the reports as a whole, the past year has witnessed the largest growth of Methodism in the history of the state. We should thank God and take courage.

TEN THOUSAND FOR OUR CHILDREN'S HOME

Just before going to press on Tuesday we received a 'phone message from Mr. Walter Thompson, Superintendent of our Children's Home, giving us the following which had just been received by him:

Winston-Salem, N. C., Nov. 23, 1915.
Mr. Walter Thompson,
Supt. Children's Home,

Dear Sir:—My children, Bowman Gray, Mamie Gray Galloway, Bess Gray Plumley, Jas. A. Gray, Jr., and myself, desire to contribute ten thousand dollars for the erection of a building at the Children's Home in memory of Amelia Bowman Gray, the same to be built in 1916, and to be known as a girl's building for training on domestic lines. We will take up the details with you later at your convenience.

Yours very truly,
Jas. A. Gray.

THE STATUS OF THE WAR

During the past week there has been much anxiety as to what decisive turn affairs might soon take in the European war, yet there is little of importance to note except the fact that Germany claims to be steadily pushing the Serbian army off their own soil, while the battle of diplomacy is on in dead earnest between the Entente Allies and Greece.

Lord Kitchener has been in Greece bringing every influence possible to bear to secure the cooperation of that country; at least to secure protection of the Allied forces in their campaign in the Balkans. The situation at present, to say the least, is somewhat problematical, and the near future will evidently unfold some very interesting, if not surprising, developments. Meantime, there should be earnest prayer to God for the triumph of the right and such a termination of this war as will leave the world in position to disarm and bring about world-wide peace.

SOME CONFERENCE NOTES

A new feature of our Conference was the injection into the program of two speakers of nation-wide reputation and not of our church. It worked well. No part of the Conference proved more helpful and inspiring than the two great addresses, one by Mr. W. T. Ellis, and the other by Dr. W. A. Brown, of Chicago. These men are world figures and have become the common asset of Christianity rather than of a single denomination. Many of our preachers and laymen had never heard them and needed the inspiration which they could not otherwise get. The visits of such men broaden us all.

* * * *

Bishop Lambuth impressed every one as a man of apostolic spirit. His two visits to Africa during the last three years have given him immense stores of information as to world conditions, and have qualified him to be, not only the special advocate of the black tribes in the Dark Continent, but to sweep the whole horizon of human need and plead powerfully for the planting of the gospel in all lands. His experience in dealing with canibal tribes in Central Africa encourages the belief that there are really no closed doors today anywhere.

* * * *

We shall surely appreciate more than ever before the place of prayer in our whole system of work in trying to evangelize the world. Bishop Lambuth tells with great effect how the native workers at Luebo, when they were about to start on the journey with the Bishop and his companions to find a place far in the interior where they might establish a new mission station, prayed that th Lord would lead them to the right place and make them to know it when they found it. Following this prayer for weeks they journeyed till, coming one day into the village of one of the most noted and war-like canibal chiefs—really the capital of a powerful canibal tribe—as by a miracle they were received cordially and provided with everything necessary to begin their work. To this day that chief has been the patron of the work and apparently would die for the little band of workers rather than see them suffer violence. Thus Wembo Niama, in Central Africa, has appeared as a post on our missionary map.

* * * *

Rev. Dr. Brown made a good point in his Sunday school address on Saturday evening when he said that when the children want to come into the church we won't let them; but when they are older and don't want to come we try to make them come. It is indeed a fearful thing to offend one of these little ones.

* * * *

The Conference and visitors enjoyed a rare treat on Saturday evening in hearing an address by Rev. Dr. Brown, of Chicago, on the Sunday School. Dr. Brown was in the state to attend the State Sunday School Convention in Salisbury and we were fortunate in securing him for the Anniversary of our Sunday School Board.

THE METHODIST PROTESTANT CONFERENCE

The North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church closed its annual session in Grace Church, this city, on Monday night of this week. It is to be regretted that our Conference was held on the same date. For this reason we had no opportunity to even look in upon our brethren.

We understand that they had an unusually good Conference, that the reports for the past year were encouraging and that the outlook for the future is hopeful. Having the same faith and doctrine, we feel that we are all one Methodist family and we hope some day to at least co-operate more fully in the common cause of our Master.

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—See page 15 for the Conference assessments for 1916. This table is authentic and should be preserved for reference.

—Judge George Rountree, one of our superior court judges, has tendered his resignation to take effect January 1st. It is understood that he is to enter a new law firm, which will begin business the first of the year in Wilmington.

—Rev. Thomas S. Roten, a local preacher from the Jefferson circuit, Ashe county, stopped over in the city on Tuesday on his return from Conference, to visit relatives. He was ordained deacon at this Conference. We were glad to greet him in this office.

—Rev. B. A. York, who for about thirty years has been a faithful itinerant, takes the superannuate relation. He is still able to do some work and would like to correspond with any of the brethren who may need help in revival services. We hope he may find an open door for any service he may have strength to perform. His address is Hickory, N. C. We were glad to greet him in the Advocate office on Tuesday.

—A good and loyal friend of our Bethel church, Asheville, recently donated $1300., which, coming at this time, means much to that heroic little band. This church, while located in a section of the city which makes it an exceedingly valuable and useful asset in the Methodist forces of the city, has had quite a struggle. This donation, however, has greatly encouraged the congregation and we are glad to learn through the pastor, Rev. J. C. Harmon, that the outlook is very encouraging.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION

The annual meeting of the Board of Publication was held at the Advocate office in Greensboro on Wednesday, November 10th, 1915. At this meeting the Agent and Treasurer of the Board submitted a full report, including a complete inventory and itemized statement of receipts and disbursements for the year and a

nancial statement, showing resources and liabilities as appeared November 1st, 1915.

The Board was much gratified to find that, spite of the very unfavorable financial conditions, there had been no serious loss in the rculation of the Advocate. This fact we think ows in a most practical way a growing appeciation among our people of the benefit and essing of our church paper. This growing irit of appreciation and loyalty encourages e hope that with the more favorable financial nditions, next year will witness a large inease in our circulation.

The Board has requested the management to opt a strict method of notifying subscribers hen the time paid for expires, so that, if posble, the heavy losses from year to year on ir subscription list, may be avoided. This ss has heretofore been very heavy and we ge our people to co-operate with the mangement in preventing it hereafter.

The Board is greatly pleased to announce at the debt on our Advocate building has been ovided for on condition that outstanding edges are paid. At the date of our meeting ite a large number of the pledges were still paid, but we hope they will all be paid durg the Conference session.

All notes on our equipment falling due durg the year have been promptly met. In order provide for the full liquidation of the debt our building we have instructed our agent d treasurer to appropriate $500 out of the rnings for this year.

Following is the financial statement, showing e condition of business November 1, 1915.

Resources

ffice building	$ 9576.05
achinery and fixtures	20410.31
ash in bank	1586.82
ccounts receivable	1893.83
aper stock, stationary, etc.	1071.80
bscription list	4000.00
amps	5.00
	$38543.81

Liabliities

vestment	$15257.32
lls payable	7532.88
ccounts Payable	307.49
rplus	13537.64
t earnings for year	1908.48
	$38543.81

The Board again urges the importance of -operation in turning patronage into our Job partment. Every dollar turned into this drtment helps to make our Advocate. We also ge that mail orders for books be sent to r agent as the books can be purchased rough us at the same price, leaving the usual mmission in our hands.

We submit the following recommendations as plan for greatly increasing the circulation the Advocate.

1. That the first Sunday in February and e week following be observed as Advocate nday and week.

2. That each pastor be requested to take the question of the circulation of the Adcate, securing every new subscriber possiand the renewals, and that the work be tinued during the following week.

3. That the church lay leader in each congegation be requested to co-operate with the stor in securing a thorough canvass in each urch.

4. That a minimum allotment be made to h charge looking to increasing our circulan to at least 10,000 during the next year.

The Board nominates Rev. H. M. Blair as or of the Advocate for the ensuing year, d recommends that the Conference confirm same and that the Bishop appoint him to work.

We also nominate Mr. T. C. Hoyle for elecn as a member of this Board to fill the vacy caused by the expiration of his term.

Rev. H. M. Blair has been elected Agent and easurer of the Board, also General Manager the business.

Respectfully submitted.

D. B. Coltrane, Pres.,
N. L. Eure, Sec.

CONDENSED MINUTES

1. Who are admitted on trial? M. A. Osborne, J. W. Bennett, J. W. Combs, T. V. Crouse, R. L. Forbis, A. S. Abernethy, C. A. Johnson, D. V. Howell.

E. J. Harbison, J. F. Harrelson and T. A. Plyler remain in this class.

2. Who remain on trial? W. C. Bowden, F. W. Cook, G. W. Fink, L. B. Hayes, John H. Green, M. W. Mann, J. W. Vestal, H. M. Wellman, C. M. Carpenter, W. I. Hughes. O. C. Fortenberry, W. R. Shelton and Z. V. Johnson remain in this class.

3. Who are discontinued? None.

4. Who are admitted into full connection? J. P. Morris, D. H. Rhinehart, N. C. Williams, R. L. Ferguson, J. I. Hickman, R. C. Kirk, J. H. Robertson and A. H. Whisner remain in this class.

5. Who are readmitted? None.

6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? J. H. Holder from Mississippi, A. L. Marshall and C. A. Hyatt from Los Angeles, G. H. Crowell from Little Rock, J. R. Walker from Upper South Carolina, O. L. Simpson from Holston Conference.

7. Who are received from other churches as local preachers? John W. Bennett from Free Baptist Church.

8. Who are received from other Churches as traveling preachers? Wm. A. Jenkins, Elder from Congregational Church.

9. Who are the deacons of one year? D. W. Brown, L. F. Brothers, T. J. Folger, J. M. Folger, J. E. McSwain, W. M. Smith, E. O. Smithdeal, E. B. Troy, G. W. Williams, R. F. Honeycutt, R. F. Mock. D. R. Proffitt remains in this class.

10. What traveling preachers are elected deacons? J. P. Morris, D. H. Rhinehart, N. C. Williams, R. L. Ferguson.

11. What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? J. P. Morris, D. H. Rhinehart, R. L. Ferguson, N. C. Williams, G. W. Williams.

12. What local preachers are elected deacons? W. W. Edwards, J. M. Varner, M. T. Hinshaw, H. H. Mitchell, J. W. Bennett, J. W. Combs, W. M. Wall, T. S. Roten.

13. What local preachers are ordained deacons? W. W. Edwards, J. M. Varner, M. T. Hinshaw, H. H. Mitchell, J. W. Bennett, J. W. Combs, W. M. Wall, T. S. Roten.

14. What traveling preachers are elected elders? A. Burgess, W. B. Davis, A. C. Gibbs, W. B. Shinn, M. T. Smathers, W. B. West, C. R. Allison, T. S. Coble, G. A. B. Holderby.

15. What traveling preachers are ordained elders? A. Burgess, W. B. Davis, A. C. Gibbs, W. B. Shinn, M. T. Smathers, W. B. West, C. R. Allison, T. S. Coble, G. A. B. Holderby.

16. What local preachers are elected elders? R. C. Kirk.

17. What local preachers are ordained elders? R. C. Kirk.

18. Who are located this year? C. H. Neal, at his own request.

19. Who are supernumerary? J. B. Carpenter, C. M. Gentry, L. E. Stacy, W. L. Nicholson, H. G. Stamey, A. H. Whisner, J. P. Lanning, J. C. Richardson.

20. Who are superannuated? R. S. Abernethy, J. D. Arnold, H. L. Atkins, W. W. Bays, P. C. Batle, J. D. Buie, G. W. Callahan, S. M. Davis, M. C. Field, T. F. Glenn, J. J. Gray, A. W. Jacobs. R. W. Pickens, D. V. Price, E. G. Pusey, J. P. Reynolds, J. C. Troy, James Willson, J. J. Brooks, J. A. Wiggins, S. S. Higgins, B. A. York, T. S. Ellington.

21. What preachers have died during the year? A. E. Wiley, W. G. Mallonee, J. F. England, S. S. Gasque.

22. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Yes.

23. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference? Local preachers, 200; members, 106,303. Total gain, 6,071.

24. How many have been licensed to preach during the year, and have their names and addresses been furnished to the Department of Ministerial Supply and Training?

Supply and Training? 24.

25. How many candidates for the ministry are there, and have their names and addresses been furnished to the Department of Ministerial Supply and Training? 28.

26. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 1,851.

27. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 4,057.

28. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 64.

29. What is the number of Epworth League members? 2,273.

30. What is the number of Sunday schools? 834.

31. What is the number of Sunday school officers and teachers? 6,380.

32. What is the number of Sunday school scholars enrolled during the Conference year? 87,882.

33. What amount was assessed by the last Conference for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? $14,000.00 .

34. What has been collcted on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? $10,292.00.

35. What has been contributed for missions? Foreign, $27,079.00; Home and Conference, $25,-670.00.

36. What has been contributed for Church Extension? $9,171.00.

37. What has been contributed for Education, $12,692.00.

38. What has been contributed for the American Bible Society? $471.00.

39. What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge? Presiding elders, $21,156.00; preachers in charge, $190,635.00.

40. What has been contributed for the support of Bishops? $2,848.00.

41. What is the number of societies, and of houses of worship owned by them? Number of societies, 890; number of houses of worship, 857.

42. What is the value of houses of worship, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, $2,573,505.00; indebtedness, $170,953.00.

43. What is the number of pastoral charges, and of parsonages owned by them? Pastoral charges, 235; number of parsonages, 199.

44. What is the value of parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, $494,655.00; indebtedness, $39,220.00.

45. What is the number of districts, and of district parsonages? Number of districts, 11; number of district parsonages, 10.

46. What is the value of district parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon? Value, $50,500.00; indebtedness, $6,436.00.

47. What number of churches have been damaged or destroyed during the year by fire or storm, and what was the amount of damage? Number of churches damaged, 3; amount of damage, $740.00.

48. What are the insurance statistics? Insurance carried, $781,813,00; losses sustained, $740.00; premiums paid, $$2,571.00; collections on losses, $557.00.

49. What are the educational statistics? $12,-692.00 collected.

50. How many copies of the General Organ and Conference Organ are taken? General, Organ, 360; Conference Organ, 5,331.

51. Who is elected Conference Lay Leader, and what is the report from the Committee on Lay Activities? E. A. Cole, Charlotte, N. C. Report adopted.

52. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Main Street, Gastonia.

53. Where are the preachers stationed this year? See appointments.

MISSIONARY NOTES FROM FIELD SECRETARY

I. The Every-Member Canvass

1. Definition. "The Every-Member Canvass is a direct, organized effort to secure a worthy contribution for every cause from every member every Sunday."—Pinson.

2. Method. The Duplex system of church financing—that is, a duplex committee, stewards and missionary committees, duplex card for salaries and Conference collections, duplex envelope, and duplex treasurers. The duplex idea may be carried further and have duplex, that is, two canvassers together, two cards, one to be kept for reference by canvasser, the other by member

II. First Things

1. Missionary Secretary. I will mail in a few days samples of the special duplex envelope and card that I am having prepared for use in our Conference-wide simultaneous canvass. I will also send each preacher a simple

(Continued on Page 7)

CONFERENCE IN TWENTY-SIXTH SESSIO

Proceedings of Western North Carolina Annual Conference Held at Reidsville, North Carolina, November 17-22, 1915

Adapted from Report of Rev. W. L. Sherrill in Charlotte Observer.

The Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, met in twenty-sixth annual session in Main Street church, Reidsville, at 9:30 o'clock, Nov. 17, with Bishop Walter R. Lambuth, M. D., D. D., presiding. The opening worship was conducted by the Bishop who announced Hymn No. 1, "Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing." The Conference sang in the spirit as only a large body of ministers can, the entire hymn. The Bishop then offered a comprehensive and fervent prayer, after which he read the First Psalm and briefly commented on it.

The roll was then called by the former secretary, and 185 preachers and 21 lay members answered to their names. William L. Sherrill was then nominated and elected secretary for the twenty-second time. W. F. Sandford, J. F. Kirk, W. T. Usry, W. A. Newell and J. B. Carpenter were elected assistant secretaries.

The Bishop announced a letter from Bishop Waterhouse, who had been appointed to hold the Conference, but was hindered on account of illness. The secretary read the letter and was then authorized in the name of the Conference to make suitable reply.

A resolution was adopted requiring every preacher to file his report by Thursday noon, and authorizing the statistical secretary to proceed to close up his work, leaving out reports that had not been already submitted.

L. T. Mann for the presiding elders nominated the following as committees:

Books and Periodicals—J. E. Abernethy, W. A. Newell, Vance Norwood, J. W. Harris, W. F. Sandford, Dr. L. C. Smith, M. B. Clegg, J. R. Howard, A. R. Surratt, A. D. Ivie, D. P. Waters, D. J. Horton, W. T. Albright, D. B. Coltrane, W. E. Poovey, C. C. Cornwell, C. L. McCain, Dorman Thompson, R. H. Daugherty, J. R. Long, G. C. Brinkman, H. G. Chatham.

Church Property—Z. F. Curtis, J. C. Postell, W. S. Hales, J. A. Bowles, J. W. Hoyle, A. H. Sides, J. T. Stover, J. W. Jones, E. H. Howell, R. M. Hoyle, C. C. Creveling, A. Sherrill.

District Conference Records—H. C. Byrum, J. C. Harmon, J. L. Little, J. B. Carpenter, W. M. Boring, J. I. Hickman, G. A. Stamper, W. T. Usry, D. F. Carver, E. M. Avett, J. E. McSwain.

Sabbath Observance—P. W. Tucker, J. F. Moser, E. N. Crowder, W. L. Rexford, J. W. Williams, B. Wilson, J. G. W. Holloway, J. P. Rodgers, J. B. Tabor, A. W. Ellis, E. P. Stabler, D. B. McRary, T. J. Ogburn, G. F. Ivey, J. F. Shinn, J. A. Jones, R. O. Gamble, F. J. Chapman, C. A. Jonas.

Spiritual State of the Church—G. T. Rowe, G. W. Vick, J. F. Craven, Dr. T. A. Hathcock, W. B. Davis, A. H. McLarty, E. M. Hoyle, C. H. Trowbridge, Z. Paris, R. L. McCorkle, J. B. Hipps, A. D. Ivie, P. L. Shore, D. C. Moir, R. C. Kirk, J. A. Bowles, C. F. Cline, A. G. Loftin, Zeb Deaton.

Temperance—H. H. Jordan, J. W. Dellinger, C. F. Sherrill, A. H. Sides, R. D. Sherrill, J. W. Walker, B. F. Hargett, W. R. Lynch, L. D. Thompson, J. R. Howard, J. W. Ingle, A. R. Lewis, Parker Holmes, A. S. Carson, J. A. Peeler, Dr. W. H. Nicholson.

Memoirs—D. Atkins, L. A. Falls, J. E. Thompson, Z. E. Barnhardt, S. B. Turrentine, J. H. Bennett, H. L. Powell.

Public Worship—J. H. Wearn, W. A. Lambeth, T. C. Jordan, R. B. Chance.

Communications from the various connectional boards were announced and referred to appropriate committees. Dr. W. W. Pinson, secretary of the General Board of Missions; Dr. R. H. Bennett, of the correspondence school of Atlanta; Dr. George R. Stuart, noted evangelist, representing the Junaluska Assembly at Waynesville; Rev. Dr. D. I. Craig, Rev. C. B. Craig, Rev. E. N. LeBlanc, Rev. E. N. Johnson, Rev. H. F. Bulger, pastors of the various churches of Reidsville; Rev. Henry L. Wriston, secretary of the Methodist Benevolent Association of Boston, and Rev. Henri Anet, B. D., L. L. D., pastor of the Belgian Missionary Church, secretary of the Belgian-Congo Mission on Evangelization, were all introduced to the Conference.

Dr. Geo. R. Stuart made a rousing speech in behalf of the assembly grounds at Waynesville and appealed to the Conference to stand by and support this great religious summer resort which has been organized through the Layman's Movement of the Southern Methodist Church.

Dr. R. H. Bennett, of the correspondence school, spoke forcibly in behalf of ministerial education and made a fine impression on the Conference.

A letter from Rev. N. S. Ogburn, a former Charlotte pastor, who is now in the Japan mission field, was read and referred to the Board of Missions.

The following plan submitted by Rev. R. M. Taylor for the better support of the superannuate preachers was referred to the Joint Board of Finance:

"We recommend that the Joint Board of Finance first place all the Conference claimants on an average basis, which may be a home, rent free, without income. Any income of any claimant may be considered at the discretion of the Board. Also that the Board provide for all cases of special necessity, before making a general distribution of the Conference fund.

"In the distribution of the Conference fund to the claimants we recommend that a superannuate member of the Western North Carolin Conference shall be a unit, his wife a unit, the widow of a deceased member of the Conference a unit, each child of a superannuate or deceased member of the Conference a half unit, up to the age of 14 years.

"We recommend that a unit be allowed a sum equal to one per cent. of the average salary of all the preachers of the Conference, including the presiding elders, for each year of effective service rendered the church, up to a maximum limit of 25 years. And that no claimant's family shall receive a greater amount than the maximum claim of two units. Provided, the claim of a preacher's widow might be computed on the number of years she was the wife of the said preacher. And provided, if the fund be not sufficient to make distribution as this paragraph recommends, it be raised by assessment upon the Conference, increasing the assessment at the rate of $2,000 a year till the amount be sufficient. Meantime, that the fund be distributed, pro rata, on the basis provided for in this paragraph."

The bishop called minute question 22 and the presiding elders made short verbal reports and then the names of all the traveling elders were called and their characters were all passed, giving complete answer to the question.

J. H. Bennett, presiding elder of North Wilkesboro district, announced the death of Rev. S. W. Brown, a useful local preacher and educator of Alleghany county, and his name was referred to the committee on memoirs with instruction that his memoir be published in the next Journal of the Conference.

At 3 P. M., Rev. J. H. Barnhardt addressed a large congregation on the subject of Church Efficiency. As usual, Brother Barnhardt was prepared and gave the congregation a very helpful and inspiring message.

At 7:30 P. M., Prof. E. C. Brooks spoke to a packed house on Why We Educate. Prof. Brooks is Professor of Education at Trinity College and is a popular speaker on educational topics.

SECOND DAY—THURSDAY

The Conference met in the session of the second day at 9 o'clock and Bishop Lambuth read Matthew 6:1-15, and gave an interesting talk on the subject of prayer, and then Dr. J. C. Rowe, presiding elder of the Charlotte district, o a fervent prayer.

At the roll call 23 preachers and 15 lay gates, who were absent from the session first day, answered to their names.

The minutes were read and approved.

Rev. J. S. Hunter, of the publishing h Dr. E. C. Brooks, head of the departme education of Trinity College, and Dr. McMurry, secretary of the General Boa Church Extension, were introduced.

Under Minute Question 22, the names "old guard," the superannuated prea were called and messages touching and t were read from J. D. Arnold, J. J. Brooks, Buie, G. W. Callahan, J. C. Troy. These, R. S. Abernethy, W. W. Bays, P. C. Batt M. Davis, M. C. Field, T. F. Glenn, J. J. S. S. Higgins, A. W. Jacobs, R. W. Pic D. V. Price, E. G. Pusey, J. P. Reynol A. Wiggins and James Willson were a ferred to the committee on conference rela for the superannuate relation.

These faithful men, frail in body, but s in faith, have the sympathy and love o church at large for they were once active earnest messengers of the cross, who in f ness had to retire from strenuous service. have fought as true soldiers and are no the retired list.

It was announced that J. F. England, Gasque, W. G. Mallonee and A. E. Wiley died this year and their names were ref to the committee on memoirs.

The names of Mrs. T. F. Marr, Mrs. Hudson, Mrs. H. T. Hoover and Mrs. Christenberry, preachers' wives, who have this year were referred likewise to the mittee on memoirs.

L. T. Mann, presiding elder of the S ville district, surrendered to the Conferenc ordination certificates of W. LeGette, tog with a signed statement from Mr. LeGette he desired to withdraw from the ministry membership of the Methodist Episcopal Ch South. The Conference accepted the p and the name of Mr. LeGette was stricken the roll.

The report of the Board of Publication a very gratifying year for the North Ca Christian Advocate, despite the financia pression. This business has grown wonde under the wise management of Editor Re M. Blair, who for the past fourteen yea managed and edited the paper. The ci tion has been greatly increased and the p resources of the company now reach $38,5 and the net earnings for the year are $1,9 The indebtedness on the plant, amounti $5,000, has been provided for and no Western North Carolina Conference ha distinction of being the only one in So Methodism which owns its own printing lishment. This is due largely to the pr policy of the editor, with the co-operat D. B. Coltrane, of Concord, the presiden the other members of the Board of Public

The business of the job printing depar has grown steadily and furnishes now creasing income to the company.

The goal for the coming year is a mi of 10,000 regular subscribers to the C ence paper.

Rev. H. M. Blair was recommended election for the fifteenth year to the posi editor and business manager, and Mr. Hoyle, of Greensboro, for re-election to bership on the Board of Publication.

Dr. Henri Anet, secretary of the B Congo Mission, addressed the Conferen laid before the body the terrible conditio urgent needs of poor, oppressed Belgiu collection was taken and more than $2 immediately contributed to this worthy

Dr. Anet was also given the privil going into the churches and presenting th ter to the people as he may desire. Dr

s a warm friend in Bishop Lambuth, who ated that he was largely instrumental in se- ring from the Belgian Government the con- ssions in the Congo Valley for the establish- ent of the Southern Methodist Mission plant the Dark Continent.

Bishop Lambuth stated that a letter just ceived from the African Mission stated that e first accession of new members by baptism d just been made and sixteen had been ad- ed to the church, including a noted chief who id he had "many wives who gave him much ouble," and wanted to know now since he ad embraced the faith what he should do with em all. The Protestant missionaries in that ghted country have practically broken up olygamy among the converts and established omes among them where one wife rules.

Dr. W. F. McMurry, of the Church Exten- on Board, made a short address and oke of the princely donation which J. B. uke, of New York, has made to the two Meth- dist Conferences in North Carolina. This gift a $35,000 annual donation to be distributed s follows: $15,000 for building churches in esolate places in the country; $10,000 for home ission work (pastoral support) in poor coun- y places, and $10,000 to supplement the al- wance regularly made to the superannuate reachers.

This $35,000 is the annual interest on $700,- 00, which Mr. Duke has set apart for the ben- fit of the important causes just mentioned and he Conference most genuinely appreciates this ift from a big-hearted, broad-minded and lib- ral layman, who looks conditions in the face nd places this fund in a channel where it will e a perpetual blessing. A committee was ppointed to draft appropriate expression of hanks and appreciation to be sent to Mr. Duke.

A very interesting souvenir was exhibited in he Conference by Rev. J. F. Starnes, of the Swannanoa circuit. It was a silver watch once he property of Bishop Francis Asbury, the 'man on horseback," the pioneer preacher who laid the broad foundations of Methodism in this Western World.

Mr. E. A. Cole, of Charlotte, one of our most devoted and useful laymen, spoke at 3 P. M. on The Temptations of the Laity. His address was preeminently practical and was listened to by a large audience.

At night we had one of the most remark- able messages ever delivered to our Conference by the famous writer and leader in the Lay- man's Missionary Movement, Mr. W. T. Ellis. His subject was, "When the Soldiers Come Home." To have heard that address was worth all the cost and sacrifice connected with this Annual Conference.

THIRD DAY—FRIDAY

Bishop Lambuth called the Conference to order at 9 o'clock and conducted the opening worship by reading a portion of the 13th chap- ter of John's Gospel and spoke on the subject of Christian Love. Then Charles A. Wood of- fered the morning prayer.

These morning talks by the Bishop on great themes were helpful and inspiring to the large audiences who attended the sessions.

After the minutes were read the names of the supernumeraries, J. B. Carpenter, C. M. Gentry, J. P. Lanning, W. L. Nicholson, L. E. Stacy, H. G. Stamey, A. H. Whisner and J. C. Richardson were called and referred to Com- mittee on Conference Relations for the same re- lation.

Dr. J. H. Weaver, presiding elder of the Greensboro district, announced that soon after the Conference of last year J. W. Clegg, an elder, had without notice entered the ministry of the Presbyterian church and the secretary was notified to drop his name from the Confer- ence roll.

Dr. William T. Ellis, the noted journalist and writer, of Philadelphia; Dr. John R. Stew- art, of Tennessee; Dr. M. B. Porter, of the Bible Society; Dr. C. C. Weaver, of Emory and Henry College; Dr. Charles D. Bulla, of Nashville; Rev. J. A. Cook, of South Carolina; Rev. J. R. Walker, of Upper South Carolina, and Rev. J. H. Holder, of Mississippi, were introduced to the Conference.

Under Minute Question 1, Who are admitted on trial? M. A. Osborne, J. W. Bennett, J. W. Combs, T. V. Crouse, R. L. Forbis, A. S. Aber- nethy, C. A. Johnson and D. V. Howell were received into the Conference.

The preachers remaining on trial are, W. C. Bowden, F. W. Cook, G. W. Fink, L. B. Hayes, John H. Green, M. W. Mann, J. W. Vestal, H. M. Wellman, C. M. Carpenter and W. I. Hughes.

E. J. Harbison, J. F. Harrelson and Thomas A. Plyler, who did not appear for examination in the course of study, were continued in the Conference class of the first year.

John W. Hunter, an elder of the Free Bap- tist Church, was received in orders as a local preacher, first assuming the disciplinary vows when the Conference, by a vote, accepted him.

James P. Morris, David H. Rhinehart, N. C. Williams, R. L. Ferguson and J. I. Hickman, traveling preachers, were elected deacons and the following local preachers were elected dea- cons: W. W. Edwards, J. M. Varner, M. T. Hinshaw. H. H. Mitchell. J. W. Bennett, J. W. Combs, W. M. Wall and T. S. Roten.

The following traveling preachers were elect- ed elders: A. Burgess, W. B. Davis, A. C. Gibbs, W. B. Shinn, M. T. Smathers, W. B. West, C. R. Allison, T. S. Coble and G. A. B. Holderby.

For local elders' orders R. C. Kirk was elected.

The deacons of one year are: D. W. Brown, L. F. Brothers, T. J. Folger, J. M. Folger, R. F. Mock, J. E. McSwain, W. M. Smith, E. O. Smithdeal, E. B. Troy, E. W. Williams and R. F. Honeycutt.

O. C. Fortenberry, Z. V. Johnson and W. R. Shelton remain in class of second year.

R. C. Kirk, J. H. Robertson and A. H. Whis- ner in class of third year and D. R. Proffitt in class of fourth year.

The bishop appointed W. R. Odell, T. F. Marr and W. L. Sherrill a committee to pre- pare suitable resolutions of thanks from the Conference to Mr. J. B. Duke for his liberal donations recently made to the Methodist Church of North Carolina.

Dr. John R. Stewart, agent for the Super- annuate Endowment Fund; Rev. R. L. Davis, of the Anti-Saloon League; Rev. M. B. Porter, of the Bible Society, and Dr. Charles D. Bulla, of the Sunday School Board, addressed the Conference in a series of ten-minute speeches in which the special work of each was empha- sized.

The report of Dr. S. B. Turrentine, presi- dent of the Greensboro College for Women, in- dicates a condition of prosperity such as the college has never known. The college dormi- tories are taxed to the utmost with boarding students and it has become necessary to se- cure quarters in outside buildings for a good number of students for lack of room in the college proper.

It was thought when Fitzgerald Hall, a spa- cious dormitory, was built two years ago, that all the needs for the future had been met, but now steps are being taken to build another dor- mitory as large or larger.

The standard of the College of Music has been raised and a preparatory music depart- ment has also been established. The report also states that a magnificent gift was made to the college by the late Mrs. Mary T. Hud- son, of Shelby, of a splendid farm in Mecklen- burg county, valued at $12,500 in addition to her previous gift of $1,000 for a scholarship. This is the largest gift ever made by any wo- man to this college. Mrs. Hudson was, before her marriage to the late Rev. Dr. H. T. Hud- son, well known in Mecklenburg as Miss Mary T. Lee, of the prominent Lee family of Sharon community. She was educated at Greensboro and before her marriage was a teacher in this famous school in the earlier ad- ministration of Dr. T. M. Jones.

In the afternoon at 3 o'clock a large congre- gation gathered to hear Rev. Dr. C. W. Byrd on "Some Temptations of the Ministry." Dr. Byrd, as usual, gave them a strong address and one that will no doubt prove helpful to both preachers and laymen.

At the evening hour Dr. W. F. McMurry, Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Church Extension, despite a downpour of rain, had a packed house which he held with breath- less interest for 90 minutes. Dr. McMurry is not only big in body but he is stalwart in mind and grips all classes in his congregation.

FOURTH DAY—SATURDAY

Conference convened at 9 o'clock. Bishop Lambuth read Isaiah's vision and made an il- luminating comment. Rev. R. M. Hoyle led the prayer.

After the reading of the minutes of yester- day's session, Rev. Dr. T. N. Ivey was intro- duced and delivered a strong address on the importance of circulating religious literature. As editor of the Christian Advocate, Dr. Ivey is doing distinguished service for the church. His speech was inspiring.

The report of the Joint Board of Finance was submitted and the annual donations to the Conference claimants were distributed. The board reported unfavorably on the Taylor plan (already explained) for supporting the Confer- ence superannuates, but recommended that an endowment fund of $100.000 be raised for that purpose, the plan to do this to be agreed upon later.

The committee to draft resolutions of thanks to J. B. Duke for his recent gift to the church reported as follows and the Conference by unanimous vote adopted it:

"We recommend that the Conference adopt the following vote of thanks and direct the sec- retary to communicate the same to Mr. Duke:

"We accept with grateful appreciation the magnificent gift which Mr. James B. Duke has this year made to the Methodist Church in North Carolina for the cause of home missions, Church Extension and superannuate preach- ers.

"We are not only grateful for Mr. Duke's generosity, but we specially appreciate the no- ble uses for which this gift was made and the wise provision by which the money is to be ex- pended. We believe the gift will stimulate larger contributions on the part of the church to these and like causes and to this end we pledge our utmost endeavor.

"We also give our thanks to Bishop John C. Kilgo, through whom Mr. Duke's gift was made to the church.

(Signed)

"T. F. Marr,
"W. R. Odell,
"W. L. Sherrill."

The secretary was instructed to send in the name of the Conference fraternal greetings to the Methodist Protestant Annual Conference in session in the city of Greensboro.

Clyde R. Hoey, of Shelby and Rev. R. H. Dougherty were elected members of the Joint Board of Finance to fill vacancies, and W. M. Lineberger, of Shelby, and A. E. Smith, of Mount Airy, were placed on the Church Ex- tension Board likewise.

One of the most active laymen in the state, Mr. J. S. Martin, late of Shelby, died recently. He had been for 25 years president of the Joint Board of Finance and was a familiar figure at the Annual Conferences, for he never missed a session for a quarter of a century. His name was referred to the committee on memoirs and a suitable sketch of his life will be placed in the forthcoming Journal.

The report of the Board of Missions was con- sidered and provoked warm discussion. Fi- nally it was amended and approved.

Rev. Frank Siler, one of the most active men of the Conference, was re-elected for the third year to the position of Conference Missionary Secretary, and Rev. W. L. Dawson and Rev. R. A. Taylor were elected Conference Evange- lists.

One of the most impressive proceedings in a Conference session is the reception of the class of young preachers into full membership into the body. This is preceded by an address from the bishop, setting forth the sacredness of the ministerial calling and the assumption by the young preacher of the solemn vows and ob- ligations required from them upon their admis- sion. Five young men were received as fol- lows: J. P. Morris, D. H. Rhinehart, R. L. Fer- guson, N. C. Williams and J. I. Hickman. In the address the bishop spoke words of truth and soberness and said in part: Don't be thinking about the other man when you are studying

your Bible, rather study yourself. Read whole books; don't be scrappy in reading the word of God. It is Bishop Wilson's habit to read daily at least three chapters of the Old Testament in the Hebrew and two chapters in the New in the Greek and he is now over 80 years old and one of the most richly furnished preachers in the world.

Not only study but know your men. See whether they are big-nosed, big-eared, long-necked, or stocky. Learn their traits and get hold of their spiritual side. Know the children and call them by name. Don't be pig-headed. A pig-headed preacher is to be deplored, even more than a pig-headed layman. Preach on great themes. Don't belittle the gospel. Take a great text and you can't flee from it.

But don't take a subject at first too great. Preach old sermons, but have them to grow with your growth. If they are too dry, tear them up and make others. Dr. Arthur T. Pierson said once he had for some years preached classical sermons which bore no fruit and he became alarmed and prayed more for divine illumination and after that God blessed his ministry.

Pray with your choir. This is rarely done, but it will do you and the choir good, said he.

Seek to make sound conversions. So many know not that they are really converted. Give opportunity where you can take individuals apart and pray with them.

Don't abuse your people. Love them and admonish them privately. Your abuse will not turn them from questionable amusements. Give them something better, and you can help by giving them valuable work to do.

Practice the presence of God. Don't rush into His presence without thought and reverence. Make Christ pre-eminent in your life. Don't be self-centered but Christ-centered. Paul was proud, self-righteous, self-centered, but after his conversion he was Christ-centered and proud to call himself the bond slave of his Lord. Obey Him and go gladly where He sends you. Don't be itching for a high steeple church or for office."

The Children's Home, located in Winston, is an institution which has grown to be a great charity in the Conference and now cares for 131 children. Mr. Walter Thompson, formerly superintendent of the Jackson Training School at Concord, has been superintendent of the home for two years past. He is a man of poise and sound judgment, together with splendid business sense, and the institution under his wise control is making steady improvement in equipment and in its productive capacity. The farm this year, worked by the boys under the direction of the farm superintendent, produced 550 bushels of wheat and oats, 650 bushels of potatoes and 2,000 bushels of corn, besides a large crop of hay and peas for cattle and hogs.

The children are taught in theory and in practice both, and when they are old enough to go out for themselves will be ready to make their way in the world because of the practical lessons taught there.

H. K. Boyer, C. W. Byrd, J. A. Glenn, G. L. Hackney, J. R. Scroggs and G. T. Roth were elected trustees. All these are re-elections except Capt. G. T. Roth, of Elkin, who is a new member.

FIFTH DAY—SUNDAY

The Sabbath dawned bright and crisp—a beautiful November day. Large congregations filled the churches, the pulpits being filled by members of the Conference and distinguished visitors.

The Bishop, of course, was the preacher at Main Street. At 9:30 the large auditorium was filled with eager worshippers who joined heart and voice in the Conference love feast. Many tender and touching testimonies were given. We do not remember to have heard so many speak and speak so appropriately. It was truly good to be there.

At the eleven o'clock hour the Bishop found the building packed till there was not even standing room, and hundreds turned away in disappointment, but found a worshiping place in the nearby churches of other denominations.

The Bishop's text was the famous utterance of St. Paul, "None of these things move me." Following are some of his thoughts:

"The measure of a great life is its determining purpose—Jesus faces the cross and says it is for this cause that I came into the world.

Another measure of a man is his ability to endure privations.

The basis of Paul's purpose is three-fold. First, a realization of God's sovereignty. The human will must bow and bend in the presence of the will of God.

Second. A recognition of the providence of God. The providence of God reveals the purposes of God.

Third. An acceptance of the call of God.

The way to grieve the Spirit of God is to make of the truth of God a lie. No liar can enter into the kingdom of God. Heathenism is an altar covered with millions of gems, cows for gods, and starving men and women as worshippers.

The men whom God has called have received their commission, largely because they are open-minded men and such men are God-called and God-sent and they must go. Sacrifice love and a sacrificial life is the price of every achievement. Loyalty to a purpose and loyalty to a person are the great things. God has a plan for every man." Paul is the greatest optimist that ever lived."

At the conclusion of the sermon Bishop Lambuth ordained as deacons the following thirteen young preachers: R. L. Ferguson, J. P. Morris, D. H. Rhinehart, N. C. Williams, G. W. Williams, J. W. Bennett, J. W. Combs, W. W. Edwards, M. T. Hinshaw, H. H. Mitchell, T. S. Roten, J. M. Varner and W. M. Wall.

Afternoon

At 3 o'clock Conference convened in Memorial Service, Rev. D. Atkins, D. D., presiding by request of the Bishop, who was absent preaching to the colored people. Six faithful men who have, for long years, borne the burden of service, have laid the armor down during the year, and entered into rest. These were: J. F. England, W. G. Mallonee, S. S. Gasque and A. E. Wiley, who were clerical members of the Conference, and S. W. Brown, a useful local preacher and educator who has preached and taught at Sparta for thirty years and accomplished great good in that section of the state. Then Mr. J. S. Martin, of Shelby, a lay official of the Conference, died recently and memoirs of these sainted men were read and words of love and eulogy were spoken by various friends. Besides these men, four elect women who have been sources of strength to their husbands and keepers of parsonages, have died this year. These were: Mrs. Mary T. Hudson, widow of the late Dr. Hilary T. Hudson; Mrs. T. F. Marr, of Charlotte; Mrs. H. T. Hoover and Mrs. G. H. Christenberry, and according to custom these departed wives of preachers are given place, as should be done in the memorial service.

At the evening hour Rev. Dr. Plato T. Durham, Dean of the School of Theology, Atlanta, preached the sermon, and following the sermon Bishop Lambuth ordained the elders. The reader will find the names of deacons and elders ordained in the condensed minutes, page 3.

SIXTH DAY—MONDAY

Conference convened at 9 A. M. Bishop Lambuth led the devotional service. Prayer was led by Rev. C. M. Pickens.

Rev. William A. Jenkins, an elder from the Congregational Church, was received after assuming the ministerial vows.

C. A. Hyatt, and A. L. Marshall, from Los Angeles, J. H. Holder from Mississippi, G. H. Crowell from Little Rock, J. R. Walker from Upper South Carolina and O. L. Simpson from Holston Conference, were announced as transfers to this Conference.

C. H. Neal was, on his own request, granted a location.

The names of T. S. Ellington and B. A. York were referred for the superannuate relation.

The Bishop vacated the chair to Dr. C. W. Byrd, who presided for the remainder of the morning session.

H. H. Jordan extended an invitation from Main Street church, Gastonia, for the next Conference, and the invitation was accepted.

The committee appointed last year to consider the establishing of a Conference hospital reported that no suitable site had yet been cured, but recommended that further effort made and if a good location and $50,000 be found the enterprise be undertaken.

Dr. J. A. Bray, secretary of the Board Education of the Colored M. E. Church, dressed the Conference in behalf of the sch of his church, and a voluntary collect amounting to about $100 was taken.

The Sunday School Board recommended t the pastors secure during the coming year tributions equal to one per cent. of salaries which the board may another year emplo Conference Sunday School Agent.

Mr. F. S. Blair, of the Friends Church, sented a petition asking the Conference to point a committee to investigate the matte capital punishment and report a year he and then if conditions seem favorable to ask Legislature to abolish it.

The Bishop appointed the following comm tee to consider the question: A. W. Plyler B. Ivey and H. H. Jordan.

Mr. E. A. Cole, one of Charlotte's most ac laymen, was unanimously re-elected Lay Le er for the Conference.

Highly complimentary resolutions of tha to the Reidsville people, to the pastor, Rev. A. Lambeth, to the newspapers for press s ice, to the railroad authorities for good acc modations and to the Bishop for his satisfact administration in the chair, were adopted b rising vote.

At 5 o'clock the Bishop, after the singin an appropriate hymn, requested Mr. C. H. land, a layman, to lead in prayer. The pra closed, the Bishop, making appropriate marks, proceeded to read the appointment follows:

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT.

C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder.

Asheville—Bethel	J. C. Ha
Asheville—Central	J. H Barnh
Asheville—Chestnut Street	D. A
Asheville—Haywood Street	L. T. Co
Asheville—West Asheville	W. M.
Asheville Circuit	J. W. Carver, Su
Biltmore & Mt. Pleasant	D. R. Pr
Black Mountain	R. L. Ferg
Brevard Station	W. E. Pe
Brevard Circuit	C. A. Joh
Fairview	W. A. Thomas, Su
Flat Rock & Fletcher	A. Bu
Hendersonville	W. F. Wo
Hendersonville Circuit	John H. C
Hot Springs & Marshall	W. L. Re
Leicester	L. P.
Mars Hill	J. L. Smith, Su
Mills River	R. F. Hone
Spring Creek	J. R. Warren, Su
Sulphur Springs	T. A. C
Swannanoa	J. F. Sta
Tryon & Saluda	Marvin
Walnut	J. O. Banks, Su
Weaverville Station	E. W.
Weaverville Circuit	T. J. Huggins, Su
Missionary to Korea	M. B. St
Missionary to Cuba	R. J. Pa
Student in Trinity College	W. R. Sh
President Weaver College	W. A. N
Vice President Weaver College	J. R. Wa

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT.

L. T. Mann, Presiding Elder

Ansonville	L. L. S
Charlotte—Belmont Park	J. H. Bra
Charlotte—Brevard St. & Duncan Memorial	L. A.
Charlotte—Calvary	A. R. Su
Charlotte—Chadwick	J. A. Bal
Charlotte—Dilworth	J. O.
	W. L. Sherrill, Jr. Prea
Charlotte—Hawthorne Lane	R. D. Sherrill; W
	Nicholson, Supernume
Charlotte—Seversville	W. F. E
Charlotte—Spencer Memorial & Derita	W. B.
Charlotte—Trinity	J. W. M
Charlotte—Tryon Street	E. L.
Hickory Grove	M. T. S
Lilesville	B. M. Jac
Marshville	Seymour Ta
Matthews	M. H. V
Monroe—Central	J. E. Abern
Monroe—North Monroe	R. H. Kennington, Su
Morven	F. L. Town
Pineville	B. F. Har
Polkton	W. B. D
Prospect	M. A. Osb
Rocky River	J. C. Williams, Su
Thrift	B. F. Fin
Unionville	J. T. St
Wadesboro	A. W. P
Waxhaw	W. F. Sand
Weddington	N. R. Richar
Missionary to Japan	S. A. Ste
Missionary to Japan	N. S. Og
Student School of Theology in Atlanta	
Dean School of Theology in Atlanta	P. T. Dur

GREENSBORO DISTRICT.
J. H. Weaver, Presiding Elder

Asheboro.....J. E. Thompson
Coleridge.....R. L. Melton
Denton.....J. M. Varner, Supply
Deep River.....W. B. Thompson, Supply
Greensboro—Centenary.....J. H. Bennett
J. P. Lanning, Supernumerary
Greensboro—Spring Garden.....Z. E. Barnhardt
W. C. Jones, Jr. Preacher
Greensboro—Walnut St. & Car. Mem. ..W. M. Robbins
Greensboro—West Market St.....C. W. Byrd
Greensboro Circuit.....J. E. Woosley
West Greensboro.....S. T. Barber
Gibsonville.....A. C. Gibbs
High Point—Main Street.....H. H. Robbins
High Point—Wesley Memorial.....G. T. Rowe
High Point—East and West.....W. A. Barber, Supply
Pleasant Garden.....C. F. Sherrill
Ramseur & Franklinville.....H. C. Byrum
Randleman & Naomi.....A. R. Bell
Randolph.....E. N. Crowder
Reidsville.....W. A. Lambeth
Ruffin.....J. J. Edwards
Uwharrie.....C. E. Stedman
Wentworth.....T. C. Jordan
Pres. Greensboro College for Women ..S. B. Turrentine
Treasurer Greensboro College for Women..W. M. Curtis
Conference Missionary Secretary.....Frank Siler
Editor N. C. Christian Advocate.....H. M. Blair
State S. S. Secretary.....J. W. Long
Missionary to Korea.....J. R. Moose
Conference Evangelist.....W. L. Dawson
Student in Emory & Henry College.....J. E. Womack

MORGANTON DISTRICT.
J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder.

Bald Creek.....J. A. Fry
Broad River.....C. C. Totherow, Supply
Burnsville.....M. T. Smathers
Cliffside.....H. L. Powell
Connelly Springs & Rutherford College.....B. Wilson
Forest City.....J. A. Bowles
Green River.....J. M. Barber, Supply
Henrietta & Caroleen.....M. B. Clegg
Marion Station.....L. D. Thompson
Marion Circuit.....Elmer Simpson
Marion Mills.....J. M. Ridenhour, Supply
McDowell.....M. W. Mann
Micaville.....E. B. McLane, Supply
Morganton Station.....E. E. Williamson
Morganton Circuit.....A. C. Swafford
Rutherfordton....A. Sherrill; J. B. Carpenter, Supn'y
Old Fort.....R. F. Mock
Spruce Pine & Bakersville.....J. P. Morris; E. L. Kirk, Jr. Preacher
Table Rock.....E. B. Troy
Thermal City...M. W. Heckard, Supply; J. C. Richardson, Supernumerary
Professor in Rutherford College.....W. T. Usry
Student Boston University.....O. L. Simpson

MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT
H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder.

Ararat.....J. W. Combs, Supply
Danbury.....O. P. Routh
Dobson.....T. V. Crouse
Draper.....J. M. Folger
Elkin.....J. P. Hipps
Jonesville.....D. A. Oakley, Supply
Leaksville.....A. L. Aycock
Madison & Stoneville.....R. S. Howie
Mount Airy Station.....G. D. Herman
Mount Airy Circuit.....J. W. Bennett
Pilot Mountain Station.....E. O. Smithdeal
Pinnacle Circuit.....T. R. Simpson, Supply
Rural Hall.....C. R. Allison
Spray.....J. F. Armstrong
Stokesdale.....R. L. Doggett
Summerfield.....T. B. Johnson
Walnut Cove.....G. W. Williams
Yadkinvile.....W. M. Boring

SALISBURY DISTRICT
J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder

Albemarle—Central.....R. G. Tuttle
C. M. Gentry, Supernumerary
Albemarle—First Street.....W. S. Hales
Albemarle Circuit.....H. F. Starr, Supply
Baden.....To be supplied
Bethel & Love's Chapel.....W. I. Hughes
China Grove & Landis.....P. E. Parker
Concord—Central.....M. F. Moores
Concord—Epworth & Center.....A. S. Raper
Concord—Forest Hill.....C. M. Short
Concord—Westford.....R. L. Forbis
Concord—West Concord.....R. K. Brady
Concord Circuit.....P. L. Terrell
Cottonville.....Z. V. Johnson
Gold Hill.....J. W. Strider
Kannapolis Station.....P. W. Tucker
Kannapolis Circuit.....S. L. Owen, Supply
Mount Pleasant Circuit.....G. A. Stamper
New London.....E. J. Poe
Norwood.....R. M. Taylor
J. D. Rankin, Jr. Preacher
Oakboro Circuit.....To be supplied
Salem.....A. L. Coburn, Supply
Salisbury—First Church.....T. F. Marr
Salisbury—Park Avenue.....G. W. Vick
Salisbury—South Main Street.....J. H. Brendall
A. H. Whisner, Supernumerary
Salisbury Circuit.....R. C. Kirk
Spencer.....C. M. Pickens
E. Spencer-N. Main St.....S. E. Richardson
Woodleaf.....J. W. Kennedy
Conference Evangelist, South Main St. Quarterly Conference, R. A. Taylor

SHELBY DISTRICT
J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder

Belmont Station.....A. P. Ratledge
Belwood.....J. F. Moser
L. E. Stacy and H. G. Stamey, Supernumerary
Bessemer City.....W. B. Shinn
Cherryville.....O. C. Fortenberry
J. F. Harrelson, Jr. Preacher
Crouse.....F. W. Cook
Gastonia—Main Street.....H. H. Jordan
Gastonia—Dallas-Ozark.....W. A. Jenkins
Gastonia—West End-Franklin Avenue ..H. M. Wellman
Kings Mountain-ElBethel.....E. O. Cole
Lincolnton Station.....Z. Paris
Lincolnton Circuit.....N. M. Modlin
Lowell-Bethesda.....T. A. Plyler
Lowesville.....J. A. Sharp
McAdenville.....G. A. B. Holderby
Mount Holly.....T. J. Houck
Polkville.....J. P. Davis
Rock Spring.....Jas. H. Green
Shelby, Central.....W. E. Abernethy
Shelby Circuit.....A. J. Burrus
South Fork.....J. H. Robertson
Stanley-Iron Station.....N. C. Williams
General Evangelist.....D. H. Comann
Student Candler School of Theology....D. W. Brown

STATESVILLE DISTRICT
W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder

Alexander Circuit.....C. P. Goode
Catawba Circuit.....A. G. Loftin
Cool Spring Circuit.....E. K. Creel
Davidson.....Ira Erwin
Granite Falls-Hudson.....W. V. Honeycutt
Hickory, First Church.....A. L. Stanford
Hickory Circuit.....T. J. Folger
Iredell Circuit.....J. C. Mock
Lenoir Station.....D. M. Litaker
Lenoir Circuit.....J. C. Postelle
Maiden.....J. A. Peeler
Mooresville Station.....C. S. Kirkpatrick
Mooresville Circuit.....J. T. Ratledge
J. W. Jones, Jr. Preacher
Mt. Zion.....E. M. Hoyle
Newton Station.....J. H. West
North Lenoir Circuit.....J. W. Hovle
Rhodhiss.....G. W. Fink
Statesville—Broad Street.....J. F. Kirk
Statesville—Race Street.....J. W. Williams
Statesville Circuit.....D. H. Rhinehart
Stony Point Circuit.....W. T. Albright
Troutman Circuit.....J. C. Keever
West Hickory.....D. F. Carver
President Davenport College.....J. B. Craven
Bursar Davenport College.....C. M. Campbell
Professor Davenport College.....E. J. Harbison

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT
T. E. Wagg, Presiding Elder

Avery.....H. H. Mitchell, Supply
Boone.....D. P. Waters
Creston.....J. I. Hickman
Elk Park.....L. B. Hayes
Helton.....E. E. Yates
Jefferson.....E. P. Stabler
Laurel Springs.....W. C. Bowden
North Wilkesboro.....T. J. Rogers
Sparta.....A. S. Abernethy
Watauga.....W. M. Bagby
Wilkesboro.....O. J. Jones
Wilkes.....W. S. Cherry
Professor and Chaplain A. T. School....J. M. Downum
Missionary to Japan.....W. A. Wilson
North Wilkes Circuit.....To be supplied

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT
J. P. Rodgers, Presiding Elder

Andrews.....W. L. Hutchins
Bethel.....J. M. Wacaster, Supply
Bryson-Whittier.....J. W. Campbell
Canton Station.....Parker Holmes
Canton Circuit.....W. G. Warren
Clyde.....P. H. Brittain
Franklin Station.....R. H. Daugherty
Franklin Circuit.....F. M. Pressley, Supply
Fines Creek.....E. M. Avett
Glenville.....T. L. Noble, Supply
Haywood.....A. L. Latham
Havesville.....C. M. Carpenter
Highlands.....E. B. Bell, Supply
Judson.....J. D. Pyatt, Supply
Jonathan.....L. H. Griffith
Macon.....D. S. Richardson
Murphy Station.....T. J. Ogburn
Murphy Circuit.....D. V. Howell
Ranger.....Gay Bryant
Robbinsville.....J. J. Eads
Sylva.....G. H. Christenberry
Webster.....J. L. Teague
L. B. Abernethy, Jr. Preacher
Waynesville.....O. P. Ader

WINSTON DISTRICT
H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder

Advance.....E. Myers
Cooleemee.....C. L. McCain
Davidson.....P. L. Shore
Davie.....T. S. Coble
Farmington.....D. C. Ballard
Forsyth.....J. W. Vestal
Jackson Hill.....J. G. W. Holloway
Kernersville.....J. M. Price
Lewisville.....J. E. McSwain
Lexington.....W. H. Willis
Linwood.....J. W. Ingle
Mocksville.....R. M. Hoyle
Thomasville Station.....W. O. Goode
Thomasville Circuit.....J. B. Tabor
Walkertown.....R. E. Hunt
West Davie.....To be supplied
Winston—Burkhead.....G. C. Brinkman
Winston—Centenary.....E. K. McLarty
Winston—Grace-Liberty.....J. S. Hiatt
Winston—Salem.....W. M. Smith
Southside.....C. C. Williams
Winston—West End.....R. M. Courtney

TRANSFERRED

To Los Angeles Conference.....C. A. Hyatt
To Los Angeles Conference.....A. L. Marshall
To Texas Conference.....L. F. Brothers
To North Carolina Conference ..John A. J. Farrington
To Mississippi Conference.....J. H. Holder
To West Texas Conference.....Excell Rozzelle

MISSIONARY NOTES FROM FIELD SECRETARY

(Continued from Page 3)

leaflet I am preparing suggestive of plan for our Every-Member Canvass.

2. Pastors. The pastors should at once have committees elected according to provisions of Discipline, if not previously done. Better not wait till first regular appointment but arrange a chain of special services in rapid succession in every church completing the services within one week or ten days. In these hold church conferences and elect committees and arouse an interest in the canvass.

Before you are done with this I will mail you suggestions as to the next step—the actual canvass.

3. Presiding Elders. The presiding elders are moving toward their district stewards' meetings. A number of the district lay leaders in consultation with their presiding elders fixed place and date for a joint meeting of the district stewards and lay leaders before leaving Reidsville. Such a meeting for the Mt. Airy District is called at Rural Hall for December 6-7; Greensboro District, at West Market, Greensboro, Dec. 8, 10 a. m.; Morganton District at Marion, Dec. 15-16; North Wilkesboro District at Jefferson, Dec. 22-23.

The plan in these districts is lay representation—district steward and lay leader from every charge. Where lay representation can not be had, the pastor will be urged to come. District institutes, with pastors and so on, will be held later.

III. One Thing to Remember

The Every-member Canvass is to be completed on or before Jan. 16th. The Holston Conference last year, which met in October, fixed December 12th for completion of their conference-wide, simultaneous canvass. 75 of their 212 charges made it. We will far exceed this, I verily believe, in the nearly two months alotted us.

Policy for Conference Missionary Secretary for New Conference Year

(Extract from Report of Board of Missions)

We have adopted as our policy in line with that of the General Board, to be carried out by our Secretary under the direction of the executive committee the following:

1. Co-operation with presiding elders wherever desired in their district institutes, which, in the nature of things, should be held as early as possible after the adjournment of Conference, in order to plan for the carrying out of the policies adopted by the Conference.

2. To co-operate with the General Board in Prayer and Self-denial, January 2-9, 1916. securing general observance of the Week of

3. To assist in every possible way in making the simultaneous Conference-wide Every-Member Canvass a success in every charge.

4. To assist in making the mid-year meeting and Laymen's Conference to be held at Greensboro February 9-11 the greatest possible success.

5. The putting on of the missionary policy in the Sunday schools as provided for in paragraph 264 of the Discipline, with the China Special as our objective.

6. Conducting institutes, conferences and other educational and inspirational meetings as opportunity may offer.

7. The carrying out of the policies of the General Board in the placing of specials, the distribution of literature, etc.

8. To continue to represent the Conference Board in the interest of the Conference Misssion Emergency Fund.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave, Asheville, N. C.

Saints of God, the dawn is brightening,
Token of our coming Lord;
O'er the earth the field is whitening;
Louder rings the Master's word;
Pray for reapers in the harvest of the Lord.

Now, O Lord, fulfill thy pleasure,
Breath upon thy chosen band,
And, with Pentecostal measure,
Send forth reapers o'er our land;
Faithful reapers gathering sheaves for thy right hand.

Broad the shadow of our nation,
Eager millions hither roam;
Lo! they wait for thy salvation;
Come, Lord Jesus, quickly come;
By thy Spirit, bring thy ransomed people home.

Soon shall end the time of weeping,
Soon the reaping time will come;
Heaven and earth together keeping,
God's eternal Harvest Home.
Saints and angels, shout the world's great Harvest Home.

—Mary Hamlin Maxwell.

NEW ORGANIZATION

Young People's Society, Randleman

President, Miss Epsie Wollen; first vice-president, Miss Mary Sherwood; second vice-president, Miss Emma Walker; corresponding secretary, Miss Glenna Floyd; recording secretary, Miss Clara Wall; treasurer, Miss Mary Gray Newlin; superintendent mission study, Miss Rouss Hayes; superintendent social service, Miss Rosabell Woollen; superintendent of supplies, Miss Bertha Pugh.

ATTENTION, SOCIAL SERVICE SUPERINTENDENTS

We are requested by the Conference President, Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, and Conference Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. H. A. Dunham, to announce that Mrs. W. A. Newell, of Weaverville, N. C., has been appointed Conference Superintendent of Social Service to fill the vacancy by the death of our beloved Mrs. Marr.

Mrs. Newell is a most capable woman, especially fitted for the great work which has been committeed to her, and the Conference is to be congratulated in having her as a leader in this department.

For years Mrs. Newell was associated with Jane Adams in the social service work in the Hull House in Chicago and is therefore familiar with the work that is incumbent upon her in this office.

Social service superintendents will please send their fourth quarter's report to Mrs. Newell.

HARVEST TIME

Two months and then cometh harvest! What kind of record will you show as God's steward? What kind of record will your auxiliary show? The Master has depended on you to supply the needs and meet the opportunities of three districts, forty-five missionaries and a multitude of natives in China. In Korea he has depended upon you to supply the needs of four stations, twenty-two missionaries and thousands of eager, earnest Koreans. No less has he depended on you for the work of two stations in Cuba with six missionaries, for seven stations and thirty-two missionaries in Brazil, for the care of the missionaries who could not stay at their posts in Mexico, and for sustaining prayer for the natives in that stricken country. All our representatives on these fields, all the facts about conditions call for advance. The work will suffer unless more money is raised this year than has been raised the last two years.

Two months and then cometh a harvest of the year's report—a harvest that means life or death to thousands. Will you advance? Let our unceasing prayer be to grow.—Missionary Voice.

EVERY CHRISTIAN A VOLUNTEER

Blanche Bonsack in Missionary Visitor

"Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost." Is not this Christ's parting message? To whom was it directed? To those of us who have accepted him and are endeavoring to walk according to his word. But what does it mean? Simply this: it is our duty as Christ's followers to see that the gospel is preached to all nations, and it is my personal duty to do my utmost to accomplish this end as speedily as possible. When I accept him as my Saviour, I accept his Word with all its commands, therefore, unless I give myself to him to be used of him as he wants me and where he needs me most, I am not a true follower of his.

Why?

But I hear some one say, "Why should every Christian be a missionary?" There are many reasons. I only mention three.

First, a Christian should so enjoy his religion that he would ever be glad and anxious to tell of Christ to those who know Him not. His life should be so unselfish, so pleasant, so care-free and so helpful that others would come to ask the secret.

Second, a Christian should be a missionary because his Christ was such. Jesus was the greatest missionary who ever worked among men. He is my pattern; therefore I ought to do as he did.

Third, a Christian ought to be missionary for the reason already referred to—namely, because of Christ's command, "Go ye." Are these not sufficient reasons?

How and Where?

Now I hear some one say "I can't go to China, or India or Africa. How or where can I be a missionary?" Dear brother, or sister, there are other mission fields, other methods of doing mission work. I believe it is the duty of all who can to go to foreign fields, but all cannot do this. Those who stay are surrounded by an abundance of work at home. The first work for us all is to build strong Christian characters and to develop the natural ability with which God has endowed us. Having done this we can feel that we have done our part toward preparing ourselves to be used of him. Then if we ask him he will guide us to our field of labor. The field may be the home, the shop, the Sunday school, the ministry, the city mission, the foreign field, or even some other place he would have us work. Perhaps he has given us money that he would have us use for his cause. O, there are a thousand ways of doing mission work for the Master! May he help us to see the beauty of laboring for the uplift of our fellowmen and doing all to his glory!

When?

Did I hear some one ask, "When shall I be a missionary?" Now. You have already missed many opportunities; we all have. Begin now. Prepare and work meanwhile. Trust him, and in his own good time he will guide you where you are needed most.

The field is vast. The harvest waits to be garnered, but "the laborers are few." Who shall bear the blame? Why are not more of us telling the story of those who have not heard? Why are not more of us preparing to heal the countless sin-sick souls by healing their diseased bodies?

You say there is no need? With one-seventh of the earth's population worshiping Mohammed, with thousands every day falling down to idols of wood and stone, in the clutches of Confucianism and Taoism, with the rapid growth of Mormonism and its attending sin, with millions living in ignorance and sin, under the sway of Roman Catholicism, and—no need? No need of the light of Christianity and Protestantism? No need of light bearers? Are you working where God would have you? Ask him for wisdom and guidance. If he has called you to a foreign field, why have you not heeded the call? If you have not heard the call, why not? Bid your troubled soul be very quiet while "the still small voice" speaks to you.

We are glad to give the following letter from Mrs. R. W. McDonnell, Council Corresponding Secretary of the Home Department, which gives us a little insight into the work of some of our schools and Wesley Houses in which we feel sure all our readers are greatly interested.

My dear Sister:

In September I was called to Augusta, Ga., to help inaugurate your new matron at Paine Annex. This is the third matron we have had since Ellen Young resigned, four years ago. We hope the present incumbent, whom we have chosen with prayerful care, may prove to be the right woman. She is Mrs. Martha Boyd, who has had work for some time in the John Hopkins Ophans' Home and Hospital for negro children, Baltimore, Md. She had her preparation at Hampton Institute, having taken the Domestic Science and Arts courses and the course for matrons also. She will have general supervision of Bennett Hall, the commissary for both boys and girls, and supervision of the girls' industries. Two young women from Tennessee will teach the industries under her supervision. Her spirit is fine and it pleases Paine people that she is a member of the C. M. E Church. Our cottages need paint, the laundry needs equipment, and we do need a cow. We ought to pray much for Paine College at this time.

From Augusta I went to Thomasville, to visit Vashti Industrial School. Ninety-three girls responded to roll call at the first prayer service. The Council provides for fifty girls, the remainder were either from homes, bereft of one parent, or were on personal scholarships. Twelve were Juvenile Court wards, which does not mean they were there for personal cause, but for protection from evil environment. The government of the school is from within, through family conferences when teachers and girls talk over their problems. One of these conferences was held while I was there which was unique and bound to help the girls in self-control. The school divides in nine sections, alternating in work and classes. The soft climate makes out-door life possible, and most of their diversions are in the open. The dairy was especially interesting, as all the work, even to delivering the milk, is cared for by our girls. Last year the sales from our fruits, sewings, and milk, netted $1500.00 towards the expenses of the institution. They greatly need the new building for which Mr. Bishop has been pleading. The health of our girls seems perfect.

I was called for important business to Los Angeles, and through our railroad agent I secured tourist rates which give privilege of stopovers, and I have thus visited two of our coal-mine works, three of our Wesley Houses, Virginia Johnson Home, and Holding Institute.

Mrs. M. L. Stone assumed the Principalship of the Virginia K. Johnson Home in August, and I found her and the faculty full glad to have me share responsibilities. There seems to be a growing tendency on the part of the girls we help to despise the pledge we require, which compels them to remain two years for the re-establishment of character. Two fathers came for their daughters in sheer desperation, their mothers were ill and no one to cook for the family. Everything that could happen did, except death, in the five days I was there. We are to have new teachers of sewing and Domestic Science in November, and it is hoped they will bring enthusiasm and ability to this work. There is no field more taxing than this, and many social workers claim no one can stand it and do efficient work longer than three years. Pray for the workers at Virginia Johnson Home. Dear Mrs. Johnson is better than she has been for years, and her zeal is as great as it ever was.

Two days with Miss Laura Harris, at the McAlister, Oklahoma, Coal Fields, revealed something of a new deaconess' hardships in a mining district. She has the fellowship of our Mrs. Mercer and Mrs. Tuel, the Board President, who resides at Hartshorne. Miss Harris will concentrate at the two mines near Hartshorne, where some Americans, many Poles, Slavs, and Italians work.

A day at Thurber, Texas, with the workers at Marston Hall also showed how eagerly the little Italians are to learn what we have to give. Miss Frances Denton's very presence called for greetings of children and parents. A kindergarten, small day school, mothers' clubs, and sewing school plus the library and small English Class are the activities. We went down 150 feet into one of the mines, and at the end of an 800-foot tunnel we found one of our own Methodist brothers, prone upon his knees, digging coal. I have a new sense of appreciation of coal, now that I have seen where it comes from. Our workers are beloved in Thurber.

Our Wesley House, in Fort Worth, is like a bee-hive. It is built by the City Board in the heart of foreign communities. Miss Eugenia Smith and her co-worker, Miss May Wood, are as much in a foreign field as though they were across the sea. Their love has conquered difference of habit, thought or ambition. They are doing a great work.

At San Antonio the Wesley House people were absorbed in a "Jamaica," which the young Mexican people were giving on the lawn. Forty-three dear little black-eyed Mexicans were at the kindergarten. The office was a thouroughfare for young and old seeking employment. While we held a City Board meeting, the sewing class was in session, and at night the Boys' Club was at work. I don't see how our deaconesses stand this strain and confusion. The City Board at San Antonio is making an effort to build their own Wesley House.

We had a quiet day at the Dallas Wesley House, as the State Fair was on and the people were scattered. Wesley House, chapel, and cottage for clinic were in apple-pie order and Deaconess Black and Nurse Bond are happy co-workers.

Five days at Holding Institute gave me a chance to know the faculty, and students, and to absorb the atmosphere. We have a good faculty this year. There were 202 students at prayers the morning I arrived, and it is a good-looking body. Dr. and Mrs. Skinner are endearing themselves to the Mexican people, and despite some unhappy selection of teachers last year, the school is better in attendance and spirit this year. The improvements we have made on the property make it a little more comfortable. We do need dormitories for girls and boys, or to enlarge and repair what we have. The campus is beautiful and remains ever a monument to the industry and taste of our dear Miss Holding. Five teachers of the faculty are her old students. Pray for the workers at Laredo. There is a wonderful opportunity there.

Yours with love,

Mrs. R. H. McDonell.

Epworth League Department

Conducted by R. R. Mitchell, Greensboro, N. C.

REAL EPWORTH LEAGUE WORK

The Epworth League of West Market Street M. E. Church, South, has made an appointment for an indefinite period, to conduct services in the jail chapel of Greensboro the second and fourth Sundays of each month. We are fortunate in having a most efficient and enthusiastic superintendent of the department which has in hand work of this character. May her work in all channels, especially of this most needful one, result in great good and be the means of bringing these sometimes hardened criminals into a full realization of the enormity and heinousness of sin; melt their strong hearts; awaken the latent good within them; break up the fountain of tears; grasp the loving, gentle word of Christ, pressing it once more to their throbbing breasts and in the awakened light of the gospel, see and feel anew the wonderful richness of His love, the cleansing power of His blood, the redemption of His saving grace.

Our first meeting was held on Sunday afternoon, Nov. 14th, by a little band of twelve loyal, faithful Epworth Leaguers. The Word of God was read and expounded in heart-searching truth; earnest prayers were offered; our voices were raised in song—which has brought many a wanderer home—and resulted in three hands being raised as an indication of surrendering their lives to Christ.

May God, through His infinite love, smile upon our Epworth League and May he touch the hearts of those we are endeavoring to reach, and make them not only honorable citizens but holy men of God, bringing others into the true, rich light of the gospel.

Katharine B. Browning,
Secretary Western N. C. Epworth League Conference.

"THE PAGEANT OF METHODISM"

There is no more popular form of entertainment today than that of the pageant—a stately presentation in living pictures of dramatic events of history as these center about certain persons. Certainly there is no more effective way of becoming familiar with the movements and events which have crystalized into history than to have a part in living them over again for the entertainment and instruction of the public. The history of Methodism as it centers about the Wesleys and their followers in England and, later, about the men and women who laid the foundations of the Church in America is full of dramatic and stirring events. There is hardly a page of its early history which does not contain the record of heroes and heroines, simple "backwoodsmen" sometimes, whose lives shine with true greatness.

The "Pageant of Methodism" is very ambitious in scope, covering, as it does, the entire period of the church's history, from the beginnings in England through the early days of the establishing of the Church in America and, later, its extension and division into Northern and Southern bodies, and on down to the present time of its far-extended activities. However, only a few of the great leaders and outstanding events are pictured in the four episodes and nineteen movements of the pageant.

The first episode introduces the home of the Wesleys, the midnight fire in Epworth Rectory, and the dedication of John Wesley by his mother. John Wesley and the Holy Club are shown in their college experiences, and the early persecution of those who followed their teachings is indicated by the assault upon Nelson and the treatment of Thomas Olivers near the home of Squire Hollingsworth.

The second episode introduces Barbara Heck and the card players in the home of Paul Runkle, in New York, Philip Embury and his decision to preach at the suggestion of Barbara Heck and the first church service are given. There is also shown the raising of the first American flag, a ceremony in which a circuit rider of the early Methodist Church participated. There is a session of the first Sunday school, introducing Robert Raikes and Miss Cook, a Wesleyan, who got together the first group of children and organized a Sunday school. These scenes are followed by a tableau showing the ordination of Francis Asbury as bishop of the Methodist Church. The last scene of Episode II. shows the gathering of the Omaha Indians, their love song and war dance, and introduces John Stuart, colored missionary to the Indians.

Episode III. portrays the extension of Methodism in America and introduces Solomon Sharp, an early Methodist preacher, who was tricked by a group of rowdies into their haunts. He discovered the fraud, however, and turns the tables on them, and they are convicted and converted. Peter Cartwright, the daring circuit rider and evangelist of the frontier days in Illinois, is shown in one of his conflicts with a crowd of rowdies at a camp meeting.

The next two movements give pictures of Bishop Capers and his work among the slaves in South Carolina. Episode III. closes with a scene at the home of a missionary on the Western frontier and the arrival of a barrel from Sleepy Hollow, an incident very frequent in the lives of these missionaries.

In Episode IV. the different divisions of the work of the Church at the present time are displayed—foreign and home missions, education, publishing, settlement work, the Bible Society, the Sunday School, Church Extension, and the work of the Epworth League among young people. The pageant closes with a grand processional introducing all the principal characters of the four episodes.

Many of the dialogues given in the movements are verbatim except for being reduced, and the facts are all based upon authentic history. The authors are to be congratulated upon the conception of a pageant of Methodism and upon their selection of the outstanding events which adequately, though briefly, depict the Church's history.

The pageant can be given either in the church or out of doors, the latter, however, being the most perfect setting for it. It may also constitute a series of entertainments, being given on two consecutive evenings, or each episode may be presented separately and at the close of a period of study in church history. In whatever way the presentation may be given, if it is at all carefully practiced, it cannot fail to elicit the enthusiastic interest of an audience.

Miss Emma A. Robinson, with the assistance of Mrs. Ford and Mr. Armington, worked out the various movements and drilled the young people of Prospect church, Chicago, who gave the first performance of the pageant in that church more than a year ago.

The pageant has been revised and published by the secretaries of the Epworth League Board, in co-operation with the Sunday School Board, and is now on sale by Smith & Lamar at the Publishing House.—Epworth Era.

The following story, "Just Me," was published in the Advocate on the Little Folks' page, but for fear all of our Leaguers did not read it, we are giving it again. There is a lesson in it for every Leaguer. Will YOU be the "Just me" in your League? Three or four "Just me's" can save a League from dying and even one "Just me" can save it sometimes. Remember this in the bad weather and put on your rainy day clothes and take your umbrella and go, even if you are sure there will be no one else there, for just going will be a blessing to you and may save the League.

"JUST ME"

A missionary of the Central District of the great American Sunday School Union told a story illustrating what a boy can do. He said:

I had organized a Sunday school in the fall, in one of the outlying districts of my field, and the effort gave promise of much usefulness, the locality being a needy one, although only a little way out of the city.

"One stormy Sunday, in the winter, I wended my way to the locality through quite a fall of snow. When I came in sight of the school house, I could see the white smoke curling up from the chimney, and felt sure that there was a warm welcome awaiting me. As I drew near, the bell was being rung; the hour for the session had arrived.

Entering the school house I found the gathering made up of one lad about fourteen years old, and myself. I greeted my young friend cordially, and asked, 'was that the last bell for Sunday school?"

"'Yes, sir,' was his polite respond to my question.

"'How has the Sunday school been getting along?" I inquired by way of keeping up the conversation.

"'Oh,' said he, 'it was doing first-rate up until bad weather came; but since then it hasn't been doing so well.'

"We chatted pleasantly for some time, enjoying the warm fire which he had built. No one else appearing, I said to my young friend: 'Do you think there will be anybody else here today?"

"'No," he said, 'it's a pretty bad day, and they don't come out very well when it is bad weather.'

"'How many were here last Sunday?' I asked, recalling the fact that the weather of the several previous Sundays had also been bad.

"'Just me,' was his laconic reply.

"'Well, that's not very encouraging, is it?' I suggested.

"'No,' was the reply, 'but I thought if I came and built the fire and rang the bell, somebody else might come.'

"'And you stayed here all alone, did you?'

"'Yes sir, till the hour was up; then I locked up the house and went home.'

"'How far from here do you live?' I asked.

"'About a mile across there,' he said, indicating a locality across fields, and through a patch of woods over on another road.

"'How many were here two weeks ago?' I ventured to inquire.

"Just me,' was his laconic reply.

"'And this is the third Sunday in succession you have come here, built a fire, rung the bell, and waited an hour for some one to come?'

"'Yes, sir.'

"Well, how long are you going to keep this up?

"'Till they tell me quit,' was his reply, as he seemed to realize the importance of his position and how great was the responsibility laid upon him.

"'Well you are the stuff they make successful Sunday school workers out of,' I said, patting him approvingly on the shoulder.

"I don't want to see the Sunday school go down, and it shan't if I can help it,' was his reply.

"'You are all right, my boy, I said. 'You just keep right on doing your duty, whether anyone else does or not, and you will have your reward. Have you a Bible all your own?" I asked

"'No,' he said, but I mean to have one some day.'

"'All right, here is one that shall be yours,' and I gave him a good Bible I had with me, and wrote his name in it, accompanying the gift with a few words of advice.

"The next Sunday 'Just Me' went as usual, built his fire, and rang the bell. Some of the people and children came out and the Sunday schoool was saved.

"I have got my eyes on that boy, and some day I am of the opinion that there will be another chapter written in his life's history, and it will tell of other and greater responsibilities, and their faithful fulfillment, because, ' He that is faithful in that which is least, is faithful also in much.'

"When the book is opened and the roll is called in Heaven, 'Just Me' as I have chosen to call him, will be there, I hope, and able to lay many trophies at the Master's feet."—The Watchword.

NOW Never was there such a demand for capable OPTICIANS as now Not alone to fill positions but to occupy fields calling for Optometrists.
WE TEACH EVERYTHING PERTAINING TO OPTOMETRY
Attendance or Mail Courses. Write for Catalog.
NORTHERN ILLINOIS COLLEGE OF OPHTHALMOLOGY
G. W. McFatrich, M. D., Pres., Masonic Temple, Chicago, Ill.

LETTERS FROM RHEUMATICS

Possibly you have imagined that you could never get your own consent to write a testimonial letter, but if you have ever experienced the excruciating pains of Rheumatism you can at least appreciate the feelings of those who have been relieved of this terrible disease by drinking the Mineral Water from the justly celebrated Shivar Spring at Shelton, S. C. This water overcomes many diseases, including Indigestion, Gout, Uric Acid Poisoning and Liver and Kidney diseases, but no patrons of the spring are more enthusiastic in their praise of the water than those who have been relieved of their Rheumatism. Hundreds of letters like the following have been received by the Management:

Dr. Crosby, a South Carolina physician, writes:—"I have tested your Spring Water in several cases of Rheumatism, Chronic Indigestion, Kidney and Bladder troubles and in Nervous and Sick Headaches and find that it has acted nicely in each case, and I believe that, if used continuously for a reasonable time, will produce a permanent cure. It will purify the blood, relieve debility, stimulate the action of the Liver, Kidneys and Bladder, aiding them in throwing off all poisonous matter."

Dr. Avant of Savannah writes:—"I suffered for years with a most aggravating form of stomach disorder and consulted a number of our best local physicians, went to Baltimore and consulted specialists there and still I was not benefited. I had about despaired of living when I began to use Shivar Spring Water and in a short time was cured."

Mr. Rhodes of Virginia writes:—"Please send me ten gallons of Shivar Spring Water quickly. I want it for Rheumatism. I know of several who were cured of Rheumatism with this water."

Editor Cunningham writes:"The water has done more good than any medicine I have ever taken for Rheumatism. Am entirely free from pain."

Mr. McClam of South Carolina writes:—"My wife has been a sufferer from Rheumatism and after drinking twenty gallons of your Mineral Water was entirely cured of the horrible disease."

Mr. Carter of Virginia writes:—"Mrs. Carter has had enlarged joints upon her hands, caused by Rheumatism. Shivar Spring Water removed every trace of the enlargement. The water is simply excellent."

If you suffer with Rhematism, or with any chronic disease, accept the guaranntee offer below by signing your name. Clip and mail to the

Shivar Spring,
Box 5R, Shelton, S. C.

Gentlemen:—I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons (two five-gallon demijohns) of Shivar Spring Water. I agree to give the water a fair trial in accordance with instructions which you will send, and if I derive no benefit you are to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns, which I agree to return promptly.

Post Office .....
Express Office .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)

IDEAL FUNERAL BOOK

A ready aid for pastors of all denominations, Contains Scripture Selection, Topics, Texts and Outlines, Suggestive Themes and Prayers, Quotations, Illustrations, Form of Service, etc. Over fifteen hundred suggestive themes and texts for every possible occasion. A limp leather-bound, gilt-edge book, pocket size, 214 pages, for 75c. and 4c. postage. Guaranteed the best on the market.
PENTECOSTAL PUBLISHING CO., LOUISVILLE, KY.

Our Dead.

SAFFORD.—When Atherton R. Safford died in Gastonia last September, one of the most devout and pious men I ever knew passed from earthly service to eternal reward.

His death was a distinct loss to the Church and brought sorrow to many who knew and appreciated the character and goodness of this saintly man.

He was born in Susquehanna County, Penn., August 18th, 1850, was soundly converted in his sixteenth year and very soon after joined the Methodist Church and was at once made Sunday-School Superintendent and Steward. From that time forward for some forty years he held official position in the Church.

In 1892 he came to North Carolina locating in Lenoir, where with his brother-in-law, Mr. J. B. Atkinsin, he engaged in the lumber business and I just knew him when I served the Lenoir Church as pastor. He was active then in service and was a well qualified Sunday School teacher and worker in the Epworth League.

He was always loyal to his pastor interested in all that pertained to the welfare of the Kingdom and zealous for the salvation of the lost. The people too, had full confidence in his Christian character and he was useful in a large degree. For several years past his business took him to Florida but during the last summer he located in Gastonia and died there within two months thereafter on Sept., 10, 1915. His death was almost sudden for his health had been good apparently to within 48 hours of the end. The body was taken to Marion and there laid to rest after a funeral service conducted by Rev. L. D. Thompson, of the Marion Church.

Brother Safford was married Nov., 28, 1872 to Miss Hannah Atkinson of Penn., and for forty-three years they lived happil together.

An adopted son, with the sorrowing widow mourn the great loss sustained by his departure.

He made a splendid record for he was true in all the relations, as husband, citizen, Christian.

When the end came it was well with him. He had no fear of death for he trusted Him who had abolished death so with sure and steadfast faith he conquered the last enemy and entered into that rest which is the reward the Master gives to those who endure to the end. William L. Sherrill.

HAWKINS.—Earnest Clinton Hawkins, son of Wm. and Emma Hawkins was born at Independence, Grayson County, Virginia, Nov., 12, 1905, and departed this life at Winston-Salem, North Carolina, Oct., 8th, 1915.

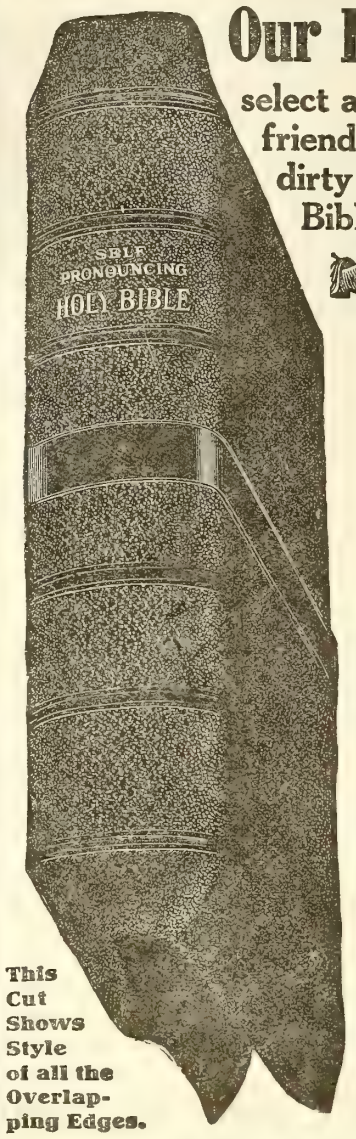
He was the victim of diptheria. Skill and science were unable to combat the disease and after eleven days' illness, his heart, weakened by the poison, ceased to beat. He died with a smile on his face. His remains were buried in Mt. Airy, N. C.

This manly little fellow had finished three years in the graded schools of Columbia, where his family resided before coming to Winston-Salem. He was a Sunday-School scholar in Columbia and later in Mt. Airy. He was a good and obedient son.

The family is very sad, but each member of it is determined by God's grace to meet this dear boy "in the sweet by and by." May God comfort them. E. L. Bain.

TRY MURINE EYE REMEDY
For Red, Weak, Weary, Watery Eyes and GRANULATED EYELIDS.
Murine Doesn't Smart—Soothes Eye Pain
Druggists Sell Murine Eye Remedy, Liquid, 25c, 50c, $1.00
Murine Eye Salve, in Aseptic Tubes, 25c, $1.00
EYE BOOKS AND ADVICE FREE BY MAIL
Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago

BIBLE BARGAINS.



This Cut Shows Style of all the Overlapping Edges.

Our Big Xmas Special Affords splendid opportunity for you to select an appropriate gift for any Christian relative or friend, young or old, or to replace your own worn-out, dirty Bible, with a new, modern print, self-pronouncing Bible, at a very desirable saving.

While They Last! 3,000 Morocco-bound, Overlapping Edge Bibles at 1-3 to 1-2 Off! Family, Teachers', Scholars' and Pocket Bibles!

ILLUSTRATED RED LETTER TEACHERS' BIBLE.

Large, clear, long primer type, largest type used in Teachers' Bibles, self-pronouncing, words of Christ printed in red. Fine white thin Bible paper. The best line of teachers' helps published, including the Concordance, four thousand questions and answers on the Bible, 64 full page illustrations printed in many colors, family record.

Most Complete Bible in the World,

containing all the desirable features. Forty thousand references, splendid Morocco binding, overlapping edges, red under gold edges, stamped in gold letters, with patent thumb index. Size 5½ x 8½ x 1¼.

$6.00 Catalogue price. For.....$2.50 Postage 25c. extra.

COMBINATION TEACHERS' BIBLE.

Splendid Morrocco binding, overlapping edges, stamped in gold on side and back, linen lined to edge, fine thin Bible paper, round corners, red under gold edges, large burgeois type, self-pronouncing, forty thousand references. **Revised Version in foot note (without increasing size of Bible).** Splendid Bible Concordance. Maps. Size 5½x8½x1¼. We bought 1,000 of these at a very special price, hence we offer them

$4.50 Value for.....$1.65
Postpaid.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHOLARS' BIBLE.

This Bible has been prepared in the full conviction that it will meet the wants of the Student, the Teacher, and Searchers after Truth everywhere. Self indexing, beautiful minion **bold face type.** This edition also contains **a very full Concordance of over 40,000 References, 4,000 questions and answers on the Bible, and 32 of the latest Photographic Scenes in the Holy Land. Eight Superb Colored Maps. Bound in splendid quality of Morocco binding, overlapping edges, stamped in gold on side and back, linen lined and edge very durable.** Regular Agents' Price $3.00,
Our Price.....$1.00
Your name in gold 25c extra. Small and convenient in size. Postage 10c extra.

Small Pocket Bible.

Size 3 3-8 x 5 1-2 x 5-8 of an inch thick: weight 11 ounces. Morocco binding, overlapping edges, Clean, readable ruby type, gold edges. Stamped in gold on side and back. Patent open flat binding that will never break in the back. Regular price $1.20.
Our special price postpai **75c**
Same style of Bible, Oxford India paper, weight only 6 ounces. Net price $1.15.
Your name in gold 25c extra.

OUR IDEAL INDIA PAPER BIBLE.

Bagster Bible bound in fine French Lavant Morocco leather, lined to edge, silk sewed, guaranteed not to break in back, opens flat, very white opaque India paper, thinnest in the world. Extra large, clear long primer type, self-pronouncing, references, Concordance and maps, only size 5⅝ x 8⅝ x ⅞ inch thick, weight only 22 ounces. Index 35c extra. Your name in gold 25c extra.
$8.00 Value for..... $5.00

Specimen of Type
THESE *are* the sons of Iș'ra-el; Reu'ben,[1] Sim'e-on, Lē'vi, and Jū'dah, Is'sa-char, and Zĕb'u-lŭn,

Same style as above in Oxford make same price.

Specimen of Type
9 But the voice answered me again from heaven, What God hath cleansed, *that* call not thou common.

EXTRA SPECIAL.

Same style contents and quality as above Ideal Bible with the black face minion type, size 5 1-2 x 7 1-2, weight 20 oz. Regular agents price $7.00 or $8.00,
Our special price..... **$3.50**
Greatest value ever offered in a Bible.

OLD FOLKS' BIBLE.

Largest type used in convenient size Bible. Small pica type. It takes the place of a family Bible. Contains family record beautifully printed. Bound in a splendid quality, flexible morocco tal, stamped in gold. Guaranteed not to break in back. Regular agents' price $3.50
Our sale price, postpaid..... **$2.00**
Your name in gold 25c.

Specimen of Type
6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

INDIA PAPER POCKET BIBLE.

Beautiful quality white Opaque India pape.r Size 4 3-4 x 6 3-4 x 5-8 of an inch thick; weight 12 oz. Splendid Morocco binding, overlapping edges, silk headbands and marker. stamped in gold. Just the Bible for young people and ministers to carry in pocket. It contains references and maps only, minion type. **$2.20 Value for $1.75** postpaid.
Index 35c extra. Name in gold 25c extra.
Same as above with Concordance $2.25.

Bibles, Testaments, Religious Books, Mottoes. Write for description and prices.

Bible Dept., Pentecostal Publishing Co. LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY.
LARGEST WHOLESALE AND RETAIL BIBLE DEALERS IN THE SOUTH.

TRINITY PARK SCHOOL ITEMS

The first quarter's examinations are now in the past and the work of the second quarter is well under way. A few new students have recently entered and there is every prospect for a successful term's work closing late in January.

With the advent of cold weather the nature of outdoor sports has changed. Volley-ball seems to be the prime favorite now, though quite a number still enjoy tennis. A most interesting and closely contested tournament is now being held on the tennis courts. The final victor will win as a prize a tennis racket.

On last Friday morning, just after the morning chapel exercises, the faculty and students enjoyed an eloquent and inspiring address delivered by ex-mayor Brogden of this city. His general theme was the coming of Christ as a Saviour of that which was lost—a Saviour of lost time, of lost motion, of lost hopes and of lost souls. He held the undivided attention of his hearers, all of whom hope that he will be present again at a chapel exercise in the near future.

The Trinity Park School Wesley Bible Class, taught by Prof. C. L. Hornaday, now numbers sixty members. C. C. Parker is president and every Sunday morning a large percentage of the class is present at the Memorial church Sunday school, and quite a number of the members have a perfect record for attendance.

The Calhoun and the Grady literary societies gave their regular annual reception in the Asbury building last Friday evening from 8 to 11. A musical program was rendered after the speeches of welcome delivered by the presidents, O. B. Carr and J. H. Moore, of the Calhoun and Grady societies respectively.

Mrs. C. B. West, after some time spent in Hickory, N. C., visiting her parents, has returned to the campus.

AN EXCLUSIVE SOUTHERN INDUSTRY

The State of North Carolina can boast of at least one exclusive Southern industry—the production of blue marble, The Regal Marble Company's quarries, at Regal, N. C., being one of the few producers in the western hemisphere of this valued stone. The Regal Company's product is known as Regal Blue and is characterized by a deep blue color and an extremely compact texture, which accounts for the remarkable weather resisting properties of this marble. Government tests show its water absorption to be only .003% meaning that so little moisture penetrates that frost can do no damage. Frost is the natural enemy of exposed marble monuments and eventually destroys those of course grain. The Regal Company have a very complete finishing plant at the quarries where natural Regal Blue is sawed, turned, carved, sanded, polished, etc. Only American workmen are employed.

From the Field

FROM CONFERENCE EVANGELIST

Please let the brethren remember that my address is Guilford College instead of Greensboro, and let all those who desire my help during the year please let me know at the earliest possible date so that I can arrange my plans accordingly. Several spoke to me at Conference to help them and I would be glad if you will let me know just as soon as possible the dates that will suit you best. I will be glad for the presiding elders who desire my services in their districts to let me know at once. I am working under the direction of the Evangelistic Committee, and want your request for help in as soon as possible, so that I will have plenty of time to consult with them. I hope to be able to have a good singer with me at all places where he will be needed. I begin the fourth Sunday in November at Sutherland, with Rev. J. I. Hickman, and expect to hold two meetings before Christmas. Brethren, do not forget to pray for Brother Taylor and me. We need your prayers. W. L. Dawson

NOTE FROM CHILDREN'S HOME

Owing to the superintendent's absence, attending Conference, and his having with him the duplicate receipt book, no receipts have been issued for remittances since the opening of Conference. They will be sent immediately upon his return, and all acknowledgements made in next weeks Advocate.

The following donations have been received since the last report, for which we return our sincere thanks: One box of extremely useful clothing, from Mrs. Nat M. Picket, Madison; two quilts, through Mrs. Lee S. Smith Guilford College, one donated by the Ladies' Missionary Society, the other by the Children's Missionary Society of Muir's Chapel; 13 doz. cans of fruit from the new church and Sunday school at Arcadia, L. E. Ripple, Supt in addition to a very generous fifth Sunday donation in money; a box of apples and two boxes of potatoes from Green Mountain; 102 half-gallon jars of fruit, through Mrs. H. M. Teague Lenoir; two boxes of canned fruit from the Ladies' Aid Society, Henrietta; one from Mrs. S. E. Shinn, Norwood; one barrel of pears, Mrs. W. F Johnson, Concord; one box of girls hats, Miss Selma Lamb, Greensboro.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT STEWARDS AND CHARGE LAY LEADERS

I hereby call a joint meeting of the district stewards and charge leaders of the Greensboro district at West Market church, Greensboro, for Wednesday, Dec. 8, at 10 a. m. The usual business of the district stewards will be transacted at this hour. At 2 o'clock p. m. plans for the introduction of the Every-Member Canvass throughout the district will be agreed upon.

J. H. Weaver, P. E.

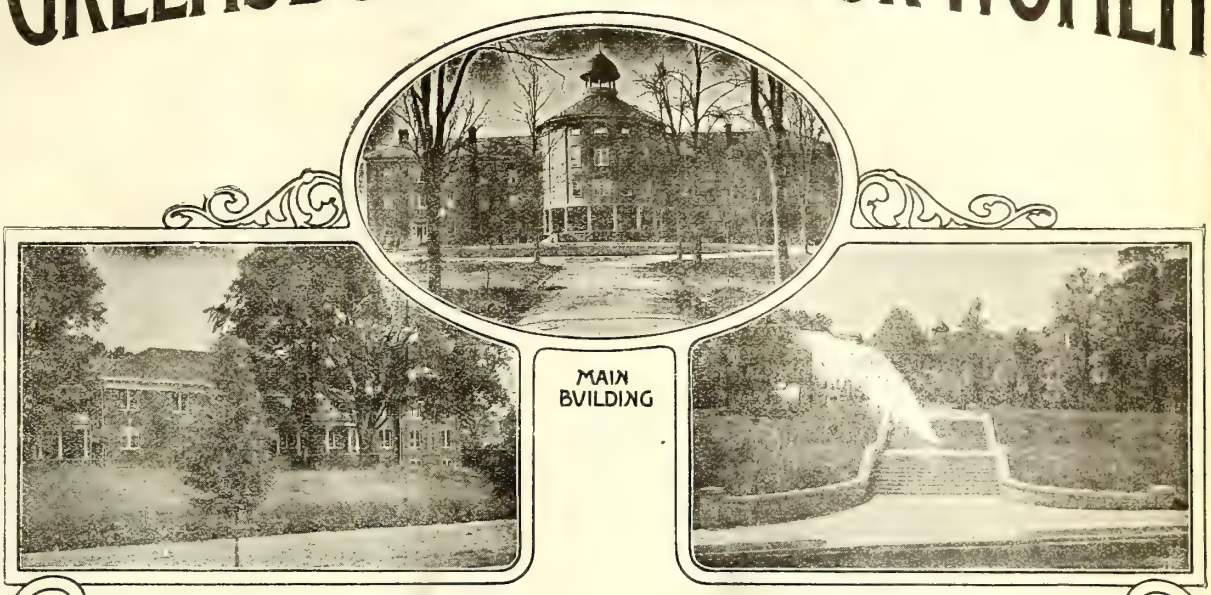
ELLENBORO SUNDAY SCHOOL

Mr. J. M. K. Randall writes:—Allow me a little space to let the Sunday school children over the Conference know how a few of our children at Oak Grove helped on our missionary collections. Twenty-one of our Sunday school children picked cotton one day. Their names are as follows: Renn Randall, 68 cts; Dorsey Randall; 52 cts; Hoyle Bailey, 12 cts: Earl Randall, 10 cts; Mary Randall. 40 cts; Cletus Randall, 22 cts; Pearl Randall, 13 cts; Eugenia Randall, 20 cts; Moore Biggerstaff, 10 cts; Edna Blanton, 10 cts; Clara Randall. 60 cts; Alpha Green, 50 cts; Grace Wells, 25 cts; Mary Wells, 25 cts; Eva Green, 50 cts; Carmel Cooper, 25 cts; Paul Harrill, 10 cts; little Wiggins Brothers, $1.50. Total, $6.32.

Some of these children are very small, but they have contributed more than some of our grown folks. One woman in the bounds of the Cliffside charge paid $4.00 by selling butter. Can not more of our women do the same?

When Bishop Lambuth reads out the appointments we are hoping that he will read out H. L. Powell for Cliffside.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY - FITZGERALD HALL

ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department, open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D. D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

Remarks .....

RESOLUTIONS OF WAYNESVILLE CHARGE

Whereas, Rev. L. T. Cordell has served the Waynesville District for four years as presiding elder in a very faithful and efficient manner, building up the district in a spiritual and material growth fully in keeping with the spirit of Methodism; and,

Whereas, under the law of the church it was necessary to remove him to a different field of labor; therefore be it resolved by the Waynesville charge that we hereby xpress our hearty appreciation of his great work in our midst and commend him to the people in his new field and pray heaven's richest blessing upon him wherever he may be sent.

That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate and spread on the minutes of this quarterly conference.

C. H. McDowell,
W. T. Blaylock,
J. M. Mock,
Committee.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

BISHOP DAVID H. MOORE DEAD

A press dispatch from Cincinnati, dated Nov. 23rd, says:—Bishop David H. Moore, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, died here tonight following a stroke of paralysis while returning here on a train early today. He had been on a visit to his brother in Chicago and was found unconscious in his berth on a sleeping car.

Bishop Moore was rtired from the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1912, but since that time has taken an active interest in important conferences of the church.

What is meant by "our neighbor" we cannot doubt; it is every one with whom we are brought into contact; he or she whomsoever it be whom we have any means of helping.—Dean

The Sunday School Lesson

FOURTH QUARTER—LESSON IX—NOVEMBER 28, 1915

AMOS, THE FEARLESS PROPHET

(Home Missionary Lesson)
Amos 5:1-15

Golden Text—He that hath my word, let him speak my word faithfully. Jer. 23.28.

Summary of the Lesson

Principal George Adam Smith has done many brilliant and significant pieces of work. None of them have a more richly human quality than the studies found in The Book of the Twelve Prophets in the Expositor's Bible. The section on the prophet Amos is written with a vividness and an ethical passion which fairly sweep the reader along. You see the complacent, self-indulgent age. You hear the sharp, ringing voice of the dauntless desert prophet. You deeply sense the significance of a piece of ancient life. You come to know Israel in the eighth century before Christ. Then suddenly you know that it is not the eighth century, but the twentieth which must now heed the prophet's message, and so you listen to a sermon for today.

Soulless Worship

"He is very religious, but he does not seem to be particularly moral." This cutting comment was made regarding a man whose piety was obvious, but who was quite careless about meeting many human obligations.

The people to whom Amos spoke could not be called irreligious. They flocked to the place of worship. They had a zestful and buoyant enthusiasm for religious ceremony. They had a proud and confident attitude toward Jehovah. They were exuberantly, optimistically and even feverishly religious, but they had divorced religion from righteousness. They wanted to keep the joyful emotions of religion without facing the moral obligations of religion. They indulged in awful vices. They were guilty of hard and cold cruelty. Social injustice was to be found everywhere. The people had never faced the meaning of worshiping a righteous God.

It is possible to have an ecclesiastical revival without fundamental transformation of human character. It is possible to have a religious revival without having a genuine advancement of the kingdom of God. Crowded churches do not necessarily mean conquered consciences. Vivid enthusiasms do not necessarily mean lives morally renewed. The Church of Rome has known periods of the most extraordinary enthusiasm, when there was not much moral progress. If Amos were alive today he could easily challenge the attention of Rome with his awful word, "For three transgressions and for four." But it is also true that standing in the presence of present-day Protestant churches he would be able to place his hand on spots where the same tragedy has been enacted. Wherever the emotion of religion has been submitted for the life of righteousness his terrible word would come leaping forth with all its old cutting power.

A Relentless Critic

There is a story to the effect that one day the artist Whistler was standing bare headed in a store where gentlemen's furnishings were sold. Mistaking him for a clerk, a man rushed up to him and said indignantly, "I bought this hat here yesterday. It doesn't fit." Whistler drew back and looked him over coolly. Then he said, "Your coat doesn't fit, either. Your trousers are too large, and your shoes are not the right size." Then he turned away, leaving the proprietor of the store to deal in the best way he could with the irate customer.

There is criticism and criticism. There are critics and critics. The criticism which is meant to hurt is not likely to help. When a man criticises because he takes pleasure in wounding he may bring blood, but he ought to remember that bleeding is not so frequently prescribed as it was in other days. The only man who has a right to be a critic is the man who feels hurt himself with every stroke of the sword he wields.

Amos was one of the most powerful destructive critics whom the world has known, but it was always evil and poisonous things which he aimed to destroy, and his own heart was torn with the tragedy of the life which he so remorselessly condemned. He used simple and unmistakable words. He removed the covering and revealed all the sores which disfigured the body of the nation. He had an awful passion for facts. Not one ugly, coiling evil escaped him. He was an incarnate candor. He brought a complacent and comfortable people into the presence of their sins. It was not easy for Amos. His soul was drawn with the horror of it all but it was the one thing the people needed supremely. Their critic was their best friend.

The Inspiration of the Critic

"The Lord Jehovah hath spoken: Who can but prophesy?" cried Amos. He does not feel that his words are his own. He does not feel that they are simply the expressions of a lofty standard applied to the people's life. He feels that they are the words of Almighty God, spoken through his lips. God himself is the critic who is finding fault with a perverse and evil-minded people.

Now, when we remember that so much of what Amos has to say is a social indictment his consciousness of being the spokesman of Jehovah becomes all the more significant. In the mind of Amos social sins are sins against God. In his thought Jehovah has the profoundest concern about the fashion in which men treat each other. Follow a social duty to its root and it becomes a religious duty. Follow a social sin to its root and it becomes a sin against religion. The principle which here comes to light is as true in New Testament religion as it was in Old Testament life. It is the basis of all the social passion which throbs in the church. It is the justification of the "Social Creed of the Churches." The prophet of a regenerated society is the prophet of the living God.

Socialism has often been characterized by an essentially irreligious temper. It has been inclined to trust in a divinely infused spirit of brotherhood, but the man of Christian social passion knows that the Christian religion is the real dynamic of social transformation. When he appears as the critic of false elements in the social structure of our life he comes in the name of the Spirit of Christ. Constructive criticism is always based upon faith.

Keeping Religion Ethical

"No, I do not like the Salvation Army," said a distinguished English churchman, "but I believe the Lord Almighty does." The rude and powerful prophet, who speaks with no thought of conventions and drives the truth home with rugged and barbarous blows, is likely to make us tremble for our china at the very moment when to spend our time in finding fault with his manners instead of taking his message seriously, but gradually it dawns upon us that this rude Thor, with his manner, is doing God's work. It is his terrible and difficult task to to keep the conscience alive in religion.

It is tremendously easy for the Church to become a company of lotus eaters. It is easy to let the moral voice die away in the distance and to surrender to all the subtle seduction of an interpretation of religion which preserves its tender emotions and its delicate aesthetic charms, while the hard robustness of its strength disappears. Then we need to hear the voice of some modern Amos, the words springing forth like veteran soldiers to battle, calling us to sturdier and manlier thoughts and robust and vigorous lives. "Seek good, and not evil, that ye may live," cries the prophet of an ancient day, and once more we are brought face to face with the fact that an adequate religion must eventuate in a righteous character. Fresh from the desert Amos came. He knew a hot and fevered civilization only to hate it. He condemned it in the name of God. We do not need to hate civilization, but we do need to hate the sins of civilization as heartily as did Amos. Religion becomes cloyingly sweet and decays at last, unless it is filled with the moral quality which was so distinctive a characteristic of the shepherd of Tekoa.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in New York Christian Advocate.

THE VALUE OF FRESH AIR

The oxygen of the air is the world's great scavenger.

Drawn into the lungs it oxidizes the refuse in the blood through the lungs.

But when the lungs are engorged by croup, catarrh or colds the oxygen can not penetrate the phlegm and therefore can not reach the membranes through which it purifies the blood.

Apply Mentholatum in the nostrils and upon the throat and chest.

The body heat releases the aromatic volatile oils contained in the Mentholatum. These oils are pungent and penetrating.

When inhaled they accelerate the flow of the secretions, loosening the hardened phlegm and encouraging its expectoration.

Then comes the life-giving, refreshing air—nature's restorative.

Mentholatum is also a germicide and an antiseptic.

It also has a rapid healing effect upon all inflamed surfaces, such as chapped skin, burns and bruises.

Our Father, may we remember those who, in trying times and under difficult circumstances, have given themselves to the life service. May we rejoice in their memory and in their work, and may we learn to take our work, whatsoever it be, howsoever small it may be itself, as a part of that great human effort through which righteousness comes. May we in our generation enter the gates of righteousness and rejoice, knowing that for every one of us there is a work and a challenge for our every power, as we give ourselves to Thy service. Amen.

We Will Pay You $120.00
to represent us and distribute Bibles in your community. 60 days' work. Man or woman. Experience not required. Spare time may be used.
International Bible Press, Dept. I Y Ph'la'e'ph'a

NEW FEATHER BEDS $5.40 ONLY
6 pound Feather Pillows $1 per pair. New, Clean, Odorless, Sanitary and Dustless Feathers. Best Ticking. Satisfaction guaranteed. Write for FREE catalog and wonderful FREE OFFER. Agents wanted. SOUTHERN FEATHER & PILLOW CO., Desk 24 GREENSBORO, NO. CAR.

DALSIMER SHOES
Comfort with Style
Fall & Winter Catalog
FREE Upon Request
THIS illustrated, instructive catalog shows our shoes for Women, Men and Children. It also contains an authoritative article, "Care of the Feet," by Leon S. Dalsimer, M. D.
Most foot troubles come from poor fitting. For 36 years Dalsimer Shoes have been recognized for their Fit, Quality and Style. The Dalsimer "Nurses' DeLyte" Shoe is designed for women with tender feet. Made of Duree Kid, with no seams, flexible soles, rubber heels—button or lace, high or low, 1½ to 10, AA to F..... $3.00
Dalsimer Shoes are Guaranteed. If you are not fully satisfied, we Refund your Money.
S. DALSIMER & SONS
1204R Market St., Phila., Pa.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS
Furnished on short notice
Summit Avenue Greenhouses
HOWARD GARDNER
Proprietor
GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phoue 571 Res. Phone 1174
DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF
STOMACH AND INTESTINES
121½ S. Elm St. Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland.
109 North Elm Street, 'Pone 44

The Newest Styles of Jewelry
WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE
Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.
SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO
LEADING JEWELERS

Plant Trees
from the
Greensboro Nurseries
We have more than a million trees, vines and plants. We will make you a special price. Write today for our special offer.
John A. Young & Sons
Greensboro, N. C.


Standard
Memorial Windows
Made in High Point
Beautiful in design—strong in construction. Largest and oldest glass plant in the South. Capacity for any and all orders and prompt delivery. Satisfaction guaranteed. References—any of our old customers or any bank or banker in High Point. Write for catalog.
Standard Mirror Co.
High Point, N. C.

Our Little Folks' Department

A THANKSGIVING HEROINE

It was in the old Revolutionary days, when Colonel Fanning was terrorizing the Carolinas, that Margaret Woods, the little twelve-year-old daughter of Captain Woods, saved her fathers life and rendered a good service to the cause of the patriots.

In the autumn of 1780, Captain Woods, of the Revolutionary army, came home on leave of absence to spend a few days with his family. It was at the time appointed by the Continental army for the observance of Thanksgiving, and great preparations were made in the home for the family gathering, all so thankful for the home coming of the father again. He had been home only a single day when news of Fanning's approach alarmed the neighborhood, and caused many of the people to flee to the block house, ten miles farther south. Captain Woods sent a messenger in great haste to the fort for aid, and as Fanning never remained long in ignorance of such movements, he felt pretty certain that, bold as he was, the raider would not venture across the river, even for such desirable game as Captain Woods.

But Fanning had marked the time of the arrival of the troops even more accurately than had Woods himself, and swept up the valley at the head of his lawless band, about thirty minutes in advance of the soldiers who were crossing the river at the fort below. So secure did Captain Woods feel that he made no effort to guard his home, depending on the arrival of the soldiers sent out for the protection of the valley. So the preparation for the Thanksgiving dinner was completed and the family, seated around the bountifully supplied table, were enjoying the feast, when a messenger on a swift steed raced along the highway, crying aloud:

"Flee, flee! Fanning is coming up the valley! Flee for your lives!"

"It is father they are after," said Margaret, cooly, in the panic that followed. "If we can only hide him, they will not stop long to harm the rest, as the soldiers from the fort are so close on their heels."

"Where shall I go?" asked the captain, as the cloud of dust down the road gave warning of the approach of the enemy. "There is no use in attempting to outride them," he added.

"Climb up in the branches of this tree, father," said Margaret, motioning to the oak under which she stood, for she and her father had hurried out of doors. "They can never find you hidden among its branches. Quick, or it will be too late."

And while her father was climbing to safety, she took her sampler from the work-basket that she had caught up on her way out, and seating herself in the swing hanging from the tree, went on with the work of her embroidery, always at hand when there were a few spare minutes to be redeemed.

Presently the band rode up to the gate, and Fanning himself, addressing the little maid in the swing, asked, "Can you tell me, little girl, whether this is where Captain Woods lives?" Captain Fanning did not know the "little girl" had recognized him.

"Yes, sir; when he is at home from the army," answered Margaret, promptly.

"He has been at home on furlough for some days, I understand. Has he started back yet? Quick, girl, for we are in haste."

"He has started back," said Margaret, quieting her little Puritan conscience by adding to herself, "He had left the house to flee, so that is not a lie."

"Lately, I suppose," retorted Fanning, "since the alarm was given that Fanning was coming, I reckon."

"Yes," admitted Margaret frankly; "just a few minutes before you came."

"Then he can't be far ahead of us. To horse, and after him, boys! Which way did he go, child—up or down?"

"Up," said Margaret, raising her eyes frankly to the outlaw's face. She had no qualms of conscience here—for he had gone up!

Without waiting to question further, the band rode off in haste, hoping to overtake the fugutive, who, after they were out of sight, came down from his hiding place, and taking Margaret in his arms, said: "Thank God for brave little daughter whose presence of mind saved her father from falling into the hands of the most inhuman and relentless foe. I am proud of you, my Margaret, my pearl, and thankful for the Thanksgiving that proved you my own little heroine."

"Why, father, I never thought of being a heroine—I'm only Margaret," was the girl's quick reply.

"Heroines never think of what they are, my child," said her father, "and I would not have you anything else but 'only Margaret' for all the heroines in the world."—The Herald and Presbyter.

A THANKSGIVING PARTY

"And we mustn't forget to invite Grandfather Pumpkin!"

Mrs. Halstead had just locked the back door and was trying the kitchen window to see if it was fastened.

"Sounded like someone talking," she mused as she opened the pantry door and looked in.

Everything was in perfect order, just as she had left it. The pies were in a row on the top shelf—six of them. There were cakes and nuts and all kinds of fruits; an at the bottom, next to the bowl of cranberries, was the big fat turkey—for tomorrow was Thanksgiving Day!

The door closed, and a minute later the streak of light shining under it vanished. There was a breathless pause.

"There, Janey Tart! You nearly got caught," Scolded Big Sister Tart.

"Yes, and if you had there wouldn't have been any party," sighed little Jack Tart.

"Is there going to be a party?" asked Miss Coconut Cake from the shelf below. She tossed her curls and locked up coquettishly at young Mr. Apple Pie.

Mr. Apple Pie took off his hat and made a deep bow, so deep, in fact, that he would have lost his balance and fallen off the shelf if Mr. Mince Pie had not held him back.

So it was arranged that the Pie family and the Cake family should give a party and invite all the pantry folk. Every one accepted, and there was such a chatter that it is a wonder that the Halsteads upstairs did not hear it.

But Grandfather Pumpkin, over in the corner on the floor next to the flour barrel did not say a word. They all took turns calling to ask him. But he was deaf—quite deaf was Grandfather Pumpkin—and he had not even heard that there was going to be a party.

Finally, little Chocolate Icing said she would tell him about it. So she carefully let herself down from one shelf to another and ran lightly along the floor. "Grandfather Pumpkin," she called into his ear, "will you come to our party?"

Grandfather Pumpkin put on his spectacles and looked down at the lady. "Of course I will. I haven't been to a party since I was young. Where is it going to be?"

It was now nearly twelve o'clock and time for the party to begin. So they all started down to the floor.

Mr. Baldwin Apple was the first to reach the door. "It's closed! We can't get out!" he cried.

Mrs. Fruit Cake said it would not do at all; they must have the arty in the kitchen. So they all thought and thought.

It wss Miss Peach Preserve who saved the day. She said she could reach the doorknob from the top of the flour barrel; So she climbed the flour barrel, and by leaning away over could turn the doorknob and opened the door.

They all rushed into the kitchen, and such a time as they did have! Right in the midst of the fun Janey Tart happened to think that she had not seen Grandfather Pumpkin, so she went to find him. There he sat just inside the pantry door, for the space was not wide enough for him to get through. So she called the others; but the door stuck and it would not open an inch farther.

"Let's take his yellow coat off, and then perhaps he will slip through," suggested Mr. Apple Pie.

But they all said that Grandfather Pumpkin without his yellow coat wouldn't seem like Grandfather Pumpkin at all; so he kept it on. They pulled and they pushed, and they pushed and they pulled, and finally they got him through.

What a happy time they did have! They played oranges and lemons and drop the handkerchief and everything they could think of.

"One—two—three—four," called the clock, and the party broke up.

It was a tired, happy crowd that climbed back onto the pantry shelves. Baby Cranberry was so tired he just couldn't climb up again, so he curled up on the floor next to Grandfather Pumpkin and went sound asleep. It was there that Mrs. Halstead found him next morning.—Lurana R. Wilson.

TWO JACKKNIVES AND A BARLOW

Uncle Fred was paying a visit to his brother in the country, and John and Frank, his young nephews, were trying to help make his stay pleasant. There had been days of fishing and hunting, and Uncle Fred felt almost as young as his nephews as they tramped through the woods together.

Uncle Fred had thought a great deal about these two boys since he had been with them. They were both strong, healthy, jolly fellows, but Frank was inclined to be a little selfish; he really didn't know he was selfish, for John had always given up to him, and Frank thought it was perfectly right for him to have the best of everything. And while Uncle Fred loved Frank dearly, he tried to plan some way by which Frank would see himself. So every time he went to the little country town near by he would buy two gifts; and no matter what it was, one would be of the best material and the other of an inferior grade; and when he would take them home, Frank always took first choice and the best. First Uncle Fred had bought reels for their fishing poles. Frank took the silver one and left the cheap black one for John. Then he bought riding whips, and Frank got the best one; and so on about everything.

Finally, Uncle Fred realized that his efforts had been in vain, and it was time for him to return to the city; so he planned to make one more effort for the selfish boy. On the last day of his visit he called both boys to his room and, laying two lovely jackknives and a barlow on the table before them, said: "Now, boys, this is my last gift to you. I got us all a knife apiece as a reminder of the pleasant visit I have had with you. Here, boys, take your choice."

John hesitated, but Frank looked them over carefully and chose the longest-bladed jackknife. John looked at the two left and thought how quick he could cut a fishing pole with the jackknife. But to take that one would leave Uncle Fred the barlow, and he couldn't do that; so he picked up the heavy, thick-bladed knife and thanked his uncle heartily.

"John," said Uncle Fred, "you are a fine, unselfish boy, and I just did that to test you both. Now close your eyes and hold out your hand."

Frank looked on in astonishment, but John did as he was told; and when he opened his eyes, he beheld a gold-handled jackknife in his hand.

"O Uncle Fred," John exclaimed, "you've made a mistake! This one is for Frank.

But Frank understood at last, and, coming closer to his brother, he laid his hand lovingly on John's shoulder. "No, John," said Frank; "Uncle Fred didn't make a mistake; he did this to show me how selfish I am and have been all along about everything. But, Uncle Fred," said Frank, tremblingly, "when you come next summer, you won't have to test us. I'll never forget again the lesson I've learned from two jackknives and a barlow."—Alice L. Whitson.

When death, the great reconciler, has come, it is never our tenderness that we repent of, but our severity.—*George Eliot.*

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of

Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,

SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.——E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg.—W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller——C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg.,
M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.——J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg.—J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.——G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St.—— A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel—J. W. Ligon

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

Are Your Piggies Cold?



"My piggies warm as toast."
"So are mine."
"Gee, but ain't it nice to get up early now?"
"Sure is—it used to be so cold before Daddy bought the Nesco Perfect, now, it's just as warm as can be."
"I'll beat you down to thank Daddy for Nesco Perfect."

Are your's these Lucky Kiddies who dress by a

Nesco Perfect Oil Heater

Price——

ODELL HARDWARE CO.
Greensboro, N. C.

AGENTS WANTED

Liberal Terms! Sells on Sight! Ministers, Teachers Christian Men and Women Can Make Big Money First in the field will get results! Write To-day.

"AUNT FANNY'S" OWN STORY

Fanny Crosby's Story OF NINETY-FOUR YEARS

By S. TREVENA JACKSON

Before her death the blind singer dictated her own life-story, drawing on an extraordinary memory for her recollections of over ninety years. A book filled with memories, impressions and reminiscences never before related.



ONLY $1.00 net

FLEMING H. REVELL COMPANY, Publisher
158 Fifth Av., New York 125 N. Wabash Av., Chicag

Standard Form Collection Envelopes

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

HOLT'S CHAPEL

FOR PASTOR'S SALARY

AMOUNT

Name _____ | Dollars | Cents |

Date _____ 191____

MISSIONS AND CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

MOUNT ZION CHURCH

Name _____ | Dollars | Cents |

Date _____

$1.90 for 1000, delivered

$1.40 for additional 1000, delivered

FOR EITHER FORM

This price is based on using the above forms, changing name of church only. The large envelope is manila, and of the quality regularly used for Pastor's Salary collections. The small envelope can be furnished in white, green or cherry. Its difference in color and size from the Pastor's Salary form makes it ideal for Missions and Conference Collections.

If special form is desired the price will average $2.40 for the first 1000, and $1 40 for additional 1000's, delivered.

Special rates on large quantities.

The Advocate Press, Greensboro, N. C.

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective Oct. 10th, 1915

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	No. 4 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester.....Lv.	7 43 a m	----------	7 43 am	----------	5 35 pm	----------
Yorkville.....“	8 29	----------	8 29	----------	7 10	----------
Gastonia.....“	9 14!	3 10 p m	9 14	----------	9 05	----------
Gastonia.....“	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------
Lincolnton.....“	10 15	4 06	10 15	----------	----------	----------
Newton.....“	10 50	5 02	10 50	----------	----------	----------
Hickory.....“	11 40	5 35	11 28	12 30 pm	----------	6 00 am
Lenoir.....“	12 45 p m	6 33	----------	1 20	----------	7 55
Lenoir.....“	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------
Mortimer.....“	----------	7 54	----------	2 49	----------	----------
Edgemont.....Ar.	----------	8 05	----------	3 00	----------	----------
Southbound	**NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only**	**No. 3 Passenger Sun. Only**	**NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.**
Edgemont.....Lv.	----------	6 45 a m	----------	7 00 am	----------	----------
Mortimer.....“	----------	6 53	----------	7 08	----------	----------
Lenoir.....“	1 50 pm	8 02	----------	----------	----------	----------
Lenoir.....“	----------	----------	----------	8 17	----------	----------
Hickory.....“	2 45	9 05	2 50 pm	9 15	----------	----------
Newton.....“	3 18	9 30	3 18	----------	----------	----------
Lincolnton.....“	3 53	10 05	3 53	----------	----------	----------
Gastonia.....“	4 40	10 55	4 40	----------	----------	----------
Gastonia.....“	5 00	----------	5 00	----------	4 15 am	----------
Yorkville.....“	5 46	----------	5 46	----------	5 34	----------
Chester.....Ar.	6 35	----------	6 35	----------	7 30	----------

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway
LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. **CHESTER, S. C.**

LITTLE ROBIN RUNAWAY

Once upon a time a little baby robin tumbled away from home when his mother was not there. First he did what his mother had often told him not to do: he crowded and pushed his brothers and sisters until he scrambled to the edge of the nest upon their backs. He had not learned to fly; he had not even taken his first lesson in wing-flapping. He sat there, winking and blinking and wondering about the world, until down he fell upon the soft grass under the cherry tree.

The next thing he knew his mother came flying swiftly from somewhere, calling and calling to him: "Do not run away. Do not run away."

But hop, hop, hoppity-hop, away ran that baby robin. His mother fluttered around and tried to keep him under the cherry tree; his father came and scolded; but away went little Robin Runaway as fast as he could go—hop, hop, hoppity-hop.

Then his mother began telling all the neighbors that her baby with the speckled bib had fallen out of his nest and was running away. The sparrows began to chirp about it, the wrens talked it over, and the orioles were so sorry. Other robins came chirping and calling and chirping and calling to the baby with the speckled bib—that little Robin Runaway.

By this time the little fellow was frightened; he didn't know where he was nor which was the way home. He was glad when his mother came and fed him a plump angleworm.

The next thing little Robin Runaway knew he saw a huge cat creeping, creeping through the grass. Straightway his mother began telling that cat what she would do if he came a step nearer her baby. Immediately all the birds began scolding the cat, and it is hard to tell what might have happened if little Mary Jane had not come running out of the house just then to drive away Mr. Cat.

Now, it happened that Mother Robin was as much afraid of Mary Jane as she had been of the cat, and how she scolded that good little girl! Mary Jane only laughed when all the other birds began scolding her at the same time.

In a minute her brother Paul came running. He climbed the cherry tree, reached down and took little Robin Runaway from Mary Jane's two warm hands, and put that little speckled-bibbed baby back in its nest, where it cuddled down and didn't say a word except "Peep, peep," softly.

Mother Robin scolded Paul until he came down from the cherry tree and went back to the porch, where Mary Jane stood laughing.

"I call that a queer way to say, 'I thank you,'" said Paul.

"O, Mrs. Robin wasn't trying to say, 'I thank you,'" answered little Mary Jane; "she was saying: 'Bird babies are not the only ones that sometimes make trouble for their mothers; you, little boy, ran away and made your baby sister run away too.'"

And then Paul laughed, because that very morning his mother had been telling them that once when he was a little fellow he ran away with his baby sister, Mary Jane, and they might have been lost if it had not been for a kind policeman who knew in which nest they belonged. Then both the children laughed, and Father Robin lifted his head and sang a song of joyfulness, while Mother Robin went to market after worms.

Little Robin Runaway stayed at home all the rest of that day; and when his mother cuddled him under her wings at night, he said, "Peep, peep," thankfully.

All mothers know what is best for their children.—Frances Margaret Fox.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Schedule figures published only as information. Not guaranteed. Trains leave Greensboro as follows:

12:55 a. m.—No. 112, daily. Local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh open here at 9:30 p. m. and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m.

1:47 a. m.—No. 30, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars Birmingham to New York and Washington and observation sleeping car Atlanta to Richmond. Tourist car Washington from San Francisco. Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars New York and Washington to Birmingham and observation sleeping car Richmond to Atlanta. Tourist car Washington to San Francisco via Sunset Route. Dining car service. Day coaches.

3:45 a. m.—No. 31, daily. Augusta Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars New York to Augusta and Asheville and Washington to Charlotte and Asheville. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:45 a. m.—No. 11, daily. Local for Atlanta and points South. Pullman sleeping cars Richmond and Norfolk to Charlotte. Connects at Salisbury for Asheville and points west. Day coaches.

7:15 a. m.—No. 37, daily. New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with drawing room and open section sleeping cars New York and Washington to New Orleans and New York to Macon. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service. No coaches.

7:30 a. m.—No. 108, daily. Local for Raleigh.

7:30 a. m.—No. 154, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

8:10 a. m.—No. 44, daily. For Washington and points north.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily. For Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Handles Raleigh-Winston-Salem sleeping car.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily. For Mount Airy.

9:20 a. m.—No. 144, daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Free reclining chair Charlotte to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily. For Salisbury, Statesville, Asheville and Waynesville. Connects at Asheville with Carolina Special. Chair car Goldsboro to Asheville.

12:45 p. m.—No. 130, daily. For Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

12:50 p. m.—No. 45, daily. Local for Charlotte, connecting for Columbia and Seneca.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Washington and New York. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York.
Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:40 p. m.—No. 207, daily. For Winston-Salem, connecting daily except Sunday for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daily except Sunday for Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Chair car Asheville to Goldsboro. Coaches.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily. For Mount Airy.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily. For Winston-Salem.

6:43 p. m.—No. 43, daily. Local for Charlotte.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily. For Sanford.

7:20 p. m.—No. 35, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham, Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham. Dining car service. Day coaches.

7:30 p. m.—No. 46, daily. Local for Danville.

10:20 p. m.—No. 12, daily. Local for Richmond. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Norfolk.

10:35 p. m.—No. 32, daily. Augusta Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars Augusta and Asheville to New York and Charlotte and Asheville to Washington. Dining car service. Day coaches.

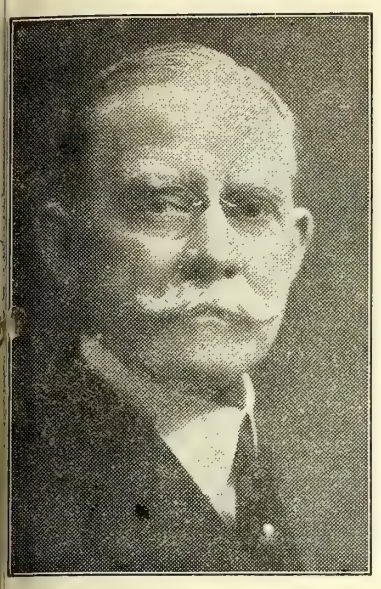
10:35 p. m.—No. 233, daily. For Winston-Salem.

11:15 p. m.—No. 38, daily. New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Pullman drawing room and observation sleeping cars New Orleans and Macon to Washington and New York. Dining car service. No coaches.

R. H. DeBUTTS, Division Passenger Agent, Charlotte, N. C.
C. G. PICKARD, Passenger and Ticket Agent, Greensboro, N. C.

THE SOUTHERN SERVES THE SOUTH

Never to tire; never to grow cold; to be patient, sympathetic, tender; to look for the budding flowers and the opening heart; to hope always like God; to love always,—this is duty.—*Ameil.*



John H. Patterson

NOW THE TIME FOR MERCHANTS TO ADVERTISE, SAYS PATTERSON

In the convention of salesmen of the National Cash Register Company, gathered here from all parts of this continent, reports were made indicating the general improvoement of business everywhere. Out of the eight hundred salesmen present all but one said that his territory was moving fast toward a business boom.

On the basis of these reports, John H. Patterson, president and general manager of the Cash Register Company predicted that the approaching era of prosperity would probably exceed anything this country has ever known.

As a preface to his remarks, he reviewed the business depression of the previous two years. This, he said, had affected all lines—agriculture, mining, industry, commerce and finance.

"Now," he continued, "the boom is on. Agricultural interests are the first to feel it. The farmers have record-breaking crops, with a big demand. Confidence has been re-established. Various industries have picked up, one after another. Then the stores needed goods, and factory wheels began to move. Then commerce and transportation reflected the change. Finally, it was manifest in the financial world. We have plenty of money and the best banking system in the world today.

"We have three big federal organizations, taking care of these various interests: First, the Interstate Commerce Commission; then came the Federal Trade Commission; and, finally, the Federal Reserve Board, with its chain of reserve banks. The value of these three boards or commissions to the country cannot be estimated.

"Through the aid of the reserve banks, the various banking institutions of the country began to loan money where people could not get it before. Now, with big crops and big demands, with little foreign competition, we are at the commencement of an era of prosperity such as this country has never seen before.

"All this great prosperity cannot come in a day. It will take time. But conditions everwhere are improving. The farmers are prosperous. The mills of Pittsburg are busier than ever before. Railroad stocks are going up. It is only a question of a short time before the wave of prosperity will be upon us.

"Now is the time for storekeepers to advertise," added Mr. Patterson. He is backing up his opinion with his money. His company is spending more than $200,000 this month for advertising. In addition, it has spent $50,000 to have the 80 members of its selling force attend its school at Dayton for three days, where they were taught the new and up-to-date ideas for their business.

THE CALL OF THE STATE UNIVERSITY

R. B. Eleazer

In the bounds of Southern Methodism there are twenty-five state colleges and universities, with an enrollment last year of 19,557 students, of whom 5,805 were Methodists. In only one of these institutions is our church carryin gon any definite work for these thousands of bright young men and women who are fitting themselves for the future leadership of the South. In connection with the University of Missouri we have a university pastorate; but with this sole exception our church has set apart not a single worker for the cultivation of this vast field, nor even for the conservation to the church of the army of students of our own denomination. These twenty-four neglected institutions offer us illimitable opportunities and lay upon us similar responsibilities for the religious training of a host of coming leaders who will profoundly influence for good or ill the future of our country. As a church we cannot neglect this field witout suffering immediate and permanent loss beyond one's power to estimate. We believe no better use could be made of a score of our ablest and most successful religious leaders than by putting them into university pastorates, Bible chairs, and other definite forms of work for the conservation of these vast resources of human life and power.

Of course the ideal would be to have all these young men and women attend church schools, but we confront a condition and not a theory. And it is a condition that we have so far been unable to change or even to modify in any material degree. Think what we may about it, the fact remains that the vast majority of those who are fitting themselves by college training for future leadership are taking their work in State institutions. If we are to reach them, we must go where they are. Failure to do so is not only unjustifiable neglect of a great opportunity, but is a suicidal policy.

Other Churches Taking the Lead

Other churches have been quicker than our own to see andl embrace this opportunity. The Northern Presbyterians were pioneers in this field, having entered it in 1906. They have now ten university pastors giving their entire time to this work and fourteen giving part time. Among the institutions in which this church is at work are a number within our own denominational borders, including the Universities of California, Colorado, Kansas, and Oklahoma. That the results are gratifying is sufficiently indicated by the fact that this branch of the church's work is continually being extended.

The Christian church also has for several years been laying great emphasis upon this phase of its educational policy. It supports university pastorates and Bible chairs at a number of great state institutions. The work of this denomination at Ann Arbor, Mich., is peculiarly conspicuous for its success, having given to the leadership of the church in late years many well-trained men and women.

The Methodist Episcopal Church maintains a number of university pastorates, some of them quite notable. At the University of Wilconsin, for example, there is a student church of three hundred and one members. At the University of Minnesota the denomination is planning for a $90,000 building and for a suitable endowment fund.

The Northern Baptist Church has waked up to the fruitfulness of this field and has taken active steps to conserve a share of the waiting harvest. Calling attention to the fact that there are 4,650 Baptist young men and women enrolled in State institutions as against 3,500 in schools of their own denomination, its Board of Education says: "We recognize that under present conditions a large majority of our young people are destined to secure their education in schools supported by the State. We believe it to be our duty, therefore, to develop every means possible to surround them with influences calculated to develop in them strong and effective Christian character. We are determined, as far as the denomination will enable us, that we shall endeavor to reach this young life and conserve it for the Christian Church." In keeping with this broad-minded policy, the Church has established and is maintaining ten universit pastorates.

The Council of Church Boards of Education has taken cognizance of this significant situation and has issued a strong statement as a result of careful and comprehensive investigation of the subject. It calls attention to the vast enrollment in the eighty-eight State institutions, which increased last year by more than thirteen thousand. The enrollment in the University of Wisconsin alone was 6,696. The Council emphasizes the great need of systematic and intensive religious training in these great institutions and calls attention to the fact that so far only thirty of them are being reached by any denomination.

Our Own Church Just Waking Up

It is gratifying to note that our own Church is at last opening its eyes to this inviting field and taking steps to enter. The last General Conference requested the Board of Education to make a careful study of the subject and assist local Churches in looking after students in State institutions and, wherever practicable, to employ special workers for this purpose. Pursuant to these instructions, the Board last spring set on foot an investigation by a special committee, which is to report its findings and recommendations. It is to be hoped that erelong our Church will be doing its share of this important work and incidentally reaping its share of the rich rewards which will inevitably accrue.—Missionary Voice.

CONFERENCE ASSESSMENTS FOR 1916

Districts	Bishops	Conference Claimants	Foreign Missions	Home and Conf. Missions	Church Extension	Education	An. and Gen. Conf. Exp.	Total
Asheville	$ 369	$ 1523	$ 2033	$ 2604	$ 1268	$ 1986	$ 190	$ 9973
Charlotte	528	2214	2954	3785	1842	2886	276	14485
Greensboro	447	1862	2485	3184	1548	2428	233	12187
Morganton	256	1064	1420	1819	885	1387	133	6964
Mt. Airy	239	995	1328	1701	828	1298	125	6514
North Wilkesboro	154	640	854	1094	533	834	80	4189
Salisbury	425	1768	2359	3022	1470	2305	221	11570
Shelby	327	1360	1815	2325	1131	1773	170	8901
Statesville	415	1728	2306	2954	1437	2252	216	11308
Waynesville	291	1211	1616	2070	1008	1579	152	7927
Winston	392	1635	2180	2792	1360	2128	204	10691
Total	$3843	$16000	$21350	$27350	$13310	$20856	$2000	$104709

The assessment for Children's Home Support Fund is 10 per cent. of the pastor's salary.

The assessment for the American Bible Society is 1 per cent. of the pastor's salary.

Williams Private Sanatorium FOR DRUGS and WHISKEY
TERMS: Drugs $125 Flat. Whiskey $100 Flat. Women patients pay a small sum extra for nurse. B. B. WILLIAMS, M. D., Greensboro, N. C. Reference, Amr. Exchange Nat'l Bank, Greensboro, N. C.

Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

A mutual fire insurance company, organized, owned and operated by the Methodist Church in North Carolina, for the purpose of furnishing protection for church property and personal property of preachers at ACTUAL COST.

Write for information and rates.

W. E. WEBB, Secretary Statesville, N. C.

Quarterly Meetings

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.
First Round

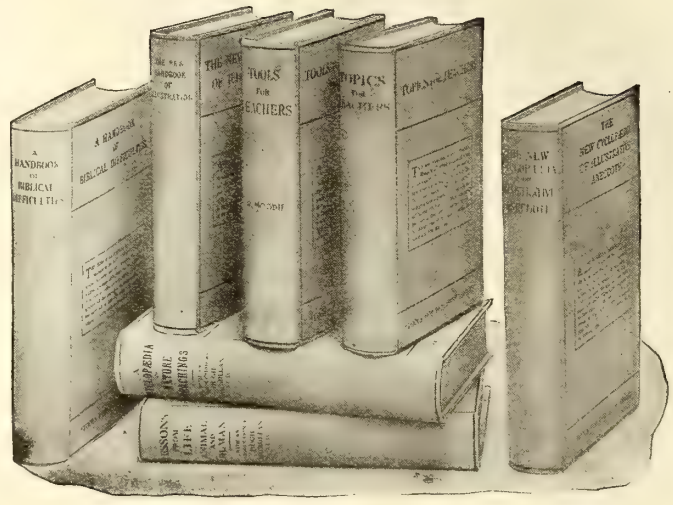
November
Reidsville 28
December
Randolph Ct., Mt. Gilead 4-5
South Main St., High Point 5-6
Uwharrie, Concord 11-12
Coleridge, Concord 18-19
Ramseur and F'ville, Ramseur 19-20
Pleasant Garden, Pleasant Garden 20
Gibsonville, Gibsonville 21
January
Ruffin Ct., Ruffin 14-15
Wentworth, Salem 15-16
Greensboro Ct., Holt's Chapel 22-23
Walnut St. and Carraway Mem, White Oak 23-24
West Greensboro, Muirs Chapel ... 29-30
Spring Garden 29-30
Centenary 29-30
West Market 30-31
February
Ashboro 5-6
Randleman 6-7
Deep River Ct., Worthville 7-8
Wesley Memorial 12-13
East End
Denton Ct., Pleasant Grove 19-20

MAARIAGE & DIVORCE EXPLAINED
By F. M. Messenger

On account of the increasing tide of the divorce evil, the misery and wrong attending it, the author felt constrained to write this booklet and offer it to the public at about the cost of printing and mailing. He feels that it should be in the hands of every lover of truth and freely distributed among those needing light on this important subject. It is instructive, hews to the line, yet chaste enough for the children to read. Only 5c per copy, twelve copies for 35c postage paid.
Dv. 8, MESSENGER PUBLISHING CO.
22 Quincy Street, Chicago, Ill

Sunday School Helps and Supplies

SEVEN LARGE VOLS.
OVER
3800 PAGES



ONLY
$6.00
NET

Tools for Preachers and Teachers

Formerly $14.00----Now Less Than Half Price

Any Single Volume, $1.00 net (formerly $2.00)

A practical, working library, drawn from nature life and the Scriptures. A Storehouse of Information useful for workers in every branch of Christian effort.

1. The Cyclopaedia of Nature Teachings
Introduction by Hugh Macmillan

A selection of acts, illustrations, examples and suggesitons taken from fall departments of inanimate nature, and employed to illuminate the great facts of the religious life.

2. Lessons from Life (Animal and Human)
Introduction by Hugh Macmillan

A compendium of illustration abounding in curious and interesting facts concerning the habits, instincts and peculiarities of living creatures, both animal and human. The moral and religious lessons imparted arise naturally and without effort from the incidents described.

3. Tools for Teachers
By Wm. Moodie

A collection of anecdotes, illustrations and legends for the use of Teachers of Sunday-Schools, Bible Classes and Boys' Clubs. A practical manual and storehouse of anecdotes and illustration for all who have to do with the moral and religious training of the young.

4. New Cyclopaedia of Illustrative Anecdote
(Moral and Religious)

A comprehensive collection of authentic anecdotes, old and new, on a wide range of subjects, arranged and classified alphabetically for ready reference, and with a detailed index.

5. New Handbook of Illustration

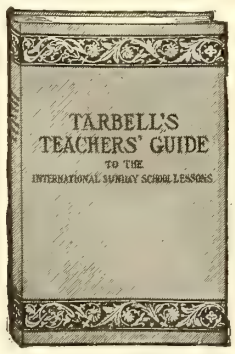
A classified exposition of Scripture Truth and Christian Life, digested and arranged for ready reference. This Handbook of Illustration will afford valuable aid, as a book of suggestion and reference, to public speakers in every branch of their profession.

6. Handbook of Biblical Difficulties
(On Moral and Religious Subjects)
By the Rev. Robert Tuck, B. A.

The editor of this Handbook has collected the passages in the Bible which seem to present special difficulties, and deals carefully with each, suggesting a reasonable explanation of every perplexity, or at least of every class of perplexity.

7. Topics for Teachers *By the Rev. J. C. Gray*

This work constitutes a Bible Dictionary, Manual and Textbook, a Commentary and a Concordance, all in one, saving the cost of these books and the time occupied in their use. The volume is almost a library in itself. It is an invaluable work for preachers and Sunday-School teachers.

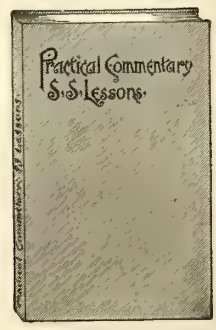


Tarbell's Teachers' Guide

By Martha Tarbell, Ph. D.

Large octavo, cloth binding, $1.00 net (postpaid $1.10).

Time was when "anyone" taught Sunday-school, and results were a matter of conjecture. The TARBELL method has ushered in a new era in Sunday-school teaching, with every teacher a competent instructor. From all parts of the globe testimonials come regularly to the success of this modern Sunday-school teachers' *vade mecum* in all grades.



Peloubet's Notes

Conceded to be the best help for teachers in the Sunday School.

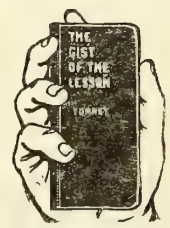
Large octavo, cloth binding $1.00 net (postpaid $1.10).

The Gist of the Lesson

By R. A. Torrey, D. D.

Leatherette, net 25c. postpaid.

Increasing by leaps and bounds, each year the history of "GIST" is the record of continued success. Not merely a book of "notes," but a *vade mecum* packed with seed thoughts for study and meditation.



Sunday School Register arranged with blanks for each Sunday's minutes and complete class report, with a summary for each quarter, also for annual report. Arranged for two years. This is generally conceded to be the best and most complete Sunday school Register now published. Price postpaid $1.50.

Sunday School Quarterly Class Records, full size, 25 cts. per dozen. Every Sunday school should keep a good supply of these records.

Complete Baraca Class Record. One Hundred loose leaf sheets for $1.00. Binder $1.00. Complete outfit $2.00. Each leaf is so arranged as to keep a complete individual record for twelve months. No class should be without this record. Sample sheets furnished on application. One binder will last a life time. Any book published will be furnished at the publisher's price.

Job Printing of all sorts executed with neatness and dispatch. Be sure to see us before giving out your fall work. Anything entrusted to us by mail order will be attended to promptly. Send orders to

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

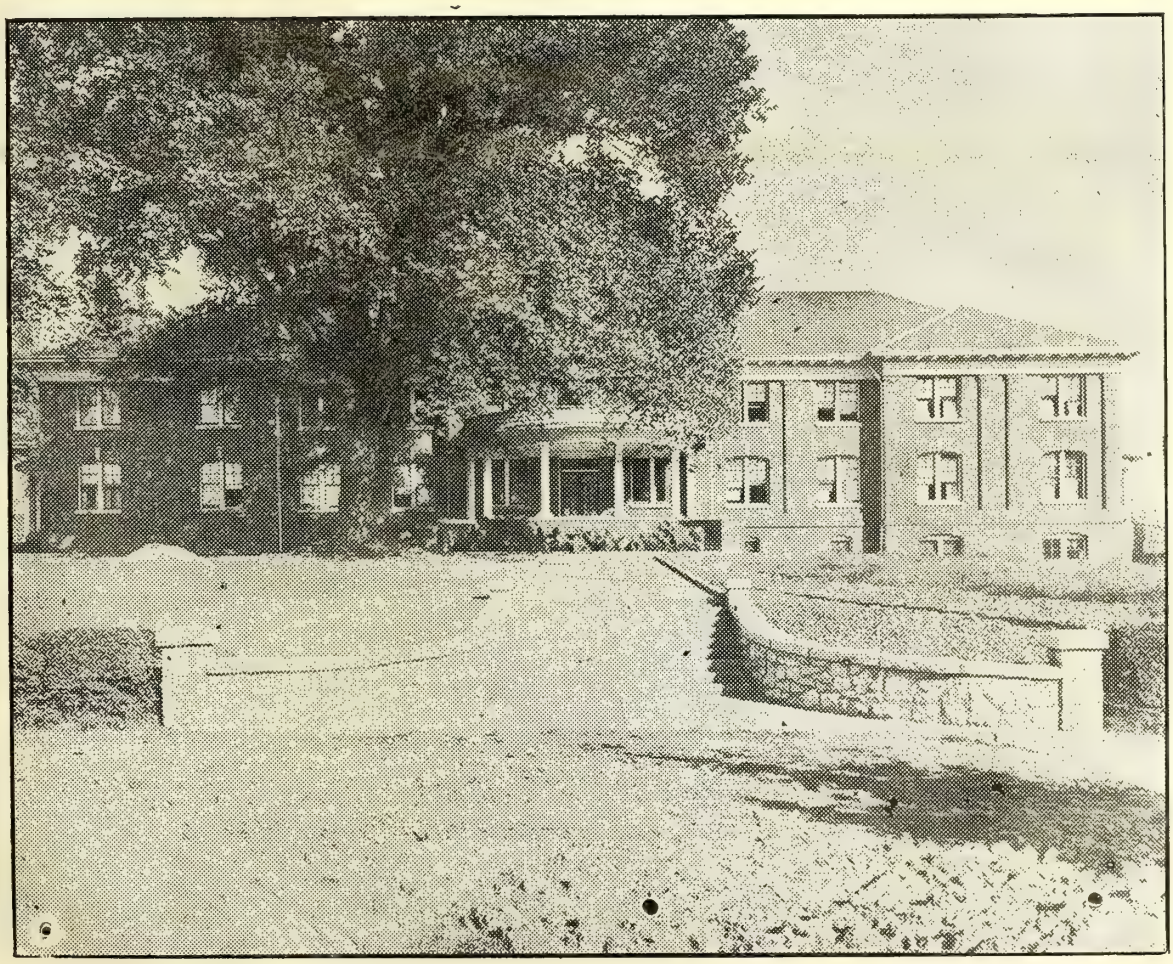
VOLUME LX NUMBER 50

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

GREENSBORO, N. C., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1915

Reading Room Trinity College



FITZGERALD HALL

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN

The new dormitory proposed and for which funds are now being raised will be an exact duplicate of this.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

EDITORIAL

OUR BUILDING FUND

During the past week we have sent out notices to all who are still in arrears on our Building Fund pledges. Now it is necessary for us to say that we have reached the limit on this. Our promise, based on these pledges, is out to make settlement on our note. If any have determined to repudiate their pledge it would be a kindness for them to write us frankly saying so rather than to keep us in this awful suspense. We trust that no church or individual will repudiate, but we have now reached the point where we must know definitely what to depend upon. A word to the wise is sufficient. We shall expect some sort of reply from each one to whom these notices have been sent. If cash is not at hand a thirty or sixty-day note would relieve the embarrassment.

RECEIVING THE NEW PASTOR

We are much in the habit of saying that "all is well that ends well." It may be said with as much truth, however, that much depends upon the manner in which a thing is begun. This is true of nothing more than a pastoral term. Many a pastoral term has been marred in the very beginning by the manner of reception accorded to the pastor and his family. While it is true that a sensitive nature often magnifies little things or misconstrues apparent neglect, it is, nevertheless, true that the people of a charge are very blind to their own best interest if they fail to give the new pastor and his family a very cordial reception.

We do not mean by this that any attempt should be made to be extra-conventional—that the matter of social attention should be formal or stiff. On the contrary, we would have the reception as far from formality as possible, so that the new family may be made comfortable and homelike in feeling at once. By all means let the parsonage be put in order, the larder filled and a small committee of ladies in charge to receive the family in a warm house.

The writer has a vivid recollection of his arrival on the scene of his first field of labor. Some days before starting on the long journey he had received a letter from one of the leading stewards saying that the new preacher would be received with open arms. Encouraged by this cordial message, he wrote at once notifying this brother that he would arrive on a certain train, which, by the way, was scheduled to arrive near midnight. With visions of glad faces waiting, and fires glowing, he landed with his family about 12 o'clock, midnight, out of the warm car into a howling wind in a temperature a little above zero—darkness everywhere. After searching for some time, while the little family shivered, a lonely negro who kept the tank at the station came to the rescue, and showed us to the hotel, where, after some considerable delay, we found shelter for the night. The man "with open arms" to receive us was quietly sleeping in his own cozy bed about four miles in the country.

Many such experiences occur every year. There was no parsonage and no organization looking to the care or comfort of the pastor and his family. All the pastor can do in such cases is to go among the people and somehow thrust himself upon them. It certainly ought not to be so. Many a man will lose courage and give up in the face of such conditions.

On another occasion, a little later in our experience, after an all-day drive through the country on a cold December day, we arrived at the parsonage to find the door locked, and the first thing in the program of reception was a journey to a neighboring house to secure the key, that we might get in out of the cold, kindle fires and thaw out. We hope there are not many such cases now, but lest some one may be subjected to such a test of faith and loyalty, we write this to urge that, in every charge, an effort be made to give the pastor and his family a warm reception—one that will make them feel at once that they are among people who appreciate them and that will stand by them. Much of the success of the year will depend upon how the year begins.

THE EVERY-MEMBER CANVASS

As a ysstem of work in church finances this canvass is comparatively new. It is a vital part of "A Financial Method for Methodists," as promulgated especially in connection with the Laymen's Missionary Movement. But there are a few of our pastors who tried it out years ago and found it the only method by which the whole church could be brought into co-operation in the matter of financial support.

The editor of the Advocate while pastor of a circuit more than twenty years ago, tried it out successfully, the result being an overflow of offerings for all purposes. A little later he put it to the test on a station with a similar result. The only defect in his plan was the lack of co-operation on the part of his laymen, the pastor thus giving an exhibition of success by the application of the "one man power."

This achievement by the application of "one man power," however, is far better than the old slipshod method of working by no plan and having the application of not even the one man power. We would urge every pastor to heed the call this year and, as far as possible, secure the co-operation of the leaders and committees, but keep himself in close touch, so that he may be able to rally the forces till the canvass is made. Instead of trying to do the work himself the pastor should organize and direct the forces of his congregation. It may be difficult in some congregations to get every one to line up with a definite pledge, but if one half, or even one fourth, of the members fall into line for systematic support it will be worth while to make the effort.

It is understood this year that the Advocate canvass is to be attended to in connection with the every-member canvass. The Lay Leader of each church is expected to see that these committees, in making the every-member canvass, shall endeavor to put the Advocate in each family. Then on Advocate day, the first Sunday in February, the pastor and leader will endeavor to finish up the work by presenting the subject to the congregation on Sunday and following up during the next week. Of course, where there are several churches, the matter will be taken up on the day for the February service. The slogan for this year is "Our Advocate in Every Home." Let us see how many churches can reach this goal.

DEATH OF REV. J. M. ASHBY

Rev. James Monroe Ashby, a member of the North Carolina Conference, stationed at Elm City, in the Washington district, passed away at his home in that place on Monday, November 15th, after an illness of only a few hours. He was stricken with paralysis on Sunday morning and never rallied from the stroke.

Brother Ashby was about sixty-five years old and had been a member of the North Carolina Conference since 1883, having joined Conference at Statesville that year. He has served regularly as a faithful itinerant since that time, having been assigned to many of the largest and most difficult fields in his Conference. A man of strong physique, he never flinched from duty, and has a record of fidelity and usefulness second to no man in his conference.

The announcement of the death of this dear brother comes with peculiar sadness to the writer for the reason that he was a Conference classmate and held in the highest esteem. This is the second in a class of fifteen received on trial in 1883, to answer the summon from labor to reward.

The Raleigh Christian Advocate says of him:

Brother Ashby was a good, true man and in that simple sentence is bound up the highest eulogy that we can pronounce upon any man. There was never the slightest shadow upon his Christian character; there was never any neglect of the interests committed to his hands. He regarded the ministry committed to him as a holy thing, and every obligation connected with it was a sacred trust. He was interested in the educational work of the church. We believe that he taught for a time at Trinity in its earlier days. For a number of years he was on the Conference Board of Education, and he always attended its meetings and took an active part in its work. His judgment was always sound. There were no angular corners to his life, nothing bizarre in his mental attitude or in his conduct of the affairs entrusted to him. He was a candid and sincere student of the Word, and with simple faith he accepted its teachings concerning the eternal verities. On this basis he lived his life, and it made no difference to him that the summons came so suddenly. He was ready. He kept his armor on. His light was always shining with a steady glow, and every day was clear and calm in the realm of his spiritual life. A real prince in Israel has fallen.

"GRADING MINISTERS"

Under this head our neighbor of the New Orleans Christian Advocate says some very sensible things about a matter which deserves more than a passing notice. Among other almost vicious habits that have developed in connection with our itinerant system we believe with Dr. Meek that the habit of grading our preachers and thinking of them as station, circuit or mission preachers is among the most reprehensible. Discussing this subject at some length the editor of the New Orleans says:

We have never had much disposition to find fault with the appointing powers in our church; on the contrary, it has long been our conviction that our Bishops and their cabinets are inclined to do the best they can for both the preachers and the charges. There are, however, in our opinion, some tendencies incident to our system which are harmful and which need to be carefully guarded against. One of these is the perhaps unconscious inclination to grade the preachers into certain classes and to keep them in the same grades year after year. It ought not to follow because a minister has been doing circuit work that he should be considered ineligible to station appointments, or that because a man has served a station of a certain rank he should never be assigned to a charge of less financial strength. The prevalence of such arbitrary standards is out of harmony with the spirit of true, unselfish Christian service.

The Methodist itinerancy is a wonderful school of training. It has always been characteristic of it to take men who, at the outset, were meagerly equipped and transform them into majestic workers and mighty builders of the Kingdom. Some of its products were Francis Asbury, Joshua Soule, William McKendree, H. B. Bascom, John B. McFerrin, and Enoch Marvin, who gave to the world the strongest and most illuminating volume of sermons that has ever been issued by our Publishing House. Nor has our itinerancy yet lost its power to develop efficient preachers. They are still coming up among us from the rank and file. It therefore behooves us to be observant of the men on our weaker charges, and, as they gain in strength and effectiveness, to see that they are given the recognition in the Conferences to which their merits justly entitle them. Certainly, these men who have been toiling in the hard places ought not, when capable, to be passed over to provide comfortable and remunerative fields for young preachers fresh from college, who as yet have made no sacrifices and rendered no service. Even human

governments show more appreciation than this of their faithful employees who have borne their burdens in the past.

We yield to none in our loyalty to our institutions of learning, or in our desire to secure for our church an efficient ministry; but education and efficiency are by no means synonymous terms. Some of the most complete failures in the ministry that we have ever known were made by men who had classical scholarship and numerous degrees. As a rule, scholastic training of the right sort contributes toward making a preacher effective, and therefore it should be encouraged and placed within the reach of as many of our ministers as possible. But those who have had such training should not be recognized as having superior claims upon the church. The last thing that Southern Methodism needs is an educational aristocracy, with the intellectual snobbery that usually accompanies it.

Our advice to every young man who feels called to the Christian ministry is to secure as thorough an education as he can—not because he can thereby secure better appointments, but because, if rightly used, the equipment thus gained may enable him to accomplish more for the Master's cause. But, while this is true, we have scant patience with the talk that we sometimes hear that none but educated men should be allowed to preach. No man in the history of Methodism ever did more to promote the cause of education than Bishop H. N. McTyeire, yet it was he who wrote, in his "History of Methodism," the following emphatic words:

"It is as unphilosophical as unscriptural to allow no one to preach the gospel until he can properly be styled 'learned.' A man whose literary education falls below the standard may, nevertheless, in knowledge and experience, be sufficiently in advance of multitudes of hearers to guide and teach them in religion, to their infinite profit. Methodism is a friend of learning; it gave 'the first impulse to popular education' in the last century; it encourages all ministers to reach the highest attainments in knowledge, and has always been able to show a fair proportion in the ranks of the 'learned;' **but Methodism has never committed the blunder, the crime against destitute regions and perishing souls, of saying that none but 'learned' men shall be allowed to preach the gospel.** The Christian ministry must have Greek and Hebrew scholars, but that all ministers must be Greek and Hebrew scholars does not follow. The link connecting such a conclusion with that premise no logician has ever found or can find."

In this, as in many other things, the safe path for us to follow is to be true to the past history of Methodism. The door of opportunity should not be shut in the face of any man whom Christ has called to be His representative and spokesman;; nor should he be discriminated against because he does not bear the imprimatur of a college. His "gifts and graces" should be recognized, no matter where he got them. The best credential that any minister can have is spiritual fruitfulness. It is worth more than all the diplomas and degrees that institutions of learning can confer, because it is our Lord's certificate that he is His commissioned ambassador.

ANOTHER $10,000 FOR THE CHILDREN'S HOME

It is announced in the papers that another gift of $10,000 is to come to our Children's Home at Winston-Salem. This is to be used in the construction of a modern building in the nature of a memorial to the donor.

Superintendent Thompson says he is not authorized to announce the name of this donor just at this time. This gift was made known to the superintendent the same day and shortly after Mr. James A. Gray and children made known that they had decided to make a contribution of ten thousand dollars to the institution for a building to be erected as a memorial to the late Mrs. Gray. It is understood that both these buildings will be erected during the next year.

NOTE AND COMMENT

The National Bulletin, under the guise of an effort to promote temperance, is an unmitigated menace to the moral welfare of this country. While in reality the organ of the liquor interests of this country it makes the pretense of being the advocate of temperance and sobriety.

The following extract from the Bulletin of the Maunfacturers' Record, of Baltimore, hits the spot and exposes in right manner the empty pretense of this liquor publication, by showing how it has tried to make the country believe that the Manufacturers' Record and Bishop Warren A. Candler are both against prohibition. He says:

The National Bulletin, which seems to be published wholly in the interest of the whisky industry of the country, quotes a recent editorial from the Manufacturers' Record headed "Too Many Reformers," apparently with a view to creating the impression that the Manufacturers' Record and Bishop Warren A. Candler, upon whose statement the editorial was based, might be in favor of the whisky industry, or at least that these statements might be used to that effect because of the suggestion that there are too many reformers in these days.

If this was the intention of the National Bulletin, the Manufacturers' Record wants to disabuse the mind of the editor of that publication and to state that we are absolutely, teetotally and in every way possible opposed to the whisky industry, not only from its immoral influence, but from the economic standpoint. It is a curse to the country of such gigantic proportions that the sooner it is blotted out the better it will be for mankind. The billions of dollars that are annually spent in this country for alcoholic drinks constitute one of the most fearful curses ever brought upon the land, and every dollar thus expended is an economic waste and a drain upon the physical, mental moral and financial stamina of the country.

Moreover, the alliance of the saloon interests with the politics of the country is another curse, and to this influence is due much of the rottenness in American politics. It is amazing that while we view with indescribable horror the awful suffering from Europe's war, we are as a nation forgetful to a large extent of the millions of people who by alcoholic drinks are in this country annually shortening their lives, lessening their efficiency, halting and in many cases destroying their moral and financial standing, and making necessary a large proportion of the police service of the country, and responsible for a very large proportion of all the people in all the jails, penitentiaries and poorhouses in the land.

War, with all its horrors, sometimes stimulates the human mind and the human soul to a broader vision of spiritual and mental activities. It is an unspeakable curse; nevertheless, there are some phases of war which develop uneslfishness and humanity. Whisky and the saloon business, on the contrary, are an unspeakable curse, without one single, solitary redeeming quality.

The National Bulletin, in its effort to antagonize prohibition, quotes in big black type a statement from President Wilson to the effect that he is in favor of local option rather than broad prohibition. The Manufacturers' Record believes in prohibition out and out, from the economic standpoint, even if there were no other ground in its favor, and it believes that every official in this country in a prohibition or local option state who does not rigidly enforce the law is a violator of his oath and is a perjurer when he winks at these violations, and therefore is himself a criminal who is a curse to his community.

Now does the National Bulletin know where the Manufacturers' Record stands?

* * * *

One Way to Destroy the pastor's influence in the family is to criticise him in the presence of the children. A writer in one of our exchanges, says: "Once in a while I've found children of a family slowly weaned from me. I sought the fountain head. I discovered a counter-current. At the table, one day, the 'paw' at the head said to 'maw' at the foot, says he: 'Say, maw, have you noticed that our preacher does so and so? I don't think he ought to do that, do you, maw?' There it breaks off—and it did! Next spring 'paw' and 'maw' come around to the pastor and, amid a flood of superinduced tears, say: 'I want you to talk to my boy.' Just as well try to build a bridge to the moon. It's 'paw' that needs praying for. If you know any sanctimonious 'paw' and 'maw' thus deporting themselves, tell them I said the first step in their child's redemption is a full-breasted apology made to the child itself."

* * * *

The Greatest Need of the Church in cities and large towns is a more aggressive plan of work looking to the enlistment of all the membership in an effort to save sinners. The One-to-Win-One movement is the rational plan and we see no reason why the membership of our churches might not be almost doubled where this plan of work is adopted. One of our exchanges, commenting on this, says:

At this moment the Methodist Episcopal Church is engaged in a Methodist Forward Movement throughout its whole communion. Bishop Theodore S. Henderson and Dr. J. O. Randall, President and Secretary respectively of the General Conference Commission of Evangelism, are leading the movement. The date set for the closing of this great advance in our sister church is May, 1916. The goal is 250,000 net increase in membership, 500,000 enrolled in the Time Legion (composed of those who are willing to invest a minimum of two hours each month in winning others to Christ) and 1,000 Methodist young people pledged to special Christian service as a lifework.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

We are grateful first of all to God, from whom all blessings flow, for one of the most enjoyable, spiritual and inspirational sessions of our Conference. Our hearts are overflowing to the Heavenly Father for His blessings upon our work during the year just closed and we here and now solemnly pledge anew our lives to His service.

We believe that a guiding providence led us to this winsome city of hospitable homes and churches. We deeply appreciate the numerous courtesies extended by the citizens of Reidsville in receiving us so graciously into their homes and pulpits. We especially thank the Rev. W. A. Lambeth, the officials, the committees, with Mr. J. D. Huffines, chairman, the choir and members of Main Street Methodist church for their thoughtful and generous provision for our happiness. The pleasure and profit of this session has been much increased by the splendid programs for the afternoons and evenings provided by the program committee and the Conference boards, and we not only express our gratification for this feature of the present session, but think so much of it that we commend the plan for next year.

The newspapers have devoted generous space to our work, and their representatives by their accuracy and clearness in reporting our proceedings have won our admiration. We thank the Reidsville Review for issuing a daily edition containing six columns of matter concerning the Conference. We have thought many times of Bishop Waterhouse whose assignment to us met with such unanimous approval and to whose constant interest throughout the year in our Conference our success is in no small measure due. We have remembered him in our prayers and shall continue to do so. We request Bishop Lambuth to convey to him our warm affection.

The presidency and preaching of Bishop Lambuth have been a continual inspiration. We thank God for him and assure him that we will welcome his return next year with enthusiasm.

Signed:
E. L. Bain,
E. K. McLarty.
G. D. Herman,

CONTRIBUTIONS

A PASTORAL ADDRESS BY THE BISHOPS

Dearly Beloved Preachers and Laymen of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South:

The late semi-annual meeting of the College of Bishops devoted the entire session to considering the spiritual need of our beloved church and authorized the preparation of a Pastoral Address by the Senior Bishop. We were confronted by a startling world-war, with the arrest of civilization and the serious discounting of our Christianity, with all the combatants save one professing our holy religion. Never in human history have so many been engaged in deadly combat, with the slain in battle actually numbered in millions, to say nothing of other millions of wounded and fever-stricken wasting in hospitals. All the appliances of our civilization are now being employed to take human life, whether on land or sea, or beneath the water, or in the air, not only deadly weapons formed to carry missiles of destruction but hand grenades and deadly gases and liquid fire and highly charged wire entanglenments are torturing men to death after ruthlessly destroying their finest works of architecture erected for places of Christian worship. The multiplied billions of war debts promise to arrest our civilization for a century, while the bitter hate engendered is making men unmindful of a common humanity. The inevitable effect of certain economic laws involves our own land in the world-wide war and its effects, although happily our nation may escape its actual atrocities, save so far as innocent travelers become the victims of submarines destroying the carriers of commerce upon the high seas. Never were our missionaries more needed to preach the gospel of peace in heathen lands than when the Prince of Peace is so misrepresented by professed Christians engaged in barbaric war on the battlefields of the world, involving all of the five continents in the call to arms.

All this is, however, not a reason for despair but rather a challenge to faith, as a hundred years ago the French Revolution and the Napoleonic wars which laid Europe waste were immediately followed by the founding of the world's greatest missionary and Bible societies in England and America, which for a century have been growing in power and achievements, the mightiest agencies for the conversion of the world. The answer of faith was given in twenty-five years of the greatest equipment for the extension of the kingdom of our Lord following the period of the greatest waste of human life and resources, until now, in human history. The Christian Church came to itself when Satan seemed most defiant and even triumphant. Our challenge now is to gird ourselves for new and greater efforts as we sow the seeds of the kingdom in the furrows of revolutions. The Son of God is leading a mightier army than all the militant forces of the world. By this sign we conquer as we give as never before for the spread of our gospel in all the world, and see the heathen nations bending before the God we love.

We are reminded that before our next meeting we are called to celebrate the centennial of the triumphant close of the heroic life of Bishop Francis Asbury, who in 1816 laid down his life at the head of 700 itinerant preachers and 211,000 Methodists, having preached in our land 16,000 sermons, held 224 conferences and ordained 4,000 preachers. Reared in Staffordshire, England, where Charles Wesley distinguished the houses of Methodists by the marks of mob violence, Asbury gave forty-five years of his life in planting Methodism in America, its most fruitful field. At a time when British Methodism seemed arrested by controversy, the call to America was sounded out by John Wesley at Bristol, and two young men volunteered for service. After fifty stormy days upon the Atlantic, Asbury gave himself to his new field, never to return. Loyal to the land of his adoption during all the American Revolution, he was among the first to pledge his prayers to Washington in behalf of the new country to which he had given his life and apostolic labors. It is ours to recall and make even more effective his ministry of a century ago as we address ourselves to the work demanded of Methodism following another crisis in the history of the race.

Bishop Asbury, although founding the first Sunday school in America in 1786, did most of his preaching to adults who had been much neglected. Population was sparse in his day, single commonwealths now numbering as much as the whole population of the country then, and even twice as great in some instances. It required a wide reach of "gospel-ranging," as Whitefield called it, to gather in the 200,000 souls that made our American census a hundred years ago. Collections for missions were few and feeble and the spirit of connectionalism was weak. Now Methodism in America has 6,000,000 in her Sunday schools alone, from whom come nearly ninety per cent. of her church members. In a single branch of the Methodist church in our land during the last eight years more than 1,400,000 Sunday school scholars have been converted to Christ, and more than $5,000,000 have been contributed by the Sunday schools to missions and other benevolences. In our own church we have 1,575,845 Sunday school scholars, an increase of 95,868 during the last year, but we still lack 457,164 in order that our Sunday school enrollment may equal our enrollment of church members. We urge that diligent effort be made at once to fill this gap and that despite our growing membership (with a net gain last year of 36,132) we will soon be able to report an equal Sunday school enrollment. This will mean the recovery of the thousands of adolescents who no longer attend, but who so greatly need the fostering care of the teacher as well as the pastor, as well as the addition of thousands of all ages who may thus be brought under the gracious influence of the study of the Holy Scriptures, which may make them wise unto salvation. The new definition of the Sunday school will thus be found in "The Whole Church Studying the Word of God." Then with a passion for souls on the part of pastors and teachers the annual increase of church members should reach not less than 100,000. Less than this we dare not rest satisfied to achieve, and that would be less than a five per cent. increase in our membership. Mr. Wesley was right when he said, "The future of Methodism depends on what we do for our children." The well-being of the child is the measure of the stability of both church and state as well as of the family.

With the family as the unit of society we feel deeply concerned about family religion as seen in the diminishing number of family altars which pastoral fidelity reveals, and the consequent lessened religious activity of the heads of families and the neglected mid-week services of the church. The secular paper can not supply the place in the home of the church paper with its bulletins of advance and of victory from the front. Our official brethren are poorly equipped who do not take and read our religious papers. Our young need to know what the church is doing of which they form a part. The fifteen per cent. of our membership that are really doing the work of the church are usually its reading members, who keep posted about the forward movements of the kingdom. We need to put more of our intellects into the work of the Lord who bids us love him with all the mind as well as all the heart and all the strength. All things are ours if we use them for the extension of the kingdom. When all the people have a mind to work it is due to the knowledge of the needs of the work and the recognized and accepted call to service. The uninformed are the uninspired and the unwilling. Our divine Lord must be Lord of all if he be Lord at all.

Our supreme duty as a church is to obey the last command of our Lord to give the gospel to every creature. This means evangelism both at home and abroad. Nothing can take the place of the Lord's divinely appointed means for the world's conversion, the gospel that is the power of God unto salvation. The urgency of this command was never greater than now. All nations are ready to hear the gospel at our mouth, and the houses of worship are found too small everywhere to seat the people who are begging to be taught. Have we not come to the kingdom for such a time as this? The claims upon our means and service have grown with the terrible war now being waged. We are charged with extending the "kingdom without frontiers." That kingdom is the only permanent kingdom, and it is ours to establish it in the earth. This is the only thing that is worth while and that challenges our constant faith and prayers and work.

Signed on behalf of the College of Bishops.
Eugene R. Hendrix, Senior Bishop.

SPORTS THAT KILL

Bishop Warren A. Candler

The shocking killing of the Decatur youth in a game of football brings vividly before the public the evils of these intercollegiate games. A few years ago a young man by the name of Van Gammon also was slain in Georgia while engaged in a similar contest. Innumerable injuries, many of which are fatal, are inflicted upon college students annually by these games.

Because of this recent death of young Chambers the people will be aroused for a season. Its nearness to them will affect their minds and force them to wholesome conclusions on the subject. But we should not forget that some such accidents are happening every day during the gaming season of American colleges and universities. Scarcely a week passes without the death of a boy that causes the breaking of a mother's heart somewhere. To this mania the American people sacrifice more young men annually than the ancient Hebrews sacrificed in a year upon the altars of Moloch. The worst feature of these cases is we sacrifice the flower of the country—young men who have the opportunity to attain scholarship and secure education qualifying them for large usefulness.

The plea that it promotes physical culture is utterly false. On the contrary it hinders physical culture.

In a recent article in the periodical, called "School and Society," a writer speaks to this point with great force as follows:

The expectation of intellectual education by proxy is one of the present curses of the American college. Worse still are the conditions with respect to physical education. The majority of American college students take their athletics by proxy.

Our students take their athletics by proxy because the first aim of the college athletics—which should be the development of the body and the maintenance of the health of every student and every teacher—is inconsistent with the aim of intercollegiate athletics. These are the aims of professional athletics—winning games, making money and gaining fame.

To achieve these ends of athletics for business, the dominant ideal is excessive physical training for a few, especially those who need it least to the neglect of the many, especially those who need it most. The coach is the embodiment of this ideal! It is the first article of his creed; he succeeds in the work of managing athletics for education. The ends of intercollegiate athletics are best served by the neglect of those in greatest physical need. The coach is pledged to the rhetorical principle of unity—the exclusion of extraneous matter. Barbarisms in the form of "ringers" and other hirelings from foreign territory do not often offend his sense of propriety, but promoting the health of students who cannot aid in winning intercollegiate games would be a violation of his unity of purpose.

The advocates of intercollegiate athletics often quote the alleged remarks of the Duke of Wellington that the battle of Waterloo was won on the playground of Eton, but this plea is without force. All the students of Eton engage in the sports of the campus. This plea to avail, should be that the Duke of Wellington said the battle of Waterloo was on the grandstand of Eton by having a few men to play and hundreds to scream and "root."

Another point which should not be overlooked is that intercollegiate athletics increase the

college expenses of every student in the institution which participates in these sports. At some colleges the students are required to pay fees for the support of the intercollegiate athletics. Bills are rendered and collected by the institution along with tuition fees and laboratory charges. In other institutions a student is ostracized who does not pay these bills, although the college does not undertake to make the collections. This latter process is more compelling than the method of collecting through the college Bursar. This fact explains why the cost of college education in many institutions has so vastly increased in recent years. In the South, where there are so many young men of limited means who need college training, our institutions of learning ought to set their faces firmly against these games. Intercollegiate sports are building barriers between many gifted young men and collegiate education.

The writer of the article in "School and Society," in discussing this point, says:

"How much does it cost the student body to enjoy athletics by participation instead of by proxy? Let us ask first what it costs students to pay for intercollegiate games in institutions famous for grand stand athletics—including membership tickets, subscriptions and special assessments—to say nothing of taking trips and making bets to 'support the team.' Is it less than five dollars per student? In some colleges it is more than twenty dollars. The amount that need be spent annually on athletics in the interest of health, recreation and character of all the students is comparatively small. The economical policy is athletics for everybody; the wasteful policy is athletics by proxy."

The worst effect of these intercollegiate games, however, are not physical perils and financial expenditures; these objects are sufficient to condemn the whole system of intercollegiate sports, but the damage to mind and morals is far greater. By them the ideals of college life are corrupted and the college spirit is degraded.

The hero of a college made by intercollegiate sports is a physical hero. The champion player outranks the champion debater and the first-honor man in his class.

The extent to which this corruption of ideals has gone is evident in many ways. If one will enter the bedroom of a college student he will see the walls plastered with pennants and pictures of players and prizefighters.

Atlanta, Ga.

THE BEGINNING OF ANOTHER LOAN FUND IN OUR SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

Warren A. Candler

Bishop John C. Kilgo, in a recent letter, writes me as follows: "I send you herein a check for one hundred dollars. It is the gift of Mr. H. W. Ackerman, of Landrum, S. C. He graduated from Wofford College and has been a teacher for all these years. I know him to be a royal soul. Desiring to help some person, he sent me the check and I wrote him of the needs of young men preparing for the ministry at Candler School of Theology, and suggested that the amount be placed there as a loan fund. To this suggestion he heartily agreed and so I ask you to take it and use it as is indicated. Let the fund be known as the Ackerman Loan Fund. In the years to come it should render a large service, as my experience with such funds has proven."

This is a good gift, and it will be of great service. Many young men need help to complete preparation for the ministry, and they prefer a loan to a gift. The Ackerman Fund will aid many in the years to come, and it will grow with use. It is impossible to overestate the value of such funds.

About a year ago an aged saint, then living at Milledgeville, Ga., sent me three dollars to be used in this way. She was so infirm at the time she made the gift that she could not walk; but she desired to do something to aid young men looking to the ministry, and she gave all she had. I published her letter, and others sent contributions to be combined with hers for the same purpose. The fund has now grown to the amount of about three hundred dollars. I am glad she lived to see such increase come to the fund which she started with faith and prayer and a gift as large as she could make. Recently she passed to her reward, but before her departure she was comforted by the knowledge of what her deed of faith and love had accomplished. It is now not improper that I should give the name of this saintly woman, Mrs. Sarah Frances Forbes, who died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. N. Gobert in Milledgeville, Ga., on September 30th. I wish others might add to the fund which she began and make it a worthy memorial to this dear old saint. Truly she did what she could.

Atlanta, Ga.

TIDINGS FROM THE MISSION FIELD

What One League Has Done for Fifteen Years

For over fifteen years the Epworth League of Mount Vernon Place church, Washington, D. C., has had as its missionary special the support of a native preacher in Uwajima, Japan, the amount raised each year for this purpose being $120.00. In order that the greatest number of Leaguers may have a share in this work each is asked to contribute two cents a week. All have not adopted this method, but a majority of the members are deeply interested, and gladly contribute their part. We feel that when we give to missions we are supporting a man whose name we know, and with whose work we are familiar. It gives us direct touch with Japan and its people, and, naturally, we take more interest in our representative and his work than we do in the regular missionary work in other fields. However, we do not permit him to take the place of other interests, for when the call came for special contributions to Africa, our chapter responded with pledges amounting to $75.00. By making a definite study of this work we get a broader vision of the general missionary field, and when other needs are presented we are better prepared to respond with our prayers and our purse. This missionary special is indeed the tie that binds the hearts of the Mount Vernon Place Leaguers to their brothers in Japan, especially in Uwajima, and gives them something definite to work and pray for. It is a thrilling thought that when we lay down our work for the day our representative in Uwajima is taking up the work of the Master there.—J. O. Tolbert, Washington, D. C.

Cash and Consecration

God needs tremendous financial resources for the work of winning the world. There seems to be no place on earth where in our time there are such available resources for this task as here in this land. One of the supreme tests of our civilization is the use we are making of this God-given treasure, for cash and consecration should increase in proportionate ratio. How to be rich and religious at the same time is one of the burning issues in our land today. The release of a legitimate portion of this wealth for the blessings of mankind and the refreshing of the thirsty earth, is evidently a part of the purpose of God. If the riches of America are to be a resource and not an incubus, a highway and not a terminus, American men, to whom God has given the ability to get great wealth, must be brought face to face with the challenge of the needy world in order to save them from the disaster of selfishness and sin. God is not grieved when his men get rich, but he is grieved when riches are invested for the enrichment of the world. It seems inconceivable that America should throw away this supreme opportunity for service.—Doughty, in "The Call of the World."

The Immensity of China's Population

Figures are incomprehensible. One has to dwell among this people to understand the immensity of the population. There are literally people everywhere. "The ocean of humanity" is no metaphor here. One cannot walk or sit or stand anywhere without being entirely engulfed by human beings within a few moments. The only retreat from the inexhaustible tides of human life is the haven afforded by our own homes; and even there we are rarely free, for almost always there are Chinese with us. I have so often had the sensation of being in the midst of a great ocean with the waves closing in around me. And these limitless waves are without God and without hope, and often without the simple necessities of life. At the base of China's awful misery is a wrong conception of God and worship. The unimaginable poverty is due in the main to over-population. Over-population is due to the abnormal desire for sons. This, in turn, is due to Ancestor Worship. So we see that the fundamental need of this vast people is religion—a right conception of God and the future life. Therefore, China's most valuable helpers are the missionaries—the men and women who, by bringing the right conception of God and the future, are working at the deep underlying cause of all of China's sorrow.—L. D. Patterson, Sungkiang, China.

The Conversion of a Distinguished Japanese Physician

A distinguished physician, professor in the medical department of a Japanese university, was urged by his friend to become a Christian; but his seven years' training in the universities of Germany had made him a sceptic. He admitted, however, that the life of his assistant, an earnest and consistent Christian, had greatly impressed him. After much urging the friend was given a reluctant promise that every day he would read a portion of St. John's Gospel and pray. He had objected to giving this promise on the ground that neither knowing nor believing in God it seemed to him both absurd and impossible to pray. His friend, however, insisted that the promise be given, saying that in praying he should tell God that very thing—that he neither knew nor believed in Him, and ask that he might know Him. Some months passed, and the doctor's little boy died. As the grief-stricken father stood weeping by the body of his child, his soul was flooded with the thought "Why, this is just the way God loves me, as I love my child," and the joy of finding his Father for a time blotted out his great sorrow. He called his wife and told her of his discovery of God, and soon she, too, was rejoicing in the realization of her Heavenly Father's love. At the grave next day when all the members of the University faculty gathered with other friends, the doctor told in simple manner and language how he had found his Heavenly Father, and how gladly he could give back his child to Him who had sent that child to lead him to Himself, and so clearly did he see his child's mission he could not grieve at his death, but rejoice at his life which, although short, had done such a wonderful work.—Nellie Bennett, Kobe, Japan.

On April 30, 1915, sixteen Japanese dailies, with a combined circulation of a million and a half, published a three-column article by two prominent writers on "The Essentials of Christianity."—Albertus Pieters, Oita, Japan.

Dedication and Translation at Wembo-Niama

On January 3, 1915, the church shed at the sub-station—Wembo-Niama—was dedicated to the service of God. This meeting was well attended, there being present 335, which is but little less than the capacity of the building. All the congregations united. Communion was observed. The occasion was very encouraging to all who are interested in the work, and gave a considerable impetus to the work in this community. Advantage has been taken of the fact that some of our evangelists understand the Buluba language to translate into Batetela several of the lessons given in Dr. W. M. Morrison's "Malesona a mu Mukanda wa Nzambi." About forty-seven pages of the New Testament, and eleven pages of the Old Testament were thus translated. These translations were sent to the press at Luebo to be printed and bound into one volume, paper binding, to be used for school and church work. Five hundred copies were ordered. The Ten Commandments, Lord's Prayer, and the Beatitudes were also sent to the press. These are to be printed in pamphlet form, all three to one pamphlet, and used as needed. Five hundred copies were ordered.—D. L. Mumpower, Wembo-Niama.

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—It is reported that W. P. Stacy, of Wilmington, has been appointed as superior court judge to succeed Judge George Rountree, resigned.

—Rev. A. W. Plyler was a welcome caller at the Advocate office on Monday morning. Brother Plyler expects to take charge of his work at Wadesboro this week.

—Rev. A. R. Surratt and family spent Sunday in Greensboro visiting relatives. They have gone on to Charlotte, where Brother Surratt takes charge of Calvary church.

—The Lexington Dispatch says: Rev. Mr. Ingle has done a great work on Linwood circuit during the past year and it is gratifying to know that he returns and will continue to make Lexington his home.

—In the appointments as they appeared in some of the papers last week Rev. A. Sherrill was down for Old Fort. Rev. R. F. Mock was appointed to Old Fort and Rev. A. Sherrill remains at Rutherfordton.

—Bishop Lambuth was a welcome caller at the Advocate office on Friday of last week. While in the city he spoke to the students at Greensboro College for Women on Friday afternoon and at West Market Street church on Friday night.

—Mr. John R. Paddison, of Mount Airy, who is well known to many Advocate readers, will have the sympathy of all in the great sorrow which overshadows him because of the death of his brother, Mr. R. P. Paddison, which occurred at his home at Point Caswell early last week.

—Our people at Newton were fortunate in having the opportunity of hearing Bishop Theodore S. Henderson, D.D., of the M. E. Church, who filled tehir pulpit last Sunday evening. Bishop Henderson was in Newton presiding over the session of the Blue Ridge-Atlantic Conference.

—We regret to note the death of Mrs. C. M. Brooks, of Spencer, which occurred at her home in that place on the morning of November 18th. Mrs. Brooks was a Miss Perry, of Chatham county, and belonged to a staunch Methodist family, and was a devoted and consecrated Christian.

—Rev. J. A. Cook, of the Upper South Carolina Conference, was in the city yesterday on his way to visit relatives and friends at Mt. Airy. His Conference adjourned on Monday and he was returned to Duncan church in Spartanburg, where he served last year. We were glad to greet him in the Advocate office.

—Referring to the removal of Rev. C. P. Goode, the Kernersville News says: The retiring pastor is held in high esteem by all who know him and since the announcement of his transfer numerous friends have called at the parsonage to express their deep regret at his early departure. His interesting family of five children, Misses Lois, Olivia and little Dore, Masters Paul and Samuel will be missed.

—The November issue of the Missionary Voice says: "Miss Berta Ellison, our deaconess at Hillsboro, N. C., has been appointed Secretary and Treasurer of the Workers' Conference to fill out the unexpired term of Miss Bessie Allen, of Nashville, who found it impossible to continue the duties of the office owing to the pressure of her regular work." Miss Ellison is from Franklinville, and is well kn to many Advocate readers.

—Rev. A. R. Surratt and family, on taking leave of the Madison people last Saturday, were overwhelmed with expressions of appreciation. They have had four happy years and go away with the highest feelings of gratification for the constant love and loyalty of those good people. Brother Howie, the successor, is to be congratulated, and we have no doubt that things will move forward under his leadership.

—The Rev. E. E. Williamson, pastor of the Methodist church, returned this week from Conference and our entire citizenship is glad to welcome him back for another term. An affable gentleman, of the highest Christian ideals and scholarship, an able, persuasive preacher, he has accomplished much for the spiritual uplift of the community and has the abiding good wishes of all denominations.—Morganton Herald.

—Rev. R. D. Sherrill begins work at Hawthorne Lane, Charlotte, without a house of worship, but it is expected soon to begin the erection of a splendid church. There will be some 250 or 300 from the other congregations in the city as a nucleus of the new organization. Tryon Street, the mother church, is expected to furnish the bulk of these. Charlotte Methodism seems to be acting wiser than some others in keeping up with the growth of the city.

—While no change was expected at Broad Street church, it is a matter of gratification—not only to his charge, but to the whole community—that Rev. J. F. Kirk is returned for another year. It is a matter for regret that this will be Mr. Kirk's last year on this work unless the Methodist church extends the time limit for its pastors, as this will be his fourth year. But that need not be considered now. Mr. Kirk is not only a good preacher and a good pastor, but he is a leader and a helper in the civic work of the community and he has done fine work in Statesville aside from his pastoral work.—Landmark.

—The Shelby Star says: The Central Methodist church gave its popular and gifted pastor, Rev. W. E. Abernethy, $100 additional to his last year's salary, making his pay $1,500 and voted to keep the salary up to this standard this year. The church has about 500 communicants and at the close of the Conference year it was shown that they raised $4,014 for all purposes. Of this amount $1,500 went for pastor's salary and $180 to the presiding elder, Rev. Dr. J. R. Scroggs. The total amount raised shows an average of $8 per member, which is a splendid showing.

—A note from Rev. R. H. Willis, presiding elder of the Washington district, North Carolina Conference, brings the sad intelligence of the death of Mrs. McNeer, wife of Rev. J. L. McNeer, which occurred at their home at Enfield on last Saturday afternoon. Brother McNeer, who will be remembered by many as a supply on various charges in our Conference, has, for two years, been serving as a supply on the Enfield and Halifax charge. Sister McNeer had suffered for many months and her death was not unexpected. Her body was laid to rest Sunday afternoon in the cemetery at Enfield. The funeral was conducted by Rev. R. H. Willis, assisted by Rev. Mr. Davis, of the Methodist Protestant church. Brother McNeer and his son, now superintendent of the graded school at Whitakers, have the sympathy of the entire community. The Advocate joins the many friends in Western North Carolina in expressions of sympathy.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BOOKS AND PERIODICALS

The report of the Board of Publication was submitted to your committee and examined with care.

The North Carolina Christian Advocate worthily represents our Conference as an official medium of communication, and we desire to commend especially the spirit of its editorial management.

We would urge co-operation on the part of pastors and church officials in making it a real agency of publicity. Much help can be rendered in the prompt reporting from all sections of the Conference such items of news as will be of real interest to the Conference at large. We should never take it for granted that the editor knows or will find out about any occasion or occurence of real interest to our people. It will require but a moment's thought for an intelligent person to appreciate fully how important it is that such helpful co-operation be given our editor.

We feel no small sense of pride in the fact that we have succeeded, through the faithful work of our Board of Publication and the harmonious co-operation of thte Conference at large, in making our paper the equal of any of the family of Advocates in the Southern Methodist Church and that we now have the facilities for making a paper which shall stand at the very head of this list.

Your committee feels that the Conference should record an expression of gratitude to the Board of Pubication and all who have responded so heartily to their efforts to give us a working plant now practically free from debt so that we not only can give our people a paper worthy of their appreciation and support but make it a source of income for the benefit of our superannuated preachers and other Conference claimants.

We recommend the election of T. C. Hoyle to fill the vacancy upon the Board of Publication caused by the expiration of his term. We also recommend the election of H. M. Bliar as editor of the Advocate and request the Bishop to appoint him to this office. We also ask that the report of the Board of Publication be adopted.

We wish to call the attention of all our people to the book department and to the job printing department of our publishing house. A large part of the receipts of the business is derived from this source and it should receive the support of our people. The parcel post makes it easy for the most remote sections of our territory to take advantage of the magnificent service now being given.

We ask that the editor and the presiding elders of this Conference be constituted a committee to apportion to the various charges new subscriptions to be sought in sufficient numbers to increase the number of subscribers to at least ten thousand this year.

All the publications issued by our publishing house at Nashville, Tenn., are commended to our people. They are growing better all the while. Our Sunday school literature is of the very highest order of excellence—no better has ever been issued and we urge our Sunday school officials to comply with the requirements of the Discipline of our church and use no other literature in the recitations in our Sunday schools.

The minutes of our Conference have become the standard of excellence throughout the connection. For the twenty-one years during which Rev. W. L. Sherrill has served us as secretary of the Conference and editor of our minutes they have gone out to the church a permanent record, beautifully printed, concise, full, accurate and dignified. The thanks of this Conference are due him for his faithful and efficient service. We ask our patsors to put the minutes itno the hands of every official and worker of the church.

J. Ed Thompson, Chairman,
W. A. Newell, Secretary.

REPORT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

Your Board has had before it reports from the Candler School of Theology, Emory University, Trinity College, Greensboro College for Women, Davenport College, Weaver College, Rutherford College, Jefferson School, Brevard Institute, from the General Board of Education, Correspondence School and the Department of Ministerial Supply and Training. These reports show the largest total enrollment of students in the history of this Conference. Gratifying progress is also shown in added buildings, new furnishings and more complete general equipment.

We give to Emory University and to the Candler School of Theology our enthusiastic and unqualified endorsement, and urge upon all candidates for the ministry in our Conference to take the full three years course in this institution whnever possible. We desire to endorse the action of the Educational Commission in establishing the Universities at Atlanta and Dallas and in safeguarding the interests of the church by vesting their ownership and control in the General Conference.

We also give to the Commission our approval of its disposition of the Vanderbilt question.

We urge in the storngest possible terms the claims of our schools upon all our Methodist

people and ask from them the support and patronage that their merit demands. Our schools are the equal of any in the state and, as Methodists, other things being equal, we ought to patronize our own institutions.

We deprecate sectarianism in the making up of our public school boards, in the appointment of school teachers, or in any other matter affecting our public school work; and we place our condemnation upon it wherever it exhibits itself in district, city, county, or state.

We recommend, however, that pastors should take an intelligent interest as citizens in public schools; that they visit them and acquaint themselves with their merits; that they give them their cordial support and seek by every means to raise these schools to a higher state of efficiency.

We recommend that our pastors, in our cities, towns, and villages, especially acquaint themselves with the Gary plan in the matter of the provision which it makes for the religious instruction of children; and we suggest that, in co-operation with the pastors of other churches in their community, they endeavor to carry out this plan in behalf of the children of Western North Carolina.

We urge upon the presiding elders and pastors of rural charges that for the future wherever practicable, in the location of church buildings, they be placed adjacent to school buildings, and that in the location of parsonages, we join with the school authorities in placing the homes of preacher and teacher alongside church and school buildings. We recognize that these two institutions—the church and the school—should together form the center of community life, and that preacher and teacher should be the natural leaders and moulders of this community life.

At the session of the Conference held at Shelby, a committee on charters consisting of W. R. Odell, H. H. Jordan, and F. M. Weaver, was apointed to examine and pass upon any charters desired by the board of trustees of any of our Conference institutions, during the Conference year. This committee reports that new charters for Weaver College, Rutherford College and Davenport College and an amendment to the charter of Greensboro College for Women were submitted to the committee, were carefully scrutinized, and fully approved at a meeting held at Salisbury in February, last. Your board had presented to it these charters and the amended charter as passed by the last session of the General Assembly, and the board gave its full endorsement to all the provisions of these charters. So far as the board can determine, the rights of the Conference are fully safeguarded, and each charter shows the trust clause as one of its provisions. These charters are to be found recorded in the Private Laws of North Carolina, Session 1915, as follows: Rutherford College, page 655, chapter 234; Weaver College, page 273, chapter 143; Davenport College, page 55, chapter 45; and the amendment to the charter of Greensboro College for Women on page 52, chapter 42.

Dr. W. P. Few, President of Trinity College, reports to your board the magnificent gift of Mr. James B. Duke, of $10.000.00 a year for the worn-out preachers, their widows and orphans of the two North Carolina Conferences. He informs your board that this fund is to be administered through the Board of Trustees of Trinity College, and that the apportionment for this year to each claimant is a sum equal to 66 2-3 per cent. of the amount appropriated by your Joint Board of Finance. We desire to express our sense of deep appreciation of his generous interest in these worthy servants of the church, and we pledge to him the determined effort of the pastors to increase the contributions of this Conference to this important cause.

We recommend to the General Board of Education that it appropriate to Davenport College for the coming year $1,000.00; to Rutherford College $1,000.00, and to Weaver College $5,000.00.

We believe that the Methodist church in the South has too long neglected to provide through its regular appointed channels a sustentation fund for its young men who are preparing themselves for the ministry. We, therefore, recommend that an assessment of $800.00 be levied for the purpose of establishing such a fund, and that the Joint Board of Finance be requested to provide a separate column in the minutes for the report of the collections on this cause, and that this amount be apportioned to the several districts.

The annual assessment of the General Board of Education is $4056.00. We recommend for the coming year an assessment of $16,000.00 for the school work in our Conference, the amount raised to be appropriated as follows: To the payment of the bonded indebtedness of Trinity College $2500.00; to the indebtedness of Greensboro College for Women $2500; to the Jefferson School $500.00; of the sum remaining, there shall be paid on a pro rata basis as follows: To Davenport College, $2,000; to Weaver College $4500.00; to Rutherford College $3,000.00; to Greensboro College for Women $1,000.00.

We recommend the confirmation of the following as trustees: For Davenport College, C. M. Campbell, J. B. Ivey, and F. C. Sherrill, terms to expire in 1916; J. H. Weaver, E. L. Bain and J. L. Nelson, terms to expire in 1917; C. W Byrd, W. O. Goode, and W. S. Covington, terms to expire in 1918; J. F. Kirk, Dorman Tompson, and H. K. Boyer, terms to expire in 1919; Lee T. Mann, H. M. Blair, and Hugh G. Chatham, terms to expire in 1920. For Weaver College, C. A. Wood, C. W. Byrd, and J. B. Lotspeich, terms to expire in 1916; D. Atkins, C. P. Weaver, and J. M. Queen, terms to expire in 1917; H. A. Dunham, G. L. Hackney, and Zebulon Weaver, terms to expire in 1918; Zeb F. Curtis, C. E. Chambers, and Charles G. Lee, terms to expire in 1919; F. M. Weaver, J. A. Nichols, T. H. Weaver, terms to expire in 1920. For Greensboro College for Women, J. W. Harris and E. H. Kochtitzky. For Trinity College, W. R. Odell, F. M. Weaver, G. T. Rowe and B. S. Womble. Rutherford College, J. H. Weaver, Ira Erwin, W. F. Womble, J. A. Goode, E. C. Smith, terms to expire in 1916; T. L. Sigmon, W. R. Ware, H. K. Boyer, E. A. Cole, O. E. Ford, G. F. Ivey, G. C. Connelly, R. M. Hoyle, terms to expire in 1917; J. H. West, W. H. Nicholson, W. C. Thompson, H. M. Blair, John Roderick, H. H. Jordan, L. A. Falls, terms to expire in 1918; T. V. Goode, D. F. Carver, T. F. Marr, Augustus Setzer, J. H. Giles, J. D. Pitts, J. E. Gay, B. Wilson, terms to expire in 1919.

We recommend the appointment of J. B. Craven, president of Davenport College, C. M. Campbell as bursar of Davenport College, E. J. Harbison, professor in Davenport College; S. B. Turrentine, president of Greensboro College for Women, W. M. Curtis, secretary and Treasurer of Greensboro College for Women; P. T. Durham, dean of the Candler School of Theology; J. I. Hickman, financial agent of Jefferson School, without pay; the presiding elder of the North Wilkesboro district, President of Jefferson School without pay; L. B. Abernethy, professor and chaplain in Cullowhee Normal School; J. M. Downum, professor and chaplain in Appalachian Training School; W. R. Shelton, student in Trinity College; D. W. Brown, student in the Candler School of Theology; J. R. Walker, vice-president of Weaver College; W. T. Usry, professor in Rutherford College.

MISSIONARY NOTES FROM FIELD SECRETARY

The Actual Canvass

1. I have taken up by correspondence with presiding elders, pastors and laymen in towns and cities of two or more churches the question of the simultaneous canvass for the town or city, county, district, culminating Sunday, January 16th, in the completion of the Conference-wide every-member canvass.

May there be concerted action. This is a powerful stimulant. The hour is at hand for quick step by every man.

2. In another column of this issue of the Advocate will be found some thoughts on "The Duplex Envelope and How to Use It." I bespeak for it a patient study.

Brother Blair will devote the December 15th issue of the Advocate to our every-member canvass.

The issue of January 26th will contain the list with reports of the charges with name of pastor and charge leader that have made the canvass. I will in due time mail cards for report.

3. Brother preacher and Brother layman, don't forget that if the canvass is made later than January 16th one-sixth of the year will have passed. Financial obligations will have been incurred amounting to $55,000 for which no provision has been made. To procrastinate now is to limp through all the year and probably fail at the end.

In many places it may mean that all the time before Christmas should be given to a campaign of education. There will then remain the two months after Christmas for the canvass. Frank Siler.

DISTRICT NOTICES

Greensboro District Stewards and Charge Lay Leaders

I hereby call a joint meeting of the district stewards and charge leaders of the Greensboro district at West Market St. Church, Greensboro, for Wednesday, Dec. 8, at 10 a. m. The usual business of the district stewards will be transacted at this hour. At 2 o'clock p. m. plans for the introduction of the Every-Member Canvass throughout the district will be agreed upon. J. H. Weaver, P. E.

Mount Airy District

The district stewards and lay leaders of the Mount Airy District will meet at Rural Hall, Dec. 6 and 7. District stewards will take up their work at 10:30 a. m. Dec. 6th, and continue till their work is finished. The afternoon session will be devoted to the work of the lay leaders, under the guidance of Rev. Frank Siler, Conference Missionary Secretary, and W. R. Lynch, District Lay Leader. At 7:30, p. m. we will have inspirational addresses by Messrs. Siler and Lynch. Tuesday's program will be announced later. Let every district steward and every charge Lay Leader on the Mount Airy District be on hand for this meeting.
H. C. Sprinkle, P. E.

Waynesville District

The District Stewards of Waynesville District will meet at Dillsboro on December 15th, at 2 P. M. J. P. Rodgers, P. E.

Winston District

The District Stewards' meeting and conference of pastors and charge Lay Leaders will be held in Centenary church, Winston-Salem, Dec. 9, at 11:30 A. M.
H. K. Boyer, P. E.

Morganton District

The District Stewards and charge Lay Leaders will meet in the Methodist church, Marion, Wednesday, Dec. 15th, at 2 P. M. There will be three sessions, closing at noon, Thursday. Let all come prepared to stay till close.
J. E. Gay, P. E.

CHANGES IN APPOINTMENTS

The following changes in appointments are authorized by Bishop Lambuth:

L. P. Bogle from Leicester to Ruffin.

J. J. Edwards from Ruffin to Race Street, Statesville.

J. W. Williams from Race Street to Cool Springs.

W. M. Robbins from Walnut St., and Carraway Memorial to West Greensboro.

S. T. Barber from West Greensboro to Morven.

F. L. Townsend from Morven to Walnut St., and Carraway Memorial.

W. M. Biles from West Asheville to Canton.

J. H. West from Newton to West Asheville.

Parker Holmes from Canton to Newton.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave, Asheville, N. C.

BE YE KIND

Let us be kind;
Te way is long and lonely
And human hearts are asking for this blessing only—
That we be kind
We cannot know the grief that men may borrow,
We cannot see the souls storm swept by sorrow;
!But one can shine upon the way today, tomorrow—
Let us be kind.

Let us be kind;
This is a wealth that has no measure,
This is of heaven and earth the highest treasure—
Let us be kind.
A tender word, a smile of love in meeting,
A song of hope and victory to those retreating,
A glimpse of God and brotherhood while life is fleeting—
Let us be kind.

—*Selected.*

ANNUAL MEETING

Let us remember to carry to a throne of grace daily, our Annual Meeting which convenes in West Market Street Church, Greensboro, N. C., January 27-31, 1916.

This meeting will be most important and we would urge our auxiliaries to begin to plan right away to have representatives present. It is hoped that every society in the Conference will have a delegate present. A program of interest will be arranged and the four days will be full of good things upon which our missionary workers may feast. Let us be much in the spirit of prayer and may God abundanty bless our coming together.

RESULTS OF MISSIONARY CAMPAIGN

The results that come to us from our recent church wide campaign are most gratifying. The December Bulletin reports 546 auxiliaries organized and 12,355 members gained since the campaign was started.

Each conference adopted its own way of promoting this campaign—membership contests, rally meetings, praise services, all day meetings, special missionary editions of church papers, whirlwind campaigns, have all been used to great advantage in carrying forward to success this great movement. We hope to hear of still greater increase, both in organizations and number of members.

OUR WANT COLUMN

The following is taken from the Bulletin and is from one of the Conference papers, and we feel that it is appropriate to our W. N. C. Conference. These are the "wants" to be supplied by our campaign:

Women—To organize a missionary society wherever there is one woman and God.

Correspondents—Who will report their work and make good use of the space allotted to the Woman's Missionary Society.

Members—New members, old members, young members, good members, for the Woman's Missionary Society.

Superintendents—Publicity Superintendents to redouble their efforts to keep the missionary cause before the public.

Money—How did your pledge and dues come up at the end of the third quarter?

Specials—Does your auxiliary support a special? Nothing so increases the sense of responsibility and interest in missions.

Workers—Do you attend the missionary meetings and do what you are called upon to do? Are you doing the very best work you are capable of doing for the benefit of your missionary society?

Methods—Have you introduced any new methods in your society? Or are your meetings just like they have always been and all just alike?

Standards—Did you fix a standard for your auxiliary in the beginning of the year and will you attain unto it? Are you working for some definite aim?

NOTICE, PRESIDENTS AND CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES

The following letter from our Conference Corresponding Secretary is most appropriate and quite to the point just at the beginning of December, the month in which our officers of the local auxiliaries are chosen for another year It is intended especially for the Presidents and Corresponding Secretaries of the Young People and Children's auxiliaries as well as for the adults. We would urge its careful reading and ask that each auxiliary heed.

My dear Sisters:

I am writing to ask you to please not forget to hold the election of officers at the December meeting, as the Constitution of our Auxiliaries requires, and send the names of those elected to office to your District Secretary and to the Conference Corresponding Secretary. I will make out a list of the various officers and send them to the other Conference officers, that you may receive the literature for your society and for your January meeting. Please send out the names of the officers the day of your election that they may not be forgotten. Every Conference officer will appreciate this favor. It will be a great help to us in the work.

I would suggest also that you elect your delegate to the Annual Meeting to be held at Greensboro, January 27-31 Let every society, if possible, send a delegate. We hope to make it the best meeting in the history of our Conference Society, and I am sure that the renewed inspiration, interest and enthusiasm aroused will be worth all it costs to send your delegate. If your society has made any charts or posters that you have found helpful in your work, take them to the meeting. Let us all pray for God's blessing upon the meeting.

Please see that your pledge is paid in full. The money is badly needed for our work. If any auxiliary failed to observe the Week of Prayer at the time appointed by the Council, it is not too late to have the meetings and make an offering for our new work in Japan.

Do not let us forget that the amount expected of us for our Scarritt Bible and Training School is needed more than ever before.

When you send me the names of your officers please tell me just what your society has done in the campaign.

We all have family pride. Let us have the same amount of Conference pride that when we come to our annual meeting we may not be ashamed of what we, as a Conference, have done for the Master during the past year. Let us in these last few weeks do all we can to atone for any neglect during the weeks already passed.

We can show our love and loyalty to our Saviour by doing even more than we promised to do

Yours in loving service,

Mrs. H. A. Dunham,
Conference Corresponding Secretary.

WANTED—A WOMAN

A woman who can do things and does them every time she gets the chance; who, having seen a worthy end works toward it, though it be ten thousand miles away; who cannot stand the reproach upon herself of good things left undone; who believes that anything worth believing in is worth working for; who marshals forces when they are not at hand; who has a knack or is hunting for one; who charged with energy, cahrges others; who puts ginger into all she sets at and leaves out the mustard and vinegar; who is all on fire, yet never scorches people; who is humble enough to accept "nobody's business" as her business; who says "Come on, let's do it," and then does it whether anybody comes or not; who takes hold and lets go only for a new hold; who undertakes all she ought, neglecting to ask whether she can.

Wanted—A woman to do things, to do them hard and long and today.—*Selected.*

Of the many interesting programs that we have had this year on the adolescent boy and girl, we feel that there has none of greater importance been presented than the one given for December—"The Reigious Problem of the Adolescent Boy and Girl". Just at this age—the 'teen age—when so many things are coming into the lives of our boys and girls that take the place of the church and spiritual things, it seems to us that these programs should be studied with a very great concern on the part of our missionary leaders. We are glad to give the article by Mr. Arthur Tippens from the Missionary Voice feeling that what he asys of the adolescent boy may apply to the girl as well.

The Religion of the Adolescent Boy

Who can penetrate the mysteries of a boy's heart concealed, as it always is, from those who would be curious and from those who do not understand him, fortified often, by the barriers of reserve, distrust, suspicion, but with its outer court, its inner court, its holy of holies and its throne; eager for the best but not knowing always what is best; longing for a king to occupy that throne, but not knowing how and where to find him.

Truly, if the boy is a "problem" as we sometimes call him, he is one of our most wonderful opportunities as well. The normal boy has a code of ethics as rigid as the law of the Medes and Persians, an ideal as high as the best that he knows; but alas, his code and his ideal are sometimes the product of an environment and a training that keep him far below the standard that the boy Christ has set up for those who would follow him.

The more I am associated with boys and the more I see of their inner life and thought, the more I am convinced that every boy wants to do right, that every boy wants to be true to the best things that he knows. If he does not always know the very best things, it is not his fault, but rather the fault of a world that is willing to teach the lowest, while those who should be teaching the best are either asleep at their post or else are doing their work so poorly that it really does not count for much.

A boy will not only live up to the best he knows, but will live up to any best that is put before him, provided that best is big enough to challenge his interest. And yet the banks along the streams of life are strewn with the wreckage of the adolescent boy hood. When shall we begin to study the problems of adolescence and fit ourselves for helping boys in their struggle for self-mastery and for the attainment of Christian manhood?

"Sunrise"

God has somehow willed it— and He is all-wise—that as the dawn of manhood comes into every boy's life there shall stir within him an impulse to seek friendship with Jesus Christ, an impulse that is stronger in adolescence than at any other time in life. And if friendship with Christ is presented to the boy as the wholesome thing, the normal thing, and if a Christ is presented who will challenge the boy's love for the heroic and kingly, he will take that Christ into the holy of holies, seat him upon the throne and crown him Lord of his life. And that will be his religion for you can sum up a boy's religion in one word, and that word is Christ. He has not reached the point where he can be loyal to an organization, but he will be loyal to Christ and to the ideals of Christianity.

And another thing that is important: A boy's religion must find expression in service. He wants to do hard things for God; the harder the task, the more eager he is to do it if it is for his Great Friend. Are we as a church presenting to the boy a Christ that will challenge his enthusiastic loyalty and meet his every need? And are we providing for the boy a program of atcivities that will afford an adequate outlet for his boundless energy and for his eagerness to help in the Lord's business?

As individuals, also, we have a part in helping boys to find themselves in these early years of life. The father, the mother, the Sunday school teacher, the friend, the chum—all have their influence for good or for evil. How often that influence does not count for the best. Or how often through a misunderstanding of the laws of boyhood, we bungle in our efforts to drive the boy from us and from the best things. An adolescent boy does not need nagging, driving, lecturing, criticizing; he needs love, sympathy, understanding, counsel. If he seems erratic and some of his ways are incomprehensible to the adult mind, these things are but the outward indications of the storm and stress within.

"A Perfect Day"

As I write this closing paragraph a host of boys as amny as the sands of the sea, are standing at the dawn of their life day. They are looking out unafraid, and yet stirred by thoughts and vague impulses that they do not understand. They want to win in this day that is coming to them; they want to be something. The sheltered home life will soon be over. Each one must think for himself, plan for himself, fight ife's battle for himself. Shall he come out victor in this day? Methinks I hear out of the night the voices of thousands of derelicts calling us to help those boys to tell them what they need to know, to warn them of dangers which threaten, to guide them through the shadows of the dawn into the light of the perfect day; and the voices take up the refrain, "If we had known, if we had known."

But the dawn does not linger. Soon the bright morning cometh, then noon, and after a while the sunset and the evening star. Shall the day pass in a dark and disagreeable dream, in overwhelming failure, or in a losing conflict with temptation and the forces of evil? Or shall it be a day of sunlight, with a glorious sunset in the west and the quiet splendor of a perfect evening? I think, fellow readers, the answer is with us.

Christ, the Perfect Man, calls them to perfect manhood and a life full of his power; and—wonderful thought—they faintly hear his voice. But we must enter into partnership with him, help them to hear his voice more clearly and to understand the forces that are for and against them in the attainment of manhood. So shall we be rendering to the world a service that will in its influence move in ever widening circles into eternity.

BLYMYER CHURCH BELLS. UNLIKE OTHER BELLS SWEETER, MORE DURABLE, LOWER PRICE. OUR FREE CATALOGUE TELLS WHY. Write to Cincinnati Bell Foundry Co., Cincinnati, O.

Epworth League Department

Conducted by R. R. Mitchell, Greensboro, N. C.

LOST—A BOY

Not kidnapped by bandits and hidden in a cave to weep and starve and rouse a nation to frenzied searching. Were that the case, a hundred thousand men would rise to the rescue if need be. Unfortunately, the losing of the lad is without any dramatic excitement, though very sad and very real. The fact is that his father lost him. Being too busy to sit with him at the fireside and answer trival questions during the years when fathers are the great and only heroes of boys, he let go his hold upon him. Yes, his mother lost him. Being much engrossed in her teas, dinners, and club programs, she let the maid hear the boy say his prayers, and thus her grip slipped, an the boy was lost to his home. Aye, his church lost him. Being so much occupied with sermons for the wise and elderly who pay the bills, and having good care for dignity, the minister and elder were unmindful of the human feelings of the boy in the pew and made no provision in sermon or song or manly sport; and so many sad-hearted parents are looking earnestly for their lost boys.

He must be found! He can be found—found just where those two careless, pious parents en route from worship in Jerusalem found their lost Boy. In that particular spot in the church where interested men were willing to meet him and answer in simple fashion the direct questions of his awakening manhood—here is where the lost boy will be found by men who are willing to look for him. —Men at Work.

THE EVIL OF MEMBERSHIP CONTESTS

It is a very common thing for our chapters to have a membership contest. Such contests may be conducted for the good of the League, but in most instances they are attended with great evils. We quote, at length, below from Dr. Dan B. Brummitt in Efficient Epworthian:

"The thing that makes a membership contest bad is the ending of it. To end it on the night when the final score is made, or on the night of the 'banquet,' is to spoil it.

"The purpose of a membership contest is not points, nor the winning of a race, nor something to eat, but members.

"And when you have gained a member, your work is not finished; it is just begun.

"A member is sought for what the League can give him, and for what he can give the League. Neither of these processes can begin until the contest is over; they ought to continue as long as either party has need of the other.

Many a membership contest has done much harm from the failure to think through what it ought to mean. It has been a dismal failure because of the mistake which was first made sometime before League membership contests were invented—the mistake of considering the means more important than the end. That is one of the world's favorite blunders. It has led to strife and wars. It has overturned dynasties and ruined empires. It has retarded civilization and elayed the gospel.

"To become more interested in processes than results, and to count the machinery as more valuable than the output—all this is no new thing. But it is just as bad as if it were a sort of folly first discovered and practiced by the young people of the Epworth League.

"We shall not need to be troubled about the methods by which the members are gained if we do but keep in mind the one worthy motive for seeking them.

"Nobody will think of 'gambling' in connection with a membership contest if both sides are keenly alive to the problem of what to do with the new members, and what to do for them.

"Nor can there be any danger that the members will suffer neglect at the close of the contest if the chapter really understands that the relation it has sought to establish has but now begun."—Raleigh Christian Advocate.

OUR COUNTRY CHURCHES

Epworth Leagues should be organized in our country churches. Here is the place that the League is especially needed and where it will do the greatest good.

Some preachers say that the League is not suited to the needs of the country Church, and therefore they neglect the young people entirely. The writer was born and reared in the country and has not been away from it very long. From a whole life of experience he feels free to say that he knows the League will work in the country Church . We remember how we were sadly neglected; how we would have been so glad for some agent of help. The people of our country Churches are not swept off their feet by this ungodly worldliness. The moving picture, the card party, vulgar vaudeville and every other agent of satan are not distracting them as they are the young people of our cities. The young people in the country are susceptible to higher and better things. They want training and are very teachable. Our young people in many of our country Churches are sadly and inexcusably neglected.

We must remember that the country Church is the feeder of our ministry. Indeed, despite the neglect of it, the country Church is the fountain source of our Church life. What would it be if properly cared for?

The young men of the country congregation which the writer was brought up in once conducted among themselves and alone a young man's prayer meeting. It was fruitful of good results. These young men would have welcomed the devotional meetings of the League. They would have delighted in the missionary work of the League. Had we had such an opportunity, who knows but that some would have been called to the foreign field?

The young people in the country have very few social advantages. The recreational and cultural department of the League would serve a noble part in the country. Let us give more attention to the country Church.—Raleigh Christian Advocate.

THE COUNCIL MEETING

It has been referred to before, and yet because of its great importance the temporary editor feels constrained to place special emphasis upon it.

Without doubt one of the most neglected parts of our machinery is the regular monthly council meeting. Often we have questions such as these put to us: How can we increase oru attendance? What can we do to create interest? Tow shall we proceed to have attractive and helpful programs? And in most cases the answer can be found in the council meeting.

What sort of Church would these be that failed to hold regular stew ard's meetings? What kind of business concern would that be that failed to have its directors' or committee meetings? What style of government would we have without its cabinet meetings? And no Epworth League need expect to measure up to its highest usefulness by neglecting its council meetings.

And why is this so? Because among

Prominent Musician Says: "*Weaver* Piano Has No Equal."



"I purchased a Weaver Piano ten years ago and have used it continually in my studio since that time. The tone has wonderful singing qualities, round and sympathetic, which has improved each year. In my opinion the Weaver Piano has no equal. The tone is more nearly like a Grand than any other Upright.

Yours truly,
MRS. VAUGHTIE CARROLL ALEXANDER."

Mrs. Alexander, after graduating under Edward Hipshire of the Royal Academy, taught piano and voice for two years in Halbrook College, Tennessee, two years in Marvin College, Fredericktown, Mo., and has since taught in her private studio at Morristown, Tenn. She writes with authority.

Weaver Pianos Make Best Christmas Presents.

Nine tenths of all Christmas presents wear out quickly, depreciating rapidly with use. The Weaver Piano, on the contrary, has an intrinsic value, uniform everywhere, and little affected by length of use. Moreover, it is an investment from which you draw daily dividends of useful service and delight of ownership. The Weaver Piano is nearly as valuable intrinsically, and much more so sentimentally, after twenty years' use, as the day you buy it.

The Weaver Piano has a distinctive quality or tone that has found favor among the leading musicians. It will do much to preserve the spirit of Christmas in your home throughout the years.

The charming toned York Piano, the popular Livingston Piano and the Weaver Organ are also worthy of your consideration.

They may be obtained on terms to suit your convenience.

These instruments are everywhere conceded to be

THE LEADING LINE

Send immediately for catalogue and prices.

Weaver Organ & Piano Co., Manufacturers, York, Pa.

Appropriate Gift.



Genuine Leather Binding

FLEXIBLE

THE GREATEST VALUE

Ever Offered at the Price· **Only $1.00** And 15 cts To Pay Postage.

SIZE OF BIBLE 5½x8¼ INCHES.
CHAPTER HEADINGS ON OUTSIDE CORNER OF PAGES, MAKING THE BIBLE SELF-INDEXED.

SELF-PRONOUNCING EDITION

Bound in Genuine Seal Grain Leather with overlapping covers, as shown in this Engraving; titles in gold, round corners, Red Under Gold Edges, silk headbands and purple silk marker.
The Type is Large, Clear, Sharp and Black, and is printed on a good quality of paper. EASY TO READ. Containing

Concordance, 4,000 Questions and Answers, 16 Colored Plates, Maps of Bible Lands in Color, Etc.
Each Bible in a neat box with elastic band.

SEND ALL ORDERS TO

PENTECOSTAL PUBLISHING CO., Louisville, Ky.

JUST OFF THE PRESS!



"The King of Song Books"

"MAKE CHRIST KING, COMBINED"



Combines "Make Christ King" and the "New Make Christ King" with many new songs. (Orchestrated.) Edited by Prof. E. O. EXCELL, DR. W. E. BIEDERWOLF and over 70 leading Evangelists. The "Make Christ King" Song Books have been the best sellers in the United States, having exceeded all sales of any other book by a wide margin. Regardless of expense the editors tried to make this the greatest song book ever published.

BIEDERWOLF EXCELL

Send 15c for Sample Copy. THE GLAD TIDINGS PUBLISHING CO., LAKESIDE BUILDING, CHICAGO, ILL.

its chief values, it is the clearing house of information from all departments; it affords a free discussion of League problems; it renders opportunity for the preparation of valuable advice to the business meeting; it is the time for the selection of leaders; it creates good fellowship among the officers.

Wherever a chapter is found, whose president and officers are alive to the value of council meetings and hold them regularly there is one destined to be successful.

The Policy

The first big job the council has to do is the drafting of a policy for the year's work. This, like the regular monthly council meetings, is one of the frequently neglected parts of the officers duty.

A new cabinet should hold a council meeting as soon as practicable after election and make a survey of the field in which it is to work. After all conditions have been considered it should put down in writing just the things it thinks should be done during the year.

A suggestive outline is given in the Handbook. Of cours conditions vary locally and every chapter should make allowance for particular needs of its young people. Care shoud be taken that something worth while is attempted. Undertake something hard, so that the very best efforts will be brought forth. By all means make special mention of the business meeting, the African special and the budget plan for raising revenue. It might be well to suggest that a certain amount be noted in the budget for delegates' expense to the next annual convention.

After the policy has been decided upon altogether submit it to the business meeting for adoption and see that it is fulfilled.—Baltimore and Richmond Christian Advocate.

Children's Home

Fifth Sunday Collections

E. B. Claywell, Morganton S. S., $4.65; Rev. H. F. Starr, Norwood, Cottonville S. S., $4.00; S. R. Snyder, Winston-Salem, Bethel S. S., $1.37; R. L. Pearson, Reidsville, Lowes S. S., $1.50; F. C. Doster, Mineral Springs S. S., $1.85; J. A. Bradshaw, Bakersville S. S., $1.46; J. C. McIntosh, Denver S. S., $1.22; L. L. Miller, Mocksville, Wesley Chapel S. S., $1.12; F. M. Kincaid, Table Rock, Mount Grove S. S., $2.90; J. A. Weisner, Olin S. S., $1.25; E. B. Claywell, Morganton S. S., $1.50; C. R. McLaughlin, Matthews S. S., $2.59; T. R. Gray, Cullasaja S. S., $1.25; R. F. Howard, Sherrill's Ford, Bethany S. S., $1.77; J. E. Webb, Statesville, New Salem S. S., $1.00; S. M. Asbury, Morganton, Zion S. S., $1.50; J. F. Carruthers, Greensboro, Carraway Memorial S. S., $1.71; L. E. Ripple, Lexington, Arcadia S. S., $3.58; Fred W. Horne, Franklin, Bethel S. S., $1.10; Miss Emma B. Beeson, Walkertown, Crews S. S., $1.00; J. G. Abernethy, Lenoir, First church S. S., $13.62; Mrs. Judith Davis, Murphy, Peach Tree S. S., $1.00; A. S. Long, Guilford College, Morehead S. S., 11c; L. J. Horne, Farmington S. S., $1.85; J. E. Starnes, Monroe, Bethlehem S. S., $1.55; W. I. Hatley, Albemarle, Salem S. S., $2.20; A. M. Suggs, Lowell, Bethesda S. S., $1.32; R. P. Brittain, Stocksville, Salem S. S., $1.75; B. F. Leonhardt, Lowell S. S., $2.08; W. C. Wilson, Lexington, Ebenezer S. S., $1.00; W. B. Hinson, Monroe, Center S. S., $1.43; J. M. Capps, Sandy Mush S. S., $1.35; R. B. Bowman, Walnut Cove, Bethlehem S. S., $1.40; Miss J. D. Love, Hendersonville, Mores Grove S. S., $1.63; J. A. Brown, Granite Quarry S. S., $3.75; S. M. Peacock, Southmont S. S., $2.90; T. W. Griffiths, Clemmons, Mt. Pleasant S. S., 50c; J. F. Rogers, Clyde, Mt. Zion S. S., $2.75; Holmes Bryson, Dillsboro S. S., $1.50; V. E. Alexander, Leicester S. S., $1.61. Total, $83.62.



Back home for a real Christmas dinner

Absolutely necessary to make the Christmas Feast complete

In over a million homes throughout the country, Arbuckles' Coffee will be absolutely necessary to make the Christmas feast complete.

The women of these homes know the importance of having the right coffee—for three generations, they have known that in Arbuckles' Coffee they get just the flavor everyone enjoys.

If you have not tasted it lately, serve it now. At your Christmas dinner, get all the enjoyment *good* coffee gives.

By far the most popular coffee in America

This is the signature you save

Amounts Received on the Ten Per Cent. Assessment and on General and Special Support

Rev. H. F. Starr, Norwood, Old Folk's Day, $5.00; Rev. B. Wilson, Connelly Springs Ct., $5.00; Mrs. B. F. Rich, Kokomo, Colo., $5.00; W. R. Owen, Treas., Thomasville Main St. church Baraca class, $100.00; Mrs. W. O. Geer, Gilkey, Gilboa church, $1.05; Rev. M. T. Steele, Charlotte, $18.00; Welch Galloway, for A. M. Vardery, Jr., Brevard church, $50.00; G. R. McLaughlin, Matthews S. S., $5.65; J. D. Buice, Charlotte, Chadwick S. S., $3.30; a friend, $5.00; Rev. G. W. Warren, Franklin Ct., $3.00; a Salisbury friend, $1.00; Rev. J. T. Stover, Crouse Ct., $11.75; Rev. J. T. Ratledge, Mooresville, Triplett church, $2.11; J. A. Odell, Treas., Greensboro, $5,250.28; Rev. M. F. Moores, Concord, Central church, $17.50; O. H. Bumgarner, Treas, Marion, $8.00; Rev. Jos. W. Kennedy, Woodleaf, $8.50. Total, $5,500.14.

Received at Conference, paid to the Superintendent by the persons named as follows: R. F. Mock, $2.00; A. S. Raper, 20c; C. E. Stedman, $40.00; L. L. Smith, $25.14; E. M. Avett, $18.00; G. F. Adams, $2.00; T. A. Groce, $64.00; Z. E. Barnhardt, $45.00; N. R. Richardson, $85.30; C. M. Short, $53.86; B. F. Hargett, $64.00; T. E. Wagg, $25.00; W. V. Honeycutt, $15.00; J. B. Tabor, $15.00; P. L. Shore, $7.00; J. W. Strider, $7.00; J. W. Vestal, $30.00; R. L. Melton, $12.50; P. W. Tucker, $10.00; P. H. Brittain, $8.00; J. F. Moser, $86.20; M. F. Moores, $70.00; B. A. Yorke, $35.00; W. T. Albright, $4.00; R. C. Kirk, $17.00; R. D Sherrill, $50.00; J. W. Kime, $5.00; T. C. Jordan, $16.81; J. Frank Armstrong, $29.00; J. W. Jones and A. P. Ratledge, $18.39; G. A. B. Holderby, $1.35. Total, $861.75.

Acknowledgements

Our friends remembered the Home most generously during the Thanksgiving season, and we take pleasure in making grateful acknowledgement of the gifts received: From the Walkertown High School, one barrel of sweet potatoes; from "The Light Bearers," Taylorsville, one quilt; from the ladies of the Missionary Society of the Lenoir church, through Mrs. H. M. Teague, seventeen dozen half-gallon

jars fruit; from Mrs. Almeda Walker and Miss Martha McArgue, Elkin, one quilt; from Mrs. M. M. Whittington, president, for the ladies of Holt's Chapel, Greensboro, one box miscellaneous useful articles; from Mrs. P. H. Hanes, Winston-Salem, two dozen suits underwear; from Shiloh S. S., Granite Quarry, through Mr. J. A. Brown, twenty-one chickens; from Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Nichols, Winston-Salem, one-half barrel flour; from Miss Rebecca Turner, Newton, one quilt; from the Senior Philathea class, through Mrs. Mary M. Basch, teacher, South Main St. church, Salisbury, two quilts; from the people of Connelly Springs and the M. E. S. S., through Mr. D. W. Alexander, three boxes containing clothing, bed clothes, jellies, preserves, fruit and other useful articles; from Mrs. A. H. Eller, Winston-Salem, one box books, boys' papers and two framed portraits; from Mr. F. D. Efird, Winston-Salem, one box oranges; from the Philathea class, Ramseur, through Miss Lizzie Forrester, secretary, one box dry goods and clothing; from the Ladies' Aid Society, Waxhaw, one box dry goods and clothing; from Mrs. Holmes Bryson, Dillsboro, one coop chickens; from a friend in Salisbury one bale cotton goods; from Mooresville, through Mr. J. W. Murdock, one crate chickens, containing one each from the following friends, Mesdames B. A. Troutman, C. A. Troutman, F. G. Deaton, J. P. Cavin, J. Will Deaton, G. M. Kipka, P. T. Miller, J. L. Moore, Sr., J. L. Moore, Jr., M. T. McKnight, J. E. Powers, F. D. Stonestreet, C. V. Voils, Zeb Deaton, J. W. Murdoch, J. C. Warren, J. T. Brantley, Roy Troutman, J. Marshall Deaton, P. J. Goodman, —— Cashon, Fred Culp, S. S. Denny, Nannie Allison, Lula Jones, C. S. Kirkpatrick and the Misses Alice Stowe, Nancy and Mary Jones; from the Catawba circuit, through Rev. A. G. Loftin, one box containing the following: One collar, one shield, four yards calico and four yards gingham, by Mrs. H. F. Elliot, Catawba church; one lot of dresses and dress goods, by Mrs. Essie Lowrance, Catawba church; three quilts by Catawba Aid Society; two handkerchiefs, one towel, one pair pillow cases and one quilt, by Mrs. Fannie York, Concord church; four quilts, by Concord church; one quilt by Mrs. W. A. Kale, Concord church; Center church, one quilt; Hopewell church, two quilts; Mrs. Fannie Sherrill, Hopewell church, one quilt; one box canned fruit from Hickory, through Mr. D. L. Martin; one boy's waist from Mrs. A. A. Hipps, Winston-Salem; and one lot of useful articles from Junior class of boys and girls of Glen Alpine church; one crate cabbage from Mrs. Eliza Atkins, Mt. Airy.

We respectfully ask all friends making shipments to us to be sure to enclose a card with names and addresses of senders, as it sometimes happens that boxes and packages are so handled in shipping as to make identification of senders very difficult, or impossible, from the shipping cards.

AN APPEAL TO THE MINISTERS OF GUILFORD COUNTY

The National Anti-Tuberculosis Society has undertaken a tremendous work. It is their object to have as many people examined, during the week of the 6th to the 12th of December, as possible. This is done in order that those cases of tuberculosis in their incipiency may be detected, and the persons notified and advised how to cure themselves. It is not believed that this agitation will bring about a state of phthisiphobia, or abnormal fear of tuberculosis, but that it will teach them that there are many cases existing which are not suspected, and that the great majority of them can be cured.

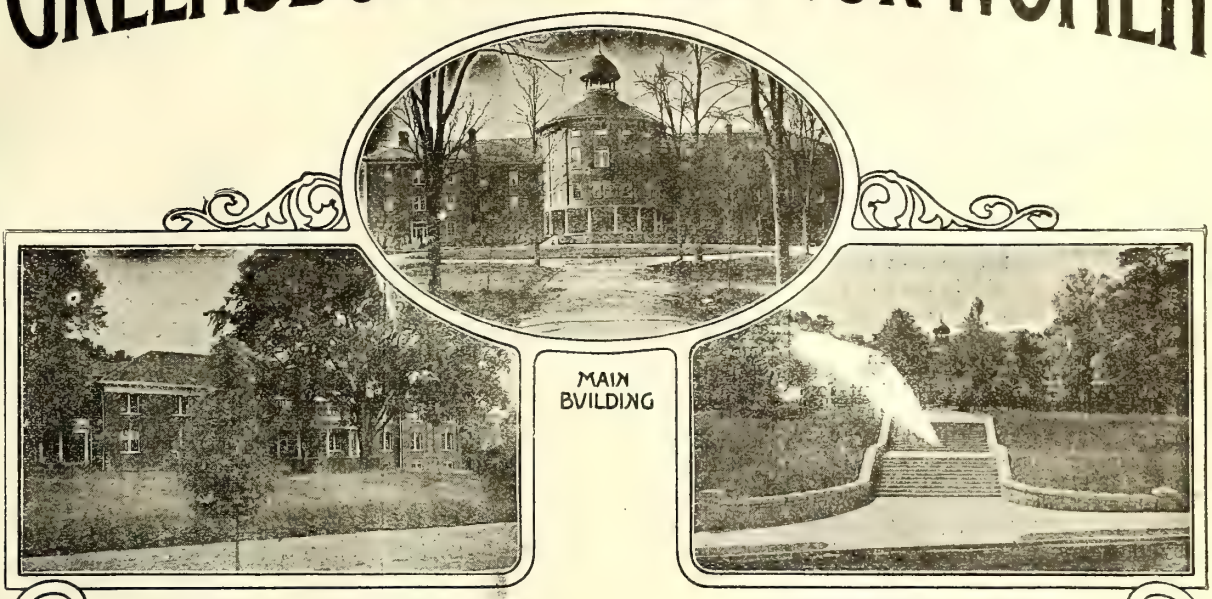
With this in view, the Guilford County Medical Society has asked, through this committee, that the ministers give an entire sermon, if they see fit, or certainly part of their sermon for December 5th, urging every one to be examined. An effort is to be made to give those who are unable to pay, a free examination on December 9th.

Every minister is interested, not only in every person in his church and congregation, but in the community; and we take it they will gladly help in this noble and altruistic work.

J. T. J. Battle, Chairman,
F. C. Hyatt,
W. M. Jones,
J. T. Burrus,
H. W. McCain,
Committee.

TRY MURINE EYE REMEDY for Red, Weak, Weary, Watery Eyes and Granulated Eyelids. Murine Doesn't Smart—Soothes Eye Pain. Druggists Sell Murine Eye Remedy, Liquid, 25c, 50c, $1.00. Murine Eye Salve in Aseptic Tubes, 25c, $1.00. Eye Books and Eye Advice Free by Mail.
Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY - FITZGERALD HALL

ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department, open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D. D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $.....to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name .....

Post Office .....

State .....

Date .....

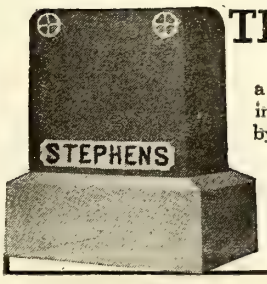
Remarks .....

Business Preparation--Thorough instruction in Bookkeeping, Banking, Accounting, Shorthand, Typewriting, etc.—rendered at minimum cost in shortest time. ***Either school or home courses.*** Good paying positions secured on completion of either.

Write for our illustrated catalogue and learn how this school is equipped to make something of you in the business world. Address

S. P. BROWN, President, LYNCHBURG, VA.

VIRGINIA COMMERCIAL SHORTHAND COLLEGE



TIME TOUCHES IT LIGHTLY

for it is REGAL BLUE

a marble, that has proven its weather resisting qualities in many climates. Lowest moisture absorption, (.0035 by Government test,) makes it permanent and prevents damaging action by frost. Quarried and finished by Southern workmen at Regal, N. C., in a great variety of beautiful designs. The only blue marble produced in the South.

The Regal Marble Company, Regal, N. C.

The Sunday School Lesson

FOURTH QUARTER—LESSON X

DECEMBER 5, 1915

UZZIAH'S PRIDE AND PUNISHMENT

2 Chron. 26

Golden Text—A man's pride shall bring him low; but he that is of a lowly spirit shall obtain honor. Prov. 29:23.

Summary of the Lesson

In Edmund Rostand's brilliant fantasy, the Chanticleer believes that it is his exultant morning call which causes the sun to rise. The play tells the story of his proud confidence and of the hour of his tragic disillusionment. The portrait of Uzziah as it is painted by the chronicler reveals a man of overweening vanity and presumption, whose moment of proudest self-assertion was suddenly turned into the most terrible humiliation and tragedy.

A Brilliant and Successful Monarch

George Adam Smith, in his graphic and stimulating study of the Book of Isaiah, says of the period when Uzziah was on the throne: "All men knew of that glorious reign, with the ghastly end—fifty years of royalty, and then a lazar house. There had been no king like this one since Solomon; never, since the son of David brought the Queen of Sheba to his feet, had national pride stood so high or the nation's dream of sovereignty touched such remote borders. The people's admiration invested Uzziah with all the graces of the ideal monarch."

A successful warrior, a ruler who knew how to build the national life into new solidity and strength, a kind who opened doors of opportunity and hope on every hand was sure to command the admiration and the hearty devotion of his people. He taught the nation to dream new dreams. He taught the people to think larger and more ambitious thoughts. Where life had moved sluggishly he brought a momentum which seemed to carry the promise of a new day, of more vivid and wonderful experiences and of a greater destiny. The people knew that they had a great past. Under the kindling and inspiring leadership of Uzziah the future appeared all rose tinted.

Some periods in national life are dull and heavy. The very atmosphere seems like an invisible weight bearing down upon the people. Some periods are electric with energy and enthusiasm and vitality. The period of Uzziah was alive with vigor and stir and power, and all of this centered in the person of the king.

The Temptations of Success

The Man who studied People was speaking of a keen, sensitive, temperamental young fellow who was making somewhat of a stir in a certain business circle: "I would be willing to trust him if he failed, but I shall be a little afraid of him if he succeeds." There was a quick silence in the group for every one of them knew that success has its own terrible temptations.

A widely known leader of American young men once said. "I dread the first hour after a great victory." He knew that success has a tendency to be an opiate to the conscience and that the hour of inner defeat may come close upon the heels of the hour of outer victory.

Disappointment often sobers men into a sterner and stronger self-control. Failure often spurs men into gathering every energy for a new and nobler battle. Character comes forth bright and shining from the time of cruel testing. But success tempts a man to go on a moral vacation. It often produces a moral lassitude. With the easing of the pressure of life and the coming of the warm and glowing sense of achievement the sturdier and sterner qualities have a way of sinking into inactivity. The luscious and soothing atmosphere of gratified vanity takes the place of the biting, tonic air of moral conflict. Many a man has abjectly surrendered to success who would never have dreamed of surrendering to failure.

Uzziah met the temptations which come to a successful man. He met the hard and testing experiences which come to a successful king. The Orient has always known how to tempt its kings to be less than kingly, and it was as an Oriental monarch that Uzziah was to prove whether he could be stronger than his own success.

The Hour of Presumption

"The man can do some things. He thinks he can do everything." So was a man described whose head had been turned by a few really unusual bits of successful work. "Cultivate the habit of being successful," say certain advocates of the so-called "new thought." In reality the man who cultivates the habit of being successful may easily become an impossible sort of creature. He speaks about every matter with an air of conscious authority. He approaches every task with a deadly assurance. He has no sense of his own limitations. What he thinks is consciousness of power is in reality foolish arrogance and presumption.

Such was the history of Uzziah. The wine of achievement went to his head. Because he was a king he thought he had all the rights of a priest. Because he knew how to conduct a war he thought he was quite fitted to rush into the solemn seriousness of offering incense at the temple worship. He had an acute attack of overconfidence. He felt equal to anything. He bade farewell to humility and cast prudence out of doors.

We are not to think of Uzziah as a Protestant before the days of Protestants, nobly rising to declare that no man and no rite should stand between him and God. The issue which gave birth to the name Protestant was not to rise for many a century. Uzziah was a vain and assertive monarch, who had cast away reverence and self-restraint. He had become a mass of inflated egotism. He wanted to be the center of the picture, and the picture, and the frame. His sense of proportion and propriety had been destroyed by his success. Self-adulation had poisoned his character.

The Hour of Humiliation

The scene was dramatic enough as the king haughtily brushed aside the protesting priests, and censer in hand prepared to burn the incense, but suddenly impetuous and confident arrogance turned to terror and shame. An awful white spot stood on his forehead in the very moment when he was angrily confronting the priests. There was no need of argument now. "The wrath, with which he burst out on the opposing priests, brought on, or made evident, as it is believed to have done in other cases, an attack of leprosy." His own face, flushed with passion, bore his doom upon it. There was a sudden collapse of his defiant spirit and like a culprit or a slave he was hurried out of the temple. His son Jotham took the reins of authority from his stricken father and for the remainder of his life Uzziah looked out upon the world through a leper's haunted eyes.

Times without number among the children of men the hour of presumption has turned with tragic suddenness into the hour of dark and deep humiliation. The man who has reached forth audacious hands to clasp forked lightning and to wield it as a sword has found that he is the only one who is smitten by the sword. The man who has cast aside consciousness of limitations has found that the limitations have a deadly power.

The story of Phaethon, who tried to guide the chariot of Helios for one day through high heaven, and was smitten "from the blazing heavens far down beneath the waters of the green sea," is a witness to the deep human consciousness of the danger of inflated pride. The structure of the world is on the side of a humble and steady self-control. The universe itself is a foe of lawless vanity.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in N. Y. Christian Advocate.

CHURCH NEWS ITEMS

The North Alabama Conference at its recent session had before it the question of consolidation of the Alabama Christian Advocate with the Wesleyan Christian Advocate. The question was debated for several hours and by a decisive majority the Conference declared against consolidation.

Rev. L. B. Newberry, who was formerly stationed at Guadalajara, Mexico, and who for more than a year has been in the United States, owing to disturbed conditions in Mexico, has reentered the country and will make his headquarters at Mexico City. It is believed that the recognition of the Carranza government will speedily bring about conditions favorable for the return of all our missionaries to Mexico.

Prof. Andres Osuna, who for some time has been Spanish translator for our Board of Missions and Publishing House, will, within a few weeks, return to Mexico, where he has an important position- under the Caranza govern ment. He will have charge of the educational work in the City of Mexico and will no doubt have an important part in shaping the educational policies of the new government in Mexico. He has been granted a year's leave of absence from Nashville, but will continue to do much of his work as translator and will have charge of the work in Nashville.

BACK TO HEALTH BY NATURE'S ROUTE

This is the title of a most interesting booklet issued by the Celebrated Shivar Mineral Spring. The booklet contains the strongest letters of testimonial from men eminent in the professions of medicine, law and theology, from bankers, merchants, manufacturers and others, telling how this remarkable water has relieved them of dyspepsia and indigestion, nervous headache, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney and liver diseases, uric acid poisoning and other ailments due to impure blood. Sign and mail the following letter and you will have no cause to regret it.

Shivar Spring,
Box 5D, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen:

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns, which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)

AGENTS WANTED

Everywhere in N. C. by Penn Mutual Life Insurance Co. Write McPherson & Barnes, State Agents, Raleigh, N. C. Best Company for Insured, therefore best for Agents.

MAGAZINES

You can save money on the magazine you want by writing for



This Catalog FREE

Our New Catalog lists more than 3000 Periodicals and Club Offers, *It's a big Money-Saver.* Send us your name and address on post card today and get this big free catalog. *Do it now.*

CAROLINA MAGAZINE AGENCY,
P. O. Box 298, Greenville, S. C.

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER

Proprietor

GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phoue 571 Res. Phone 1174

DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF
STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121½ S. Elm St. Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL

General Insurance

General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland.
109 North Elm Street, 'Pone 44

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS

Plant Trees

from the

Greensboro Nurseries

We have more than a million trees, vines and plants. We will make you a special price. Write today for our special offer.

John A. Young & Sons
Greensboro, N. C.

$150.00 PAID ONE MAN OR WOMAN in each town to distribute free circulars and take orders for White Ribbon Concentrated Flavoring in tubes. Sixty days work; all or spare time. Sample free. J. S. Zeigler Company, 300 Harrison State Building, Chicago.

Chalmers' Gelatine
UNITED PROFIT SHARING COUPONS
A WHOLESOME DESSERT

Our Little Folks' Department

LITTLE TAG END

Ina stood at the window ready for her outing, in gray sweater, toboggan-cap, and leggings, her yellow hair curling, her cheeks already aglow. She was watching for Amy Bruce, and when Amy trudged into sight, presently, she turned with a little shriek of joy to make for the door.

In turning, though, she stumbled over something directly behind her and almost fell. It was small Charlotte, also decked in out-door clothes, scarlet from the red tam-o'-shanter that crowned her dark, bobbed head to the red-stockinged stout legs, and beaming with expectation.

"Mother!" cried Ina in dismay. "Carlotte's not going, too?"

"Yes, dearie," mother answered, hesitating a little. "I'll have to ask you to take her along this time. I am too busy to go out now, and she needs fresh air. You will not trouble sister, will you, Carlotte?"

The tam-o'-shanter shook violently. "I'll be so good!" its owner promised gaily.

But Ina's bright face looked stormy now. "It'll spoil all the fun," she grumbled, "every single speck. Come on, then, if you're bound to go, Tag-End!"

Tag-End was a name Ina had given her little sister because, she said, whoever might be going anywhere, if they looked back they were sure to see Charlotte tagging busily on behind.

Quite far behind Charlotte had to tag on this occasion, for by the time she could get her little sled started the two larger girls were far on the way to the coasting hill. She hurried as fast as her fat legs would take her, half-minded to cry, yet remembering that this would be a bad plan for many reasons.

When she reached the brow of the hill at last, the fun had already begun. Ina and Amy were two flying dots midway down the slope- lying flat on their sleds and screaming joyously. Charlotte halted, her heart in her mouth, trying to screw up the courage to follow. She had often coasted alone, but never down this steep hill which seemed to drop like the side of a gulf. She dared not try now, and stood watching them wistfully, hoping that one or the other would come back and take her on behind for a glorious plunge.

Ina steered her sled into safety below, and jumped up, laughing and tousled. "Look at Tag-End up yonder," she cried.

"Tell her to coast down," said kind-hearted Amy. "We can catch her by the elbows when she gets here, and it will be alright."

Ina lifted her voice loudly and clearly. "Come along," she called, knowing well enough that Charlotte would not come. "Jump on and scoot down, or I'll come up and send you down, Tag-End Taylor."

Charlotte saw the gray leggings start uphill, and was panic-stricken. It would be exactly like mischievous Ina, she was well aware, to dump her on the sled and send her "scooting" into awful space. It might be safe to go down alone, but she did not want to try it, and her only thought was to get away in time, for the coasters were getting nearer and nearer in their upward trip. She turned wildly, looking about her.

The hill, that dipped so sharply on its south side, stretched away to the north in only a gentle slant. It flashed into Charlotte's head that the quickest way out of her difficulty would be to coast out of it down this easy, convenient little hill, for the girls were too tired to come after her, and presenty Ina would soon forget her foolish notion.

She flung herself, face down, upon her little scarlet sled, gave a push with one foot and was off. The sled moved slowly at first, for the ground was almost level here, but this shady side of the hill was covered with ice instead of snow, and it was not many seconds before the ittle coaster was going very swiftly indeed, gaining speed fast as she went, and holding on for dear life. Faster and faster she flew. Then, instead of stopping on the level at the bottom, the sled shot across it, ran up a steep rise, and before Charlotte could catch her breath was off down another long slope.

Ina and Amy, reaching the top an instant after she disappeared from view, gasped and turned on each other with wide eyes. Where was Charlotte? A quarter of a minute ago she had been in plain sight; now she was gone. Ina, shading her eyes, peered in every direction. Amy began to search for tracks or footprints. But there was nothing to be seen in the distance or near at hand; and as to tracks, none showed on the clear, icy slope down which little Charlotte had slidden. The girls could not believe their senses. How could such a thing be?

It seemed only queer at first, but after a while it became a very serious matter. Never did Ina forget the half-hour that followed. Anxious and breathless, they searched, through the little grove of cedars at the east of the hill and for a hundred yards on the path home—anywhere, everywhere, that a child could be and in many places where one could not be. And all the while they knew it was almost foolish to think she could have gotten out of sight in a flash and without leaving any traces behind. Here and there they ran, calling, calling.

Ina burst into tears at last. "I called her Tag-End!" she sobbed. They were standing on the hilltop now, and the sun was setting. Presently Amy jumped. "Listen!" she said.

Faint, very faint, yet plain, a little cry floated to them across the still air,—it might have been a snowbird's call: "I-na! Oo-ooo,, I-na!"

They did not tarry. Throwing themselves upon their sleds with a running start, they were off and away, after that cry. As Charlotte had plunged from ridge to ridge,, so they plunged, only more swiftly.

The same thing that happened to Charlotte happened to them. Both sleds, finally, with a leap went over the edge of a wide gully that opened up suddenly before them, big and ready.

It was a huge ditch, but shallow, and the sides were padded with vines above the snow.

Both girls turned a somersault and sat up, dazed. They had landed in a heap of soft cedar brush, and there between them, tangled tightly in the twigs and branches, like a plump robin-redbreast in a hedge, was Charlotte,—unscratched, unscarred,—a bit frightened, but glad and forgiving.

Ina crawled over and grabbed her with a tight bear-hug, drying her tears in the bobbing tam-o'-shanter. "I'll never call you Tag-End again," she promised. "Never, never, never!"—Nancy Byrd Turner, in Sunday School Times.

CARL'S FAITHFULNESS

Carl lived alone with his mother in a little cottage close by the water's edge, where all day long he played on the rocks and sailed his little boats in the cove that ran up between two points of land.

About a quarter of a mile from the place where he lived, and looking straight out to sea, was a small island on which stood the lighthouse that was the joy of Carl's life. At night, when the great lamp in the tower was lighted, he would clap his hands for joy; and even after he had gone to bed and his mother thought that he was asleep, he would lie awake and watch the light flashing in the darkness to warn vessels off the cruel rocks. Then Carl would think of all his mother had told him about the light, how it pointed the way for the vessels, and by shedding its rays faithfully night after night saved hundreds of lives every year; and his mother would always add, "I hope my little boy will learn faithfulness from the great light."

Carl thought, "How I wish I could do something as useful as the work the light does!" But being only a little boy, he thought that there was not much that he could do.

One rainy night in September, after Carl had gone to bed, there came a knock at the door. It proved to be a message from a neighbor who lived a mile away and was very sick; so Carl's mother must go to her at once. Perhaps she could not get back until morning, and so Carl might be alone all night. He tried bravely not to think how lonesome he would be, but it was hard to speak up, as he did, and say, "Never mind, mother. I'll be all right!"

After his mother had gone, Carl watched for the great lamp to be lighted, knowing that he should feel less lonely when he could see its rays; but somehow, as he watched, he fell asleep. It seemed hours after that he awoke. The great light was not to be seen! In all his life this was the first time that it had not been lighted. What was the matter? He thought of all the things that might have happened, but what could he do? If only he could reach old Captain Grover, who lived about half a mile down the road! Surely Captain Grover would know what to do.

Carl dressed quickly and started out through the wet and darkness, trying not to mind the black shadows and the cold rain. At last he reached the house, and by pounding on the door and shouting at the top of his voice, he got Captain Grover out of bed.

The old man dressed quickly and started for his boat at the shore.



Best Christmas Offer

Completely filling the family tastes for reading. The Most and Best for so little money—$2.10

The Youth's Companion

52 weeks of 1916—9 Great Serials, 250 Short Stories

McCall's Magazine

12 Issues: Authoritative Fashions, Fancywork, Fiction

The Best TWO For Christmas

New subscribers who cut out this slip and send it at once with $2.10 will receive

1. ***The Companion*** for 52 weeks of 1916 (Including Home Calendar)
2. The remaining issues for 1915, FREE
3. ***McCall's Magazine*** for one year (Leading Style Monthly)
4. One 15-cent McCall Pattern (Your choice for 2c. stamp upon receipt of magazine)

All for $2.10 JL

THE YOUTH'S COMPANION, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS

Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

A mutual fire insurance company, organized, owned and operated by the Methodist Church in North Carolina, for the purpose of furnishing protection for church property and personal property of preachers at ACTUAL COST.

Write for information and rates.

W. E. WEBB, Secretary **Statesville, N. C.**

RECIPE FOR GRAY HAIR

To half a pint of water add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbo Compound and ¼ oz. of glycerine. Apply to the hair twice a week until it becomes the desired shade. Any druggist can put this up or you can mix it at home at very little cost. Full directions for making and use come in each box of Barbo Compound. It will gradually darken streaked, faded gray hair, and removes dandruff. It is excellent for falling hair and will make harsh hair soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off.

"Come on, Carl," he said. "I may need you out at the light."

The boat was hauled up on the sand, some distance from the water. The captain and Carl together, partly by pulling and partly by pushing, got it to the water at last, and then they slipped the oars into place and set out for the island. Carl had never been on the water before at night; but he was not afraid of anything when he was with Captain Grover. He sat in the stern and watched the captain pull the big oars that urged the boat from the shore out into the darkness.

It did not take long to reach the island, and after tying the boat so that it could not go adrift, they started for the lighthouse. There they found Mr. Faxon, the light keeper, on the floor at the foot of the stairs, groaning with pain. He had started to go up to light the lamp as usual, when he slipped an fell, and sprained his foot so badly that he had been unable to move. He had tried to crawl up the stairs, but had fainted. You may be sure that he was glad indeed when he saw Captain Grover and Carl standing over him.

In a few minutes Captain Grover had the great lamp lighted. Never had it looked so beautiful to Carl as it did that night. They put Mr. Faxon to bed, and Captain Grover said he would send the doctor and Mrs. Grover to take care of him. Before they left, he told the light keeper of Carl's share in the work, and Mr. Faxon called Carl to his bedside, and said, "You are a brave, faithful boy! You do not know how useful a a thing you have done tonight. When I send my report to the government at Washington, I shall mention your name."

He kept his promise, for not long after that Carl received a large and important-looking envelope that contained a letter of thanks from the head of the Bureau of Lighthouses at Washington. Do you wonder that Carl counts the letter as one of the most cherished things that he possesses?

DAINTY COOK BOOK FREE

We will send you FREE a copy of our new 1916 recipe book "Dainty Deserts for Dainty People," for the name of your grocer. This book is illustrated in colors and will show you how to make your CHRISTMAS CANDIES at home. It also contains recipes for the daintiest Desserts, Jellies, Puddings, Salads, Ice Creams, etc. If you send a 2c stamp we will send you a full pint sample of KNOX SPARKLING GRANULATED GELATINE, or for 15c a two quart package, if your grocer does not sell it

Knox Gelatine, 201 Knox Ave.
Johnstown, N. Y.

ECZEMA

IS CURABLE. Write me today and I will send you a free trial of my mild, soothing guaranteed treatment that will prove it. Stops the itch and heals permanently.

Dr. Cannaday, 1225 Park Square
Sedalia, Missouri

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

THE DUPLEX ENVELOPE AND HOW TO USE IT

Dedicated to the Presiding Elders, Pastors and Lay Leaders of the Western North Carolina Conference Who are Undertaking to Launch a Conference-Wide Simultaneous Every-Member Canvass

By the Conference Missionary Secretary

Definition

"The Every-Member Canvass is a direct organized effort to secure a worthy contribution from every member for every cause every Sunday."—Pinson.

Method

Duplex system of church financing:

1. A Duplex Committee—Stewards and Committee on Lay Activities, the latter consisting of the Missionary, Evangelism and Social Service committees, with church leaders as chairmen.

2. A Duplex Envelope—that is, so perforated but partitioned as that when torn in two there remain two perfect envelopes. The left hand one has printed on it salaries of presiding elder and pastor in charge; the right hand one, the names of the several Conference claims. One envelope should be left with every member for every preaching day of the year.

3. Two Duplex Cards, each to be filled out by canvasser receiving pledge and signed by member. Canvasser keeps one and member one for reference. The cards are the same in size as envelope and contain the same list of items solicited for as envelopes. The card kept by canvasser should be perforated as the envelope since it is kept for reference and in the follow-up process stewards may need to have one card and Missionary Committee the other. The card kept by member need not be perforated.

4. A Duplex Canvass—that is, every member jointly canvassed by two men representing the claims suggested by envelopes. One may be a steward, the other a member of the Missionary Committee or Committee on Lay Activities. The steward will represent the presiding elder and preacher in charge; the other the benevolent collections. All will receive due emphasis. The Missionary Committee represents Missions, Church Extension, Education and the Annual and General Conference expense fund, the Social Service Committee, Conference Claimants and the Children's Home, while the Committee on Evangelism stands for the support of the Bishop and that other giant evangelizer, the American Bible Society.

By a joint canvass by stewards and Committee on Lay Activities you have the revival in action. The Missionary Committee is its head, Committee on Evangelism its heart, Committee on Social Service its feet. The presence of the steward keeps the even balance. It is a good time to draw the disaffected back to the church and to circulate the Advocate and Missionary Voice.

The place of the pastor is prayerful, tactful superintendence of the canvass always, and usually where the canvass is made for the first time in his pastorate participation in it. In this latter case I advise two separate canvasses, one for salaries by stewards first, and then one by Committee on Lay Activities for Conference collections. Of course the pastor will participate in this last one only. He should judiciously visit those able to do larger things than the rank and file. Here rests the pastor's personal responsibility for an advance step by his charge for full collections and specials.

5. Duplex Treasurer—that is a treasurer representing the stewards, to receive and account to the stewards for salaries of presiding elder and pastor in charge, and another treasurer representing the Committee on Lay Activities or Missionary Committee, where the other two committees are not brought into the Every-Member Canvass to receive and account to the pastor for the Conference collections.

Suggestions

1. Preparation—First, sermons, church conferences and election of Committees—Discipline, page 45, paragraph 95, and quarterly conference and election of church and charge lay leaders—Discipline, page 39, paragraph 91. See I Cor. 15:55-58; 16:1-2, and order of worship in Methodist Hymnal, where the offering is put alongside with reading of Scripture, praying, preaching and singing. Third, get envelopes and cards. Fourth, coach committees in each church.

2. The Canvass, time of—Circuits, one week; stations, one day. Let pledges of so much per week, payable preaching day.

3. Follow-up—First, report on people not seen, on others not subscribing, others subscribing too little. Second, provide for each church neat baskets or plates for offering. Take time at several appointments to remind people of plan. Have the two treasurers to take the collection in the country and be sure to have them on plate collectors' committee in towns. See that at close of service they tear envelopes in two, each receiving the money he cares for. Third, furnish each treasurer with a book in which to keep a record of pledges and payments. Fourth, receive money monthly from each treasurer and send Conference collections to Conference Treasurers, pursuant to Conference Resolution. Fifth, hold church conference quarterly at last appointment before quarterly conference in every church, to receive reports of treasurers. Sixth, hold joint meeting of stewards and committee at close of this service to look after delinquents. Each treasurer should have list of those in arrears for collector who should be one or both of the original canvassers, or, what is better, each canvasser should have a book containing list of pledgers and pledges. This should be put in treasurer's hand at committee meeting at close of church conference, to be posted; then mailed to collector, who is the same as canvasser, who undertakes to collect from all delinquents and report to his treasurer before quarterly conference. Seventh, reports of work done are officially made and recorded at quarterly conference, according to Discipline.

WARFARE IN THE BLOOD

In the constant struggle of the army of phagocytes in the blood against an opposing army of bacteria and other noxious matter, the element most necessary in the battle for health is fresh air.

The air supply is received through the lungs and respiratory tract.

When lungs, throat and nostrils are engorged by colds, sore throat, croup, etc., the air cannot reach the membranes and through them the blood, because of this barrier of engorgement.

Hence the phlegm should be loosened and thrown off, that the air supply to the blood may be ample.

This object is attained by the liberal use of Mentholatum on chest and throat and in the nostrils.

The volatile aromatics of the Mentholatum encourage the loosening and expectoration of the phlegm.

For this reason Mentholatum is almost indispensable in cases of sore throat, colds, catarrh and croup, also effective for chapped hands and lips.

Precious Promise Bible

Something Entirely New—Just Off the Press

ALL THE PROMISES IN RED

Most Comforting Bible Published

The famous, international clear type, self-pronouncing edition, with all the teachers' helps. Beautifully illustrated in colors. Leather, only $3.75. Descriptive Circular Free.

SEND FOR OUR FREE CATALOGS

of Song Books, Bibles, Bible Mottoes, Christian Workers' Helps, Missionary Books, Temperance Books, Purity Books, Christian Evidence and Anti-Infidel Books, Peace Literature, etc. Agents Wanted.

We Have the Most Complete Catalogs Published

GLAD TIDINGS PUBLISHING CO. Lakeside Building CHICAGO, ILL.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Schedule figures published only as information. Not guaranteed. Trains leave Greensboro as follows:

12:55 a. m.—No. 112, daily. Local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh open here at 9:30 p. m. and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m.

1:47 a. m.—No. 30, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars Birmingham to New York and Washington and observation sleeping car Atlanta to Richmond. Tourist car Washington from San Francisco. Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars New York and Washington to Birmingham and observation sleeping car Richmond to Atlanta. Tourist car Washington to San Francisco via Sunset Route. Dining car service. Day coaches.

3:45 a. m.—No. 31, daily. Augusta Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars New York to Augusta and Asheville and Washington to Charlotte and Asheville. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:45 a. m.—No. 11, daily. Local for Atlanta and points South. Pullman sleeping cars Richmond and Norfolk to Charlotte. Connects at Salisbury for Asheville and points west. Day coaches.

7:15 a. m.—No. 37, daily. New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with drawing room and open section sleeping cars New York and Washington to New Orleans and New York to Macon. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service. No coaches.

7:30 a. m.—No. 108, daily. Local for Raleigh.

7:30 a. m.—No. 154, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

8:10 a. m.—No. 44, daily. For Washington and points north.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily. For Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Handles Raleigh-Winston-Salem sleeping car.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily. For Mount Airy.

9:20 a. m.—No. 144, daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Free reclining chair Charlotte to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily. For Salisbury, Statesville, Asheville and Waynesville. Connects at Asheville with Carolina Special. Chair car Goldsboro to Asheville.

12:45 p. m.—No. 130, daily. For Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

12;50 p. m.—No. 45, daily. Local for Charlotte, connecting for Columbia and Seneca.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Washington and New York. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York.
Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:40 p. m.—No. 207, daily. For Winston-Salem, connecting daily except Sunday for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daily except Sunday for Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Chair car Asheville to Goldsboro. Coaches.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily. For Mount Airy.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily. For Winston-Salem.

6:43 p. m.—No. 43, daily. Local for Charlotte.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily. For Sanford.

7:20 p. m.—No. 35, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham, Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham. Dining car service. Day coaches.

7:30 p. m.—No. 46, daily. Local for Danville.

10:20 p. m.—No. 12, daily. Local for Richmond. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Norfolk.

10:35 p. m.—No. 32. daily. Augusta Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars Augusta and Asheville to New York and Charlotte and Asheville to Washington. Dining car service. Day coaches.

10:35 p. m.—No. 233, daily. For Winston-Salem.

11:15 p. m.—No. 38, daily. New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Pullman drawing room and observation sleeping cars New Orleans and Macon to Washington and New York. Dining car service. No coaches.

R. H. DeBUTTS, Division Passenger Agent, Charlotte, N. C.

C. G. PICKARD, Passenger and Ticket Agent, Greensboro, N. C.

THE SOUTHERN SERVES THE SOUTH

This is the mark of **HIGH QUALITY** in ready-to-wear garments for women and children. Honest work, best materials, correct styles. Ask your dealer for GRIMBALL GARMENTS and verify the trade mark.

GRIMBALL GARMENTS
SPARTANBURG S.C.

GRIMBALL MFG. COMPANY,
Spartanburg, S. C.

Quarterly Meetings

MT. AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mt. Airy, N. C.

First Round

December

Dobson, Old Siloam 11-12
Jonesville, Jonesville, night 12-13
Elkin, night 13
Yadkinville, Center 14
Summerfield, Battle Ground 18-19
Stokesdale, Stokesdale, night ...19-20
Ararat, Hatcher's 26-27

January

Pinnacle, Pinnacle 1-2
Pilot Mountain Station, night 2-3
Walnut Cove, Stokesburg 8-9
Madison-Stoneville, Madsion, n't, 9-10
Leaksville, night 10
Spray, night 11
Draper, night 12
Mt. Airy Ct., Beulah 15-16
Rural Hall, Mt. Pleasant 22-23

District stewards' and lay leaders' meeting will be held at Rural Hall Dec. 6-7. District stewards will take up their work at 10:30 a. m. the 6th, and continue 'til it is finished. The afternoon session will be devoted to the work of the lay leaders, under the guidance of Rev. Frank Siler, Conference Missionary Secretary, and W. R. Lynch, District Lay Leader. At 7:30 we will have inspirational addresses by Messrs. Siler and Lynch. Tuesday's program will be announced later.

Let every district steward and every charge lay leader on the Mount Airy District be on hand for this meeting.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—J. P. Rodgers, Presiding Elder, Waynesville, N. C.

First Round

November

Canton Station 28
Clyde Ct., Clyde 28

December

Bethel, Bethel 4-5
Canton, Harmony 5-6
Haywood, Crabtree 11-12
Fines Creek, Panther's Creek ...12-13
Webster, Cullowhee 18-19
Sylva, Sylva 19-20
Jonathan, Dellwood 25-26
Waynesville Station 26

January

Bryson and Whittier, Whittier 1-2
Robbinsville, Robbinsville 8-9
Judson, Judson 10-11
Andrews Station 15-16
Ranger, Ranger 22
Murphy Station 22-23
Murphy Ct., Ogden 28
Hayesville, Sweetwater 29-30

February

Macon, Union 1
Franklin Station 2-3
Franklin Ct., Iotla 4-5
Highlands, Highlands 7
Glenville, Glenville 8-9

Meeting of district stewards at Dillsboro, December 15th, at 2 p. m.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—L. T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C.

First Round

December

Pineville, Pineville, 11 a. m. 11-12
Calvary, night 12-13
Weddington, Union, 11 a. m. 18-19
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, night 19-20
Hickory Grove, Hickory Grove, 11 a. m. 26-27
Brevard Street, night 26-27

January

Belmont Park, 11 a. m. 2-3
Trinity, night 2-4
Prospect, Trinity, 11 a. m. 8-9
Monroe, Central, night 9-10
Unionville, Unionville, 11 a. m. ..15-16
N. Monroe, N. Monroe, night 16-17
Ansonville, Ansonville, 11 a. m. ..22-23
Wadesboro, night 23-24
Spencer Mem.-Derita, 11 a. m., 29-30
Seversville, Trinity, 3 p. m. 30-31
Thrift, Thrift, night 30-31

February

Chadwick, 11 a. m. 5-6
Hawthorne Lane, night 6-7
Dilworth, 11 a. m. 12-13
Tryon Street, night 13-14
Polkton, Fountain Hill, 11 a. m...19-20
Marshville, Wingate, night 20-21
Lilesville, Olivet, 11 a. m. 26-27
Matthews, Indian Trail, night 27-28

March

Morven, Sandy Plain, 11 a. m. 4-5

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.

November

First Round

Reidsville 28

December

Spring Garden 5
South Main St., High Pont 5-6
Uwharrie, Concord 11-12
Asheboro 12-13
Coleridge, Concord 18-19
Ramseur and Franklinville, Ramseur 19-20
Pleasant Garden, Pleasant Garden..20
Gibsonville 21
Walnut St. and Carraway Mem. 22

January

Ruffin, Ruffin 14-15
Wentworth, Salem 15-16
Greensboro, Holt's Chapel 22-23
Centenary 23-24
West Greensboro, Muir's Chapel..29-30
West Market Street 30-31

February

Randolph, Mt. Gillead 4-5
Randleman 5-6
Deep River, Worthville 5-6
Wesley Memorial 13-14
East End 13-14
Denton, Pleasant Grove 19-20

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C.

First Round

December

Grace, 11 a. m. 5
Kernersville, Kernersville 5-6
Davidson, Good Hope 11-12
Southside, night 12
Farmington, Farmington 18-19
Cooleemee, night 19
Burkhead, 11 a. m. 26
Salem, night 26

January

Forsyth, Mineral Spring 1-2
Centenary, night 2
Jackson Hill, New Hope 8-9
Thomasville Ct., Unity 15-16
Thomasville, Main St., night 14-16
Linwood, Cotton Grove 22-23
Lexington, night 21-23
Davie, Oak Grove 29-30
Mocksville, night 28-30

February

Walkertown 5-6
West End, night 6
Lewisville, Brookstown 12-13
Advance, Advance 19-20
North Davie—open

District stewards' meeting and conference of pastors and charge lay leaders in Winston-Salem, December 9th, 11.30 a. m., in Centenary church.

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.

First Round

December

McDowell, Nebo 4-5
Marion Mills 5-6
Old Fort, Old Fort 11-12
Marion Station 12-13
Morganton Ct., Bethel 18-19
Morganton Station 19-20
Marion Ct., Carson's 25-26

January

Thermal City, Thermal 1-2
Rutherfordton, Rutherfordton 8-9
Green River, Bethlehem 10-11
Broad River, Kistlers 12-13
Henrietta-Caroleen, Henrietta ...15-16
Cliffside, Cliffside 22-23
Forest City, Forest City 23-24
Table Rock, Oak Hill 29-30
Connelly Springs, Rutherford College 30-31

February

Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Spruce Pine 5-6
Bald Creek, Boring's 11
Micaville, Horton's Hill 12-13
Burnsville 19-20

The district stewards and charge lay leaders will meet in the Methodist church at Marion at 2 o'clock p. m., Wednesday, Dec. 15th. There will be three services, closing at noon Thursday. Come prepared to stay to close.

CONFERENCE ASSESSMENTS FOR 1916

Districts	Bishops	Conference Claimants	Foreign Missions	Home and Conf. Missions	Church Extension	Education	An. and Gen. Conf. Exp.	Total
Asheville	$ 369	$ 1523	$ 2033	$ 2604	$ 1268	$ 1986	$ 190	$ 9973
Charlotte	528	2214	2954	3785	1842	2886	276	14485
Greensboro	447	1862	2485	3184	1548	2428	233	12187
Morganton	256	1064	1420	1819	885	1387	133	6964
Mt. Airy	239	995	1328	1701	828	1298	125	6514
North Wilkesboro	154	640	854	1094	533	834	80	4189
Salisbury	425	1768	2359	3022	1470	2305	221	11570
Shelby	327	1360	1815	2325	1131	1773	170	8901
Statesville	415	1728	2306	2954	1437	2252	216	11308
Waynesville	291	1211	1616	2070	1008	1579	152	7927
Winston	392	1635	2180	2792	1360	2128	204	10691
Total	$3843	$16000	$21350	$27350	$13310	$20856	$2000	$104709

The assessment for Children's Home Support Fund is 10 per cent. of the pastor's salary.

The assessment for the American Bible Society is 1 per cent. of the pastor's salary.

Methodist Benevolent Association

A Mutual Benefit Brotherhood for Southern Methodists. Issues Whole Life, 20-Premium Life, Term to 60, and Disability Certificates. **Benefits** payable at **death, old age, or disability.** Over $165,000.00 paid to **widows, orphans,** and **disabled.** Over $44,000.00 reserve fund. Write ***J. H. Shumaker, Secretary, Methodist Publishing House, Nashville, Tenn.***

$50.00 For Your Church
Let Us Tell You How to Earn It



Woman's Missionary Society, Oak Cliff Methodist Church, Dallas, Texas

"In no other way could we have earned it so quickly and easily."
Methodist Church, Corpus Christi, Texas.

"You have helped us earn a carpet."
Oak Lawn Methodist Church, Dallas, Texas.

"It was the easiest money we ever made."
First Methodist Church, Abilene, Texas.

"No society would refuse your offer if they realized how easy it is."
Ervay Street Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas.

MORE THAN FIFTY OTHERS

During the past eight weeks more than fifty churches have taken advantage of the liberal offer we are making. Others are accepting the offer every day, while those who have finished and received their checks are enthusiastic.

We will tell your Missionary Society or Sunday School Class how to earn $50.00 if you will send us the name and address of your president or teacher. Use the coupon below; this does not obligate you in any way and if your class or society needs money, let us tell you how to get it.

HOLLAND'S MAGAZINE, Dallas, Texas

HOLLAND'S CHURCH-CLUB PLAN

HOLLAND'S MAGAZINE, Dallas, Texas

Gentlemen: Please send your plan for earning $50.00 cash to:

Name of Church_____

Name of Society_____

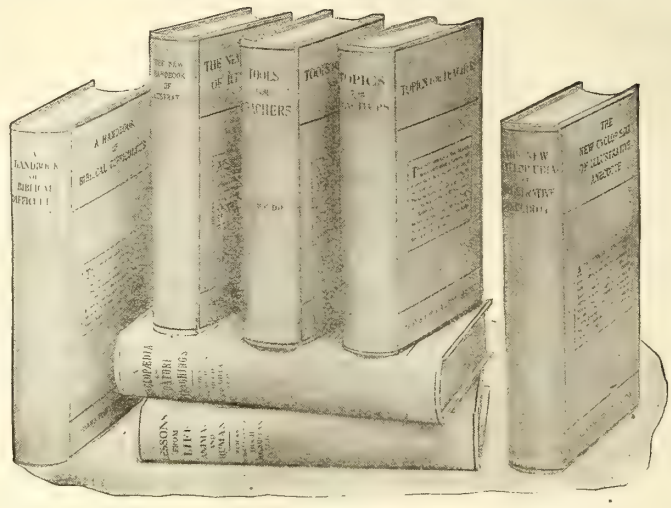
Name of President_____

Address_____

Post Office_____ State_____

Sunday School Helps and Supplies

SEVEN LARGE VOLS.
OVER
3800 PAGES



ONLY
$6.00
NET

Tools for Preachers and Teachers

Formerly $14.00----Now Less Than Half Price

Any Single Volume, $1.00 net (formerly $2.00)

A practical, working library, drawn from nature life and the Scriptures. A Storehouse of Information useful for workers in every branch of Christian effort.

1. The Cyclopaedia of Nature Teachings
Introduction by Hugh Macmillan

A selection of acts, illustrations, examples and suggesitons taken from fall departments of inanimate nature, and employed to illuminate the great facts of the religious life.

2. Lessons from Life (Animal and Human)
Introduction by Hugh Macmillan

A compendium of illustration abounding in curious and interesting facts concerning the habits, instincts and peculiarities of living creatures, both animal and human. The moral and religious lessons imparted arise naturally and without effort from the incidents described.

3. Tools for Teachers
By Wm. Moodie

A collection of anecdotes, illustrations and legends for the use of Teachers of Sunday-Schools, Bible Classes and Boys' Clubs. A practical manual and storehouse of anecdotes and illustration for all who have to do with the moral and religious training of the young.

4. New Cyclopaedia of Illustrative Anecdote
(Moral and Religious)

A comprehensive collection of authentic anecdotes, old and new, on a wide range of subjects, arranged and classified alphabetically for ready reference, and with a detailed index.

5. New Handbook of Illustration

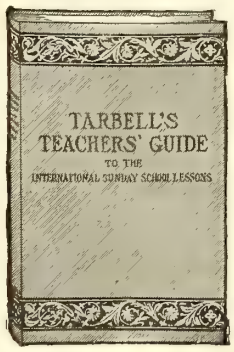
A classified exposition of Scripture Truth and Christian Life, digested and arranged for ready reference. This Handbook of Illustration will afford valuable aid, as a book of suggestion and reference, to public speakers in every branch of their profession.

6. Handbook of Biblical Difficulties
(On Moral and Religious Subjects)
By the Rev. Robert Tuck, B. A.

The editor of this Handbook has collected the passages in the Bible which seem to present special difficulties, and deals carefully with each, suggesting a reasonable explanation of every perplexity, or at least of every class of perplexity.

7. Topics for Teachers *By the Rev. J. C. Gray*

This work constitutes a Bible Dictionary, Manual and Textbook, a Commentary and a Concordance, all in one, saving the cost of these books and the time occupied in their use. The volume is almost a library in itself. It is an invaluable work for preachers and Sunday-School teachers.

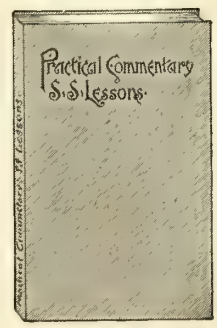


Tarbell's Teachers' Guide

By Martha Tarbell, Ph. D.

Large octavo, cloth binding, $1.00 net (postpaid $1.10).

Time was when "anyone" taught Sunday-school, and results were a matter of conjecture. The TARBELL method has ushered in a new era in Sunday-school teaching, with every teacher a competent instructor. From all parts of the globe testimonials come regularly to the success of this modern Sunday-school teachers' *vade mecum* in all grades.



Peloubet's Notes

Conceded to be the best help for teachers in the Sunday School.

Large octavo, cloth binding $1.00 net (postpaid $1.10).

The Gist of the Lesson

By R. A. Torrey, D. D.

Leatherette, net 25c. postpaid.

Increasing by leaps and bounds, each year the history of "GIST" is the record of continued success. Not merely a book of "notes," but a *vade mecum* packed with seed thoughts for study and meditation.



Sunday School Register arranged with blanks for each Sunday's minutes and complete class report, with a summary for each quarter, also for annual report. Arranged for two years. This is generally conceded to be the best and most complete Sunday school Register now published. Price postpaid $1.50.

Sunday School Quarterly Class Records, full size, 25 cts. per dozen. Every Sunday school should keep a good supply of these records.

Complete Baraca Class Record. One Hundred loose leaf sheets for $1.00. Binder $1.00. Complete outfit $2.00. Each leaf is so arranged as to keep a complete individual record for twelve months. No class should be without this record. Sample sheets furnished on application. One binder will last a life time. Any book published will be furnished at the publisher's price.

Job Printing of all sorts executed with neatness and dispatch. Be sure to see us before giving out your fall work. Anything entrusted to us by mail order will be attended to promptly. Send orders to

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

VOLUME LX NUMBER 51

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

Reading Room Trinity College

GREENSBORO, N. C., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1915

The Every-Member Canvass

1. Let every member of the church, young and old, be induced to pledge a definite amount to be paid weekly or monthly, whichever is most convenient, for the support of the ministry and the institutions of the Church.

2. Let each one be supplied with the envelopes now, one for each week or month as the case may be, and let these be used regularly for making payments.

3. Let the canvass include the North Carolina Christian Advocate and an effort be made to get the paper going into each family in the Church.

4. Let the effort be made to establish religious worship in each family at least once a day, in which at least a chapter be read from the Bible and the family join in repeating the Lord's prayer if no one will lead otherwise.

Let the pastors and Lay-leaders be organizing their forces so as to have this canvass completed before January 16th. If this is done thoroughly another year will witness all church finances full and running over before the end of the year.

We have failed heretofore because we have not secured the co-operation of all the members of the church. Let there be no failure in 1916.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

EDITORIAL

SPECIAL NOTICE TO PASTORS AND LEADERS

We have the duplex envelopes and subscription cards for the every-member canvass. These are as prepared and recommended by Rev. Frank Siler. Prices are as follows:

1000 Envelopes $1.25
500 " .. .. .75
1000 Cards 1.25
500 Cards 1.00
250 Cards .. .. .75

Send cash with order and add 10 cents per 1000 for postage. These prices are so low we cannot fill orders on credit. Address

Board of Publication,
Greensboro, N. C.

CHINA IN THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS

On page 8 the reader will find an announcement of our Board of Missions. It is generally understand that our Sunday schools will specialize on China this year, and Dr. Rawlings is anxious to get into communication as early as possible with all the schools and let them know all about "specials" and the whole plan for China. Read the announcement and avail yourself of all that is offered by our Board. This is the year of China's opportunity.

NOW FOR THE HOLIDAYS

The quick step about the streets, and the crisp air of December indicate the approach of the world's greatest anniversary. The crowds gathering about the great variety shops and department stores tell us that the mania for Christmas presents has taken possession of young and old. For days already the streets have been lined with shoppers with arms full of packages eagerly looking forward to the happy return of Santa Claus. Already in many homes there are visions of happy children eagerly watching the fireplace in the hope of getting a peep at the ancient friend of all children.

Christmas is in the air, and the glad day approaches. What shall we do about it this year? Many of the children whom we hope to make happy with these loads of toys and trinkets have already stowed away so many toys, and such a variety and abundance of these things, that they have lost their charm and there is danger that, after all our worry and expense, we shall fail to interest them. Is there not some new method of observing the day that would bring more happiness to the children and far less worry and useless expense to the parents?

How would it do to enlist the interest and sympathy of our children with the multitudes of little children who have no one to make them a Christmas of joy and happiness? All these are not in asylums and homes for orphans. Many little sad-eyed children are just a block or two away from you, and we suggest that this year our people try the plan of making their children happy by directing them in the matter of carrying some good cheer to others. Let families and Sunday schools co-operate and, instead of trying in vain to make the children happy by loading them with trinkets of which they are already tired, help them to find the children who would otherwise have no Christmas cheer. In this way both parents and children will be a thousand times happier and the whole world will be relieved of the burden of poverty and sorrow. Some one has very wisely called our attention to the fact that those who celebrated first the birth of our Savior brought their gifts to Him rather than bestowing them upon themselves. Let us go and do ilkewise.

WHAT IS THE USE?

What is the use of making an every-member canvass and neglecting to take advantage of the opportunity to start the Advocate into each home. Our Board of Publication is calling this year for the oc-operation of the lay leader in each church and it is expected that these leaders will see to it that the Advocate is not forgotten in the canvass.

Without the Advocate the church could not turn a wheel. There would be no every-member canvass if we did not have the Advocate to give publicity to the movement. Our people are in the habit of accepting the service of the church paper without thinking for a moment how dependent they are upon it. Let all work together once and see what a mighty power for good our paper can be made.

OUR NEW PRESIDING ELDERS

We have, as the result of the recent Annual Conference, two new men in the field as presiding elders.

One of these men, Rev. T. E. Wagg, who takes up his work on the North Wilkesboro District, has had several years experience in the office and will not come to the work as a novice. Brother Wagg is a native of Ashe County and will know the people and the problems he has to deal with. Always a true and loyal itinerant and a man of fine physique as well as of good preaching ability and executive skill, we shall expect a successful term for him.

Rev. J. P. Rodgers comes to the work for the first time out of the ranks. Brother Rodgers has won his place by faithful and self-sacrificing service. He knows what the itinerancy is and what the great needs of the church are, and the people may rest assured that they have a man upon whom they can rely for safe administration and wise counsel. Years ago we had Brother Rodgers marked as a man who would find his way in the natural order of things into positions of great responsibility and leadership. Two good men, Revs. L. T. Cordell and J. H. Bennett, take their places in the ranks, giving place to these two men in the field. Our system is a great one, and those who are rightly adjusted to it and know it best appreciate it most.

DEATH OF REV. G. W. CALLAHAN

Rev. G. W. Callahan, one of our superannuates, passed away at the home of his son-in-law, Rev. J. A. B. Fry, at Berkley, California, on Friday, November 12th, 1915. It is a matter of deep regret that the fact of Brother Callahan's death was not communicated to us promptly. Having passed away on the 12th, five days before the convening of our Conference on the 17th of November, his name should have appeared among others in answer to question 21.

Brother Callahan was a native of Southwest Virginia, and came to the North Carolina Conference by transfer from the Holston Conference in 1879. He served the South Fork circuit in 1880 and went from there to the Dallas circuit, afterwards serving charges at Hickory, Mount Airy, Morganton, Granite Falls and Gastonia His record of service was without a break until 1907, when, at the Conference held in Salisbury, he took the superannuate relation. Soon after this his health and that of his wife having become precarious, they removed to Berkley, California, that they might have the benefit of a milder climate, also the companionship of their daughter, Mrs. Fry.

Brother Callahan was a preacher of far more than ordinary ability. His style of preaching was entirely extempore, and while always strong, at times he preached with overwhelming effect. He had a remarkable command of appropriate language in which to clothe his thought and this gave a charm to his speech amounting almost to fascination.

Brother Callahan was a man of one work. He never allowed himself to turn to the right hand or to the left. Serving often on charges where the work was heavy and the support very meager, he did not allow himself to become sour or discontented.

His wife, who was a Miss Summit, of Newton, passed away some two years ago and he is survived by only one child, Mrs. J. A. B. Fry, of Berkley, California, with whom he spent his declining years

We hope to have a full memoir for publication at an early day.

THE GROWTH OF BENEVOLENCE

The frequent announcement of benefactions to the various institutions of our church is quite encouraging. It is only recently that our people have come to think of gifts of any considerable amount, and only a few, comparatively, have thought to incorporate in their wills a generous provision for charitable and religious work. The events of the last year or two, however, indicate that there is an awakening on this subject, and we believe the time has come when men of wealth who are religious will not be willing to close up the volume which records their life history without leaving some substantial proof of their devotion to Christ.

Men and women are coming to understand that there is a principle of stewardship involved in the possession of property. They are gradually coming to understand that "the earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof; the world and they that dwell therein"—that even we ourselves are not our own, but that we have been bought with a price. With the conscience thoroughly awake to these terrible realities, and to the still more terrible fact of personal accountability to God, men are not going to allow themselves to close up the record here and go into the presence of the Judge of all the earth and hear him say, "I was hungry and ye gave me no meat . . . inasmuch as ye did it not unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye did it not unto me; depart, therefore, into everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels."

There is no truer sign of an awakened conscience than the growth of the benevolent spirit; nor is there a better indication of the fact that men have opened their eyes and that they have caught the real Christly vision. Jesus said, "lift up your eyes and look upon the fields that are white already to the harvest." This is his call to a realizing sense of the world's destitution, and to our opportunity to relieve the wants of our fellowmen. No man ever comes to this till his conscience is awakened. He cannot hear the cry of distress nor see the agony of his fellowmen till his conscience is aroused.

To any whose eyes may fall upon these lines and who may be thinking of some worthy object of benevolence, of which they may become the patron in life, we would urge the importance of beginning in time to see and enjoy some of the fruits of the benefaction. It is always best to administer, if possible, upon one's own estate, and there surely can be no greater happiness in old age or advanced life than to be able to see some of the blessed results of our labors.

However, it is a good thing to provide by will for something that will help to continue the work of the kingdom after we are gone. The man in moderate circumstances may, in this way, build a monument far more enduring than granite or brass. There are men and women without children who might well provide by will that all their estate go to the help of benevolent institutions, thus making it possible, in a sense, to bless all the generations that are to follow.

Let the reader think on these things, and may God continue to awaken the conscience of those who can give large benefactions to help save the world from its destitution.

NOTE AND COMMENT

The Helpful Influence of Our Missionaries in Japan is acknowledged by those in the highest positions of the government. The Northwestern Christian Advocate in a recent issue quotes an interview with Count O'Kuma, premier of Japan, in which that greatest of Japanese had the following to say concerning Christian missions:

"We in Japan have developed a new consciousness, conviction, energy. China must have this. The way to give it is not to oppress the Chinese with power but to develop them with education and religion."

When asked whether the educational and religious work of American missionaries in China was helping to bring about this new consciousness, he replied: "Certainly, it is! The missionaries in China are, naturally, one of the strongest forces in developing a newer and better civilization. That is their work. And of course there are more missionaries from America than from all the European countries put together. I do not believe Americans realize how much influence their country is exerting through these representatives who are establishing strong schools and churches throughout the length and breadth of China."

Then, after exhorting the missionaries to keep out of politics, he added: "The missionaries here in Japan are most welcome and are doing a wonderful work. Japan would not be so far advanced as she is today if it had not been for the missionaries."

* * * *

The Commission on Church and Country Life, a branch of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, at their meeting in Columbus, Ohio, December 8-10, will discuss questions relating to the problem of restoring health to rural churches of all denominations. One thing which it is proposed shall be agreed upon is the fixing of a minimum salary for country pastors. President Wilson is one of a number of distinguished men who will make addresses.

One group of men who have made extensive study of the rural church problem is expected to come to the convention prepared to argue that the commission recommend a definite minimum annual salary for country ministers, possibly $1,000. Others are opposed to this recommendation, and lay emphasis on the need of better training for pastors, in practical agricultural subjects for example. To make churches more active as centers for general social life of the community, to combine them and reduce numbers in many cases, to let preachers live nearer their congregations—these are only a few typical questions which the conference will try to tackle in a practical manner. They will use as a basis a number of surveys of country church conditions made in recent years throughout the country, notably that conducted in Ohio.

* * * *

Prohibition and Woman Suffrage will be the leading questions before the House Judiciary Committee of the present Congress, according to the statement recently made by Congressman Webb, who is chairman of this committee. Mr. Webb is quoted as saying that some minor amendments may be offered to the anti-trust laws, but the contests will be over liquor and votes for women.

* * * *

The North Carolina Teachers' Assembly which was in session at Releigh recently was largely attended, there being in all nearly one thousand enrolled. An interesting feature of this session was the fact that a woman, Miss Mary O. Graham, of Charlotte, presided over the body.

* * * *

Get the Book Habit is the advice given by Rev. W. E. Abernethy in the following which was written for the Shelby Star at the request of the ladies who are endeavoring to establish a circulating library in that good town. Mr Abernethy has put this so well and in such classic form that we pass it along for the benefit of others:

"A well stocked library should be the daily rendezvous of the people. Get the book habit; it is fine. The library makes one a citizen of all the world and all the ages. Enter; shut the door against the chatter of the streets and the market. You are in a new universe. You sail the seas with great admirals; you see great cities, some long buried; you march with Alexander, Caesar, Napoleon, and Lee; you sit at the feet of the world's story-tellers; you hear the songs of all the skylark souls from Homer to Tennyson; you sit on Athenian porches and hear the masters of the mind; in imperial courts you converse with kings; on gray granite crage you commune with prophets and seers; you walk fields of wheat, and dip your oar in the blue Galilee with the Twelve and their Master—all the tragedy and tears, the love and laughter of recorded history, all the passions that have poured into the literature of all lands—all are yours."

* * * *

The Recall of Certain Attaches of the German Embassy in Washington City by the State Department has caused another stir in diplomatic circles. Of course it renews the war talk and gives the jingo press another opportunity to run scare headlines. There is just about as much danger of war with Germany, however, as has been all the while, and that is none at all. Germany as a whole will not sympathize with her representatives who have taken advantage of their opportunity to do mischief in this country.

* * * *

A Very Sensible View of what should be our attitude toward the warring nations is given by Wong Yie, a Chinaman, as quoted in the Missionary Voice. He says: It is hard indeed for a Chinaman to understand this thing. I know from personal observation what fine men there are in the countries now at war. They see things ordinarily in a very true light, but in this thing of war they seem to contradict themselves in all other things. Now we know, after these nations are exhausted with strife, after millions of dollars of property have been destroyed, after innumerable men are killed, that there will be a congress called to treat over the new settlement. The Chinese mind asks why not have this congress of reason before rather than after the fight.

* * * *

There Were Sixteen Football Deaths during the 1915 season, according to a report sent out from Chicago last week. This is one more than the toll of 1914. Yet even our schools teach that football is essential in our system of education!

* * * *

Science Not Only Constructs deadly air machines, but likewise quickly invents means of defense against their deadly effects. It is announced that Paris has been successfully protecting itself from Zeppelin raids for more than a year by a system of nets in the air, just as Great Britain by a system of nets under water has been capturing scores of German submarines. Just how these nets are suspended has not been announced, but the press publishes a plan formulated by the British leaders in London by which they will attempt to protect that capital in a maner similar to that adopted by the French in protecting Paris.

* * * *

The Boy Scout Movement is very likely heading at a lively gait toward what we have always believed it would. On December 5th it was announced that Ernest Thompson Seton had tendered his resignation as chief scout of the Boy Scouts of America, "because of a gradual change in policies to which he is opposed. Militarism now comes first and woodcraft, the original purpose of the movement, second," according to Mr. Seton. "The study of trees and flowers and nature," he continued, "is giving way to wig-wagging, drills and other activities of a military nature, thus destroying the symbolism of the organization. As it now stands, militarism comes first and woodcraft second."

We would suggest that the church and church leaders are doing sorry business when they lend their efforts to any sort of boy organization that suggests or in any degree encourages militarism.

* * * *

The Recent Decision of our State Supreme Court upholding the law limiting the amount of liquor which may be lawfully shipped to any individual is no surprise. This should hearten all who really wish to rid our state of the liquor curse. If it is constitutional to limit the amount one may receive to one quart every two weeks it is constitutional to cut off his supply entirely, and this is what we must have. We said at the time this quart-every-two-weeks law was enacted that it was only a dodge to keep the spigot open to quench the thirst of topers. All such should be pretty well tapered off by this time and the whole source of supply should be cut off. The quart allowance has caused many a poor wife to be beaten and abused and many children to suffer. We are hoping and praying that our next legislature will have the manhood to cut off the supply once for all.

DISTRICT NOTICES

Asheville District

Conference of preachers of the district, traveling and local, at Central church, Asheville, Dec. 13, 7:30 P. M.

District Stewards' Meeting, Central church, Dec. 14, 11 A. M.

Charge leaders' meeting, Central church, Dec. 14, 2 P. M. C. A Wood, P. E.

Salisbury District

The district stewards will meet in First church, Salisbury, December 9th, at 10 A. M.
J. C. Rowe, P. E.

Waynesville District

The district stewards of Waynesville District will meet at Dillsboro on December 15th, at 2 P. M. J. P. Rodgers, P. E.

Winston District

The district stewards' meeting and conference of pastors and charge lay leaders will be held in Centenary church, Winston-Salem, Dec. 9, at 11:30 A. M. H. K. Boyer, P. E.

Morganton District

The district stewards and charge lay leaders will meet in the Methodist church, Marion, Wednesday, Dec. 15th, at 2 P. M. There will be three sessions, closing at noon, Thursday. Let all come prepared to stay till close.
J. E. Gay, P. E.

North Wilkesboro District

The district stewards, pastors and lay leaders of each charge will please meet at Jefferson Dec. 22-23. This will be a very important meeting and each man is expected to be present.
T. E. Wagg, P. E.

Statesville District

The charge leaders and pastors will please meet in the Methodist church at Newton, Friday, Dec. 17th, 11 A. M., to discuss the Conference-wide every-member canvass and to make plans for this canvass in our district to be completed not later than Jan. 16th. Rev. Frank Siler, Conference Missionary Secretary, will be entertained.

The district stewards will please meet in Broad Street church, Statesville, Thursday, Dec. 30, 11 a. m. A full attendance is earnestly desired. W. R. Ware, P.E.

"I know that, whatever of sorrow
Or pain or temptation befall,
The infinite Master has suffered,
And knoweth and pitieth all.
So tell me the sweet old story,
That falls on each wound like a balm,
And my heart that was bruised and broken
Shall grow patient and calm and strong."

CONTRIBUTIONS

MEMOIR OF MRS. MARY TAYLOR HUDSON

By Rev. S. B. Turrentine, D. D.

Mary Taylor Hudson, daughter of David M. and Nancy Withers Lee, was born at Sharon, Mecklenburg County, N. C., on Sunday, Nov. 30, 1834; died in Shelby, on Sunday, August 8th, 1915.

She was converted and joined the Methodist church in early girlhood.

After graduating with first honors at Greensboro Female College (now Greensboro College for Women), she taught in several institutions for young women at Louisburg, Charlotte, Warrenton and Greensboro. During a portion of this period of teaching she was a member of the faculty of old Greensboro Female College under the administration of Dr. Turner M. Jones, President.

On July 22, 1872, she was united in marriage to Rev. Hilary T. Hudson, D. D., a noted minister in North Carolina Methodism as author of the Methodist Armor, editor of the Raleigh Christian Advocate, pastor and presiding elder. During this union she shared the joys and sacrifices of the itinerant experience.

Their little daughter, Vernia Lee, was taken to the Heavenly Home at eight years of age.

Mrs. Hudson combined in rare beauty and strength those elements that adorn true Christian womanhood.

As we look back into the years, we behold the portrait of a beautiful, noble life that began right. Inheriting the rich blessings of good ancestry, reared and trained amid the environments and under the influences of the Christian home, school and church, there grew up this young life clothed in the true strength of youth.

The common sum of a physical temple of stateliness, whose powers and functions were inexhausted; a mind that noiselessly worked within its brain temple; a mental mechanism that had not rusted with idleness, nor worn out with excessive work; a soul whose emotional powers had not been wasted upon unworthy objects, nor paralyzed by a morbid misanthropy; a character in the freshness of its first faith, the buoyancy of its first hope, the enthusiasm of its first love and in the energies of its full life.

Such a life of useful endowments, energized by the religion of Christ could not remain passive, but was manifested in loving, sacrificial service, that during these many years has contributed to making earth more like Heaven and people like Christ.

Reviewing the years of her mature life, her character fittingly illustrates the inspired portrait of the strong woman:

"Strength and honor are her clothing; and she shall rejoice in time to come. She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue is the law of kindness."

"She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness."

"Her children arise up, and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her."

"Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all."

"Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain; but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised.

"Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates."

In no place was such influence more potent for good than in the precincts of the home, the foundation upon which all other institutions exist.

In such sphere of service no finer type of devotion to duty characterized her as a mother than did her faithful service as step-mother. All duty was to her an opportunity, and all service was sacred.

In the school room, by precept and example, she was able to hold up before the vision of young womanhood those ideals that promoted not only the power to know, but also the power to do.

In the church her labors were abundant in seeking to hasten the fulfillment of the inspired prophecy, "The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ."

Combining modesty with courage, culture with simplicity, frankness with gentleness and kindness, this queenly character was spared through a beneficent providence for over four score years to benefit the lives of the multitude that have arisen up to call her memory blessed.

In her numerous gifts to the needy of the community, to the helpless in the orphanage, to the worthy claims of youth striving for school training, like Mary with the precious alabaster, she hath wrought a good work which, throughout the years, will be told as a memorial of her.

Equally in the service of suffering, as in that of doing, the life of Mary T. Hudson shown with a steady, clear light; for she had partaken of the fellowship of the sufferings of Him who was made perfect through suffering; and, having been made conformable unto His death in a rich life of righteousness, she looked with faith unto the goal when at last she might attain unto the power of the resurrection of the dead.

Thus she hath "come to her grave in a full age, like as a shock of corn cometh in his season." Such a life is a triumph; such a death, a coronation.

Just before her translation, on the Sabbath summer afternoon, we have a picture so befitting this saintly life that was so rich in kindness and good works.

While sitting up in bed, after recalling an incident in her chidhood, touching her early lessons in kindness, she spoke in tender words of her appreciation of the kindness that was shown her. Then she quoted the beautiful lines:

"Little deeds of kindness,
Little words of love,
Make this earth an Eden,
Like the Heaven above."

Peacefully she fell asleep. In Shelby on Monday afternoon, August 9th, the funeral was conducted from the Methodist Church and her body was laid to rest in Sunset Cemetery.

The vision of Heaven is made brighter and the ties binding us thither are stronger because she is there.

THE HEAVENLY PARACLETE

By Rev. T. F. Glenn, D. D.

There is a measure of truth in the assertion of an able writer that the "doctrine of the Holy Spirit is a forgotten truth." Nothing would contribute so much to the kindling of revivial fires in the Christian churches to-day as the quickening and revitalization of our faith in the personality, the presence, and the divinity of the Holy Spirit. We live in the Spirit's dispensation, and all that God does for us and in us he does through the direct agency of the third person in the adorable Trinity. Let us seek to magnify the office and ministry of the Spirit in our private and public devotions, in our meditations, and in our thoughts and aspirations. How it would quicken our faith to think of Him as the sole agent in the reproduction of the Christly character in the heirs of salvation! This is the beautiful and sublime teaching of Pentecost, that great and notable day of the Lord. The Spirit is the "Inbreather." "He is the breath of lives." The Pentecostal disciples were filled with the Holy Spirit. There is no limit to the Spirit's sanctifying and consecrating grace. Paul's command was, "Be filled with the Spirit." (Eph. v. 18.) The late Rev. John McNeill says that of the deep things of God's deep Book there is surely not a deeper than this, that a cleansed and consecrated believer may by simple faith, here and now, claim and receive the fullness of the Spirit, the greatest gift that the exalted Christ has in His power to bestow upon his people You will note that the command "Be filled" is in the passive voice—"Let yourself be filled"—suggesting the thought that the divine fullness is pressing in upon you. O what a blessed thing it is to know the fellowship, the companionship, and the partnership of the Spirit! The holy anointing is from him. It is only through the inspiration of the Divine Spirit that the saints are enabled to lead a life of full consecration and lofty spirituality.

In the fifth chapter of Galatians St. Paul gives us a striking and comprehensive description of the Christian's relation to the Holy Spirit as the administrator of human redemption: "Led in the Spirit," "Walk in the Spirit," "Live in the Spirit," and Fruit of the Spirit." Could the pen of inspiration set forth more vividly the truth that the consecrated Christian's entire being is under the guidance of the Spirit? As ministers of Jesus Christ let us press home this glorious truth in our public ministrations. Without the presence and unction of the Holy One in our worshiping assemblies, the pulpit will cease to be a throne of power, prayer will be a bootless litany, devotion will die, and hosannas will be as sounding brass and tinkling cymbal.

How ture to life is Bunyan's graphic picture of the Christian Pilgrim! If the oil of the Spirit is not poured daily into the heart from above the hallowed fires, vital religion will expire. Preachers should not fail to place in the foreground the subject which the Lord Jesus Christ and his apostles made so prominent in their teaching—the indwelling of the heavenly Paraclete in our heart and life, taking the place of Christ as our counselor, teacher, friend, and guide. "As many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of Godd." (Rom. viii. 144.) The dwelling of the Spirit in believers is the one infallible proof or evidence of sonship. The command is, "Yield yourselves unto God," and then "ye have your fruit unto sanctification, and the end eternal life." (Rom. vi. 22, R. V.)

Many of our Methodist people fail to secure the fullness of the gospel blessing because they are not willing that the Infinite and Eternal Spirit should use them according to his own omniscient will. Let us not forget that He holds in his own almighty power the issues of life and death. Let us not grieve him and thereby invite temptation and defeat. We dishonor the Spirit if we think of him as an emanation or an influence or an illumination from the Father.

The inspired writers teach us that he is one with the Father and the Son in the unsearchable counsels of human redemption. Knowledge, feeling, and will, the three distinctive attributes of personality, are ascribed by Holy Writ to the third person in the Trinity. His knowledge is infinite. The Spirit is said to search all things—yea, the deep things of God. (1 Cor. ii 10.) The Scriptures ascribe creative and legislative acts to the Holy Spirit. "By his Spirit he hath garnished the heavens;" "The Spirit of God hath made me."

A word in regard to the Holy Spirit as the "Comforter." "Parakletos," the word which is translated "Comforter," means one who walks by your side, arm in arm, as it were, as your counselor, helper, defender, and guide, during your earthly pilgrimage. During his earthly ministry Christ was the Paraclete to his apostles, a Friend ever ready to give aid and comfort in their sorrows and perplexities. When the impetuous Peter was sinking in the waves of stormy Galilee, he cried out, saying: "Lord, save me." And immediately Jesus stretched forth his hand and took hold of him and saved him. Now that he has ascended on high and sits at the right hand of the Father, we have "another Comforter" who takes his place and is just as tender and loving and strong and sympathetic as our Advocate who is before the throne.

One of the greatest texts in the New Testament touching the doctrine of the Holy Spirit is hid away in the Epistle of St. James, where one would least expect to find it. The profound teaching of the text is not brought out in the Authorized Version. Now turn to James iv. 5, 6 (R. V.), and I think that you will agree with me in the opinion that the marginal reading is the true rendering: "That

Spirit which he made to dwell in us yearneth for us even unto jealous envy, but he giveth greater grace." Note these points: (1) The indwelling of the Spirit; (2) the jealous yearning of the Spirit; (3) the assurance of final victory in the promise of greater grace. Here is a rich and exhaustless mine of precious gospel truth. The deep yearning of a mother over an erring son or daughter is but a faint suggestion of the infinite yearning of the Holy Spirit over the poor backslider in Israel, whom he would rescue from his wanderings, restore his soul, and prepare him afore unto glory everlasting. Yearning is a very strong word.

Again, "By the word of the Lord were the heavens made, and all the host of them by the Spirit of his mouth." The Holy Spirit is the immediate agent in the creation of the world and all things therein. "Thou sendest forth thy Spirit: they are created."

The sacred writers of both the Old and New Testaments were inspired by the Divine Spirit. "For no prophecy ever came by the will of man; but men spake from God, being moved by the Holy Ghost." (2 Peter i. 2.) The Spirit governs and guides as Lord and Master in the holy Church universal. He calls and commissions and ordains men to preach the gospel of the kingdom. The Spirit quickens and animates and regulates all worship in the Church. He distributes his gifts to all classes of his people according to his own eternal purpose. He raises the fallen, restores the backslider, comforts the sorrowing, refreshes the dry and parched ground with the blessed dews of his mercy and grace. Peter's fall was sudden and grievous, but greater grace wrought in him profound repentance and prepared him to receive the threefold commission to feed the lambs and sheep of the Redeemr's flock. The Corinthian Church had fallen into unspeakable and lamentable sins; but the Spirit yearned over them with jealous envy and incited Paul to write that tender, touching, pleading epistle. Repentance and reformation followed; so that where sin abounded, grace much more abounded. Let me invite your attention especially to Hebrews xiii. 5, which brings out in a strong and vivid light the earnest purpose of the Spirit to save to the uttermost every newborn soul. There are five negatives in the Greek, and the verse is rendered thus by Dr. Phillip Doddridge: "I will not, I will not leave thee; I will never, never, never forsake thee."

The Spirit cannot brook a rival. He would take supreme control of our bodies, which are said to be temples, or sanctuaries, of the Holy Ghost. "The strong man armed" is conquered and evicted by the "stronger than he." Grace is mightier than our sins, our evil propensities, and our passions. Let us endeavor to live in conscious fellowship and partnership with the Spirit as our loving, tender, wise, powerful, and ever-present Counselor.

Clyde, N. C.

BOARD OF MISSIONS—REPORT NUMBER ONE

In view of the tremendous responsibility that rests upon the Christian church of America in the present world crisis your Board feels amply justified in urging the continuance of the forward movement. This is certainly not a time for relaxing efforts, but for wise planning, greater devotion and deep consecration.

Every-Member Canvass

We call upon the pastors to take the lead in a simultaneous every-member canvass to be inaugurated just as soon as possible after Conference and completed by January 16th, 1916. If this is done a long step will have been taken toward procuring full collections next year in all our charges. The presiding elders may mean much to the success of the cause of missions; the lay leader and other helpers may advance the cause, but the pastor is the key man in this work. If he fails other agencies and all our methods will fail.

Early Collections

It is important that the canvass be made, and it is also important that the subscriptions be collected promptly. So we ask that the Conference collections be paid in full and that a pro rata part of such collections on a basis of assessment laid be forwarded promptly to the treasurer of the Conference Board of Missions. Some of our sister conferences are succeeding admirably in getting early collections and so are saving general board of missions thousands of dollars in interest.

Mid-year Meeting

We recommend that a mid-year meeting be held in February in Greensboro in connection with the interdenominational laymen's missionary meeting. Every charge in our Conference should be represented in this great meeting.

Missionary Secretary

We recommend the reappointment of Rev. Frank Siler as missionary secretary. We wish to record our appreciation of Brother Siler's faithful and efficient work during the past year. He has secured in subscriptions for the Conference Emergency Fund more than $13,000.00 payable in four years; about $6,000.00 of this has been collected. Beside this he has rendered effective service in raising the Conference collections.

We have adopted as our policy in line with that of the General Board, to be carried out by our secretary under the direction of the executive committee the following:

1. Co-operation with presiding elders whereever desired in their district institutes, which in the nature of things should be held as early as possible after the adjournment of Conference in order to plan for the carrying out of the policies adopted by the Conference.
2. To co-operate with the General Board in securing general observance of the Week of Prayer and Self-denial, January 2-9, 1916.
3. To assist in every possible way in making the simultaneous Conference-wide Every-Member Canvass a success in every charge.
4. To assist in making the mid-year meeting and laymen's conference to be held at Greensboro in February the greatest possible success.
5. The putting on of the missionary policy in the Sunday schools as provided for in paragraph 264 of the Discipline, with the China Special as our objective
6. Conducting institutes, conferences and other educational and inspirational meetings as opportunity may offer.
7. The carrying out of the policies of the General Board in the placing of specials, the distribution of literature, etc.
8. To continue the representing the Conference Board in the interest of the Conference Mission Emergency Fund.

General Secretary

The Board appreciates the presence of Dr. W. W. Pinson, General Missionary Secretary. His counsel in the board meetings and addresses before the Conference have been very helpful.

Evangelism

It seems that the revival spirit has pervaded the entire Conference throughout the year. Reports of gracious revivals come from almost every charge and church in the Conference. The reports show the accession of 7,791 on profession of faith as against 4,927 last year, or more than 36 per cent. increase. This should inspire us to reach a much higher goal next year. We can easily make it 12,000 on profession of faith next year. Let training classes for personal workers be established through the committee on evangelism in every church in the Conference. We urge the continuance of the reading circles on evangelistic literature estabished last year. Our Conference evangelist reports having participated in twenty-five protracted meetings with very gratifying results. We respectfully request the re-appointment of Rev. W. L. Dawson and the appointment of Rev. R. A. Taylor as Conference Evangelists.

District Institutes

We believe that well planned and wisely conducted district missionary institutes can be made very profitable. So we recommend that one or more district institutes be held in every district in our Conference. Your board considers the district stewards' meeting a good time to hold the district institutes; but leave the time and place to the wisdom of the presiding elders.

Junaluska Conference

The general board of missions is planning for a great missionary conference at Junaluska in 1916. We wish to call your attention to this and request the pastors and laymen of our Conference to make special effort to attend this meeting.

The Week of Prayer

The week January 2-9, 1916, has been set apart for special prayer and self-denial. Let us call the attention of our people to this and lead them in prayer that our God will give us the nations as our inheritance and the uttermost parts of the earth as our possession. Then let us contribute liberally to the emergency fund.

The Sunday School and Missions

The Sunday school is a great missionary field and force. We cannot do better than to follow the directions given us in the discipline, paragraph 264, in carrying forward the missionary work in the Sunday schools.

W. H. Willis, President,
R M. Courtney, Sec.

BOARD OF MISSIONS—REPORT NO. TWO

We nominate E. A. Cole Conference Lay Leader.

The missionary assessments for next year are as follows:

Foreign Missions $21350.00
Home and Conference Missions, 27350.00

Appropriations to Missions

	Regular	Conditional and Emergency	Duke Fund
ASHEVILLE DISTRICT			
Black Mountain	$250		
Fairview	150		
Henderson Ct.	50		
Hot Springs and Marshall	225	25	
Mars Hill	200	200	
Rosman	200	75	
Swannanoa	100		
Spring Creek	200		
Tryon and Saluda	200	50	
Walnut			200
CHARLOTTE DISTRICT			
Chadwick	150	50	
Hickory Grove	50	50	
Matthews		50	
North Monroe	50	75	
Rocky River			100
Spencer Memorial	150	50	
Thrift	200	50	
Unionville	100	50	
GREENSBORO DISTRICT			
Coleridge	75	56	
Deep River	150	50	
Denton	150	50	
East End, High Point	75	125	
Gibsonville	150	200	
Ruffin Circuit	100	50	150
Walnut St.	50	50	
MORGANTON DISTRICT			
Bald Creek		50	
Burnsville	200	150	
Broad River		100	
Connelly Springs		50	
Cliffside	50	72	
Green River	125	50	150
Micaville	50	50	
McDowell	50	50	50
Marion Circuit		50	150
Marion Mills	100	125	
Old Fort		64	
Spruce Pine and Bakersville		150	200
Thermal City		25	100
MOUNT AIRY DISTRICT			
Ararat		50	350
Danbury		50	175
Draper	200		
Jonesville	150	50	
Pilot Mountain Station	50	50	
Pinnacle	150	25	
Spray	250	50	
Stokesdale	75	25	
Yadkinville	100	75	
NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT			
Avery			300
Boone	150	50	
Elk Park	150	75	
Helton	75	25	
Jefferson	150	50	
Laurel Springs	50	50	150

North Wilkes		
Sparta	150	50
Wilkesboro Station	150	50
Wilkes Circuit	200	50
District	500	
Jefferson School		500

SALISBURY DISTRICT

Albemarle Circuit		25
Albemarle, First Street	150	50
Baden		500
China Grove	150	50
Cottonville	100	25
East Spencer and N. Main	200	25
Kannapolis Station	100	100
Kannapolis Circuit	125	25
Oakboro		
Park Avenue	150	100
West Concord	50	50
Westford	100	25

SHELBY DISTRICT

Bessemer City	200	25
Belmont		100
Cherryville		125
Lincoln Circuit	75	25
McAdenville		150
Stanley	50	50
West End and Franklin Ave.	100	25
West Cleveland		

STATESVILLE DISTRICT

Davidson	150	
East Monbo	50	
Hickory Circuit		150
Iredell	100	25
Statesville Circuit	50	50
West Hickory	50	100

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT

Canton Circuit		
Clyde		75
Fines Creek	100	50
Glenville		50
Highlands		
Jonathan Circuit		50
Judson	200	50
Murphy Circuit	175	50
Ranger		250
Robbinsville	50	250
Hayesville		100

WINSTON DISTRICT

Burkhead	150	50
Cooleemee	150	50
Grace and Liberty	100	50
Jackson Hill	75	25
Salem	100	100
Southside	250	50
Thomasville Circuit	50	50
Farmington		25
North Davie		500

W. H. Willis, President,
R. M. Courtney, Sec.

The Chapman-Alexander Revival

Asheville has had the greatest religious awakening and uplift of its history. The Chapman-Alexander party began work in the great tabernacle built for the purpose at a cost of $2000 to $3000, October 17th, and continued five weeks, holding two services daily. All the churches of the city co-operated in perfect accord. The preaching of Dr. Chapman was of a high order. He is strictly orthodox on the main lines, preaches a full gospel and insists on thorough work. His methods are very sane and simple. The singing, under Mr. Alexander, was an attractive feature of the campaign. The campaign was thoroughly organized. The city was districted a month beforehand and home prayer meetings were held twice a week in each district, which put the whole city into a state of expectancy. The great tabernacle, seating 4,000, was filled on the first Sunday afternoon, and on every succeeding evening. Dr. Chapman gripped his audience at the very start and held it to the close, with ever increasing power. The home prayer meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11 a. m. were well attended and accomplished much. During the last week Dr. Chapman preached daily in the Majestic Theatre at 12 o'clock. These services were well attended. It was a great meeting in every sense. The results are incalculable. 1800 cards were signed. About one-third of these were members of the church who renewed their covenant. Of course some of the cards will never turn up, but much good was done which was never indicated by cards. Many irreligious men were converted and many have come into the church. The religious atmosphere of Asheville has been purified and the work for the pastors made easy. The influence extended throughout the country and in adjoining towns. The memory of it and its influence will abide. D. Atkins.

INTERESTING NEWS FROM THE FIELD

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. J. H. Bennett made a fine start at Centenary church, this city, last Sunday. His sermon on Sunday morning was exceedingly appropriate and made a profound impression. We predict for him a very successful year.

—Rev. A. S. Abernethy and wife arrived in Sparta Tuesday evening. The good ladies of the Methodist church had prepared supper for them at the parsonage, and a number of the congregation called to welcome the new pastor.—Alleghany Star.

—The Norwood correspondent of the Albemarle Enterprise says: The many friends of Rev. R. M. Taylor are glad that Conference saw fit to send him back for another year. During his two years' sojourn among us he has won the love and confidence of the people of all denominations.

—Rev. E. Myers who was soliciting subscriptions for the Missionary Voice at our Conference at Reidsville reports that he received the money for one subscriber whose name and address he lost. Any person having paid and failing to receive the paper will please notify Brother Myers at Advance, N. C.

—The editor of Charity and Children says: Rev. W. O. Goode comes to Thomasville as pastor of the Methodist church instead of Rev. D M Litaker. We hear good things of Mr. Goode and we offer him the right hand of fellowship. Mr. Litaker goes to Lenoir and we doubt that that strong mountain church has ever had an abler man in its pulpit.

—The Baptist State Convention is in session at Charlotte this week. This is a great body of religious workers and we greet them in the name of our common Lord. The body includes the pastors and representatives of all Baptist churches in the state and is, therefore, a little largr than our Conference which includes one half the state. Our Baptist brethren will have to follow our example in this respect and divide.

—Rev. G. A B. Holderby and famiy were on hand at McAdenville in time for the prayer meeting service on December 1st. In a note to the editor Brother Holderby says: Truly it was good to be there. We have a splendid church and good choir. After we had returned to the parsonage the crowd came from the church and gave us a good pounding. Our Larder is well supplied for many days. God bless every one.

—The Alleghany Star, referring to the departure of Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Hoyle, says: Mr. Hoyle has made many friends in Alleghany and has proven his sterling Christian character by a sincere and unselfish devotion to the work under his charge. Mrs. Hoyle has made herself unusually useful in church work, and especially has her influence been felt in the Sunday school room. Sparta will miss this most excellent family, and we heartily commend them to the people of the Lenoir circuit.

—Our church at Kernersville has suffered a great loss in the death of Mr. W. H. Leak which occurred last Saturday night. He had been in declining health for some months, but had been critically ill for only two weeks. He is survived by his wife and eight children, Messrs. Frank and Hugh Leak, of this city, being his sons. The funeral services were conducted on Sunday afternoon from the Methodist church, Rev. J. M. Price officiating.

—Referring to the removal of Rev. W. S. Hales, the Gibsonville Times says: It is with regret that the Methodists here and at Whitsett are called upon to give up Rev. W. S. Hales. He came here three years ago and his work has been crowned with success. The membership has been greatly increased under his ministry, the church building has been cleared of debt, to say nothing of great good that has been accomplished. The church at Whitsett has also been relieved of a debt during his stay. He and his family will be missed greatly in this community.

Conference Brotherhood

Assessment No. 14. The following clerical members have paid this assessment since my last report: Z. Paris, J. H. Barnhardt, E. Myers, T. S. Ellington, O. P. Routh, R. L. Melton, Elmer Simpson, A. W. Plyler, A. L. Latham, J. C. Keever, J. I. Hickman, O. P. Ader, E. E. Williamson, H. L. Atkins, J. W. Moore, H. C. Sprinkle, W. M. Boring, J. P. Davis, S. S. Higgins, B. M. Jackson, J. H. Brendall, G. W. Vick, W. A. Newell, N. R. Richardson, E. W. Fox, E. B. Troy, T. F. Marr, J. W. Campbell, J. E. Woosley, W. S. Hales, W. V. Honeycutt, C. E. Steadman, L. A. Falls, D. F. Waters, E. O. Cole, J. P. Rodgers, J. W. Williams, R. G. Tuttle, P. C. Battle, H. H. Jordan, M. H. Vestal, R. D. Sherrill, R. M. Taylor, B. F. Fincher, M. C. Field, J. M. Downum, R. W. Pickens, T. C. Jordan, W. M. Robbins, J. F. Moser, R. L. Doggett, C. W. Fink, J. C. Troy, J. W. Ingle, J. C. Richardson, J. L. Teague, W. S. Cherry. The following honorary members have paid one dollar each on this assessment: I. F. Craven, C. R. Hoey, Mrs. H. L. Spencer, C. H. Trowbridge, W. H. Nicholson, P. E. Durfee, Mrs. John W. Hanes, J. A. Claywell, J. W. Long, U. B. Blalock, J. A. Young, J. K. Dixon, E. A. Cole, E. E. Gray, D. H. Anderson, J. W. Cuthbertson, R. D. Chance, J. W. Harris, A. S. Weed, G. P. Moore, W. T. Wilkinson, Guy Weaver, G. F. Ivey, Walter Thompson, W. R. Lynch, W. C. Thompson, W. C. Houston, C. H. Ireland, Mason Lillard, J. K. Norfleet, James A. Bell, J. W. Barnhardt and C. W. Tillett.

The Brotherhood is in the best condition that it has ever been in. All the young men who are taking the Conference course of study should join it. Send fifty cents with application and three dollars to pay first assessment. Or you can send the three dollars within sixty days from the time the application is made. Each member pays an assessment of three dollars on the death of each member. There have been thirteen deaths in six years. Each claim now amounts to about $500.00.

C. M. Pickens, Sec. and Treas.
Spencer, N. C.

Summerfield Charge.—We are returned to Summerfield for our fourth year. We have been most kindly received with expressions of kindness from all over the work. The good people of Summerfield gave us the most severe pounding that we have received since we first came here. On Wednesday night before Thanksgiving they came with all kinds of packages. They brought almost every article in the culinary line, and our faithful horse was not forgotten.

We have a refined, cultured, consecrated type of people to serve. We are planning to make this the best year of the four. Pray for us that we may be successful.

We hope to do some work for the Advocate soon.

Your brother in Christ,
T. B. Johnson.

Asheville, Central.—The Asheville Citizen of December 2nd, had the following interesting statement concerning the work of the past year at Central church, Asheville:

According to a report just submitted to his congregation, by Rev. J. H. Barnhardt, pastor of the Central Methodist church, funds raised during the past year by the church for the carrying on of its work aggregated $13,213. Of this sum $1,600 was raised as a special offering and will be used to construct a church building in China, which the members of the local congregation have pledged themselves to establish.

The members of the three Woman's Missionary Societies of the church have been unusually active during the past year, and the reports submitted by their treasurers show that with a

membership list of 176, they have raised during the past year $1,568. During the year an Epworth League has been organized with Eugene Ward as president, and this new agency has already proved a valuable asset in interesting the young people in the work of the church.

Central is the largest Methodist church in the city and its membership was materially increased during the past year. The statistical report shows that 106 have been admitted on profession of faith, 94 have transferred to this church from other cities. There has been a total of 58 removals on account of deaths and other causes, making a net increase of 142; 16 were received into the church Sunday morning and several will be received next Sunday.

The Sunday school, through the leadership of Frank Weaver and his able corps of teachers, has done a great year's work. The Sunday school has 26 officers and teachers and an enrollment of 657 scholars. The home department has grown greatly this year, there being 48 members for this special work for the parents. There are 38 babies on the cradle roll. From the Sunday school 85 have joined the church, showing the great need of this department for recruiting the church membership. The Sunday school alone has raised $1,606; of this, $540 was a special pledge to the mission field.

Southside, Winston-Salem.—Rev. C. C. Williams, pastor of Southside, writes:

We arrived at Southside Thursday at 4 p. m., found the ladies in charge, with fires burning and the table loaded with good things. We have one of the nicest parsonages in the Conference; also a loyal people. Indeed the lines have fallen to us in pleasant places. Let the editor visit us and see that what we say is true.

Missionary Notes from Field Secretary

Early mail brings encouraging tidings from the field about the every-member canvass. Here are some samples:

Morganton, N. C., Nov. 29, 1915.

Dear Dr. Siler:—Your letter received anent the every-member canvass. In reply I am glad to say that the every-member canvass was started Sunday, Nov. 28th, and we expect to finish up next Sunday. Our canvass is for the entire needs of the church and includes missions and every item of expense. It was put into operation last year, and though not perfectly carried out, it certainly solved our financial problems. This year we expect to find much better returns from the system than last year, for we did not get our canvass down properly, and also about three months went by before we got it into working order. Things look promising for the present Conference year, and I feel much encouraged as I begin my second year with these splendid people. Trusting God will bless your work, and that your labors may be crowned with success, I am,

Yours fraternally,
E. E. Williamson.

Our method is the every Sunday payment. Every church member received a package of 52 envelopes, and we make no assessment, but every one signs a card to give so much every Sunday. E. E. W.

Shelby, N. C., Nov. 30, 1915.

Dr. Frank Siler,
Greensboro, N. C.

Dear Doctor:—I have your letter of November 27th, and in reply have to advise you that we adopted a year ago the every-member canvass plan in Central church, Shelby, and we include everything in the budget, and we use the duplex envelope system and find it very satisfactory. Yours,

Clyde R. Hoey.

Shelby, N. C., Nov. 30, 1915.

Dear Dr. Siler:—I would advise that if convenient you come to us to be here Sunday or as soon as you can. I have held Thanksgiving services and my boards are planning enthusiastically for the coming year. I should like that they be properly guided in planning so they will not be to reorganize. Answer me if you can come and I will endeavor for you and myself to touch every place, plan for our joint work of stewards and lay circuit leaders, church leaders and committees or by budget, or whatever way we can as God may open the way.

Your brother, A. J. Burrus.

FINAL REPORT FOR ADVOCATE CAMPAIGN 1915

Since casting up our final reports as given at Conference at Reidsville we find that the total number of new subscribers received during the year is as follows:

Asheville District	52
Charlotte District	33½
Greensboro District	40
Morganton District	56½
Mount Airy District	67
North Wilkesboro District	32½
Shelby District	45½
Statesville District	66½
Salisbury District	38
Waynesville District	56
Winston District	71½
Miscellaneous	165
Total new subscribers	724

Those entered under the head of miscellaneous are such as came otherwise than directly through pastors. During the year about 1200 names were discontinued, so that we wind up the year with a net loss of more than 400. This is the result of the cotton price depression as the reader can readily see by noting that the Salisbury and Charlotte districts which for years have stood at the head of the list in the number of new subscribers are this year at the foot of the roll. They not only did not give us the usual number of new subscribers, but more were discontinued in that section than ever in a single year.

Now we must have a rally all along the line and especially in the cotton section so that we may make good the loss and reach our goal of 10,000 subscribers this year. To do this we must have a little more than 3000 new subscribers added to the list this year.

Roll of Honor

Our roll of honor for the past year, that is, those who secured their allotment or more, stands as follows:

J. F. Starnes, W. B. West, M. B. Clegg, G. W. Williams, J. P. Hipps, John H. Green, J. I. Hickman, D. W. Brown, E. M. Avett, W. C. Bowden, T. A. Groce, T. J. Houck, D. C. Ballard, C. C. Williams.

Three years of progress:—1913, paid for Foreign Missions, $22,483.28; for Home and Conference Missions, $19,503.01. 1914, paid for Foreign Missions, $27,590.00; for Home and Conference Missions, $20,541.00. 1915, paid for Foreign Missions, $27,079.00; for Home and Conference Missions, $25,670.00. 1914, paid for Church Extension, $8,581.00; for Education $9,755.00. 1915, paid for Church Extension, $9,171.00; for Education, $12,692.00.

* * * *

I have mailed every pastor the promised literature containing samples of canvassing cards and duplex envelope, recommended for our Conference. If any one failed to get his write at once to Advocate Publishing Company.

Remember there is no money scheme in this. Brother Blair is furnishing at our request and at cost.

* * * *

Two weeks, not "two months" as the printer had it last week, after holidays for the canvass.

Precious Gifts

A pastor in Alabama sends me one dollar from a good woman in his charge whose heart is deeply interested in the success of Emory University. He writes that she said, "I would give it, if I had to wash for it."

Her case is an example showing how many thousands of poor, pious people feel about this enterprise of our church.

Another instance: A few days ago, as I was entering the Wesley Memorial Building, I was met by a good man whom I had never before seen. He said, "I read an article some time ago by Dr. S. A. Steel proposing that every member of our church give a dollar to the university. I am a poor man, and have no property, but I wish to have a part in this great work, and I have been hunting you to give you my dollar."

It is encouraging to know that God's poor saints are interested in the University. Their gifts are precious, and their prayers are effectual for the blessing of the institution.

If our people of means will give in proportion to their possessions as these poor saints have given out of their poverty, what a large sum would be secured speedily for the University! Many will do so, if their pastors will bring the matter to their attention.

Atlanta, Ga. W. A. Candler.

The Kilgo Meeting and Central Charge, Concord

Central's work has not been reported for some time. The last Conference year was one of activity in every department of the church. There were forty-one accessions to the church. Nineteen on profession of faith. The woman's societies raised for home and foreign work, $1,565.00. The total raised for all purposes by our church was $5,200.56, which was $18.00 per capita. This without any building enterprise or debt paying.

Our Sunday school is beginning to be a joy to us, and something to which our people look forward with deep interest.

The church has taken on new life. Credit for much of this quickened interest should doubtless be given to the Kilgo meeting. While the meeting was not held in Central church, yet its constituency was helped. In many respects it was a wonderful meeting. Wonderful in the content of the gospel preached, and in the high degree of eloquence and power of the preacher. Every sentence was fresh, luminous and soul-stirring, while his climaxes were enrapturing, save when the seriousness and awfulness of the truth made them awe-inspiring or appalling. It was a wonderful meeting in the manifestation of the power and presence of the Holy Spirit.

Vast throngs attended upon the ministry of the word, and many were either saved or reclaimed, while many others started out for a new life. The city was stirred and much good abides. M. F. Moores.

Open For Service

Having spent thirty-five consecutive years as pastor in the effective ranks of the Southern Methodist itinerary, and the Lord of the harvest having so bountifully answered the prayer of the church for increase of laborers in the home pastorate (the Conferences in these Southern parallels never were as now so congested with pastors), I have transferred to the South Carolina Conference, where most of my ministry has been spent, and secured through the kindness of my brethren a superannuate relation.

Now I can say with John Wesley, "The world is my parish," and am free to labor in the bounds of any Conference:

(1) As preacher in charge in the employ of a presiding elder for a year or shorter period.

(2) In general evangelistic work upon invitation, or with consent, of the pastor of any church.

(3) In educational work for the church or state.

In connection with my several pastorates I have coached bright boys and girls for college, conducted select private schools, taught the sciences and higher mathematics in a college for women, and served as president of a conference training school. I now hold a high school teacher's certificate for principal, lately issued to me by the North Carolina State Board of Examiners. My wife is also a college graduate and skilled teacher of piano.

If my services shall be desired in any of the above relations, letters will be promptly forwarded to me from Hastings, Florida.

With cordial goodwill. Your brother,

W. A. Betts

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

CONFERENCE OFFICERS

President
Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson ..Greensboro
First Vice-President
Mrs. H. K. Boyer .....Winston-Salem
Box 339
Second Vice-President
Mrs. Mattie H. Stewart ....Charlotte
807 N. College St.
Treasurer
Mrs. P. N. Peacock .....Salisbury
215 W. Horah St.
Recording Secretary
Mrs. E. L. Bain .....Charlotte
Corresponding Secretary
Mrs. H. A. Dunham .....Asheville
224 Patton Ave.
Supt. Mission Study
Mrs. W. R. Harris .. .. Asheville
87 Starnes Ave.
Supt. Social Service
Mrs. W. A. Newell .....Weaverville
Distributor Literature
Mrs. W. C. Houston .....Concord
Supt. of Supplies
Mrs. J. N. Hauss .....Thomasville

STOP! READ! HEED!

We are giving the names and addresses of the Conference officers in this issue as a reminder to our auxiliary officers that only three weeks of the fiscal year remains and that reports are due by January 1st. We wish we might italicise each name to whom a report should be sent, for so small is the number of reports received by the various Conference officers that it is most discouraging. What can we say to impress the importance of prompt and accurate reports? Each of these officers is anxious to have a splendid annual report to be read at the annual meeting in Greensboro, but if they cannot get in touch with what has been done throughout the Conference by the auxiliaries, how can they give a message of encouragement.

My dear sisters, will you not let this list remind you that the report is anxiously hoped for and expected? Will you not send it in as early as possible? Blanks have been sent out and may we not urge each officer who has been the recipient of a blank to fill it out and return to the Conference officer to whom it should be sent?

So much depends upon these reports and may we not insist that this last quarter be a record-breaker in this important matter? The new year will open so much more pleasantly for us if we have a nice long list of reports full of encouraging news from our auxiliaries. May we not hope to receive them?

THAT ANNUAL MEETING

Again we call attention to the date of our annual meeting at West Market Street church, Greensboro, N. C., Jan. 27-31. Do not forget to elect a delegate in December as has been suggested by your Conference Corresponding Secretary.

The program committee is preparing a program of great interest, and this meeting with the good missionary people of Greensboro promises to be an unusually interesting and profitable one. The inspiration that comes from a meeting like this is worth a great deal to us during the months that follow. Let us pray for our Conference officers, district secretaries and each representative that may be present that God may use us mightily in those days in His service.

SALISBURY AUXILIARY

The Salisbury workers report a most enjoyable all-day meeting of their missionary society on November 12th, at the close of the campaign for new members. At this time many interesting missionary topics were discussed, beautiful vocal solos rendered and an altogether profitable meeting was held. On Sunday following, a splendid missionary sermon was preached by Rev. J. W. Moore, pastor of the church, and the Monday following a social meeting was held with Mrs. P. N. Peacock, at which more than seventy-five ladies were present.

On this occasion a program on Mexico was given and many interesting readings and talks were enjoyed by those present. A pleasing feature of the afternoon was the reading of a resolution of appreciation of Mrs. John W. Moore, who for some time has been leader of the mission study class and who has moved to Charlotte. A Mexican lunch was served as a culminating feature of the afternoon.

MOUNT AIRY AUXILIARY

The mission study class of the Mount Airy auxiliary is forced to give up its chairman, Mrs. W. H. Willis, who, with her husband, leaves for another field of labor. As an expression of the great appreciation of her loving interest in the class sand her very faithful service, at the meeting a few days ago she was presented a very beautiful gift, which we are sure carries with it their very best wishes for her in her new home.

This class has been in "summer quarters" but we are glad to say has begun work again with a most gratifying attendance of members and the outlook for them is most encouraging. They are studying "The King's Highway."

NEW ORGANIZATION

Junior Society—Moravian Falls—North Wilkesboro District

President, Miss Ruth Hubbard: first vice-president, Miss Bertha Wallace; second vice-president, Miss Zelma Pennell; treasurer, Miss Estelle Cherry.

Mrs. Arthur T. Abernethy is leader in this society of fourteen members.

RESOLUTIONS BY WADESBORO DISTRICT

Bowed with sorrow, we come together to put on record in our minute book the sad exect that our once beloved leader, Mrs. Monte Christian Blalock, has passed over the river.

Silently, one by one, God calls us home, and we are here to give utterance as best we can to the great sorrow which is ours. Many beautiful tributes are being paid our sister, for hers was a nature that won friends and held them forever. We have parted with an efficient executive, we have lost one of our shining lights. Two distinguishing characteristics of our beloved sister were capability and loyalty. Her judgment was sound, broad and accurate.

Through her veins flowed the milk of human kindness, and there will be many people in the humbler walks of life who will miss her unfailing charity, her cheerful smile and cordial greeting. It is hard to associate death with our departed friend, and it may be that her gentle spirit hovers over us and will help to guide and encourage us when the way seems hard.

Trusting in God to whom alone belong the issues of life and death, be it resolved:

That in the death of Mrs. Monte Christian Blalock, the missionary society of the Wadesboro Methodist church has sustained an irreparable loss, but we shall cherish her precious memory, remember in our prayers her aged mother, devoted husband and beautiful children, and strive to emulate her example of being always ready and eager to do the Master's work. Her heart beat warmly for the cause of missions, and she was a tower of strength in this branch of our work.

Let us, amidst the hurry and rush of everyday life, resolve that for her sake, and for the sake of Him "who went about doing good," we shall hereafter faithfully endeavor to pause for a few minutes each day at the noon hour, when the Saviour hung upon the cross, and utter a short but fervent prayer for the spread of Christ's kingdom upon earth.

Be it further resolved that a copy of these resolutions be spread on our minutes, published in the town papers and on the Woman's Page of the Christian Advocate, and be sent the family in their deep affliction.

Signed: Mrs. T. C. Coxe, Mrs. W. N. Jeans, Mrs. C. M. Burns, Jr., Mrs. I. H. Horton, Mrs. J. P. Teal, Mrs. C. C. Bennett, Mrs. W. P. Ledbetter—officers of the Woman's Missionary Society.

A most interesting and profitable district meeting was held at North Wilkesboro on October 20th and 21st. The meetings were well attended and a great deal of enthusiasm manifested. Mrs. Lucy Robertson and Mrs. L. W. Crawford were present to assist the district secretary, Mrs. W. F. Trogdon, and added much to the spirit of the meeting.

Many splendid papers were read on various missionary subjects, relative to the work and we are indebted to Mrs. Trogdon for copies of several articles for publication. This week it gives us much pleasure to give to our readers the following, contributed by Mrs. J. S. Stanbury. The others will follow as space permits.

HOW CAN WE INTEREST THE WOMEN OF OUR CHURCH IN MISSIONARY WORK

Perhaps this is one of the most difficult problems that confronts our women in their efforts to aid in the great commission, "to preach the gospel to every creature." When I was asked to read a paper on this subject, my first thought was of Elijah when Elisha asked that a double portion of Elijah's spirit rest upon him. For I realized that hard thing had been asked of me.

To enlist and obtain the co-operation of the church people, has been and still is the problem of the age. Situated as we are, in the mountain district, associated only with the rural population, and knowing little of city conditions and methods, we can only consider this problem from the viewpoint of the rural mountaineer. We have good women who are loyal to our church, but they live at home, read but little, and know but little of the needs of the church of Christ except as their pastor presents the claim of the Conference to his congregation from time to time with a view to collecting the assessments for his charge.

We are persuaded that one of the needful things, perhaps the most essential thing to do, is to enlighten the women on the subject of missions. But how shall we do it? We believe that our women can be led and influenced more by the pastor than any other method at present; so we suggest that we enlist the pastor's interest first. Interest him in our work, obtain his aid in behalf of missionary societies, beseech him to call the women of the church together and tell them of the organized plans and the various methods by which the women of the church are drawn closer together and closer to God. Also reveal to them the necessity of "Lengthening our cords and strengthening our stakes." After the door has been opened by the pastor, go with him to his appointments and visit some of the women who are considered leaders, also visit as many as is practicable, encouraging the organization of societies. Be content to start with a small number, but urge those to agitate the subject, and if necessary assist them in arranging programs of interest. Hand them or send by mail to be distributed, missionary leaflets, and by all means try to send at least one subscription to the Missionary Voice to each auxiliary. In addition to this we should find out as far as possible each woman's objection to becoming a member of our society, and then send a committee of tactful women to invite her to join, fortified with arguments sufficient to meet her objections to becoming a member.

Of course, it is quite necessary that there be a business-like organization of the women into societies. The leaders should be consecrated leaders and recognize the debt that must be paid regardless of the fascination of the work. They must advertise the work, and spread throughout the church the knowledge of the work that is being undertaken. Then there must be a plan by which every woman must have something to do. We must have a definite purpose and work to it. Missionary study classes should be organized. Just here is the secret of interest in missionary work. Our women are not interested because they are not conscious of the need. If we can once arouse the women to the knowledge of the destitution and misery of our sisters, the women in heathen countries, their interest will be aroused. To know the awful condition of the people to whom we are responsible for the

(Continued on paage 14)

Do You Know?

PASTORS, SUPERINTENDENTS, TEACHERS, MISSIONARY COMMITTEES, AND EVERYBODY INTERESTED IN THE SUNDAY SCHOOL,

Attention!

1. Do you know that Methodist Sunday schools are working for China this year?

2. Do you know that special courses on China have been prepared for the Sunday school—for Intermediates, "Heroes of Faith in China"; and for Seniors and organized classes, "A New Light in an Old Land"—and that these courses can be taken by both Uniform and Graded schools?

3. Do you know that this is the year of China's opportunity and that every Methodist Sunday school should help with a good "special" for China?

4. Do you know that hereafter the "Missionary Messenger," with its monthly missionary program, will not be a leaflet periodical, but a department in the "Workers' Council," and that the monthly program can be gotten only by subscribing to the "Council"?

5. Do you know that you can get two booklets of programs on China, "About Little Folks in China" for Primaries and "Boys and Girls of Two Great Countries" for Juniors?

6. Do you know that you can find out all about the special courses and books by addressing a post card to the Department of Sunday School Supplies, Smith & Lamar, Nashville, Tenn., and that you can find out all about "specials" and the whole plan for China by writing to

REV. E. H. RAWLINGS, 810 BROADWAY, NASHVILLE, TENN.?

Epworth League Department

Conducted by R. R. Mitchell, Greensboro, N. C.

LETTER FROM OUR CONFERENCE MISSIONARY SECRETARY

Dear Leaguers:—I am sorry indeed for my first word to you to be one of apology and excuse. When I was appointed Superintendent of the Fourth Department at Spencer, I began at once to frame a policy which included a vast amount of work for every League, but I have lived all fall in the midst of sorrow and tradegy and have allowed these personal matters to interfere with a large duty, the missionary interests of the League. And now when Africa Day is upon us, I have done nothing to make it seem of greater importance and interest. I trust that many of the Leagues have been busy working up the program for Dec. 12th, and that in the Leagues where it is impracticable or impossible to carry out the program prepared for us, it will be observed in the best way the Fourth Department Superintendents can arrange.

Not having been a Leaguer last year I had not read "Daybreak in the Dark Continent" until quite recently, and I want to beg all mission study classes that have not yet read it, to read it for entertainment, and I am perfectly sure as they progress, a great interest will be stimulated in Africa. The details of the accomplishments of the pioneer missionaries are most fascinating, and the hardships they endured and the great sacrifices they made are marvelous. I urge you to have a Mission Study class, even if only three or four are interested enough to join, for you can interest others with the good you absorb. Let us study with the purpose of acquiring more of the spirit of the Great Missionary, which will constrain us to give our money, our influence and ourselves for the advancement of His kingdom.

I had the privilege a few days ago of hearing a young Presbyterian missionary tell of his work in Africa. I think it will be of interest to you to know that when our first missionaries went out to Africa two years ago, the Presbyterian mission gave Bishop Lambuth an African chief, who was an elder, and fourteen members with whom to establish our first mission station, and this same Mr. Bettinger, whom I heard speak helped start our first work in Africa. I hope some of you had the opportunity of hearing Bishop Lambuth and that Belgian missionary at Conference.

Our City Union in Asheville is becoming well organized and the monthly meetings are quite inspiring. It is most enjoyable and very helpful to have the Leagues of all our City and nearby churches come together once a month and tell what we are doing and hope to do.

I shall hope to soon know many of the superintendents of the Fourth Departments of the Leagues personally, but in the meantime I wish you would write to me and tell me what your Leagues are doing along missionary lines, and as I have now read all four of the books prescribed for us this year, I may be able to help you decide upon your book, if you have not already begun your study. Please all of you help to make this a wonderful year of missionary knowledge and giving.

Ida Brady Wilson.
169 Cumberland Ave., Asheville.

AFRICA RALLY DAY

In the Epworth Era for December we are reminded that December 12 has been designated as Africa Rally Day. Surely every League in our Conference will want to have some part in the support of our Congo Mission, and an attractive program on this subject will give a splendid opportunity for the enthusiastic presentation of the matter to our members. Then would be a good time to solicit subscriptions on the chapter pledge—which has already been made, or should be made immediately. Last year our support to this cause fell far short of what it should be. Let's take an early start this year and offset last year's showing with a generous amount for the Africa Special.

A GOOD PROGRAM

We are giving below some valuable suggestion and a splendid program for Africa Rally Day by Mr. Arthur C. Tippens, which appeared in the December number of the Epworth Era. This program is very interesting and can be carried out very easily by any of our chapters. If you cannot observe Africa Rally Day on the date designated preserve this program for future use.

AFRICA RALLY DAY—"THINKING BLACK"

Ps. lxviii. 13, 31; Isa. xviii. 7, xliii.. 19

Suggestions to the Missionary Committee

1. Thoroughly plan and carefully prepare for this rally service, beginning at once. Much depends upon this program in your chapter, perhaps more than upon any missionary program you have had this year.

2. Select your speakers, and plan a method of presenting the material given below that will best suit conditions in your chapter. The arrangement is only suggestive.

3. Decide before the rally the amount that should be contributed by the chapter for Africa during the coming year. Fix an amount that will challenge the interest of the young people. If the chapter pledge has already been made, this rally will give you the opportunity of getting every Leaguer enlisted in the movement.

4. Advertise the meeting by announcement in the Sunday school, in the church, in the prayer meeting, and by personal invitation. See that everybody in the community knows about the attractive program you have arranged for December 12. If a few League members will get actively behind the publicity feature, working for a large attendance, you can crowd your League room to overflowing. Why not do that very thing?

5. Pray about the matter in these days of preparation. God will do something worth while for Africa through your League if you will ask him and do your part to make your prayers come true.

6. The Africa Rally Day Program should be but the beginning of an every-member canvass of the League membership for subscriptions. Some will not subscribe on the night of the meeting; others may not be there. All these should later be seen and given an opportunity to have some part in the special. This can be done by the missionary committee or a committee appointed especially for that purpose.

7. *Helps.* Any of the helps mentioned later in connection with the program will be sent upon application to the Educational Department of the Board of Missions, Box 218, Nashville, Tenn.

Some Suggestions for Decorations

1. Just back of the speaker's stand hang a wall map of Africa, with two large Christian Conquest flags draped above. Small flags of Liberia (the flag used to represent Africa) can be hung here and there, as many as one cares to use. The following material may be ordered from the Department of Sunday School Supplies, 808 Broad-

Standard Form Collection Envelopes

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

HOLT'S CHAPEL

FOR PASTOR'S SALARY

AMOUNT

Name ..... | Dollars | Cents |

Date ..... 191....

MISSIONS AND CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

MOUNT ZION CHURCH

Name ..... | Dollars | Cents |

Date .....

$1.90 for 1000, delivered

$1.40 for additional 1000, delivered

FOR EITHER FORM

This price is based on using the above forms, changing name of church only. The large envelope is manila, and of the quality regularly used for Pastor's Salary collections. The small envelope can be furnished in white, green or cherry. Its difference in color and size from the Pastor's Salary form makes it ideal for Missions and Conference Collections.

If special form is desired the price will average $2.40 for the first 1000, and $1 40 for additional 1000's, delivered.

Special rates on large quantities.

The Advocate Press, Greensboro, N. C.

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective Oct. 10th, 1915

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	No. 4 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester.....Lv.	7 43 a m	.....	7 43 am	.....	5 35 pm	.....
Yorkville.....“	8 29	.....	8 29	.....	7 10	.....
Gastonia.....“	9 14!	3 10 p m	9 14	.....	9 05	.....
Gastonia.....“	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lincolnton.....“	10 15	4 05	10 15	.....	.....	.....
Newton.....“	10 50	5 02	10 50	.....	.....	.....
Hickory.....“	11 40	5 35	11 28	12 30 pm	.....	6 00 am
Lenoir.....“	12 45 p m	6 33	.....	1 20	.....	7 55
Lenoir.....“	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mortimer.....“	.....	7 54	.....	2 49	.....	.....
Edgemont.....Ar.	.....	8 05	.....	3 00	.....	.....
Southbound	**NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only**	**No. 3 Passenger Sun. Only**	**NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.**
Edgemont.....Lv.	.....	6 45 a m	.....	7 00 am	.....	.....
Mortimer.....“	.....	6 53	.....	7 08	.....	.....
Lenoir.....“	1 50 pm	8 02	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lenoir.....“	.....	.....	.....	8 17	.....	.....
Hickory.....“	2 45	9 05	2 50 pm	9 15	.....	.....
Newton.....“	3 18	9 30	3 18	.....	.....	.....
Lincolnton.....“	3 53	10 05	3 53	.....	.....	.....
Gastonia.....“	4 40	10 55	4 40	.....	.....	.....
Gastonia.....“	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	4 15 am	.....
Yorkville.....“	5 46	.....	5 46	.....	5 34	.....
Chester.....Ar.	6 35	.....	6 35	.....	7 30	.....

x Leave | Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway
GASTONIA Southern Railway Piedmont & Northern Railway
LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID, G. P. Agt. CHESTER, S. C.

way, Nashville, Tenn.: Wall map of Africa (28x42 inches), well mounted; price, 75 cents, postpaid. Large Christian Conquest flags, 25 cents each, two for 45 cents, postpaid. Small flags of Liberia (Africa), 75 cents a dozen, postpaid.

2. On large pieces of cardboard print these quotations from David Livingstone and hang prominently in the front of the chapter room:

"Anywhere, provided it be forward."

"I shall place no value on anything I have or may possess except in relation to the kingdom of Christ."

"Fear God and work hard."

"I must finish my work."

"All I can add in my solitude is, may heaven's richest blessing come down on every one—American, English, or Turk—who will help to heal this open sore of the world."

Have two Leaguers stationed at the entrance to greet the people as htey come in and hand each one an individual Africa pledge card, with the request that they keep the cards until after the program. Some attractive pledge cards have been prepared by the Educational Department of the Board of Missions and will be furnished in such quantities as you need upon application. It will be better, perhaps, to distribute the cards in this way before the program rather than wait until you are ready to take the pledges, as it will start the audience to thinking about it and will prepare the way for the talk, "How We Can Help," which comes at the close of the program.

PROGRAM

I. Opening Exercises

(These sort opening exercises should serve to create a sympathetic atmosphere for the main service and will take up the time when people are usually coming in and getting settled.)

1. Piano Solo: "Abide with Me."

2. Hymn 636 read in concert (audience standing): "Watchman, Tell Us of the Night."

3. Hymn 631: "Jesus Shall Reign" (audience still standing).

4. Leader: "Tonight in all the Epworth Leagues of Southern Methodism Africa Rally Day will be observed. Shall we not pray, not only that it may be a great time in our chapter this evening, but also that it may be effectively observed in all the other chapters of our great church."

5. Prayer (audience kneeling), closing with the Lord's Prayer repeated together.

II. Main Service

1. "Why Do We Have Africa Rally Day?" Short talk by a Leaguer, bringing out the fact that when Bishop Lambuth returned from his first long trip to Africa and wanted the money to open up a mission there was not a penny in the Mission Board treasury that could be spared for that purpose; and in the emergency Dr. Parker, Epworth League Secretary, pledged the Leagues to raise the budget of the mission. On the strength of that pledge the Board of Missions relies for the support of the mission in Wembo-Niama's village, now in its second year. And so, to meet the budget of the Africa Mission, the Leagues all through the church are observing Africa Rally Day to get before the members of their chapters the need and the opportunity and to secure pledges to the general fund known as the Africa Special.

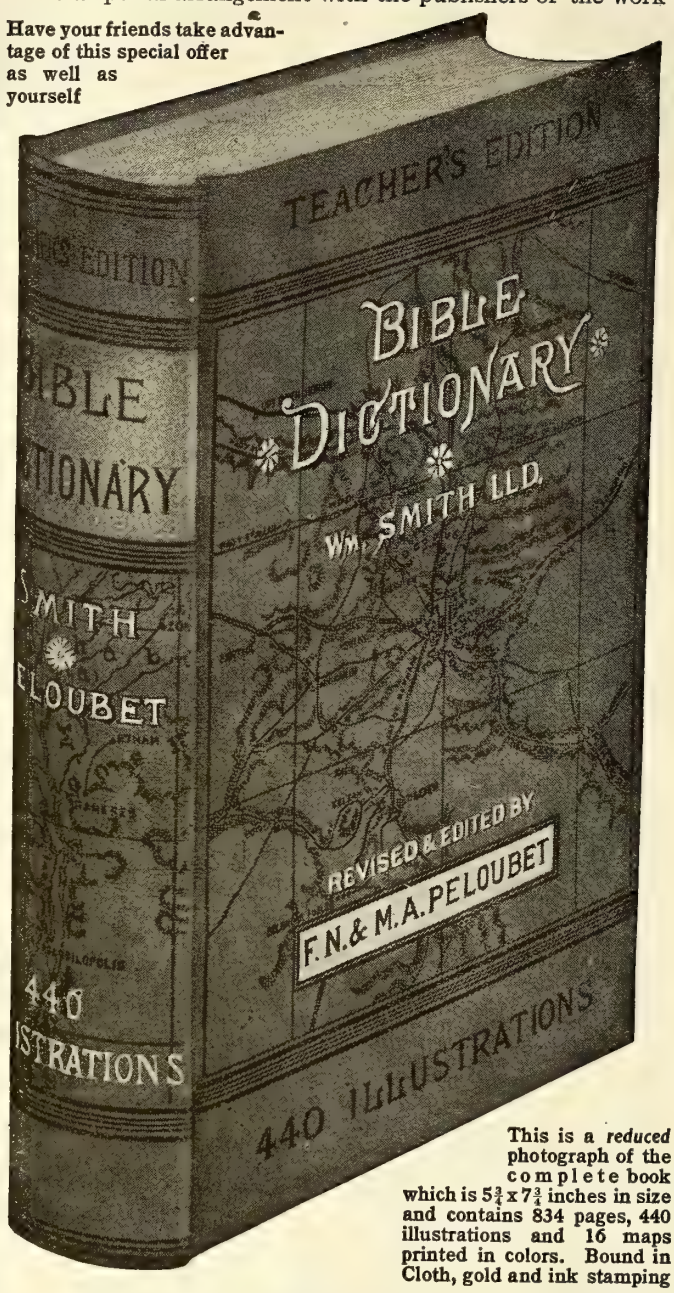
2. "Africa's Need—Christ." There is not space in the Era for a discussion of this topic. Daybreak in the Dark Continent" will give you just the information you will need. Most chapters have copies of this book. If yours has none, order a copy from Smith & Lamar (60 cents in cloth binding and 40 cents in paper). This talk should be in the nature of a discussion of conditions in Africa and what Christianity is doing for that continent.

The Christian Advocate Offers You This Well Known Bible Dictionary

SEE SPECIAL OFFER BELOW

Realizing the wide demand that exists among our constituents for this Bible Dictionary, we have made a special arrangement with the publishers of the work by which they agreed to supply it to us on exceptional terms, provided we would widely advertise it, and this enables us to offer this **well-known Bible Dictionary in its original form** and with all its important features, including over 400 illustrations and maps in colors, at **less than half the regular price.**

Have your friends take advantage of this special offer as well as yourself



This is a *reduced* photograph of the complete book which is 5¾ x 7¾ inches in size and contains 834 pages, 440 illustrations and 16 maps printed in colors. Bound in Cloth, gold and ink stamping

THE FATHER OF ALL BIBLE DICTIONARIES

Everyone acknowledges the superior value of Dr. William Smith's Bible Dictionary, as containing the fruit of the ripest Biblical scholarship. It is practically the foundation, or father, of all other Bible Dictionaries. This late edition is brought down to the twentieth century and thoroughly revised to incorporate modern research and discoveries in Bible lands. It has been adapted in its present form to the convenience of teachers and scholars.

MAKES BIBLE STUDY EASY. MAKES THE BIBLE PLAIN TO EVERY READER

This Bible Dictionary is a veritable treasure to Christian Workers. It contains in the simplest language a full explanation of all topics mentioned in the Bible—every place, nation, tribe, person, and historical event; every custom and rite; every instrument and implement; every animal, plant, flower, mineral, metal, etc. It is a systematic collation of all the facts recorded in the Bible, supplemented and explained by materials supplied from authentic records of Biblical times. It gives in compact and lucid form the substance of the result of profound Biblical scholarship and research. IT OPENS A NEW UNDERSTANDING AND APPRECIATION OF THE BIBLE IN A WAY THAT NO OTHER BOOK DOES.

Our Special Offer

From this till January first we offer the Advocate one year and this dictionary for

$2.50

This applies to new subscribers and renewals.

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, GREENSBORO, N. C.

3. "The Founding of Our Congo Mission." A short, attractive account of Bishop Lambuth's trip into Africa and how God led him into a place of great need and prepared the way for him. (The leaflet, "The Call of Africa," by Bishop Lambuth, can be secured from the Educational Department, Board of Missions, and will give splendid material for this talk. The same leaflet tells also of the Bishop's second journey when, with the missionaries, he returned to Africa and organized the mission at Wembo-Niama's village.)

4. "Briefs from Wembo-Niama." Striking news items gleaned from recent letters appearing in the department "Africa for Christ" or from the last annual report of the Congo Mission. That report appears in the November and December Eras, in "Africa for Christ;" or you can write to the Educational Department of the Board of Missions and secure a copy of the "Annual Report of the Mission Board," in which it appears, as well as reports from our other mission fields. A Leaguer may read these briefs, or the different items may be distributed and read by young people in various parts of the room.

5. "What the Presbyterians Are Doing." (Read or told by a Leaguer.) Just five hundred miles from Wembo-Niama, at Luebo, the Presbyterians have a mission station. Twenty-three years ago there was in all this region not one man who had heard the name of Jesus Christ; today there is a church membership of nearly ten thousand. Then there was not a person that could read a word of any language; now the Presbyterians have eight or nine thousand pupils in their schools. Then there was not a person that could utter a syllable of intelligent prayer; while Bishop Lambuth estimated, when he was in Luebo on his first journey, that at the six o'clock call there were in all that region something like twenty thousand people gathered for morning devotion. Surely the day of miracles is not past. The Master's promise that we should do greater things even than he, has come to pass, and in a little more than half a generation this handful of missionaries have turned a jungle in Africa into a very garden of the Lord. Have we not a right to expect, if we do our part, that God will as greatly bless our work at Wembo-Niama and in all that surrounding country to the Batetela? We have.

6. "Our Missionaries" (by a Leaguer). When Bishop Lambuth returned from his first trip to Africa, he soon found four young men and their wives who were willing and eager to serve their Master in one of the darkest places of earth; and so when he returned he had with him missionaries trained an ready for work, most of them active Epworthians in the homeland. They were: Dr. and Mrs. D. L. Mumpower and little Mary Elizabeth Mumpower, of Missouri; Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Bush, of West Virginia; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Stockwell, of Louisana; Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Setzer, of North Carolina. Already Mr. and Mrs. Setzer have had to return to the United States on account of Mrs. Setzer's health; and in June of this year Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Bush reached home, returning in order that Mrs. Bush might undergo an operation. Brother Bush and wife will soon return to the field, however. The Mumpowers and Stockwells are still working, and God has greatly blessed their labors. There has been an addition to the missionary force in the person of Master Walter Lambuth Stockwel. Reinforcements must soon go out to Africa. Leaguers, the call comes to you and to me and to other loyal hearts all over the church. Who of those prepared for such service will hear and answer?

7. Silent prayer. The following list should be put on the blackboard and a

call to silent prayer made just here: Dr. and Mrs. Mumpower and daughter, Mary Elizabeth; Mr. and Mrs. Stockwell and Walter Lambuth Stockwell; Rev. and Mrs. C. C. Bush, for their speedy return to their loved work; Mr. and Mrs. Setzer, that Mrs. Stzer may soon be strong again; Chief Wembo-Niama, that he may guard and protect the missionaries and may soon become a Christian whose influence shall be felt in all the surrounding country; new missionaries, that God may raise up others to reinforce the missionaries now on the field. As the leader calls the items, allowing about a minute for each, all should silently pray for the objects named.

8. Leader: "Let us stand and read together the quotations from Livingstone that you see posted around the front of the room, and perhaps we shall catch some of the spirit of that wonderful man of God who did so much for Africa." (Quotations given at the beginning of this program should be read in concert.)

9. "How We Can Help." A clear and attractive presentation by the president or missionary chairman of the plan by which each Leaguer may have a part in the support of our missionaries, the amount the officers of the League have decided should be given by the chapter (or the amount which has been pledged already by the chapter), the responsibility that rests upon all Leaguers to help, and the wonderful opportunity that is theirs.

One Plan.—The attention can be called to the individual pledge cards handed out as the people came in at the entrance, a brief prayer offered for the Spirit's guidance, and time given for the cards to be filled out and signed, after which the cards should be collected and announcement made of amount subscribed.

Another Plan.—Divide the chapter pledge into shares, put these share on a large blackboard, representing them by squares, and then throw the meeting open and let the share be taken by those present. In this event, or in any case if the subscriptions are made publicly, it would be well to arrange beforehand with several who will make good pledges to make these pledges promptly and with enthusiasm. It might be well also to have some of those who have given to missions in the past to tell something of the satisfaction and joy that have come to them from the part they have had in the world's evangelization.

In any case it will be necessary to have pledge cards signed up later, as the treasurer, or whoever is to collect the pledges, must have them for his records. The Leaguers should note on the cards whether they wish to pay quarterly or monthly, for the treasurer's information. This part of the program is most important, and any other method decided upon by the missionary committee for taking pledges may be used, if preferred, rather than the suggestions we offer. But it is vital to the success of the rally that this part of the service, in which individual pledges are made, shall be carefully and prayerfully thought through and arranged beforehand.

10. Closing prayer by pastor. League benediction.

HELPS AVAILABLE

1. "Africa for Christ." A leaflet telling all about the Africa Special. Several copies will be furnished to the missionary committee.

2. "The Call of Africa." A leaflet giving the story of the founding of the Congo Mission. Furnished for distribution. In ordering state how many you will need.

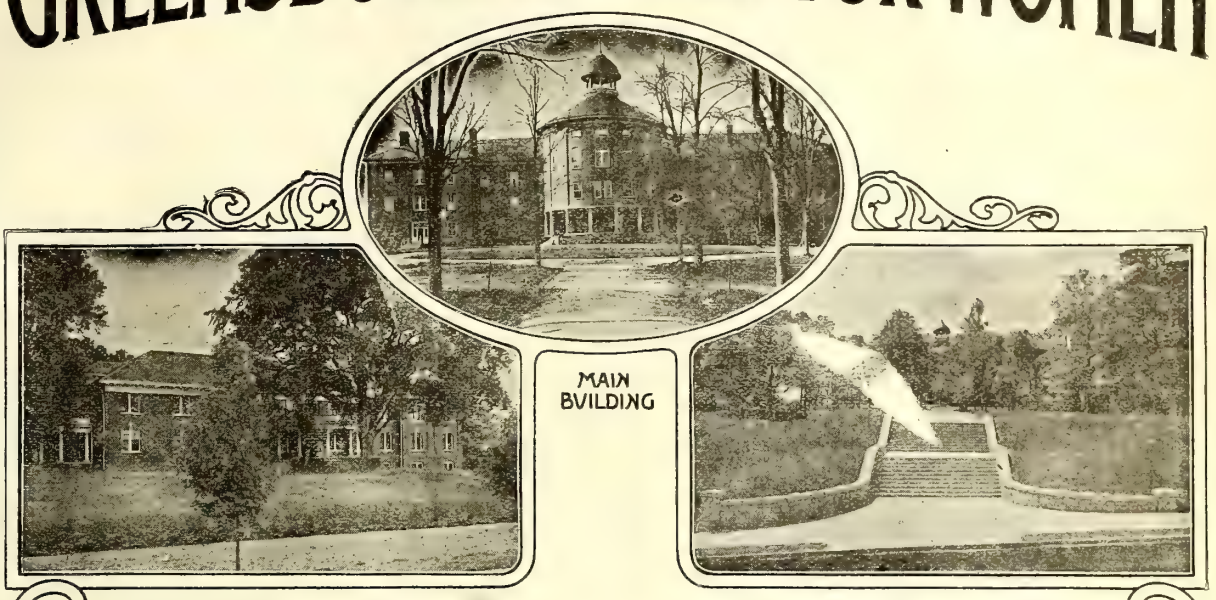
3. "Annual Report of the Board of Missions." Containing a report of the Congo Mission for 1914-15.

4. Individual pledge cards. You can secure as many of these as you will need to distribute in the League on the night of the rally and for use afterwards.

Address all requests to Educational Department, Board of Missions, Box 218, Nashville, Tenn.

"Daybreak in the Dark Continent," Cloth, 60 cents; paper, 40 cents, postpaid. Order from Smith & Lamar, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY – FITZGERALD HALL

ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department, open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D. D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $_____ to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name _____

Post Office _____

State _____

Date _____

Remarks _____



Standard
Memorial Windows
Made in High Point

Beautiful in design—strong in construction. Largest and oldest glass plant in the South. Capacity for any and all orders and prompt delivery. Satisfaction guaranteed. References—any of our old customers or any bank or banker in High Point. Write for catalog.

Standard Mirror Co.
High Point, N. C.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY ROUND TRIP EXCURSION VIA SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Southern Railway will sell low round trip Christmas Holiday tickets on December 17, 18, 23, 24 and 25th, to all points, tickets limited to midnight of January 10th, 1916.

Round trip tickets will also be sold to points in Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota and other Northwestern States.

Spend your holiday vacation with friends and loved ones. Travel via Southern Railway. Fast through trains, through sleeping cars and dining cars to all points. Let us route you by the best and quickest schedules.

For full information, schedules, Pullman reservations and fares to any point ask any agent Southern Railway, or write,

R. H. DeButts, D. P. A.,
Charlotte, N. C.

During the year just closed Rev. H. M. Ellis, Field Secretary of the Methodist Hospital, Memphis, Tenn., has secured for the hospital a little more than $15,000 in cash and additional subscriptions to the amount of $10,000. To date more than $150,000 has been raised for the hospital, and it is expected that within a few months the first building will be open for the reception of patients.

The two Arkansas Conferences will take over the Western Methodist, Little Rock, which heretofore has been owned by individuals, and will continue the paper as the property of the church. The Conferences assume obligations amounting to about $8,000, and this amount is to be raised by an assessment covering a period of two years. Dr. A. C. Millar was re-elected editor for the coming year.

The Sunday School Lesson

LESSON XI—DECEMBER 12

JEHOVAH YEARNS OVER BACK-SLIDING ISRAEL

Hosea 11:1-11 (Memorize verses 8, 9)

Golden Text—I drew them with cords of a man, with bands of love. Hos. 11:4.

Notes by Dr. and Mrs. Camden M. Coburn

"You gave me my work to do, you brought and set it before me;
I laughed with the laughter of one, seeing, who understands;
I bent to the task elate, zeal like a mantle o'er me—"
"Why did you break my wrists and shatter the strength of my hands?
"The work I was fain to do—it rusts in the drifts of the sands;
The song I was fain to sing is waste for the winds to float."
"Why did you break my wrists and shatter the strength of my hands?
Why did you seal my lips and crush the song in my throat?"

—Theodore Garrison.

The Life-Story of Hosea

The story of Hosea's "Prodigal Wife" is as realistic as anything in Balzac, but it leaves the reader with a very different sense of the loathsomeness of sin and the divineness of Love. In the terms used the narrative is given in the first three chapters, with additions later, and tells of the marriage of the prophet (presumably in youth) to a woman of Israel who in her later life, after bearing him two sons, becomes a profligate and leaves her home for a vicious life. Having been deserted by her paramour she falls into "wild licentiousness," and is at last sold as a slave. What ought a prophet to have done under such circumstances? In all Hebrew history there is probably no instance, excepting here, where the righteous man would not have repudiated the fallen woman and asked for divorce and to be made clean for having loved such a sinner. But Hosea's heart still yearned after his fallen bride:

"A lily torn and trampled in the mire;
A poor crushed dove, its snow-white beauty gone."

He longed to save her and bring her home, and at last he feels the inner call of God to go after her, put her in seclusion until she has fully repented, and then to take her back again into his own home. It is a wonderful story, full of the pathos of unrequieted love. One reads it with infinite pity for the lonely husband so foully abused by his faithless wife, yet loving still:

"O Gomer! Whom I loved as never wife
Was loved in Israel, all the wrong is thine!
Thy hand hath spoiled all my tender vines,
Thy foot hath trampled all my pleasant fruits,
Thy sin hath laid my honor in the dust."

—Plumptre.

Then comes the forgiveness—and the awakening to the new sublime theology that—Thus God forgives.

The Meaning of the Story of the Prodigal Wife

Amos ten years before had taught the unswerving righteousness of God. But now Hosea is taught himself, and therefore teaches others, that God loves sinners and is longing to bring sinners back to himself, even as he, the forsaken husband, yearned after his erring wife, though in both cases there must be a cleansing and repentance or a reunion is impossible.

"Lo, I forgive thee as the Eternal God
Forgives; do thou for thine own soul the rest.
But how take last leave of all I loved?
I can not touch thy lips; they are now mine.
I can not take thy hand; that too is flesh,
And in the flesh thou hast sinned."

—Plumptre.

There was no winking at sin. There was no condoning of unchastity. But the personal experience of the prophet made him sure that God would go as far as he had gone to win back his bride, the sinning Israel.

Hosea's theology—which gave a new hope to the Hebrew nation—could have been put in a brief creed, but it was full of intensity. He had been taught a new sense of the horror of sin against God, which was a sin against love, a love more tender than that of the most devoted husband; a sin more loathsome than the worst sin of the wickedest wife. He had been taught that there was no wrath like the wrath of love; no jealousy like the jealousy of love; no punishment like the punishment of love. Hosea was the first prophet to sound this note: "Return! Come home to God!" That is what repentance is: to "turn and return" and come home. Hosea was the first prophet to emphasize the eternal love of God even to the wayward. His voice was choked with sobs. There was no "rhetoric" in his message; but it reached the heart as no poetic and elaborate appeal could do. It teaches that no love of husband can equal the love of the Divine Bridegroom.

Human Life Is the Best Mirror in Which to See the Divine

God is as good as Hosea. If Calvin had been married some of his theology would probably have been modified. God reveals himself in the stars, but infinitely better in a husband's heart. God is the author of the husband's heart. The "Minister's daughter" described by Whittier evidently had not understood the teaching of Hosea:

"O I fear him," said the daughter,
"And I try to love him too;
But I wish he was good and gentle,
Kind and loving as you."

This was the supreme revelation which God made through Hosea, and there is nothing like it in the Bible before his prophecy appears. For the first time in the history of the race it dawned upon a human being that the supreme attribute in the character of God was not power, nor wisdom, nor even justice, but love. The text of our today's lesson throbs with this thought.

Illustrations and Practical Thoughts

1. Hosea's life. No man ever became a great good man without scars. If Froebel's mother had not died when he was a baby and his childhood had not been passed in the care of an abusive stepmother the world might never have had the kindergarten. If Doctor Lorenz had not been incapacitated from ordinary practice bloodless surgery might never have been begun. If Hosea had not suffered this home tragedy the best message of heaven might have had to wait other centuries for revelation.

"Be content, poor heart!
God's plans, like lilies pure and white, unfold.
We must not tear the close-shut leaves apart;
Time will reveal the calyxes of gold."

2. (Verse 1.) God had begun to train Israel while it was a child, in Egypt and the desert, or it could not have been ready for this supreme revelation.

"Youth is the only time
To think and decide on a great course.
Manhood with action follows; but 'tis dreary
To have to alter our whole life in age—
The time past, the strength gone."

—Robert Browning.

3. (Verse 4.) A man's love is well shown by Mrs. Browning's verses to her husband:

"I love thee to the level of every day's most quiet need, by sun and candle-light;
I love thee freely as men strive for right;
I love thee purely as they turn from praise;
I love thee with the passion put to use
In my old griefs and with my childhood's faith.

* * * * * * * *

"I love thee with the breath, smiles, tears of all my life,
And if God choose
I shall but love thee better after death."

4. (Verse 6.) Sin is a sure paymaster. He may not pay at the end of every week, but he pays in the end—with interest on all delayed payments. "Each thief steals from himself. Each murderer takes his own life." "Put a fetter on the foot of a slave and the other end fastens around your own."

5. (Verse 8.)

"To think of it! He knows me
Through and through;
And yet he loves me,
Tenderly and true."

(Quoted from Dr. Tarbell's "Teacher's Guide.")—Pittsburg Christian Advocate.

Among the recent gifts to Emory University is a sum of money, amount not given, from Justice Joseph Lamar, of the United States Supreme Court for the Law Department; twenty-six boxes of books for the Theological Department from a donor whose name is withheld.

WHERE DRUGS FAIL

Many chronic diseases fail to respond to drug treatment, even in the hands of the best physicians, whereas acute diseases usually respond readily. When a disease has become chronic, drugs often seem to do as much harm as they do good, for the system rebels against them. It is just this class of cases which derive the greatest benefit from Shivar Mineral Water. If you suffer with chronic dyspepsia, indigestion, sick headache, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney or liver disease, uric acid poisoning or other conditions due to impure blood, do not hesitate to accept Mr. Shivar's liberal offer as printed below. His records show that only two in a hundred on the average have reported "no beneficial results." This is a wonderful spring. Simply sign the following letter:

Shivar Spring,
Box 5F, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen:

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)



BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER

Proprietor

GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phoue 571 Res. Phone 1174

DR. C. W. MOSELEY

DISEASES OF STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121½ S. Elm St. Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL

General Insurance

General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland.
109 North Elm Street, 'Pone 44

The Newest Styles of Jewelry

WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE

Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.

SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.

LEADING JEWELERS

Plant Trees

from the

Greensboro Nurseries

We have more than a million trees, vines and plants. We will make you a special price. Write today for our special offer.

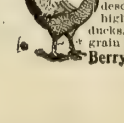
John A. Young & Sons

Greensboro, N. C.

Chalmers' Gelatine

UNITED PROFIT SHARING COUPONS

A WHOLESOME DESSERT



Latest Book "Profitable Poultry" finest published; 144 pages, 210 beautiful pictures; complete information in one volume; how to breed, hatch, feed by improved methods; describes the busy Poultry Farm with 53 varieties high quality pure-bred birds, including Runner ducks. Gives lowest prices on fowls, eggs, incubators, grain sprouters, etc. This 500 book mailed for 5c.
Berry's Poultry Farm, Box 88 Clarinda, Iowa

Our Little Folks' Department

PLAYING HOUSE

The three little cousins were visiting for a whole week at Grandpa Stuart's farm. The long summer days were filled with splendid fun. They each had a playhouse.

Helen called hers Sweet Cottage. Grandma had given her two old sofa pillows and some broken dishes. These, with her doll's carriage and Rose's bed, furnishehd the shady room where the apple tree boughs touched the green, grassy carpet.

Grace lived in the Grape Vine Arbor. Grandpa had painted a red stool for her, and an old rug made a soft bed for her doll, Daisy. She hung a scarlet shawl on the trellis for a curtain and put Daisy's trunk in one corner.

Lilac Lodge was Mildred's home. She had a little rocking-chair and a table. One of grandpa's red handkerchiefs hung across the branches, making a nice hammock for Dorothy.

The children kept their houses trimmed with wild flowers, and their pantries were always full of apples and pears that grandpa gave them. Sometimes they borrowed a napkin from grandma, spread it on the grass, and had a tea party. They ate slices of bread and butter with the berries they had picked, some of grandma's cookies, with fruit for dessert.

"Good morning, Mrs. Stuart," said Helen, stopping at the door of Grape Vine Arbor. "I hope you are well today."

"Thank you. I am nicely," replied Grace politely, "but I am worried about Daisy. She seems very sick."

"Perhaps Mrs. King will know what to do. I think she is coming to visit you now."

"You must send at once for Dr. Fred," decided Mildred. "He was a good doctor last summer when Dorothy was so ill. If you will hold Dorothy, I will go at once for him."

Dr. Fred hurried over. He wore his father's hat, some blue spectacles, and carried a cane and a surgeon's bag.

"What is the trouble, doctor?" asked Grace. "I am afraid Daisy has the measles."

Dr. Fred looked at Daisy, who lay upon her bed with her eyes closed. He felt her pulse, counting aloud very slowly. "I think it is not measles madam," he announced gravely, but a bad case of freckles. She has played too much in the sunshine. Put on some lemon juice, or water might do as well. Give her these pills three times a day."

"Very well, doctor," said Grace, "I shall follow your directions carefully."

"Why, Mrs. King!" cried Dr. Fred. "Did you know that your child's arm is bleeding? You must hurry her to the hospital, and I will take some stitches. Then she must take castor oil every fifteen minutes to make her strong."

Just then the hay cart drove out of the barn. In a twinkling skirts, shawls, bonnets, and dolls lay in a heap upon the side piazza. The little women and, the learned doctor vanished, and four romping children climbed into the cart and rode to the hay fields. Just at sunset, tired, rosy, and happy, they rode home upon a fragrant load of hay.—Nellie M. Leonard.

THE "WAIT-A-MINUTE" GIRL

Esther heard her mother calling from the front porch; but she was just halfway through the piano composition she was practicing, so she paused only long enough to call back, "Just wait a minute, mamma," and went on with her practice.

Ten minutes later she found her mother on the porch. "I was almost through my piece and wanted to finish it," she explained. "Did you want me to go on an errand for you, mother?"

"O, no," answered Mrs. Ray, smiling. "Your little friend Ernestine was driving to the village and stopped by for you. But she was in a hurry and couldn't wait."

"But why didn't you tell me, mamma?" cried Esther disappointedly.

"I did call you, dear," returned Mrs. Ray gently.

"But you didn't say why, mamma."

"I never call you from your practice unless I think it is a matter of importance," said Esther's mother quietly.

And Esther, with tears of disappointment in her blue eyes, flushed deeply and went into the house, leaving Mrs. Ray to wonder if this would cure her little daughter of the habit of waiting.

During the next few days Esther was very careful to drop whatever she was doing and answer her mother's call. Then she slipped gradually back into the old habit.

One afternoon in the early springtime she was in the front yard planning the flower beds for the summer blooming, when a dull, muffled sound, as of something falling, came from the house, and then her mother's voice calling her faintly.

"Just a minute, mamma," she answered. Then she went on finishing her plans for the flower beds.

It seemed to her only a few minutes at best before she ran to the house, but she found her mother unconscious at the foot of the stairs; she had fallen and broken her wrist.

Esther's frightened cries brought in the neighbors, who soon restored her mother to consciousness and called in a doctor to set the broken arm.

But Esther went about white and trembling the rest of the day, scarcely leaving the room for a moment. That night, when Mrs. Ray assured her that she was resting well and insisted on Esther going to sleep, the little girl slipped to her knees by her mother's bed and sobbed brokenly. "O, mamma," she cried, "just to think I stayed on planning flower beds after you called me, and you suffered so! I'll never, never, never ask you again to wait a minute. See if I do, mamma."

"I feel sure that my little 'wait-a-minute girl' has gone to stay," answered Esther's mother kissing her lovingly.—Beth Slater Whitson.

THE SIGN

Frances, aged six, who loves her kitty, said to her mother one day. "Are you happy, mamma?"

"Why yes, dear," said her mother. "Why?"

"Well," answered Frances, nestling closer and listening, "I don't hear you purr!"—Jewels.

THE HOMESICK SQUIRREL

A physician who loves animals, and is much interested in the squirrels of Central Park, while out walking one day found one of these pets ailing, and carried it home. Not having time to nurse the invalid, she brought it to a friend who she knew was also fond of the squirrels. This friend tells the following story about her charge:

I fixed a box with leaves and excelsior, and in this it lay quiet, and when hungry would lap the warm milk I offered it. After a few days it began to show signs of improvement, and soon it became so lively as to frisk about the house, begging for nuts, apparently fully recovered. Then, to my surprise, one day it began to mope. All my petting was useless. In no way could I induce it to eat or play. The next morning I found it buried under the excelsior in its box, and there it lay indifferent to all my tempting and coaxing. I sent for the physician, who came and examined it.

"I can't find anything the matter with it," she said, looking puzzled. "You don't suppose it's lonesome for the woods?"

"It may be," I replied.

"Well, let's take it to the Park and see what it will do," she proposed.

When we reached a woodsy part of the Park, we set the box down at the foot of a large tree and opened the lid. With one bound the squirrel reached the tree and went up like a flash. That was the last we saw of it.—Our Dumb Animals.

NIMBLE AND FLEET

Nimble and Fleet had a small house to themselves in the corner of the porch. It was fixed on the railing, and a thick grape-vine shaded it from the hot sun. There was a back bedroom, and in front a parlor, so to speak, with bars for walls, and a big wheel.

This wheel served two purposes. It kept the pair of bushy-tailed, bright-eyed squirrels entertained and at the same time it gave them exercise. Whirl, whirl, whirl, it went when they jumped on—sometimes so fast that Larry, standing on the outside, could not tell which was wheel and which was bushy tail.

Nimble played the wheel oftener, maybe because he needed exercise more, being round and plump, with the bigger appetite; maybe because he had a merrier squirrel heart than his brother.

Fleet was soberer than Nimble, and thinner and longer. He was often found sitting in the bedroom, watching the other's fine antics with the wheel. Sometimes he played with it himself, though not in Nimble's crazy fashion; but generally, when he came into the front room, it was to slide up to the bars and push his nose through wistfully.

The truth was, Fleet longed and longed to be free. He could not make himself contented like Nimble, whirling forever on a dizzy wheel, for in his little squirrel heart he pined for the big woods and tall trees that he faintly remembered, the wide, clear spaces where he used to run before that dark day when a trap had caught himself and his brother before they knew what was happening.

One sunny September morning, Arthur, their young master came softly up to the cage and stood looking at his pets. It was the first time in many moons that he had seen them, for he was just up from a long, weary illness.

Nimble was having a wild time with the wheel; but Fleet crouched, a sad little ball, against the bars of the front room, staring out. Now and then he rose on his hind legs and scratched at the cold steel.

Arthur stood and watched him a long time, forgetting Nimble, who was showing off for dear life. All at once there came a bash of understanding into his eyes, and his heart grew warm with pity. He knew what was the matter with Fleet. All those long, tiresome days in the sickroom, surely he had felt like that! He had looked out of the window at the bright summer fields and ached all over to be free. In Fleet's sad little squirrel eyes was the same ache.

Nimble halted for an instant to get his breath, then went at the wheel again, madly. Such a racket he made, that neither heard the door of the cage softly swing on its hinges. Yet there it was, presently, wide open, nothing at all between the small room and the woods where ripe sweet nuts were dropping, dropping,—nothing at all!

A moment later, Fleet blew a short breath that was really a squirrel sigh, and turned with a little scuffle to patter wearily back to his bedroom. Then he saw.

Like a wild, gray streak he was gone. His hind feet scratched the cage door with the jump hhe made; his body leaped the porch's edge; as fast as freed arrow he was off and away.

Nimble heard the scratch, and glanced down from his sport. The wheel stopped with a click; he could not believe his tiny senses. But he did not whirl any more. The wheel was a great game; but oh, the woods, the woods, the woods! A flurry of flying fur, he sped after his brother.

Arthur shaded his eyes and looked after them, but almost instantly they were lost in the happy sunlight. An hour later he crept out of the woods, peering among its soft lights and shadows. He felt very happy. At the foot of a tall slim tree he looked up and gave a little cry. Of course, squirrels are all very much alike. He could not be in the least sure, yet in his heart he was certain that here were Nimble and Fleet, for on the highest branch, their tails curved above their backs like triumphant banners, their eyes black with joy, sat two gray squirrels.

"Hello, old chaps!" sang Arthur. "Isn't it great?"—Nancy Byrd Turner, in Sunday School Times.

Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

A mutual fire insurance company, organized, owned and operated by the Methodist Church in North Carolina, for the purpose of furnishing protection for church property and personal property of preachers at ACTUAL COST.

Write for information and rates.

W. E. WEBB, Secretary **Statesville, N. C.**

Greensboro Commercial School
110 West Washington St. **Greensboro, N. C.**
Winter Term begins January 3rd., 1916
Bookkeeping and Shorthand our specialty. Write for catalogue.
E. A. McCLUNG, Principal

STOPS TOBACCO HABIT

Elders' Sanitarium, located at 513 Main St., St. Joseph, Mo., has published a book showing the deadly effect of the tobacco habit, and how it can be stopped in three to five days.

As they are distributing this book free, anyone wanting a copy should send their name and address at once.

WILBUR R. SMITH BUSINESS COLLEGE

Refers to 35 years' experience, 10,000 Graduates in Business, and award of World's Fair Medal. Bookkeeping and Business, Shorthand, Typewriting and Telegraphy taught. Notes received, Situations. Begin now.
Address WILBUR R. SMITH, Lexington, Kentucky.

WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT

(Continued from page 8)

carrying out of Christ's great commission, is to be interested already.

Another means of deepening and making permanent this interest in missionary work is the carrying out of some plans by which each member of the society will contribute something for the financial support of the work. "Where thy treasure is there will thy heart be also." We are so constituted that we are naturally more concerned about the thing into which we have placed more of our efforts, our money, our thoughts, in short, more of that which represents US.

We must never become discouraged, perseverance will bring its reward. Let each member feel responsible for her part of the work, attend the meetings if possible, go with a cheerful spirit, determined to do the little you can do in the name of our Master. We should strive to make our programs soul-feeding by using good literature, by putting life and enthusiasm into it with zeal and courage for the Lord God of Hosts. Above all, let nothing be done without earnest, devout prayer to God for each member of your auxiliary, and for the extension of His Kingdom throughout the world, for the light to shine in dark places, for the feeble knees to be strengthened, and for the dim vision to be enlarged. For has He not said: "That before they call I will answer, and while they are yet speaking I will hear?" Let us believe this with all the other precious promises.

Again, let us do all we can in every way we can to interest the women of our church in missionary work, and at the same time let us try to interest our children in this work, my children and your children, that they may be wiser and more zealous in their generation than we have in ours, not waiting to begin this important work until they become mothers, and grandmothers, but begin now while they are in the plastic age, and we shall realize our greatest expectation when our sisters and our daughters take hold of this problem with a firm grasp, exercising that faith that knows no denial.

Children's Home

Amounts Received on Ten Per Cent. Assessment, and General and Special Support

H. S. McLendon, Wadesboro, Ansonville church, $9.67; E. B. Claywell, Treas., Morganton, $75.00; James Smart, Marshall church, $3.75; Rev. H. C. Byrum, Ramseur, $62.50; Rev. J. R. Warren, Hot Springs, $2.10; C. M. Grier, Macon, Ga., $30.00; D. B. McCrary, Treas., Asheboro Station, $10.00; A. G. Craig, Treas., Charlotte, Trinity church, $33.19; from sale of sundry articles, $25.23; "a friend," $5.00. Total, $256.44.

Fifth Sunday Collections

O. O. Harwell, Troutman, Rocky Mt. S. S., $1.14.

Thanksgiving Offerings

Dr. F. A. Carpenter, Statesville, $10.00; V. V. Lanier, Welcome, 30c; D. W. Alexander, for Connelly Springs S. S., $2.45; Mrs. A. Justus, Hendersonville, 50c; Master J. B. Justus, Hendersonville, 5c; Mrs. A. A. Hipp and children, Winston-Salem, $4.00; Miss Sue E. Gaydon, New London, $1.50; unknown friend at Albemarle, $1.00; Abraham Scales, Winston-Salem, $1.00; Helen and Izola Dula, Alexander, 20c; Gilmer and Alma Dula, Alexander, 20c; Jasper McKay, Mooresville, $1.00; Mamie McKay, Mooresville, 25c; Mrs. Z. L. Phipps, High Point, 50c; Z. L. Phipps, High Point, 50c; H. L. Lewis and wife, High Point, $1.00; J. F. Mason and wife, High Point, $1.00; Wm. H. Clark, Winston-Salem, $10.00; Reese C. Harvill, Thomasville, $3.00; J. M. Boone, Bryson City, $5.00; The J. W. Prather Clothing Co., Mt. Airy, $5.00; Miss M. E. Morse, Asheville, $1.50; J. N. McCausland, Charlotte, $10.00; L. L. Moore, Monroe, $1.00; Mrs. H. F. Elliott, Catawba, $1.00; Mrs. Herbert Ballance, Greensboro, $5.00; Mrs. M. H. Alford, Greensboro, $2.00; Mrs. Rosselle Nunn, Winston-Salem, $1.00; Evie Davis, Clemmons, 5c; Fannie Mae Duncan, Peachhland, 10c; Dred C. Ward, Treas. Holt's Chapel S. S., $2.18; Edwin Sink, Clemmons, 10c; Isabel Sink, Clemmons, 10c; Sharon S. S., Fair View, $2.37; Mabel Davis, Clemmons, 10c; Capt. W. T. Rowland, Taylorsville, $4.35; Ruth, Mary, Belle, Gladys, and Jack Hunter, Alexander, 50c; no name, Gastonia, 20c; J. P. Cox, Treas. Wesley class, Ramseur, $15.00; B. F. Leonhardt, Treas. Lowell church, $16.42; R. P. Leonard, Salisbury, $10.00; Florence Alexander, Norwood, 10c; R. W. Shell, Lenoir, $1.00; Miss Ida Calhoun, Greensboro, $1.00; Fred Prestwood, Lenoir, 25c; R. V. Ford, Winston-Salem, 50c; The Granville Graded School, Winston-Salem, $13.57; Miss Bessie Lee Allen, Horse Shoe S. S., $10.50; C. C. Poindexter, Winston-Salem, $5.00; J. C. Murdock, Statesville, $1.00; Miss Ruby M. Arthurs, Troutman, 50c; Anna Faye Cuthbertson, Nebo, 15c; Mrs. A. J. Price, Marshville, $1.00; Samuel Turner, Monbo, $4.00; Miss Josie Hill, Concord, $2.00; James E. Brawley, Troutman, 50c; E. D. Grubb, for Walnut St. Philathea class, Greensboro, $8.25; Edward Gurley, High Point, $2.50; W. S. Burge, Hendersonville, $2.50; Josef Lindsey, Reidsville, $6.00; Dr. J. R. Gordon, Raleigh, $2.50; D. T. Vance, Plumtree, $10.00; Jo Christenbury, Monbo, $1.00; W. H. McGehee, Winston-Salem, $5.00; Hermon Roberson, Alexander, 10c; Mrs. Jo Christenbury, Monbo, 25c; James Hubbard, Moravian Falls, $1.00; Mrs. Eliza Atkins, Mount Airy, $1.00; Mark Boone, Bryson City, $1.00; a friend, Jamesville, $3.00; J. W. Alspaugh and wife, Winston-Salem, $12.50; S. M. Goff, King, 50c; J. W. Kreeger, Rural Hall, 50c; W. E. Kreeger, Rural Hall, 50c; A. H. Bahnson and wife, Winston-Salem, $10.00; Z. T. Bynum, Treas. Centenary church, Winston-Salem, $84.48; Miss Jane Mintz, Candler, 25c; J. C. Curtis and wife, Candler, $2.00; W. D. Wike, Cullowhee S. S., $6.00; N. A. Eagle, Gold Hill, $1.00; Mrs. E. F. Barber, Winston-Salem, $1.00; W. H. Efird, Winston-Salem, $1.57; A. M. Suggs, Lowell, Bethesda S. S., $2.00; Mrs. C. T. Morgan, Candler, $1.00; W. G. Hunter, Nebo, $1.00; Rev. W. S. Cherry, Moravian Falls, Beulah church, $4.00; a Salisbury friend, $8.50; L. C. Kimbrell, Matthews, $1.00; Miss Claude Poindexter, Winston-Salem, $3.00; Rev. R. G. Tuttle, Albemarle church, $9.51; R. L. Smith, Albemarle, $5.00; F. M. Yandle, Stout, Bethel S. S., $2.26; Miss M. V. Fort, Greensboro, $5.00; Frank D. Hackett, North Wilkesboro S. S., $10.87; M. L. Willcox, Winston-Salem, $2.00; C. R. Merritt, Mount Airy, $20.00; J. C. Liles, Pee Dee, Shady Grove S. S., $2.50; Philip Mauney, Whittier, 10c; L. H. Hefner Crouse, 50c; G. B. Howard, Treas., Mt. Holly $12.60; R. C. Taylor, Winston-Salem, $3.50; James Smart, Marshall, $2.50; James T. Smith, Wentworth, $5.65; Mrs. May Crawford, Catawba, 50c; W. H. Hunter, Alexander, $1.00; J. L. Winkler, Boone, 25c; Frank Winkler, Boone, 25c; Kenneth Linney, Boone, 36c; Margaret Linney, Boone, $1.20; Alice Council, Boone, 88c; Dudley Council, Boone, 51c; Mrs. J. L. Winkler, Boone, 30c Mr. and Mrs. John Norris, Boone, 50c; J. M. Downum, Boone, $1.00; Esther Stanbury, Boone, $1.00; W. W. Stedman, Boone, $1.00; J. H. Taylor, Boone, $1.00; J. S. Stanbury and wife, Boone, $1.00; J. F. Hardin, Boone, $4.04; Mrs. J. F. Hardin, Boone, $1.00; W. C. Boren, Pomona, Muir's Chapel, $25.00; W. C. Beckham, Boles, Walnut Cove, 15c; Avery Craig, Lenoir, $1.00; I. R. Self, Lincolnton, $3.00; A. F. Ross, Norwood, $2.80; Willie Howell, Todd, 10c; Mrs. Mattie Houck, Todd, 25c; Wiley H. Howell, Todd, 5c; Gene McGuire, Todd, 5c; Lena Howell, Todd, 10c; Grace Howell, Todd, 5c; Emma Lemley, Todd, 35c; Mrs. F. L. Walls, Todd, 10c; James C. Weaver, Franklin, $3.00; Laura Plyler, Gold Hill, 10c; Miss Lola B. McBrayer, Rutherfordton, Broad River S. S., $4.10; W. D. Hawfield and children, Matthews, 75c; Minnie Houston, Matthews, 25c; W. H. Hobson, Mocksville, Liberty S. S., $3.25; J. D. Plyler, Gold Hill, 10c; Mattie Scott, Franklin, 25c; Fred W. Horne, Franklin, 25c; R. L. Scott, Franklin, 25c; H. S. Saunders, Franklin, 25c; Ed. Horne, Franklin, 18c; Troy Horne, Franklin, 15c; Nellie Scott, Franklin, 10c; T. J. Scott, Franklin, 10c; Len Horne, Franklin, $10c; Mrs. B. M. Horne, Franklin, 10c; Lyman Horne, Franklin, 10c; no name, Franklin, 10c; George Scott, Franklin, 10c; Walter Scott, Franklin, 10c; Joe Scott, Franklin, 10c; Furman Horne, Franklin, 5c; Juanita McConnell, Franklin, 5c; Ray Downs, Franklin, 5c; Mrs. Fulton, Franklin, 5c; Bessie Horne, Franklin, 5c; Sophia Horne, Franklin, 5c; B. M. Horne, Franklin, 5c; no name, Franklin, 5c; Etta Saunders, Cullasaja, 5c; Grady Saunders, Cullasaja, 5c; Ruth Downs, Franklin, 5c; no name, Franklin, 1c; Harley Saunders, Cullasaja, 1c; Box 2, Rural Hall, $2.00; R. C. Rivers, Boone, $6.66; Rev. R. M. Taylor, Norwood, $4.00; J. A. Scott, Concord, $6.75; J. F. Potter, Winston-Salem, $2.00; R. J. Roane, Whittier church and S. S., $8.06; J. F. Harney, Linwood, 25c; N. F. and L. C. Leonard, Linwood, 50c; W. H. Alley, Linwood, 50c; W. C. Alley, Linwood, 50c; R. E. Shepherd, Linwood, $1.00; J. A. Fink. Linwood, $1.00; J. F. Leonard, Linwood, $1.00; Thaddeus Leonard, Linwood, 50c; J. R. Raper, Linwood, $2.50; A. F. Trantham, Winston-Salem, $2.00; Marvin Blackwelder, Troutman, 25c; James G. Hanes, Winston-Salem, $10.00; W. P. Allen, Forest City, Mt. Hebron S. S., $5.00. Total, $545.19.

Amounts Received on Building Fund

O. V Woolsey, Lexington, Junior Philathea class, $10.00; Dred Peacock, High Point, $5.00; two Salisbury friends, $2.00; L. A. Jackson, Shelby, $5.00; R. L. Moore, Mt. Ulla, $5.00; J. A. Morrow, Mt. Ulla, $5.00; J. McHarris, Mt. Ulla, $1.00; J. M. Colson, Wadesboro, $12.00; H. A. Ervin, Mt. Ulla, $2.50; Mrs. A. J. Price's S. S. class, Matthews, $11.00; Mrs. W. C. McGinn's S. S. class, Fort Mill, S. C., $12.50; W. C. Hovis' S. S. class, Fort Mill, S. C., $18.00; B. T. Gannt, Lawndale, $2.00; Mrs. Ruth Sanford, Waxhaw, $4.00; W. G. Gravely, Monroe, $2.00; Miss Lillie McGinn's S. S. class, Fort Mill, S. C., $2.50; J. P. Charier, Spencer, $5.00; Mrs. Mary C. Weatherly, Franklinville, $1.00; Mrs. W. H. Leith, Knoxville, Tenn., $25.00. Total, $130.50.

Donations in Kind

Grateful acknowledgement is here made of the following useful and valuable gifts to the Home since our last report: From Hendersonville friends, through Mr. Vance Norwood, a car containing 17 sacks Irish potatoes, 30 sacks corn in the ear, 3 sacks cabbage, 1 box cabbage, 4 sacks apples, 6 sacks flour, 2 sacks wheat, 1 keg molasses, 1 bucket molasses, 1 box syrup, 1 case canned tomatoes, one box oatmeal, 1 box dry goods, 1 box preserves, 1 box pickles, 1 box dishes, 1 sack pumpkins, 1 box canned fruit, 4 sacks shelled corn, and 1 box potatoes; from Statesville friends, through Mrs. W. F. Sherrill, 8 cases canned fruit, with notice of another to follow; from Mrs. Lee S. Smith and S. S. class, Guilford College, Muir's Chapel, a box of soap and two towels; from St. John's M. E. S. S., East Monbo, through W. A. Calvert, 1 box canned fruit; from Mrs. Jno. T. Roth, Elkin, 1 box clothing; from Mrs. Rebecca Turner, Newton, 1 quilt made by herself; from Mrs. H. H. Halladay, Greensboro, half dozen night gowns; from Catawba, through Rev. A. G. Loftin, 1 box containing 10 quilts; from Spring Garden Street church, Greensboro, two boxes canned fruit; from Elkin Light Bearers, one box canned fruit; from Mrs. L. N. Smith, Salisbury, one box canned fruit; from Ladies' Aid Society, Rutherfordton, through Mrs. Albert Sherrill, one box clothing.

A Red Cedar Chest FOR CHRISTMAS



Write for our latest catalogue showing other styles of Cedar Chests and other Furniture.

Mutual Furniture M'f'g. Company

Desk C., P. O. Box 756 Richmond, Virginia

POPULAR COACH EXCURSION TO WASHINGTON, D. C. AND RETURN, THURSDAY, DEC. 16, 1915

Southern Railway will operate last excursion of the season to Washington on Thursday, December 16, at very low round trip fares from all points Morganton, Salisbury and intermediate points. Fares from some of the principal points shown below:

Morganton	$6.50
Hickory	6.50
North Wilkesboro	6.00
High Point	5.50
Greensboro	5.50
Reidsville	5.00
Elkin	6.00
Kernersville	5.50
Statesville	6.00
Salisbury	5.50
Winston-Salem	5.50
Lexington	5.50.
Mount Airy	6.00
Thomasville	5.50
Taylorsville	6.00
Newton	6.00

Fares from all intermediate ponts on same low basis.

Special train leaves Salisbury 8:15 p. m., Thursday, December 16, arriving Washington 7: a. m., December 17. Tickets good going only on special train, but returning will be good for any train carrying day coaches up to and including train 43, leaving Washington 9 a. m., Monday, December 20. Three days in the national capital. Ample time to visit Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York and other points.

Tickets not good in sleeping cars on either going or return trips. Not good on train 37 leaving Washington.

Educate yourself. See the national public buildings, museums, parks and the best theaters. See Congress in sesssion.

For further information, ask nearest ticket agent, Southern Railway, or write

R. H. DeButts, D. P. A.,
Charlotte, N. C.

Free Till Christmas

Dr. Scott's guarantee rubber comb. Comb retails at 50c. It will be given free to all who purchase one of

Dr. Scott's Electric Hair Brushes

This brush is guaranteed to stop falling hair, remove dandruff and all scalp diseases. Makes the hair grow. Relieves nervous headaches and neuralgia. The gentle current of electricity does it.

Made of selected bristles. No wire.

Appropriate Christmas Gift

Send parcel post for $1.00, with 30 day guarantee.



Send for free book on Belts, Corsets and Specialties

Canvassing Agents Wanted

PALL MALL ELECTRIC CO., 128 W. 34th St., N. Y.

Established 37 Years

TRY MURINE EYE REMEDY

For Red, Weak, Weary, Watery Eyes and GRANULATED EYELIDS.

Murine Doesn't Smart—Soothes Eye Pain

Druggists Sell Murine Eye Remedy, Liquid, 25c, 50c, $1.00
Murine Eye Salve, in Aseptic Tubes, 25c, $1.00
EYE BOOKS AND ADVICE FREE BY MAIL
Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago

Quarterly Meetings

MT. AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mt. Airy, N. C.

First Round

December

Dobson, Old Siloam 11-12
Jonesville, Jonesville, night 12-13
Elkin, night 13
Yadkinville, Center 14
Summerfield, Battle Ground 18-19
Stokesdale, Stokesdale, night ...19-20
Ararat, Hatcher's 26-27

January

Pinnacle, Pinnacle 1-2
Pilot Mountain Station, night 2-3
Walnut Cove, Stokesburg 8-9
Madison-Stoneville, Madsion, n't, 9-10
Leaksville, night 10
Spray, night 11
Draper, night 12
Mt. Airy Ct., Beulah 15-16
Rural Hall, Mt. Pleasant 22-23

District stewards' and lay leaders' meeting will be held at Rural Hall Dec. 6-7. District stewards will take up their work at 10:30 a. m. the 6th, and continue 'til it is finished. The afternoon session will be devoted to the work of the lay leaders, under the guidance of Rev. Frank Siler, Conference Missionary Secretary, and W. R. Lynch, District Lay Leader. At 7:30 we will have inspirational addresses by Messrs. Siler and Lynch. Tuesday's program will be announced later.

Let every district steward and every charge lay leader on the Mount Airy District be on hand for this meeting.

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—J. P. Rodgers, Presiding Elder, Waynesville, N. C.

First Round

November

Canton Station 28
Clyde Ct., Clyde 28

December

Bethel, Bethel 4-5
Canton, Harmony 5-6
Haywood, Crabtree 11-12
Fines Creek, Panther's Creek ...12-13
Webster, Cullowhee 18-19
Sylva, Sylva 19-20
Jonathan, Dellwood 25-26
Waynesville Station 26

January

Bryson and Whittier, Whittier 1-2
Robbinsville, Robbinsville 8-9
Judson, Judson 10-11
Andrews Station 15-16
Ranger, Ranger 22
Murphy Station 22-23
Murphy Ct., Ogden 28
Hayesville, Sweetwater 29-30

February

Macon, Union 1
Franklin Station 2-3
Franklin Ct., Iotla 4-5
Highlands, Highlands 7
Glenville, Glenville 8-9

Meeting of district stewards at Dillsboro, December 15th, at 2 p. m.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—L. T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C.

First Round

December

Pineville, Pineville, 11 a. m. 11-12
Calvary, night 12-13
Weddington, Union, 11 a. m. 18-19
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, night 19-20
Hickory Grove, Hickory Grove, 11 a. m. 26-27
Brevard Street, night 26-27

January

Belmont Park, 11 a. m. 2-3
Trinity, night 2-4
Prospect, Trinity, 11 a. m. 8-9
Monroe, Central, night 9-10
Unionville, Unionville, 11 a. m. ..15-16
N. Monroe, N. Monroe, night 16-17
Ansonville, Ansonville, 11 a. m. ..22-23
Wadesboro, night 23-24
Spencer Mem.-Derita, 11 a. m., 29-30
Seversville, Trinity, 3 p. m. 30-31
Thrift, Thrift, night 30-31

February

Chadwick, 11 a. m. 5-6
Hawthorne Lane, night 6-7
Dilworth, 11 a. m. 12-13
Tryon Street, night 13-14
Polkton, Fountain Hill, 11 a. m...19-20
Marshville, Wingate, night 20-21
Lilesville, Olivet, 11 a. m. 26-27
Matthews, Indian Trail, night 27-28

March

Morven, Sandy Plain, 11 a. m. 4-5

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.

First Round

November

Reidsville 28

December

Spring Garden 5
South Main St., High Pont 5-6
Uwharrie, Concord 11-12
Asheboro 12-13
Coleridge, Concord 18-19
Ramseur and Franklinville, Ramseur 19-20
Pleasant Garden, Pleasant Garden..20
Gibsonville 21
Walnut St. and Carraway Mem. 22

January

Ruffin, Ruffin 14-15
Wentworth, Salem 15-16
Greensboro, Holt's Chapel 22-23
Centenary 23-24
West Greensboro, Muir's Chapel..29-30
West Market Street 30-31

February

Randolph, Mt. Gillead 4-5
Randleman 5-6
Deep River, Worthville 5-6
Wesley Memorial 13-14
East End 13-14
Denton, Pleasant Grove 19-20

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C.

First Round

December

Grace, 11 a. m. 5
Kernersville, Kernersville 5-6
Davidson, Good Hope 11-12
Southside, night 12
Farmington, Farmington 18-19
Cooleemee, night 19
Burkhead, 11 a. m. 26
Salem, night 26

January

Forsyth, Mineral Spring 1-2
Centenary, night 2
Jackson Hill, New Hope 8-9
Thomasville Ct., Unity 15-16
Thomasville, Main St., night 14-16
Linwood, Cotton Grove 22-23
Lexington, night 21-23
Davie, Oak Grove 29-30
Mocksville, night 28-30

February

Walkertown 5-6
West End, night 6
Lewisville, Brookstown 12-13
Advance, Advance 19-20
North Davie—open

District stewards' meeting and conference of pastors and charge lay leaders in Winston-Salem, December 9th, 11.30 a. m., in Centenary church.

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.

First Round

December

McDowell, Nebo 4-5
Marion Mills 5-6
Old Fort, Old Fort 11-12
Marion Station 12-13
Morganton Ct., Bethel 18-19
Morganton Station 19-20
Marion Ct., Carson's 25-26

January

Thermal City, Thermal 1-2
Rutherfordton, Rutherfordton 8-9
Green River, Bethlehem 10-11
Broad River, Kistlers 12-13
Henrietta-Caroleen, Henrietta ...15-16
Cliffside, Cliffside 22-23
Forest City, Forest City 23-24
Table Rock, Oak Hill 29-30
Connelly Springs, Rutherford College 30-31

February

Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Spruce Pine 5-6
Bald Creek, Boring's 11
Micaville, Horton's Hill 12-13
Burnsville 19-20

The district stewards and charge lay leaders will meet in the Methodist church at Marion at 2 o'clock p. m., Wednesday, Dec. 15th. There will be three services, closing at noon Thursday. Come prepared to stay to close.

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.

First Round

December

North Lenoir Ct., Cedar Valley ..11-12
Lenoir Station, night 12-13
Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn's 18-19
Granite Falls and Hudson, Granite Falls, night 19-20
Broad Street, Statesville, 11 a. m. ..26
Cool Springs Ct., Providence ..26-27

January

West Hickory, Bethel 1-2
Rhodhiss, night 2-3
Troutman Ct., Troutman 8-9
Race St., Statesville, night 9-10
Iredell Ct., Olin 15-16
Statesville Ct., Bethel 16-17
Alexander Ct., Taylorsville 22-23
Stony Point Ct., Stony Pt., night, 23-24
Maiden Ct., Maiden 29-30
Newton, night 30-31

February

Catawba Ct., Catawba 5-6
Mt. Zion, 11 a. m. 12-13
Davidson, night 13-14
Mooresville Ct., Fairview 19-20
Mooresville 20-21

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.

December

Spring Creek, Baldings 11-12
Hot Springs, night 12
Mills River, Shaws Creek 18-19
Hendersonville, night 19
Asheville Ct., Riverview 26
Biltmore-Mt. Pleasant, Mt. Pleasant, 26

January

Fairview, Skyland 1-2
Black Mountain 2-3
Walnut, Walnut 8-9
Hot Springs-Marshall, Hot Springs, 9
Mars Hill, Laurel 15-16
Mars Hill, night 16
Swannanoa, Wests Chapel 22-23
Flat Rock-Fletcher, Flat Rock 23
Leicester, Leicester 29-30
Bethel, night 30

February

Rosman Ct., Rosman 5-6
Brevard, night 6
Henderson Ct., Moores Grove 12-13
Tryon-Saluda, Tryon 13-14
Sulphur Springs, Pleasant Hill ..19-20
West Asheville, night 20
Weaverville Ct., Flint Hill 26-27
Haywood St., night 27

Conference of preachers of the district, traveling and local, at Central church, Asheville, Dec. 13, 7:30 p. m.

District stewards' meeting Central church, Dec. 14, 11 a. m.

Charge leaders' meeting, Central church, Dec. 14, 2 p. m.

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby N. C.

January

Shelby, Central 2
Shelby Ct., LaFayette 2
Crouse, Crouse 8
Stanly, Stanly 9
Lincoln Ct., Asbury 15
Lincolnton, Lincolnton 16
Bessemer, Bessemer 22
Kings Mountain, Kings Mountain ..23
Lowesville, Hills Chapel 29
Mt. Holly, Mt. Holly 30

February

Polkville, Polkville 4
Belwood, Palm Tree 5
Rock Spring, Denver 12
Lowell, Lowell 19
McAdenville, McAdenville 20
Belmont, Belmont 20
Dallas-Ozark, High Shoals 26
Gastonia, Main Street 27
Gastonia, West End 27

March

South Fork, Palm Tree 4
Cherryville, Bethlehem 11

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—T. E. Wagg, Presiding Elder, Jefferson, N. C.

First Round

December

Helton Ct., Helton 11-12
Jefferson Ct., Zion 18-19

January

Creston Ct., Creston 1-2
Watauga Ct., Valle Crucis 8-9



Elk Park Ct., Montezuma 15-16
Avery Ct., Fair View 22-23
Boone Ct., Boone 29-30

February

Laurel Springs Ct., Nathan's Creek, 5-6
Sparta Ct., Shiloh 12-13
Wilks Ct., Adley 19-20
Wilkesboro Station, night 20-21
North Wilkesboro Ct. 26-27
North Wilkesboro Station, night 27-28

The district stewards, pastors and lay leaders of each charge will please meet at Jefferson Dec. 22-23. This will be a very important meeting and each man is expected to be present.

SALISBURY DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.

First Round

December

East Spencer, North Main, 11 a. m. ..5
Spencer, night 5
Woodleaf Ct., Cleveland 11-12
Park Avenue, night 12-13
Salisbury Ct., Shiloh 18-19
South Main, night 19-20
China Grove, 11 a. m. 26
Salisbury, First church, night 26

January

Cottonville Ct., Cedar Grove 1-2
Norwood 2-3
Mt. Pleasant Ct., Mt. Pleasant 8-9
Westford, night 9
Epworth-Center, Epworth 15-16
West Concord, Kerr St., night 16
Albemarle Ct., Stony Hill 22-23
Albemarle, Central 23-24
New London Ct., Palmerville ..29-30
Gold Hill Ct., Gold Hill 30-31

February

Concord Ct., Olivet 5-6
Forest Hill, night 6-7
Bethel-Love's, Bethel 12-13
Concord, Central, night 13-14
Salem Ct., Salem 19-20
Albemarle, First Street, night ..20-21
Kannapolis Ct., Oak Grove 26-27
Kannapolis Station, night 27-28

The district stewards will meet in First Church, in Salisbury, Dec. 9th at 10 a. m. J. C. Rowe.

THE BLUE MARBLE QUARRY OF NORTH CAROLINA

The quarrying and manufacture of marble has been one of the world's great industries since the dawn of civilization; it is a particular important industry in North Carolina; for this state stands alone in the Southern production of blue marble, a highly prized marble quarry product. The Regal Marble Company of Regal, N. C., are the owners and operators of the quarries and their Regal Blue is famed for its beautiful permanent color and extreme durability; due to its very slight absorption of moisture. A finely equipped finishing plant, employing only native Southern workmen in all departments is an important adjunct to these well known quarries.

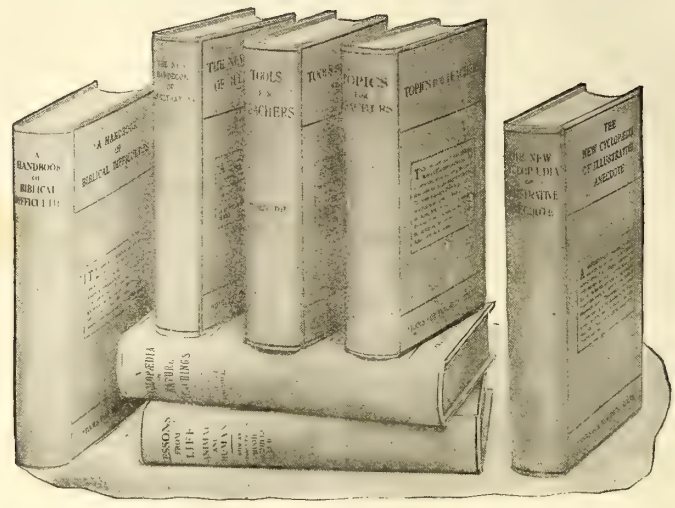
PEACH & APPLE TREES 2c & UP

Pear, Plum Cherry, Small Fruit, Strawberry Vines, etc. GENUINE HALE BUDDED from BEARING J. H. HALE TREES. GENUINE Delicious APPLES. CATALOGUE FREE.

Tenn. Nursery Co., Box 13, Cleveland, Tenn.

Sunday School Helps and Supplies

SEVEN LARGE VOLS.
OVER
3800 PAGES



ONLY
$6.00
NET

Tools for Preachers and Teachers

Formerly $14.00----Now Less Than Half Price

Any Single Volume, $1.00 net (formerly $2.00)

A practical, working library, drawn from nature life and the Scriptures. A Storehouse of Information useful for workers in every branch of Christian effort.

1. The Cyclopaedia of Nature Teachings
Introduction by Hugh Macmillan

A selection of acts, illustrations, examples and suggesitons taken from fall departments of inanimate nature, and employed to illuminate the great facts of the religious life.

2. Lessons from Life (Animal and Human)
Introduction by Hugh Macmillan

A compendium of illustration abounding in curious and interesting facts concerning the habits, instincts and peculiarities of living creatures, both animal and human. The moral and religious lessons imparted arise naturally and without effort from the incidents described.

3. Tools for Teachers
By Wm. Moodie

A collection of anecdotes, illustrations and legends for the use of Teachers of Sunday-Schools, Bible Classes and Boys' Clubs. A practical manual and storehouse of anecdotes and illustration for all who have to do with the moral and religious training of the young.

4. New Cyclopaedia of Illustrative Anecdote
(Moral and Religious)

A comprehensive collection of authentic anecdotes, old and new, on a wide range of subjects, arranged and classified alphabetically for ready reference, and with a detailed index.

5. New Handbook of Illustration

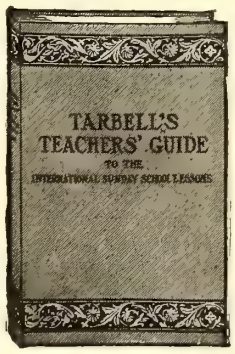
A classified exposition of Scripture Truth and Christian Life, digested and arranged for ready reference. This Handbook of Illustration will afford valuable aid, as a book of suggestion and reference, to public speakers in every branch of their profession.

6. Handbook of Biblical Difficulties
(On Moral and Religious Subjects)
By the Rev. Robert Tuck, B. A.

The editor of this Handbook has collected the passages in the Bible which seem to present special difficulties, and deals carefully with each, suggesting a reasonable explanation of every perplexity, or at least of every class of perplexity.

7. Topics for Teachers *By the Rev. J. C. Gray*

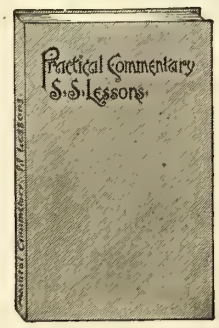
This work constitutes a Bible Dictionary, Manual and Textbook, a Commentary and a Concordance, all in one, saving the cost of these books and the time occupied in their use. The volume is almost a library in itself. It is an invaluable work for preachers and Sunday-School teachers.



Tarbell's Teachers' Guide
By Martha Tarbell, Ph. D.

Large octavo, cloth binding, $1.00 net (postpaid $1.10).

Time was when "anyone" taught Sunday-school, and results were a matter of conjecture. The TARBELL method has ushered in a new era in Sunday-school teaching, with every teacher a competent instructor. From all parts of the globe testimonials come regularly to the success of this modern Sunday-school teachers' *vade mecum* in all grades.



Peloubet's Notes

Conceded to be the best help for teachers in the Sunday School.

Large octavo, cloth binding $1.00 net (postpaid $1.10).

The Gist of the Lesson

By R. A. Torrey, D. D.

Leatherette, net 25c. postpaid.

Increasing by leaps and bounds, each year the history of "GIST" is the record of continued success. Not merely a book of "notes," but a *vade mecum* packed with seed thoughts for study and meditation.



Sunday School Register arranged with blanks for each Sunday's minutes and complete class report, with a summary for each quarter, also for annual report. Arranged for two years. This is generally conceded to be the best and most complete Sunday school Register now published. Price postpaid $1.50.

Sunday School Quarterly Class Records, full size, 25 cts. per dozen. Every Sunday school should keep a good supply of these records.

Complete Baraca Class Record. One Hundred loose leaf sheets for $1.00. Binder $1.00. Complete outfit $2.00. Each leaf is so arranged as to keep a complete individual record for twelve months. No class should be without this record. Sample sheets furnished on application. One binder will last a life time. Any book published will be furnished at the publisher's price.

Job Printing of all sorts executed with neatness and dispatch. Be sure to see us before giving out your fall work. Anything entrusted to us by mail order will be attended to promptly. Send orders to

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

VOLUME LX NUMBER 52

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

GREENSBORO, N. C., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1915

Wesleyan Theological College

The Every-Member Canvass

By Dr. W. F. McMurry

I am glad to know that the brethren of the Western North Carolina Conference are planning a "Conference-Wide Simultaneous Every-Member Canvass." This sounds like business, and if every pastor and presiding elder puts his heart and head into it, the result will be big business in the interest of the Kingdom.

The time is long since past when the interests of God's Church can be cared for by spasmodic and periodical spurts of individuals and churches, here and there. This is a day of organization, unity and concerted movement, and the amazing thing is that Annual Conferences have not hitherto planned just such campaigns as is proposed in the Western North Carolina. The very thought of taking care of the connectional claims in the early part of the Conference year, and having the remainder of the year for uninterrupted work on distinctly spiritual and educational lines is inspiring. The number of connectional claims is such that to expect a pastor to make special call for each one, or even to divide them into separate budgets, is unreasonable. The only way to do this work successfully is to give the people information concerning the interests represented, and then by use of the laymen, call upon the individual members of the church to respond to the demand of the Kingdom, as represented by the several assessments. This plan will succeed, if well worked, and nine out of ten of the pastoral charges that now show deficits will be advanced to the "Paid in Full" class. With the connectional claims cared for, the Church is inspired and encouraged, and will go forward to do other things that need to be done.

My hat is off to the Western North Carolina brethren, and I stand ready to give them a cheer on January sixteenth, when the campaign is completed.

One brother wrote me that he could not put on the Every-Member Canvass without causing criticism. I answered: "To escape criticism, do nothing, say nothing, be nothing—and then somebody will call you a loafer."

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

EDITORIAL

A NOTE OF EXPLANATION

Just as our last issue went to press I was taken quite ill with la grippe, and have not been able to give any personal attention to this issue of the Advocate. Fortunately, Rev. W. L. Sherrill came to supervise the publication of the minutes just as I was taken sick and has rendered valuable assistance in preparing matter for this issue, for which I am under lasting obligation. Meantime, if any correspondence has seemed to be neglected this will explain. I hope to be in my place in a few days. H. M. B.

THE EVERY-MEMBER CANVASS

This is the every-member canvass issue of the Advocate and we have given large space for contributions from specialists in and out of the Conference. The plan is ideal, and if faithfully carried out in every pastoral charge, the financial problem will be fully solved and then the pastors can concentrate their efforts in lines other than financial and material. If every Methodist will pay each week as the Lord gives him prosperity he will learn to be a systematic giver rather than a spasmodic one and the claims of the church will not go begging all the year and then be followed by a deficit at the end, but week by week the claims will be met as they fall due and the constant, steady, weekly donation from each member will make it so much easier to pay and fifty-two blessings will come to the contributor during the year, and systematic regular giving will grow to a fixed habit and rule of life.

But if the custom of putting off till the end should be continued it will be hard in so many cases to pay all at once and some times then when the obligation is met it will be under protest and fail to bring the blessing which is the natural reward of cheerful giving.

The every-member canvass should succeed. If it does it must be thoroughly made at the start and persistently worked. If the workers lag and the givers fail to meet the payments week by week or month by month the plan will be in a measure unsuccessful.

Methodists are supposed to believe in methodical work and if this method is adhered to, there will be no deficit on any charge next year.

THE CHRISTIAN VIEW OF PREPAREDNESS

All go to the Bible for the support of their theories. It is a rare case which can not find the support of Holy Writ. This is not because the Bible lends itself to the support of every cause, good or bad, but because of the manifold methods of interpretation. St. Peter declares that some wrest the scriptures to their own destruction. This, because there are some things in them hard to be understood, and "they that are unlearned and unstable . . wrest unto their own destruction."

As an example of the difficulty into which some have fallen on the subject of the duty of a nation to be prepared, some one calls attention to Abraham dealing with his nephew, Lot, when friction arose between them. Here, they say, is a conspicuous example of the pacific method of settling disputes. The motto of the advocate of peace as here exemplified is, "let there be no strife between me and thee, etc." It would seem that Abraham's policy was to yield to the landgrabber and thus avoid strife and bloodshed. This was, to be sure, a case of friendly arbitration, and it was far better than strife and bloodshed even though Lot seemed for the time being to be getting the lion's share.

But in the very next chapter we find this noted pacificator at the head of his "trained servants," (soldiers) pursuing the enemies of Lot and others who were his confederates, smiting them hip and thigh, and recovering what had been seized unjustly. On his return he is not only not condemned for his little military exploit, but he is met by Melchizedek, king of Salem—priest of the most high God—and receives his blessing. Again, in refusing to be rewarded by the spoil, he exhibits that magnanimous spirit which stamps him as a man of lofty ideals—one entirely "too proud to fight," except as forced to do so in vindication of the rights of men and in suppression of organized wickedness.

We have called attention to this that our readers may see that one may be a genuine pacifist and yet be consistent in his attitude in advocating a reasonable state of preparedness with such military force as may sometimes be necessary to save our land from the desolating hand of the disloyal at home, or the invader from abroad.

THE SONS OF PREACHERS

It is gratifying that the record of sons of ministers is effectually exploding that old myth that preachers' boys are always bad. We are satisfied that there never was any ground for the belief. The reason for such a belief lies in the fact that many people have one standard of propriety for the preacher and another for the layman. They hold the preacher amenable to a much higher code of morals and manners than they do the ordinary layman. Just so they make the children of the parsonage or manse answer to the demands of a much more scrupulous regulation of the life and conduct. The result is that, justly or unjustly, preachers' children are observed more closely and subjected to criticism much of which is manifestly unreasonable and uncharitable.

There is a sense, however, in which a minister is justly required to make himself and his family an example before the public, and he commits a great wrong to allow himself or family to act in a way to invite criticism. This we believe most ministers realize and, as a result, they are careful to walk circumspectly and to see that their families are not guilty of improprieties. Nothing will undo a pastor more completely, or more effectually destroy his influence for good in the community, than to fail to properly rule his household.

But we began this editorial especially to express a feeling of pride in the record made among us by the sons of preachers. The reader will have only to look around for a moment—examine the roster of names of men in North Carolina who are doing things, in business, in the professions and in all the honorable vocations of life, to find that what we say is true.

Of course there are exceptions. We could expect nothing else. Some ministers, like Eli, the priest of Israel, fail to restrain their children; and, while cognizant of the fact that their conduct is not such as becomes the house of God, and may worry no little over it, yet failing to restrain them at the proper time, they reap the inevitable harvest of sorrow and disappointment.

But for the appearance of attempting to make invidious comparisons we might give here a list of names of men, prominent in North Carolina, who came up in the parsonage, and learned there the lessons of frugality and economy, as well as of great moral truth, which have stood them well in hand in the struggle for success.

Let ministers who serve the so-called hard places, offering scant support, take courage and rejoice in the fine opportunity which they have, through their children, of making a genuine contribution to the manhood and womanhood of the commonwealth.

A SPLENDID CHRISTMAS GIFT

One of the encouraging signs of the time is the growing spirit of benevolence among our people. We have just been informed by Mr. Walter Thompson, the Superintendent of the Children's Home, that Mrs. John W. Hanes of Winston-Salem, has just made a donation of ten thousand dollars with which to erect an industrial building for the boys at the Children's Home. Such a building is much needed, that the boys may be trained in handicraft and fitted for useful service.

All friends of the Institution should feel grateful to the elect lady who has so generously provided for the boys and given to them and to the church so gracious a gift so nearly at Christmas time.

This is a practical, sensible, generous and Christian donation from one who has always been a ready and cheerful helper of every worthy cause.

It will be a perpetual blessing to fatherless and needy boys.

We trust that He who said "It is more blessed to give than to receive," may reward in large measure the good woman who has made such liberal provision for the boys at the Children's Home.

THE NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE

The 79th session of this body was held in Wilmington Dec. 1-6 and Bishop Kilgo, the presiding officer, was no stranger to the brethren for prior to his elevation to the Episcopacy he was for many years a leading member of that Conference. The Bishop was in the house of his friends. His exhortations from the chair were full of wit, pathos and gentleness; his address at the Educational Anniversary and his sermon on Sunday were masterpieces and met the highest demands of the occasion.

They wanted to adopt a resolution asking for his return next year but he modestly ruled it out of order. Five preachers have died during the past year, viz.: L. P. Howard, J. D. Pegram, J. N. Cole, Y. E. Wright and J. M. Ashby and the memorial service was an exceptionally sad one for these brethren were dearly beloved.

Four traveling preachers were ordained deacons and three ordained elders.

The additions on profession of faith are 5975, and the total membership is 89704.

Among those superannuated this year we note the name of M. D. Giles, who was, until recent years, a member of our Conference.

They accepted the proposition submitted by our Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Company, and elected the following directors: N. H. D. Wilson, C. S. Wallace, J. C. Wooten, L. S. Covington and W. B. Cooper to represent the N. C. Conference. These brethren, with a like number already chosen from our Conference, will constitute the Board of Control of the Fire Insurance Company.

The next Conference will be held in Memorial church, Durham, N. C.

PERSONAL EVANGELISM

A personal every-member canvass for money to carry on the work of the Kingdom suggests the wisdom of direct personal appeals to enlist new soldiers into the army of the Lord. Appeals from the pulpit are scattered shots. Personal appeals are bullets that go direct to the individual.

The public appeal is indispensable, but if it is followed up with private exhortation, it will bear fruit an hundredfold greater. This direct personal appeal can be made by the laity as well as the clergy, and if Methodists will volunteer for that kind of work we shall see Zion grow as never before.

The other day the writer met a good and true man who is active as a Methodist. He said he was born a Baptist and married a Presbyterian and it might seem strange therefore that he found his way into the Methodist church. But the explanation was this: When that man was a sixteen-year-old boy he left home to learn telegraphy in Spartanburg, S. C. and on a Sunday morning wandered aimlessly down the way to the railroad bridge and while standing there an elderly gentleman came along and spoke kindly to him, made himself known and found that he was acquainted with the

father of the youth. He asked the boy what he was doing in the city and where he was going on that Sunday. The boy told him he was studying telegraphy and was just walking around that morning with no special plan for the day. The old gentleman then told him his name was Mr. Carlisle and that he was a teacher in the Central Methodist Sunday school and invited the boy to go down to the church with him. The invitation was accepted and for several years that boy had the good fortune to sit every Sunday under the teaching of Dr. James H. Carlisle, of Wofford College, the greatest man South Carolina has ever produced. The good influence of that great man's teaching took root in the heart of that youth; he was converted, joined the Methodist church and has for many years been active in its service.

Many, many young men and old ones, too, have been blessed and developed through personal contact with good Dr. Carlisle. Every Christian man can in some measure do that same kind of work. May every brother who reads these lines determine this year to be a personal worker.

THE BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

This body met in Charlotte last week and was largely attended, and was composed of a splendid type of representative Baptists. One of the most important matters which came up for consideration was the election of the Secretary of State Missions to succeed Dr. Livingstone Johnson, who has so well filled this responsible office for many years past, but who has accepted a pastorate in Rocky Mount. After several ballots, the Rev. W. N. Johnson, of Wake Forest, was elected secretary to succeed Dr. Johnson.

Among those who delivered important addresses to the Convention were: Dr. O'Kelly, of Raleigh, who preached the annual sermon; Dr. Gray, who discussed Home Missions, and Dr. Love, who brought a fine message to the body about the foreign mission work. Judge John E. Oates, of Fayetteville, was president of the Convention.

Much has been said recently about the "Harvard Plan," which was adopted at Charlotte in the entertainment of the Baptist Convention. We are not sure where the plan originated, but it simply means that delegates are entertained in the homes for lodging and breakfast and secure the other meals at cafes and hotels. By this means much time is saved, the business at hand is expedited and the housewives are relieved of a great deal of heavy work and enabled to attend and get the benefit of the public meetings. The "Harvard Plan" at Charlotte seems to have been eminently satisfactory both to the hosts and guests, and is likely to be adopted regularly hereafter by our Baptist brethren—and later, may be by others.

The Convention will be held in Elizabeth City next year.

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Rev. W. A. Lambeth, of Reidsville, has returned from New York, whither he went last week, and filled his pulpit last Sunday.

—Rev. A. J. Burrus has been warmly welcomed back to the Shelby circuit and his people gave him a liberal pounding last week.

—Rev. W. L. Hutchins, who visited in Elkin before going to his new charge at Andrews, preached an interesting sermon to the Elkin Methodists on last Sunday .

—Mr. Geo. L. Hackney, superintendent of the Lexington Sunday school, delightfully entertained the officers and teachers of the school one evening last week.

—Rev. J. J. Edwards has entered upon his new work at Taylorsville and already made a very favorable impression on both congregation and community.

—The Ladies' Aid Society of Forest Hill church, Concord, had the parsonage in first class order and gave genuine welcome to the new pastor, Rev. C. M. Short, and his wife, when they arrived.

—Mr. D. B. Coltrane, of Concord, president of the Conference Board of Publication, attended the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Federal Council of Churches, in Columbus, Ohio, last week.

—Rev. H. H. Jordan on last Sunday in Main Street church, Gastonia, preached the annual sermon to the Junior Order and Woodmen lodges of that city, who attended in a body this interesting service.

—Rev. J. A. Baldwin has partially arranged for Miss Helen Keller to speak in Charlotte at an early day in the interest of the Southern Industrial Institute. If she visits that city a large audience no doubt will hear this noted blind woman speak.

—The first snow of the winter fell Saturday night, Dec. 11, to the depth of five inches in Greensboro. The snow fall was general throughout the east and north. At Mt. Airy and Lenoir it is reported to be 12 inches deep.

—Rev. G. A. B. Holderby, the new pastor at McAdenville, says, in the language of the Psalmist, "The lines have fallen to us in pleasant places." A pleased pastor generally serves a pleased people and we rejoice that such is the case in McAdenville.

—Rev. J. M. Price has entered upon his work at Kernersville with every encouragement. He has been cordially received and generously pounded and his initial sermon, which was interesting and forceful, was heard with enthusiasm by a large congregation.

—Rev. H. C. Sprinkle, of the Mount Airy District, preached two fine sermons at Danbury on the occasion of the recent quarterly meeting and complimented the pastor and officials for the clear report which went up to Conference from this charge.—Danbury Reporter.

—The Watauga Demrocrat says that the people of Boone circuit are delighted to know that Rev. D. P. Waters has been returned for another year, and that the return of Rev. W. R. Bagby to the Watauga circuit will certainly meet with the hearty approval of the good people on that work.

—Rev. Geo. D. Herman preached to large congregations at Mount Airy on his initial Sunday there, and on every hand one heard words of praise of this new pastor. Brother Herman has made good in every charge he has served heretofore and we bespeak for him a term of great prosperity at Mount Airy.

—Mrs. Dora Cline, wife of Ex-Sheriff John K. Cline, of Lincoln county, died last week at her home in Lincolnton, and the body was laid to rest in the Methodist cemetery, after a funeral service, conducted by her pastor, the Rev. Z. Paris. The Advocate extends warm Christian sympathy to the sorrowing ones.

Mr. Lester D. Coltrane, Jr., of Concord, was married Dec. 8, to Miss Blanche Brown, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Brown, in Concord. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. C. P. McLaughlin, of the Lutheran church. These young people represent two of the best families of Concord, and we wish for them all good things.

—We regret to learn of the death of Mr. C. C. Kennedy, which occurred at his home in Charlotte last Monday. He had been in feeble health for some time but was not considered dangerously ill. Tryon Street church loses one of its most faithful members and Charlotte one of her substantial citizens. The Advocate extends sympathy to the stricken and sorrowing wife.

—From a letter received from Rev. Joseph Fry, of Bald Creek, we are glad to learn that he has entered upon the new Conference year with renewed strength and faith, encouraged by his flock, who have recently, in a very substantial way, expressed their warm interest by presenting many things to make the holiday season one of cheer and happiness in his parsonage.

—Rev. H. K. Boyer, presiding elder of the Winston District, writes: Rev. W. J. S. Walker has been appointed to supply the West Davie Mission. The territory lies partly in Davie, Iredell, Yadkin and Wilkes counties and is altogether unoccupied by our church. We have no church building or organization within this populous section. Brother Walker is a man of experience, a local elder, good preacher, splendid evangelist, fine singer and an expert in selling and distributing our books and literature. We are confidently expecting him to bring things to pass in this new and inviting field."

—The Spencer Crescent says: "The people of Spencer are always interested in the movements of her pastors and former pastors, ministers who have worked hard in this section and whose good work have been felt here. It will therefore be of interest to know that Rev. R. C. Craven, one of the first pastors of the Spencer Methodist church is pastor at Rocky Mount; Rev. T. A. Sikes is at Kenly; Rev. J. E. Gay is presiding elder of the Morganton District; Rev. R. D. Sherrill has been assigned to Hawthorne Lane, the large new church being organized in Charlotte; Rev. H. C. Sprinkle is presiding elder of the Mt. Airy District. The good wishes of the people here follow these ministers in their work, while they are, of course, delighted that Rev. C. M. Pickens has been returned to the Spencer church."

—Rev. R. D. Sherrill, who was for four years, at Centenary church in this city, and who has just been appointed to the new Hawthorne Lane congregation in Charlotte, met with a very cordial welcome into his new charge and has entered upon the work with every cause for encouragement. This new work had not been organized, so he literally went to a charge without a church or a member, but with the assurance, of course, that a loyal band would rally to his leadership and organize at once. The spacious Elizabeth College chapel was secured as a preaching place and a cozy cottage leased for a parsonage. Already some two hundred or more Methodists from the down town churches have withdrawn to unite at Hawthorne Lane. Mr. D. B. Heath has donated three lots for the new church and some $25,000 has been secured in pledges for the building, which will be undertaken in a short while, and it is the purpose to finally complete it at a cost of not less than $40,000.00. This church will be located in a growing residence section and promises within a short time to develop into one of the very best appointments in the state. The membership have enlisted for the work with great enthusiasm and they are bound to flourish.

NOTE AND COMMENT

There Has Been no material change in the European war situation since our last issue. The Greeks are still neutral and the Entente Allies have in orderly manner retreated to Salonika where it is safer under the protection of the English fleet which lies in that harbor. The situation in the Balkan territory looks grave for the Allies, but their policy of allowing the Teutons to lead the offensive protects the Allies troops from slaughter until re-inforcements come to their help. The Austrian reply to the American note demanding explanation of the sinking of the steamer Ancona, is expected this week, and while Austrians are bitter regarding the matter, it is thought the reply will be conciliatory.

* * * *

Gen. Francis Marion Cockerell, former United States Senator from Missouri, died in Washington last Monday, aged 81 years. He was for thirty years with the late Geo. C. Vest, of the same state, one of the leading Democrats in Congress. As a mark of respect to former Senator Cockrell, the Senate adjourned for three days.

* * * *

While the Henry Ford Peace Party which sailed for Europe on the steamer Oscar II, may not be able to accomplish all that Mr. Ford would wish, it can but impress upon the old world that the rank and file of American citizenship deplores bloodshed and would make any reasonable sacrifice to bring about an amicable settlement between the warring states.

NOTICE

The work on the Conference Minutes is being rushed to a finish as rapidly as possible and it is hoped that all will be mailed out to the preachers early next week. Nearly all the matter has gone through the press and I regret to be unable on that account to make several changes which have been requested in appointments and post address. William L. Sherrill, Sec.

CONTRIBUTIONS

WHO ELECTS THE CHURCH LEADER?

There is confusion as to what body elects the church leader. In the "Plan of Organization for the Board and Committees on Lay Activities," gotten out by the Layman's Missionary Movement, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn., in a foot note to the enactments as relates to the quarterly conference, are the following words: "Note.—The charge and church lay leaders should be elected at the fourth quarterly conference. Failing in this, they should be elected at the first quarterly conference of the new Conference year."

The Discipline seems to teach that charge leaders are elected by the quarterly conference and church leaders by church conference—Par. 91, Ques. 22; Par. 91, Item 5; Par. 95, Part 2, Ques. 6.

Let us not waste time, however, quibbling over our machinery. The canvass is the thing.

Frank Siler.

THE EVERY-MEMBER CANVASS

By C. F. Reid

In the first place, it is the second item in God's fourfold plan for conducting church finances. (See 1 Corinthians xvi. 2.) Whenever I want to do something and find that God has a plan for doing that same something, it is enough for me. I take it for granted that he knows best and require no further argument.

In the second place, it is written in the Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South: "It shall be the duty of the preacher in charge . . . to see that a canvass is made of every member early in the Conference year for a missionary contribution." (See paragraph 422, Article XXVII., Discipline of 1914.)

Whenever the Word of God and the Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, agree as touching any one thing, that thing should be established and binding upon every Southern Methodist, whether he be a preacher or layman.

In the third place, it is the consensus of opinion of the secretaries of all the foreign mission boards and home mission councils of the United States and Canada that the every-member canvass is not only the most successful method yet employed for raising missionary funds, but that it is the only logical way of dividing the responsibility for and enlisting the entire church in the work of saving a lost world.

In the fourth place, throughout the United States and Canada, wherever the every-member canvass has been tried with any degree of efficiency, the results have fully justified the effort and proved that the use of this plan not only secures largely increased funds for missions but acts beneficially upon all other departments of church finances.

One of our Southern Methodist preachers writes us to the effect that by the use of this method he has increased the income of his church for home causes three hundred and nine per cent. and for foreign missions seven hundred and eighty-five per cent.

Another writes us that by the every-member canvass the income of his church for missions was increased two hundred and eighty per cent., and that the pastor's salary has been greatly increased.

Another writes: "The every-member canvass is vastly superior to any other method I know for the country churches. I really think it is the only successful way."

Still another writes that under the stress of building a $75,000 church "by the every-member canvass we increased our contributions to missions from $417 to $1,068."

The same kind of testimony comes from entire communities, great cities, districts, Annual Conferences, and denominations that have adopted this method of raising funds for missions and other church benevolences.

Wherever the every-member canvass has failed, it has usually been through a lack of preparation. No man has a right to expect success in anything who does not conscientiously plan and prepare the conditions for it. In case of the every-member canvass preparation is more than half of the work. A large and carefully chosen canvassing committee should be selected and instructed. The congregation should be prepared by missionary sermons and addresses, and there should be a careful distribution of leaflets a few weeks previous to the canvass. A card index list of all members and adherents should be prepared, and these cards should be distributed among the canvassers by some plan to prevent overlapping and confusion. Subscription cards setting forth clearly the causes for which contributions are to be asked should be provided. A worthy objective should be set before the congregation, either per capita goal or missionary enterprise, something to give a worth-while feeling and remove the sense of just-paying-a-tax put upon the congregation. The arousing of a worthy enthusiasm and general *esprit de corps* is a large element in the success of an every-member canvass. It should be conducted in the spirit of earnest prayer, a sense of Christian stewardship should be impressed, and giving should be made a religious sacrament. The every-member canvass should be made the occasion and opportunity for promoting Christian fellowship and for unifying the church. Conducted properly, it should greatly quicken the spiritual life of the congregation and go far toward creating a revival condition.

By all means the canvass should be completed promptly. Some of the best results have been obtained when the canvass was made in a single Sunday afternoon and evening, with all services after the eleven o'clock hour discontinued and a large, well-prepared committee enlisting all the automobiles and carriages of the congregation, the preacher and lay leader remaining at the church to direct the team and receive reports and register results each hour. I have known a committee to assemble after a canvass of this kind flushed with victory, congratulating each other, praising God, and ready for any kind of service their pastor might require of them. Of course it is not practicable to conduct a canvass after this manner everywhere; but a little sanctified common sense applied to the situation by the pastor, the lay leader and the missionary committee will provide the method best suited for each place. One of the best plans I know is to promote a simultaneous canvass of all the churches of a given city, district, or Conference, thus enlisting the wisdom, enthusiasm and power of united effort. "One shall chase a thousand," but "two shall put ten thousand to flight."

THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY AND THE EVERY-MEMBER CANVASS

It has held strictly to, and greatly accomplished the one grand work for which it was instituted—the wider circulation of the Scriptures without note or comment.

It has drawn the denominations together in this great work, becoming thereby a bond of unity, a pioneer in co-operation. "The Bible Society undergirds and strengthens all other organizations and movements in our all-embracing Christianity."—J. R. Mott.

It has furnished and furnishes missionaries, home and foreign, with the chief implement of their work—the Bible. It has circulated, and grants, the Scriptures to all people without denominational or racial discrimination.

With European Bible Societies it has made the Bible the cheapest and most ubiquitious book in the world—a priceless boon to the poor; in scores of languages a Gospel may be had for 1 cent or less; in English a Testament may be had for 5 cents, a Bible for 17 cents.

It circulates the Bible in more than 150 languages and types: in the United States in 1914 it issued Scriptures in 90 languages; abroad it issued Scriptures in 91 languages.

It has aided the translation or revision of the Scriptures in more than 80 languages; e. g., first giving the Scriptures to American Indians in 5 of their languages, to the Philipine Islanders in 8 of their languages.

It issues thousands of Bibles for the blind: English in three systems—Line Letter, Point Print and Braille; Arabic in two systems; Spanish, Armenian, Armeno-Turkish, Japanese, Korean, Siamese, one system each.

It prints the Bible in 45 languages, at the Bible House, New York.

It issued, in 1914, at home, 2,426,418 volumes; abroad, 3,979,905; a total of 6,406,323 volumes. Since its birth in 1816, it has issued in the United States, 68,828,334 Scriptures; in foreign lands, 41,097,880; a total of 109,926,-214 volumes—a stupendous accomplishment.

Special classes and special emergencies have been met by special provision: in the Civil War it distributed 1,466,848 volumes to Northern soldiers and over 300,000 volumes to Southern soldiers, through the co-operation of Northern and Southern military authorities; in the Russo-Japanese War it provided Scriptures for tens of thousands of Japanese and Russian soldiers; in the present war it has supplied hundreds of thousands of Testaments and Gospels to the soldiers in Europe.

A special Agency cares for the colored people; immigrants are provided with the Scriptures in their own languages, Bibles being distributed in 89 foreign languages in 1914.

It has sought out, and brings the Bible to the poor, the ignorant, the untaught; prisoners, strangers, travelers; the destitute and unchurched classes.

In 1914 it spent, on the translation, printing and circulation of Scriptures in the United States, over $400,000; and abroad, over $300,-000; a total expenditure of $764,960.

In its 99 years, as almoner for the American people, it has received and spent over $38,000,-000.

This great work is being prosecuted on 5 continents and the Islands of seven seas; it is done through 12 Agencies abroad with some 1,400 workers, and 9 agencies in America with some 600 workers; it is done through individuals, churches, Sunday schools, societies, hospitals, ministers, evangelists, missionaries.

Thus it has helped thousands, known and unknown, to Him who is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

Last year, in America, 5 Home Agencies found 56,000 families without a Bible; hundreds of thousands still need the Gospel. Abroad hundreds of millions have not yet heard that there is a gospel. Opportunities, in some instances unprecedented, are now open in China, Japan, Korea, the South American Republics, Central America, the Canal Zone an dthe Island possessions of the United States.

The Society's budget for the ensuing year is $652,300. From invested funds about one-sixth of this amount will come. Legacies can be relied on for a part. Sales will bring in more. But a chief financial resource of the Society for this world-wide, soul-saving, life-blessing work, is its loving, generous friends.

ARE YOU AMONG THEM?

THE CONFERENCE LAY LEADER IN THE EVERY-MEMBER CANVASS

(From Plan of Organization)

11. That he insist upon the adoption throughout the Conference of the Scriptural plan of weekly offering and the duplex system of collection for both local and general causes.

12. That he insist upon a Conference-wide, simultaneous, Every-Member Canvass as soon after the Annual Conference as practicable.

13. That, so far as practicable, he plan with the pastors of the Conference to visit their charges, speaking to their congregations, arousing and stimulating the laymen to more effective service in all departments of lay activity.

THE CHARGE LAY LEADER IN THE EVERY-MEMBER CANVASS

(From Plan of Organization)

As the real work of the Laymen's Missionary Movement is mostly done in the local churches, it is of extreme importance that the charge lay leader thoroughly understand the responsible duties of his office. The Executive Committee of the Laymen's Missionary Movement therefore directs that in circuits it shall be the duty of the charge lay leader:

1. To co-operate with the pastors in the selection of proper men for church lay leaders and to assist them in the organization and in-

struction of the Missionary Committee, the Committee on Evangelism, and the Committee on Social Service.

2. To keep in touch with the district lay leader and report to him all matters concerning the development of lay activity in the charge.

3. To attend the district and quarterly conferences of which he is a member and to make a report to the District Committee on Lay Activities as per blank that will be provided by the General Secretary of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

4. To co-operate with his pastor in searching out such places within the circuit as are inadequately supplied with the gospel and assist him in securing volunteer workers to supply such inadequacy by the organization of Sunday schools, Bible-readings, lay preaching, or such other forms of Christian service as the situation requires.

5. To heartily co-operate with the church lay leaders and the chairmen of the Missionary, Evangelism and Social Service Committees in organizing and carrying on their work.

6. To promote a continuous systematic campaign of education throughout the churches by the use of charts and leaflet literature.

7. To promote plans for placing the Missionary Voice, the Christian Advocate and the Conference organ in every family of the charge.

8. To co-operate with the church lay leaders, Sunday school superintendents and Epworth League presidents in the organization of mission study classes and reading courses wherever possible.

9. To co-operate with the pastor and church leaders in arranging for the annual missionary meeting of all the adult members of the several churches of the circuit and to assist the church lay leaders in preparing the missionary statistics, card index of membership, and subscription cards for the every-member canvass.

10. To endeavor to place a missionary special in the congregations, in the Sunday schools, and in the Epworth Leagues of the circuit.

11. To insist upon an every-member canvass for a contribution to missions and all connectional claims on a weekly basis in all the churches of the charge.

12. To insist upon the adoption of the Scriptural method of weekly offering for both local and general interests and the use of the duplex envelope or some similar collecting device in all the churches of the circuit.

13. That he promote the enlistment of as many laymen of the charges as possible into the Laymen's Emergency Corps by securing their signature to the pledge found in the "Minutemen of Southern Methodism."

In stations the church lay leader is charge lay leader.

THE CHURCH LAY LEADER IN THE EVERY-MEMBER CANVASS

(From Plan of Organization)

The church lay leader is the chairman of the Church Committee on Lay Activities and of the Church Missionary Committee and should be the right-hand man of the preacher in charge. His objective is the highest possible efficiency of his church for Christian service. In order that he may realize this objective, the Executive Committee of the Laymen's Missionary Movement directs that he assume the following duties:

1. Prior to, or as soon as possible after, the Annual Conference to urge that a church conference be called for the purpose of electing a Church Committee on Lay Activities, of which the preacher in charge and the charge lay leader shall be ex officio members. The committee shall otherwise consist of not less than one member for every twenty members of the church, one-third of whom shall compose the Missionary Committee, one-third the Committee on Evangelism, and one-third the Committee on Social Service, each of these committees to have its own chairman and secretary.

2. To organize the Missionary Committee, of which he is chairman, the Committee on Evangelism, and the Social Service Committee according to fitness and inclination; to see that each is provided with a competent chairman and secretary and that each of these committees be instructed as to the particular work intrusted to them.

3. The chairman of all the church committees should be men, but otherwise the membership of the Committee on Evangelism and the Committee on Social Service may be composed of an equal number of men and women.

4. In consultation with the preacher in charge, to fix upon a certain day of each month for the monthly meeting of the Church Committee on Lay Activities for the purpose of hearing reports from the Missionary Committee, the Committee on Evangelism, and the Committee on Social Service, and for considering plans to make the work of each of these committees more effective.

5. So far as possible to organize study classes and reading courses in these committees and mission study classes wherever possible in the Sunday school, the Epworth League, and in congenial groups of the congregation.

6. To promote a continuous systematic education in the entire congregation by the use of charts and the leaflet literature provided by the general office of the Laymen's Missionary Movement.

7. To promote a continuous systematic education in the entire congregation by the use of charts and the leaflet literature provided by the general office of he Laymen's Missionary Movement.

7. To plan a campaign for placing the Missionary Voice, the Christian Advocate, and the Conference organ in every family of the congregation.

8. In consultation with the preacher in charge and the charge lay leader, to plan for an annual meeting of the adult membership of the church, at which we suggest there be served a light luncheon or supper.

9. To prepare for display at the above-mentioned annual meeting the church statistics of mission work and the other lay activities of the church; also a card index list of all the members and adherents of the church, and to see that proper subscription cards for the every-member canvass are printed and ready and that the duplex envelopes for the year are ordered.

10. To urge that a worthy missionary objective be placed before the congregation, the Sunday school and the Epworth League.

11. To plan an every-member canvass of the entire membership and adherency of the church, in which canvass all the members of the Church Committee on Lay Activities shall be asked to assist. This canvass shall be for the purpose of obtaining a subscription on a weekly basis for missions and other Conference claims.

12. To heartily co-operate with the chairman of the Committee on Social Service, and to strive in every way to make the work committed to all the departments of the Church Committee on Lay Activities realize the ends for which they were organized.

13. To promote the enlistment of as many laymen of the church as possible into the Laymen's Emergency Corps by securing their signature to the pledge fund in the "Minutemen of Southern Methodism."

THE EVERY-MEMBER CANVASS—BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER

By Frank Siler

The Time is Ripe—First, to Prepare for the Canvass

Because—"It shall be the duty of the preacher in charge to organize a Missionary Committee, to see that a canvass is made of every member early in the Conference year for a missionary contribution." Discipline, paragraph 422.

Because—the church conference asks the question: "Who are elected (a) a missionary committee; (b) an evangelistic committee; (c) a social service committee, **for this church?**" Discipline, paragraph 85, question, 6.

Because—the fourth quarterly conference asks: "Who is elected charge lay leader and who have been elected church lay leaders? (In stations the charge lay leaders should act as church leaders)." Discipline, paragraph 91, question 22.

This means that the charge lay leaders should have been elected for this year by the fourth quarterly conference of last Conference year, and that church lay leaders for this year should have been elected by church conference last year before the fourth quarterly conference. Notice: "Who is elected?" and "Who have been elected?"

Because—the first quarterly conference asks: "Have a church lay leader and the following committees been elected for each church: (a) a Missionary Committee; (b) an Evangelistic Committee (c) a Social Service Committee; and what are their reports?" Discipline, paragraph 91, question 5.

If not, it should be attended to at once in church conference. "The charge lay leader, the church lay leaders, the chairman of the Evangelistic Committee, the chairman of the Social Service Committee" are members of the quarterly conference. Discipline, paragraph 81.

The chairman of the Missionary Committee is not named as a member because he, as church leader, is a member of the quarterly conference.

Because—the church conference receives reports "From the Committee on Laymen's Activities." Discipline, paragraph 95, report 6.

Because—the Committee on Laymen's Activities is based on paragraph 425 of the Discipline, which says: "The laymen of the church are authorized to co-operate with their pastors in a more aggressive evangelism, to develop missionary interest and intelligence, and to promote lay activity and liberality in *co-operation with the regularly constituted boards of the church.*"

The every-member canvass then, for *missions*, called for in paragraph 422, becomes an every-member canvass for *every interest of the church* —spiritual, educational, financial.

Accordingly, at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Laymen's Missionary Movement of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, held at Lake Junaluska, N. C., August 12, 13, 1914, the following plan of organization, with instructions to conference, district, charge and church lay leaders, was adopted. I give only the part which relates to

The Church Committee on Lay Activities

1. We recommend that prior to each Annual Conference there be held in every church of the Conference a church conference, at which the church lay leader shall be chairman and of which the pastor and charge lay leader shall be ex officio members. The committee shall otherwise consist of not less than one member for every twenty members of the church, one-third of whom shall compose the Missionary Committee, one-third the Committee on Evangelism, and one-third the Committee on Social Service, each of these three committees to have its own chairman and secretary.

2. We recommend that the Church Committee on Lay Activities have an Executive Committee, composed of the pastor, the charge lay leader, the church lay leader (who is also chairman of the Missionary Committee), the chairman of the Committee on Evangelism, and the chairman of the Committee on Social Service.

3. We recommend that the Missionary Committee be composed of men only and that the chairmen of the Committee on Evangelism and the Committee on Social Service be men, but that otherwise these two committees may be composed of an equal number of men and women.

4. We recommend that a special day be fixed upon as the regular monthly meeting day for the Committee on Lay Activities, to hear reports from the Missionary Committee, the Committee on Evangelism, and the Committee on Social Service, and to consider plans for making the work of each of these committees more effective. When matters of importance come up during the intervals of the regular meetings of the committee they shall be considered and determined by the Executive Committee.

5. We recommend that early in each Conference year the committee shall arrange for a general meeting of all the adult membership, at which we suggest that a light luncheon or supper be served. At this meeting there should

be exhibited statistics showing the work of all the departments of the Committee on Lay Activities, the Woman's Missionary Societies, the Sunday school and Epworth League, and a worthy missionary objective should be considered and adopted (1) for the congregation; (2) for the Sunday school; (3) for the Epworth League. Arrangements should also be completed for a thorough every-member canvass during the month for the missions and the other Conference claims.

6. We recommend that wherever it is impracticable to organize a Committee on Evangelism or Committee on Social Service, the duties assigned to these committees, so far as possible, be performed by the Missionary Committee.

THE TIME IS RIPE—SECOND, TO ACTUALLY MAKE THE EVERY-MEMBER CANVASS

using our N. C. Christian Advocate Publishing Company's duplex envelopes and cards—

Because—the joint meeting at Reidsville, Nov. 16th, of the presiding elders and Board of Missions, Bishop Lambuth presiding, said make it.

Because—the Conference said: "We call upon the pastors to take the lead in a simultaneous every-member canvass, to be inaugurated just as soon as possible after Conference and completed by January 16, 1916. If this is done a long step will have been taken toward procuring full collections next year in all our charges.

The presiding elders may mean much to the success of the cause of missions; the lay leader and other helpers may advance the cause, but the pastor is the key man in this work. *If he fails other agencies and all other methods will fail.*"

Because—the duplex system alone recognizes the place and work of the Committee on Lay Activities.

Because—it is the only system where provision is made for a continuous educational program on Christian Stewardship and Church Financing.

Because—it is the "Financial method for Methodists" recommended by the interested boards.

Because—if worked, it will solve one of the pastor's most perplexing problems.

Because—our envelopes and cards are stripped of the technicalities that have rendered the duplex system unpopular in the country.

THE CANVASS

THE TIME IS RIPE—THIRD, TO FOLLOW UP

Because—the committee must see absentees, those pledging too little must be seen again.

The members who say: "I will pay as heretofore." "will see you later." "will pay preacher, not Conference collections." "won't take envelopes" will have to be tactfully dealt with.

Because—the pastor's first service after the rewards means so much. The hymns, prayers, Scripture lessons, announcement reminding the people of the new plan, the sermon—the very best he can preach—mean so much.

The two treasurers at close of service to be coached.

Regular church conferences and reports from treasurers of committees and stewards are to be held, joint meetings of stewards and committee to plan to look after non-payers, which will usually mean non-attendants, are to be scheduled. And all this looking to the one great goal of a weekly service other than Sunday school in every church, conducted by the laymen.

THE PASTOR IN THE EVERY-MEMBER CANVASS

By E. Myers

First of all, if the pastor is to succeed in this, as also in the evangelistic or other branches of his work, he must have the divine compassion for lost men, the same compassion which our Lord had that caused Him to divest himself of the glories and comforts of the home with His Father and come into this sinning, suffering world to save it. This compassion or divine love for lost men is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Spirit and comes when we receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit. When our missionaries in Korea got this baptism one of the greatest revivals of modern times was the immediate result. But this compassion needs instruction and direction, and there are two principle sources of instruction and direction, one is the Bible, and the other is contact with men and women who themselves are full of missionary zeal and information, which we might say is another form of Bible truth—truth in concrete form. I cannot express how much I owe to inspirational meetings where I got such contact, one at Asheville, the South Atlantic Missionary Conference, and the Layman's Missionary Meeting at Greensboro.

2. The pastor must have the world vision; he must see, like Paul and Wesley, a lost world, and feel that this world is his parish, that he has a mission or commission to the whole world, not merely his little field of labor, but of the whole world movement to bring the world to Jesus. So the work in China, Korea, Africa, becomes as much his work as the town in which he lives. And this world vision, like the world compassion, comes by the baptism of the Holy Spirit, as it did with Paul and Wesley.

3. It is the pastor's place to plan for the canvass by organizing the men of the church, teaching, inspiring and directing them, and making teachers of them.

Care must be taken in selecting the men for the organization. If we get men who "sit down on the job" instead of "move," the work is not only hindered for the year, but for years, for a failure of any organization to do its work is very discouraging, and damaging to the cause.

It is better to put in young men, unless the older men are keeping young intellectually and spiritually.

4. The pastor gets at the foundation of the missionary work when he organizes and keeps going missionary Sunday schools and missionary training classes.

5. The pastor must preach on missions, not a long, dry sermon, which puts the folks to sleep, but sermons that awaken mind and soul as well as body, gripping them with the thought and imbuing them with the spirit of missions.

6. The Canvass. When the canvass is being made the pastor should not be seen or heard; this is the layman's job, and the pastor should stay out; his work should have been done, and if done well, and he had good material for his organization, the work will be accomplished by them and can give his whole time and thought to real ministerial duties; and one of these is to preach and practice tithing. After all, we will never accomplish much in missions till we as a church go to tithing. Nearly all the opposition to missions comes from the money side—pure stinginess. Cure this and the other will be easy. As a pastor, I will say that my greatest success has been in this. A tither will inspire a whole church. So the influence of a single tither is like one of Gideon's braves.

WHAT IS THE PLACE OF THE WOMEN OF THE CHURCH IN THE EVERY-MEMBER CANVASS?

By Mrs. Lucy H. Robertson, President W. M. S. W. N. C. Conference

There seems to be but one answer to the above question. As a member of that body is not a woman on a parity with man in the responsibility of supporting the church and upholding its institutions? This obligation is not eliminated from her vow of church membership, and hence she must be bound by the same promise as is her brother man; and both alike must meet the responsibility. Just here, perhaps, is the crux of the situation. Woman, because of her economic restrictions and her financial dependence in most cases, has not often control of any considerable amount of money; and usually that which does pass through her hands is predestined for some definite object, from which she does not feel that it can be diverted for even so sacred a use as that of supporting her church institutions either at home or abroad. Thus she naturally grows forgetful, if not indifferent, with respect to her individual responsibility, feeling that it is sufficient if the head of the household discharges the obligation for the entire family. In this way she is deprived not only of a privilege, but is hindered in the performance of a duty which rests upon her as well as upon the man.

The sisters who are situated so that they do not have an independent income should have a free and candid discussion of this matter with their husbands, letting them see that they feel that they are not measuring up to their duty and privilege unless they can contribute to the claims of the church from the common funds. They should insist on being regarded as individuals in the household of faith, and as such they should uphold the dignity of their position. And the wife's portion should not be merely a few crumbs from the family loaf, but a generous slice, such as will satisfy her own sense of right and give her the joyful approval of a conscience that can not rest satisfied under the burden of an unfulfilled obligation. But there are many business women in our congregations who earn their living by the sweat of their brows; and likewise a few who enjoy stated incomes from investments, or otherwise. To all these the above remarks are applicable with a special force. They have only to consult their consciences and to put aside a stated sum as God has prospered them; and so when they are approached by the canvasser it is their joyous privilege to assume their proportionate part of the church and Conference collections.

If a special missionary is supported by the congregation, each woman should gladly respond to this call, unless the Woman's Missionary Society of her church is supporting a missionary, or some other form of special; in that case the first obligation of the women of the church is to that cause, and since in this, as in all other matters, the cause of man and woman is one, the interests of the missionary work will be advanced, for the Woman's Missionary Society is an effective arm of the church, and in the measure that that arm is strong and active will the entire work of the church be greatly quickened; and in proportion as that arm is weak will the best work of the church be crippled. What shall we say then of that church which has no Woman's Missionary Society? Is it not rowing against the stream, with only one arm, and can it hope to make any great headway against the mighty current of world opposition to God's great cause of bringing the human race to Christ?

Is there not an unanswerable argument here, my dear sisters, for the speedy organization in every charge in our Conference of a Woman's Missionary Society auxiliary to the great work of the church in spreading the gospel throughout the world? Then let us hasten the day when, as women, we shall each and every one labor side by side with our brethren in the glorious work committed to us.

NEWS NOTES

THE DESTRUCTIVE FIRE LAST WEEK at Hopewell, (a suburb of Petersburg), Va., where some 25,000 people have recently assembled, was a calamity which brought great suffering to many families who by it are reduced to want. The city had been hurriedly built out of inflammable material and when an oil stove exploded and a fire started there was nothing at hand with which to stop it. Fortunately few lives were lost. Had the fire extended to the powder plant nearby the explosion would have damaged property for miles around.

* * * *

THE TWO GREAT POLITICAL PARTIES of the nation are already preparing for the next year's campaign. The Democratic National Committee has selected Saint Louis as the place and June 14th as the time for the National Convention, and President Wilson is of course the only one mentioned for the presidency. The Republican National Committee has just called the National Convention to meet in Chicago, June 7, a week prior to the Democratic Convention. It has always been the custom for the party in power to hold the first convention, but the Republicans have broken the precedent this time by calling their convention first. The most prominently mentioned for the Republican nomination for the presidency are former Senators Root, of New York, and Burton, of Ohio, and Senator Weeks, of Massachusetts. A strong effort has been made to get Justice Hughes, of the Supreme Court, to stand for the nomination but so far he has refused to allow the use of his name.

MISSIONARY NOTES FROM FIELD SECRETARY

Meeting of the district stewards and charge Dec. 6th. The attendance of district stewards leaders of the Mt. Airy District at Rural Hall, was very good. Several charge leaders present and a few pastors. It was a day of painstaking work. The forenoon was given to the business of district stewards, the afternoon to the every-member canvass.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT

December 8th, Dr. Weaver held a similar meeting at West Market Street church, Greensboro, for the Greensboro District. The attendance was large and the discussions betokened a lively interest throughout this district in the Conference-wide canvass. Several of the preachers present promised to go home and have the committees elected and the canvass launched at once. Brother R. B. Chance, lay leader for the district, presided over the lay leaders' meeting.

WINSTON DISTRICT

On December 9th, in Centenary church, Winston, there were three services. At 11:30 a. m. Dr. Boyer opened a joint meeting of the preachers, district stewards and charge leaders of the Winston District. After a brief address by the presiding elder, following the opening exercises, the district stewards repaired to a side room for their annual business session, leaving the preachers and charge leaders in the Sunday school room for a meeting, presided over by District Lay Leader, R. B. Crawford. Brother Crawford made an appropriate talk and presented Brother R. M. Hoyle, who gave a capital address on Revivals. In the afternoon W. H. Willis spoke on "The District Spirit," and R. M. Courtney on "Importance of Early Collections." The session was closed by a round table conference on the every-member canvass.

Surely the pastors and laymen, led by the presiding elders, are taking up the work of the new Conference year with a seriousness, an intelligence and consecration that give promise of a year befitting the times we live in.

* * * *

The mission figures of our Conference year's work grow as the finals are submitted to printer of Conference Minutes. They are, for Foreign Missions, $30447.30; Home and Conference Missions, $27416.69. This is $5114.49 more than was reported at Conference. When the women's figures are in (they hold their annual meeting in January) what will the record be?

THE WAY TO WIN

By W. W. Pinson

The Western North Carolina Conference has adopted the winning method in finances. The every-member canvass in every congregation at a given time early in the year is the ideal method. I am looking to this Conference to demonstrate its feasibility and its possibilities. There are a few things that should not be overlooked, without which the highest success is not to be expected.

1. Preparation. This involves the selection, organization and training of a committee; the study and division of the list of members among the committeemen; clear and specific direction concerning the collections, the amounts needed and for what; the preaching of a series of sermons; the distribution of two or more leaflets; the securing of subscription cards and duplex envelopes in sufficient quantity for all; *and above all, much prayer on the part of the church.*

2. The canvass should be complete and should be personal. No more is this an effort to reduce the giving of the few by increasing the number of givers. It is meant to reach every member with a personal appeal in order to increase both the number of givers and the giving.

It should be done by mail. In exceptional cases where a committee cannot be had, the pastor should do it with such official help as he can command, but do it.

3. Subscriptions should be taken on a weekly basis. Not how much per year but how much per week? should be the question. However it is to be paid, it should be subscribed in fifty-two weekly sums. This is Scriptural, rational, convenient and workable. *Insist on so much per week.*

4. Don't limit your asking to the bare assessments. They are the minimum and an altogether unworthy standard. Represent the larger view. Stress the needs. Lay it on the conscience. Insist on worthy giving on the part of all. Each one's "share" is his own best, not his neighbor's worst, nor the pro rata of a pitiful assessment. We need liberal asking as well as liberal giving. The people will not overdo it. Trust them for that. Besides, the people are better than we think—that is to say, we, the people, are more responsive to a rational, liberal policy than we have yet demonstrated. Let's try ourselves.

5. The pastor must keep in the lead. He can't let up. The committee will do their best only as he leads. They must feel the lift of his influence and the church must hear his voice and see his hand in the whole movement. Both committee and church will be discouraged at the outset if the pastor is not at the front.

Keep heart and hope. Let no one say it can't be done. Try, try hard and try again. It is business, but it is God's business. Trust Him. Go from your knees. It has been done. It can be done again. Western North Carolina is not the soil on which to fail. Have faith in the cause, the method and the people. Then go ahead to certain victory.

THE PLACE OF THE DISTRICT LEADER IN THE EVERY-MEMBER CANVASS

By R. L. Snow

The district leader can have no place in the every-member canvass, or in any other endeavor of the Laymen's Movement, on a charge closed to him by the pastor or charge leader. He should, therefore, secure their active support in a simple business method, having a plan so flexible that it will meet local conditions. The most practicable course to attain this co-operation is to have a district meeting of the pastors and charge leaders when the system may be agreed upon. The meeting should be open to church leaders and stewards.

We must recognize the fact that the every-member canvass requires as much sagacity as that of any business. This is especially true as to the canvassing committee. The district leader, therefore, finds one of his most important duties in an endeavor to secure and equip these committees, and the opportune time to inaugurate this is at the meeting above indicated.

When the local organizations are completed, the district leader should be prepared to furnish the supplies necessary for making a complete record of the canvass. This record should be retained by the secretary-treasurer of the committee and a copy furnished the charge leader, who should provide the district leader with a summary so that he may report the result of the canvass for the district to his superiors. The pastor should supervise the canvass and, of course, have access to all records.

The every member canvass will be of little avail if the effort rests at its completion. The follow-up system is as essential as in any business. Every one connected with the enterprise should remain on the job during the entire year. The district leader's place in this follow-up system is to energize it all the time, keep informed and be on hand wherever needed, if possible.

THE PLACE OF THE LAY LEADER IN THE EVERY-MEMBER CANVASS

By T. C. Hoyle

I have been requested by Brother Siler to write a short article on the subject announced above, and the task has been accepted with great reluctance and diffidence.

The writer feels that he has accomplished so little as a lay leader and is not the proper person to perform this duty, and besides he knows that he can contribute nothing original to the literature upon this subject. Every word he shall use will be found in Webster's dictionary, and every idea he shall advance has been suggested a thousand times before by others.

The primary object of the every-member canvass should not be money, but to enlist the interest and co-operation of every member in the work of spreading the gospel. If the church succeeds in getting the interest and co-operation of every man in the church there will be no trouble to get necessary money to evangelize the world.

One of the weak points in every branch of church work is the lack of effective organization, not organizations, if you please. The church is a mob and not a disciplined army. Every man does as he pleases, and the great bulk of the men please to do nothing for the church.

The church is frequently likened to an army, and the individual Christian to soldiers, and if the church could attain the high degree of organization and discipline maintained by an effective army it would be in an almost ideal condition.

If the church as a whole should be likened to an army, the individual congregation might well be called a regiment, with the pastor as the colonel. The different organizations would then be companies, and the men of the church organized as the Laymen's Missionary Movement ought to be the most effective company in the regiment. The lay leader is the captain of that company, and under the direction of his colonel, the pastor, he should lead the every-member canvass for missions.

He should set a good example by giving liberally himself, and through his subordinate officers he should see that every member of his company is requested to make an adequate offering for the cause of missions, and he should further see that each one did make an offering of some amount.

This would tend to educate the church to liberal giving to this important cause, but all during the year the lay leader should continue the process of education, "For precept must be upon precept; line upon line; here a little, and there a little."

In this way the Church of God may some day become an effective fighting force; and a man may be able to say, "I am a soldier of the Cross," and not feel that he was a boaster.

A MOVEMENT THAT THRILLS

By W. H. Willis, President Board of Missions

Thirty-five hundred Methodist stewards reinforced by an equal number of picked men from the committees on lay activities, marching two abreast, in search of the 100,000 Methodists in the 30,000 homes and business places throughout Western North Carolina—captained by 250 Methodist preachers, the whole commanded by Major General Frank Siler. Does not the thought thrill you? And yet that is just the thing that is about to be done. It ought to be done. Bishop Haygood said in his day that there were fourteen hundred thousand Southern Methodists who did not give a single cent to foreign missions. I am persuaded that conditions now are but little better. There are probably 60,000 of our Western North Carolina Methodists who made no contribution to foreign missions last year. Let any pastor who questions this, compare the number of last year's contributions in any congregation with the whole membership. It will be otherwise when the whole membership is approached intelligently, systematically, in the beginning of the year and the matter laid upon the individual heart and conscience.

What splendid possibilities in this movement! The men who are handicapped with the prestige of forty annual failures, should catch step with this music, and for the first time, feel the thrill of hope. The tramp, tramp of these enthusiastic legions will shake to their foundation the towers and battlements of indifference and stagnation. The preacher's store account, soiled and yellowed with age, will be relegated to the things that were. The annual tug, as a Methodist institution, will fall into a state of innocuous desuetude. And the black spots will shrivel and shrink, and fade into a whiteness like that of the snow on the tops of our mountains in February.

Attention! Forward! March!

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

THIS IS MY TASK

To love some one more dearly every day,
To help a wandering child to find his way,
To ponder o'er a noble thought and pray,
And smile when evening falls—
This is my task.

To follow truth as blind men long for light,
To do my best from dawn of day till night,
To keep my heart fit for His holy sight,
And answer when He calls—
This is my task.

ANNUAL MEETING AGAIN

We are requested to ask that all representatives to the Annual Meeting, which convenes in West Market Street church, Greensboro, January 27-31, will please send their names as early as possible to Mrs. J. Ed. Albright, 314 Wainman Street, Greensboro, N. C., who has been appointed chairman of the Hospitality Committee.

My dear sisters, many of us realize what a responsibility rests upon this committee as they try to arrange for the pleasure and accommodation of the many delegates, who will attend this meeting, and we can greatly aid them in their work by promptness in sending in the names. Let us elect our delegate at once and send to Mrs. Albright her name, so that arrangements may be made for her entertainment. Only five weeks until we are in annual session again. We trust that this meeting is going to be the very best in our history. There remains much to be done during these remaining weeks. The records of this year must be finished up, and it very necessary that each auxiliary meet all its obligations if we come out with a clean sheet in our Conference. We cannot afford to be behind in our collections at the close of this quarter, as our Conference has pledged the amounts asked of us and is expecting us to meet those pledges. $15,000 has been asked for on the pledge. Let us look up our records and see how much of it remains to be paid during the remaining fifteen days in which we have to work, and with an earnestness with which we have never before worked, let us try to bring it all up, so that at our annual meeting we may have the joy that comes from a feeling of having done what we could in this great missionary work.

REPRESENTATION AT ANNUAL MEETING

We are in receipt of a letter from one of our district secretaries, in which she asks that we state plainly and clearly just how many representatives are expected to attend the meeting from each auxiliary. On looking over our annual reports we find that the last ruling made in this matter was at Gastonia, when it was decided that each Adult and Young People's auxiliary was entitled to send the president and one delegate; the Junior society was to be represented by the leader of the society (This leader is usually the second vice-president of the Adult society.) We hope that this will make it clear in the minds of our workers and that each society in our Conference may be represented at this meeting.

We are very sorry that the following notice came to us too late for last week's issue.

NOTICE TO AUXILIARIES

When selecting your officers for another year, please do not omit from your list the superintendent of supplies. While in many auxiliaries the work of this office requires activity only during a part of the year, this fact does not warrant its being combined with the duties of another office in the society. This is a distinct department, performing a specific and important service, and can be more systematically and successfully carried on by having a superintendent of supplies in each auxiliary to co-operate with the Conference Superintendent of Supplies.

Then, too, it gives one more woman through active service and responsibility, and opportunity to grow, which in an end always to be sought. As the last quarter draws to a close, there is one question I should like to ask. Have you made a report of all the supply work you have done this year? If you have packed a box for a needy preacher or a mission school or if you have rendered aid to an institution or to a city mission board that is in any way connected with the Woman's Missionary Council, and as yet have not reported it to me, let me urge you to do so at once, as I am anxious to have a full and complete report of our year's work.

Yours in love and service,
Mrs. J. N. Hauss,
Conf. Supt. of Supplies.

The following communication will be read with interest and regret by the friends of our Scarritt Bible and Training School, and we trust that every effort for the restoration of the funds referred to may be wholly successful.

THE SCARITT BIBLE AND TRAINING SCHOOL

The announcement recently made through the Associated Press regarding the loss of the endowment fund of the Scarritt Bible and Training School has called forth expressions of hearty sympathy from friends throughout the whole church. The Executive Committee of the Woman's Missionary Council feels that to these friends and the church at large is due a brief statement regarding the matter.

The endowment fund, amounting to $146,584.20, has become involved because of the unfortunate speculation of the treasurer of the Board of Managers in Kansas City. At the request of other creditors the court appointed a receiver for the Investment Company, of which he was the head.

The Training School has retained one of the best law firms in the city to look after its interests. The definite loss will not be known until the careful investigation of the assets and liabilities which has been begun shall have been completed. Every effort will be made to recover the fund and to safeguard the interests of the school. The school plant is not involved in the loss. A maintenance fund to sustain the school for the remainder of the scholastic year is being raised by the Board of Managers.

Miss Belle H. Bennett,
Mrs. F. S. Parker, Rec. Sec.

AN ALL-DAY MEETING

An occasion of especial interest to the members of the Woman's Missionary Society of Central church, Asheville, was the all-day meeting held on Monday of last week, following the close of a membership campaign which was waged in the church during November. As a result of this campaign thirty-four members were added to the roll. This result was accomplished by means of a contest in which each member of the auxiliary took part, under the leadership of two live captains. This all-day meeting was opened at eleven-thirty with a devotional service conducted by the president, after which several splendid talks and papers were given, interspersed with beautiful vocal solos and the singing of gospel hymns. The entire morning was given over to this program and at one o'clock a lunch was served at the church by the defeated participants in the contest.

An afternoon service was held at which time the officers for the new year were chosen. This society has had a splendid year and has grown, not only in numbers, but spirituality.

The following paper was read by one of the members of Central auxiliary at the all-day meeting referred to above.

WHAT THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY MAY MEAN TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

A few days ago, when the writer was asked to talk upon this subject at a public meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society, she asked one of the most active workers in the church to tell her what she thought would be a good answer to the question, and unhesitatingly she replied: "The missionary society will mean just what they make it mean." As I have thought about it it seems to me her answer was a most correct one. If we unite with the society, believing it to be a God-given opportunity and privilege, expecting, hoping and praying to get out of it the best there is in it, we very naturally get the result for which we are looking.

On the other hand if we join simply from a sense of duty or perhaps because of the importunity of some friend who is interested enough in us as to want us to become a member, if our only motive is a graification of that friend's wishes or maybe to quiet our consciences, then there will come to us none of the great spiritual joy to which every loyal member of an auxiliary is entitled.

The Woman's Missionary Society is an organized agency of the church —its purpose to carry out God's commands. The fruits of thirty-seven years' existence proves its efficiency. By joining the missionary society we become a vital force in the evangelization of the world. A live coal no matter how brightly it glows, will die if other coals are not added, so missionary enthusiasm needs the strength of organization.

The missionary society develops our talents, rounds out our lives, challenges our faith, lessens our ignorance, broadens our sympathies, widens our opportunities, deepens our prayer life, strengthens us in spiritual things, in fact, transforms our whole lives. Loving fellowship and sympathy grow from assemblying together; united prayer becomes a habit; faith is strengthened by knowledge of mission conquest; self-denial is inculcated by holding up greater results than our own personal gratification; we become gentle and forbearing by working together in close relations; we learn diligence and business methods in Christian work by the systematic transaction of the society's affairs; steadfastness of purpose is gained by regular meetings and gifts; godliness by Bible study and to sisterly kindness is added love, expressing itself in helpful deeds.

The missionary society has several missions to perform:

First—a mission to the indiviual in the building of Christian character.

Second—a mission to the church, in keeping abreast with the times from the standpoint of Christian progress by missiion study, in training the young for Christian service; and in daily definite prayer.

Third—a mission to the community in a loving service by means of mothers' meetings, girls' clubs, mission Sunday schools, thoughtful care for the sick and needy.

Fourth—a mission to the state in living ideal Christian lives.

Fifth—a mission to other lands in the efforts for the salvation and redemption of the world.

My sisters, is it not a privilege to be a part of an organization, with motives so holy, with ideals so high? Shall we not use in God's service the talents He has entrusted to us until His coming. Shall we not dedicate to Him the very best that in us is?

It has been said that there is in every organization three kinds of members—the shirkers, the jerkers and the workers. The shirkers, as their name implies, work not at all; the jerkers work spasmodically, by fits nd starts, while the workers are those who pull steadily anywhere the load given them, no matter how heavy; they are those upon whom depends the successful carrying forward of this great missionary work. May we not designate them as the cold members—those into whose hearts the missionary fires have not yet been started; the lukewarm members—those whose hearts have been touched but the flame has not been added to, and it does not burn brightly; those members who are on fire with missionary zeal and enthusiasm. To which class do you belong? We trust that God will touch the hearts of every woman enlisted in this work during this campaign and that she may prove a blessing to her auxiliary, giving to it new strength and new zeal, and in the final reckoning may He smile with commendation on every effort put forth for the advancement of His Kingdom.

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

Mrs. James Clinton Smoot, North Wilkesboro, N. C.

I read the other day, this: "There has been so much said and well said on the subject of Christian Stewardship that it seems useless to attempt a new discussion of the subject.

The strong and stirring utterances of the present day leaders present so clearly and impressively our duty and privilege that we might well use one of these for our occasion." But since I feel that you too have read these same articles, as we all enjoy the same magazines and references I will give you a brief summary of what I have gleaned.

First, let us consider the world's definition of the duties of a steward. They are the management of the estate with full control of all its revenues and the regulation of the running and financial affairs. Several definitions I found laid especial stress upon the control of the finances, and finally a steward is required to give strict account of his stewardship. Does it seem one could hold a more important or responsible position than that of steward of the household? Then what is required of a Christian steward? He is in the control of the estate of God, which are the souls of this world, and of the finances for controlling that great estate. We are each one a steward of God. First, we have especial charge over the estates of our characters, for of them we shall have to give first account. St. Paul says in his Epistle to Titus, first chapter and sixth verse: "Be blameless as stewards of God, not self-willed, not soon angry, not given to wine, no striker, not given to filthy lucre, but a love of good men, just, holy, temperate, holding fast to the faithful word." Second, in our relation to others. Our stewardship should shine always in our intercourse with those we meet, our family, friends or strangers. "Be cheerful, helpful, patient and mild. These are the marks of God's own child. Also our earnest endeavor should be to bring others to know, to love and to serve our Master. Third, and special emphasis is placed upon this duty in both spiritual and temporal definitions, is that of the financial charge. Here I do not feel adequate to judge or to speak, so I will simply quote one of our great

(Continued on Page 15)

Epworth League Department

Conducted by R. R. Mitchell, Greensboro, N. C.

KEEPING THE LEAGUE ALIVE

By Francis M'Kinnon Morton

The League is governed by the law of service just as every other institution in the world is. The less time any church or any institution of any church spends in trying to keep its members loyal and interested, the more time it wastes, for such time is wasted. The business of every institution in the world is to serve the world, and the way to make people take note of what you are doing and rally to your support is to do something worth doing. As soon as the young people of a church feel that the business of the League is to amuse and entertain them it has lost its hold on them. The business of the League is to give them a definite place to serve and a definite service to do.

Let the League begin to do something. Start a boys' club or a girls' club with a definite thing to be accomplished, and everybody in the church wants to help them do it. The church wants to keep its hold on its young people, but there isn't any way to do it except to keep them in the army of service. One lively League I know supports a teacher in a mission school; another has a class three nights in the week where its members give their services to teaching a class of boys in a business course. One League I know started out to find every young person in the little town and learn his church affiliation and needs. It was a stirring campaign, and the League quit dragging out its life and took fresh courage. Do something; do something. Doing something is the only way to keep the League alive, and it must be something for others, not something for itself. A church that nurses itself is a dead church, and a League that spends its time trying to keep alive is already dead and ought to be buried or get busy. Let the League leaders in any church begin to lay out active plans for service, and the pastor may know that there is to be a live member of his institution. Let the League leaders come to the pastor for plans to keep the League alive, and the pastor might as well hunt for the burial service suitable for dead Leagues.

In our town and city churches there are so many religious services held during the hours of a Sunday that almost if not every member of the League has enough church-going to do if that were the only mission of the League—the Sunday service. The work of the League is to help the pastor to organize all this splendid youth and energy that is growing up in the church. The business of the League is not to keep a hold on the young people of the church; it is to use the young people to serve the world for which the church is working. Where the endeavor of youth is, there also is its heart. The treasure of youth is its power of endeavor, its capacity for work, and that the church needs and strives to get through the League.—Epworth Era.

OUR LEAGUE SYMBOLS

By Miss Nellie Wilson

There are three symbols of the Epworth League: Our flower, the purple violet; our colors, gold and white; our badge, the maltese cross.

First, let us turn our attention to the symbolic teaching of our flower, the violet, noted for its beauty and sweet simplicity. It is an emblem of love and faithfulness, qualities which should be found in every member of the League: love toward God and our fellow-men and faithfulness in our service to others. Let us read from each of the velvet petals of this royal flower a message for the League from the King of kings.

In the richness of the first petal we read the message of "spirituality." As the person who lacks spirituality can not labor effectually for the cause of Christ, so the League that has not spirituality, however strong in other respects, is powerless to work for Him.

In the second petal we see the word "Resourcefulness." Resourcefulness is a characteristic of every good League. Each meeting should be made interesting and attractive, so that members and visitors will like to attend and take part in the service of the hour.

The next petal breathes the message of "growth." Growth in grace is just as essential for the development of a good League as it is for every Christian life. Let us place our ideal high and then strive by every effort to reach it.

The fourth petal of our flower teaches the lesson of "perseverance." In every League there comes a time when interest subsides and discouragements arise, but those who press forward in spite of all will gain their reward in the sure knowledge of the good which they accomplish.

In the last petal we read a lesson that surpasses in beauty all the rest —"helpfulness to others." The world of today needs that lessson. There are people on every side who stretch out their hands to us, imploring aid, and in many instances they are more easily reached through the League than through an individual.

Our League flower should bring these messages to us whenever we look upon it, and breathe a word of hope and cheer to all who are discouraged.

The gold and white of our colors, the second of our League symbols, are emblematic of true worth for service and purity of character, and when our Leaguers wear these colors it signifies their desire and purpose to become truly worthy of service in the cause of Christ and to keep pure and spotless in character.

The third of our symbols is the badge, the Maltese Cross. This cross derives its name from the fact that it was used as an emblem by the Knights of Malta, a famous military religious order founded during the middle ages. Its special work was caring for the sick and poor and giving assistance to weary pilgrims. The cross is eight-pointed, each point radiating from a circle inclosing a smaller circle. The smaller circle incloses an ordinary cross in the fact of a blazing sun, while the space between the two circles contains the League motto, "All for Christ." The eight points are connected in pairs by four straight lines, forming the crown, base and wings of the cross. In the wings are the letters "E. L." The eight points indicate the eight points of Christian character as expressed in the Beautitudes, where Christ sets forth the essential characteristics of those who would be members of His Kingdom. Let us name these traits of character: humility, deep concern for self and others, meekness, aggressive spirituality, mercy, purity, love of peace, and patient endurance for the sake of Christ.

The circle from which the points radiate is symbolic of the teaching of the motto, viz.: the completeness of our consecration to the cause of Christ. The eight points going out from the circle teach that the true source of these traits of character is found in the completeness of our devotion to our Saviour.

The circle, indicating the fulness of our consecration, has the cross in the face of the blazing sun in its center. From this we learn that as the life of Christ, with His great sacrifice and death on the cross is the principal cause of our faith, so the inspiration of our complete surrender and consecration is found in Him and His cross.

Standard Form Collection Envelopes

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

HOLT'S CHAPEL

FOR PASTOR'S SALARY

AMOUNT

Name ..... | Dollars | Cents |

Date ..... 191....

MISSIONS AND CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

MOUNT ZION CHURCH

Name ..... | Dollars | Cents |

Date .....

$1.90 for 1000, delivered

$1.40 for additional 1000, delivered

FOR EITHER FORM

This price is based on using the above forms, changing name of church only. The large envelope is manila, and of the quality regularly used for Pastor's Salary collections. The small envelope can be furnished in white, green or cherry. Its difference in color and size from the Pastor's Salary form makes it ideal for Missions and Conference Collections.

If special form is desired the price will average $2.40 for the first 1000, and $1 40 for additional 1000's, delivered.

Special rates on large quantities.

The Advocate Press, Greensboro, N. C.

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective Oct. 10th, 1915

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	No. 4 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester.....Lv.	7 43 a m	----------	7 43 am	----------	5 35 pm	----------
Yorkville.....“	8 29	----------	8 29	----------	7 10	----------
Gastonia.....“	9 14!	3 10 p m	9 14	----------	9 05	----------
Gastonia.....“	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------
Lincolnton.....“	10 15	4 06	10 15	----------	----------	----------
Newton.....“	10 50	5 02	10 50	----------	----------	----------
Hickory.....“	11 40	5 35	11 28	12 30 pm	----------	6 00 am
Lenoir.....“	12 45 p m	6 33	----------	1 20	----------	7 55
Lenoir.....“	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------	----------
Mortimer.....“	----------	7 54	----------	2 49	----------	----------
Edgemont.....Ar.	----------	8 05	----------	3 00	----------	----------
Southbound	**NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only**	**No. 3 Passenger Sun. Only**	**NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun**	**NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.**
Edgemont.....Lv.	----------	6 45 a m	----------	7 00 am	----------	----------
Mortimer.....“	----------	6 53	----------	7 08	----------	----------
Lenoir.....“	1 50 pm	8 02	----------	----------	----------	----------
Lenoir.....“	----------	----------	----------	8 17	----------	----------
Hickory.....“	2 45	9 05	2 50 pm	9 15	----------	----------
Newton.....“	3 18	9 30	3 18	----------	----------	----------
Lincolnton.....“	3 53	10 05	3 53	----------	----------	----------
Gastonia.....“	4 40	10 55	4 40	----------	----------	----------
Gastonia.....“	5 00	----------	5 00	----------	4 15 am	----------
Yorkville.....“	5 46	----------	5 46	----------	5 34	----------
Chester.....Ar.	6 35	----------	6 35	----------	7 20	----------

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA—Southern Railway, Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. **CHESTER, S. C.**

And further than this, it teaches us that the best and fullest life is lived by those whose hearts are aflame with love for God and man, and who patiently bear, for the sake of the Master, whatever cross He may see fit to give them.—Raleigh Christian Advocate.

Children's Home

Fifth Sunday Collections

J. M. Coleman, Hayesville, Oak Forest S. S., $1.00; J. F. Eagle, Statesville, Chapel Hill S. S., $2.34. Total, $3.34.

Amounts Received on Ten Per Cent. Assessment and on General and Special Support

Mrs. Lena Reddick, Winston-Salem, $5.00; Rev. J. S. Hiatt, Winston-Salem, Grace church, $65.00; W. H. Rees, Greensboro, West Market St. Baraca, $10.00; E. M. Hoyle, Treas., Mt. Zion church, Cornelius, $15.26; Rev. E. Myers, Advance Ct., $3.97. Total, $99.23.

Thanksgiving Offerings

Mrs. Susan Link, Iron Station, $1.00; W. Cox, Linwood, $5.00; G. B. Goodson, Lincolnton, $5.00; Mrs. John F. Griffith, Winston-Salem, $1.24; George B. Strickland, Murphy, $4.00; a friend at Troutman, through E. M. Wagner, $1.00; Samuel Turner Clement, Monbo, 5c; Mary Neal Clement, Monbo, 10c; Kenneth Ray Clement, Monbo, $10c; L. A. Jackson, Shelby, $1.00; J. F. Garren and family, Hendersonville, $3.85; J. B. Parks, Statesville, $8.70; L. H. Phillips, Newton, $10.15; J. Thomas McLean, Lincolnton, for Maple Camp, No. 45, Woodmen of the World, $1.00; a friend, Catawba, $2.00; P. A. Apperson, Macedonia church, Rural Hall, $2.00; Prof. D. Matt Thompson, Statesville, amount designated from collection in public school, $4.67; James E. Mann, Greensboro, $2.50; Rev. T. B. Johnson, Summerfield church, $1.20; no name, Denton, 35c; from Pilot Mountain, the following: C. S. Walters, $10.00; Mrs. R. E. L. Flippen, $5.00; Mrs. R. E. Worth, $1.00; Mrs. R. A. Frye, $1.00; Mrs. Rena L. Gordon, 50c; T. W. Dost, 50c; Ray Whittington, 25c; L. M. Snider, 25c; Mrs. L. M. Snider, 25c; Mrs. L. M. Snider, 25c; Miss Cora Hiatt, 25c; Miss Sallie Bowman, 25c; Miss Wilma Snow, 40c; Miss Gertrude Snow, 20c; Miss Ethel Snow, 25c; Winston McKinney, 25c; no name, 10c; Paralee Reid, 5c; Richard Reid, 5c; Joyce Flippin, 5c; Miss Catherine Reid, 5c; Joe Swinson, 5c; Orin Swinson, 5c; no name, Clemmons, 25c; Miss May Dorsey, Iron Station, 50c. Total, $76.41.

Amounts Received on Building Fund

Mrs. J. M. Brown, Albemarle, $5.00; A. H. Nance, Asheville, $6.25.

Acknowledgement

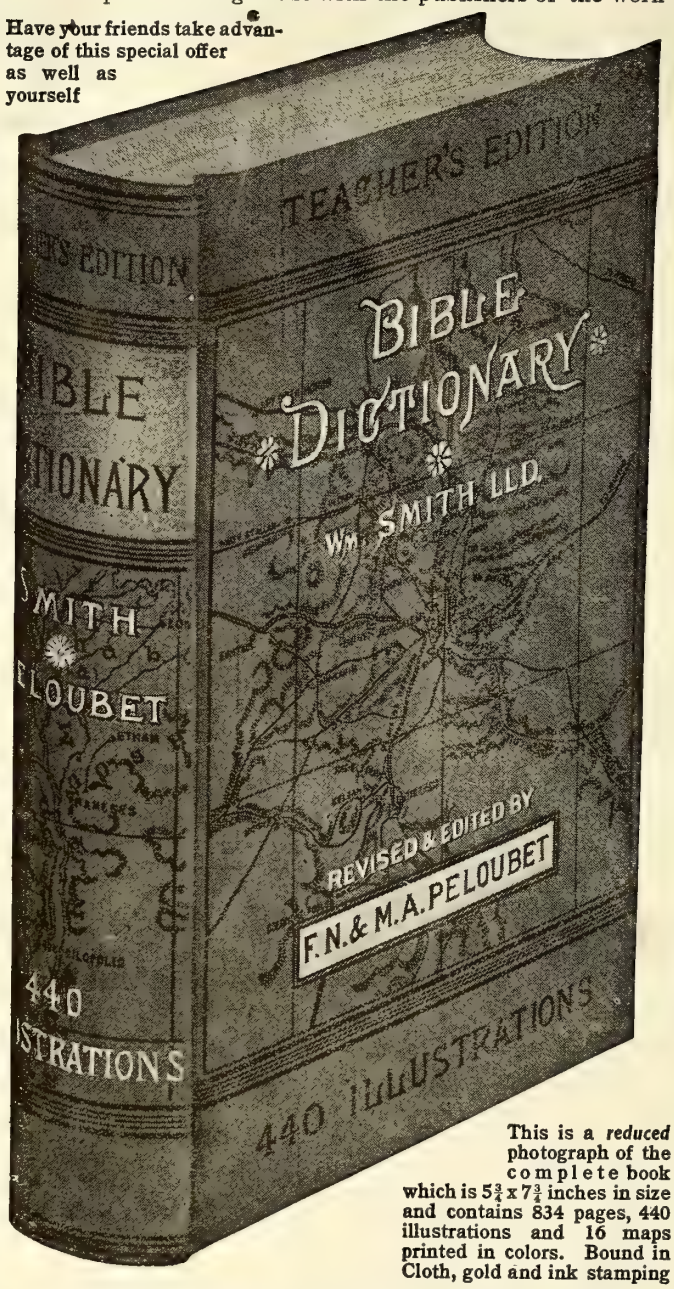
The Home is in receipt of the following articles, and our sincere thanks are extended to the donors: Miss Leuvinia Hayworth's class of girls, S. Main St. S. S., Salisbury, 3 dozen pairs boys' stockings; Miss Will Stocton, Sec. of the Kernersville branch of the Needlework Guild of America, their annual box of useful articles; 9 boxes canned fruit, Bethlehem church and Sunday school, Climax, by Mrs. Peter Field; five boxes canned pears, Mrs. Jno. S. Carpenter, Lincolnton church; Woman's Home Missionary Society, Murphy, by Mrs. J. R. McLelland, three boxes canned fruit; Mrs. W. F. Shinn, Statesville, one box canned fruit; East Flat Rock church, a liberal donation of various articles of food and twelve yards of cloth; the Philathea class of the First M. E. church, Salisbury, by Mrs. D. A. Beaver, five cases canned goods and groceries; a box of girls' hats and trimming material, the Misses Davis, Marion; three quilts from Sharon S. S., Fair View, by Mrs. B. J. Alexander; Natt M. Pickett, Madison, two cases choice California Evaporated Peaches.

The Christian Advocate Offers You This Well Known Bible Dictionary

SEE SPECIAL OFFER BELOW

Realizing the wide demand that exists among our constituents for this Bible Dictionary, we have made a special arrangement with the publishers of the work by which they agreed to supply it to us on exceptional terms, provided we would widely advertise it, and this enables us to offer this **well-known Bible Dictionary in its original form** and with all its important features, including over 400 illustrations and maps in colors, at **less than half the regular price.**

Have your friends take advantage of this special offer as well as yourself



This is a *reduced* photograph of the complete book which is 5¾ x 7¾ inches in size and contains 834 pages, 440 illustrations and 16 maps printed in colors. Bound in Cloth, gold and ink stamping

THE FATHER OF ALL BIBLE DICTIONARIES

Everyone acknowledges the superior value of Dr. William Smith's Bible Dictionary, as containing the fruit of the ripest Biblical scholarship. It is practically the foundation, or father, of all other Bible Dictionaries. This late edition is brought down to the twentieth century and thoroughly revised to incorporate modern research and discoveries in Bible lands. It has been adapted in its present form to the convenience of teachers and scholars.

MAKES BIBLE STUDY EASY. MAKES THE BIBLE PLAIN TO EVERY READER

This Bible Dictionary is a veritable treasure to Christian Workers. It contains in the simplest language a full explanation of all topics mentioned in the Bible--every place, nation, tribe, person, and historical event; every custom and rite; every instrument and implement; every animal, plant, flower, mineral, metal, etc. It is a systematic collation of all the facts recorded in the Bible, supplemented and explained by materials supplied from authentic records of Biblical times. It gives in compact and lucid form the substance of the result of profound Biblical scholarship and research. IT OPENS A NEW UNDERSTANDING AND APPRECIATION OF THE BIBLE IN A WAY THAT NO OTHER BOOK DOES.

Our Special Offer

From this till January first we offer the Advocate one year and this dictionary for

$2.50

This applies to new subscribers and renewals.

Address **CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, GREENSBORO, N. C.**

Note

We have already received notice from kind friends of their intention to make the Home a partner in their enjoyment of the Christmas season, and we trust that this will remind many others of the opportunity to express by gifts of things we need, their good will to the Children's Home. We would also remind those of our friends who forgot to take part in the Thanksgiving offering that a Christmas offering will help just as much.

RECIPE FOR GRAY HAIR

To half a pint of water add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbo Compound and ¼ oz. of glycerine. Apply to the hair twice a week until it becomes the desired shade. Any druggist can put this up or you can mix it at home at very little cost. Full directions for making and use come in each box of Barbo Compound. It will gradually darken streaked, faded gray hair, and removes dandruff. It is excellent for falling hair and will make harsh hair soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off.

WHEN WRITING OUR ADVERTISERS PLEASE MENTION THIS PUBLICATION

CHURCH NEWS ITEMS

The Southern Methodist News Bureau wishes to receive from the brethren in the field news of interest to the entire church. Such items as can be used will be sent out to the Conference papers Friday of each week. Send these news notes to Southern Methodist News Bureau, 810 Broadway, Nashville Tenn.

The year just closed has been the most remarkable in the history of the Holston Conference in evangelistic achievement. The pastors reported 18,827 conversions and 11,655 accessions to the Church. This would average 85 conversions for each pastor in the Conference and more than 50 accessions.

The Virginia Conference, the largest in the connection, reports a total of 123,644 Church members, an increase for the year of 3,875. The conference paid for missions on regular assessments and specials more than $80,000, and, including woman's work and all other missionary contributions, the total was $135,319.

Dr. F. S. Parker, General Secretary of the Epworth League, has decided not to go to Dallas to take up the work of a professor in the school of Theology of Southern Methodist University. His work there was not to begin until after January 1, and his place will be supplied by the Board of Trustees of the University.

The North Alabama Conference has thirty-two superannuate homes, valued at $75,000, and homes now pledged have an approximate value of $35,000. The agent for this work, Rev. John W. Norton, Birmingham, Ala., has secured every home owned by the Conference and, in addition, has secured donations for much other valuable property.

The Western North Carolina Conference made a great record during the year just closed. The gain in number of church members was more than 6,000, the total membership now being 106,503. This is the largest membership gain reported by any Conference the present year. The Conference paid for missions more than $53,000, a good increase over last year's record. In the two North Carolina Conferences there are now more than 200,000 members.

FROM CONFERENCE EVANGELIST

We have just closed a great meeting with Brother Hickman at Sutherland, on the Creston charge, resulting in about 66 professions, 28 accessions to our church, and some to other churches. The church was greatly revived, and, notwithstanding the extreme cold weather, the interest and congregation both increased from the beginning. There are some good people at Sutherland.

I am now with Rev. A. J. Burrus, at Patterson Springs, on the Shelby charge. W. L. Dawson.

RESOLUTION

Whereas, Dr. Thomas F. Marr has acceptably filled the pastorate of Trinity M. E. Church, South, of Charlotte, N. C., for four years, and now, at the end of that period, according to the usage and custom of the church must be transferred to some other charge, it is fitting and proper that we should give expression to the feelings of love and confidence with which we have learned to regard him and bear testimony to the splendid service that he has rendered to the church since he has been with us.

As a man Dr. Marr has walked among us simply and without ostentation. He has measured up to the duties of a citizen and a neighbor. The wearing of the cloth has not removed him from the common touch. He has stood at all times for civic improvement and for the building up of the community along all wholesome material and social, as well as spiritual lines.

As a pastor, Dr. Marr has labored earnestly to draw his flock into a closer relationship with the church and with each other. He has sympathized with them in their homes and been concerned about their varying fortune. To them he has been a true friend and brother, in whose heart they have found a responsive cord alike in joy and in sorrow. To them he has been also a true shepherd, leading them in paths of righteousness.

As a preacher, Dr. Marr has measured up to the high standard set by the foremost members of the Conference. His sermons have been of a uniformly high order. His efforts have been to expound the fundamental and essential truths of the Christian religion, without addition or subtraction, and by so doing to confirm and strengthen the faith of communicants, as well as to persuade others to take their stand with Christ and the church.

During the past year Dr. Marr's life has been saddened by the death of his wife and companion, and in this bereavement he and his have had our heartfelt sympathy. While the sorrow has been great, the manner of his going through it has been an example to us of a faith in God that is unwavering and unquestioning.

And, in conclusion, let us add, that under the leadership of Dr. Marr during the past four years, Trinity church has prospered. Petty jealousies have been overcome and trivial discord has been allayed; so that today there is absolutely harmony among us and the condition of the church, both spiritually and materially, is such as to inspire us with a new hope and a new confidence.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the quarterly conference, and that a copy be sent to the Christian Advocate.

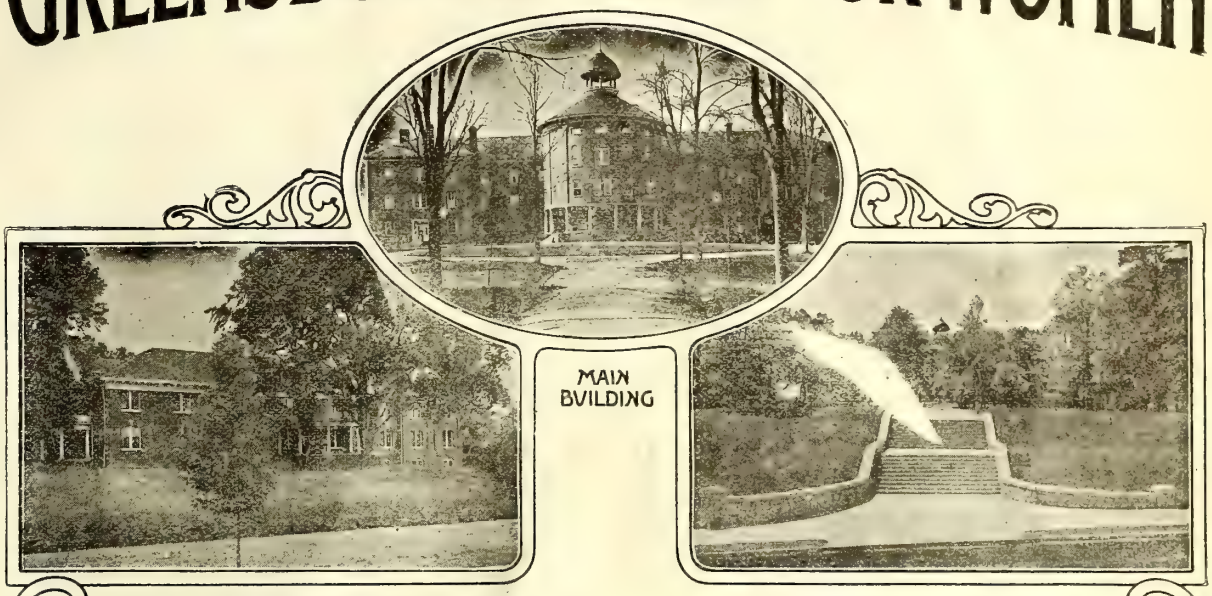
This November 16, 1915.

P. C. Whitlock,
E. W. Bucher,
J. H. Little,

Committee of the Fourth Quarterly Conference.

CABBAGE PLANTS:—We have 53 acres of fine frost-proof cabbage plants, and before placing your order, write for our illustrated catalogue, which gives a full description of all our plants, and tells how to grow them. Piedmont Plant Co., Albany, Ga., and Greenville, S. C.

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



NEW DORMITORY - FITZGERALD HALL

ENTRANCE TO CAMPUS

The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department, open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D. D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $_____ to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name _____

Post Office _____

State _____

Date _____

Remarks _____

MRS. U. B. BLALOCK

It is with deep sorrow that we as a class record the passing away of our beloved teacher, Mrs. U. B. Blalock on the morning of November 2nd, 1915.

Dear Mrs. Blalock was always faithful, sincere—so carefully teaching us the Word of God. She was a true consecrated Christian, unselfish, ever thinking of the welfare of others, especially those who were unfortunate.

Realizing what a great loss has come to us we offer the following resolutions in her memory:

First, that we grieve that God has seen fit to take her from us, but we know that it was for some wise purpose, and we bow in humble submission to the Divine will of Him who never makes a mistake.

Second, that we thank God for the blessed privilege of allowing us to come in such close touch with a life so pure and noble, and trust that we may emulate her example of faithfulness, and willingness always to do her part in all God's work.

Third, that her sweet influence and teaching shall ever remind us of our duty to God and to one another and that we shall strive daily to live as she would have us to.

Fourth, that these resolutions be recorded in our class record, a copy sent to the bereaved family, one to each of our local papers, and one to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Committee,
Kathleen Huntley,
Sara Benton,
Anne Little Masemore.

The Memphis Conference at its recent session adopted by a large majority a resolution which declared that the Conference would not recommend the appointment of any member of the body to Vanderbilt University. Dr. J. H. Stevenson, a member of the Vanderbilt University faculty, withdrew from our church to unite with the Methodist Episcopal Church.

SYSTEMATIC BIBLE STUDY

Let us tell you about the study of the Bible and methods of practical Christian work by correspondence, which is being received more favorably than ever before. We are offering

EIGHT DISTINCT COURSES

These courses give a wide range of choice, and we are confident we have a course that will meet your need. Our prospectus and other literature, which we will be pleased to send you, will tell the story. Address

THE MOODY BIBLE INSTITUTE
Dept. S 3, 153-163 Institute Place, Chicago, Ill.

BY CORRESPONDENCE

The Sunday School Lesson

FOURTH QUARTER—LESSON XII
DECEMBER 19, 1915

THE SONG OF THE ANGELS

(Christmas Lesson) Luke 2.1-20

Golden Text—The angel said unto them, Be not afraid; for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all the people. Luke 2:10.

Summary of the Lesson

The children were all alive with excitement. There was a large Christmas tree sparkling with candies and loaded with presents, and a real "Santa Claus" stood before the tree, jingling merry bells. Before he gave out the presents he made a little speech, and in the speech there was one sentence which some of the children never forgot. "The real Christmas tree," he said, "must grow in your hearts, and you can keep it there all the year round." Our study today has to do with a little group of men who had an empty place in their hearts all waiting for the Christmas message. So it came about that they saw the shining angels and heard the heavenly music and received the great announcement, and so it was that they journeyed off to Bethlehem to find the little Child.

The Men Who Could See Angels

"I have never seen any angels!" said a rough and blatant voice. This particular skeptic had a cold and cruel eye and on his face there were evident marks of indulgence. The people about him were silent for a moment. Then one man said quietly, "No; you haven't seen any angels. How could you?"

There were other shepherds in the country near Bethlehem who saw no vision of angels on the night when Christ was born. They were busy with their sheep and had no thought of a great coming day when God would make Himself known to Israel. Their talk that night did not mount on wings of moral and spiritual aspiration toward the heights of life. There was no beating of angel wings in the world of their thoughts, and so they saw no shining presences in the night sky.

But there was one group of shepherds for whom the silent night was a time of solemn renewal of the hopes of Israel. While the far, bright stars looked down they talked in hushed voices of God's ways with His people and of all that the future might bring. Night was made sacred by their noble communing and their time of watching over the sheep was like an hour of worship. Rugged faced, rough handed, everyday men they were, with hearts of pure gold, waiting for the hour of God's revealing. The old hopes of Israel glowed warmly in their blood, and so they waited while they cared for their sheep. These were the men who saw the angels on that night of nights.

The Men Who Could Hear Heavenly Music

In the exquisite poem, "Crimson Sails," in his latest volume of verse, Alfred Noyes sings.

"But Solomon sacked the sunset,
Wherever his black ships rolled,
He rolled it up like a crimson cloth,
And crammed it into his hold.
* * * * * *
"The kings could cut their cedars,
And sail from Ophir, too;
But Solomon packed his heart with dreams,
And all the dreams were true."

It is the man who packs his heart with noble dreams to whom some things are possible. Other men hear the sound of thunder. He hears the voice. Other men hear a noise. He hears the heavenly music.

Some songs are sung only for those who have hearts to hear. There were shepherds in the fields about Bethlehem for whom the night did not become articulate with wonderful singing voices. For them no mighty chorus filled the air with the throbbing of angelic song. They were not listening for anything. They were not waiting for anything, and they heard nothing.

It is the pain of a great longing which prepares the soul for the beauty of song. If there is no empty place in a man's soul there is no place for music to fill.

One group of shepherds knew the whole story of longing for that which had not yet come. They kept the throne room of their souls waiting for the coming King. They had the capacity to listen which comes only to those who are not satisfied. So it was that they heard the mighty chorus ringing all across the sky and filling their hearts with rapture unknown before.

The Great Announcement

"Scoop down yon beetling mountain,
and raise that jutting cape.
A world is on your anvil; now smite it
into shape.
What is this iron music, whose sound
is borne afar?
The hammers of the world smiths are
beating out a star."

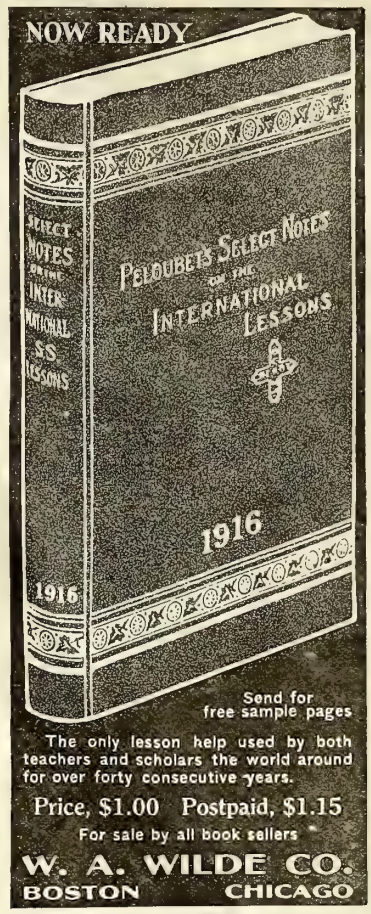
Thus exultantly sang a poet filled with the sense of the marvelous meaning of the present. He saw in vision the world transforming hour, and he summoned men to its tasks. There has been but one hour in the history of the world more full of the solemn, stirring activity of world transforming forces than the hour when the Christ entered into human life. The heart of the experience of the shepherds was in one startling announcement, "There is born to you this day in the city of David a Saviour who is Christ the Lord." "The far-off divine event toward which the whole creation moved" had come. The hour of strategy had arrived. The great coming One had entered into the world. He brought hope and good cheer. He brought gladness and peace. He came with a great deliverance. He came to be a Saviour.

The shepherds were dizzy at the wonder of the thoughts flashed before them like a light out of the night sky, but meditation and dreaming and longing and living in the light of the nation's hope had prepared them for this night, and into their hearts there came a great peace. Their eyes were bright with the exultant consciousness that the supreme hour had come, and they were present to witness it. And deep within was a longing response to the meaning of one great word. That word—"Saviour"—was the answer to the profoundest need which lifted its cry in their lives. As they walked toward Bethlehem they were saying to themselves, "A Saviour who is Christ the Lord."

The Babe in the Manger

The new-born Babe lying in the manger seems an anti-climax after the sky filled with angels and the heavens ringing with beatific song. Only a quiet, anxious man, moving about in the eagerness to answer the slightest wish of the woman near him. Only a drawn, pain-racked face, whose lines were not settling into peace, as a gentle woman lay at rest. Only a very tiny Child, which had flung its first quick cry into the world and now lay sleeping. This was the scene upon which the shepherds gazed. Were they disappointed? Had they expected something more or something different? Their eyes were still shining with the illumination of a great faith. With wondering awe they gazed upon the little Child and saw beyond Him the multitude of men and women to whom He was to bring peace and deliverence. With throbbing hearts they looked upon that small sleeping form, in future years to gird itself for tasks staggering and bewildering to the very thought of these simple shepherds. A great wave of satisfaction rolled over them as they gazed. This was the hope of Israel. Now the future was secure.

So they left Him with Mary and Joseph and went away, seeing by faith's strong eye the Messiah, the Saviour, in the sleeping Child.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in N. Y. Christian Advocate.



EXCHANGE YOUR OLD BODY FOR A NEW ONE

You can do it in three weeks and thereby renew your health. This article is written by a physician who has seen it demonstrated in numerous cases and explains how it is done.

Listen: If your weight is one hundred and thirty-three pounds your body contains eighty pounds of water, for, according to standard medical books, the human body contains sixty-seven and one-half per cent. of water. Now disease is invariably caused by impurities which we call poison, and these are readily dissolved by the right kind of natural mineral water. Drink ten gallons (eighty pounds) of Shivar Mineral Water (use no other water for twenty-one days), and you will have exchanged your old body for a new one, so far as the soluble part of it is concerned. The impurities will be dissolved and pass away. If you suffer with dyspepsia, indigestion, sick headache, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney or liver disease, uric acid poisoning, or other conditions due to impure blood, accept Mr. Shivar's liberal offer which appears below. Read the following letter carefully; then sign and mail it:

Shivar Spring,
Box 5G, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen:

I accept you guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER
Proprietor
GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phoue 571 Res. Phone 1174

DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF
STOMACH AND INTESTINES
121½ S. Elm St. Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland.
109 North Elm Street, 'Pone 44

The Newest Styles of Jewelry
WATCHES, STERLING SILVER
PLATE WARE
Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.
SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS

Plant Trees
from the
Greensboro Nurseries
We have more than a million trees, vines and plants. We will make you a special price. Write today for our special offer.
John A. Young & Sons
Greensboro, N. C.

Chalmers' Gelatine
UNITED PURE SPARING COUPONS
A WHOLESOME DESSERT

BLYMYER CHURCH BELLS.
UNLIKE OTHER BELLS SWEETER, MORE DURABLE, LOWER PRICE. OUR FREE CATALOGUE TELLS WHY
Write to Cincinnati Bell Foundry Co., Cincinnati, O.

Our Little Folks' Department

BARBARA'S SECRET

All the time that she can spare
You can see her sewing there,
In her little high-backed chair.

What it is that Barbara sews
Is a secret no one knows;
Every day the wonder grows.

When we urge her to confess,
She replies that we must guess;
But we try in vain, unless—

Ah! it may be as you say
Mysteries are cleared away
With the break of Christmas day!
—Virginia Bowdoin.

A STUBBORN BOLT

Jack King retired to his room with the new storybooks which his birthday had brought him. Already he was lost in the engaging plot of the first one, and he wanted to read them both undisturbed before he went to bed. It was Friday night, and there was no school to get up so very early for next morning; but he knew that if he stayed down in the living room father would send him to bed promptly at nine o'clock. So he slipped upstairs directly after supper, struck a match to the fire in the open grate, and then locked the door. Sitting before the fireplace, close by the lamp, he continued to read. It seemed to him that there were never before such delightful stories; and when he had finished one, he began another. In the midst of the interesting plot, however, he heard the clock strike nine and then footsteps on the stairs; so he arose and hurriedly put out his light. He kept perfectly still until the procession had passed his door on down the hall to the opposite bedrooms. Then he waited until he was quite safe from interruption and again turned on his light and resumed his reading. Seldom had he been allowed to stay up as long as he liked, so he meant to go to bed just as late as he chose tonight. The old hall clock had struck a good many times when at last he sleepily lay aside his book and, hurriedly undressing, got into bed. Next morning he awoke later than usual. He knew it was late, for he heard his sisters, Stella and Nan, down in the garden at play, and they never went out to play until after they had had their breakfast. His mother's voice at the door, however, left no room for doubt as to the hour.

"You Jack, get up, sonny. It's nine o'clock. I've called you several times, but got no answer. Your door seems to be locked. What's the matter?"

"O, nothing, mother. I'll be up in a minute and unlock it. I just overslept myself," the lad replied as he bounded out of bed and got into his clothes rapidly.

"Well, hurry down to breakfast, or you won't get any. Jane can't stay in the kitchen all morning," mother called as she went downstairs.

"Yes'm," Jack replied as he tried to turn the key. But the bolt was strangely stubborn. Turn the key as hard as he might, the bolt refused to move. Jack, who was very hungry and eager for his bath and to be out in the open, grew impatient. He made such a racket beating on the door and twisting the key that his mother was attracted by the noise.

"What's the matter now?" she called from outside the door.

"This old bolt won't turn," Jack complained.

"My dear, I'm sorry you locked that door. I can't see why you should have done so. I remember now that your father cautioned me never to lock it, as there is something the matter with the bolt, and it is very hard to turn. Aunt Jessamine got locked up in there last year when she was here, you know, and we had to have a locksmith come out from town and let her out."

"I had forgotten about her," Jack observed a bit mournfully. "I wish I hadn't locked it. It seems like I can't do a thing with it; but I'll try rgain."

What seemed to the prisoner a very long time passed before the locksmith arrived from town and opened the door. The finest part of Jack's holiday had gone, and John Ray and Dickie, his mates, had ridden away on their bicycles to the academy baseball grounds when he at last emerged from the house.

"I reckon I'll never lock myself up that way again. I'd rather go to bed early than stay in late next morning," he was thinking as he walked alone down the road.—Med Ransom.

THE NEW ORDER

"Who's going to make a fire in the range?" mother asked as she sat by the window mending stockings.

"It's Frank's time, mother," said Harry as he looked up from his slate.

"'Tain't, neither," retorted Frank. "I brought in the coal and took up the ashes last," he added.

"And I cut the kindling and brought in the water," answered Harry.

"Well," said mother, holding up a pair of holed stockings, "whose stockings are these?"

"They are mine," answered Harry.

"All right," replied mother; "I'll make the fire, and you can wear the stockings just as they are."

Harry looked just a little surprised at his mother's words, but did not say anything when she took a shovel of hot coals from the fire and left the room.

Next day mother was sewing the buttons on a blouse while the two boys sat before the cheerful fire reading a new story-book, and she happened to think about a hen's nest she wanted to make; so she said: "Boys, I want an armful of that nice dry grass from the barn. Which one will go after it?"

"Make Harry go, mother. I'm tired," said Frank, "and I went to the post office this morning."

"Whose blouse is this with the buttons on the front?" kindly asked mother.

"That's mine," answered Frank, after both boys had looked at the garment.

"All right, then," returned mother pleasantly. "I'll just leave the buttons off and go get the hay myself." And, dropping the little blouse, she went out of the house singing.

Neither of the boys seemed to notice this new order of things very much for a while, and it was such an easy way to get out of doing things; and then, of course, mother would not let them go on the streets with holes in their stockings and unbuttoned blouses.

At first when they would find their stockings with holes in them, they would put them back and get another pair; and the same way about the blouses. But still they let mother drop whatever she was doing for them and do the little jobs that she asked them to do. But there came a day when both boys looked at each other and then at their wardrobes in blank astonishment.

There wasn't a blouse in the whole bunch without a lot of buttons off, and there wasn't a pair of stockings in the basket that didn't have ragged holes in them—and the boys were going to a Sunday school party.

"I wonder," said Frank, "why our stockings are full of holes!"

"And all the buttons off our waists," put in Harry.

"Mother never did let us go so ragged before," answered Frank.

"Well, let's go down and ask her to mend our clothes," suggested Harry.

And down they went. But mother wasn't sitting by the window as usual; and after searching through the house and not finding her, they opened the kitchen door and peeped out in the back yard—and there they spied her cutting the kindling.

Both boys remembered that she had asked who would get the kindling for that night and also remembered seeing her drop some work into her basket when neither of them moved when she mentioned the kindling.

They slipped back to the basket, and there lay a pair of holed stockings with darning needle and thread. It dawned upon the boys at once what mother had been doing, and, rushing through the kitchen door, they made a dash for the woodpile.

"O mother," they cried, "we've been such bad, stupid boys to let you do all our work! But we've learned our lesson. If you'll just go back in the house and mend our clothes, we never will be cross, lazy boys any more."

Mother threw an arm lovingly around each of her boys and said: "I'm so glad that my boys have learned that mother's place is in the house."—Alice L. Whitson.

A VACATION LETTER

Small boys who are away from home naturally try to write about their good times. One little boy who was visiting on his grandfather's farm sent his mother, according to the Chicago News, the following letter:—

"Dear Mother,—I am having an awful good time, and have seen lots of animals and an accident. It was an exciting accident. You know Bill Hitchcock, the hired man's neck? Well, he fell in the creek up to it yesterday. Your loving son, Jim."

Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

A mutual fire insurance company, organized, owned and operated by the Methodist Church in North Carolina, for the purpose of furnishing protection for church property and personal property of preachers at ACTUAL COST.

Write for information and rates.

W. E. WEBB, Secretary **Statesville, N. C.**

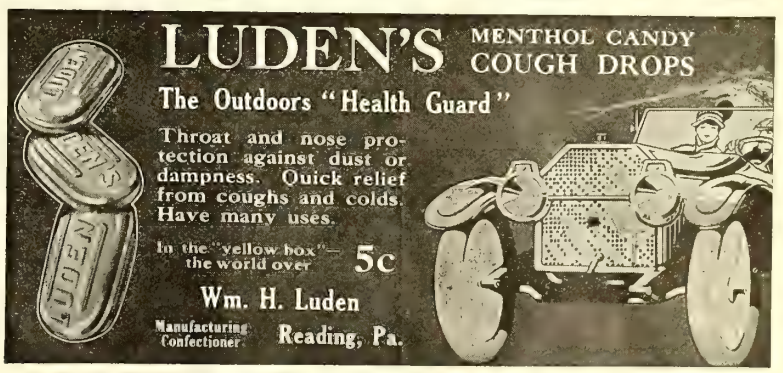
Greensboro Commercial School
110 West Washington St. **Greensboro, N. C.**
Winter Term begins January 3rd., 1916
Bookkeeping and Shorthand our specialty. Write for catalogue.
E. A. McCLUNG, Principal



REGAL BLUE MONUMENTS
Withstand the elements
and are permanent in color because of their dense texture and great resistance to moisture absorption. Awarded the gold medal at St. Louis in 1914. Our quarries produce the only blue marble of the South—Regal Blue—and we have a splendidly equipped finishing plant for its manufacture. Special designs executed. We also finish Confederate Gray, Fantasie and Georgia marble.
THE REGAL MARBLE COMPANY,
REGAL, NORTH CAROLINA.

Business Preparation—Thorough instruction in Bookkeeping, Banking, Accounting, Shorthand, Typewriting, etc.—rendered at minimum cost in shortest time. ***Either school or home courses.*** Good paying positions secured on completion of either.
Write for our illustrated catalogue and learn how this school is equipped to make something of you in the business world. Address
S. P. BROWN, President, **LYNCHBURG, VA.**
VIRGINIA COMMERCIAL AND SHORTHAND COLLEGE

Methodist Benevolent Association
A Mutual Benefit Brotherhood for Southern Methodists. Issues Whole Life, 20-Premium Life, Term to 60, and Disability Certificates. **Benefits** payable at **death, old age,** or **disability.** Over $165,000.00 paid to **widows, orphans,** and **disabled.** Over $44,000.00 reserve fund. Write ***J. H. Shumaker, Secretary, Methodist Publishing House, Nashville, Tenn.***



NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS

DURHAM DISTRICT

J. C. Wooten, Presiding Elder

East Burlington Circuit, R. E. Atkinson; Burlington, D. H. Tuttle; Burlington Circuit, W. F. Galloway; Chapel Hill, Walter Patten; Durham, Branson, O. I. Hinson; Durham, Carr Church, G. B. Starling; Durham, Lakewood, D. E. Earnhardt, Sup; Durham, Mangum St., C. J. Harrell; Durham, Memorial, H. M. North; Durham, Trinity, A. McCullen; Durham, West Durham, J. A. Dailey; Durham Circuit, W. C. Martin; Graham, H. E. Myers; Hillsboro Circuit, T. M. Grant; Leasburg Circuit, J. A. Martin; Mebane circuit, R. G. L. Edwards; Milton circuit, J. E. Blalock; Mt. Tirzah circuit, J. J. Boone; Orange and Carrboro, W. R. Shelton, supply; Pelham circuit, H. C. Smith; Pearl Mill circuit, L. M. Hall, supply; Person circuit, C. R. Ross; Rougemont, B. F. Boone; Roxboro, O. W. Dowd; South Alamance, N. B. Strickland; Yanceville circuit, S. F. Nicks; Professor of Biblical Literature in Trinity College and Headmaster Trinity Park School, W. W. Peele; Conference Evangelist, E. C. Glenn.

ELIZABETH CITY DISTRICT

G. T. Adams, Presiding Elder

Camden circuit, E. L. Stack; Chowan circuit, J. A. Russell; Columbia circuit, M. T. Hodges, Currituck circuit, C. P. Jerome; Dare circuit, M. B. Cox, East Lake, R. W. Hardesty, supply; Edenton, P. D. Woodall; Elizabeth City-City Road, C. B. Culbreth; Elizabeth City, First Church, J. L. Cuninggim; Gates circuit, E. W. Fisher; Hatteras circuit, E. L. Hill; Hertford, J. M. Ormond; Kennekeet circuit, A. W. Price; Kitty Hawk circuit, J. F. Usry; Moyock circuit, M. W. Hester; North Gates, V. A. Royall; Pasquotank circuit, Rufus Bradley; Pantego and Belhaven, L. B. Jones; Perquimans circuit, J. Y. Old; Plymouth, B. T. Hurley; Roanoke Island, J. C. Humble; Straits, J. L. McNeer, supply.

FAYETTEVILLE DISTRICT

J. T. Gibbs, Presiding Elder

Bladen circuit, J. A. Tharpe; Buckhorn circuit, S. A. Nettles, supply; Carthage circuit, N. E. Coltrane; Dunn, J. A. Hornaday; Duke, W. L. Maness; Elise circuit, J. L. Midgette; Fayetteville, Hay Street, W. R. Royall; Fayetteville, Person Street and Calvary, C. R. Canipe; Fayetteville circuit, L. M. Chaffin; Goldston circuit, N. M. McDonald; Haw River circuit, W. E. Brown; Jonesboro circuit, C. W. Robinson; Lillington circuit, G. W. Perry; Newton Grove circuit, T. W. Siler; Parkton circuit, H. B. Porter; Pittsboro circuit, W. F. Craven; Roseboro circuit, H. E. Lance; Sanford, H. E. Spence; Siler City, T. H. Sutton; Stedman, F. E. Dixon.

NEW BERN DISTRICT

J. B. Hurley, Presiding Elder

Atlantic, F. A. Lupton, supply; Beaufort, A. P. Tyer; Carteret circuit, C. H. Caviness; Craven circuit, R. E. Pittman; Dover circuit, F. B. Noblitt; Elm Street and Princeton, J. M. Wright and L. C. Brogden, supply; Goldsboro, St. John, B. C. Thompson; Goldsboro, St. Paul, N. H. D. Wilson; Goldsboro circuit, W. A. Piland; Grifton circuit, E. D. Dodd; Hookerton circuit, J. W. Bradley; Jones circuit, C. T. Rogers; Kinston, Queen Street, H. A. Humble; Kinston, Caswell Street, E. N. Harrison; LaGrange circuit, K. F. Duvall; Morehead City, D. N. Caviness; Mt. Olive and Faison, J. H. Frizelle; Mt. Olive circuit, B. F. McCall; New Bern, Centenary, E. McWhorter; New Bern, Riverside and Bridgeton, W. A. Cade; Ocracoke and Portsmouth, W. E. Hocutt, supply; Oriental circuit, H. B. Hill; Pamlico circuit, R. L. Carraway; Snow Hill circuit, C. O. DuRant; Roper circuit, F. F. Eure, supply; Vandemere circuit, Z. B. Pyatt, supply; Conference Missionary Secretary, N. H. D. Wilson; Conference Evangelist—

RALEIGH DISTRICT

J. E. Underwood, Presiding Elder

Benson circuit, J. T. Stanford; Cary circuit, B. P. Robinson; Clayton, T. A. Sykes; Four Oaks circuit, T. E. Davis; Franklin circuit, J. H. Buffaloe; Garner circuit, E. B. Craven; Granville circuit, M. D. Hix; Johnston circuit, J. G. Johnson; Kenly circuit, A. J. Parker; Louisburg, A. D. Wilcox; Millbrook circuit, L. E. Sawyer; Oxford, R. H. Willis; Oxford circuit, C. A. Jones; Raleigh, Central, J. H. McCracken; Raleigh, Edenton Street, M. Bradshaw, J. O. Guthrie, supernumerary; Raleigh, Epworth, A. S. Parker; Raleigh, Jenkins Memorial, J. W. Potter; Selma, Frank Culbreth; Smithfield, R. B. John; Tar River circuit, J. A. Lee; Youngsville circuit, B. C. Allred; Zebulon circuit, G. W. Starling; Supt. N. C. Anti-Saloon League, R. L. Davis; Editor Raleigh Christian Advocate, L. S. Massey; Supt. Methodist Orphanage, A. S. Barnes; Editor Nashville Christian Advocate, T. N. Ivey; Assistant Secretary Epworth League, J. M. Culbreth.

ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT

J. H. Hall, Presiding Elder

Aberdeen, F. S. Love; Caledonia circuit, J. B. Thompson; Candor circuit, G. T. Simmons; Elizabeth circuit, G. H. Biggs; Elerbe circuit, N. L. Seabolt; Hamlet, M. H. Tuttle; Laurel Hill circuit, D. B. Parker; Laurinburg, R. F. Bumpas; Lumberton, W. B. North; Lumberton circuit, B. F. Watson, supply; Maxton, A. L. Ormond; Mt. Gilead Station, N. C. Yearby; Mt. Gilead circuit, W. F. Trawick; Montgomery circuit, to be supplied; Raeford circuit, J. T. Draper, W. H. Townsend, supernumerary; Red Springs, H. M. Eure; Richmond circuit, J. J. Barker; Roberdel circuit, S. J. McConnell, supply; Robeson circuit, B. E. Stanfield; Rockingham, G. F. Smith; Rowland circuit, A. J. Groves, R. W. Townsend, supernumerary; St. John and Gibson, W. H. Brown; St. Paul circuit, L. H. Joyner; Troy and Biscoe, J. M. Benson; Vass circuit, W. B. Humble; Conference Evangelist, L. L. Nash; Carolina College, President, S. E. Mercer.

WARRENTON DISTRICT

J. D. Bundy, Presiding Elder

Battleboro and Whitakers, M. W. Dargan; Bertie circuit, L. D. Hayman; Conway circuit, E. E. Rose; Enfield and Halifax, H. M. Jackson; Garysburg circuit, Marvin Self; Harrellsville circuit, J. A. Morris; Henderson, First Church, R. C. Beaman; Littleton, S. A. Cotton; Murfreesboro and Winton, B. B. Slaughter; Northampton circuit, E. H. Davis; North and South Henderson, W. G. Lowe; Rich Square circuit, J. E. Holden; Ridgeway circuit, W. C. Merritt; Roanoke circuit, Wm. Towe; Roanoke Rapids station, Geo. S. Bearden; Rosemary circuit, R. F. Taylor; Scotland Neck, L. T. Singleton; Warren circuit, R. W. Bailey; Warrenton circuit, R. H. Broom; Weldon, F. M. Shamburger; Williamston and Hamilton, N. M. Wright; Littleton Female College, President, J. M. Rhodes; Missionary to Japan, J. W. Frank.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT

C. L. Read, Presiding Elder

Aurora circuit, W. E. Trotman; Ayden circuit, Daniel Lane, Jr.; Bath circuit, J. J. Lewis; Bethel circuit, H. E. Tripp; Elm City, L. B. Pattishall; Farmville circuit, S. T. Moyle; Fairfield, J. P. Bross; Fremont circuit, J. L. Rumley; Greenville, Jarvis Memorial, J. M. Daniel; Mattamuskeet circuit, W. P. Constable; McKendree circuit, Ivey T. Poole; Mt. Pleasant circuit, G. B. Perry; Nashville circuit, J. W. Autry; Rocky Mount, First church, R. C. Craven; South Rocky Mount and Clark Street, to be supplied; North Rocky Mount, to be supplied; Stantonsburg circuit, D. A. Futrell; Stoke circuit, to be supplied; Spring Hope circuit, W. T. Phipps; Swan Quarter circuit, R. R. Grant; Tarboro, H. I. Glass; Vanceboro circuit, W. J. Covington; Washington, E. M. Snipes; Wilson, W. A. Stanbury.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT

L. E. Thompson, Presiding Elder.

Burgaw circuit, J. C. Whedbee; Carver's Creek circuit, W. J. Watson; Chadbourne circuit, G. M. Daniel; Clinton circuit, D. L. Earnhardt; Hallsboro circuit, W. C. Benson; Jacksonville and Richlands, C. E. Vale; Kenansville circuit, T. W. Lee; Magnolia circuit, R. F. Munns; Onslow circuit, E. C. Sell; Scott's Hill circuit, C. N. Phillips; Shallotte circuit, R. N. Fitts; Southport, T. G. Vickers; Swansboro circuit, J. M. Lowder; Tarboro circuit, R. A. Bruton; Town Creek circuit, R. R. Jones; Wallace and Rose Hill, B. H. Black; Whiteville, C. M. Lance; Wilmington, Bladen Street, J. P. Pate; Wilmington, Fifth Avenue, J. H. Shore; Wilmington, Grace, M. T. Plyler; Wilmington, Seagate, J. H. Miller; Wilmington, Trinity, M. V. McRae.

Transfers—J. A. J. Farrington, to W. N. C. Conference.

EASY BREATHING A LUXURY

To persons afflicted with catarrh or severe head colds the difficulty of breathing is a great burden.

The defective aeration of the blood, through lack of contact between the air inhaled and the mucous membrane of the lungs, produces headaches, depression and lower health conditions, because the blood is not properly purified.

Under such conditions Mentholatum should be applied within the nostrils. Its aromatic oils penetrate to the membranes and tickle them to greater activity.

The secretions become more active, loosening the coagulations which cover the membranes, encouraging the clearing of the air passages.

Then comes the good fresh air in satisfying volume, direct to the membranes, purifying the blood.

Mentholatum is antiseptic and germicidal, encouraging the restoration of inflamed parts, and has proven very useful as well in relieving croup, sore throat and chapped skin.

POPULAR COACH EXCURSION TO WASHINGTON, D. C. AND RETURN, THURSDAY, DEC. 16 1915

Southern Railway will operate last excursion of the season to Washington on Thursday, December 16, at very low round trip fares from all points Morganton, Salisbury and intermediate points. Fares from some of the principal points shown below:

Morganton	$6.50
Hickory	6.50
North Wilkesboro	6.00
High Point	5.50
Greensboro	5.50
Reidsville	5.00
Elkin	6.00
Kernersville	5.50
Statesville	6.00
Salisbury	5.50
Winston-Salem	5.50
Lexington	5.50.
Mount Airy	6.00
Thomasville	5.50
Taylorsville	6.00
Newton	6.00

Fares from all intermediate ponts on same low- basis.

Special train leaves Salisbury 8:15 p. m., Thursday, December 16, arriving Washington 7: a. m., December 17. Tickets good going only on special train, but returning will be good for any train carrying day coaches up to and including train 43, leaving Washington 9 a. m., Monday, December 20. Three days in the national capital. Ample time to visit Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York and other points.

Tickets not good in sleeping cars on either going or rturn trips. Not good on train 37 leaving Washington.

Educate yourself. See the national public buildings, museums, parks and the best theaters. See Congress in sesssion.

For further information, ask nearest ticket agent, Southern Railway, or write

R. H. DeButts, D. P. A.,
Charlotte, N. C.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Schedule figures published only as information. Not guaranteed. Trains leave Greensboro as follows:

12:55 a. m.—No. 112, daily. Local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh open here at 9:30 p. m. and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m.

1:47 a. m.—No. 30, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars Birmingham to New York and Washington and observation sleeping car Atlanta to Richmond. Tourist car Washington from San Francisco. Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars New York and Washington to Birmingham and observation sleeping car Richmond to Atlanta. Tourist car Washington to San Francisco via Sunset Route. Dining car service. Day coaches.

3:45 a. m.—No. 31, daily. Augusta Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars New York to Augusta and Asheville and Washington to Charlotte and Asheville. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:45 a. m.—No. 11, daily. Local for Atlanta and points South. Pullman sleeping cars Richmond and Norfolk to Charlotte. Connects at Salisbury for Asheville and points west. Day coaches.

7:15 a. m.—No. 37, daily. New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with drawing room and open section sleeping cars New York and Washington to New Orleans and New York to Macon. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service. No coaches.

7:30 a. m.—No. 108, daily. Local for Raleigh.

7:30 a. m.—No. 154, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

8:10 a. m.—No. 44, daily. For Washington and points north.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily. For Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Handles Raleigh-Winston-Salem sleeping car.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily. For Mount Airy.

9:20 a. m.—No. 144, daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Free reclining chair Charlotte to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily. For Salisbury, Statesville, Asheville and Waynesville. Connects at Asheville with Carolina Special. Chair car Goldsboro to Asheville.

12:45 p. m.—No. 130, daily. For Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

12:50 p. m.—No. 45, daily. Local for Charlotte, connecting for Columbia and Seneca.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Washington and New York. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York.
Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:40 p. m.—No. 207, daily. For Winston-Salem, connecting daily except Sunday for North Wilkesboro.

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daily except Sunday for Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Chair car Asheville to Goldsboro. Coaches.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily. For Mount Airy.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily. For Winston-Salem.

6:43 p. m.—No. 43, daily. Local for Charlotte.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily. For Sanford.

7:20 p. m.—No. 35, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham, Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham. Dining car service. Day coaches.

7:30 p. m.—No. 46, daily. Local for Danville.

10:20 p. m.—No. 12, daily. Local for Richmond. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Norfolk.

10:35 p. m.—No. 32. daily. Augusta Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars Augusta and Asheville to New York and Charlotte and Asheville to Washington. Dining car service. Day coaches.

10:35 p. m.—No. 233, daily. For Winston-Salem.

11:15 p. m.—No. 38, daily. New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Pullman drawing room and observation sleeping cars New Orleans and Macon to Washington and New York. Dining car service. No coaches.

R. H. DeBUTTS, Division Passenger Agent, Charlotte, N. C.
C. G. PICKARD, Passenger and Ticket Agent, Greensboro, N. C.

THE SOUTHERN SERVES THE SOUTH

AGENTS WANTED

Everywhere in N. C. by Penn Mutual Life Insurance Co. Write McPherson & Barnes, State Agents, Raleigh, N. C. Best Company for Insured, therefore best for Agents.

Quarterly Meetings

MT. AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mt. Airy, N. C.

First Round

December

Dobson, Old Siloam 11-12
Jonesville, Jonesville, night 12-13
Elkin, night 13
Yadkinville, Center 14
Summerfield, Battle Ground 18-19
Stokesdale, Stokesdale, night ...19-20
Ararat, Hatcher's 26-27

January

Pinnacle, Pinnacle 1-2
Pilot Mountain Station, night 2-3
Walnut Cove, Stokesburg 8-9
Madison-Stoneville, Madsion, n't, 9-10
Leaksville, night 10
Spray, night 11
Draper, night 12
Mt. Airy Ct., Beulah 15-16
Rural Hall, Mt. Pleasant 22-23

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—J. P. Rodgers, Presiding Elder, Waynesville, N. C.

First Round

November

Canton Station 28
Clyde Ct., Clyde 28

December

Bethel, Bethel 4-5
Canton, Harmony 5-6
Haywood, Crabtree 11-12
Fines Creek, Panther's Creek ...12-13
Webster, Cullowhee 18-19
Sylva, Sylva 19-20
Jonathan, Dellwood 25-26
Waynesville Station 26

January

Bryson and Whittier, Whittier 1-2
Robbinsville, Robbinsville 8-9
Judson, Judson 10-11
Andrews Station 15-16
Ranger, Ranger 22
Murphy Station 22-23
Murphy Ct., Ogden 28
Hayesville, Sweetwater 29-30

February

Macon, Union 1
Franklin Station 2-3
Franklin Ct., Iotla 4-5
Highlands, Highlands 7
Glenville, Glenville 8-9

Meeting of district stewards at Dillsboro, December 15th, at 2 p. m.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—L. T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C.

First Round

December

Pineville, Pineville, 11 a. m. 11-12
Calvary, night 12-13
Weddington, Union, 11 a. m. 18-19
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, night 19-20
Hickory Grove, Hickory Grove, 11 a. m. 26-27
Brevard Street, night 26-27

January

Belmont Park, 11 a. m. 2-3
Trinity, night 2-4
Prospect, Trinity, 11 a. m. 8-9
Monroe, Central, night 9-10
Unionville, Unionville, 11 a. m. ..15-16
N. Monroe, N. Monroe, night 16-17
Ansonville, Ansonville, 11 a. m. ..22-23
Wadesboro, night 23-24
Spencer Mem.-Derita, 11 a. m., 29-30
Seversville, Trinity, 3 p. m. 30-31
Thrift, Thrift, night 30-31

February

Chadwick, 11 a. m. 5-6
Hawthorne Lane, night 6-7
Dilworth, 11 a. m. 12-13
Tryon Street, night 13-14
Polkton, Fountain Hill, 11 a. m...19-20
Marshville, Wingate, night 20-21
Lilesville, Olivet, 11 a. m. 26-27
Matthews, Indian Trail, night 27-28

March

Morven, Sandy Plain, 11 a. m. 4-5

TRY MURINE EYE REMEDY

for Red, Weak, Weary, Watery Eyes and Granulated Eyelids. Murine Doesn't Smart—Soothes Eye Pain. Druggists Sell Murine Eye Remedy, Liquid, 25c, 50c, $1.00. Murine Eye Salve in Aseptic Tubes, 25c, $1.00. Eye Books and Eye Advice Free by Mail.

Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago.

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.

First Round

November

Reidsville 28

December

Spring Garden 5
South Main St., High Pont 5-6
Uwharrie, Concord 11-12
Asheboro 12-13
Coleridge, Concord 18-19
Ramseur and Franklinville, Ramseur 19-20
Pleasant Garden, Pleasant Garden..20
Gibsonville 21
Walnut St. and Carraway Mem. 22

January

Ruffin, Ruffin 14-15
Wentworth, Salem 15-16
Greensboro, Holt's Chapel 22-23
Centenary 23-24
West Greensboro, Muir's Chapel..29-30
West Market Street 30-31

February

Randolph, Mt. Gillead 4-5
Randleman 5-6
Deep River, Worthville 5-6
Wesley Memorial 13-14
East End 13-14
Denton, Pleasant Grove 19-20

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C.

First Round

December

Grace, 11 a. m. 5
Kernersville, Kernersville 5-6
Davidson, Good Hope 11-12
Southside, night 12
Farmington, Farmington 18-19
Cooleemee, night 19
Burkhead, 11 a. m. 26
Salem, night 26

January

Forsyth, Mineral Spring 1-2
Centenary, night 2
Jackson Hill, New Hope 8-9
Thomasville Ct., Unity 15-16
Thomasville, Main St., night 14-16
Linwood, Cotton Grove 22-23
Lexington, night 21-23
Davie, Oak Grove 29-30
Mocksville, night 28-30

February

Walkertown 5-6
West End, night 6
Lewisville, Brookstown 12-13
Advance, Advance 19-20
North Davie—open

District stewards' meeting and conference of pastors and charge lay leaders in Winston-Salem, December 9th, 11.30 a. m., in Centenary church.

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.

First Round

December

McDowell, Nebo 4-5
Marion Mills 5-6
Old Fort, Old Fort 11-12
Marion Station 12-13
Morganton Ct., Bethel 18-19
Morganton Station 19-20
Marion Ct., Carson's 25-26

January

Thermal City, Thermal 1-2
Rutherfordton, Rutherfordton 8-9
Green River, Bethlehem 10-11
Broad River, Kistlers 12-13
Henrietta-Caroleen, Henrietta ...15-16
Cliffside, Cliffside 22-23
Forest City, Forest City 23-24
Table Rock, Oak Hill 29-30
Connelly Springs, Rutherford College 30-31

February

Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Spruce Pine 5-6
Bald Creek, Boring's 11
Micaville, Horton's Hill 12-13
Burnsville 19-20

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.

First Round

December

Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn's 18-19
Granite Falls and Hudson, Granite Falls, night 19-20
Broad Street, Statesville, 11 a. m. ..26
Cool Springs Ct., Providence ..26-27

January

West Hickory, Bethel 1-2
Rhodhiss, night 2-3
Troutman Ct., Troutman 8-9
Race St., Statesville, night 9-10
Iredell Ct., Olin 15-16
Statesville Ct., Bethel 16-17
Alexander Ct., Taylorsville 22-23
Stony Point Ct., Stony Pt., night, 23-24
Maiden Ct., Maiden 29-30
Newton, night 30-31

February

Catawba Ct., Catawba 5-6
Mt. Zion, 11 a. m. 12-13
Davidson, night 13-14
Mooresville Ct., Fairview 19-20
Mooresville 20-21

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.

December

Mills River, Shaws Creek 18-19
Hendersonville, night 19
Asheville Ct., Riverview 26
Biltmore-Mt. Pleasant, Mt. Pleasant, 26

January

Fairview, Skyland 1-2
Black Mountain 2-3
Walnut, Walnut 8-9
Hot Springs-Marshall, Hot Springs, 9
Mars Hill, Laurel 15-16
Mars Hill, night 16
Swannanoa, Wests Chapel 22-23
Flat Rock-Fletcher, Flat Rock 23
Leicester, Leicester 29-30
Bethel, night 30

February

Rosman Ct., Rosman 5-6
Brevard, night 6
Henderson Ct., Moores Grove 12-13
Tryon-Saluda, Tryon 13-14
Sulphur Springs, Pleasant Hill ..19-20
West Asheville, night 20
Weaverville Ct., Flint Hill 26-27
Haywood St., night 27

Conference of preachers of the district, traveling and local, at Central church, Asheville, Dec. 13, 7:30 p. m.

District stewards' meeting Central church, Dec. 14, 11 a. m.

Charge leaders' meeting, Central church, Dec. 14, 2 p. m.

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby N. C.

January

Shelby, Central 2
Shelby Ct., LaFayette 2
Crouse, Crouse 8
Stanly, Stanly 9
Lincoln Ct., Asbury 15
Lincolnton, Lincolnton 16
Bessemer, Bessemer 22
Kings Mountain, Kings Mountain ..23
Lowesville, Hills Chapel 29
Mt. Holly, Mt. Holly 30

February

Polkville, Polkville 4
Belwood, Palm Tree 5
Rock Spring, Denver 12
Lowell, Lowell 19
McAdenville, McAdenville 20
Belmont, Belmont 20
Dallas-Ozark, High Shoals 26
Gastonia, Main Street 27
Gastonia, West End 27

March

South Fork, Palm Tree 4
Cherryville, Bethlehem 11

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—T. E. Wagg, Presiding Elder, Jefferson, N. C.

First Round

December

Jefferson Ct., Zion 18-19

January

Creston Ct., Creston 1-2
Watauga Ct., Valle Crucis 8-9
Elk Park Ct., Montezuma 15-16
Avery Ct., Fair View 22-23
Boone Ct., Boone 29-30

February

Laurel Springs Ct., Nathan's Creek, 5-6
Sparta Ct., Shiloh 12-13
Wilks Ct., Adley 19-20
Wilkesboro Station, night 20-21
North Wilkesboro Ct. 26-27
North Wilkesboro Station, night 27-28

The district stewards, pastors and lay leaders of each charge will please meet at Jefferson Dec. 22-23. This will be a very important meeting and each man is expected to be present.

SALISBURY DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.

First Round

December

Salisbury Ct., Shiloh 18-19
South Main, night 19-20
China Grove, 11 a. m. 26
Salisbury, First church, night 26

January

Cottonville Ct., Cedar Grove 1-2
Norwood 2-3
Mt. Pleasant Ct., Mt. Pleasant 8-9
Westford, night 9
Epworth-Center, Epworth 15-16
West Concord, Kerr St., night 16
Albemarle Ct., Stony Hill 22-23
Albemarle, Central 23-24
New London Ct., Palmerville ..29-30
Gold Hill Ct., Gold Hill 30-31

February

Concord Ct., Olivet 5-6
Forest Hill, night 6-7
Bethel-Love's, Bethel 12-13
Concord, Central, night 13-14
Salem Ct., Salem 19-20
Albemarle, First Street, night ..20-21
Kannapolis Ct., Oak Grove 26-27
Kannapolis Station, night 27-28

WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT

(Continued from page 8)

men, who said, "All the money which will yield a larger return of usefulness in the world, of greater good to the kingdom by being spent on ourselves or family than if applied otherwise, is used for the glory of God and is better spent than it would have been if given to missions—but whatever money is spent on self that would have yielded larger returns of usefulness if applied otherwise is misapplied, and if it is done intelligently, it is a case of embezzlement." I hope I, as well as everyone that reads these remarks, will take them to heart. Have we ever considered our financial duties of a steward in this light?

Finally, a steward is required to give a strict account of his stewardship. We should always keep that in mind.

In conclusion, I will give you the watchword of the three "W's" that was given me as a good life motto for a steward of God: "Whatever, whenever and wherever pleases Him."

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY ROUND TRIP EXCURSION VIA SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Southern Railway will sell low round trip Christmas Holiday tickets on December 17, 18, 23, 24 and 25th, to all points, tickets limited to midnight of January 10th, 1916.

Round trip tickets will also be sold to points in Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota and other Northwestern States.

Spend your holiday vacation with friends and loved ones. Travel via Southern Railway. Fast through trains, through sleeping cars and dining cars to all points. Let us route you by the best and quickest schedules.

For full information, schedules, Pullman reservations and fares to any point ask any agent Southern Railway, or write,

R. H. DeButts, D. P. A.,
Charlotte, N. C.

MAGAZINES

You can save money on the magazine you want by writing for



This Catalog FREE

Our New Catalog lists more than 3000 Periodicals and Club Offers, *It's a big Money-Saver.* Send us your name and address on post card today and get this big free catalog. *Do it now.*

CAROLINA MAGAZINE AGENCY,
P. O. Box 298, Greenville, S. C.

This is the mark of **HIGH QUALITY** in ready-to-wear garments for women and children. Honest work, best materials, correct styles. Ask your dealer for GRIMBALL GARMENTS and verify the trade mark.

GRIMBALL GARMENTS
SPARTANBURG S.C.

GRIMBALL MFG. COMPANY,
Spartanburg, S. C.

January 2-9, 1916 **January 2-9, 1916**

A WEEK

The first of the 52, should be spent in undergirding the whole year. Eight days is not too much to spend in adjusting lives and Churches and policies to the hour, the world, the Kingdom, and to God. Can ye not watch with him one little week?

OF PRAYER

BY the whole Church, from sea to sea.
WITH every pastor leading every congregation in intercession.
FOR the nation, the Church, the fields, the missionaries, the revival, the laymen, the young people, and always for peace.

AND SELF-DENIAL

Without which prayer is fruitless.
That the prayers already answered may be turned into thanksgiving.
That obedience may prove our sincerity.
That the cause we pray for may be furthered.
That we may have fellowship with Him who, though He was rich, yet for our sakes became poor.

The Call of the Hour---

the most cruel and tragic hour of history, "Interest in prayer is world-wide. It is manifest in battle trenches; in awakened nations; in full cathedrals and churches in European countries; in repeated calls and appeals by Churches and leaders throughout the world. Never has there been such a widespread need of superhuman help; such challenges to Christians to undertake deeds requiring divine co-operation; such a manifest desire to discover the secret of God's power."

Voiced by the Board of Missions

Facing the superhuman task of the Church and the tragic needs of the world, the Board of Missions asks for a week of intercession, January 2-9, 1916. The work of the Board cannot be done by human power. "Ask of me," "pray ye the Lord of the harvest," "tarry ye at Jerusalem till ye be endued with power" are the freshest and latest voices of experience at home, abroad, everywhere. "An alarming weakness among Christians is that we are producing Christian activities faster than we are producing Christian faith; that the discipline of our souls and the deepening of our acquaintance with God are not proving sufficiently thorough to enable us to meet the opportunity and responsibility of our generation." (Mott.)

Emergency Offering

The free-will offering of self-denial is to be given to swell the Emergency Fund. This fund was ordered by the Board in view of the unusual emergency the war brought on. We have already had nearly five hundred gifts to this fund, varying from $1 to $2,000 each. Many of these represent real self-denial. They are still coming. **The offerings of the week will go to swell this fund.**

PURPOSE

1. To meet immediate needs that have had to wait. To fill up the gaps made by the war decrease last year in both the Home and Foreign Departments.
2. To maintain the work and prevent hurtful retrenchment when there are such unprecedented calls for advance.
3. To prevent delay in the work and to save interest by the furnishing of cash in the beginning of the year.
4. To clear the decks, remove the limitations on income, and make ready for the big advance just ahead of us. We were compelled to cut appropriations fifty thousand dollars. There it must remain until we increase the income and clear the way.

ONE UNANIMOUS, CHURCH-WIDE, SELF-DENIAL OFFERING WILL LIFT US OVER THE BAR

Three Ways to Do It

1. **Give one day.** Consecrate the labor and income of one day to this cause. Let those not regularly employed find some task for one day and earn their offering. Thus each will pray not only with the lips and heart, but with the hands also.

2. Envelopes may be circulated and every one allowed to deposit the results of self-denial during the week and hand in the envelopes at the close.
3. A free-will offering may be taken at one or more services where the other methods are not used, or in connection with them.

At all events the people should be given an opportunity to contribute a free-will offering

If the warring nations can discard luxuries and practice gladly the most rigid economies, even to the saving of the crusts, for the love of the flag, what should we not do for the love of Christ?

Would it require serious self-denial for 2,000,000 Methodists to give $50,000 as a Victory Fund?

CLIP AND MAIL THIS COUPON TO-DAY

BOARD OF MISSIONS, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

Dear Brethren: I desire to observe the Week of Prayer and Self-Denial. Please send leaflets and envelopes for.. .....members.

Name .....

Address .....

Conference .....

The Church will do it if given the facts and a chance

Order envelopes, leaflets, and programs from

Board of Missions, 810 Broadway, Nashville, Tenn.

VOLUME LX NUMBER 53

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Reading Room Trinity College

Official Organ of the Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

GREENSBORO, N. C., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1915

The Voice of the Christ-child

By Phillips Brooks

THE earth has grown old with its burden of care,
But at Christmas is always young,
The heart of the jewel burns beauteous and fair,
And its soul full of music breaks forth on the air
When the song of the angels is sung.

It is coming, old earth, it is coming to-night
On the snowflakes which cover the sod,
The feet of the Christ-child fall gentle and white
And the voice of the Christ-child tells out with delight
That mankind are the children of God.

On the sad and the lowly, the wretched and poor,
The voice of the Christ-child shall fall.
And to every blind wanderer open the door
Of a hope that he dared not to dream of before
With a sunshine of welcome for all.

The feet of the humblest may walk in the fields
Where the feet of the Holiest have trod.
This, this is the marvel to mortals revealed
When the silvery trumpets of Christmas have pealed,
That mankind are the children of God.

North Carolina Christian Advocate

Entered at the Post Office at Greensboro, N. C., as mail matter of the second class.

HUGH M. BLAIR, - - - - - - Editor

SUBSCRIPTION RATES

One Year $1.50
Six Months ..... .75
To all preachers of the Gospel, per year 1.00

Make all remittances to
Christian Advocate, - - - - Greensboro, N. C.

EDITORIAL

NO ADVOCATE NEXT WEEK

According to custom there will be no paper issued next week. Our printers will have an opportunity to enjoy the holidays. A merry Christmas to all!

THE WEEK OF PRAYER

The Week of Prayer, beginning January 2nd and continuing through January 9th, is a fine opportunity for the congregation to start the year right. In the Western North Carolina Conference, especially, the observance of this week should make a fine beginning for the every-member canvass, and the special missionary campaign which is before us. It should never be said that we can not afford to observe the week because but few of our people are likely to join in the services. Our people must be trained, and we can not train them without persistent effort. Let pastors and leaders remember the words of the Master, "Where two or three are met together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." Why should there be discouragement with such a promise as this to inspire faith?

ADVOCATE DAY, FEBRUARY 6

By resolution of our recent Conference, Sunday, February 6th, has been designated as Advocate Day. This will be the first Sunday in February, and there will be ample time for pastors, lay leaders and congregations to get ready for the observance of the day in such a way as to give the Advocate a great boost and add many new subscribers to the list.

It is our purpose this year to do more than ever before to induce every pastor to see to it by planning in advance that this be a real Advocate day. In order to accomplish this it will be necessary to arrange a program for the day that will set clearly before the congregation the importance of religious literature in general, and the value of the church paper in the home. Let not only the pastor's sermon or address deal with this question, but let some intelligent and consecrated laymen take part in the program. Then let canvassing committees be organized to assist in securing every subscriber possible in the congregation and follow up with a thorough canvass the following week, so that if possible the paper may be placed in each home represented in the congregation.

With such an organization arranged in advance, there is no doubt of the possibility of doubling the circulation of the Advocate in one week.

We beseech every pastor to begin now by keeping the first Sunday in February clear for this work, also by organizing working committees so arranged as to effect a thorough canvass. Of course pastors having a number of churches will find it necessary in some cases to hold the special service on different days. They will exercise their godly judgment in this particular.

REFLECTIONS ON THE DYING YEAR

Before another issue of the Advocate appears, the old year will have given place to the new. It is a time for reflection, honest and sincere. Such a time suggests retrospection, and retrospection suggests introspection. We should look back only that we may be the more capable of looking within and discovering what we are. We should not cross the border line of such an epoch without taking the glimpse behind us and then the deep, long look down into the depths of that mysterious realm where lie all the motives which assert themselves in the daily life and conduct.

What is revealed to us as we look within our hearts? Is there darkness and despair? Has joy plumed itself and left us sitting, desolate and alone? Are we without a comforter? If so, it must be because we have failed to keep our covenant with Him who said, "My peace I give unto you; not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled."

To many the old year has been shadowed by sorrows. Homes have been invaded and the brightest and best have gone away. Voices that gladdened our hearts last year are now heard only in the stillness, like echoes from the invisible. They call us, not to feast upon the foibles of worldly pleasure, but to build our hopes upon the unseen and eternal. Like the grass which groweth up in the morning and in the evening is cut down and withered, or the flower that flourisheth for a time and then withers away, our friends and our joys upon which we depended all too much, have been taken away, and we find ourselves sounding the depths of the soul for some more permanent and abiding joy. If we have found it in Him who proclaims Himself the "bread of life," we are more than compensated for all that we have given up. Out of our stony griefs we can raise our Bethel and gladly pursue the journey into the unknown regions of the New Year. God is in many a place and in many events where we have not suspected His presence. Like His servant of old, we must wait till the morning before we shall be able to say, "Surely the Lord was in this place and I knew it not."

Let the disconsolate ones look up. "The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart."

"Go bury thy sorrow,
The world hath its share;
Go bury it deeply,
Go hide it with care.
Go tell it to Jesus,
* * * * *
Go weary one, go."

Thus, as we review the old year, let us look forward with hope to the new. Let us thank God for the lights and shadows, for prosperity and adversity, and commit ourselves to Him for more loyal service in the new year.

THE FLY IN THE OINTMENT

Under a thin veneer of what seems good in literature, one often finds the deadly dope. These are perilous times, not only because the love of many has waxed cold, but because the facilities for dulling the keen edge of honest convictions have been multiplied. A whole generation was about to be made dope fiends not long ago when the medical profession and others who were taking notice, sounded the alarm and began the crusade against loaded nostrums going under the name of infallible remedies.

The same thing has come to pass in current literature, only our people, as a rule, have not yet discovered the hidden peril. Eschewing the solid and helpful forms of literature, such as history, biography, poetry, etc., multitudes are today reveling in the realms of an imaginary and impossible world, and are as effectually doped in mind as ever were the poor victims of morphine doped in body. If we were required to suggest a theory upon which to account for the shocking and ever-increasing tendency to end life in suicide, we would not hesitate to place the blame at the door of those who, through the influence of impossible stories, have fevered the imagination to a degree which makes it impossible for one to be content with the common, real work-a-day experiences of life. The whole realm of thought lies outside of a world like this. All the characters that speak and act are impossible characters and their manner of life is beyond the reach of the poor mortal doped into an insatiable desire to be like them. Perchance, under the spell of this desire, one sees the prospect of entering into and making real all that is held out before him in this picture by the violation of all the moral principles by which parental teaching and an awakened conscience have held him heretofore. Thus a career of crime is begun, which, without this false glamour, would have been impossible, and the superstructure of character tumbles down.

But all the dope is not such as pertains to the impossible. There are real things in the form of crimes and scandals deftly hid away in the literary bill of fare. Vulgar and lascivious characters appear in the drawing rooms of the "best society" as depicted in the stories, bound in gilt cloth, lying on our center-tables. Reputable publishers, who, in other days, ranked among the select and more careful, have been betrayed into the service of those who would parade scandal and depravity in the garb of gentility. You can not convince the average girl or boy that these books are not "the best literature" of the day, and before you are aware of it, all the dominant ideals of life are fixed in them just as exemplified in the characters depicted in these stories.

In one of the smaller towns of our state there is a beautiful high school building. One of the first steps, very properly, was to place in that building a circulating library. A boy of twelve in that town took out a book. He sat up late reading the fascinating story. The hero was a boy who began a great career by running away from home. Everything he touched turned to gold. Beginning with this escapade he wound up a great captain of industry. Will the reader be surprised at the statement that this boy of twelve summers, the only son of his mother, came up missing early one morning? That, after a week of sorrowful searching it was found that he had been riding the blind baggage, sleeping in empty box cars and suffering many agonies while vainly chasing the rainbow he had discovered in his new book?

Why should we say more? Is it not time that we give some attention to a crusade against literary dope?

* * * *

Discussing this subject the Wesleyan Christian Advocate quotes the Saturday Evening Post as follows:

What a boy reads is as important as anything else about him. You try to protect him from depraved associations of flesh and blood, but pretty often you make little enough effort to protect him from depraved associations in print.

You send him to school in a belief that the stuff he absorbs from printed pages forms his mind; but out of school you may let him absorb stuff from printed pages that is not fit to be in a dog's mind.

Time was when you could tell a wrong book for a boy because it was bound in yellow paper and sold for a dime. Nowadays many wrong books for boys are most respectably bound in cloth. And they are perfectly moral, in the narrowest sense of that abused word. They describe how a fourteen-year-old boy, with a discarded set of harness and an old hoop skirt, made a flying machine and sailed around the earth; or with a leaky washboiler and two dollars in cash built a submarine that destroyed the enemy's fleet; how a lad in knee breeches circumvented a gang of desperate criminals and so became president of a railroad at sixteen.

These tales of preposterous juvenile achievement are depraved because they are monstrous lies. They do not stimulate a boy's imagination; they drug it. They do not set his imagination usefully at work, but send it off in a weird opium dream. They do not brace and enlarge a boy's mind; they lead it into a vicious, enervating habit of dope-taking. They are a sort of psychological whiskey-drinking that makes the victim unresponsive to wholesome, natural tonics and begets a flabby craving for the artificial kick.

The crime and shame of this thing is that the boy is not in the least to blame. In ninety-nine cases out of a hundred he would read a good book instead of a bad one if only the good book instead of the bad one were put into his hands. See what your boy—or your girl—is reading. If it is a bad book that is your fault. It is your business to get him a good one in place of it."

DEATH OF MRS. DUELLA BUMPASS TROY

Many Advocate readers will be pained to learn of the death of Mrs. Duella Bumpass Troy, widow of the late Rev. R. P. Troy, which occurred at her home on Mendenhall Street, this city, on Friday morning, December 17th

after an illness of only about one week.

Mrs. Troy was a daughter of the late Rev. Sidney D. Bumpass, who was, for many years, a prominent member of the old North Carolina Conference. In young womanhood she became the wife of Captain R. P. Troy, who, after several years of successful work as a teacher, entered the ministry and became a member of the North Carolina Conference. Mrs. Troy proved an efficient helper to her husband in all his work, but was left a widow some twenty or more years ago. She then came to Greensboro and has made her home here since that time. She leaves three sons, two of them in London, where they are engaged in business, and one, Rev. E. B. Troy, a member of the Western North Carolina Conference. She leaves also four daughters, one of whom, Miss Nina Troy, is one of our faithful missionaries in China. While many may think it sad that she should have been called away without an opportunity to look again into the face of this beloved daughter, there is no doubt that the most comforting thought in her dying hour was the fact that she had a representative in the person of this heroic daughter on the outposts of the Master's Kingdom.

Like the sainted mother, Mrs. Francis M. Bumpass, who passed away only a few years ago, Mrs. Troy, though frail in body, was always busy trying to do what she could to give the gospel to the whole world.

The funeral services were conducted from the home on Sunday afternoon and the body tenderly laid to rest amid a profusion of flowers, in beautiful Green Hill cemetery. Rev. Dr. C. W. Byrd, pastor of West Market Street church, conducted the funeral services. May God greatly comfort the bereaved ones.

HONEST FIGURES

In the concise language of the business world, "money talks." Not always, however, does it tell everything it knows.

If the orderly columns of dollars and cents in the statistical tables of the Conference Minutes, instead of being bare signs of sums and values, could tell in full the details of their capture they would be intensely interesting.

Several years ago an old preacher, giving in his report on the Conference floor, said, "Bishop, my report is not in full. For days I walked miles up and down trying to collect the amount, but I failed to get part of it."

"Brother," said the Bishop with a sympathetic twinkle of his eye, "brother, was the walking good?"

"Fine, Bishop, fine!" came the ready response, "the town is about three miles long and very narrow."

The burst of appreciative laughter on every side that greeted this description, seemed to class the "long and narrow town" as a familiar type in the experience of the brethren.

The mill through which the young preacher goes in the process of gathering up the scanty grist of dollars and dimes necessary to make up the sum of his "conference collections" is, however, no laughing matter. Its experiences try his soul in every fiber.

I sometimes wonder if the over-shepherds comprehend just how much pressure the extraordinary emphasis on "collections in full" puts on the preacher's character. Do they realize that in the face of this pressure there is an overwhelming reluctance to report a shortage, and a temptation to make a more creditable exhibit than honest accounting warrants? Caught between the impossibility of pulling up reluctant givers on one hand, and the necessity of measuring up to the expected "clean sheet" on the other, tried souls have in numerous instances contrived a compromise between the figures and the facts.

There are traditions that certain sums (one hundred dollars for instance) have been made to do double by figuring first as salary and then in the Conference collections—donated by the preacher by pre-arrangement. This is hardly fair to a successor whose appointment has been made with the expectation that he have his salary "for keeps."

Of similarly questionable ethics is the unique scheme whereby the preacher's salary is apparently stretched, his wife being assessed, say fifty dollars. A fabulous sum which the dear lady neither saw nor was expected to see, and whose liberality in the case is purely involuntary and unconscious. In reality it is a bogus assessment, the preacher simply gives the treasurer credit for so much more on the salary than was ever received; and if it were really paid over it would be a swapping of dollars. Even a genuine assessment on a preacher's wife for salary is hardly honest. To make her pay for hearing her husband preach on Sunday after she has spent all the week trying to keep him in preaching trim is something like graft.

I learned of a resourceful pastor who simply "forgave" amounts that a number of his parishioners were unable, or unwilling, to pay him, forgetting—or ignorant that the first principle of honest book-keeping requires that nothing shall be credited which has not been received.

In the strenuous moments of winding up church business before Conference, pledges that have been counted on sometimes fail. Col. Sellers and Mr. Micawber send word they could not get hold of the $20 and the $10 they had promised, but they will certainly hand it to the preacher when he gets back. So, down go two promises as money paid.

In every day business inaccurate accounting is a serious offense. An accountant in a bank or a post office who should enter on his books as cash received a mere promise to pay would find himself in trouble. Is it possible that church officials have a lower standard of honesty than the business world? Is it excusable that business men will suggest that church business be done in a way they would not tolerate in their private affairs? It is not so held by the Head of the Church, who once and for always registered his terrible disapproval of falsified reporting in the fate of two who undertook to exaggerate their benevolence. "Annanias figuring" is no more useful to the church today than it was in the beginning of her history—and is no more acceptable to God. Financial and statistical tables are useful only when they represent actual facts. Fiction and romance properly belong to another department of literature.

The church register is another record in which the items should be genuine. I once heard a preacher complain that his predecessor had reported a certain total of members, numbers of whom "never were on land or sea," they were neither living nor dead, removed nor revised. And my friend felt it to be a grievance that it was up to him to fill those empty numbers with real folks before he could make any showing of the increase in membership to which his own work actually entitled him.

In addition to the sins of exaggeration, another danger in putting so much emphasis on glowing reports is that real interests are sometimes sacrificed for the sake of a longer list or a bigger total. For instance, a member moving to another charge is urged to leave his name behind until "after Conference." An empty name, after the member has departed, is, for all practical purposes, about as useful to a church as a last year's bird's nest is to an apple tree. And, moreover, the moving member needs an early anchorage in his new church home, he is adrift till he finds it. He is welcomed by the receiving pastor who writes back for his church certificate. If the certificate isn't forthcoming the poor stranger is, like the illustrious infant before King Solomon, in danger of being divided in twain to satisfy contending interests.

It seems to me that the bugaboo of "big reports" has bullied the boys too effectively, and betrayed them into these absurdities of crooked thinking and queer figuring. One longs to see them down the empty terror and refuse to be affrighted by mere figures, big or little; and each one courageously

"Drawing the thing as he sees it,
For the God of things as they are."

The church needs, and must have, ever increasing revenues, and there are honest and honorable ways of really making "two dollars grow where one grew before." But that is another text and another sermon.

Preacher's Wife.

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—The post office address of Rev. H. H. Mitchell, pastor of the Avery circuit, is Spear, N. C., instead of Newland, as printed in minutes.

—The people of Old Fort are rejoicing over the completion of a $20,000 school building, the same having been opened with suitable ceremonies last week.

—A wedding of interest to many Advocate readers was solemnized in Raleigh Wednesday evening, Dec. 15th, when Miss Mary Virginia Pell, daughter of Judge and Mrs. Geo. P. Pell, became the bride of Mr. Bruce Lee, of Danville, Va.

—Rev. R. L. Doggett, who was appointed to the Stokesdale circuit at the recent Annual Conference, has met a very cordial reception and begins the year with fine prospects of success. This charge is showing signs of progress in many ways and the outlook generally is very encouraging.

—Rev. P. H. Brittain, the new pastor at Clyde, reports a gracious reception by the people of his charge, on December 3rd. A committee met him and family at the station and accompanied them to the parsonage which was in readiness, and where a committee of ladies welcomed them. Not content with this the people in the evening gave them quite a pounding and left the larder full as also the hearts of preacher and family full of gratitude.

—Rev C. F. Sherrill has been cordially received on the Pleasant Garden charge, and is highly pleased. He has a fine type of people to serve, intelligent and progressive, and things are looking up. The salary has been increased and the pounding has already been repeated. The quarterly conference was one of the largest and most enthusiastic ever held for that charge.

—Rev. C. E. M. Raper, a well-known minister of the Methodist Protestant Church, died at a sanitarium in Greensboro Sunday morning, Dec. 12th, following a long illness. He was 55 years old and a native of Davidson county. Mr. Raper had been a member of the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church for 32 years and had served pastoral charges in various parts of the state, his last work having been at Shelby.

—Rev. H. F. Starr, pastor of the Albemarle circuit, gives a glowing account of his reception at Stony Hill church where he preached his first sermon on his new charge. A large congregation greeted him and the preacher was encouraged. On Monday, December 6th, when he arrived at the parsonage, he found everything in readiness. Brother John I. Kirk and Mrs. Kirk and Mrs. Ingram were present to receive and welcome the preacher and family. The pastor is grateful to the people of the charge for this kind reception.

—The Asheville Citizen, of December 15th, gave account of the marriage of Rev. Geo. H. Christenbery, and Miss Fannie Fogleman, which was solemnized at the Central church parsonage, Asheville, on Tuesday, December 14, at 3 p. m., Rev. J. H. Barnhardt, pastor of Central church, officiating. There were only a few of the close friends of the contracting parties present, among whom were the bride's brother, Mr. P. A. Fogleman, of Danville, Va., and Miss C. E. Dameron, of the same city. The bride is a native of Randolph county. They will take up their residence at Sylva, where Brother Christenbery is stationed for the coming year. May heaven's blessings attend them.

—Mr. David H. Peeler, one of the oldest and most highly respected citizens of the Rutherford College community, passed away at his home in that place on Wednesday of last week. Mr. Peeler was a native of Cleveland county, removing to Rutherford College about 1871 in order to have the advantages of the excellent school for his family. He was a man of strong body and mind and was remarkably well preserved to the end, notwithstanding he had reached the advanced age of 93 years. He was a devoted member of the Methodist church and was always a leader in every good cause. He is survived by his wife, who is now 91 years of age, also one daughter, Miss Henrietta.

CONTRIBUTIONS

THE URGENT NEED OF AN EVERY-MEMBER CANVASS

By Ed. F. Cook, D. D., Secretary Foreign Department Board of Missions

The responsibility of meeting the extraordinary demand which is now being made upon the Christian Church in America rests upon every member of the church in this land of peace and prosperity. The every-member canvass, so called, proposes to reach by systematic methods every man, woman and child in the church. presenting to each an opportunity to become a sustaining member of the church and to share personally in its benevolent and missionary activities. This method has its perils, but when rightly organized and wisely followed up, with the pastor feeling always a sense of repsonsibility for the success of the enterprise, it more nearly meets the demands than any plan heretofore offered. We feel that such a church-wide canvass as will tend to secure a contribution from every member is more urgently needed now than ever before in the history of the Southern Methodist Church. From a missionary standpoint, we assign four reasons:

1. The business depression of 1914 and 1915 has seriously affected collections for missions, and the cause must suffer for lack of both men and equipment unless our liberal helpers rally soon and generously.

2. Great Britain, France and Germany, heretofore giving one-half of the world's missionary offerings, have been thrust aside from the great enterprise of world evangelization on account of the war in Europe. In consequence their program of advance in missions is cut in two. The Church in Christian America is therefore under the necessity of increasing her offering for 1915 and 1916 by at leas twenty-five per cent., with a similar increase in reinforcements, if we are to hold the outposts with hope of advancing the line.

3. The greatest opportunity of all the centuries is at hand for the extension of Christ's kingdom. The nations are open-minded, receptive, eager. A new responsibility rests upon the Church in America. The demand is for more men and more money to offset the losses occasioned by the great war in Europe. If we fail to respond and today's opportunity is lost, the kingdom of Christ may be set back a hundred years. God has never placed upon us so great a responsibility as that which we now face. We are equal to it.

4. The assessment now laid upon the Church does not provide more than seventy-five per cent. of the annual budget of the work in our several mission fields. We must therefore look to the every-member canvass to reach the last individual, lead the average church to outdistance the mere assessment, and in a sense more adequately express the real missionary interest of the church. If this is done with a reasonable degree of success it will enable us to hold the work intact through these troublous times and to make ready for the great missionary advance which is sure to come when the war clouds are cleared. If there ever was a demand that every member of the church should practice self-denial and that every Christian should be fervent and believing in prayer to the end that Christ's kingdom may come in all the world, surely it is now.

The every-member canvass when undertaken this winter will have underneath it the new demand of Providence upon the Christian Church of America, as well as the world's great need.

A WISE PLAN FOR A NEEDED MOVEMENT

W. E. Hogan, Assistant Secretary of Education

"A Conference-Wide Simultaneous Every-Member Canvass." This name was not chosen for the sake of euphony. But every work in it has particular significance. The phrase well defines the movement.

It is to be conference-wide. In pioneer days much of the work of the church had to be done in isolation. An Annual Conference was not then unified by railroads, telephones, and rural deliveries. Conference-wide campaigns were, therefore, seldom practical. But today there can be no isolation. We work either in co-operation with or in hostility to other forces. Furthermore, in an effort to increase collections there should be, to a certain extent, a pooling of strength. The pastor of a charge in which the Conference collections are secured without effort should lend a hand to the brother on a charge where collections have never been in full; the laymen of a charge where the forces are well organized should help in the organization of the forces elsewhere; the presiding elder whose years of experience make it comparatively easy for him to set in motion a campaign of this kind should seek to aid younger, less experienced elders. Besides, such a campaign as this is needed throughout the Conference. In 1914 the Western North Carolina Conference paid less than 70 per cent. of its assessments for education. Only one-third of its pastoral charges paid this assessment in full. These figures indicate that the campaign being projected should be Conference-wide.

It is to be simultaneous. Getting collections in full is not a child's task. The pastors and stewards of those hundred and fifty and more charges which usually fail to pay their assessments in full may well consider full collections a herculean task. But there is encouragement and inspiration in the thought that the hundred thousand Methodists of this Conference are simultaneously to give their efforts and their prayers to the accomplishment of this task. Spasmodic, haphazard effort accomplishes but little; simultaneous, systematic effort is sure to get results. There is much to be said in favor of making this campaign simultaneous.

It is proposed to reach every member. Within the last three or four years much has been said by the leaders of our church about the importance of procuring the interest and support of every member. Just what progress we are making I am not able to say. But I am firmly convinced that when we shall have reached that goal, our problems will be largely solved. To secure the intelligent interest and hearty co-operation of the entire membership of the church in this campaign would mean much to the causes of missions, education, church extension and other enterprises of the church. The nearer this goal is approached, the greater and more far-reaching will be the results of this campaign. This is not to be merely another and more vigorous attack upon the faithful few; but it is wisely planned to touch and influence every member.

Finally, it is to be a canvass. We have all orts of canvasses—a canvass for votes, a canvass for endorsement, a canvass for support, etc. But whatever the nature of the canvass, the implication is that every legitimate and honorable means will be used for the accomplishment of the end in view. A canvass for anything carries with it the idea of an organization, some central authority, the preparation and dissemmination of literature, public addresses and appeals. While there are some objectionable features about political canvasses as usually conducted, still in a campaign of this sort many valuable lessons can be learned from the politicians. Their strong organization, their use of printer's ink, their efforts to arouse enthusiasm, their enlisting of all available speakers—all these things for no other purpose than to secure the interest and support of the voter. Let this campaign in this Conference be a real canvass for securing the interest and support of the entire membership of the church in the important causes involved in this movement.

THE NEED OF THE HOUR

W. W. Pinson

If there is one great lesson more than another being taught in this terrible hour it is the lesson of human helplessness. God has called the world to its knees. Those props on which men in their pride and self-sufficiency have leaned have crumbled into dust, and men are stretching lame and empty hands toward God. Atheists have renounced their negations. Formalists have found the great reality. Papists and patriarchs have gone beyond their images and ikons and have let their hearts speak right out. From the trenches, from blood-soaked battlefields, from lands where the crepe hangs thick and homes offer up their best, the voice of prayer rises. Millions who never really prayed are praying now.

This is the first need. Nothing can supercede it. The church is called on to learn anew the lesson of prayer. It is the one sure and availing resource left us. This is God's hour. It is the hour of man's bewilderment and humiliation. There is only one hope, only one way out. That is the way of the throne of God. The church must find it or confess her failure. Men are asking as of old, "Where is thy God?" Unbelief is challenging the omnipotence of God. God alone can answer, and He answers through His people's prayers. We must form a channel through which His power can flow.

The call of the Mission Board for a Week of Prayer beginning January 2nd and ending January 9th is no idle call. It fits the mood and need of the hour. It is only repeating and making definite as to time the appeal of our Bishops, the call to prayer issued by the Bishop sof the Methodist Episcopal Church, and the note that rings out from all the churches. Our own churches on which rest such a measureless responsibility; our own land, the last civilized stronghold of peace and human brotherhood; the warring nations bathed in blood and tears; the heathen lands wondering and bewildered; missionaries who stand where the storm beats hard—all need intercession as they need nothing else. If many feared the prayers of John Knox more than an army, what shall we say of the prayers of a whole people. The million Methodists, on their knees! Who can measure its meaning? Armies, diplomacy, war-loans, dreadnoughts, these all pale into insignificance beside the power of prayer, rightly used.

May we not reasonably call on our people everywhere to give themselves to an entire week of intercession? Let us turn aside for the time from our tinkering with the machinery, and our routine of trivialities and devote one entire week to prayer. Thus let us lay the foundations for the year's work in the power and love and wisdom of God. I cannot help thinking this is the supreme need. All have grown proud of our human achievements and confident in our human capabilities. The church has lent its ear to the hum of the machines and has caught the spirit of this practical age. But ours is a spiritual ond superhuman task, and the most practical—the only practical thing for us is to seek spiritual and superhuman help.

This is the lesson we have to teach. The world knows the others. What we need to witness to is the supernatural. If we do not deal with that, we have no place in the earth. This is the one thing that the world cannot withstand. Shall we fail of our duty, and deny ourselves the joy and honor of pointing a bewildered and hopeless world to the sources of its strength and of mediating to it the power of Christ through our united intercessions?

We have prepared with some care a suggestive program for the use of those who may desire it. This program suggests a topic for each day, with appropriate scriptures, and can be used by any leader with a little thought. We have also prepared some leaflets for distribution. These will be furnished free in such quantities as may be needed.

Let those who read this begin now to pray that a great burden of prayer may be put upon the church, and that the first week in 1916 may be one of great heart-searching, earnest intercession and unusual prayer.

SYSTEMATIC GIVING BY EVERY MEMBER

By John M. Moore

Southern Methodism can never do its best work so long as one million of its members are never represented in its offerings and while three-fourths of the other million one hundred thousand give in a haphazard way. System is at the bottom of all big business. Success is a matter of making treasure of small things. The moving picture business collected $375,000,-

000 last year in nickles and dimes. The automobile manufacturer who has made the lorgest fortune produced the cheapest machine and put it in reach of the largest number of buyers. Big business results from reaching the great masses. The church has big business on its hands and it may well look to the methods by which big business is built up and maintained.

One-twelfth of the Protestant Church membership in the United States belongs to the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. The contributions of American Protestantism last year to Foreign Missions were about $14,000,000 and to Home Missions over $12,500,000. Instead of giving our twelfth we gave about $775,000 to each, including the woman's work. Our numerical strength and financial ability call for a better showing. How can it be made? Systematic and proportionate giving is the answer. My sincere and mature opinion is that every-member weekly contribution will easily raise every assessment on every church in the entire connection and give a surplus to every cause. Why has the Sunday school become the Mecca of all who seek financial aid for any interest? Because every member brings an offering every Sunday and the treasury is never empty. Why does the Woman's Missionary Society, with its small percentage of the women of the church, raise one-third of all the money collected in the church for missions? Because every member every month brings a regular offering. We have departed from Wesley's rule of a penny a week. Our Methodism, through our quarterly conference system, fell into "quarterage" habit and that has lessoned the gifts of the well-to-do and reduced to a minimum or naught the offerings of the poor. The system has cultivated indifference and neglect. It was probably sufficient for the early days of an agricultural people and big circuits, but in this day of the "daily bread, the weekly wage and the monthly bills, a different system is absolutely essential to the proper care of the ministry and the institutions of the church.

What will the every-member canvass do? First, it will awaken a sense of obligation in all church members—and that is greatly needed. Church membership is not merely a privilege; it is a responsibliity. Unless the responsibility is acknowledged the privilege will be discounted. Conversion must be to something as well as from something. The every-member canvass will tend to quicken the sense of responsibility. It will uncover the unusual resources of the church and discover the members and families that are being hurt and estranged by neglect. They will be re-vitalized by being brought to an intelligent support of the institutions of the church. Many of the best "fixed" people of a community do practically nothing for the great work of Christian missions and education, and that because they know almost nothing about the needs and value of such work. The possessions of a nominal church member yield little or no income to the kingdom of God. The intelligent canvasser has a chance to awaken concern in the vital matters of the church and to call out the investment of funds which now go entirely to worldly interests. Every member that is too poor to help the church should be helped by the church, and the canvass will bring the facts to light.

Second, the every-member canvass will distribute the responsibility for the support of the church, relieve the minds of the few who consider themselves burdened, and insure larger funds for the benevolences. When every one gives all will give more liberally. The benevolences alone create big-heartedness in any people. Large spirits are never produced by paying taxes whether to support the state or the church. By every member being just some will be able and inclined to be generous, and from them the church will get the enlarging view, the quickened step, and the overflowing life. The church that spends its days and money saving itself loses its life and mission. The willingness of all to do something creates the desire in some to do that which accords with their ability, and the call of Christ and the world.

Third, the every-member canvass which can be made in most churches in one afternoon, if all preparations for it have been carefully and intelligently made, will relieve the pastor of much anxiety and hard work. However, his must be the work of preparing the canvassers and directing the canvass. He cannot turn this responsibility over to any one else. It must be his every-member canvass, through men and women who will put into effect his instructions. He must prepare his membership for it as well as his canvassers. If he cannot prepare the workers and the people, and direct the canvass, he had better use some other method until he equips himself for such service, for if there is failure it will be his, and if success, his will be the honor. Every failure in the every-member canvass can be traced directly to the lack of directing force in the pastor or of preparation of canvassers and people. But to my mind there is nothing more needed today than the training of our pastors for taking the every-member canvass.

The every-member canvass, properly and successfully conducted, would add thousands, even hundreds of thousands of dollars to our funds for all the great causes. It would revitalize a large part of our indifferent membership and increase greatly the regularity of church-going of many people. It would restore many members to active relations with the church and open the way for a new personal evangelistic movement. But no method "works" alone. The efficiency of all methods depends upon the efficiency of those who use them.

LEST WE FORGET

By A. C. Gibbs

"To do good and to communicate forget not: for with such sacrifices God is well pleased." Heb. 13:16.

In this our day we are looking for the big things of life. Through the war-stained air there comes to us visions of a sea-ruling navy and a world-conquering army. The boom of cannon, the clash of swords, and the din of traffic beat in upon our ears. Our homes are bedecked with splendor; our streets filled with gayety; and life itself has become one endless pageant. We stand in the midst of it all speechless, inactive, forgetful, "dreaming dreams and seeing visions." Like the prophet on Horeb, we view the wonders about us. The mighty winds of frivolity sweep at our feet, parting the mountains and breaking the rocks in twain; the earth is being shaken by a mighty earthquake of war, and lighted by a fiendish glow of anger, all of which tends to drown the "still small voice" of the Lord.

Let us stop a moment and listen to the words of St. Paul: "To be good and to communicate forget not." The inspired writer of those words must have been scanning the future with prophetic vision, and discerning the thoughts and interests of our day. How prone we are to take splendor for truth and show for reality! The simple day of our fathers has passed, and our eyes are being dazzled by an effervescent glory. The true things, the lasting things, the good things we cannot see. Our eyes are piercing the skies in quest of passing swallows while we stumble over neglected deeds of charity in our very path. May God forgive us!

As the Christmas holidays approach our minds are being filled with thoughts of great things: automobiles, hunting trips, Christmas trees, parties and balls. Great things are planned. Many presents we will give and receive —costly and grand. How many of us will not "forget to do good?"

Right here, to our boys and girls who are away from home, in school and elsewhere, I wish to say: Visions of your old home rise up before you; loved ones are awaiting you there; you have thought of the presents that you will take home with you—but have you forgotten what God would have you remember? Have you forgotten to plan "good?" In some of your homes there are aged parents waiting with beating hearts for your return. They have given you all they have—life, love and hope. Will you try to fill the longing of your mother's heart, or smooth the wrinkles from her brow by the bestowel of costly presents? Will you give her in the place of a son's or a daughter's loyal affection some tinsel as the emblem of an empty heart? O, boys, girls, let me tell you, such gifts alone never soothed a mother's aching brow or satisfied the longings of a mother's heart. That mother of yours wants her son, her son loyal and true. She wants his heart. All else are empty gifts. The face that bent over you in pity when you were a helpless child, the hands that pressed you to a loving mother's heart, may confront you at the Christmas breakfast table. O, let me beg you, don't forget to speak a loving word to her, a cheerful, joyful Christmas greeting give her, and don't forget to print a kiss upon her brow and to weave a flower into her fading hair. Crown her queen of your heart. If you love her, tell her so. A word of love, a kindly act, an effectionate caress are gifts that do not tarnish with age and use, but grow "brighter and brighter unto the perfect day." "For with such gifts God is well pleased.

The other day, as I sat in a station waiting for my train, I saw a young man enter. He looked travel-stained and weary. An aged mother had evidently been waiting his coming. Tears of joy welled up in her eyes and coursed down her furrowed cheek when she beheld him. Those tears every one lodged in the heart of her son. Forgetful of many curious eyes, oblivious of all surroundings, he folded that mother to his breast while tears rained down his own cheek, and I—well, I said, "amen."

But parents, is there not danger of neglect on your part? With all your giving, is there not danger of your forgetting "to do good." With all your anxiety, with all your lavish care, may you not overlook the very thing that counts? You love your children, yes, with an undying love. You have planned great things for them. You have scanned the future and have wished for each the best things of earth—place, honor, wealth. As Christmas draws near visions of a reunited family float before your eyes. John, Bill and Sally will have returned to the old home for Christmas festivities. And too, memories of by-gone years seem very dear. Once again you see three little stockings hanging by the broad old mantle. Childish and eager eyes are peeping at you from beneath half-raised coverlets. Childish voices, happy voices, sound in your ears, and with these there may come voices that were stilled on earth many years ago. Too, does there come to you no voice of regret? Is it not possible that with all the gifts you have lavished upon your children, you have forgotten the most important—"the good gifts," those that do not tarnish?

As I write, my mind drifts back to the home of my childhood. 'Tis Christmas eve. All other days of the years have blended into a glorious wreath to place upon the brow of this one. The old oil lamp rests upon the mantle beside the ancient clock. To meet the light of the lamp, and to blend in artistic colorings upon the floor, comes the light from the spacious fire-place, where logs kiss and hug each other in holiday glee. Around the broad hearth-stone are happy faces. The apples and candies have been eaten: the nuts have been cracked, and bed-time is drawing near. Father takes the lamp from its place on the mantel and sets it on the table: then, opening the old family Bible, he reads—and, oh, such stately words! "For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulders; and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counseller, the Mighty God, the everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace." We drop to our knees and heaven comes down; the "Prince of Peace" is with us.

Many times has that kneeling form stood between me and danger. I couldn't walk over it to ruin. Parents, have your children seen you pray for them? Have you given them this example which is a gift that never fades? If you have not you have neglected the most important gift of all.

After all has been said, the underlying thought resolves itself into this: God wants through Him they may be used in the lives of others, to His honor and glory. And if this be the Christmas gift that we make, we weave for ourselves an immortal crown of glory that shall fade not away.

THERE ARE SOME IN NORTH CAROLINA

A person remarking in our hearing recently, "I take the Advocate—I'm an old subscriber," we became somewhat inquisitive to learn the party's record on our subscription list. Here it is—14Oct10. This means that our "old subscriber" has been "taking" the Advocate at our expense for five years. We could have sued for the amount long ago; we could have cut the name off of our list and lost an "old subscriber." We have done neither. We have preferred to believe that as a loyal Methodist and a professed Christian this party would be honest with us and remit after having received several bills, but so far the account stands staring us in the face and mocking at our efforts and confidence. We have several (yes, many), such accounts. This is "taking" the Advocate in more senses than one.

Reader, is it you? If so, what would you do in such a case if you were publishing the Advocate? Please advise us. Are you, dear reader, "taking" the Advocate, or are you subscribing for it yearly? Please look up your label and see which you are doing. If you are "taking" it, please—well, you know what you should do.—Richmond Christian Advocate.

We trust some of our "old subscribers" will read the foregoing which accurately describes the situation here. Why will not such people be frank and either do right or quit entirely? Look at your label! Look at your label!!

THE CONFERENCE JOURNAL

We have before us a copy of the Journal of the Western North Carolina Conference. It is, as usual, a model of attractive editorial work and is up to the top in its mechanical finish. The book was complete and ready for delivery exactly thirty days from the date of adjournment. We congratulate Bro. Sherrill, also Mr. Mitchell, foreman of the Advocate Press.

NOTES AND PERSONALS

—Mr. Robert Michael Petree, one of the oldest and most highly respected citizens of Lincoln county, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Leonard, near Reepsville, on Wednesday night of last week. Mr. Petree was the father of Mrs. Wilson, wife of Rev. Beverly Wilson, of Rutherford College.

—The Main Street Baraca class, Thomasville, gave a Christmas Banquet on Monday night of this week which was a very enjoyable occasion. There were about two hundred present and there were many happy responses to various toasts. The membership of this class exceeds three hundred, and two hundred and fifty were present at Sunday school last Sunday. Who can estimate the power of such an organization?

—Mr. Joseph W. Nicholson, a prominent and highly esteemed citizen of Greensboro, passed away at his home on West Market Street on last Saturday morning. Mr. Nicholson came to this city some twelve or thirteen years ago from Halifax county, where he was born about sixty-two years ago. His widow, who survives him, was Miss Dora Clark, sister of Chief Justice Walter Clark. The funeral services were conducted from the home on Sunday afternoon, Rev. Dr. C. W. Byrd conducting the services. The burial was in Green Hill cemetery.

—The people of Wadesboro gave Rev. A. W. Plyler a great reception. The Ansonian of last week has the following report of the service: "The Wadesboro congregations met together Sunday night in joint assembly in the Methodist church, to welcome Rev. A. W. Plyler, the newly appointed Methodist pastor, to his new charge and home in our city. He was in his pulpit for the first time Sunday morning and preached an excellent sermon from the text: "Wilt thou not revive us again, that thy people may rejoice in thee?"—Psalm 85:6. The pastors from the Baptist and Presbyterian churches were present, the rector of the Episcopal church being out of town, but delegated Mr. Reddish to act for him in his absence.

From Jefferson.—The Jefferson circuit is still on the map, but at present it is snowed under, and we have no idea as to when it will be open to the world again. That is to say that winter set in last Saturday with a downfall of snow, which lasted until the earth was robed in a coat of white ten inches thick. So Sunday morning the people who went to Sunday school and preaching had to travel through ten inches of snow. Of course the congregations were not large yesterday, and many Sunday schools did not open at all. The people in this section have long since learned to prepare for this kind of weather. Therefore, shortly after our return to Jefferson and the arrival of Brother T. E. Wagg, the presiding elder, the people came in and pounded us severely. Then we joined the party and enjoyed helping them to pound the presiding elder. The poundings were very substantial and abundant. So you see, though we are shut in, we have plenty of supplies. Though we are shut in and prepared for winter, yet we hope to get out enough to visit the sick, meet the regular appointments, hold two or three protracted meetings, and build two or three churches, by the opening up of spring. We may not get all of this done, but this is our desire.

During this winter and spring we wish to raise the balance of the $5,000.00 necessary to put the Jefferson School upon a safe basis, which will get it out of debt and make it worth more than $10,000.00. We want all of you to remember that we have pledged ourselves not to use a dollar of the $5,000.00 until we get it all in hand. So you see that it means success or your money back. Also, you, who have sent in your checks, remember that the Board of Missions extended the time to June 1st, 1916, and that we will continue to work until we succeed. The success of this school means much to Christian education in this section. It also means much toward the strengthening of Methodism. But it means much more for the build ing up of the Kingdom of Christ.

Sincerely, E. P. Stabler, P. C.

Christ and the Sword

Of all the arguments presented to support the proposed increase in our navy, the worst is the quotation from Jesus Christ, Matthew 10:-34, "I came not to send peace, but a sword."

Anyone who is looking to the Bible for truth instead of a "sword" will find that Christ's sermon all together in that same chapter is urging the disciples to make no preparation whatever for the "morrow." He tells them to go forth without thinking of themselves or preaching for themselves, and "heal the sick" and "cast out devils." The words about the sword are followed by the words "a man's foes shall be they of his own household," and a few chapters further on, Matthew 26:52, He says: "They that take the sword shall perish by the sword."

The attempted perversion of the quotation serves to show that the advocates of the big navy are advocates of war, and they are trying already to support what they call "preparedness" by attempting to prove that war is right. If they should get their bigger navy, the only way they could reconcile the people to paying the bigger taxes would be to force a war, and they would be sure to do it.

The American people are now spending about six hundred million dollars a year for all purposes of war and have a regular established system of increasing the navy. On top of this, because of the excitement in the popular mind by the horrible war in Europe, it is proposed to add the burden of a heavy tax on the people to provide for an immense increase in what we are now doing, and the American people now are paying to the god of war several times as much as they are giving to the God of Love.

For a year all Sunday schools in America have been studying the Old Testament lessons for which one of the golden texts might well be called the heart of them all: "The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him and delivereth them." This is what the Bible teaches throughout as well as what Christ preaches, and it is also the same doctrine as was taught to this nation by Washington and Jefferson and Franklin. The founders of our Republic urged us to stay at home and keep entirely apart from the ways of the nations of Europe, and if we did this, we would not need a big navy to protect us in it.

If we are going to adopt this new and un-American policy, and intend to meekly surrender to the idea that Europe after all is right and her ways to be preferred to ours, at least we should be honest about it and not try at the same time to say that we believe God and Jesus Christ are with us, or that we believe in them or the Bible at all. Bruce Craven.

MISSIONARY NOTES FROM FIELD SECRETARY

Frank Siler

If Brother Blair was sick he gave us a good send off in our every-member canvass. Don't you all say so?

More District Meetings

Shelby District

A telegram from Dr. Scroggs announcing date of the Shelby District Stewards' Meeting and that Brother Burrus wanted me to help him launch the every-member canvass, took me to Shelby for Dec. 11-13. The snow and sleet Saturday and Sunday did not daunt Brother Burrus. Services in Sharon, Sulphur Springs and South Shelby churches were well attended for the weather, and I believe the every-member canvass and the duplex system will win in each of these churches. Dr. Scroggs gave me right of way in District Stewards' meeting, commending our duplex every-member canvass method as the best for circuits within his knowledge. He and District Leader S. J. Durham, are planning a joint meeting of the pastors, charge and church leaders and Sunday school superintendents for first week of January to be held at Mt. Holly.

Asheville District

Brother Wood had the pastors of the Asheville District, stewards and charge leaders parts of two days at Central church, Asheville. The attendance was large amid great enthusiasm.

Echoes of the great Chapman-Alexander meeting are still heard. I got in in time to hear a spirited discussion pledging the district's co-operation to President Newell in financing Weaver College. Vice-President Walker, with a touch of the great Dr. Carlisle still in evidence on him from his training at Wofford, made some felicitous remarks and captured the brethren.

The last afternoon was devoted to the every-member canvass, District Leader L. B. Rogers presiding. Our whole scheme has the hearty endorsement of the Asheville District.

Brothers Wood and Rogers speak of bringing a car load of laymen to the big Laymen's Convention and our mid-year meeting in Greensboro, February 9-11.

Waynesville District

A second snow storm did not prevent a good delegation of pastors, district stewards and lay leaders from gathering at Dillsboro. The new presiding elder, Brother J. P. Rogers, and District Leader Prof. A. C. Reynolds, were, of course, on hand attending sacredly to the great interests committed to them. There were delegations from all along the railway from Canton to Murphy.

The District was not to be outdone by the Mt. Airy District, which increased its allowance for presiding elder to $1800.00, but did likewise. The several Conference collections, not overlooking the one per cent. on pastor's salary for upkeep of district parsonage and the same for the American Bible Society and the ten per cent. assessment for the Children's Home, were distributed.

Time was given to consider the claims of the specially prepared cards and duplex envelopes, printed by the Advocate Publishing Company, Greensboro, to be used in our every-member canvass. The brethren said they would make the canvass within the date fixed, Jan. 16th. Their attention was called to the Week of Prayer, and Self-Denial, Jan. 2-9, with emphasis on the offering Jan. 9th, for evangelistic reenforcement in the foreign fields.

The district will, too, have a good delegation at the great Laymen's Meeting at Greensboro, Feb. 9-11, and our Mid-Year Meeting, held at same time.

Brother Rogers has moved into the district parsonage at Waynesville.

Morganton District

A delayed train prevented my reaching the Morganton District Meeting before the close. Brother Gay reported that the attendance of

the preachers and specials—district stewards and charge leaders—was unusually good—thirty to forty. The meeting adopted the duplex envelope and pledged its members to makae the every-member canvass by January 16th.

In all the district meetings I have attended, in addition to the planning for the scriptural and disciplinary method of financing, there is, too, a deep undercurrent of which the every-member canvass is but a symptom, of spiritual fervor and power. It looks as if the revival spirit were going to be more in evidence even than last year. Oh, brothers, let us pray that this tide may deepen and rise, carrying all other interests with it.

Statesville District

The meeting was at Newton, lasting one day. Those invited were the pastors and lay leaders. The district stewards' meeting comes later. The attendance of preachers was especially good. The presiding elder, Brother W. R. Ware, presided. The forenoon session was taken up in a conference on revivals and details of district interest.

In the afternoon came the study of the every-member canvass. The advantages of the canvass and the duplex system with the difficulties for making and operating it were earnestly considered. A committee was appointed to report on suggestions from District Lay Leader, Brother R. L. Snow, who was unavoidably detained at the last moment. After a careful study of his plans and wishes and the general plan of the Conference and General Boards for the every-member canvass, using the duplex system as far as practicable, a resolution adopting the same was unanimously passed.

Brother Ware is moving steadily to the leadership of the forces in this splendid district. None who are familiar with his jealous care for all the interests of the church in his great office of presiding elder, have any question but that the work in this territory will continue to be pushed successfully forward.

A Plan For An Every-Member Canvass of a Circuit of Six Churches

1. Fill the usual Sunday appointments.

2. Select the most suitable two weeks included within the time fixed by the Annual Con-

(a) First Week Prepare for Canvass

1. Monday, 11 a. m., 1 p. m., visit to church leader-elect or in prospect. Take along charge or district leader or both if possible. Arrange for this visit privately. 2:30 p. m. By previous public announcement hold church conferences with election or installation of committees and adoption of the every-member canvass and duplex envelope. Take time to study Discipline and explain the plan. The Scripture teaching should have preceded on a Sabbath if an old pastor. If new, present it here. Announce the every-member canvass one week hence and ask all where possible to be at home between the hours of 10 a. m. and 6 p. m. Have them tell their neighbors to "Be at home to welcome the men and to be in the spirit to help them."

6 P. M. By previous arrangement supper together of pastor, stewards and committees for a coaching meeting. Here pray much, district the territory, revise the roll and distribute the membership. Determine scope of canvass, whether a money canvass or one taking a religious census, number of Advocates and Voices taken, taking account of the sick, the needy, and so on. Arrange to get cards and envelopes. Have enough to go round, then make detailed explanation.

Adjourn to meet one week following at 9 a. m., to make canvass. Fix place of meeting.

2. Tuesday and each succeeding day this week report Monday's program in each of the other churches.

(b) Second Week Make the Canvass

1. Monday 9. a. m., meet for prayer and the canvass.

9:30 a. m. To the canvass.

12 m. By previous arrangement, dinner for each group of the canvassers. The canvassers go two and two—a steward and a member of committee on lay activities.

1 p. m. Canvass continued.

6 p. m. Supper for all, with reports. Families where meals are served should be canvassed at meal hour.

2. Tuesday and each succeeding day this week repeat Monday's program in each of the other churches.

* * * *

The above plan is adaptable to a circuit with any number of churches. The plan contemplates the launching and personal superintendence of the canvass by the pastor. When once our churches are instructed and organized to do this work and thoroughly understand it as they do the preaching and teaching functions of the church, the work of the preacher and of the Sunday scool, the pastor can gradually withdraw from it—particularly after his first year in a charge. Though the conscientious pastor will shepherd his stewards and the Committee on Lay Activities as he does the Sunday school force.

"PEACE ON EARTH"

R. B. Eleazer

The tragedy of the European war becomes doubly tragic as the Christmas season approaches—the season when, as some one has said, "all the world unites in a conspiracy of love." Our hearts are sick when we remember that, in this good year of our Lord 1915, the angels' song of peace and good will is still but the whisper of a dream, its echo heard but faintly amid the roar of cannon and the groans of millions who lie wounded and dying at the hands of their fellows. Here is a great world conflict that contravenes completely the spirit and teachings of Christ and of Christianity.

What is the meaning of it all? Has Christianity failed? Has it indeed "broken down," as some have been quick to claim?

Christianity Untried in International Affairs

No, Christianity has not failed. It holds sway today over more hearts than ever before in the world's history. The battle fields of Europe are vocal with the prayers of millions of earnest Christians, and the glazing eyes of myriads of the dying are turned toward the cross. Indeed, we are told that the war itself has brought about a distinct and widespread revival movement, beginning at the battle front and extending throughout the countries at war. Christianity is more potent today than ever before in the regeneration of individuals and of social conditions; and if it were given a chance, it would be no less effective in transforming the larger life of nations. The trouble is that as a factor in international affairs Christianity has never been consistently tried. Men have never thought of it as setting up standards of national conduct and international relationships just as truly as it sets up personal standards.

Patriotism Versus Altruism

For a long time we thought of Christianity only as a matter of personal salvation. We are beginning now to see its broader social significance as it applies to the relations of man to man, of the individual to society, and of society to the individual. But up to this time our conception of its social application has been limited by national boundary lines. As between nation and nation, it has not been Christianity which has shaped our relations, but patriotism; which, being interpreted, means love of myself and my own and suspicion or jealousy or hatred of all others. Nationalism so far has been the boundary of our expanding vision. We have yet to rise to the Christian conception of world brotherhood which will make of all nations but units of one great family and unite them in the bonds of mutual love and helpfulness.

No, Christianity has not failed. It is we who have failed to appreciate and apply it to the larger relations of life. It is we who, in our relations with our brothers of other names and nations, have limited and discounted and denied it.

This is the explanation of the paradox of a war of demoniac destructiveness, waged by men who worship the same God and bear upon their hearts the name of the Prince of Peace. God hasten the day when we as nations shall learn the Spirit of Christ, by whom were made all races of men and in whom all may be united in a common brotherhood! Then, but not sooner, shall the angels' prophetic song become a glad reality and the light of heaven that shone upon Judea's hills shall shed its radiance upon every land and tongue.

Examples of Christian Diplomacy

So much for the principle, but how shall it be applied? How, for example, shall it affect our own international relations in these crucial times? It is a matter for gratification that for a number of years our country has been making progress in this direction, notably in our recent peace treaties and in our relations with Mexico and with the belligerent nations of Europe. The President's patience and forebearance with unhappy Mexico; his disinterested friendship, that could not be shaken by rebuff and insult; his determination that the rights and integrity of Mexico must be preserved, though favorable opportunity was not wanting for intervention and possibly conquest; the calm and conciliatory attitude that has marked our dealings with England and Germany in connection with flagrant infringement of American rights; the fixed determination that, whatever happened, we would refuse to act hastily or in passion; and, in particular, our steadfast assumption that the offending nations had no unfriendly purpose toward us and would gladly make amends if shown their fault—these are splendid examples of Christian diplomacy of which we may well be proud. And in every case so far results have justified the policy.

Shall It Be Christ or Mars?

But what shall we say of the program of preparedness that is now being proposed, the building of a navy that will rival the greatest on the globe and the creation of a standing army of a million fighting men? Do we honor our faith or discredit it by assuming that the gospel of peace is powerless to prevent war, that war is inevitable, and that therefore we must get ready for it? Are we applying Christian principles when we take for granted that our neighbor nations—Christians as truly as we are—are jealous of us, anxious for an opportunity to trample upon our rights, snatch our territory, and rob us of our liberty? Shall we not cultivate suspicion, then fear, and thereby inevitable hate, by looking upon them as enemies ready to pounce upon us on the slightest provocation? Shall we encourage friendly relations with our neighbors by putting them on notice that we have no faith in their fairness or friendship and by making ready for war upon them? If we look upon them with suspicion, why should they not so look upon us? If we regard their preparedness as a menace to us, why should they not regard ours as a menace to them? Thus will suspicion engender suspicion, fear create fear, and mutual hate grow up as a natural result. Shall I make a man my friend by preparing to fight him? Shall we cement international friendship by building dreadnaughts and raising standing armies for the destruction of our friends? Shall we prove or discredit our desire for leadership in world peace by launching into a program of militarism at a time when the whole world is seeing as never before the folly and crime of war?

"Choose Ye This Day"

The best that can be claimed for such a policy is not that it is Christian, but that it is a matter of expediency alone. But that which is unchristian in unwise also, else is our faith is vain and our preaching a mockery. If as a nation we are unwilling to trust our safety to a Christian program of real peace, fair dealing, and good will, but must rely rather on battleships and forts and armies, then let us cease to call ourselves a Christian nation and confess at once that, though individually we may be Christians, collectively we are still barbarians.

Shelby District Notice

The Shelby mid-year district meeting will be held at Mt. Holly, January 7th, 1916. All the preachers, charge lay leaders and Sunday school superintendents are urged to come. There will be entertainment. Round table meeting of preachers at 11 o'clock a. m.; of lay leaders at 3 p. m., and Sunday school superintendents at night. Be sure and go.

Yours truly, J. R. Scroggs.

Shelby, N. C.

Department of Woman's Work

Conducted by Mrs. W. R. Harris, 87 Starnes Ave., Asheville, N. C.

THE GIFT

In Judah's day of darkness came
The angel's gladsome strain:
"Peace on earth, a Child is born;
Good news unto all men!"
With wondering ears, the shepherds heard,
And told abroad the heavenly word.

Angelic voices no more ring
Upon the hills of earth;
We yearn to hear celestial tones
Proclaim the holy birth;
But ah, a rarer gift is given,
That we may sing the song of heaven!

In lands of darkness we may sound
The Christmas notes anew;
The message bring to burdened lives,
"A Child is born to you:
Fear not, great joy and on earth peace!"
The heavenly anthem shall not cease!

And in our hearts may come the song,
That bliss to us be given!
"Redeemed! Redeemed! the lost is found,
The rapture song of heaven!
The Saviour came, a babe, to men
That all souls might be born again!

—Eva Joor Williams.

THE REAL CHRISTMAS SPIRIT

(From Chicago Herald)

"Christmas comes but once a year," says the old song; but this would be a sadder and colder world if the spirit of Christmas were with us only once a year. That spirit makes us merry and glad, but there is nothing selfish about the gladness. The sordid, mean man has his pleasures, but he cannot be happy and glad in the spirit of this gracious and cheerful season. The Christmas spirit is that of forgiveness, generosity and good-will. It is altruism that brings us quiet, inner joy. We are truly glad only when and because we have within our means and resources materially and morally made others glad.

Christmas is essentially a children's holiday, and the grown-ups enjoy it in proportion to their imaginative and spontaneous sympathy with the spirit of childhood. To create for every one a merry Christmas, is to be young and free again—to forget care, resentment, petty rivalries, malice and uncharitableness. It is to rejoice in a deep consciousness of human brotherhood and peace. It is "to pledge a hand to all our friends," to think kindly even of utter strangers and enemies, to relieve misery, and diffuse well-being.

We cannot, this side of Utopia, make every day a Christmas in this full sense, but we can strive to live more and more to the Christmas spirit during other days of the long year. We can resolve to be more considerate, more thoughtful, more helpful, more open-minded and open-hearted, more optimistic, more human and sympathetic.

Many of our difficulties would melt away, or become far less formidable, if we carried more of the Christmas mood or spirit over into the prosaic and strenuous days. This spirit never fails; it always works and blesses those who display it even more than those toward whom it is displayed.

A merry Christmas and more scope and space to its beautiful, enabling spirit!"

THE ANNUAL MEETING

"On to Greensboro" should be the slogan of every auxiliary in our W. N. C. Conference from now until the date of the Annual eMeting, January 27-31. How anxious the Conference officers are that every auxiliary should have a representative! How important it is to our work for another year that we attend that meeting and get from it some of the enthusiasm that seems to be contagious on an occasion like that! The Program Committee is planning a most interesting program and besides our own workers we are expecting to have with us, a Council Officer, returned missionary and perhaps others, who will bring with them so much for our pleasure and profit. Let us not forget to pray for the meeting, daily, that God may bless it greatly!

Friends throughout the Conference will hear with sorrow of the great bereavement that has come to one of our co-workers, Mrs. C. C. Kennedy, in the death of her husband which occurred at his home in Charlotte, on Monday morning, December 13th. Many hearts will sympathize with her in this sad hour and many prayers will ascend to a throne of grace that God may comfort her with such comfort as He alone can give.

A good man has fallen. He will be sadly missed not only in his own home but in the city where he was so well and favorably known. The church which he loved so well will miss him. To his dear wife, loving nieces, aged mother-in-law and other relatives we extend our tenderest sympathies.

A DESERVED TOKEN

Appreciative of the great work that Mrs. C. C. Kennedy has done in the woman's auxiliary of Tryon Street church, as treasurer for twenty-five years, the members of the auxiliary gave her a pleasant surprise a few days ago as the following article from Mrs. M. C. Sims, Superintendent of Mission Study, tells us:

"As we assembled in our church parlor, the first of December, to elect officers for the new year, our hearts were strangely stirred by the annual in our meeting. A feeling of sadness pervaded the society. We looked into the faces of many dear to us by years of sweet fellowship and as we realized that they were leaving us for another field of labor, we were filled with regret.

Our dear old Tryon Street church had so outgrown her capacity that a "swarming was necessary. So these co-laborers were going to Hawthorne Lane to establish a new church and found a new society. But we are one in heart and with singleness of purpose will work as of yore for the upbuilding of the Lord's Kingdom.

Perfect harmony made the election of our officers easy, but we were called upon to elect a new treasurer, made necessary by the resignation of our dear Mrs. C. C. Kennedy, who, for twenty-five years, has been a bright and shining light in our midst, always "true-hearted, whole-hearted, faithful and loyal." Whispers of our impending loss filled us with a desire to express in some way our appreciation of her services and love for her.

So in most fitting and appropriate words, our president, Mrs. W. W. Hagood, presented to her our love token, a beautiful clock and candlesticks. (We are sorry that we have not space for this presentation speech, so full of beautiful thoughts.—Editor.)

We trust that our losses may stimulate us to increased effort along all lines of missionary activity."

YEAR BOOK FOR 1916

We have received from our Conference Distributor of Literature a copy of the Year Book for 1916 and we feel that our Council is to be congratulated on this attractive booklet. And not only is it attractive but from cover to cover it is filled with things that are worth while. Splendid monthly programs, beautiful quotations, appropriate hymns. Interesting facts concerning our work both at home and abroad are found on each page, and an added and desirable feature is the blank for the date and place of meeting and name of leader. A large supply of these books has been prepared with the hope that the auxiliaries will make a most extensive use of them. Every member of the Adult and Young People's auxiliaries should have one and study it.

PLEDGE MEETING

January has been set apart as the month in which each auxiliary is expected to hold the Pledge Meeting. Pledge cards have been prepared and are ready for distribution. They, as well as the year book are most attractive this year. Let our corresponding secretaries see that they have a supply ready for distribution at the January meeting. We are anxious that our pledges be secured as far as possible early in the year, for all of us realize how much easier it is to get our obligations off early than to wait until the end of the year when there are so many other demands.

Pledge Cards, Adult Missionary Society

In remembrance of the great love wherewith He loves me and of the many good things that have come as gifts into my life, and rejoicing in the privilege of helping to extend His Kingdom, I promise to give this year as a free-will offering over and above my membership obligation..... to be paid weekly, monthly or quarterly.

Name .....
Address .....
Date .....

Pledge

My offering for the Woman's Missionary Council must be:

A Loving Gift to carry the love of Christ.

An Intelligent Gift, for my prayers must go with it.

A Generous Gift, since God has given to me so generously.

A Personal Gift to Christ, since He asks me to do it for Him.

A Willing Gift, since no other is acceptable to Him.

A Disinterested Gift, since heathen women and children can make no return.

A Joyful Gift, since it carries good tidings of great joy.

A Speedy Gift, for the time is short and the need is pressing,

A Gift through which I go myself to tell of the redemption for the world.

THE POWER OF PRAYER

Mrs. Fred Felmet

The very definition of prayer signifies power. Prayer is communion and conversation with our Heavenly Father. Through prayer we may not only speak to God but we may have Him speak to us. Prayer has the power of helping us to know God.

"Prayer is the soul's sincere desire,
Uttered or unexpressed,
The motion of a hidden fire
That trembles in the breast.

Prayer is the burden of a sigh,
The falling of a tear,
The upward glancing of an eye,
When none but God is near.

Prayer is the simplest form of speech
That infant lips can try;
Prayer the sublimest strains that reach
The Majesty on high.

Prayer is the Christian's vital breath,
The Christian's native air,
His watchword at the gates of death;
He enters heaven with prayer.

O, thou, by whom we come to God,
The Life, the Truth, the Way;
The path of prayer thyself hast trod;
Lord, teach us how to pray!" Amen.

A story was told by one of our "Saints in Israel" at one of our Week of Prayer meetings recently of a wounded soldier on the bloody battlefield of France who was about giving up in despair until he was told by a man, who afterwards proved to be his brother, that their father had made a compact with them that every evening, from seven to eight o'clock, wherever they might be that he should be praying for them and they for him. The wounded soldier took on new life, as it were, and just as soon as he was able he went back home. Prayer brings the prodigal home.

"Back to my Father and home,
Back to my Father and home.
I will arise and go
Back to my Father and home."

The greatest need of the church today is that she may have a new realization of the power of prayer. May it be that, not simply the church, as a whole, but that each individual member composing the church, may feel the great need and power of prayer in their own individual lives. And, O, that the feverish, dissatisfied, pleasure-seeking world might be made to pause in its mad rush and have the finger of healing placed upon the poor bruised, sin-sick, soul—prayer, the ointment of the soul.

By prayer we may look out unafraid through the mists that hide from our anxious gaze the uncertainties of the future. We need no longer say "I hope this may be true in my life, or in my child's life, or in my friend's life," but we may say, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." "The effectual, fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much," and again, "The prayer of faith shall save the sick." "Delight thyself also in the Lord and He shall give thee the desires of thy heart," and most assuredly if we delight ourselves in him we will learn how to go to him in prayer. "Ask and ye shall receive." "Ask of me and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession." God has given us unlimited power. What a sad thing in our lives that we have not appropriated this power long ago. I always feel a delicacy in giving a personal reference, but I feel that when I am speaking of these things in my own life I "know whereof I speak," and I want to give you two or three illustrations of the power of prayer in my own life if perchance they may cause you to take on new courage I shall feel that I have not spoken in vain. I want to tell you of some moments that I have had with Jesus in prayer that have been the sweetest moments that ever came into my life. Sometimes in prayer the vision of his thorn-crowned head, and his face so full of pain and yet wreathed in a smile of recognition of me as his child, has been so plain to me that words have failed me and I could only stop and gaze upon his face, fearing lest the vision should fade. He has been so near to me that it seemed as if another presence were in the room. Thank God for the witness of the Holy Spirit in our hearts. Some time ago I was praying for a friend of mine in whom I was very much interested, and just as plainly as one could ever have the inner consciousness that his prayer would be answered, it came to me in the form of a "still small voice," saying, "My child, your friend will be saved." And the same sentence was repeated the second time if possible more distinctly than the first, "My child, your friend will be saved." You will not be surprised when I tell you that in a very few days I received a letter from this friend telling me of his tender feeling toward God and toward all that is good, and I believe that if our friends ever lose out after making a start it is simply because of the fact that we do not continue to bear them up on the "wings of our petitions," for I believe that God wants us to keep praying even after we have had the assurance that our prayers would be answered, for we are to "pray without ceasing." The great trouble with us is that we have not prayed. We have simply said our prayers.

Prayer makes friends of our en-

(Continued on page 15)

Epworth League Department

Conducted by R. R. Mitchell, Greensboro, N. C.

WHAT SOME PASTORS THINK OF THE JUNIOR LEAGUE

Rev. John Scholars, Rayne, La.:

"I have had but six years in the itinarancy. During those years I have had a Junior League in every charge. These were in four different towns, all of them difficult fields for Protestant work of any sort, with one exception, by reason of the fact that Romanism has heavily predominated wherever I have lived. Taking my whole experience in all these fields, the Junior League has been the one organization that was everywhere creditable and serviceable. I attribute this to two facts.

"1. The Junior League is a splendid idea and organization and meets a great need and everywhere finds suitable materials. The only element in the League idea which constitutes a problem is to find a responsible and devoted leader. In two of my charges the Sunday schools have manifested no interest whatever in the conversion of the children and their joining the church. A good Junior League is a guarantee that the children and church will not suffer from such conditions in the Sunday school. Here last year I received eight little children who had faith in Jesus into the church. I got them from the League. I have found the Junior League much less of a problem than the Senior League.

"2. The Junior League does some things for the children which the Sunday school does not do and, I believe, cannot do. In it generally the children manage their own affairs; they learn self-control, deportment, parliamentary usage; they learn to do for themselves in the Master's vineyard, where the soil is deep and rich and well tilled, where the Lord of heaven sees that sunshine and shower in right proportion and abundance ever fall; it is below the frost line and above the torrid belt, for children are never fanatics and they never grow cold and they would never backslide were it not for those offenses that must needs come and which do come so often and so cruelly and sometimes fatally from their elders.

"To me the most attractive and lovely and fruitful part of the vineyard is that of the Junior League. I rejoice when I behold the work it does. Hence I could not suggest any changes. The only thing I can say in that regard is that every pastor should find some woman who loves and understands the children and will master the League work, and then put her to work and give her an absolutely free hand—all the woman's rights and child's rights that she will want. Both pastor and superintendent must assuredly rejoice in every such case.

"At all times and everywhere the pastor should be on most cordial and friendly terms with the children of his charge."

"Rev. R. W. Hood, Paducah, Ky.:

"It is worth while to have Junior Leagues:

"I. Because the Sunday school cannot in the time given to it do the training work necessary.

"2. Because the Senior League recruits largely from the Junior League.

"3. Because from the Senior League comes a majority of the recruits for the pastorate, the mission field, deaconess work, etc.

"4. Because the Discipline of our church provides therefor."

Rev. J. A. Doak, Hermitage, Ark: "In the Junior League the children are taught to do departmental work; they are also taught to conduct the prayer service of the League and to lead in prayer, thus laying a solid foundation for a more effective life for the Master. The Sunday school is all-important, but cannot take the place of the League. In a great many places we cannot have a Senior League, but I have not been to a place as pastor where we could not have a Junior League."

Rev. W. D. Wendel, Pontotoc, Miss.: "The Sunday school instructs. It cannot give the Juniors and Seniors an opportunity to apply the principles taught in such a way as to develop their mental and spiritual life as the League proposes to do and is doing when faithfully and persistently operated."

Rev. Paul B. Kern, Murfreesboro, Tenn.: "Within the limits of the Sunday school hour I do not see how it would be possible to do the work that the Junior League is doing. I believe that the Junior League offers a splendid opportunity for supplementing the work now being done in the Sunday school, for in this organization alone the child gets practical experience in the religious life."

Rev. P. L. Cobb, Chattanooga, Tenn: "I know nothing in the church or out of it to take the place of the Junior Epworth League."

Rev. W. S. Taylor, Clarksville, Tenn: "The Junior League trains the children for service. It teaches them naturally to pray and to talk. It can be made a power house both for the Sunday school and the church at large. Every pastor should take special care over the Junior League."

Rev. T. W. Watts, Mt. Sterling, Ky.: "My Experience and observation have been that where the Junior League is properly operated it does for the Juniors what no other department or organization of the church does, and I do not think we could dispense with it without great loss. The failure is where the plan is not properly worked."

Rev. Paul S. Powell, Drakesboro, Ky..

"I am very much interested in the work of the Junior League. We have here a very faithful and efficient Junior Superintendent, who has relieved me of the necessity of giving the work detailed supervision. I am sure that the key to the success of any Junior League must lie in the Superintendent.

"There is something about the Junior League meetings which cannot be found in the regular sessions of the Sunday school. There is an opportunity for initiative and independent leadership on the part of the younger ones. The Sunday school classes may have their officers, but there is little or no opportunity for development in the way of leading or taking part in religious services. The Junior League begins the preparation of future leaders in the church by encouraging the children to conduct their services, perform their official duties, take part in sentence prayers, etc.

"Our Junior League has taken up the Bible and Church Study Course for the first time this year. There has been a good deal of interest in it, especially when opportunity was afforded to use the blackboard. General study of the Bible stories with the aid of the blackboard did much to bring the boys back to the League when a number had grown indifferent. The combination program and Bible study can be made quite helpful as supplementary to the teaching done in the Sunday school.

"The greatest thing about the Junior League as I have observed it from the standpoint of the Juniors themselves is that it is their own organization. Looking at it in this way, it is a comparatively easy matter to get them to attend regularly and to take special interest when occasional programs are being planned.

"I feel that the Junior League is the best organization for developing the children in the way of general church work. It is difficult to carry on all the

Standard Form Collection Envelopes

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

HOLT'S CHAPEL

FOR PASTOR'S SALARY

AMOUNT

Name ..... Dollars | Cents

Date ..... *191*....

MISSIONS AND CONFERENCE COLLECTIONS

Western North Carolina Conference
Methodist Episcopal Church, South

MOUNT ZION CHURCH

Name ..... Dollars | Cents

Date .....

$1.90 for 1000, delivered

$1.40 for additional 1000, delivered

FOR EITHER FORM

This price is based on using the above forms, changing name of church only. The large envelope is manila, and of the quality regularly used for Pastor's Salary collections. The small envelope can be furnished in white, green or cherry. Its difference in color and size from the Pastor's Salary form makes it ideal for Missions and Conference Collections.

If special form is desired the price will average $2.40 for the first 1000, and $1 40 for additional 1000's, delivered.

Special rates on large quantities.

The Advocate Press, Greensboro, N. C.

Carolina & Northwestern Rwy. Co.

Schedule Effective Oct. 10th, 1915

Northbound	NO. 10 Passenger Ex. Sun.	NO. 8 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 6 Passenger Sun. Only	No. 4 Passenger Sun. Only	NO. 52 Mixed Ex. Sun.	NO. 50 Mixed Ex. Sun.
Chester.....Lv.	7 43 a m	.....	7 43 am	.....	5 35 pm	.....
Yorkville.....“	8 29	.....	8 29	.....	7 10	.....
Gastonia.....“	9 14!	3 10 p m	9 14	.....	9 05	.....
Gastonia.....“	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lincolnton.....“	10 15	4 06	10 15	.....	.....	.....
Newton.....“	10 50	5 02	10 50	.....	.....	.....
Hickory.....“	11 40	5 35	11 28	12 30 pm	.....	6 00 am
Lenoir.....“	12 45 p m	6 33	.....	1 20	.....	7 55
Lenoir.....“	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mortimer.....“	.....	7 54	.....	2 49	.....	.....
Edgemont.....Ar.	.....	8 05	.....	3 00	.....	.....
Southbound	**NO. 9 Passenger Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 7 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 5 Passenger Sun. Only**	**No. 3 Passenger Sun. Only**	**NO. 53 Mixed Ex. Sun.**	**NO. 51 Mixed Ex. Sun.**
Edgemont.....Lv.	.....	6 45 a m	.....	7 00 am	.....	.....
Mortimer.....“	.....	6 53	.....	7 08	.....	.....
Lenoir.....“	1 50 pm	8 02	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lenoir.....“	.....	.....	.....	8 17	.....	.....
Hickory.....“	2 45	9 05	2 50 pm	9 15	.....	.....
Newton.....“	3 18	9 30	3 18	.....	.....	.....
Lincolnton.....“	3 53	10 05	3 53	.....	.....	.....
Gastonia.....“	4 40	10 55	4 40	.....	.....	.....
Gastonia.....“	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	4 15 am	.....
Yorkville.....“	5 46	.....	5 46	.....	5 31	.....
Chester.....Ar.	6 35	.....	6 35	.....	7 00	.....

x Leave ! Arrive

CONNECTIONS

CHESTER—Southern Railway, S. A. L. and L. & C.
YORKVILLE—Southern Railway LINCOLNTON—S. A. L.
GASTONIA Southern Railway Piedmont & Northern Railway
NEWTON and HICKORY—Southern Railway

E. F. REID. G. P. Agt. **CHESTER, S. C.**

work just right, but I believe that it would be well to attempt to do all the work of the Junior League without seeking to multiply organizations for the children.

"The Junior League and the Senior League as well are in need of more official encouragement on the part of pastors and presiding elders. Such, with a greater degree of concentration on these as the two organizations for carrying on the religious activities of children and young people, would increase the efficiency of both."—Epworth Era.

WHY I BELIEVE IN THE LEAGUE

Rev. J. E. Underwood

I believe in the Epworth League, because it is an institution of my church—just as much so as the Sunday school, or the Woman's Missionary Society, and I have not reached the point where I am willing to put my judgment against the combined wisdom of our General Conference—the law-making body of Methodism. And then I believe in the Epworth League because of its possibilities for good, as has been evidenced often in the practical results of its workings. As I see it, there is no training school for Christian workers in our church that is equal to the Epworth League.

I know that it is not easy to get the people to see it. They are ready to say that "we can't run an Epworth League, for the lack of leaders."

Well, this is the place to develop leadership. A few years ago a young man—a mere boy then— joined one of our active Leagues, with the stipulated condition that he was not to do any public work. In a short while he became so interested in the work that he was not only willing to take an active part, but glad to do so.

That young man is now president of his local League, and a leading steward and recording steward of one of the largest quarterly conferences in Eastern North Carolina. And this is not an isolated case, but one that may be duplicated many times where the League is well organized and progressive in its work. This is but one phase of the work of the Epworth League Think of the joy and comfort that is brought to the hearts of those who are the recipients of its ministries. The poor—the shut-ins—those who are denied the privileges that are so dear to us. On a recent Sunday evening, I heard an active Leaguer, as with radiant face she told of a meeting, which had been held the same afternoon, with one of God's afflicted ones, and of the joy that came into the heart of the old saint as the young people sang, and talked of the love of the blessed Saviour.

I believe in the Epworth League because of the great work it has done, is now doing, and of the greater work which I believe it will do in the coming years.

That this is a much needed work goes without saying. My heart grows sick with discouragement as I see so many congregations that are making no progress for lack of trained leaders. Many in these congregations are good people—men and women who love the Lord, and who would be glad to work for Him, but they don't know how.

As a church we must train our people to work for the Lord, or we will lose our "crown."

And then the reflex influence that comes to those who are engaged in this work—the real joy that comes into their lives and makes life "worth while." We sometimes lose patience with our young people, because of their worldliness when the responsibility is upon us to show them a better way.

Yes, I believe in the Epworth League.—Raleigh Christian Advocate.

AFRICA RALLY DAY

The Haywood Street, Asheville, Epworth League observed Africa Rally Day, Dec. 12th. There were about twenty taking part in the program and we feel that increased interest in the Africa field was inspired, and we are hoping that one of our young women or young men may be called in the near future to preparation for this work.

Our president, Col. H. E. Walter, pledged $25.00 for our chapter for the Africa Special at the recent session of our Annual Conference, and this will be raised by individual pledges. We took a collection to raise the balance of the $15.00 that was pledged by us last year and this is paid in full.

We hope to do good work in the fourth department this year and we would ask the prayers of all the Leagues for the success of the work.

Mrs. Fred Felmet was appointed at our last business meeting to take the place of Mr. A. H. Nance as fourth vice-president, and she is hoping to organize a mission study class in the near future with the aid of Miss Wilson, Conference fourth vice-president, who is a splendid young woman and full of enthusiasm for the work. We consider it fortunate that Miss Wilson is a resident of Asheville and we trust that together we may be able to make this the best year that this department has ever known, but we undertake these things only "through Christ which strengtheneth us." Pray for us.

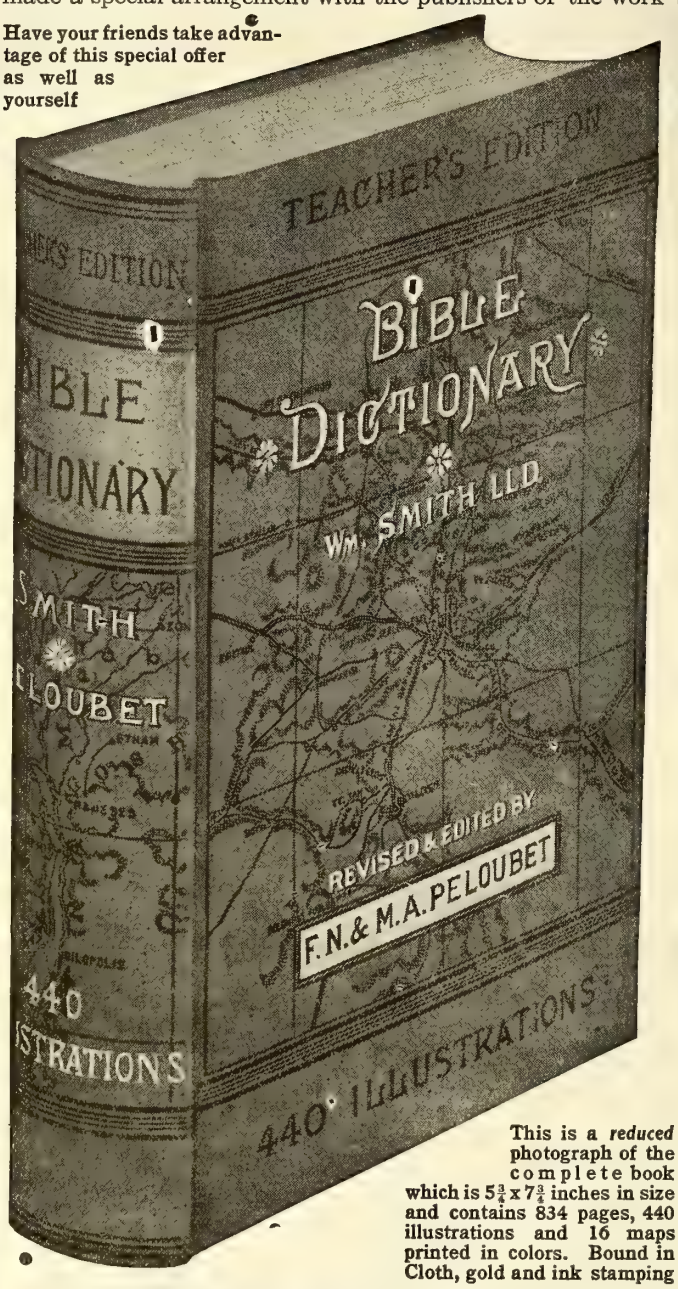
Mrs. Fred Felmet,
Fourth Vice-President.

The Christian Advocate Offers You This Well Known Bible Dictionary

SEE SPECIAL OFFER BELOW

Realizing the wide demand that exists among our constituents for this Bible Dictionary, we have made a special arrangement with the publishers of the work by which they agreed to supply it to us on exceptional terms, provided we would widely advertise it, and this enables us to offer this **well-known Bible Dictionary in its original form** and with all its important features, including over 400 illustrations and maps in colors, at **less than half the regular price.**

Have your friends take advantage of this special offer as well as yourself



This is a *reduced* photograph of the complete book which is 5¾ x 7¾ inches in size and contains 834 pages, 440 illustrations and 16 maps printed in colors. Bound in Cloth, gold and ink stamping

THE FATHER OF ALL BIBLE DICTIONARIES

Everyone acknowledges the superior value of Dr. William Smith's Bible Dictionary, as containing the fruit of the ripest Biblical scholarship. It is practically the foundation, or father, of all other Bible Dictionaries. This late edition is brought down to the twentieth century and thoroughly revised to incorporate modern research and discoveries in Bible lands. It has been adapted in its present form to the convenience of teachers and scholars.

MAKES BIBLE STUDY EASY. MAKES THE BIBLE PLAIN TO EVERY READER

This Bible Dictionary is a veritable treasure to Christian Workers. It contains in the simplest language a full explanation of all topics mentioned in the Bible—every place, nation, tribe, person, and historical event; every custom and rite; every instrument and implement; every animal, plant, flower, mineral, metal, etc. It is a systematic collation of all the facts recorded in the Bible, supplemented and explained by materials supplied from authentic records of Biblical times. It gives in compact and lucid form the substance of the result of profound Biblical scholarship and research. IT OPENS A NEW UNDERSTANDING AND APPRECIATION OF THE BIBLE IN A WAY THAT NO OTHER BOOK DOES.

Our Special Offer

From this till January first we offer the Advocate one year and this dictionary for

$2.50

This applies to new subscribers and renewals.

Address CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, GREENSBORO, N. C.

NOTES FROM TRINITY COLLEGE

On last Monday night in the East Duke Building the Trinity College Historical Society held its third regular meeting of the year. The greater part of the meeting was given over to the reading and discussion of a paper by Dr. W. K. Boyd, on "North Carolina Funds for Internal Improvements." This was a very interesting paper as was indicated by the lively discussion which followed its reading.

The president announced the donations to the museum of a number of ancient book plates and several interesting old books, among them the History of Methodism in Charleston.

Swarthmore College a few days ago submitted the following question for the intercollegiate debate which will be held here between Trinity and Swarthmore sometime in the spring: "Resolved, that an international police force should be established to enforce international treaties and agreements and to preserve international peace." The College Debate Council yesterday afternoon chose the affirmative of this question.

It was furthermore decided that not more than two men should be selected for the intercollegiate debates from the Intersociety Debate and that the faculty members of the Council should determine in which of the intercollegiate debates these men should participate. The date for the Swarthmore preliminary was tentatively fixed at February 11.

Chalmers' Gelatine
UNITED PROFIT SHARING COUPONS
A WHOLESOME DESSERT



NOW READY
The Forty-Second Volume
No other publication begins to furnish the inspiration, instruction and information for
Sunday School Teachers and Scholars
SEND POSTAL FOR ILLUSTRATED CIRCULAR AND SAMPLE PAGES
PRICE, $1.00 NET $1.15 DELIVERED
W. A. WILDE COMPANY
120 Boylston Street, Boston, Mass.
Rand-McNally Building, Chicago

A GLAD CHRISTMAS FOR SUPERANNUATES

Trinity College, Durham, N. C., Dec. 22.—The approaching Christmas season will be more cheerful than usual for the families of worn-out Methodist preachers in North Carolina, for Christmas gifts to them are going out from the college office this week in the form of checks. These checks fo from the fund of $10,000 given this year by Mr. James B. Duke, to be distributed by Trinity College to the superannuate preachers and their wives and to the widows and orphans of deceased preachers of the Methodist Church within the bounds of North Carolina. The church has its own superannuate fund and the proportion of the Duke fund that goes to each claimant is based upon the amount awarded by the church. This retiring fund is not yet adequate. It is hoped that Mr. Duke's munificent gift may attract wide attention to this need and may in the end be the means of building up a pension system that will be in keeping with the dignity of a great church. Nothing in its long history has ever given Trinity College more exquisite pleasure than the privilege of rendering for Mr. Duke this beautiful service to the aged servants of God.

METHODIST PREACHERS AND THE TOBACCO HABIT

It was my pleasure to attend the Western North Carolina Conference during its recent session. I was impressed by the fact that I saw very few of the preachers using tobacco, but the one thing that impressed me most was the report of the committee on admission when the Conference was receiving on trial the applicants. In each individual case, the chairman of this committee, in reporting the character and condition of the applicant, closed his report by saying, "He agrees to abstain from the use of tobacco." As this expression was repeated in the case of each applicant—there were seven or eight—I was more and more impressed with the far-reaching provision of the Discipline, which requires that those who join shall agree not to use tobacco.

I have heard some criticism of this law because it does not reach the man that is already a member of Conference, but as his contract with the Conference was made prior to the enactment of this law, it seems to me that Conference would have no right, now, to violate its portion of the contract, and as Conference did not require the applicant, when he joined, to abstain from the use of tobacco, it certainly has no moral right now to force him to such an agreement. However this may be, the moral effect of the law will incline those that do use it to quit the habit. R. L. Davis.

Raleigh, N. C.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH

Schedule figures published only as information. Not guaranteed. Trains leave Greensboro as follows:

12:55 a. m.—No. 112, daily. Local for Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Pullman sleeping car Winston-Salem to Raleigh open here at 9:30 p. m. and may be occupied in Raleigh until 7 a. m.

1:47 a. m.—No. 30, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars Birmingham to New York and Washington and observation sleeping car Atlanta to Richmond. Tourist car Washington from San Francisco. Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:50 a. m.—No. 29, daily. Birmingham Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars New York and Washington to Birmingham and observation sleeping car Richmond to Atlanta. Tourist car Washington to San Francisco via Sunset Route. Dining car service. Day coaches.

3:45 a. m.—No. 31, daily. Augusta Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars New York to Augusta and Asheville and Washington to Charlotte and Asheville. Dining car service. Day coaches.

6:45 a. m.—No. 11, daily. Local for Atlanta and points South. Pullman sleeping cars Richmond and Norfolk to Charlotte. Connects at Salisbury for Asheville and points west. Day coaches.

7:15 a. m.—No. 37, daily. New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Solid Pullman train with drawing room and open section sleeping cars New York and Washington to New Orleans and New York to Macon. Club car Washington to Montgomery. Dining car service. No coaches.

7:30 a. m.—No. 108, daily. Local for Raleigh.

7:30 a. m.—No. 154, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

8:10 a. m.—No. 44, daily. For Washington and points north.

8:15 a. m.—No. 237, daily. For Winston-Salem and North Wilkesboro. Handles Raleigh-Winston-Salem sleeping car.

8:20 a. m.—No. 133, daily. For Mount Airy.

9:20 a. m.—No. 144, daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Free reclining chair Charlotte to Raleigh.

12:30 p. m.—No. 21, daily. For Salisbury, Statesville, Asheville and Waynesville. Connects at Asheville with Carolina Special. Chair car Goldsboro to Asheville.

12:45 p. m.—No. 130, daily. For Sanford, Fayetteville and Wilmington.

12:50 p. m.—No. 45, daily. Local for Charlotte, connecting for Columbia and Seneca.

1:30 p. m.—No. 36, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Washington and New York. Pullman sleeping cars New Orleans and Birmingham to New York.

Dining car service. Day coaches.

1:40 p. m.—No. 207, daily. For Winston-Salem, connecting daily except Sunday for North Wilkesboro

2:30 p. m.—No. 151, daily except Sunday for Madison.

3:30 p. m.—No. 230, daily except Sunday for Ramseur.

4:15 p. m.—No. 22, daily. For Raleigh, Selma and Goldsboro. Chair car Asheville to Goldsboro. Coaches.

5:05 p. m.—No. 131, daily. For Mount Airy.

6:35 p. m.—No. 235, daily. For Winston-Salem.

6:43 p. m.—No. 43, daily. Local for Charlotte.

7:15 p. m.—No. 132, daily For Sanford

7:20 p. m.—No. 35, daily. U. S. Fast Mail. For Atlanta, New Orleans and Birmingham, Pullman sleeping cars New York to New Orleans and Birmingham. Dining car service. Day coaches.

7:30 p. m.—No. 46, daily. Local for Danville.

10:20 p. m.—No. 12, daily. Local for Richmond. Pullman sleeping cars Charlotte to Richmond and Norfolk.

10:35 p. m.—No. 32, daily. Augusta Special. Pullman drawing room sleeping cars Augusta and Asheville to New York and Charlotte and Asheville to Washington. Dining car service. Day coaches.

10:35 p. m.—No. 233, daily. For Winston-Salem.

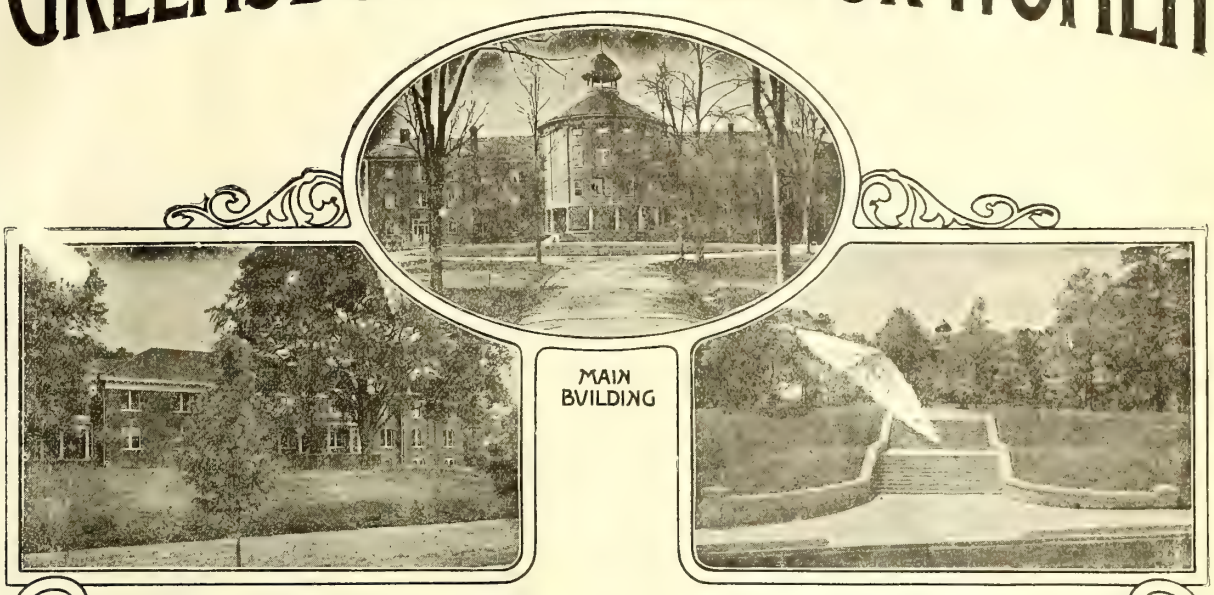
11:15 p. m.—No. 38, daily. New York, Atlanta and New Orleans Limited. Pullman drawing room and observation sleeping cars New Orleans and Macon to Washington and New York. Dining car service. No coaches.

R. H. DeBUTTS, Division Passenger Agent, Charlotte, N. C.

C. G PICKARD, Passenger and Ticket Agent, Greensboro, N. C.

THE SOUTHERN SERVES THE SOUTH

GREENSBORO COLLEGE FOR WOMEN



The A-Grade College of the Two Methodist Conferences of North Carolina

Chartered 1838. Confers the degree of A. B. in the literary department, and B. M. in the music department.

In addition to our regular classical course, and preparatory department, open to students having completed the eighth grade, special attention is called to the departments of Home Economics, Expression, Business, Art, Education, Sunday School Teacher Training, Piano Pedagogy, and to our complete School of Music which has steadily grown into one of the highest excellence in our country.

Fall term opens September 8th, 1915. For further information apply to

REV. S. B. TURRENTINE, A. M., D. D., PRESIDENT, GREENSBORO, N. C.

Renewal Order Blank for North Carolina Christian Advocate

Address Label on Paper Shows When Subscription Expires

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Please find inclosed $_____ to renew my subscription to the CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Name _____

Post Office _____

State _____

Date _____

Remarks _____

The Sunday School Lesson

FOURTH QUARTER—LESSON XIII
DECEMBER 26, 1915

Jehovah's Gracious Promises to Israel (Review)

Golden Text—Jehovah is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abundant in lovingkindness. Psa. 103:8.

The Ways of the Kings

"I am the state," declared a proud and brilliant French monarch. His words expressed more than a haughty boast. They came near to describing a fact. The captain of a state, like the captain of a ship, has an authority which fairly molds the lives of other men. Even in a limited monarchy the king controls sources of far-reaching influence. The social life of the court sets the pace for the nation. A noble and high-minded court life sets in motion influences which tend to elevate the most remote villages. A debauched court produces license all over the nation.

The kings of Israel had much to do in dominating the life of Israel. When they were selfish and secular the people caught the contagion of their quality of life. When they were seduced by the lure of voluptuous luxury and self-indulgence a new appetite for life's grosser gratifications was felt among the people. When the glitter and the vice of some brilliant foreign worship mastered the king masses of the people quickly surrendered to its attractions.

On the other hand, a godly and upright king brought new vigor to the moral and spiritual life of the people. When there was a revival in the king's heart a revival soon came to the nation at large. When the king was loyal to Jehovah a thrill of loyalty went pulsing through the life of the people.

Leadership is a grave and responsible thing in any age. The kings of thought rule over a vast domain. The man who gives an age its watchwords and its great ideas is a right royal personage. The man who creates the artistic ideal of an age is the creator of a thousand productions which he never sees. The man who gives a country its political ideals is the real author of thousands of speeches which he never hears and of many books whose pages he never turns. Every community has its men of practical lordship. The impact of their personality is the most significant thing in the life of the people. Where they lead others follow. They guide the present and mold the future. Such men ought to wake in the morning with a sense of the challenging eyes of God upon them.

The Words of the Prophets

"Could'st thou in vision see
Thyself, the man God meant;
Thou never more could'st be
The man thou art, content."

So wrote a poet whose mind was mastered by a sense of the practical compulsion of high ideals. The prophets were the stewards of the moral and spiritual idealism of Israel. They were the conscience of the people. They reminded them of the responsibilities which had been forgotten, of duties which had been ignored and of privileges which had been carelessly passed by.

David Grayson, in one of the charming sketches of "The Friendly Road," tells of how he offered to sell a pair of spectacles to a man of contracted outlook and small range of vision, and of how he left the man thinking new thoughts and casting his eyes far over new horizons. In the noblest fashion the prophets performed this service for Israel. They summoned men to the far look. They summoned men to the inward look, and they summoned men to the high look.

The prophet was a fearless critic. He painted the thing as he saw it, and he did his work with a caustic candor. He spoke for "the God of things as they are," and there was no subterfuge, or evasion, or compromise about his speech, but he was also a great poet. He believed in the future. He was the voice of a coming day. He was a dreamer of radiant dreams and he let their light fall on the darkest times and darkest places which Israel knew. He had a quenchless optimism. He had an exhaustless hopefulness.

This does not mean that he was a mere visionary. He knew that a seedtime of sin will lead to a harvest of suffering. He foretold pain and punishment and exile, but beyond his days of darkness, beyond his days of wrath hung the purple glory of the great age which was to come. His pessimism was based upon the sins of the people. His optimism was based upon the character of God. The heart of man might be corrupt, but the heart of the universe he knew was sound.

"What a great God he has!" said a man one Sunday morning, after hearing a powerful preacher, whose sermon glowed with vital energy and triumphant faith. This is just the impression made by the words of the Hebrew prophets. As you listen you may forget the prophet, but you cannot forget his God.

The Ways of the People

"Some men seem to have no vulnerable point, other men seem to have no invulnerable point," remarks Dr. Geo. Harris in his interesting and thoughtful book on a Century's Change in Religion. The study of the people of Israel makes one feel that they had vulnerable points enough and one is not sure about there being any points at which they were vulnerable. The truth of the matter is that the student of popular movements has to be very careful or he will come to think too poorly of humanity. He may not be like those thinkers of whom Walter Lippman says that "they describe man as a slot machine, set in motion by inserting a coin," but he will be tempted to have his judgment unduly colored by the weaknesses, the mad passions and the variableness of the crowd. One must learn to measure men more by their discontent with wrong than by the right which they have been able to attain. One must see the significance of the aspiration of humanity, without being unduly discouraged by its failure to achieve. One must measure men by their capacity rather than by their history.

There was sin and folly and failure enough in Israel. There was greed and there was cruelty. There was lawless indulgence and there was forgetfulness of all the high behests of life, but the soul of Israel persisted and kept crying out through all the sinning. A cry of protest, a cry of penitence, a cry of longing for a better life was heard again and again among the people.

And there were periods when as one man they turned to the old faith, the old morality and the old worship. Israel might sometimes worship, but Israel could never be content with idols.

Then there was always a faithful company, who refused to be led astray by all the allurement and fascination of evil. The hour of the weakness of the many was the hour of the strength of the few. It is always the man who refuses to surrender to temptation who sets the moral standard for a community. Israel's standards were held high by the men who refused to bow the knee to false gods and false ideals and false standards of life. The minority held the future in its hands.

The Words of God

The important thing about Old Testament history is not Israel's dealing with God. It is God's dealing with Israel. The tale of vice and folly and wickedness is familiar enough. You can read such a tale in the annals of any people, but the story of a righteous, loving, forgiving Deity is bewilderingly new and wonderful. It is Israel's God who makes Israel immortal.

A popular preacher once delivered a series of sermons on "The Motherhood of God." The title was not very happy, but the thought back of the words is essentially and deeply true. The patient, compassionate, forgiving, hopeful God who turned a willing ear to every penitent cry of His people revealed an exhaustless tenderness like that of the most nobly beautiful relationship of which earth knows.

There is a stern strength in the messages which the God of Israel sends to His people for all their tender yearning. If he is an Infinite Compassion He is also an Infinite Righteousness and these two qualities melt into one in the summoning words which His messengers bear to Israel. Through them all one fact stands out. The strong high God of Israel is the God of an Immortal Hope. The night may be dark, but soon the morning star will appear, and then will come the gladness of the sunrise.

With a God of hope, who can despair? The optimism of God is the firm foundation for the hopefulness of man. As we close this series of Old Testament studies let us remember that the far-traveling, all-seeing eyes of God are shining with hope. The challenging, fearless words of God are ringing with belief in the future. We may have misanthropic men about us. We do not have a misanthropic God over us. Serene, clear-eyed and confident, the Lord of life summons us to meet the glory of the days to come.—Lynn H. Hough, D. D., in N. Y. Christian Advocate.

LETTERS THAT INSPIRE CONFIDENCE

I wish very much that every reader of the N. C. Christian Advocate could spend sufficient time in my office to read the thousands of letters which I have received from all parts of the country. I have printed several hundreds of them in a booklet, but I wish you could see the originals, for I would like for you to realize the wonderful results which they report in the relief of dyspepsia, indigestion, persistent headache, rheumatism, gall stones, kidney, bladder and liver diseases, uric acid poisoning and other conditions due to impure blood.

Before my own health was restored by Shivar Mineral Water and I purchased this Spring, and before I received all of these letters from sufferers, I didn't take very much stock in advertisements like this. I therefore can not blame you if you doubt, but, my friend, I am absolutely convinced that the Shivar Spring is the greatest restorative mineral spring ever discovered, not excepting the famous Spas of Europe. I have shipped this water to thousands of sufferers in all parts of the United States, and they almost invariably report either permanent restoration or beneficial results. That is why I make the guarantee offer contained in the following letter. Sign it now and mail it.

Shivar Spring,
Box 5J, Shelton, S. C.
Gentlemen,

I accept your guarantee offer and enclose herewith two dollars for ten gallons of Shivar Mineral Water. I agree to give it a fair trial, in accordance with instructions contained in booklet you will send, and if it fails to benefit my case you agree to refund the price in full upon receipt of the two empty demijohns which I agree to return promptly.

Name .....
Address .....
Shipping Point .....
(Please write distinctly.)



Latest Book "Profitable Poultry" finest published; 144 pages, 210 beautiful pictures; complete information in one volume; how to breed, hatch, feed by improved methods; describes the busy Poultry Farm with 53 varieties high quality pure-bred birds, including Runner ducks. Gives lowest prices on fowls, eggs, incubators, grain sprouters, etc. This 500 book mailed for 9c. Berry's Poultry Farm, Box 88, Clarinda, Iowa

BEAUTIFUL FLORAL DESIGNS

Furnished on short notice

Summit Avenue Greenhouses

HOWARD GARDNER
Proprietor
GREENSBORO, N. C.

Office Phoue 571 Res. Phone 1174

DR. C. W. MOSELEY
DISEASES OF
STOMACH AND INTESTINES

121½ S. Elm St. Greensboro, N. C.

MILLER, ROBINS & WEILL
General Insurance
General Agents Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland.
109 North Elm Street, 'Pone 44

The Newest Styles of Jewelry
WATCHES, STERLING SILVER PLATE WARE
Clocks that will run and a large assortment of Fine Pocket Books, Cut Glassware and Ornaments. We are the oldest leading firm in the city. Everything guaranteed.
SCHIFFMAN JEWELRY CO.
LEADING JEWELERS



Standard
Memorial Windows
Made in High Point
Beautiful in design—strong in construction. Largest and oldest glass plant in the South. Capacity for any and all orders and prompt delivery. Satisfaction guaranteed. References—any of our old customers or any bank or banker in High Point. Write for catalog.
Standard Mirror Co.
High Point, N. C.

Treat

yourselves, your family and your friends for years by planting the Old Reliable Greensboro Nurseries fruit trees, vines and plants. Outlay small, resuits big.

John A. Young & Sons
Greensboro, N. C.

Our Little Folks' Department

CHRISTMAS

Of all the birthdays in the year
The Christ-Child's is the best;
Because He loved the children so,
And came to be their guest.

That holy night the Christ-Child came
The pearl gates opened wide,
And Peace and Love came down, with us
Forever to abide.

And that is why each Christmas brings
Its gifts and songs and cheer;
And that is why we love this day
The best of all the year.
—Antoinette Smith.

MISS BLUE EYES IN THE WINDOW

It was the day before Christmas. Out of doors the snow was falling softly from a gray sky, but the great stores glittered with hundreds of electric lights.

"Isn't it like fairy land?" whispered a sweet-faced doll in a blue satin dress to the pink-clad lady beside her in the window of a toy store.

"Have you never been in a store window before?" asked the doll in pink, rather scornfully.

"O, no," answered Miss Blue Eyes. "I think it is very wonderful to be able to look out and see the people hurry by. Only it is rather sad, too, because some of the little children look so sad, so cold, and as if they did not have enough to eat."

Then, because the lady in pink looked bored, Miss Blue Eyes turned to the kind old colored mammy on the other side. In her arms mammy held a tiny baby, with long, lace-trimmed clothes.

"What a dear baby!" cried Miss Blue Eyes. "I should like to hold it, but I mustn't rumple my best dress, you see."

Just then Miss Blue Eyes jumped, for a hand came and lifted mammy from her place in the window.

She did not come back again, and Miss Blue Eyes began to wonder what had become of her.

"I hope the little baby won't take cold," she thought, anxiously. "I wonder how it would feel to go out in the big world."

"It all depends on who you go with," said the lady in pink. She was tired of staying so quiet. "I had a sister who went to live with a little girl, not long ago, and sometimes she would be brought back to this store for a new coat or a muff, or something of the kind. The girl she lived with was very wealthy and my sister said she had everything she cared for."

"Has she been to see you lately?" asked Miss Blue Eyes, eagerly. "I should very much like to see her."

"N-n-o," answered the lady in pink. "The last time she was here the little girl had a new doll, and the hateful thing told me that my sister was no longer the favorite. The new doll said she was just from Paris and put on such airs!"

"O, I wouldn't like that!" cried Miss Blue Eyes, "I want to live with some one who will love me always, even after I am old."

The lady in pink shrugged her shoulders.

"Will you look at that ragged child peering in the window?" she exclaimed. "I am glad there is glass between me and her; ugh! I couldn't bear to have her dirty hands on me!"

"O, but how sad her eyes look!" Miss Blue Eyes cried. "And she hasn't any wrap, only a bit of flannel around her shoulders! She looks as if she needs some one to love her!"

And Miss Blue Eyes smiled her brightest smile at the wistful face pressed against the window.

The cold lips smiled back, then, all at once, they faded away.

"Poor little girl!" Miss Blue Eyes said. "I should like to put my cheek close to hers and tell her that I love her."

"What taste!" sneered the lady in pink. "O-o-h!"

The lady in pink was taken away from Miss Blue Eye's side.

"I wonder where she has gone?" Miss Blue Eyes said, "I—"

But just then the lady in pink was put back in her old place.

"I've had a narrow escape!" she panted. "Who do you suppose the shop-keeper showed me to? That horrid ragamuffin we were talking about!"

Miss Blue Eyes did not have time to reply, for just then she was drawn from her place in the window.

"Is this the one?" asked a sweet voice.

A beautiful lady with golden hair held Miss Blue Eyes gently in her arms.

"O, yes!" answered a happy voice. "She smiled at me, you know!"

"She has a sweet face," the beautiful lady said, gazing at Miss Blue Eyes, "I think she will love you."

And then two thin arms folded close about Miss Blue Eyes' soft, silken gown, and Miss Blue Eyes pressed her cheek close against the cold cheek of the little girl she had seen through the window.

"Is she really mine?" asked the little girl, looking up into the beautiful lady's face.

"Really yours," the beautiful lady said. "A Christmas gift!"

"O-oh!" breathed the little girl, softly.

And lifting one of the beautiful lady's hands, she covered it with kisses.

The wind came icily around the corner as the little girl darted into the street. But Miss Blue Eyes did not feel cold, for the bit of flannel had been dragged from the little girl's shoulders and was wrapped closely about Miss Blue Eyes.—Ethel Taylor Crittenden, in Baptist Boys and Girls.

The Christmas stars are shining
The Christmas bells are chiming,
To hail the morning sweet.
May the dear Christ Child's blessing,
Each loving heart possessing,
Make Christmas Day complete.

A REAL SANTA CLAUS

Santa Claus, I hang for you
By the mantel stockings two—
One for me and one to go
To another boy I know.

There's a chimney in the town
You have never traveled down.
Should you chance to enter there
You would find a room all bare;
Not a stocking could you spy,
Matter not how you might try.
And the shoes you'd find are such
As no boy would care for much.

In a broken bed you'd see
Some one just about like me,
Dreaming of the pretty toys
Which you bring to other boys.
And to him a Christmas seems
Merry only in his dreams.

All he dreams, then, Santa Claus,
Stuff the stockings with, because
When it's filled up to the brim
I'll be Santa Claus to him!
—Frank Demster Sherman.

MISTLETOE

A poor, shivering maid is Miss Mistletoe, who could not live at all unless some kindly tree clasped her in his arms and wrapped her in his cloak. She is a parasite, and lives upon her tree host in more ways than one. Perhaps you would call her a thief; for instead of drawing her nourishment from the ground, as most self-respecting plants do, she extracts it from the tree upon which she finds herself. But, on the other hand, she makes some return by covering the tree with her thick evergreen foliage when all its leaves have fallen and the world is bound in winter's icy fetters.

After all, poor Mistletoe is not so much to blame as we might think, for she did not choose her home herself. In all probability some bird that had been feeding on mistletoe berries alighted in the tree and wiped his beak on a branch. The seeds are enveloped in a sort of gelatine, and cling to anything with which they come in contact. So no doubt in using a twig for his napkin the bird left a seed or two, which soon sprouted and grew into a vine.

The European mistletoe is quite different from the American plant, and in olden times it was considered sacred. The Druids made a medicine from it which they declared would cure every ill, and for a long time it was called "All-Heal." A necklace of mistletoe, they said, would ward off dangers, and a maiden kissed beneath a spray of this plant would surely wed before the year was out. It is in memory of these quaint old beliefs that the mistletoe swings from our chandliers during the holidays.—Margaret W. Leighton.

SOME FACTS ABOUT BLUE MARBLE

It is commonly known that Southern marble quarries hold an important place in the production of the world's marble, but it is a question if the people of the South know that to one of their own home industries, strictly Southern in ownership and management, belongs the distinction of producing some of the finest blue marble in the world.

Blue marble is not a common product and the Regal Marble Company of Regal, N. C., own the only quarries in the South. One of their best products, known to the trade as Regal Blue, was recently made the subject of interesting tests by the U S. Department of Agriculture. The government report showed the marble to be such fine and compact texture that it withstood the highest tests for crushing strength and water absorption. These are the properties that make for the recognized permanence of color and durability of this marble. The Regal Company employs native Southern workmen exclusively, both in the quarries and in their finishing plant.

Mr. R. B. Eleazer, editor of the Missionary Voice, has in a recent issue of that excellent periodical of our church a most timely editorial on "The Call of the State University." He speaks with regret of the fact that, with one exception, not a single one of the twenty-five State colleges and universities within the bounds of Southern Methodism is receiving from our church any practical attention in the form of definite Christian work in behalf of the Methodist students of those institutions. The last General Conference requested the Board of Education to make a careful study of the subject of the Christian care of our Methodist students in State institutions, and the Board appointed last spring a special committee to present its recommendations.

At its recent session the Louisiana Conference recommended the appointment of Rev. Thomas Carter and Rev. Henry B. Carre as professors in Vanderbilt University. The following resolution was adopted, making clear the attitude of the Conference on the present educational system in the church:

"Whereas, Rev. Thomas Carter and Rev. H. B. Carre are at present and have for some years past been serving as professors in Vanderbilt University, at Nashhville, Tenn.; and, whereas, this Conference has requested the presiding bishop to appoint Brothers Carter and Carre to professorships in Vanderbilt University; therefore be it

"Resolved, That, while we have recommended the appointment of these brethren to professorships in Vanderbila University, we desire to place ourselves on record as commending in every particular the action of the General Conference of 1914 and also all the acts of the commissioners appointed by said General Conference relative to the said Vanderbilt matter."

The South Georgia Conference, with a total membership of 93,276, paid for missions during the year just closed $52,620.

Methodist Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

A mutual fire insurance company, organized, owned and operated by the Methodist Church in North Carolina, for the purpose of furnishing protection for church property and personal property of preachers at ACTUAL COST.

Write for information and rates.

W. E. WEBB, Secretary **Statesville, N. C.**

Greensboro Commercial School
110 West Washington St. **Greensboro, N. C.**
Winter Term begins January 3rd., 1916
Bookkeeping and Shorthand our specialty. Write for catalogue.
E. A. McCLUNG, Principal

WILBUR R. SMITH BUSINESS COLLEGE
Refers to 55 years' experience, 10,000 Graduates in business, and award of World's Fair Medal. Bookkeeping and Business, Shorthand, Typewriting and Telegraphy taught. Notes received. Situations. Begin now.
Address **WILBUR R. SMITH, Lexington, Kentucky.**

Our Foreign Advertising is in Charge of
Jacobs & Co., Clinton, S. C.,
SOLICITING OFFICES:

New York—118 E. 28th St.....E. L. Gould
Chicago—420 Advertising Bldg...W. B. Porcher
Detroit—Hotel Tuller.....C. L. Winn
St. Louis—1500 Central Natl. Bank Bldg., M. E. Gammon
Nashville—161 8th Ave. N.....J. M. Riddle, Jr.
Atlanta—Wesley Memorial Bldg...J. B. Keough
Asheville, N. C.—421 S. Main St.....G. H. Ligon
Philadelphia—1421 Arch St..... A. O'Daniel
Richmond, Va.—Murphy Hotel...J. W. Ligon

Our Dead

SHUFORD—In this moral tillage, God cultivates many flowers, seemingly for their beauty and fragrance, for when bathed in soft sunshine, they have burst into blossoms, then the Divine hand gathers them from the earthly fields, to be kept in crystal vases in the deathless mansions above.

Thus little children die, some in the sweet bud, some in the fuller blossoms, but never too early to make Heaven fairer and sweeter with their immortal bloom. When the death angel took from our midst, Nov., 24th, the beautiful babe of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Shuford, her life work was complete.

All who knew her, loved her, and life is better, riper, richer, even in this hour of bereavement than it was. We thank Him for the light which He kindled, which burned with so pure a flame, and taught so sweet a lesson.

Her earthly ministry was well done, she has helped sanctify and lift heavenward our hearts that break at its farewell. "Dorothy" is not dead, the child of our affection, but gone into that school where she no longer needs our protection, and Christ Himself doth rule.

There's a pair of little hands,
Laid to rest for evermore,
There's two pearly dimpled cheeks,
Whose rich blossoming is o'er;
Death has sealed two little eyes,
That will no more smile or weep,
Tiny windows of the soul,
Little baby's gone to sleep.

There's another bud removed,
Ere it felt the blight of sin.
Thru the door the angels made,
Darling baby has passed in;
For beyond the azure skies,
Where the tiny star eyes peep,
From all earths sad doubts and fears,
Little baby's gone to sleep.

She will wake in fairer lands,
Where the angel voices sing;
There the flower shall expand,
There shall love perfection bring;
She has reached the golden shore,
Thru the river cold and deep;
Angels bore her safely there,
Little baby's gone to sleep.

Angels bore her safely home;
So for her we may not weep;
Softly to the doorway come,
Little baby's gone to sleep,
She has only gone to sleep.

A Friend.

LOWRY—Mrs. Harriet S. Lowry (nee McKee) was born on Jonathan Creek, Haywood county, Jan. 6, 1827, was married to James M. Lowry, Jan. 9, 1851. She was the mother of eight children, two of whom died in early life. She leaves four sons and two daughters,—James P. Chas. L., Jesse P., and John R. Lowry, Mrs. A. L. Morgan and Mrs. James W. Rice, with whom she lived until her death. Her husband preceded her to the better land fourteen years ago. She was converted when a young woman and joined the Methodist church at Big Sandy Marsh. Her light shone so brightly that no one could mistake her calling. For such a life there is no need of a glowing eulogy. Her life, among her loved ones, her friends, her neighbors, her influence for God, her sublime resignation to the will of Him who numbereth our days—all these bear rich testimony to her faith and character and that God called her for his own.

For 19 years she had been a member of the Mt. Morenci Methodist church. A large company of friends attended her funeral, after which her body was laid to rest in the family cemetery. May the blessed Comforter abide with the bereaved and devoted children. T. A. Groce.

SHOOK—Fred Shook, son of D. E. and Cora Shook, was born August 24th, 1892. He was married a little more than a year ago to Miss Kannie Lee, of Lake Toxaway. This union was blessed with one child, and was broken by the railway accident that resulted in the death of the devoted young husband and father.

Brother Shook was converted and joined the Methodist church when a boy in his teens and was highly praised by those who knew him for his zeal and devotion to the church and Sunday school. In his untimely taking away one home lost a dutiful son and another a devoted husband, while the church gives up a faithful worker and the community a good citizen. "The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away; blessed be the name of the Lord." His pastor,

W. E. Poovey.

TRIBUTE OF RESPECT

It is with deep sorrow that we as a class record the passing away of one of our beloved Home Department members, of the Spencer Methodist church, Mrs. C. M. Brooks, which occurred on the morning of November 18th, 1915, at her home in Spencer, N. C.

Sister Brooks had been sick for only a short time, and confined to her bed for about four weeks, with tuberculosis which claimed its victim.

We extend to the stricken family, of husband and five boys, our deepest sympathy in this trying time of deep sorrow, and we commend them to the God of all grace, who is able to comfort and keep them.

As a wife she was loving and kind, and a considerate companion; as a mother, she was untiring and gave herself in absolute devotion to her children.

She bore her affliction as a Christian, and is now gone to live with her Lord in whom she trusted, and where no death and sorrow can enter.

As a committee we desire that a copy of this tribute be sent to the family, a copy to the Sunday school, a copy to the Christian Advocate and the Spencer Crescent.

Mrs. J. H. Harris,
Mrs. R. M. Holt,
Miss H. Gunter,
Committee.

HOWARD—On November 5th, at the dawning of the day, Brother F. L. Howard, at the age of 49 years, heard God's call and quickly responded. A number of years ago his life companion had gone to the other side. Brother Howard was a faithful and consistent member of the Mooresville Methodist church. His was a fine example of regularity and punctuality in church attendance. We shall miss him but hope to meet him where death and separation are no more.

C. S. Kirkpatrick.

WINBARGER—On the North Fork of New River, near Creston, N. C., Lucy Belle Johnson was born Oct. 9, 1889. She died of heart failure at her home, two miles from Creston, Nov. 12, 1915. Her body was laid to rest in the Peak Valley burying ground next day in the presence of a great number of relatives and friends. She was married to Norman Winbarger April 12, 1908. To this union were born four children, all of whom are living.

She joined Creston, M. E. church, South, in youth and lived a consistant life. She leaves, besides her children, a husband, father, mother, two brothers, three sisters and many relatives and friends to mourn their loss. J. I. Hickman, Pastor.

IN MEMORY OF MRS JAS. W. PEGUES

The Ladies' Aid Society of Pleasant Hill church has sustained a grievous loss in the death of Mrs. James W. Pegues. She was a charter member of the society and one of the most faithful workers. Therefore, be it resolved:

First, that while we are deeply stricken by this sudden loss of one of our most active and useful members, we beseech our Heavenly Father for submission and guidance.

Second, that we offer our tenderest sympathy to the bereaved companion and relatives and we earnestly pray that God may comfort them in their sorrow.

Third, that a page in the record of our society be inscribed to her memory, a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family and a copy to the North Carolina Christian Advocate.

Mrs. C. G. Teal,
Mrs. A. V. Moore,
Mrs. H. E. Braswell,
Committee.

TRIBUTE TO MRS. U. B. BLALOCK

Standing in the shadow of a great sorrow, and conscious of the far-reaching loss our Sunday school has sustained in the passing of our beloved Mrs. Blalock, we bow in submission to the divine summons that called her from us.

We recognized in Mrs. Blalock a most valuable leader in all our church activities, and in her death the Methodist Sunday school has lost one of its most consistent members and most faithful teachers. She was a woman of rare talents, early in life consecrating these natural gifts to the Master's service, and ever doing only the work the Lord required at her hand.

Her bright countenance, her genial manner, her cheerful words, her sweet spirit, her beautiful Christian character, all were an inspiration which we were most fortunate in having. She blessed the church and the world with rare qualities of mind and heart. Our Sunday school is better because she was a member of it, and we shall ever cherish in our hearts the memory of her loyal service and her many loving deeds. Her going from us has left vacant a large place in our Sunday school but the memory of her bright, beautiful, active Christian life will serve to inspire us in this same work in which she was so faithful.

Therefore, be it resolved:

First, that we shall miss her sunny face, her wise words, her cheerful labors, her faithful attendance, and her love for the Master and all His work.

Second, that the heartfelt sympathy of those who were near and dear to her, and who, in a special manner, miss her presence.

Third, that the mantle of her godly life may fall on some member of our Sunday school.

Fourth, that a page in the record of our Sunday school be dedicated to her memory by inscribing thereon these resolutions; that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, one to each of our local papers, and one to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

Mrs. W. N. Jeans,
Mrs. J. Flake Martin,
Mrs. T. P. Caraway,
Committee.

IN MEMORY OF MRS. FLORENCE STEVENSON CAMPBELL

On the night of Wednesday, September 29th, 1915, the spirit of our beloved teacher, Mrs. Florence Stevenson Campbell, went home to its Maker. Although she was forced by sheer lack of strength to give up active work in the Sunday school early last spring, yet her interest never lagged, and she was constantly sending loving little messages to the class on which she had lavished so much thought and care.

In June of 1914, Mrs. Campbell invited us all to her home for a sewing party. However, we had so much to talk about, and the afternoon passed so quickly and pleasantly that the thimbles were not brought into use at all.

Some time last fall Mrs. Campbell told us that she had decided to spend the winter with her sister, Mrs. McPhatter, in Kissimee, Florida, in the hope that the change of climate would prove beneficial to her. Accordingly, one Saturday afternoon in the first part of November, Mrs. Will Shuford, our secretary, entertained the class as a farewell courtesy to Mrs. Campbell. The weather on this occasion was well-nigh perfect, and the class came out in a body. During the afternoon Mrs. Campbell, in a few well-chosen words, told of the pleasure that teaching us had given her, and expressed the hope that upon her return the next spring she would find the class unchanged and ready to receive her again as teacher. She requested Mrs. W. L. Abernethy to take charge during the winter, and left as a watchword with us the word "Mizpah"—"The Lord keep watch between me and thee while we are absent one from another." A few days later, Mrs. Campbell and her small daughter, Miss Ruth, left us. All through the winter she corresponded with us, sending us at one time violets, and at another kumquats packed in moss, and it was from her letters, though they were brave and cheery, and full of Florida life and happenings, that we learned that she was not improving. She and Ruth came home the first of May. Rev. Mr. Stanford, assisted by the Rev. C. W. Byrd, was conducting a revival at that time, and Mrs. Campbell, seemingly in her usual health, but in reality physically unable, plunged into the work with a fervor that was an inspiration to all who attended the services. She resumed her place as teacher of our class but resigned a month later, for she realized that she was doing herself an injury to continue.

From that time on she declined steadily, and she herself knew that the end was very near. To the neighbors and friends who visited her during those last ten weeks of her life she presented the same bright, cheerful countenance, and spoke unwaveringly of the change to come. She missed the mid-week prayer meetings almost more than anything else, and it was while one of these services was in progress at the church that she passed into the great beyond. Friday afternoon, October 1st, a large concourse of friends gathered at the church, where Rev. Mr. Stanford paid high and beautiful tribute to Mrs. Campbell. Our class in a bodly followed close behind the casket of her whom we had loved and respected in life, whose counsel and guidance we had sought, and whom we were thus honoring in death. And as the highest mark of esteem that we could pay her, we have, at the suggestion of Mrs. W. S. Short, adopted the name of the "Florence Campbell" Class.

Mrs. Lou Winchester Wolfe,
For the Hickory M. E. S. S.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY ROUND TRIP EXCURSION VIA SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Southern Railway will sell low round trip Christmas Holiday tickets on December 17, 18, 23, 24 and 25th, to all points, tickets limited to midnight of January 10th, 1916.

Round trip tickets will also be sold to points in Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota and other Northwestern States.

Spend your holiday vacation with friends and loved ones. Travel via Southern Railway. Fast through trains, through sleeping cars and dining cars to all points. Let us route you by the best and quickest schedules.

For full information, schedules, Pullman reservations and fares to any point ask any agent Southern Railway, or write,

R. H. DeButts, D. P. A.,
Charlotte, N. C.

Quarterly Meetings

MT. AIRY DISTRICT—H. C. Sprinkle, Presiding Elder, Mt. Airy, N. C.

First Round

December

Dobson, Old Siloam 11-12
Jonesville, Jonesville, night 12-13
Elkin, night 13
Yadkinville, Center 14
Summerfield, Battle Ground 18-19
Stokesdale, Stokesdale, night ...19-20
Ararat, Hatcher's 26-27

January

Pinnacle, Pinnacle 1-2
Pilot Mountain Station, night 2-3
Walnut Cove, Stokesburg 8-9
Madison-Stoneville, Madsion, n't, 9-10
Leaksville, night 10
Spray, night 11
Draper, night 12
Mt. Airy Ct., Beulah 15-16
Rural Hall, Mt. Pleasant 22-23

WAYNESVILLE DISTRICT—J. P. Rodgers, Presiding Elder, Waynesville, N. C.

First Round

November

Canton Station 28
Clyde Ct., Clyde 28

December

Bethel, Bethel 4-5
Canton, Harmony 5-6
Haywood, Crabtree 11-12
Fines Creek, Panther's Creek ...12-13
Webster, Cullowhee 18-19
Sylva, Sylva 19-20
Jonathan, Dellwood 25-26
Waynesville Station 26

January

Bryson and Whittier, Whittier 1-2
Robbinsville, Robbinsville 8-9
Judson, Judson 10-11
Andrews Station 15-16
Ranger, Ranger 22
Murphy Station 22-23
Murphy Ct., Ogden 28
Hayesville, Sweetwater 29-30

February

Macon, Union 1
Franklin Station 2-3
Franklin Ct., Iotla 4-5
Highlands, Highlands 7
Glenville, Glenville 8-9

Meeting of district stewards at Dillsboro, December 15th, at 2 p. m.

CHARLOTTE DISTRICT—L. T. Mann, Presiding Elder, Charlotte, N. C.

First Round

December

Pineville, Pineville, 11 a. m. 11-12
Calvary, night 12-13
Weddington, Union, 11 a. m. 18-19
Waxhaw, Waxhaw, night 19-20
Hickory Grove, Hickory Grove, 11 a. m. 26-27
Brevard Street, night 26-27

January

Belmont Park, 11 a. m. 2-3
Trinity, night 2-4
Prospect, Trinity, 11 a. m. 8-9
Monroe, Central, night 9-10
Unionville, Unionville, 11 a. m. ..15-16
N. Monroe, N. Monroe, night 16-17
Ansonville, Ansonville, 11 a. m. ..22-23
Wadesboro, night 23-24
Spencer Mem.-Derita, 11 a. m., 29-30
Seversville, Trinity, 3 p. m. 30-31
Thrift, Thrift, night 30-31

February

Chadwick, 11 a. m. 5-6
Hawthorne Lane, night 6-7
Dilworth, 11 a. m. 12-13
Tryon Street, night 13-14
Polkton, Fountain Hill, 11 a. m...19-20
Marshville, Wingate, night 20-21
Lilesville, Olivet, 11 a. m. 26-27
Matthews, Indian Trail, night 27-28

March

Morven, Sandy Plain, 11 a. m. 4-5

TRY MURINE EYE REMEDY
For Red, Weak, Weary, Watery Eyes and GRANULATED EYELIDS.
Murine Doesn't Smart—Soothes Eye Pain
Druggists Sell Murine Eye Remedy, Liquid, 25c, 50c, $1.00
Murine Eye Salve, in Aseptic Tubes, 25c, $1.00
EYE BOOKS AND ADVICE FREE BY MAIL
Murine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago

GREENSBORO DISTRICT—J. H. Weaver, Presiding Elder, Greensboro, N. C.

First Round

November

Reidsville 28

December

Spring Garden 5
South Main St., High Pont 5-6
Uwharrie, Concord 11-12
Asheboro 12-13
Coleridge, Concord 18-19
Ramseur and Franklinville, Ramseur 19-20
Pleasant Garden, Pleasant Garden..20
Gibsonville 21
Walnut St. and Carraway Mem. 22

January

Ruffin, Ruffin 14-15
Wentworth, Salem 15-16
Greensboro, Holt's Chapel 22-23
Centenary 23-24
West Greensboro, Muir's Chapel..29-30
West Market Street 30-31

February

Randolph, Mt. Gillead 4-5
Randleman 5-6
Deep River, Worthville 5-6
Wesley Memorial 13-14
East End 13-14
Denton, Pleasant Grove 19-20

WINSTON DISTRICT—H. K. Boyer, Presiding Elder, Winston, N. C.

First Round

December

Grace, 11 a. m. 5
Kernersville, Kernersville 5-6
Davidson, Good Hope 11-12
Southside, night 12
Farmington, Farmington 18-19
Cooleemee, night 19
Burkhead, 11 a. m. 26
Salem, night 26

January

Forsyth, Mineral Spring 1-2
Centenary, night 2
Jackson Hill, New Hope 8-9
Thomasville Ct., Unity 15-16
Thomasville, Main St., night 14-16
Linwood, Cotton Grove 22-23
Lexington, night 21-23
Davie, Oak Grove 29-30
Mocksville, night 28-30

February

Walkertown 5-6
West End, night 6
Lewisville, Brookstown 12-13
Advance, Advance 19-20
North Davie—open

District stewards' meeting and conference of pastors and charge lay leaders in Winston-Salem, December 9th, 11.30 a. m., in Centenary church.

MORGANTON DISTRICT—J. E. Gay, Presiding Elder, Marion, N. C.

First Round

December

McDowell, Nebo 4-5
Marion Mills 5-6
Old Fort, Old Fort 11-12
Marion Station 12-13
Morganton Ct., Bethel 18-19
Morganton Station 19-20
Marion Ct., Carson's 25-26

January

Thermal City, Thermal 1-2
Rutherfordton, Rutherfordton 8-9
Green River, Bethlehem 10-11
Broad River, Kistlers 12-13
Henrietta-Caroleen, Henrietta ...15-16
Cliffside, Cliffside 22-23
Forest City, Forest City 23-24
Table Rock, Oak Hill 29-30
Connelly Springs, Rutherford College 30-31

February

Spruce Pine and Bakersville, Spruce Pine 5-6
Bald Creek, Boring's 11
Micaville, Horton's Hill 12-13
Burnsville 19-20

STATESVILLE DISTRICT—W. R. Ware, Presiding Elder, Statesville, N. C.

First Round

December

Lenoir Ct., Littlejohn's 18-19
Granite Falls and Hudson, Granite Falls, night 19-20
Broad Street, Statesville, 11 a. m. ..26
Cool Springs Ct., Providence ..26-27

January

West Hickory, Bethel 1-2
Rhodhiss, night 2-3
Troutman Ct., Troutman 8-9
Race St., Statesville, night 9-10
Iredell Ct., Olin 15-16
Statesville Ct., Bethel 16-17
Alexander Ct., Taylorsville 22-23
Stony Point Ct., Stony Pt., night, 23-24
Maiden Ct., Maiden 29-30
Newton, night 30-31

February

Catawba Ct., Catawba 5-6
Mt. Zion, 11 a. m. 12-13
Davidson, night 13-14
Mooresville Ct., Fairview 19-20
Mooresville 20-21

ASHEVILLE DISTRICT—C. A. Wood, Presiding Elder, Weaverville, N. C.

December

Mills River, Shaws Creek 18-19
Hendersonville, night 19
Asheville Ct., Riverview 26
Biltmore-Mt. Pleasant, Mt. Pleasant, 26

January

Fairview, Skyland 1-2
Black Mountain 2-3
Walnut, Walnut 8-9
Hot Springs-Marshall, Hot Springs, 9
Mars Hill, Laurel 15-16
Mars Hill, night 16
Swannanoa, Wests Chapel 22-23
Flat Rock-Fletcher, Flat Rock 23
Leicester, Leicester 29-30
Bethel, night 30

February

Rosman Ct., Rosman 5-6
Brevard, night 6
Henderson Ct., Moores Grove 12-13
Tryon-Saluda, Tryon 13-14
Sulphur Springs, Pleasant Hill ..19-20
West Asheville, night 20
Weaverville Ct., Flint Hill 26-27
Haywood St., night 27

Conference of preachers of the district, traveling and local, at Central church, Asheville, Dec. 13, 7:30 p. m.

District stewards' meeting Central church, Dec. 14, 11 a. m.

Charge leaders' meeting, Central church, Dec. 14, 2 p. m.

SHELBY DISTRICT—J. R. Scroggs, Presiding Elder, Shelby N. C.

January

Shelby, Central 2
Shelby Ct., LaFayette 2
Crouse, Crouse 8
Stanly, Stanly 9
Lincoln Ct., Asbury 15
Lincolnton, Lincolnton 16
Bessemer, Bessemer 22
Kings Mountain, Kings Mountain ..23
Lowesville, Hills Chapel 29
Mt. Holly, Mt. Holly 30

February

Polkville, Polkville 4
Belwood, Palm Tree 5
Rock Spring, Denver 12
Lowell, Lowell 19
McAdenville, McAdenville 20
Belmont, Belmont 20
Dallas-Ozark, High Shoals 26
Gastonia, Main Street 27
Gastonia, West End 27

March

South Fork, Palm Tree 4
Cherryville, Bethlehem 11

NORTH WILKESBORO DISTRICT—T. E. Wagg, Presiding Elder, Jefferson, N. C.

First Round

December

Jefferson Ct., Zion 18-19

January

Creston Ct., Creston 1-2
Watauga Ct., Valle Crucis 8-9
Elk Park Ct., Montezuma 15-16
Avery Ct., Fair View 22-23
Boone Ct., Boone 29-30

February

Laurel Springs Ct., Nathan's Creek, 5-6
Sparta Ct., Shiloh 12-13
Wilks Ct., Adley 19-20
Wilkesboro Station, night 20-21
North Wilkesboro Ct. 26-27
North Wilkesboro Station, night 27-28

The district stewards, pastors and lay leaders of each charge will please meet at Jefferson Dec. 22-23. This will be a very important meeting and each man is expected to be present.

SALISBURY DISTRICT—J. C. Rowe, Presiding Elder, Salisbury, N. C.

First Round

December

China Grove, 11 a. m. 26
Salisbury, First church, night 26

January

Cottonville Ct., Cedar Grove 1-2
Norwood 2-3
Mt. Pleasant Ct., Mt. Pleasant 8-9
Westford, night 9
Epworth-Center, Epworth 15-16
West Concord, Kerr St., night 16
Albemarle Ct., Stony Hill 22-23
Albemarle, Central 23-24
New London Ct., Palmerville ..29-30
Gold Hill Ct., Gold Hill 30-31

February

Concord Ct., Olivet 5-6
Forest Hill, night 6-7
Bethel-Love's, Bethel 12-13
Concord, Central, night 13-14
Salem Ct., Salem 19-20
Albemarle, First Street, night ..20-21
Kannapolis Ct., Oak Grove 26-27
Kannapolis Station, night 27-28

WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT

(Continued from page 8)

emies. Prayer makes missionaries of our daughters and preachers of our sons, and if there is anything lacking we may rest assured that it is because of a lack of faith and persistance in us and not because of any failure in God, for "Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear."

Let us ask God that he may teach us to pray that the burdens may be removed and that a "strange sweet peace may flood our souls."

Children's Home

T. R. Gray, Cullasaja, $12.00; J. F. Roberts, Treas., Central S. S., Shelby, $2.50; J. D. Lyon, Spruce Pine, $1.00; James and Maggie Goforth, Dysartsville, $3.00; Mrs. Mc. Reinhardt, Shelby, $1.00; Ruth Miller, Gays Chapel S. S., Salisbury, 10c; three envelopes without names, Gays Chapel, each 5c; Miss Nell Causey, New York City, $10.00; Dr. J. M. Turner, North Wilkesboro, $5.00; a friend, $5.00; C. R. Womack, Lincolnton, 80c; total, $40.55.

Special Support

Mrs. Myrtle R. Wooten, Winston-Salem, $10.00.

Building Fund

A. H. Nance, Asheville, $6.25; H. M. Whitfield, Hendersonville M. E. S. S., $6.00.

Donations in Kind

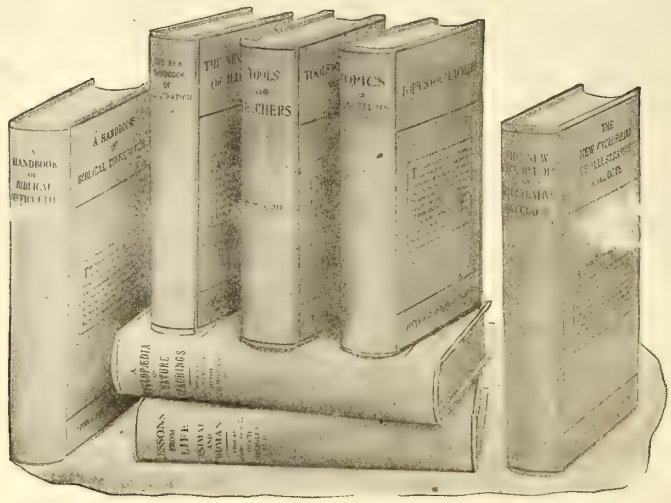
We heartily thank the good friends who have remembered us with the following gifts: Mr. C. H. Ireland, Greensboro, fifteen winter work jackets; Mr. W. Stockton, Kernersville, a box of underwear, handkerchiefs, towels, stockings and caps; Mrs. James Kille, Route 3, Asheville, a package containing clothing and a doll each from her three little girls and dressed by them; Mrs. T. J. Carson, Sparta, a large roll of good country butter and a towel; one quilt from Mrs. A. T. Lyda, Route 2, Hendersonville.

AGENTS WANTED
Liberal Terms! Sells on Sight! Ministers, Teachers, Christian Men and Women Can Make Big Money! First in the field will get results! Write To-day.
"AUNT FANNY'S" OWN STORY
Fanny Crosby's Story OF NINETY-FOUR YEARS
By S. TREVENA JACKSON
Before her death the blind singer dictated her own life-story drawing on an extraordinary memory for her recollections of over ninety years. A book filled with memories, impressions and reminiscences never before related.

ONLY $1.00 net
FLEMING H. REVELL COMPANY, Publishers
158 Fifth Av., New York 125 N. Wabash Av., Chicago

Sunday School Helps and Supplies

SEVEN LARGE VOLS.
OVER
3800 PAGES



ONLY
$6.00
NET

Tools for Preachers and Teachers

Formerly $14.00----Now Less Than Half Price

Any Single Volume, $1.00 net (formerly $2.00)

A practical, working library, drawn from nature life and the Scriptures. A Storehouse of Information useful for workers in every branch of Christian effort.

1. The Cyclopaedia of Nature Teachings
Introduction by Hugh Macmillan

A selection of acts, illustrations, examples and suggesitons taken from fall departments of inanimate nature, and employed to illuminate the great facts of the religious life.

2. Lessons from Life (Animal and Human)
Introduction by Hugh Macmillan

A compendium of illustration abounding in curious and interesting facts concerning the habits, instincts and peculiarities of living creatures, both animal and human. The moral and religious lessons imparted arise naturally and without effort from the incidents described.

3. Tools for Teachers
By Wm. Moodie

A collection of anecdotes, illustrations and legends for the use of Teachers of Sunday-Schools, Bible Classes and Boys' Clubs. A practical manual and storehouse of anecdotes and illustration for all who have to do with the moral and religious training of the young.

4. New Cyclopaedia of Illustrative Anecdote
(Moral and Religious)

A comprehensive collection of authentic anecdotes, old and new, on a wide range of subjects, arranged and classified alphabetically for ready reference, and with a detailed index.

5. New Handbook of Illustration

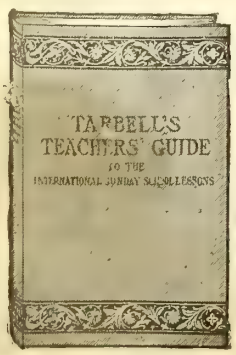
A classified exposition of Scripture Truth and Christian Life, digested and arranged for ready reference. This Handbook of Illustration will afford valuable aid, as a book of suggestion and reference, to public speakers in every branch of their profession.

6. Handbook of Biblical Difficulties
(On Moral and Religious Subjects)
By the Rev. Robert Tuck, B. A.

The editor of this Handbook has collected the passages in the Bible which seem to present special difficulties, and deals carefully with each, suggesting a reasonable explanation of every perplexity, or at least of every class of perplexity.

7. Topics for Teachers *By the Rev. J. C. Gray*

This work constitutes a Bible Dictionary, Manual and Textbook, a Commentary and a Concordance, all in one, saving the cost of these books and the time occupied in their use. The volume is almost a library in itself. It is an invaluable work for preachers and Sunday-School teachers.

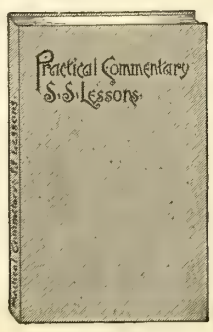


Tarbell's Teachers' Guide

By Martha Tarbell, Ph. D.

Large octavo, cloth binding, $1.00 net (postpaid $1.10).

Time was when "anyone" taught Sunday-school, and results were a matter of conjecture. The TARBELL method has ushered in a new era in Sunday-school teaching, with every teacher a competent instructor. From all parts of the globe testimonials come regularly to the success of this modern Sunday-school teachers' *vade mecum* in all grades.



Peloubet's Notes

Conceded to be the best help for teachers in the Sunday School.

Large octavo, cloth binding $1.00 net (postpaid $1.10).

The Gist of the Lesson

By R. A. Torrey, D. D.

Leatherette, net 25c. postpaid.

Increasing by leaps and bounds, each year the history of "GIST" is the record of continued success. Not merely a book of "notes," but a *vade mecum* packed with seed thoughts for study and meditation.



Sunday School Register arranged with blanks for each Sunday's minutes and complete class report, with a summary for each quarter, also for annual report. Arranged for two years. This is generally conceded to be the best and most complete Sunday school Register now published. Price postpaid $1.50.

Sunday School Quarterly Class Records, full size, 25 cts. per dozen. Every Sunday school should keep a good supply of these records.

Complete Baraca Class Record. One Hundred loose leaf sheets for $1.00. Binder $1.00. Complete outfit $2.00. Each leaf is so arranged as to keep a complete individual record for twelve months. No class should be without this record. Sample sheets furnished on application. One binder will last a life time. Any book published will be furnished at the publisher's price.

Job Printing of all sorts executed with neatness and dispatch. Be sure to see us before giving out your fall work. Anything entrusted to us by mail order will be attended to promptly. Send orders to

Board of Publication, Greensboro, N. C.

For Reference

Not to be taken from this room

Duke University Libraries
D01350607M